



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Howdy Tritons,

June is a special month because it's our Open House. For our open house the club will be buying Pizza and pop (soda for you east coasters). For those who want more complex hydrocarbons (beer / alcohol) it is available for purchase. To keep things going smoothly (and make sure the pizza is hot) we will be running on a time table so it is important we start on time. We will have a 50/50 raffle, it might be your lucky night!

Our calendar has quite a few open slot for TIC (Triton in Charge). No experience is needed, talk to your fellow members, they can tell you how easy it is. Or speak to the Events Committee directly, Pam can give you pointers and a cheat sheet to help you with any questions you may have.

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MEMBERSHIP REPORT

June, 2016

I have made up a new roster, members please let me know if you want me to e-mail a copy to you.

We welcome a new associate member
Jeff Tucek
1 North Beacon Place #611
La Grange IL. 60525
Phone [708-469-7700](tel:708-469-7700)
E-Mail jeff.tucek@Comcast.net

Our current membership stands at:

63 full members 2 Associates
Total Membership 65
Adolph Habich - Membership Committee.

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UPDATE YOUR ROSTERS

Moving or updating your email or phone? Be sure to let us know so that we can keep our records up to date. Thanks!

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WANTED TICS

Many thanks to everyone who has stepped up to run an event this year. However we still have need for a few more to complete the

remainder of our calendar. Check out the calendar on the next page.

Contact Pam Romund promund@gmail.com ,thanks!

2016 TRITON EVENTS CALENDAR

June, 2016

Tuesday, 6/28	Business Meeting Open House	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016
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July, 2016

Saturday, 7/9	Charter Dive/Milwaukee Willy - Dredge	Steve Leibovitz 847-833-5379 kb9caw@gmail.com
Tuesday, 7/12	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com
S & S, 7/16-17	Training Wknd – Pearl Sat - Dive & Picnic	Board of Education
Tuesday, 7/26	Business Meeting	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016
Saturday, 7/30	Chicago Skye Game	TIC NEEDED

August, 2016

Saturday, 8/6	Howard/Etherton Day	Board of Education
Tuesday, 8/9	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com
Saturday, 8/13	Arlington Park Racing	Dave O'Malley & Renee Tobias
Saturday, 8/21	Charter Dive/Milwaukee Willy	Steve Leibovitz 847-833-5379 kb9caw@gmail.com Reinstall Plaque on Willy
Tuesday, 8/23	Business Meeting	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016
Saturday, 8/27	Mini Golf Outing	Joan Chibe

September, 2016

Saturday, 9/10	Moped Tour of Oak Park	TIC NEEDED
Tuesday, 9/13	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com
Saturday, 9/17	Charter Dive – TIC Pick Chicago or Milwaukee	TIC NEEDED
Sunday, 9/25	Lk Michigan Cruise	TIC NEEDED
Tuesday, 9/27	Business Meeting	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016

October, 2016

Saturday, 10/1	Lake Geneva Dive	Jim Hynan < jhynan74@gmail.com >
Tuesday, 10/11	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com
Saturday, 10/15	Wine Tasting	Mary VanHouten
Saturday, 10/22	Haunted House Visit	Pam Romund promund@gmail.com
Tuesday, 10/25	Business Meeting	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016

November, 2016

Saturday, 11/5	Cooking for Vets	TIC NEEDED
Tuesday, 11/8	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com
Saturday, 11/19	Distillery Tour Evanston	TIC NEEDED
Tuesday, 11/22	Business Meeting	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016

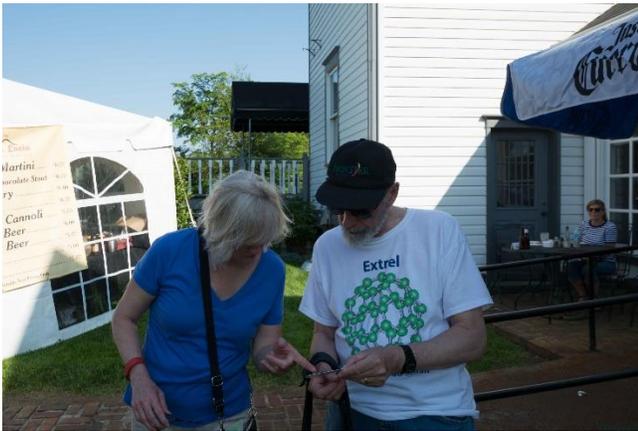
Join in the fun, we have our calendar for 2016. See what you might like to run. Contact Pam Romund

LONG GROVE'S CHOCOLATE FESTIVAL

Sunday May 22, 2016

Long Grove Historic Village

Joan and Milt planning their attack.



Mary and Joan enjoying a chocolate martini.



Six Tritons and a guest attended the Long Grove Chocolate Festival on Sunday, May 22. There were 3 booths that had chocolate dipped bananas, strawberries, cheesecake and bacon. Of course we had to try them all..... I would pass on the bacon next time. There were several other food and drink choices throughout the festival such as various fruit lemonades and smoothies, beer, corn on the cob (which was delicious), ribs, cheese covered fries and ice cream, of course.

All the various shops in downtown Long Grove were open and we wandered through several of them when we weren't snacking. We stopped and watched an entertainer who was creating hundreds of bubbles using a soap solution and huge nets with various hole sizes. It was truly a remarkable site to see all those bubbles blowing in the wind and the children loved to chase them. There were three music venues from mellow to rock n roll at different locations within the festival. We listened to the Beatles Tribute band, American English, which was playing on the main stage from 4-6 pm so we were able to enjoy some oldies before we went to dinner.

We had dinner reservations at Enzo & Lucia's Italian Restaurant which was right in downtown Long Grove. This is a family owned restaurant and all the food was fresh, homemade and delicious. Several of us enjoyed a chocolate Martini with our dinner as a final dose of chocolate to end the day. I would highly recommend Enzo & Lucia's Italian restaurant anytime you are in Long Grove.

TIC: Joan Chibe joanchibe@comcast.net

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A BREATHTAKING ACHIEVEMENT

New Zealand free-diver, William Trubridge, has done it again — twice!

On Saturday, April 30, during the Vertical Blue competition at Dean's Blue Hole in the Bahamas, he plunged on a single breath to 400 feet deep, a new world record in the free-immersion category.

Breath-hold divers pull themselves down a weighted line without the aid of fins to clip off a marker tag at the greatest depth they achieve. Observers were said to be 'awe-struck' by his display of human endurance. But that wasn't good enough for him!

The following Monday, he extended that record depth by achieving a depth of 407 feet while holding his breath for 4 minutes and 34 seconds.

American free-diver, Nicholas Mevoli, died during a record attempt at the Vertical Blue competition in 2013

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WHAT HAPPENED TO PALAU'S JELLYFISH?

Some of Palau's rock islands bear unique ecosystems caused when lakes got landlocked over eons of time. Some of these saltwater lakes are full of jellyfish, and without any predators, they have evolved into a sub-species without any powerful stings. One of the great attractions of Palau has been the possibility to snorkel in Jellyfish Lake. But where have the jellyfish gone?

Previous estimates of jellyfish populations have numbered around eight million, but now it seems there are only a few hundred thousand surviving. In recent weeks, tourists have struggled to find any. Scientists blame a severe drought coupled with raised seasonal air temperatures caused by the El Niño effect.

Palau has always enjoyed a regular tropical deluge in the past, but rainfall during the first quarter of this year has been the lowest recorded for 65 years. The Coral Reef Research Foundation noted that the lack of rain and reduced run-off of rainwater has resulted in an increase in salinity of the lake.

While scientists say there's every chance that jellyfish numbers will rebound when conditions improve, Collin Joseph, a coastal manager for Palau's Koror State, thinks adult jellyfish have pretty much died out completely, while some juveniles remain.

In April, local operator Sam's Tours told its sales agents, "Many tour companies including ours that have been taking guests to the [jellyfish] lake have not seen any jellyfish. We at Sam's Tours have, therefore, decided to suspend our tours to Jellyfish Lake with immediate effect until further notice."

The golden jellyfish population may be on the verge of crashing, although it crashed in 1999 but recovered within eighteen months. Tova Harel of Fish & Fins wrote to tell us it had started raining at last and hopes things will improve. However, if you've already had the experience of snorkeling with the jellyfish, you'd better treasure it. It might not be possible to repeat!

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DIVER FINDS GOLD NUGGET

Sixty-year-old Vince Thurkettle, a professional gold prospector, suffered a rush of adrenaline when he struck lucky, stumbling across an egg-sized 23-carat nugget of gold while diving in only 15 feet of water off Anglesey in North Wales, UK. It's the biggest nugget ever found in Britain, weighing around 3.4 oz. The gold would originally have come from gold miners aboard the 'Royal Charter' when she sank during a storm in 1859 on a voyage from Australia. In the UK, all such finds are the property of the government and Thurkettle will be awarded a percentage of the value as a finder's fee.

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RARE JAW FIND

Savannah diver Bill Eberlein was diving in about 45 feet of water when he recently found a mastodon jaw embedded in the mud of the Intracoastal Waterway near Richmond Hill. Ex-schoolteacher Eberlein, now a professional diver, who searches in the muddy waters of coastal Georgia for prehistoric teeth from sharks that went extinct more than 2 million years ago said, "I was doing my normal dive when I found what I thought was a fossilized log, but when I felt the molars I knew I had found something very rare."

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GO TO JAIL. DO NOT COLLECT \$64,000.

Commercial diver Vincent Woolsgrove claimed he found three extremely rare 17th Century Dutch bronze cannons worth around \$64,000 in international waters before selling them to a Florida collector. However, it was later revealed he found them during 2007 on the 400-year-old wreck of the Royal Navy flagship HMS London in the Thames Estuary in Kent, UK. Had he reported them with the correct procedure, he would have been entitled to a substantial salvage award, but instead, he was jailed for two years and ordered to pay around \$50,000 prosecution costs.

**DIVE THE WILLY AND DREDGE
SUNDAY, July 9, 2016
1:00 PM AT JERRY'S DOCK IN MILWAUKEE**



THE "WILLIE" IS THE MOST POPULAR SHIPWRECK IN THE AREA. SHE IS LAYING ON HER STARBOARD SIDE AT A DEPTH OF 45 to 110FT. THIS STEEL CARGO SHIP IS 258FT LONG AND SANK IN 1954.

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We have booked A&J dive Charters out of Milwaukee. We have the 1:00pm Afternoon dive for

6. This is a fast boat that accommodates 6 divers, leaving from the same dock as the Lender. I have chosen the Prinz Wilhelm and the Dredge, however this is flexible and open for discussion. Fee is \$90.00 per person

BYO air tanks. Their website is: ajdivecharters.com, check it out there is information on all the shipwrecks in the Milwaukee area. Their boat, the Sarah Jane is a 35 ft. Owens Concorde. She was built in 1971 but don't let her age fool you, she has been re-powered with twin 454 Mercruiser engines and has a top speed of 35 MPH make her one of the fastest Scuba charter boats in the Milwaukee area.

This dive is filling up fast. If you did not already sign up, please email or call me.\$90.00 Will hold your spot. Please bring your checks to the meeting.

Steve 847-833-5379 kb9caw@gmail.com

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Is the number of kids receiving swimming lessons last year through the USA Swimming Foundation's Make a Splash program, whose goal is to teach every child to swim.

Since the initiative's launch in 2007, nearly 4 million human tadpoles have learned the life-saving fundamentals. Sobering fact: Drowning is the top unintentional injury death in children ages one to four, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). And boys are almost four times more likely to drown than girls.

Help keep little ones safe with these CDC tips: Use a life jacket instead of air-filled or foam toys for floating, and adults should be no more than an arm's length away from swimmers under the age of five.

To find Make a Splash lessons in your area, visit usaswimmingfoundation.org

Editor's Note: Make sure your kids and grandkids are water safe, sign them up for lessons this summer, please don't put it off.

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BARRACUDAS ARE TOP OF THE FOOD CHAIN. BUT THEIR POPULATIONS STILL BE AT RISK

Barracuda (there are 26 species worldwide) can be found from Massachusetts to Brazil. It inhabits the Gulf of Mexico, the Caribbean, the eastern Atlantic Ocean, the Indo-Pacific, and the Red Sea.

Adult great barracuda tend to live solitary lives at or near the surface in the open ocean. They have been found as deep as 325 feet. Sometimes they aggregate, like those that like to hover around the Spiegel Grove.

The great barracuda has a large pointed mouth containing two sets of razor-sharp teeth. There is a row of small razor-sharp teeth along the outside of the jaw and with a larger set of dagger-like teeth on the inside.

The long needlelike teeth fit into holes in the opposing jaw, allowing the great barracuda to close its mouth. Prey has little chance of escape. Small victims are swallowed whole and larger prey is bitten into pieces.

Great barracuda are big (some can grow to 6 feet) and scary looking. The barracuda's nasty reputation goes back to the 17th century, when it was thought that the great barracuda of the Antilles had a hunger for human flesh and a poisonous bite with which to satisfy its needs.

Great barracuda have a lifespan of at least 14 years, and reach sexual maturity at a length of about 23 inches. Males reach this size in about two years and females four. Even experts have difficulty distinguishing males from females.

It is believed that great barracuda living in the waters of the Florida Keys breed in the spring. Eggs are released and fertilized in open waters and dispersed by the currents.

Newly hatched larvae bear little resemblance to adults and seek safety in shallow, vegetated areas.

Juveniles are recognizable as miniature versions of adults at about .5 inches in length. They move to near shore coral reefs, mangroves and sea grass beds when they reach 2 inches in length.

Barracuda are successful daytime ambush hunters that can burst in speeds up to 35 mph. Mature great barracudas feed on a variety of fish including mullet, snapper, herrings, sardines, small groupers and even small tuna.

Inquisitive, sight-oriented fish, barracuda sometimes trail snorkelers and divers. (One following me gave me a bit of a pause as he darted around and did a few twists and turns.)

But, confirmed unprovoked attacks on humans are rare. Divers who have gotten into trouble with barracuda usually have been spearfishing and found themselves in conflict over who gets to keep the quarry. Some believe that shiny objects like jewelry may attract barracuda, but others debunk this theory.

(For more on barracuda attacks see: <http://www.skin-diver.com/departments/Encounters/PsychoCudas.asp?theID=271>)

There are few predators large enough and fast enough to feed on adult great barracuda. Sharks, tuna, and goliath grouper have been known to feed on small adult barracuda. Juveniles likely fall prey to a variety of inshore predators.

Because barracuda are at the top of the food chain in the reef community they are reservoirs for high amounts of ciguatera, which can cause human ciguatera fish poisoning.

Experts recommend not eating barracuda meat because of the possible neurological, gastrointestinal and cardiac issues that may occur. In some Caribbean islands fishermen test a captured barracuda for ciguatera by seeing if flies come near it. If not, they don't eat the fish

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630-820-2531

CHICAGOLAND SCUBA

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Lake Zurich, IL 60047
847-540-7211

DJ'S SCUBA LOCKER

9301 W. Ogden Ave.
Brookfield, IL 60513
708-442-4388

HAIGH QUARRY

2738 E 2000 North Road
Kankakee, IL 60901
815-939-7797

PIRATE'S COVE DIVING

1103 West Oklahoma Avenue
Milwaukee, WI 53215
414-482-1430

SCUBA SENSATIONS

2475 W. Pratt Blvd
Chicago, IL 60645
312-404-7785

BERRY DIVE CENTER

3402 N. Milwaukee
Northbrook, IL
847-358-3848

DD DIVE SHOP

1039 Waukegan Road
Glenview, IL 60025
847-657-3483

ENTERPRISE MARINE

420 Michael Court
Des Plaines, IL 60016
847-640-8113

PEARL LAKE RESORT

Highway 251
South Beloit, IL 61080
815-389-1479

SCUBA EMPORIUM

16336 S. 104th Avenue
Orland Park, IL 60467
708-226-1614

TOUCAN DIVE CENTER

756 Frontage Road
Lake Villa, IL 60046
847-356-7826

UNDERSEAS SCUBA CENTER

611 N. Addison Avenue
Villa Park, IL 60181
630-833-8383

DIVE & PICNIC ***SATURDAY, JULY 16- PEARL LAKE***

The Tritons will be hosting a training weekend at Pearl Lake in South Beloit, IL. Since we will be there why not come on out and join in on the fun? Enjoy a day at the lake, bring a lawn chair and your dive gear. We will be grilling Italian sausage, hot dogs and loads of other picnic fixings. Water and iced tea will be provided. Please let me know if you are planning to attend, or sign up at the meeting, so that we can get the numbers correct for food.

Cost: \$20.00 Pearl Lake entry fee for divers \$10.00 Pearl Lake entry fee for non-divers

The address to Pearl Lake is 1220 Dearborn Ave, South Beloit, IL 61080, plug it into your GPS.

If you have any questions please give **Pam a call at 773-791-3142.**



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See you Tuesday, June 28, 2016 at 7:30 PM

This will be our annual OPEN HOUSE, bring a friend!

Giuseppe's

1062 Lee St Des Plaines, IL
(847) 824-4230

The restaurant is situated on Lee Street, north of Algonquin and south of Northwest Highway