

Ludington Area Charterboat Association Net Alert

June 24, 2012. The net listings below are the same as the net listings on August 26, 2011. Little River Band Law Enforcement recently provided LACA with a current list of the locations of the pots for the nets in our area. The pot locations provided match the number and location of the nets on the list below.

All nets between Little Point Sauble and Big Point are marked with 5 staffs, each 5' high (no jugs).

The Inside staff has orange over black flags.

All others are marked with only an orange flag. In every case the King anchor staff is the most westerly.

The flags are 14" square and will show on most radars.

Anecdotal reports suggest that not all staff and flags indicated in the list below are in place at this time.

Boaters and fishermen should exercise extreme caution when in the vicinity of the listed nets.

Nets are listed from South to North. These are the only known nets in the Ludington vicinity.

Caution: Additional nets may be placed or currently listed nets may be moved without warning.

Additional information will be added when/if it can be learned. All nets stand 30' up from the bottom.

Please exercise care in the vicinity of the flags/buoys at all net locations.

| Net | Type of Staff | Latitude | Longitude | Depth |
|-----|--------------------------|-----------|------------|-------|
| 1. | King Anchor Staff (West) | 43°50.820 | 086°32.445 | 160' |
| | Pot Staff (Middle) | 43°51.024 | 086°32.354 | 150' |
| | Inside Staff (East) | 43°51.067 | 086°31.937 | 145' |
| 2 | King Anchor Staff (West) | 43°51.183 | 086°30.979 | 135' |
| | Pot Staff (Middle) | 43°51.193 | 086°30.603 | 125' |
| | Inside Staff (East) | 43°51.203 | 086°30.252 | 120' |
| 3 | King Anchor Staff (West) | 43°51.749 | 086°29.638 | 105' |
| | Pot Staff (Middle) | 43°51.846 | 086°29.23 | 93' |
| | Inside Staff (East) | 43°51.952 | 086°29.960 | 82' |
| 4 | King Anchor Staff (West) | 43°52.515 | 086°29.830 | 100' |
| | Pot Staff (Middle) | 43°52.575 | 086°29.467 | 90' |
| | Inside Staff (East) | 43°52.624 | 086°29.192 | 80' |
| 5. | King Anchor Staff (West) | 43°56.319 | 086°34.538 | 115' |
| | Pot Staff (Middle) | 43°56.308 | 086°34.163 | 110' |
| | Inside Staff (East) | 43°56.319 | 086°33.890 | 107' |
| 6. | King Anchor Staff (West) | 43°56.589 | 086°36.878 | 180' |

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| | Pot Staff (Middle) | 43°56.704 | 086°36.545 | 150' |
| | Inside Staff (East) | 43°56.757 | 086°36.176 | 145' |
| 7. | King Anchor Staff (West) | 43°56.796 | 086°35.890 | 135' |
| | Pot Staff (Middle) | 43°56.807 | 086°35.338 | 105' |
| | Inside Staff (East) | 43°56.833 ??? | 086°35.017 ??? | 104 ??? |
| 8. | King Anchor Staff (West) | 43°57.500 ???? | 086°37.280 ??? | 200' ??? |
| | Pot Staff (Middle) | 43°57.488 | 086°36.883 | 150' |
| | Inside Staff (East) | 43°57.398 | 086°36.585 | 143' |
| 9. | King Anchor Staff (West) | 43°57.815 | 086°36.021 | 125' |
| | Pot Staff (Middle) | 43°57.692 | 086°35.755 | 115' |
| | Inside Staff (East) | 43°57.705 | 086°35.463 | 109' |
| 10. | King Anchor Staff (West) | 43°58.442 | 086°36.751 | 175' |
| | Pot Staff (Middle) | 43°58.470 | 086°36.421 | 155' |
| | Inside Staff (East) | 43°58.453 | 086°36.107 | 125' |
| 11. | King Anchor Staff (West) | 43°58.814 | 086°35.866 | 135' |
| | Pot Staff (Middle) | 43°58.718 | 086°35.866 | 125' |
| | Inside Staff (East) | 43°58.630 | 086°35.433 | 115' |

It is VERY IMPORTANT to report all net related incidents to the MDNR RAP Line: 800-292-7800. When reporting a net incident, be sure to give complete Lat-Lon information, including both north and west numbers in degrees, with minutes in decimal format. Please include the depth if possible, also.

This is extremely important for the MDNR record keeping and helps to lead to corrective actions. Anyone observing any length of yellow polypropylene line floating loose at or just below the surface in the vicinity of a net location is urged to promptly report the exact GPS location including the depth, to the DNR RAP (800-292-7800) line as soon as possible.

Net entanglement or other net related incidents may also be reported to the Mason-Oceana County Emergency Hot Line at: (231) 869-5858. Emergency help may be provided.

In the event of eminent danger of loss of life or vessel, call the USCG on FM 16 or by cell: 231-843-2447.

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