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Club Meetings- Held at 7:00 pm on the second Tuesday of each month, at the Thomas Twp. Fire Station on the corner of Dice and Thomas.

This meeting- 11

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Picnic Flowers by Edith



SUE Picnic; turn left...



Loch Krystal sighting-

Remember Our Troops!

Great Day for a Picnic



Rob Quartermain, first arrival, tends the brat grill

Then the rain came...



About expected for the SUE annual picnic, it was a downpour! But it came early, and was over before most guests arrived. The skies cleared up, folks came, and the SUE special imported brats went on the grill. Guests supplemented the meal with some home cooking; good food for good friends!



Mark, Brandy, Ian,...



Tim,.. Full lot!



Brats sizzling...



Finally time to eat, and relax!

Activity Time!



Ian giving Bob some exercise



Tim Hastings provided kayaks; Ian dons pfd.



Justin takes his kayaking turn (Hastings)



Tim and Ian navigating the waterway



Mark and Ian do the paddle boat course (Hastings)



Racing?



Justin and Ian being natural

-All picnic guests won a valuable door prize; booklet extolling Alpena diving. The evening completed with personal fireworks! Thank you to all attendees for making the picnic a fun time!

Congratulations to-



Alex Prenzler; recently completed his requirements and officially became an Eagle Scout. Very good, Alex; salute!

Aug Compressor Sched-

6	Greg Prenzler	239-0625
13	Don Cunningham	799-4385
20	Mike Fabish	295-2627
27	Mike Kowalski	892-2028

Mike Kowalski has met a new charter boat operator you may be interested in- Lew Stimki has Macinac Straits Charters, 906 298 0369



Evening festivities- Bonfire time!



With S'mores! Ian and Rob toasting



Brandy toasting Mark's

On to Krystal; July's Club Dive

Necessary business that had to be discussed at the July picnic/meeting was where to dive the following week for the club get-wet dive. Our long time site Krystal Lake in Vassar was suggested, and agreed on. Good choice! Members not seen for a while joined us; newlyweds Ben and Elaine Boyle, and long-distance member Joel Klammer. Unfortunately, Ben is recovering from an operation repairing a broken wrist, and couldn't dive. It was also a first club dive as newlyweds for Mark and Brandy Russell. Other members diving were Mike Fabish, Justin Fabish and UrEd.



Mustering area; west end (Suit struggle!)

The water was fairly warm, and clear; better than Haithco. Swimming on the surface, you were just able to see the hopper below. Once down, the bright sun still lit things up. The rope connecting the boat with the hopper is still strong, making for an easy find. And plenty of fish checking us out!



West side of lake; hopper located about center of picture

For the entry convenience, we parked at a site above this west end (see photo to left) (see camper in background). Once we started carrying gear down to the water, a lady approached and about accused us of trespassing. She let us know she had paid for that site all the way down to the water, and was PO'd! Of course we were polite to her, but kept going. She went to the camp office to complain, but we never saw her again... Interesting event.



Elaine and Brandy, back from suiting up



Joel snorkeling over hopper



-and that wake would be Joel returning; near beach area

Zoo News

You no doubt have been getting notices from Mike on the current status on the zoo uw windows. Mike just did a cleaning, and reports although scummy, they are easier to clean. The plan is to clean about every 2 weeks; contact Mike if you'd like to get on the schedule. You should also be aware that the zoo management really appreciates our efforts, and have invited us to their volunteer appreciation soire. Invitation follows:

2015 Volunteer Appreciation Picnic!

When: Wednesday, August 19th

from 5:30pm-8pm

Dinner will be served at 6pm

Where: The Children's Zoo - Large Event Tent

What: Join us for a night to honor some of our greatest assets - YOU!



Please RSVP to
info@saginawzoo.com or
call 989-759-1408 by
Monday, August 10th.

Thank you to all of our volunteers!

We greatly appreciate all that you do!

Ron Quartermain was at the zoo about a week before this last cleaning, and contributed these views from the uw windows:



Dive Team July News

Another car found in the Saginaw River? But of course!



Freighter delay...



Mike Fabish enters



Another trophy (3 photos by Sommers)



Kruska and Sommers search for ID (photos from Mlive)

The Saginaw Sheriff Dive Team members Ken Kruska, left, and Dave Sommers look for the VIN on a 2005 Dodge Neon from the west bank of the Saginaw River near the intersection of Kent and Walnut in Carrollton, Tuesday, July 7, 2015. A Sheriff's patrol boat found the car a couple weeks ago using side-scan sonar during a routine check, said team member Dave Sommers. David C. Bristow | dbristow@mlive.com

Cora's Corner-

New member John Heska recently completed a VIP class, giving the club another inspector. Thank you, John! John took the class from Peggy Kurpinski; you may remember her from GOSCUBA. Peggy said HI to all of us! And HI to you too, Peggy!

