

North Branch Stream Valley Park Y3812

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Olney, MD

10k and 5k Walks

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YRE Description

North Branch Stream Valley Park consists of 3 units with a total of 1408 acres. First acquisition date was in 1963

There are two (2) 5 km trails that can be combined for a 10k walk.

- The first 5k trail is on a paved trail that goes through a relatively new neighborhood in suburban Olney and then into the North Branch Stream Valley Park.
- A second 5k trail is a natural trail that is in the North Branch Stream Valley Park.

Registering for the Walk

- Participant Fee: The Seneca Valley Sugarloafers Volksmarch club charges a \$4 per person participation fee for all participants aged 13 and older. This fee helps cover event costs.
- Ensuring Your IVV Credit: To ensure you receive IVV event and distance credit for your walk, please do NOT check the “No Credit” box during registration if you are 13 years or older. This step is important for tracking your progress in Volkssporting!

Accessing Walk Information (OSB PDF Download)

For your convenience, you can download a comprehensive PDF file containing detailed walk information, maps and instructions for your chosen route.

- There is a small, upfront \$2 download fee for this PDF.

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- Reimbursement for the PDF: We'll credit this \$2 download fee back to you when you complete your walk using the OSB "Finish Table" and pay the \$4 participant fee. Think of it as a prepayment that gets returned when you finish!

After You Have Completed the Walk

After completing your walk, please return to the OSB and log your finish at the "Finish Table" within 60 days of the event registration. Be sure to include the walk date, distance, and any AVA Special Programs that apply to this event (see the AVA Special Programs section in this document).

If walking for IVV credit, your event and distance credits will be recorded automatically.

Driving Directions to the Walk Start

Park hours: Open from sunrise to sunset year-round.

Address: parking lot at 18704-18700 Wickham Rd, Olney, MD 20832

GPS Coordinates: 39.169838, -77.103673

Plus code: 5V9W+WM Olney, Maryland

Plus codes are based on latitude and longitude. By using a simpler code system, they are intended to be shorter and easier to use than traditional global coordinates.

From Washington, D.C, Virginia and points south:

- Take Route 97 (Georgia Ave) North to Olney
- Left on Route 108 Olney Laytonsville Road for 2.1 miles
- Left on Wickham Road
- Right into the parking lot at 18704-18700 Wickham Rd

From Frederick, MD and points north:

- Take Route 97 (Georgia Ave) south to Olney
- Right on Route 108 Olney Laytonsville Road for 2.1 miles
- Left on Wickham Road
- Right into the parking lot at 18704-18700 Wickham Rd

5k Paved Trail – AVA rating 2A

This trail offers a scenic walk through a neighborhood and through the North Branch Stream Valley Park, on paved surfaces. Expect a few minor hills and potentially muddy areas in wet weather.

In case of Emergency: Dial 911.

For event assistance contact Tony Laing at (301) 980-8932

Facing Wickham Road,

1. Right on Wickham Rd.
2. Cross and Right on Fair Hill Rd.
3. Left on Chichester House Rd.
At house #4805, go across street to see ruins of Chichester House – two chimneys and a plaque.
4. Right on Wickham Road.
5. Cross and Right on Tackbrooke Drive.
6. Left on Rushbrooke Drive.
7. After house #18512, turn Left on paved trail.
8. Right at ‘T’ intersection.
 - a. Cross wooden bridge.
9. Left at next ‘T’ intersection.
 - a. Pass a bench.
10. Left at ‘Y’ intersection.
 - a. Cross Wickham Road.
11. Left at first trail. Ignore side trails.
12. Left at ‘T’ intersection.
 - a. Cross bridge.
 - b. Pass large white house & log cabin.
13. Left at first paved path from the left.
 - a. Cross Winding Stone Cir.
14. Right on Olney Mill Rd.
See plaque and Bowie family cemetery enclosed by stone wall on right.
15. Cross and Left to walk on right side of Olney Mill Rd.
16. Right on Wickham Rd.
 - a. Cross Tothill Road.
 - b. Cross Tackbrooke Dr.
 - c. Continue on Wickham Road to parking lot, our start/finish point.

*Thank you for walking our Sugarloafer year-round today!
We hope you enjoyed this trail.*

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5k Paved Trail



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5k Natural Surface Trail – AVA rating 2B

This out and back trail is for walkers who prefer a natural surface trail.

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Facing Wickham Rd,

1. Left to end of parking lot.
2. Continue about 80 feet across the grass along the tree line to trail entrance. A small wooden sign post at the tree line marks the trail entrance.
3. Ignore a path to some houses on the right about 200 yards from the start.
4. Turn right at first natural trail intersection.
5. Walk to Muncaster Road (2.5K) and turn around and retrace steps back to the start / finish point.

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Internet Resources

North Branch Stream Valley Park:

<https://montgomeryparks.org/parks-and-trails/north-branch-stream-valley/>

Geographic region: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Piedmont_\(United_States\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Piedmont_(United_States))

Club Information: [Seneca Valley Sugarloafers Volksmarch Club](#)

AVA National Programs

This YRE qualifies for all AVA National Programs:

- Walking the United States (50 States) → Maryland
- Walking the USA (A - Z) → Olney
- Centurion Achievement Challenge → 1 event
- IVV Americas

AVA Special Programs

Special Program Name	Years	10K	5K	Alt 5K	Information
A-MAZE-ing Labyrinths	2024 2027				
Anniversaries Hurrah	2026 2026	X	X	X	
Appalachian Trail	2018 2029				
Border Crossings	2014 2025				
Grain Elevators: Monarchs of the Plains	2025 2028				
Lighthouses II	2023 2026				
Par for the Course	2023 2026				
Rails-to-Trails	2022 2026				
Step to the Beat	2024 2027				
Town Hall/City Hall	2022 2025				
Walking with America's Veterans	2021 2028				
Walking With the Wild Things	2025 2028				
Washington-Rochambeau National Historic Trail	2022 2032				