

## Pine Creek Rail Trail – 2023 Volksbike

***These event directions and maps may only be used in conjunction with a signed American Volkssport Association athletic waiver. All other uses are prohibited.***

1. The Pine Creek Rail Trail runs 62 miles from Jersey Shore north to Stokesdale. It is in the process of being extended to Wellsboro. The entire Pine Creek Rail Trail has been sanctioned as an extended distance Volksbike. This means that you can start where you want, go north or south, and for as far as you wish. The trail has a crushed gravel surface. A bike with wider tires (mountain bike or hybrid is recommended). Bike helmets must be worn!

2. This Volksbike has been sanctioned as a Seasonal event from April 1 – December 31.

3. Some comments or recommendations:

- Bring water.

- Bring lunch or a snack or have a plan for where you are going to buy lunch. Make sure you confirm that this place will be open when you plan to ride. In this area, business web sites are often out of date.

- Know how to change a flat tire. Bring a spare inner tube and the required tools.

- Cell phone service on the trail is spotty or does not exist.

- If staying overnight in the Pine Creek Valley, have a lodging reservation.

4. A description of the Rail Trail Parking Areas is at <https://pinecreekvalley.com/pine-creek-rail-trail/rail-trail-parking-areas/> It is sixteen pages long.

5. Maps are available at most of the parking areas. A map is also available at <https://pinecreekvalley.com/pine-creek-rail-trail/#pcrt-map>

6. Directions for two suggested 13K & 25K Bike rides are provided herein.

a. Waterville is in the south and the ride starts at the Waterville Access Area/Recreational Parking (GPS Coordinates 41.3115, -77.3768), about 0.5 miles north of McConnell's Country Store in the village of Waterville. McConnell's is a good place to purchase lunch and use the restrooms (there are none at the Access Area).

Address for McConnell's Country Store: 10853 PA-44, Waterville, PA 17776

From Williamsport, take US-220 South for 14 miles to Exit 120. Take PA-44 North towards Pine Creek. Go 11 miles to Waterville and McConnell's will be on the left. Look for the Citgo gas sign.

b. Darling Run Parking Area in in the north (GPS Coordinates 41.73573, -77.42898) . There are pit toilets here.

GPS Address: It is 1.2 miles south of the intersection of US-6 and PA Route 362 at Ansonia, PA. A closer address (which may not work with your GPS) is the intersection of Colton Rd and Pine Creek Rd/Route 362.

From Mansfield, take US-6 to Wellsboro. Turn left onto Main St/PA Route 660. Go about 4 miles and veer right onto PA Route 362. Pass the Grand Canyon State Airport. The Darling Run Parking Area will be on the left about 1.5 miles past the airport.

***Be sure to log back into the OSB system to "finish/complete" your online registration after doing the event. The OSB system does not deduct any event fee from a participant's Event Bank until they have submitted event completion info***

*including the date the event was biked, the distance biked, and the selection of applicable special programs that person is participating in. (Nevertheless, a fee of \$2 for a downloaded PDF is deducted from the user's Event Bank when the PDF is downloaded. Later, any PDF fees are credited back to a user's Event Bank when he/she submits the event completion info as a paying for credit participant. Note, however, the \$2 coupon for the downloaded PDF will expire in 60 days.)*

# Waterville - Pine Creek Rail Trail

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## 13K & 25K Seasonal Bike

Emergency Phone Number: 911

Use the restrooms at McConnell's Country Store. There are no restrooms or water at the Trailhead.

### Driving Directions to Trailhead:

a. From McConnell's Country Store, turn left onto Hwy 414.

b. Go about ½ mile and the "Waterville Access Area" is on the right. Park at the far end of the parking lot.

### Bike Directions:

0 miles – From the parking lot, turn right onto the Pine Creek Trail.

0.1 miles - Pass Mile Marker 50

1.1 miles – Pass Mile Marker 49

2.3 miles – Pass Dry Run Comfort Station (restrooms)

4 miles – Double yellow barriers at the maintenance shops for the Jersey Mills Division, Tiadaghton State Forest (**13K turn around**)

7.1 miles – Pass Mile Marker 43

7.9 miles – Cammal Comfort Station (**25K turn around**)

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*logging railroads to be constructed up into the mountains from the villages, with the resultant changeover from log drives along Little and Big Pine Creeks to transport of lumber to Williamsport by rail. The last train ran in February, 1989.*

### Special programs this event qualifies for:

- Rails to Trails
- KSVA Counties Program (Lycoming).

If there are any problems, please contact Tom Jackson at (717) 309-6088. Email is [thomasjackson@embarqmail.com](mailto:thomasjackson@embarqmail.com)

## **Darling Run - Pine Creek Rail Trail**

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### **13K & 25K Seasonal Bike**

Emergency Phone Number: 911

0 Miles - Restrooms and a water pump are at the parking lot. With your back to the "Information Station" at Darling Run, turn right and go south on the Pine Creek Trail. With adjustments for coming from the parking lot, you are starting at about Mile 8.5.

.5 miles - Pass Mile Marker 9

1.4 miles - There is a spring on the left with water coming out of a pipe going into the hillside.

3.2 miles – Restrooms

4.1 miles – Sign for Stowell Run – **Turn around for 13K Bike Ride.**

4.5 miles – Mile Marker 13 – Turn around for 14K Bike Ride (provided in case you missed the sign for Stowell Run).

5.4 miles – Bench with bike rack on the right

7.7 miles – Tiadaghton Camp Ground – restrooms and water pump. – **Turn around for 25K Bike Ride**

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*Darling Run was the site of a Civilian Conservation Corps Camp from 1935 – 1941. These men planted trees, fought forest fires, built parks, miles of roads and trails and the bridge over Pine Creek at Ansonia.*

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