

# Outdoor shows offer variety

## IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS

- Through Jan. 26 — Boat, Sport and Fishing Show and Bass-A-Rama will be held at the Pontiac Silverdome. Show hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. today and 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday through Sunday. Admission is \$5.50 adult and \$2.50 kids. Children five and under will be admitted free.
- Through Feb. 2 — A special Canada goose season will be held in the southern portion of the Lower Peninsula. Hunting will be allowed on public and private lands south of a line from Port Huron to Grand Rapids along highways I-69, M-21 and M-45 (excluding the Allegan County Goose Management unit as shown in the state Wildlife Hunting Guide). Call the DNR's Wildlife Division at (517) 373-1263 for information on hunting areas and special regulations.
- Jan. 22 — Personal Protection Program, a six-week instructional course on personal protection, begins at the Western Wayne County Conservation Association. The program will be taught by NRA certified instructors under the direction of NRA training counselors Bill Miller and Bill Scherer. Call 532-0285 for more information.
- Jan. 25-26 — Tip-Up-Town U.S.A. continues on Houghton Lake.
- Jan. 26 — Royal Oak Archers will hold a 28-target 3D shoot beginning at 9 a.m. on its walk-through range in Lake Orion. Proceeds from the event will be used to support the Bowhunters Defense Fund. Call 693-1369 or 693-9799 for more information.
- Jan. 27 — Decently Behavior of Animals, a slide show and presenta-



**Bill Parker**  
outdoors

tion by naturalist Tim Nowicki, will be held at the Detroit Audubon Society, 121 S. Main, Royal Oak. Call 545-2929 for more information.
- Jan. 28-29 — Hunters Safety Class begins at 6 p.m. both days at the Oxford High School. The class will also meet Feb. 4 and Feb. 6 at 6 p.m. with a field test scheduled for Feb. 8. Call 628-9290 for more information.
- Feb. 1 — Application deadline for the spring wild turkey hunt.
- Feb. 4 — Romeo B.A.S.S. Busters will hold their monthly meeting at the Romeo Community Youth and Civic Center, 361 Morton St., beginning at 7 p.m. New members are welcome. Call 286-6469 for more information.
- Feb. 5 — The Ann Arbor Power Squadron will offer a seven-week boating course beginning at 7 p.m. at the Clague Intermediate School. Call 994-2300 to register and 998-9323 for more information.
- Feb. 21-March 1 — 1992 Outdoor Sports and Travel Show will be held at the Detroit State Fair Grounds.
- Feb. 16 — Bobcat season ends in the wooded areas of Zone II.
- March 1 — Crow, bobcat and fox seasons end statewide.
- March 14-15 — Midwest Fly Fishing Exposition will be held at the Southfield Civic Center.
- March 20-22 — Ninth annual

Wildlife Art Festival will be held at the Southfield Civic Center.

## OAKLAND COUNTY PARKS

- Observer & Eclectic Ski School, will be held Saturday beginning at 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. at Independence Oaks and Addison Oaks. Ski rental is available and pre-registration is mandatory one week in advance. Call Independence Oaks at 625-0877 and Addison Oaks at 693-2432.
- Stars and Skis, an opportunity to view some winter constellations while cross country skiing, begins at 7 p.m. Saturday at Independence Oaks. Cost is \$1 per person and \$4 per family. Participants should have previous cross-country skiing experience and must provide their own equipment.
- Floral Valentine Brooch, an adult mini-class in which participants will make a floral brooch, begins at 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 8, at Independence Oaks.
- Oakland County Parks programs require advanced registration and some have a nominal fee. Call the Independence Oaks Nature Center at 625-6473 to register or for more information.

## METROPARKS

- Winter Star Search, an indoor introduction to some easily recog-

nized winter stars and constellations followed by an outdoor sky search, begins at 7 p.m. Friday at Stony Creek.

- This Bud's For You — Winter Tree Identification, an indoor discussion followed by an outdoor walk in which participants will learn to identify trees without their leaves, begins at 1 p.m. Sunday at Indian Springs.

- Wildlife in Nature, a walk through the park in search of animals and their homes, begins at 2 p.m. Sunday at Kensington.

- Ice Fishing Derby, an event including an ice fishing clinic followed by an ice fishing contest, begins at 8 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 1, at the West Boat Launch at Kensington (weather permitting). Prizes will be awarded for the largest (weight) fish and the most fish. Call 685-1551 for more information and to register.

- Gateways, a narrated film about the 13 Metroparks, is available to civic groups and other community organizations. A free presentation will be scheduled weeks in advance. Call the Metroparks at 1-800-47-PARKS or 227-2757.

- 1992 Metropark annual motor vehicle permits and annual boating permits are available at Metropark offices. Motor vehicle permits are \$10 regular, \$5 senior citizen and \$2 daily. Boating permits are \$13 regular, \$6 senior citizen and \$3 daily.

- Most Metropark programs are free while some require a nominal charge. Pre registration is required. A motor vehicle permit is required. Call 1-800-47-PARKS for registration information.



## exercising options

**Myrna Partrich**

# Walking results in physical rewards

Dear Myrna: I am a member of our neighborhood walking team. We are a group of 20 walkers between the ages of 60 and 75. We all seem to love our daily walk together and are, therefore, growing. Are there other groups in the area? This seems to be a fast-growing activity.

What a nice idea — a walking team. Do you have a name? According to the national Sporting Goods Association, 71.1 million Americans, including 19.7 million people over the age of 65, now participate in exercise walking. It is one of the most popular participation sports in the country.

With a maturing United States population and a trend toward fitness programs, walking will continue to grow in popularity. Walkers like you are highly enthusiastic about exercise walking, perceiving a wide variety of physical and psychological benefits. Of course you know the important advantages are improved general health, weight control and stress release.

Walking is easy, inexpensive and safe. It is relaxing and, at the same time, invigorating and requires little athletic skill. Walking does not call for a membership or special equipment other than sturdy, comfortable shoes.

The results of walking are physically rewarding, creating a fit body better able to enhance general health and add enjoyable years to your life.

Are there more walking groups in the area? I would check with your local YMCA and civic centers. I believe both Southfield and Birmingham have a few regular walking groups.

Yes, this is the fastest growing activity. It is a natural thing to do.

(Myrna Partrich, co-owner of The Workout Company Inc. of Bloomfield Township and a member of the President's Council of Physical Fitness, is happy to answer any questions readers may have regarding exercise. Please send your letters to: Sports Department, Myrna Partrich, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham 48069.)

## outdoors calendar

IT'S HONEY-ROASTED almond time. Hungry or not, once the sweet aroma of honey-roasted almonds overcomes my sense of smell I'm lost until I have my own little stash. But the almond stand is just one of the many drawing cards that lure me to the winter outdoor shows.

Beginning today through Jan. 26 with the Pontiac Silverdome Boat, Sport and Fishing Show and continuing through the Sportfishing Expo, March 5-8 at the Palace of Auburn Hills, outdoor enthusiasts will be able to find anything from a new boat to a knife sharpener to a week-long hunting or fishing trip or some wildlife art at one of the many outdoor shows coming to the area.

NOT ONLY are outstanding buys available from the many exhibitor booths set up at the shows, but the continual parade of seminars and speakers offer tips and other helpful advice for interested spectators.

Featured speakers at the Silverdome Boat Sport and Fishing Show include Al Lindner on smallmouth bass (today at 4:30 and 8:30 p.m.), Mark Martin on riggin' and jiggin' for walleye (1:30 p.m. Saturday and

Sunday and 7:30 p.m. Saturday), Mark Romanack on Michigan walleye (5:30 today and 12:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday), Mike Gnatkowski on salmon and steelhead (4:30 p.m. Friday through Sunday) and Capt. Steve Jones on Lake St. Clair muskie (6:30 p.m. today through Saturday).

If the winter weather has you overheated with cabin fever a trip to an outdoor show can be just what the doctor ordered to break the blues.

## • BOWHUNTER DEFENSE

Bowhunters have an excellent opportunity to get out of the house and support their sport Sunday by participating in a 3D shoot on the Royal Oak Archers' (ROA) walk-through range in Lake Orion.

The archers will hold a 28-target 3D shoot beginning at 9 a.m. Sunday with 50 percent of the shoot fees going to support the Bowhunters Defense Coalition. The Bowhunters Defense Coalition is affiliated with the Wildlife Legislative Fund of America and works to support bowhunting nationwide.

"What the Bowhunters Defense Coalition does is take key individuals and train them to effectively combat

against the anti-hunters," said ROA board member Tom Morang. "We decided we wanted to do something positive for bowhunters in the state of Michigan. We don't want the ant's to get a toehold in the state and if it does come down to a fight we want to be ready for them."

Royal Oak Archers' range is 20 minutes northwest of the Palace of Auburn Hills at 2700 Orion Road (one-half mile west of Adams Road). Shooting fee is \$8 and door prizes, raffle prizes, food and beverages will be available. Call 693-1369 for more information.

## • TURKEY REMINDER

The application deadline for the spring wild turkey season is Feb. 1. Hunters should also be alerted to the fact that the shot size permitted for turkey hunting has been reduced to No. 4 or smaller to address concerns of hunter safety and crippling of turkeys.

Anglers and hunters are urged to report their success. Questions and comments are also encouraged. Send information to: Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48069, or call Bill Parker Monday evening 6-10 p.m. at 644-1101 ext. 241.)

## The Windsor Laser Eye Institute presents Free Seminars for the Public on EXCIMER-K

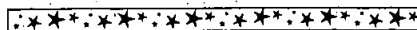
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Feb. 21-22: Universal Mall, Warren

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