



Madison Area Volkssport Association Newsletter

September-October 2021

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September-October Events

September

September 8 - Board Meeting
Wednesday - Zoom Meeting
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September 18 Stoughton
Walk - See Article on Page 2

Sat. 25 Saturday Morning
and Eat Group - Westside
Parks. Register at 8:45am
See article on page 2

October

October 9 Westport Walk -
See Article on Page 2

Oct. ?? Wednesday
Membership Meeting
See article on page 2
Look for Email with Info.

October 23 Saturday Morning
Walk and Eat Group -
Devil's Lake Walk, Register
at 8:45am, See article p. 2

Other: November

November 6 Veteran's Week
Walk - Downtown Madison
and Campus

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September

- International Square
- Dancing Month
- National Suicide Prevention Month
- 1 Be Kind Day
- 3 Nat. Food Bank Day
- 6 Labor Day
- 9 Opposite Day
- 11 Patriot Day
- 20 Full Moon - 6:54pm CDT

October

- Financial Planning Month
- Nat. Crime Prevention Month
- 1 International Coffee Day
- 1 World Vegetarian Day
- 9 Nat. Beer and Pizza Day
- 10 World Mental Health Day
- 11 Columbus Day Observed
- 15 Nat. Cheese Curd Day
- 20 Full Moon - 9:57am CDT
- 31 Halloween



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NEWSLETTER ARTICLE SUBMITTAL DEADLINE

for
November - December 2021
Newsletter

Deadline: October 20

Put an **Article Specific Title**
on the subject line, **not**
merely "Sept.-October"
Newsletter Article" or
"Next Newsletter",
and send articles to the
DW Newsletter email
address:

dairylandnews@gmail.com

This email account is regularly
monitored ten days before and
ten days after a newsletter
edition is published.



September 8 Board Meeting Detail Provided by Doug Wiest, President

The September 8 Board Meeting will be held via Zoom. 6:00pm, Wednesday, September 8. Board members will receive Zoom invites on September 5. If not on the current Board and you want to look into the Zoom meeting contact Doug Wiest for a Zoom invite. Doug Wiest, President at: douglaswiest@yahoo.com

October Membership Meeting **Per an Email Message From Doug Wiest, President**

The October general membership meeting will be discussed and plans finalized during the September 8 Board Meeting. The date, time, location and any additional information will appear in a future email from Mary Liebig. This meeting will include the election of 2022 Club Officers.

Stoughton Walk - Saturday, September 18 (Re-post from Last Newsletter, Updated) **By Don Suloff**

Our next walk is scheduled for September 18. The walk will start and finish at Rotary Park located at 600 E Jefferson in Stoughton. The walk is primarily on city sidewalks and streets, with about ¼ mile on grass and a gravel path along the Yahara River. The walk passes beautifully maintained Stoughton Historic Landmarks Commission Homes of various architectural design styles, the old tobacco warehouses by the railroad depot, the Stoughton Opera House, and more recent additions including the Norwegian Heritage Center and Abel Contemporary Art. This walk is replacing the Monroe Cheese Days event and details are now available on our website. Keep the date on your calendar.

Getting To the Walk: Rotary Park is located on the corner of 6th St. and Jefferson St., has no driveway, use the GPS address at 324 S. 6th St. and it is on the corner of 6th and Jefferson St.. It is a small park with a covered gazebo for registration, public restrooms, and a small city parking lot across Jefferson St. for parking in addition to street parking.

Capital Year Round Walk Box **By Jerry Wilson**

The Capitol Walk Box still is homeless. Contact Jerry Wilson in advance to do this walk at ipatw4@gmail.com. We can meet with the box or we can handle the transaction through email and USPS, Attachment D of this newsletter provides a printable start card. The Park Hotel has been contacted to return the walk box to the host hotel, but a response has not been received. If I still have the walk box I will plan to bring the box to the Stoughton Walk on September 18, the October 9 Westport Walk, and the October Membership Meeting, unless the Walk box is welcomed back to the Park Hotel in the meantime.

Saturday Morning Group **By Mary Liebig**

Westside Parks – September 25, Devil's Lake SP – October 23

September 25 Westside Parks 10k or 5k Walk

Saturday morning, September 25, will find us walking the Madison Westside Parks walk. I'll bring the walk box with registration material and maps to Garner Park. Both 10k and 5k routes are available; Jennifer Filbert has volunteered to lead the 5k walk.

Plan to meet at the Garner Park Shelter located at 333 S Rosa Rd. in Madison (near Cuna Insurance off Mineral Point Road) at 8:45 a.m. to register for the walk; we'll start walking at 9 a.m.

October 23 Devil's Lake State Park 10k of 6K Hike

Catch some fall colors with a hike at Devil's Lake State Park in Baraboo on Saturday morning, October 23. Both 10k and 6k routes are available; Jennifer Filbert has volunteered to lead the shorter route.

Plan to meet at the Visitor's Center on the North Shore at 8:45 a.m. to register for the walk.

Back to Westport - Saturday, October 9

By Don Suloff

Several years ago we held a walk starting in Westport, but perhaps should have called it a swim! For several days prior to our scheduled walk we had torrents of rain. In fact so much rain fell that half of our 10k walk was at least partially under water and we scrambled to put a substitute route together. However, the walk we had abandoned is well worth seeing, so we will try again on October 9th. The walk will start and finish at the Jackson Landing Park shelter at 5485 Willow Rd in Westport. Walkers can start any time between 8 and noon, with walking to be completed not later than 3 pm. The walk is dominated by natural areas, passing through fields and prairies and into mature woodlands along 6-Mile Creek. After passing horse stables and strolling through a new development, the walk finishes on a trail/boardwalk along the shores of Lake Mendota. To reach the start point, head north on Cty M out of Middleton and continue past Governor Nelson State Park. The start point will be on your right as you enter Westport.

October Membership Meeting - Elections for 2021 Club Leadership and Coordinator Positions For Irene Irwin, Mary Liebig and Kristi Kenyon

2021 elections will be held at the October 2021 Membership Meeting. If you are considering running for a leadership position, or volunteering to head one of the needed positions that keep our club going, please contact the Nomination Committee. Contact one of the Nominating Committee Members listed below:

Irene Erwin at 608-246-8086 or irene.erwin@gmail.com.

Mary Liebig at 608-846-2299 or mbliebig@tds.net

Kristi Kenyon at 608-643-9913 or kensinginn@tds.net

Contributor or Consumer ??

By Don Suloff

All organizations have both contributors and consumers—those who provide administrative and operational support and guidance and those who are happy to enjoy the results of those efforts. For an organization to flourish there must be a healthy balance between the contributors and the consumers and there must be a regular influx of new contributors. For many years the Dairyland Walkers have been blessed with dedicated and hard-working contributors which have enabled our club to prosper. The results of these efforts were highlighted by the successful AVA National Convention recently completed. Many of you actively helped during this convention and your work is appreciated, but now we have a longer-term need. Many years of service without relief has taken a toll on many of our volunteers and several have decided to step down from their positions. You will see the openings we have in the club in a separate paragraph. The question now is "Will we be able to fill these and future openings?" Without new individuals stepping up to the opportunity, our club will undoubtedly experience a decline in the quality and quantity of activities. As is so often the case in volunteer organizations, far too many members have been willing to enjoy the efforts of others without doing their share to help. So where do you stand? Are you a contributor or always a consumer?

Talk'n Trash

By Joanne Reuter

The fall pickup of highway trash will be on Sunday September 26th, at 1pm. We'll meet at Nora's II at 1843 US 12 in Deerfield. Safety vests and garbage bags will be provided. Please bring safety gloves to protect your hands. This time, please RSVP to me at jmreuter815@gmail.com so I'll know how many people to expect. See you soon!

A Quote

"Life itself is the most wonderful fairy tale."

- Hans Christian Andersen

Join AVA Walkers 2021

9th Annual Fall Volksmarch September 26, 2021



Save the Date in 2023

SAVE THE DATE

18th IVV Olympiad and
IML Texas Trail Roundup






February 19-23, 2023/IVV Olympiad
February 24-26, 2023/IML Texas Trail Roundup

Seven glorious days of walking, biking and swimming including the world-famous Riverwalk and World Heritage missions. Then, enjoy a uniquely American experience at the award winning San Antonio Stock & Rodeo Show!




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Club Milestones

By Doug Wiest

The following are the milestones of club members as reported by the September 2021 issue of The American Wanderer:

Events		Kilometers	
200	James Schultz	4,500	Beth Levers
275	Billy Levers	7,500	Chris Flessert
350	Paul Beck	15,000	Janice Jerabek
375	Paul Beck		
375	Beth Levers		
400	Paul Beck		
400	Beth Levers		
525	Mary Liebig		
700	Chris Flessert		
850	Peggy Watts		

Congratulations to all on your accomplishments!

If I, or The American Wanderer, overlooked your accomplishments, send me an e-mail at douglaswiest@yahoo.com and they will be listed in the next Dairyland Walkers newsletter.

Membership Update

By Mary Liebig, Membership Coordinator

Please welcome the following new members who have joined our group since our last newsletter:

- Elizabeth Baker, Delafield, WI
- Cindy Schramm, Sun Prairie, WI
- Donna Lemke, Sun Prairie, WI

2021 Dairyland Walkers Meeting Dates - Remaining Dates

By Jerry Wilson

Club membership meetings are held every other month, with Board meetings held the alternative months. All meetings are on the 2nd Wednesday of the month, except in December when a Holiday Party normally replaces the membership meeting on the 1st Sunday. Meeting locations vary, and Board Meetings are held via Zoom on-line when necessary. Following is the schedule for 2021. Pay attention to future newsletters and the monthly email message to confirm times and locations. If planning to attend, feel free to contact club officers to verify times and locations.

Membership Meetings are open to anyone. Non-members and interested parties are encouraged to attend.

Board meetings are open to all members and invited guests.

All Wednesdays *

November 10

December 5 *

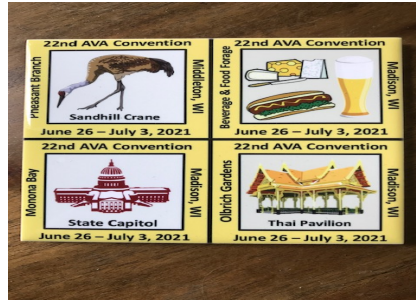
Board Meeting

* Sunday - Holiday Party, 5 km Walk and Brief Meeting

2021 AVA Convention Decorative Tiles For Sale

By Jerry Wilson

The Dairyland Walkers have a supply of decorative tiles remaining, both designs commemorate the Madison Convention. Each tile is on special sale for \$8.00. The supply will be moved to our Club Stores, please see Kristi Kenyon.



2021 Dairyland Walkers Calendar at a Glance

When in doubt, verify on AVA.org or dairylandwalkers.com The Membership Chairperson sends out an informative email each month, check it out!

Saturday, January 9 Saturday, February 6 Wednesday, May 12	East Towne Walk - Cancelled West Towne Walk - Cancelled Belleville Walk	Mall COVID-19 Hour Restrictions Mall COVID-19 Hour Restrictions Participants: 36=Credit, 8=Non-Credit, 0=E3H, Total=44
Wednesday, Sept. 8 Saturday, Sept. 18 Saturday, Sept. 25	Board Meeting via Zoom Stoughton WI - See Article Page 2 Walk and Eat Group - Westside Parks See Article Page 2	Start 6:00pm Contact President Doug Wiest Start 8:00am - Noon. Finish by 3:00pm Register at 8:45am
Saturday, October 9 October ??	Westport Walk - Westport, WI - See Article Page 2 Membership Meeting, Including 2022 Elections	Start 8:00am - Noon. Finish by 3:00pm Watch for Membership Email
Saturday, October 23	Walk and Eat Group - Devils Lake Walk See Article Page 2	Register at 8:45am
Saturday, November 6 Sunday, December 5	Veteran's Weekend Walk - Madison, WI Holiday Party, 5 Km Walk & Meeting	Walk at 9:30am, Finish After 11:00am, Before 1:00pm Goodman Center, Madison WI

Attachment A

Minutes Pending Approval

Dairyland Walkers Board Meeting Madison Northside Goodwill Store, 2901 N. Sherman Avenue 14 July 202

Call to Order 1800 hours (6 P.M.)

Approve/amend agenda: Approved

Approval of the minutes of the 12 May 2021 Board meeting.

Officer Reports

1. President: Doug – Thanks to the club for helping with the convention. Ready for picnic August 11 th 5k. Look for group walk sign
2. Vice President: Terry - Goodwill on Sherman Ave has been reserved for the next year (including membership meetings). Second Wednesday of each month.
3. Secretary: Jill - None
4. Treasurer: Kristi - Reporting
Balance 16 June 2021 \$3,184.57
TOTAL INCOME \$869.50
TOTAL EXPENSES \$508.36
Balance 14 July 2021 \$3,545.71
5. Director at Large: Diane - None
6. Other Reports
--Membership Chair: Mary – Some new members helped at the convention.
The walk box for Devils Lake is back at the Visitor Center. (Located in the center island in middle of room). Jerry still has the Capital walk box and is waiting for a response to return it or a different site location.
--Sanctioned Event Coordinator: Joanne - None
--Trailmaster: Don – Sanction YAE for next year. 2022 keep Pie event. We do lose money on the church rental. Reminder walks: Picnic – Aug,
Veterans – Nov. Walking week is 1 st week of April. Rail to Trail events –
Cheese Day and Verona (Kristi & Gary)
--Publicity Chair: Karen - None
--Volunteer Coordinator: vacant
--Newsletter Editor: Jerry:

--Website Administrator: Kevin - None
--AVA Electronic Sanctioning Volunteer: Irene -
--Stores Manager: Russ – Kristi is in the process of taking over the position.

7. Unfinished Business:

- Newsletter Articles: Jerry – The August TAW due date is July 25 th . The September edition due date is August 20th .
- 2021 AVA Biennial Convention summary notes: Jerry stated it went well.
We were in the 300's for events. Overall, 3,129 approx.
Silent Auction – comparing market value \$10,000 to income value \$7,716. In the future advertise the big items in advance or just for donations and write a check.
Per Jerry, Irene shares and invoice with the store quarterly, but this month it's waiting on convention walks so we don't have the totals yet. Missed counts will go on 3Q
- Note: For next convention: Send nomination of outstanding members to be recognized. Add to board meeting late summer 2022, how to submit for recognition.

8. New Business:

- Year-rounds and Seasonal walks for 2022: Sanction for next year. Verify POC's want to continue supporting each box.OSB
- We need to learn to incorporate for walks out of the Madison area.Irene will learn how to set up (guidance to learn is needed)
Voted to renew walks for 2022 – Approved.
--Establish committee to determine nominees for 2022 Officer positions.
Committed nominees for Office (5)
Committee for search: Irene, Mary & Kristi
(2022 open positions: Vice President, Sanction Events, Volunteer Coordinator, Director at Large & Publicity Chair)

9. Adjourn 7:52 pm

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- Next Board meeting – Wednesday, 8 September 2021, location TBD.
Next General Membership Meeting and picnic - Wednesday, 11 August 2021, Lakeview Park, Allen Blvd., Middleton.
Next Special Event Walks:
--Stoughton walk, Saturday, 18 September 2021
--Westport walk, Saturday, 9 October 2021
Next Saturday walking group walks:
--DeForest YRE, Saturday, 24 July 2021
--Madison Capital YRE, Saturday, 21 August 2021

Attachment B

Minutes Pending Approval

**Dairyland Walkers General Membership Meeting
11 August 2021
Lakeview Park, Allen Boulevard, Middleton, WI**

Call to Order – 6:00 PM

Approve/amend Agenda - Approved

Approval of the 16 June 2021 General Membership Meeting minutes - Adopted

Officer Reports:

1. President: Doug - None
2. Vice President: Terry – Reservation for monthly meetings at Goodwill
3. Secretary: Jill - None
4. Treasurer's Report: Kristi – Check came in from AVA for events, over \$1,500 **Balance 14 July 2021** \$3,545.71
TOTAL INCOME \$1,468.50
TOTAL EXPENSES \$1,297.10
Balance 12 August 2021 \$3,717.11
5. Director At Large: Diane - Absent

Other Reports:

- Membership Chair: Mary - None
- Sanctioned Event Coordinator: Joanne – Absent
- Trail Master: Don – 3 walks remaining this year, Stoughton, Westport and Veterans Cutting back on walks (events) in 2022 – New Glarus, Eastside Waunakee, Monroe
- Publicity Chair: Karen - None
- Volunteer Coordinator: Vacant -
- Newsletter Editor: Jerry – August 20th deadline for the September/October Newsletter.
- Website Administrator: Kevin - None
- AVA Electronic Sanctioning Volunteer: Irene - Absent
- Stores Manager: Kristi – Old B & VIP awards available for purchase Old Business: None

New Business: None

Adjourn: 6:10 PM

Next Board Meeting, 8 September 2021, Madison Northside Goodwill Store, 1800 hours (6 PM).

Next (Annual) Membership Meeting and Officer Elections, 13 October 2020, Madison Northside Goodwill Store (?), 1830 hours (6:30 PM).

Next special Event Walks:

- Stoughton Walk, Saturday 18 September 2021
- Westport Walk, Saturday, 9 October 2021

Next Saturday "Walk & Eat" group walks:

- Madison Capital YRE walk, Saturday, 21 August 2021
- Madison Westside Parks YRE walk, Saturday, 25 September 2021

Attachment C September 2021 Traditional Event - Saturday, September 18

WHAT IS THE EVENT

Stoughton Walk

Traditional Walk SN: 118635 - 2021

WHEN IS THE EVENT

Starting Sat, Sep 18th, 2021 for 1 day

Start table open: 8:00AM to 12 Noon, finish by 3PM

WHERE IS THE EVENT

Stoughton, Wisconsin

The address/location for the start table is as follows:

Rotary Park

REASONS TO DO THE EVENT

Special programs

Little Free Libraries

Rockin' Around the Clock

Walking with America's

Veterans

CC: Dane County

Long description

Walk is primarily on city sidewalks & streets, about 1/4 mile on grass & gravel path along the Yahara River. The walk passes historic landmark homes of various architectural styles, old tobacco warehouses, Norwegian Heritage Center, and Abel Contemporary Gallery art gallery.

CONDITIONS FOR THE EVENT

Distance: 10k & 5k, Rating: 2A

Restrooms: Yes

Pets: Yes

Strollers: Medium

Wheelchairs: NO

Comments

None provided

Awards and fees: IVV Credit Only

HOW TO GET TO THE EVENT

Driving to the start

600 E Jefferson St Stoughton WI 53589 From Madison, take US Hwy 51 south into Stoughton. After Crossing the Yahara River, turn RIGHT on 6th street to the Start Point on your right.

EVENT SPONSOR

Madison Area Volkssport Assn. (AVA-0835)

POINT OF CONTACT

POC: **Carol Clark**

lexmar@att.net

608-221-3249

Attachment C October 2021 Traditional Event - Saturday, October 9, 2021

WHAT IS THE EVENT

Westport Walk

Traditional Walk SN: 118637 - 2021

WHEN IS THE EVENT

Starting Sat, Oct 9th, 2021 for 1 day

Start table open: 8:00AM to 12 Noon, finish by 3PM

WHERE IS THE EVENT

Waunakee, Wisconsin

The address/location for the start table is as follows:

Jackson Landing Park Shelter

REASONS TO DO THE EVENT

Special programs

None provided

CC: Dane County

Long description

Walk is dominated by natural areas: paths through fields and prairies, into mature woodlands along 6-Mile Creek. Pass horse stables into new development, to trail/boardwalk along Lake Mendota.

CONDITIONS FOR THE EVENT

Distance: 10k & 5k, Rating: 1C

Restrooms: Yes

Pets: Yes

Strollers: Medium

Wheelchairs: NO

Comments

None provided

Awards and fees: IVV Credit Only

HOW TO GET TO THE EVENT

Driving to the start

5485 Willow Rd Westport 53518 Ample parking. Restrooms at START/FINISH only! From Middleton, take Cty M North past Governor Nelson State Park. Start Point is on RIGHT as you enter Westport.

EVENT SPONSOR

Madison Area Volkssport Assn. (AVA-0835)

POINT OF CONTACT

POC: Don Suloff

suloff@tds.net

608-821-0263

Attachment D Official Event Start Card (Waiver)

Below is the required waiver / start card. If you would like to do the Capitol YRE Dairyland Walkers that want to receive the walk directions and map via email see the following steps:

1. E-mail Jerry Wilson at jpatw4@gmail.com as many days as possible before planning to walk a specific route:
 - a. Identifying the walk you wish to walk, and the distance desired (medium or short, or both).
 - b. Attach a completed and signed (Waiver) Official Event Start Card form: See Newsletter **Attachment D**.
2. A list will be compiled of walkers and shared with each POC. An email will be return to you with an attached copy of the walk directions and map to be completed when convenient for you. Either print the directions in advance or access directions on a smart phone when you begin to walk.
3. Once completed Jerry can send you a PDF of the stamp to print, cut, and paste in your achievement books. Or when the walk box is again accessible, stop in, stamp your books, complete the registration log, an envelope, include payment and a copy of the submitted (waiver) Official Event Start Card. Payment can also be mailed now to:
Jerry Wilson, 1827 E. Washington Avenue #210, Madison WI 53704-5247

OFFICIAL EVENT START CARD		Start No.
Name _____		
Address _____		
City _____	State _____	Zip _____
E-Mail _____		
Distance _____ km	Paid \$ _____	
<p style="text-align: center;">DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY</p> <p><small>In consideration of being allowed to participate in any way in AVA volkssporting programs and related events and activities, the undersigned:</small></p> <p><small>1. Agrees that before or during my participation, if I believe anything is unsafe, I will immediately advise the event supervisor or other person in authority at the volkssporting program and the related events and activities of such conditions and refuse to participate;</small></p> <p><small>2. Acknowledges and fully understands that each participant will be engaging in activities that involve the risk of serious injury, including permanent disability and death and severe social and economic losses which might result not only from my own actions, inactions or negligence of others, or the condition of the premises, the trail or any equipment used. Further, that there may be other risks not known to us or not reasonably foreseeable at this time.</small></p> <p><small>3. Assumes all the foregoing risks and accept personal responsibility for the damages following such injury, permanent disability or death;</small></p> <p><small>4. Release, waive, discharge and promise not to sue the American Volkssport Association, its affiliated clubs, their respective administrators, directors, agents, or other volunteers and employees of the organization, other participants, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers and if applicable, owners and lessors of premises used to conduct the event, all of which are hereinafter referred to as "releasees", from demands, losses or damages on account of injury, including death or damage to property, caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the releasee or otherwise.</small></p>		STAMP # _____
		NEW WALKER
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		IVV CREDIT ONLY
		NON-IVV PARTICIPANT
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Signature _____		Date _____
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