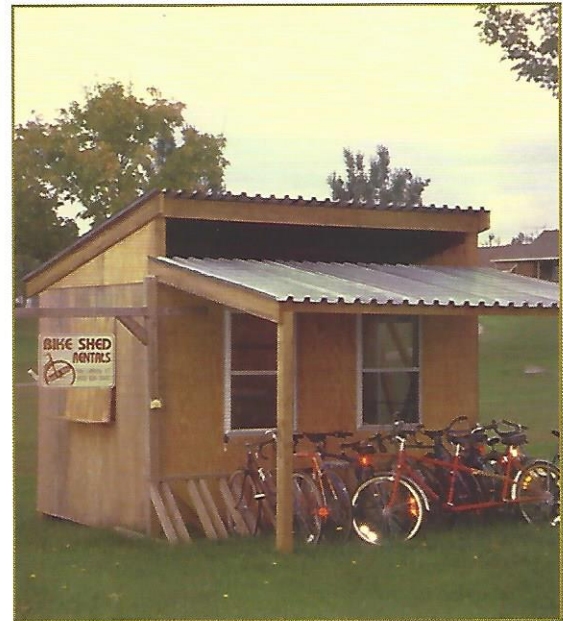


## route description (continued)

the oldest European settlement in Vermont. A statue of Samuel de Champlain marks his landing on Isle La Motte in 1609. Cyclists are welcome at the Shrine and may swim at its sandy beach. Riding south along the lakeshore provides spectacular views of the Adirondacks and Lake Champlain.

The Fisk Farm and Fisk Quarry also welcome visitors. Vice President Teddy Roosevelt was visiting here when he learned that President McKinley had been shot. The Quarry features ancient fossils, called stromatoporoids, which are visible as white rounded shapes in the quarry walls. Help protect this ancient resource by not collecting artifacts and not trespassing at any sites along the loop.

The Isle La Motte recreation park on School Street has a unique, fossil-shaped sculpture, constructed of Isle La Motte limestone. Cyclists may rest here and enjoy great views.



Bike Shed Rentals, Isle La Motte/Burnt Rock, Inc.

## visitor information

If you are planning a bicycling trip to the Champlain Islands, take advantage of accommodations as well as fine dining all through the 27-mile length of the Islands. Services are located in the villages along US 2. Lodging ranges from State Park campgrounds to B&Bs to comfortable inns in all five Island communities. Restaurant fare ranges from gourmet fine dining to pizza to deli sandwiches, home made ice cream to maple creamies. Register at one of the Vermont State Parks, request a receipt and get free day admission to all.

For information on where to eat and stay, call the Lake Champlain Islands Chamber of Commerce, 800.262.5226 or 802.372.8400. Check the website for listings and a calendar of things to do in the Islands: [www.champlainislands.com](http://www.champlainislands.com).

Bikes are available for rental, as well as repair, equipment and amenities.

### **Grand Isle Canoe, Bike and Kayak**

300 U.S. Route 2, Grand Isle - 802.372.4753, 802.372.3777. Bike rentals, sales and repairs. Authorized dealers of E.V. Global Motors Electric bicycles. We-No-Nah Canoes, Jamis Bicycles, Cignal Tandems, Quiver Sail Kayak sails, and Camelback hydration systems.

### **Hero's Welcome,**

3537 U.S. Route 2, North Hero - 802.372.4161. General store, marina and canoe and bike rentals [www.heroswelcome.com](http://www.heroswelcome.com).

### **Loon's Landing Properties,**

6931 U.S. Route 2, North Hero - 802.372.8951 [www.loonslandingproperties.com](http://www.loonslandingproperties.com).