



This Month's Walks & Events:

9/10, Wednesday, 6-7:00pm, Dairyland Walkers Board Meeting, via Teams

9/13, Saturday, 9:00-12:00 start, 30th Anniversary Walk, Warner Park Beach [Add to Calendar](#)

Articles:

Dairyland Walkers 30th Anniversary Walk, by Karen Reger

Thirty years ago, the Madison Area Volkssport Association (aka Dairyland Walkers) was chartered as a member club of the American Volkssport Association. In recognition of this event, a 5K/10K walk will be held on Saturday, September 13, on the North Side of Madison. It will start from the Warner Park Beach area located at 1101 Woodward Drive, next to Lake Mendota. Street parking is available on the side next to the shelter, and in the parking lot for beachgoers. Registration will be from 9:00 a.m. to noon; walkers must finish by 3:00 p.m.

The 5K will go through residential areas and a county park, which surrounds what used to be a tuberculosis sanitarium. The 10K will start and end the same as the 5K, but will go further north into a section of the Cherokee Marsh Conservation Park - South Unit.

Unfortunately, the shelter at Warner Park Beach had already been reserved, but there are open spaces that we should be able to use. You may want to bring lawn chairs, and we will provide tables for registration and treats. In case of rain, we may have to use the club's tent.

Walkbox Point of Contact Opening, by Chris Flessert

We have an opening for a walk box point of contact for the Oshkosh and Fond du Lac walks. Both walks are seasonal from April 1 through December 31 of each year. The walk box point of contact ensures that there are adequate directions and supplies in the walk box, gathers the start cards and payments, and submits a quarterly financial report to the treasurer with frequent walker coupons and payments. This position would involve traveling to Oshkosh and Fond du Lac four times a year. You would work with the current business to confirm that they will continue to host our walk box.

If you are interested in becoming the Oshkosh and Fond du Lac walk box point of contact, please contact Chris Flessert at (608) 208-5014 or email at c.flessert@reagan.com.

Missing Dairyland News Mailings?, by Pam Wilson

Ugh...randomly, and for no apparent reason, a couple of club members have realized that they have not received some of our mailings. **If you have an explanation and a fix, please reply to this mailing!** Barring that, here are some suggestions to (hopefully) ensure you receive our mailings:

- Watch for the "Month Ahead" about the 1st of each month.
- Watch for the "Article Request" about the 15th of each month.
- Watch for the "Save the Date" for the following month about the 25th of each month.
- Watch for the "Reminder" for each event about 2 days before each event.
- If you don't receive one of these, check your spam folder. If it's not there, contact dairylandnews@gmail.com to have it sent directly to you.

Chris Flessert Completes 50 States/51 Capitols, by Mary Liebig

Congratulations to Chris Flessert who completed walking in all 50 states and 51 capitols with a cruise to Alaska in July. Chris started the program in 2006. A favorite walk was in Shepherdstown, West Virginia because it had lots of history in a beautiful setting. Honolulu, Hawaii was her favorite capitol walk.

Chris currently serves as our Sanctioned Events Coordinator. She planned the Watertown Walk in June and mapped out the Manitowoc/Two Rivers Walking Weekend in September 2024.

The Dairyland Walkers appreciate her service to the club and congratulate her on the 50 state/51 capitol achievement!



New Club Members, by Mary Liebig

Please welcome the newest members of the Dairyland Walkers:

- Tom & Lori Hlaban, Cottage Grove, WI

Whitewater walk, by Dave Rieff

You're invited to join the Dairyland Walkers for a 10K or 6K walk on Saturday, October 4th. Start walking between 8:00am and 12:00 noon, and finish up by 3:00pm.

The walk will begin at Starin Park in Whitewater. The routes will include city park areas, prairie, a stroll through the UW-Whitewater campus, city streets, and the downtown area. We'll also be walking through Cravath Lakefront Park, where a festival will underway that day. A paved path through the woods, and walkers will be heading back to the start point.

Hope see you there!

AVA Recent Mailings

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AVA Membership Clarification, AVA Membership Team: If you are a current AVA Associate Member, your membership status is now an AVA Individual Member and is effective until the expiration date on your card. Upon expiration, you will have to renew as an AVA Individual Member. All current AVA Family Members age 18 or older will also have to enroll as an AVA Individual Member once their membership has expired. The cost of AVA Individual Membership is \$25.00. We apologize for any confusion this may have caused.

AVA's Mailing Address, by Kristi Kenyon

In October 2024, AVA moved their headquarters to 1032 S Alamo St, San Antonio, TX 78210. When you are sending in your books, make sure to use this new address. Kristi Kenyon has stickers with the new address that can be affixed over the old one on your books so you'll have the right information once your book is complete. Find Kristi at an upcoming event.

Meeting Minutes

Pending board approval, here is the [link](#) to minutes from the most recent club board or membership meeting.