



Hike the Billy Goat Trail with Potomac District

National Capital Area Council
Boy Scouts of America

BILLY GOAT TRAIL HIKE

Saturday 9 June, 2018

Sponsored by: Potomac Chapter of the Order of the Arrow

The Potomac Chapter of the Order of the Arrow is sponsoring a Billy Goat Trail Hike. The hike will start from the parking lot across from the Old Anglers Inn on MacArthur Blvd. Hikers can start any time between 9 AM and 12:30 PM. Parking can be extremely limited, so carpooling is highly recommended. An early start also helps to beat the rush, especially if the weather is nice.

The hike (Blue loop) covers about three miles through some rough terrain, and takes about two hours to complete. In the past, Webelos Scouts, as well as some experienced Cub Scouts, have successfully completed the hike, although it can be challenging. The hike provides excellent views of the Potomac River. If entering the Billy Goat Trail at the first point from the towpath (recommended) coming from the above parking area, the hike will finish by returning along the tow path to include locks 15 and 16 of the C & O Canal and past the entrance point to get back to the parking lot.

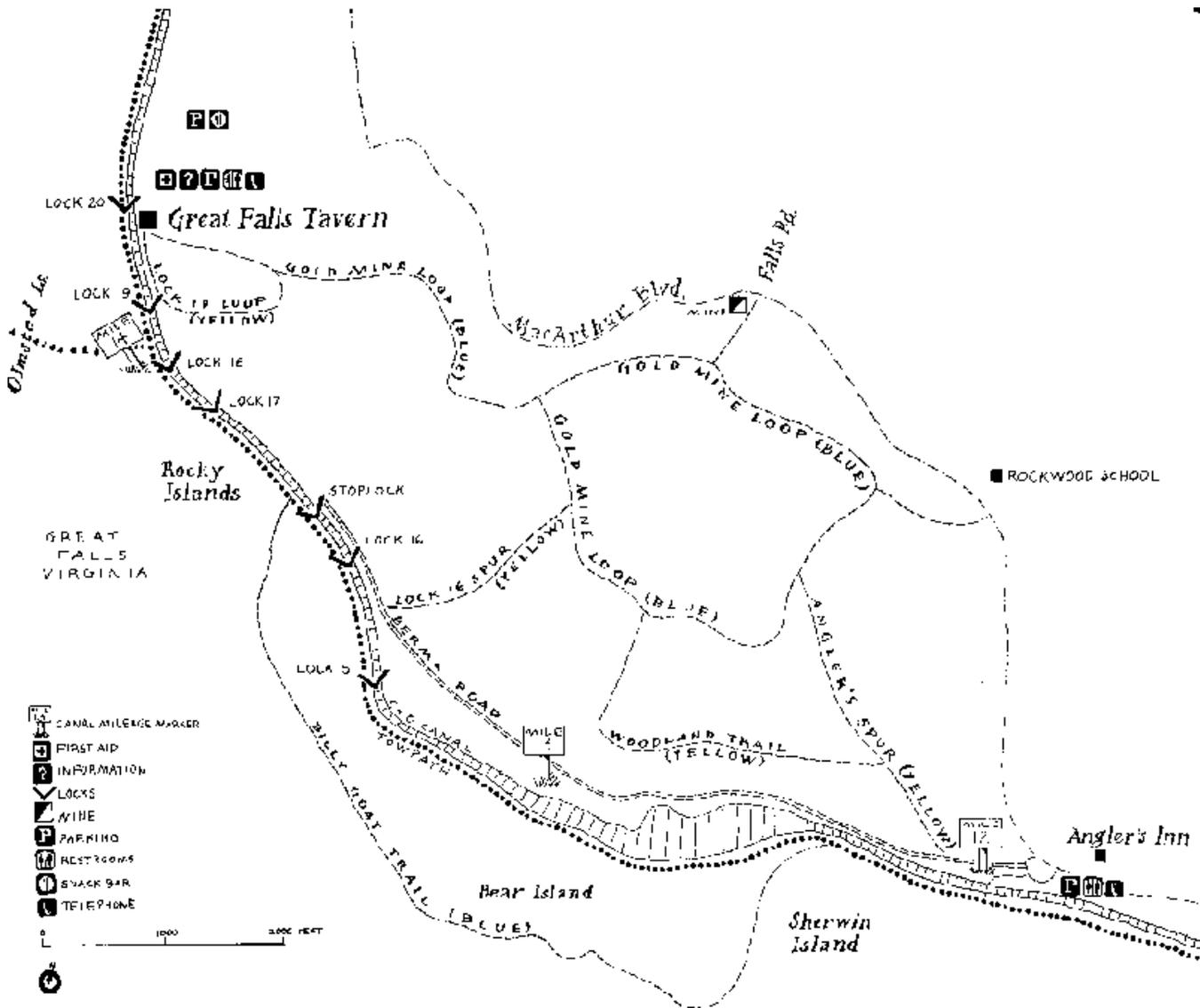
Hikers should wear sturdy shoes and comfortable clothing suitable for scrambling over rocks. Bring drinking water, snacks, and Scouting spirit. Be prepared for the weather, and for the terrain. It is recommended not to hike the trail if it is raining; the rocks will prove to be very slippery.

There is no charge for the hike. Order of The Arrow Members will staff a registration table to sign hikers in and out, and will provide maps of the route. Arrowmen may also be available to provide some basic First Aid support.

A "Billy Goat Trail" patch will be available for purchase (\$2 each) to commemorate participation in this outing. Contact your Unit Leader for details.



Contact your Scoutmaster, Den Leader, or Cubmaster with questions or for additional information.



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