



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Howdy Tritons;

We have Open Water classes scheduled for June 1 through June 29. On Saturday June 4th we will have a Dan DEMP Class. Sign up early so we can order books and supplies.

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 an give you pointers and a cheat sheet to help you with any questions you may have.

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MEMBERSHIP REPORT

May, 2016

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

Our current membership stands at:

63 full members 1 Associate

Total Membership 64

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.

July 30 – Chicago Skye Game (Women's Basketball)

August 21– Charter Dive – Milwaukee or Chicago, TIC Choice

There are more opportunities on the next page, look it over and let me know.

Contact Pam Romund promund@gmail.com ,thanks!

2016 TRITON EVENTS CALENDAR

May, 2016

Sunday, 5/22	Long Grove Chocolate Festival	Joan Chibe joanchibe@comcast.net
Tuesday, 5/24	Business Meeting	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016
Sunday, 5/29	Memorial Day Bike, Walk and Eat!	Milt & Margy Levenberg 847-680-1223 (Margy home) 847-858-1271 (Milt cell phone)

June, 2016

Wednesday, 6/1	OW Classes Begin Wheeling High School	Board of Education
Saturday, 6/4	Dive & Picnic – Pearl Lake	Brian Clarke and Joe Leibovitz
S & S, 6/11-12	Training Wknd – Pearl	Board of Education
Tuesday, 6/28	Business Meeting Open House	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016
S-F, 6/26-7/1	San Diego Dive Trip	Event Has Been Canceled

July, 2016

Saturday, 7/9	Charter Dive – TIC Pick Chicago or Milwaukee	Steve Leibovitz
Tuesday, 7/12	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com
S & S, 7/16-17	Training Wknd – Pearl	Board of Education
Sunday, 7/17	Arlington Park Racing	TIC NEEDED
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
Saturday, 8/21	Charter Dive – TIC Pick Chicago or Milwaukee	TIC NEEDED
Tuesday, 8/23	Business Meeting	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016
Saturday, 8/27	Mini Golf Outing	TIC NEEDED

September, 2016

Saturday, 9/10	Moped Tour of Oak Park	TIC NEEDED
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>
Saturday, 10/15	Wine Tasting	TIC NEEDED
Saturday, 10/22	Haunted House Visit	TIC NEEDED

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

**CHECK YOUR CALENDAR - THIS YEAR'S BIKE RIDE
IS SUNDAY!!!!!!**

MEMORIAL DAY BIKE RIDE

ON SUNDAY, MAY 29, 2015

**MEET AT MILT & MARGY'S HOUSE AT 10
AM FOR DONUTS**



Join the Tritons for a bicycle ride, walk, or just lots of food.

Bring your bicycle or feet, \$5, and a dish to share.

We will take a short drive to access the Des Plaines River Trail, a great, crushed-gravel bike and hike trail.

Address, phone, & directions for
Milt and Margy Levenberg's house:
31057 Prairie Ridge Road, Libertyville
(really it's Green Oaks)

847-680-1223 (Margy at home) 847-858-1271 (Milt on cell phone)

***I-294 North to I-94 North to Route 137 (turn left/west on Buckley Road)
to O'Plaine Road (turn right/north) to Guerin Road (turn left/west)
to Prairie Ridge Road (turn right/north). Veer left on the circle
to 31057 on the left. Park only on the left side of the street.***

<http://wizardcraft.net/map-to-levenberg.html>

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**Long Grove's Chocolate Festival
Sunday May 22, 2016**

**Long Grove Historic Village
307 Old McHenry Road
Long Grove, Illinois**



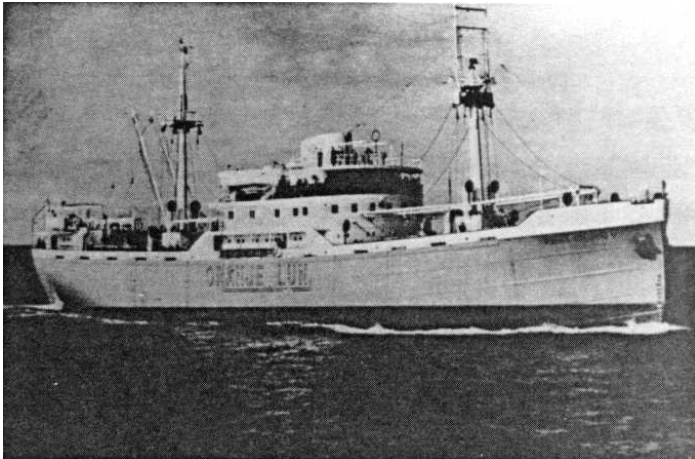
Experience Historic Downtown Long Grove's Chocolate Festival Fun for the kids and the kid in you.

Delight in chocolate treats, sample amazing foods and you can stop in the shops and buy items such as wine, candy, popcorn, and jams & jellies.

We will meet at 1 PM in Long Grove (location TBD). The food tickets are sold in groups of 5 and are cash only. There is an ATM near the shops. Admission to the fest is \$5, Children 12 and under free. After we fill up on chocolate, we will eat a late lunch at a local restaurant (TBD).

TIC: Joan Chibe joanchibe@comcast.net

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.

THE DREDGE #6 OR #906 IS ANOTHER POPULAR AND UNIQUE SHIPWRECK. SHE LIES AT A DEPTH OF 30 to 70FT. SHE IS 120FT LONG AND SANK IN 1956. SHE IS LAYING UPSIDE DOWN ON HER STRUCTURE AND YOU CAN SWIM EASILY BENEATH THE DECK.

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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The following two articles are reprinted from Undercurrent On-Line, May, 2016

SPERM WHALES KILLED BY PLASTIC

A post-mortem conducted on 13 beached sperm whales revealed the dreadful effect of human waste. The dead creatures, found ashore near the town of Toenning in Schleswig-Holstein, Germany, had stomachs full of plastic, including a 43-foot-long fisherman's net and a 28-inch piece of plastic from a car. The sperm whales probably didn't die by being poisoned by plastic, though. Scientists think it was likely they perished from heart failure due to starvation, Schleswig-Holstein Environment Minister Robert Habeck told Britain's Daily Mail. "Animals inadvertently consume plastic and plastic waste, which causes them to suffer, and at worst, causethem to starve with full stomachs." The whales were all male, between 10 and 15 years old, and all weighed around 15 tons; the average weight of a sperm whale is 32 to 41 tons.

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SAD SEA COWS RESCUED

Dugongs, of the same order of sirenia as Florida and Caribbean manatees, live throughout the Indo-Pacific. Recently, a group of divers made a disturbing discovery near a remote Indonesian island, Kokoya. They came across two cages in which two dugongs, a mother and juvenile, were trapped, the mother with a rope wrapped around her tail. Apparently, they had been caught by a local fisherman who asked for money to see the dugong or take a picture. After the divers posted their video on Instagram, they were promptly contacted by Indonesian wildlife authorities requesting the location of the cages, and officials arrived the following day to set the animals free.

SEASON OPENER! SATURDAY, JUNE 4 PEARL LAKE

As you all know it is that time of year again, time for the season opener, **Saturday, June 4 at 10:00 am.** Joe and Brian will be hosting this event at Pearl Lake in South Beloit, IL. We will be having hamburgers, cheeseburgers, hot dogs and brats. Water and some pop 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
\$ 5.00 for food

The address to Pearl Lake is 1220 Dearborn Ave, South Beloit, IL 61080

If you have any questions please give **Joe a call 847-401- 6650 or Brian 847-561- 5699**

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TORTOLA, BVI

Seven Tritons trekked down to the British Virgin Islands for a week of diving and soaking up the sun. Everyone coming down wants to dive the *Rhone* so off course we dove it but there are some beautiful reefs that aren't dove very often. Our dive guide has been there almost three years and on a few of the sites they were brand new to him. He loved having us there!

The Virgins are very close together so you can sail from one to another and then another which is why chartering a boat is big business there. Sitting on the beach on Friday I counted 35 boats headed back into port, and I am sure I didn't get most of them.

They use the American dollar as their currency even though they are a protected territory of Great Britain. We celebrated the Queen's Birthday while we were there. The British Navy even made an appearance.

Tortola is a beautiful place, friendly people and great diving, we all agreed we would go back but probably to the West Side of the island to see different sites and sounds.

Your Roving Editor, Pam Romund

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SNORKELER MAULED TO DEATH IN RAJA AMPAT BY A DINOSAUR

The waters around the islands of Indonesia's Raja Ampat may seem idyllic, and the archipelago at the western end of West Papua has certainly become a must-go-to destination for traveling divers. While the main danger seems to be ripping currents, another danger that might lurk beneath the surface, as Russian diver Sergey Lykhvar discovered too late. He was attacked by a saltwater crocodile and mauled to death.

His body was eventually found in the water near one of the islands, Minyaifun, four days after he went missing at the end of March, and there was a well-defined bite on his hip and one hand was gone. All the evidence points to a crocodile attack, and rescuers witnessed a large crocodile trailing behind his body when it was first discovered.

The 37-year-old normally snorkeled with his friends and a guide, but he had decided to go alone the morning before he was reported missing. His body was taken to Sorong, about two hours' boat ride away, where it was cremated at the request of his family. Death by crocodile is not uncommon in Indonesia, but tourists are rarely attacked.

Saltwater crocodiles inhabit both fresh and saltwater, often swimming long distances in the ocean. They are opportunistic ambush predators that are powerful enough to take down any animal that enters their territory. They kill their prey by grasping and drowning it. A crocodile can outrun a racehorse over a short distance, leap out of the water up to its hind legs, and has a reaction time much faster than a human's. They are so aggressive that one will fight to the death any other crocodile that enters its territory, even a potential mate.

David Shem-Tov, an Undercurrent subscriber, survived a similar attack by a crocodile while scuba diving in Raja Ampat in July 2009, and his full story is recounted in the book *Amazing Diving Stories*. It was also reported in Undercurrent at the time.

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EFFECTIVE PRODUCT TO STOP DANGEROUS JELLYFISH STINGS

Box jellyfish are among the deadliest creatures on Earth and annually are responsible for more deaths -- including snorkelers and an occasional scuba diver-- than shark attacks. But just how to treat them -- hot water, ice, lidocaine, urine, seawater -- has been vigorously debated. Until now.

Angel Yanagihara, an assistant research professor at the University of Hawaii's Manoa Pacific Biosciences Research Center, led a team testing various treatments, using "live, stinging tentacles, and live human red blood cells that allowed us to pit first-aid measure against one another." They found that tried-and-true measures, hot water (107°-112°F) immersion, and to some extent, vinegar, really do work on Hawaiian box jellyfish stings.

Urinating on a jellyfish sting doesn't work, because the water needs to be warmer than body temperature -- specifically about 113° F. Marine venom components are inactivated at temperatures between 104 and 122° F. However, the study shows that a new over-the-counter product, Sting No More™, inhibits the venom directly, and works faster and better than hot water. Folk remedies, such as urine (not hot enough), seawater and ice offered little, if any, benefit. However, vinegar can prevent further discharge of stinging cells, but not treat the sting.

While the current study only tested measures using the Hawaiian box jelly, hot water is the go-to treatment for other jelly stings. However, if you're diving with jellies, it's a good idea to have StingNoMore on hand (purchase online at www.StingNoMore.com). Toxins 2016, 8(1), 19; doi:10.3390/toxins8010019. Because StingNoMore was developed by Yanagihara with Department of Defense funding, the potential conflict of interest in this study was managed by the University of Hawaii.

A big *Triton* THANK YOU!

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

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JUST WHEN YOU THOUGHT IT WAS SAFE TO GO BACK IN THE WATER!

The media was full of hysterical stories of scuba tourist's terror in April, caused when a 12-foot great white shark invaded the shallow waters off Alligator Reef in the Florida Keys. Greg Schlosser, first mate aboard *Happy Cat* is said to have first spotted the enormous creature circling divers for about 45 minutes and told his captain, Chris Muller, who couldn't believe what he was being told.

The pair quickly pulled their freaked-out customers, mostly South Asian exchange students, clear of the water as soon as they could while Muller then entered the water with his video camera to capture images of the impressive creature just a few yards from the boat. Muller later said, "I've never seen anything like this in my life and I've swum with a lot of sharks."

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See you Tuesday, May 24, 2016 at 7:30 PM

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