

SOLAR OUTDOORS APRIL 2026 CALENDAR

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SOLAR OUTDOORS MEETINGS AND PROGRAMS					
Apr. 21 (Next: May 19)	Tuesday	Steering Committee 7:00	Zoom		SOLARpresident@ solaroutdoors.org
Apr. 28 (Next: May 26)	Tuesday	General Membership Meeting/ SC elections Program: Antarctica Adventure	St. Paul's Presbyterian Church	Lori Syc	SOLARprograms@ solaroutdoors.org
Upcoming Programs:		May – TBD June – Annual Picnic (NO GEN MEMBERSHIP MTG)			
ACTIVITIES		If you are interested in any of the activities and you want more information, we encourage you to stop by the tables during break time and speak with the Team Leaders. You can also contact them by email or you can go to the Meetup website for more information.			
Past Activities		Day Hikes			
May 9	10:00 AM	Birding/Paddle-Proud Lake	Milford	Laura Miller	lauramiller2481@gmail.com
May 15-17	Multi-Day	Kick of Spring Camping Weekend	Brighton	Krisanne Schmidt	kschmidt@brookskushman.com
June 20	12-4:00	Annual Solar Picnic/Gear Swap	Proud Lake/Heavner Canoe rental shelter	Solar	
July 3-6	Multi-Day	Grand Island Backpacking Trip	Grand Island	Laura Miller	lauramiller2481@gmail.com
July 19-24	Multi-Day	Isle Royale Backpacking	Isle Royale	Laura Miller	lauramiller2481@gmail.com
Aug. 29-Sept. 4	Multi-Day	Pictured Rocks Thru Hike	Pictured Rocks	Laura Miller	lauramiller2481@gmail.com
WORKSHOPS		We encourage you to speak with the Team Leaders by contacting them by email that is provided below or you can go to the Meetup website.			
Past Workshops					
May 2	8:00 AM	Bicycle Cleaning & Tuning	Wixom	Eric Braun	Eric.braun@us.bosch.com
Watch for Dates		Beginning Backpacking			
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***SOLAR OUTDOORS HAS A NO-REFUND POLICY. IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND AN ACTIVITY OR WORKSHOP, YOU MAY "SELL YOUR SPOT" TO ANOTHER.

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Solar Outdoors Steering Committee Meetings: The meetings take place on the second to last Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm, except for December. All members are welcome to attend. Contact the Solar Outdoors President, Mary Winkler, at solarpresident@solaroutdoors.org for more information and meeting location.

Solar Outdoors General Meetings: The general meetings take place at 7:00 pm on the last Tuesday of most months (no meetings in June or December) at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile Rd, Livonia, MI. Room set up and socializing begin a half hour before the meeting.

The business meeting is followed by a chance to sign up for workshops and activities and enjoy a program topic.

Solar Outdoors Programs: Follow the business meeting and break. If you have an idea for a great program for a future meeting, share it with Lorraine Syc the Programs Chairperson, at solarprograms@solaroutdoors.org.

Solar Outdoors Activities: *You* Can Lead/Organize an Activity. Solar Outdoors works by members sharing knowledge, skills, and adventures with each other. If you would like to organize an activity, contact Krisanne Schmidt the Activity Chairperson, at solaractivities@solaroutdoors.org.

Solar Outdoors Workshops: *You* Can Lead/Organize a Workshop. Solar Outdoors works by members sharing knowledge, skills, and adventures with each other. If you have an idea for a workshop you can lead, contact Laura Miller the Education Chairperson, at solareducation@solaroutdoors.org.

Solar Outdoors Historian: If you are interested in the historian side about Solar Outdoors, please reach out to the Jeff Grossklaus the Bylaws/Historian at solarhistorian@solaroutdoors.org.

Solar Outdoors Equipment: Chairperson Jeff McWilliams: Due to long driving distance, if at all possible, it is preferred if equipment can be picked up at the general membership meeting. Contact Jeff McWilliams by email at jeff.mcwilliams@gmail.com or solarequipment@solaroutdoors.org.



Want More Information about an Activity or a Workshop offered through Solar Outdoors?

Visit our [Meetup](#) page to learn about and sign up for upcoming workshops and activities and to check the calendar for spur-of-the-moment, cultural, or social events. You can even pay online for an added fee. Find us at www.meetup.com/SOLAR-Outdoors.



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