Wednesday May 24, 2023 Club member Dr J. Pallis of UB and Larry AB1JC went to the Univ. of Hartford, to teach their grad students the fundamentals of balloon launching. The secondary object was to test a proprietary cut down mechanism which will allow the payload to be brought down from a high tree (etc.) once it had landed. The balloon squawked AB1JC-5.





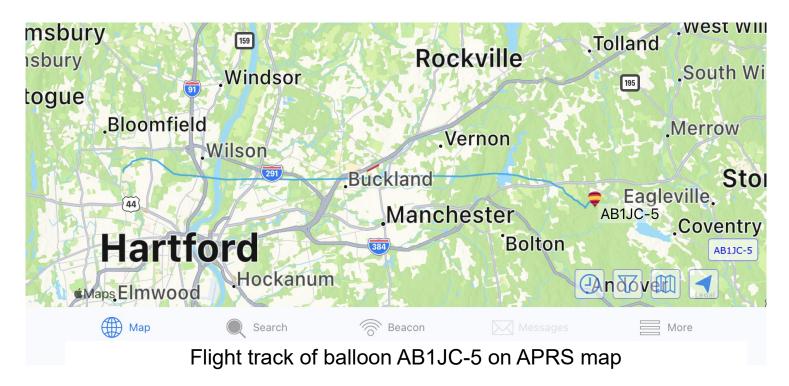
The payload

Launch point at Univ of Hartford





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The balloon reached an altitude of over 20,000 ft and headed East. See above. The Balloon landed near Coventry and West of the University of CT.



The landing site was perfect, 60 feet up in a tree near a field. Perfect to test the new proprietary equipment.

The new mechanisms worked perfectly and Larry and the team were able to recover the payload from 20 ft up.