

## The series Continues at these DNR Properties in 2022

<u>DATE(S)</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>	<u>PHONE</u>	<u>E-MAIL</u>
Feb 26	Potato Creek State Park	Bob Buzolich	(574) 233-4441	sonofbuzz@prodigy.net
Mar 26	Charlestown State Park	Terry Elser	(260) 438-8975	elserfam@frontier.com
Jun 4	Prophetstown State Park	Terry Elser	(260) 438-8975	elserfam@frontier.com
Aug 6	Potato Creek State Park	Bob Buzolich	(574) 233-4441	sonofbuzz@prodigy.net
Aug 13	Shakamak State Park	Terry Elser	(260) 438-8975	elserfam@frontier.com
Sep 24	Ouabache State Park	Terry Elser	(260) 438-8975	elserfam@frontier.com

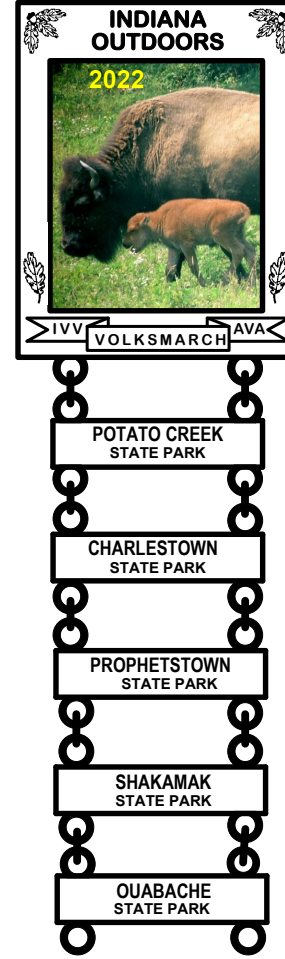
### YEAR-ROUND EVENTS

Jan 1-Dec 31	Fort Harrison State Park	Lance Ratliff	(317) 340-0776	lanceratliff@hotmail.com
Jan 1-Dec 31	Paynetown State Rec Area	Linda Woods	(812) 336-1673	lawoods4330@gmail.com
Jan 1-Dec 31	Pokagon State Park	Tom Crabill	(260) 409-1659	tjcrabill@comcast.net
Jan 1-Dec 31	Spring Mill State Park	Teena Ligman	(812) 278-0139	tdligman@att.net

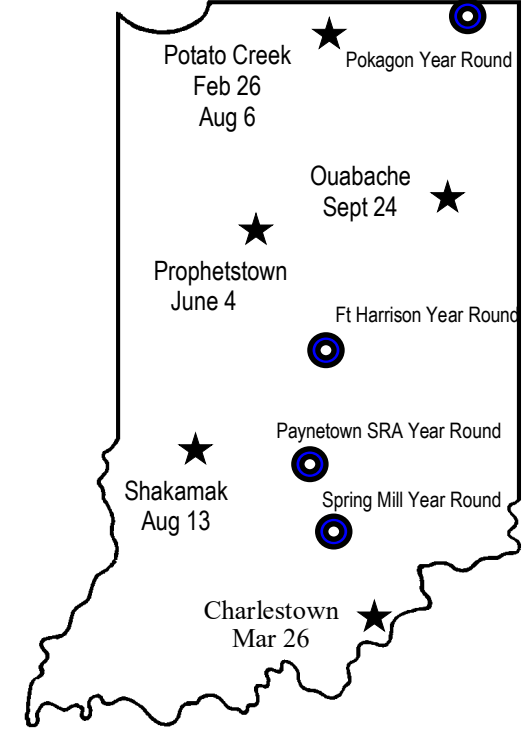
INDIANA VOLKSSPORT ASSOCIATION

AMERICA'S WALKING CLUB  
— ESTABLISHED 1976 —

THESE EVENTS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR CREDIT TOWARD IVV ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS



# WALK INDIANA STATE PARKS VOLKSMARCH SERIES 2022



Sponsored by:  
**Indiana Department of Natural Resources**  
 and  
**Indiana Volkssport Association**

**INDIANA STATE PARKS VOLKSMARCH SERIES**

**What is a Volksmarch?**

A volksmarch is literally a “folk’s walk” or walk for the people. This form of exercise allows a person to participate at their own pace with friends and family over a marked course of usually 10 kilometers (6.2 miles) or more.

**Types of events :** There are two types of events in this series. Traditional events are generally for one day with a limited start time windows (example 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM) and finish time. In 2022, there are six traditional events as depicted on the front cover. We also offer year-round events which can be done every day during the park’s visiting hours. In 2022, there are four year-round events. Group walks are available for both traditional and year round events on our website at <https://www.meetup.com/Indiana-Volkssport-Walking-Meetup/>

**Eligibility:**

Anyone can participate. Volksmarching is a family sport, and people of all ages are welcome and invited to attend. Many parents carry infants in backpacks or push them in strollers. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

**International Sanction:**

The Indiana Volkssport Association (INVA) is a member of America’s Walking Club – the American Volkssport Association (AVA) which sanctions these events to meet the international standards of the International Volkssport Verband (IVV). All IVV events are non-competitive and open to the public.

**IVV Awards Program:**

The IVV issues special awards for participants that complete specified milestones in volkssporting. A person may enroll by purchasing an IVV Event and/or Distance Book. The books cost \$6.00 each and entitle the individual to a certificate and patch when milestones are completed. There is no time limit for completing these books and they are good worldwide for sanctioned IVV events. In addition, the AVA also offers awards for special programs which can be found on the AVA website ([ava.org](http://ava.org))

**Event Awards:**

Each Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR) property in this series has a special 2¼ inch die cast medal header with a property bar attached for the state park, recreation area or lake. Additional DNR property bars may be added to form a chain as shown on the front page. Completion of the trail and payment of the registration fee is required for the award. The 2022 header photo depicts a bison cow and calf at Ouabache State Park.

**Registration:**

All participants are encouraged to pre-register for our traditional events. The pre-registration fee for the medal (incl. property bar) and IVV credit is \$16.00 and on the day of the event it will be \$18.00. The pre-registration fee for the property bar only and IVV credit is \$8.00 and on the day of the event it will be \$10.00. The fee for IVV credit-only is \$3.00. You may walk for free if no award or IVV credit is desired. There will be no refunds. Registration for year-round events may be done at each site or on-line at the AVA website (<http://my.ava.org/>)

**All pre-registrations for traditional events must be post-marked 10 days before the event.**

**Disclaimer:**

The sponsors are not liable for accidents, theft, and/or material damage. Every effort will be made by the sponsor to make these events safe and enjoyable.

**Weather:**

These events will be held rain or shine please dress appropriately.

**Pets:**

Pets must be kept on leashes.

**Refreshments:**

Water will be available at the start and finish and at all control points along the trail. Food may also be available for socializing at some events for a small donation

**Park Fees:**

All participants must pay the current admission fee when applicable. An annual pass to all DNR properties is available for both in and out-of-state visitors.

**Bike events**

Sanctioned bike events may be available at some DNR locations. Separate fees apply.

**For Information & special needs, contact:**

Terry Elser, 260-438-8975, e-mail [elserfam@frontier.com](mailto:elserfam@frontier.com)  
Cliff Terry, 317-776-1848, e-mail [clifftery@sbcglobal.net](mailto:clifftery@sbcglobal.net)



**NOTE: No Refunds**



Indiana Volkssport Association  
Cliff Terry  
152 Stony Creek Overlook  
Noblesville, IN 46060

**You may pre-register for all events at once.**

LOCATION	Award w/Credit \$16.00	Bar Only w/Credit \$8.00	Credit Only \$3.00	Free	Amount Enclosed:
Potato Creek State Park 2/26/22					
Charlestown State Park 3/26/22					
Prophetstown State Park 6/4/22					
Potato Creek State Park 8/6/22					
Shakamak State Park 8/13/22					
Ouabache State Park 9/24/22					

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Mail to:

**PLEASE COPY FORM FOR EACH REGISTRATION**

MAL 10 days prior to the event.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_



# Year Round Events

Available every day during Park visiting hours

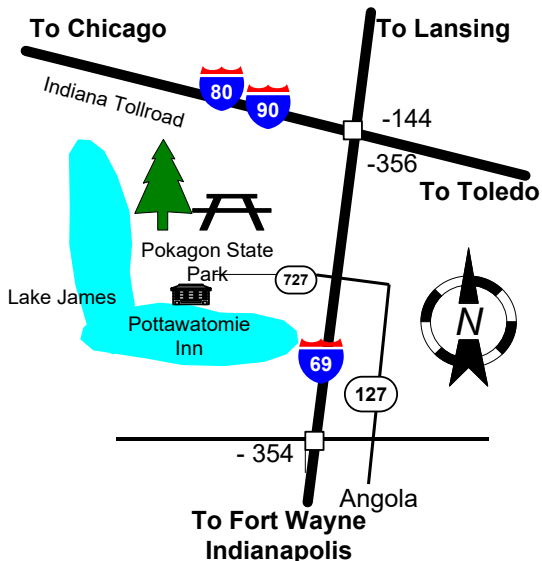
## POKAGON STATE PARK

**REGISTRATION :** Potawatomi Inn, 6 Lane 100 A Lake James, Angola, IN 46703 (lobby desk) The start box is kept at the front desk at the Inn  
**DIRECTIONS :**

From I 69 take exit 354. Go north on SR 127 then left to park entrance W of interstate at exit. From Indiana Toll Road (I80/90): exit 144 S on I-69. Travel 2 miles to exit 354. Follow above directions to park entrance  
**DISTANCE:** 5 k (3.1 miles) or 10 k (6.2 miles) **TRAIL RATING:** 2C (Per AVA)

**TRAIL DESCRIPTION:** The trails wander a wide variety of shady forests, wetland boardwalks, and lakeside paths over hilly and flat terrain.

**POINT OF CONTACT:** Tom Crabill, phone (260) 409-1659 e-mail: tjcrabill@gmail.com Sanction # Y0012



# POTATO CREEK STATE PARK

North Liberty, Indiana

Saturday, February 26, 2022



**START/FINISH POINT:** Nature Center  
**START TIME:** 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM (E.D.T.)  
**FINISH TIME:** 4:00 PM (or before)  
**DISTANCE:** 5 k (3.1 miles) or 10 k (6.2 miles)  
**TRAIL RATING:** 1B (Per AVA)  
**TRAIL DESCRIPTION:** The route uses the state park's existing trail system winding through mostly flat wooded areas. In the event of extreme winter weather the routes may be restricted to cleared and paved roads.  
**FOR MORE INFORMATION:**, Bob Buzolich at (574) 339-9140, or Potato Creek St. Park at (574) 656-8186  
**PARK ADDRESS:** : 25601 State Road 4, North Liberty, IN 46554.



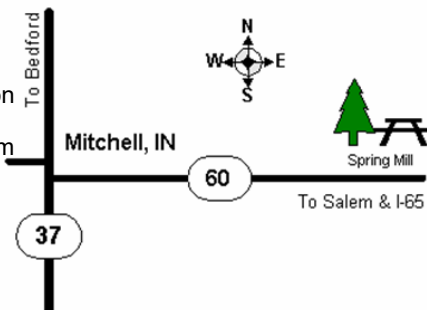
## SPRING MILL STATE PARK

**REGISTRATION :** Spring Mill Inn, 3333 SR 60 E Mitchell, IN 47446 (lobby desk) **ON LINE:** <http://my.ava.org/>

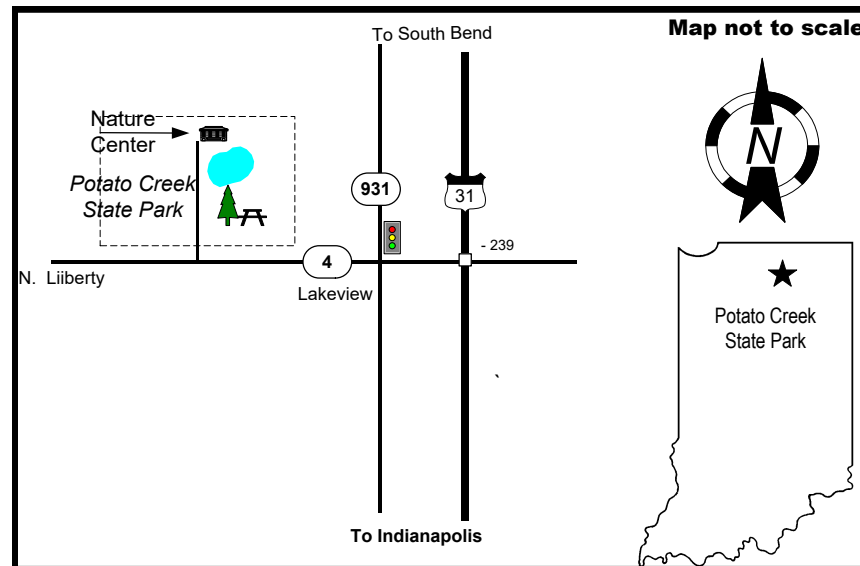
**DIRECTIONS :** Take SR 37 to 60E junction S of Mitchell. Follow 60E 3.4 miles to Park Entrance on left. From the west: take 37 N or S to 60E Junction S of Mitchell and follow above directions. From the east take 60W (exit 7 on I-65) to Salem. The Park Entrance is 19 miles W of Salem on right . The start box is kept at the front desk at the Inn  
**DISTANCE:** 5 k (3.1 miles) or 10 k (6.2 miles)  
**TRAIL RATING:** 3C (Per AVA)

**TRAIL DESCRIPTION:** Enjoy shaded trails through a beautiful old-growth forest, restored pioneer village, and a working grist mill over 200 years old. The trail also goes by streams, sinkholes, caves, and around a lake.

**POINT OF CONTACT:** Teena Ligman, phone (812) 278-0139 , e-mail tligman@att.net Sanction # Y1325



**DIRECTIONS:** Potato Creek State Park is located in northern Indiana about six miles west of U.S. 31 (exit 239) on State Road 4. From the gate house at the park entrance you should follow the signs to the Nature Center. The start point is located in the vicinity of the Nature Center



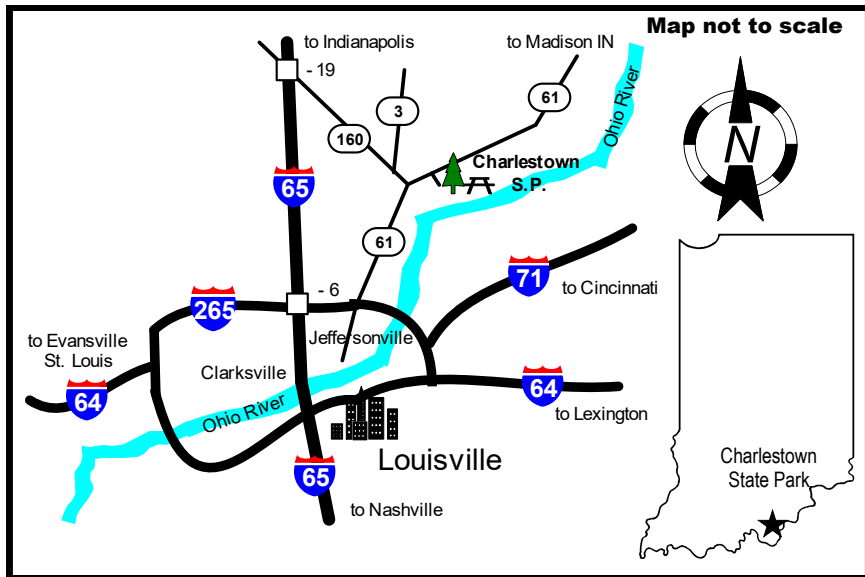
# CHARLESTOWN STATE PARK

Charlestown, Indiana  
**Saturday, March 26, 2022**



**START/FINISH POINT:** Clark Shelter  
**START TIME:** 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM (E.D.T.)  
**FINISH TIME:** 4:00 PM (or before)  
**DISTANCE:** Two 5 K loops 5 k (3.1 miles) or 10 k (6.2 miles)  
**TRAIL RATING:** 2B (Per AVA)  
**TRAIL DESCRIPTION:** Two 5 K trails on wooded trails over hilly terrain with excellent views of cliffs, waterfalls, and streams.  
**FOR MORE INFORMATION:**  
 Terry Elser at (260) 438-8975,  
 Cliff Terry at (317) 776-1848, or  
 Charlestown St. Park at (812) 256-5600  
**PARK ADDRESS:** 12500 SR 62.  
 Charleston, IN 47111

**DIRECTIONS:** Charlestown State Park is located in southern Indiana on the banks of the Ohio River near Louisville KY. From I-65, take I-265 East (exit 6) for about 3 miles to SR 62. Turn left and follow SR 62 into town and past the SR 3 intersection to the entrance to the park on the right. After entering the park, follow the signs to the Clark Shelter.



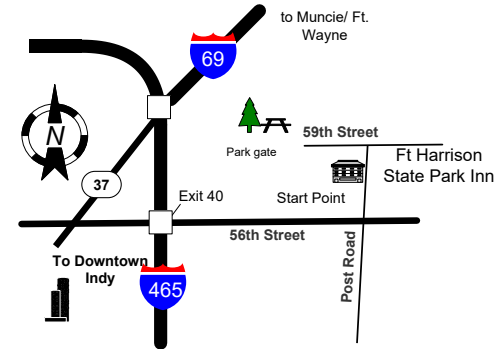
Sanction # MA 21-121095

# Year Round Events

Available every day during Park visiting hours

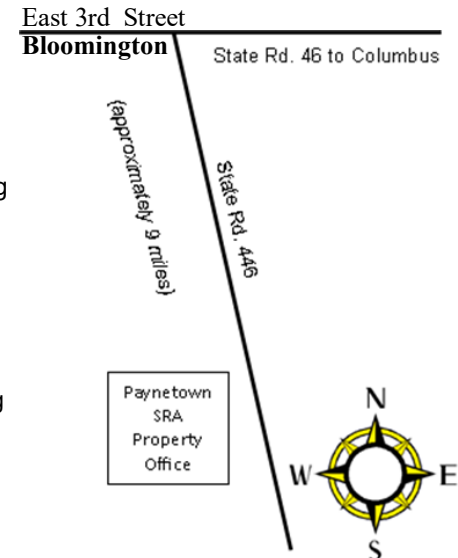
## FORT HARRISON STATE PARK

**REGISTRATION :** Fort Harrison State Park Inn, 5830 North Post Road, Indianapolis, IN 46216 (lobby desk) **ON LINE:** <http://my.ava.org/>  
**DIRECTIONS:** From I-465 on east side of Indianapolis take exit 40 (56th Street). Follow 56th Street east to Post Road for approximately 2 1/4 miles. Turn left on Post Road to the Inn on the left just before 59th Street. Register at the Inn and drive to trailhead to start the walk. The start box is kept at the front desk at the Inn  
**DISTANCE:** 5 k (3.1 miles) or 10 k (6.2 miles) **TRAIL RATING:** 2B (Per AVA)  
**TRAIL DESCRIPTION:** Enjoy a unique experience in a beautiful rustic setting within a major metropolitan area. The park has challenging trails with some unexpected vistas.  
**POINT OF CONTACT:** Lance Ratliff phone (317) 340-0776, e-mail [lanceratliff@hotmail.com](mailto:lanceratliff@hotmail.com)  
 Sanction # Y2505



## PAYNETOWN STATE RECREATION AREA

**REGISTRATION :** Paynetown State Recreation Area (SRA) Office, 4850 South State Rd 446, Bloomington, IN 47401. **ON LINE:** <http://my.ava.org/>  
**DIRECTIONS;** From the north, State Rd 37 south to State Rd. 46 east to State Rd. 446 south to property.  
 From the south, State Rd. 37 north to State Rd. 50 east to State Rd. 446 north to property.  
 From the east, State Rd. 46 west to State Rd. 446 south to property.  
 From the west, State Rd. 46 east to State Rd. 446 south to property. Parking is available both in front and in back of the building. From the back parking lot, as you are facing the building, find the trailhead off to the left  
**DISTANCE:** 5 k (3.1 miles) or 10 k (6.2 miles) or 15 k (9.3 miles)  
**TRAIL RATING:** 2B (Per AVA)  
**TRAIL DESCRIPTION:** Hike challenging trails through a beautiful forest of mixed hardwoods with views of Lake Monroe. Includes grassy and rocky terrain, hills, creeks, and gullies.  
**POINT OF CONTACT:** Linda Woods: phone (812)336-1673, email: [lawoods4330@gmail.com](mailto:lawoods4330@gmail.com)  
 Sanction # Y0851



# OUABACHE STATE PARK

Bluffton, Indiana

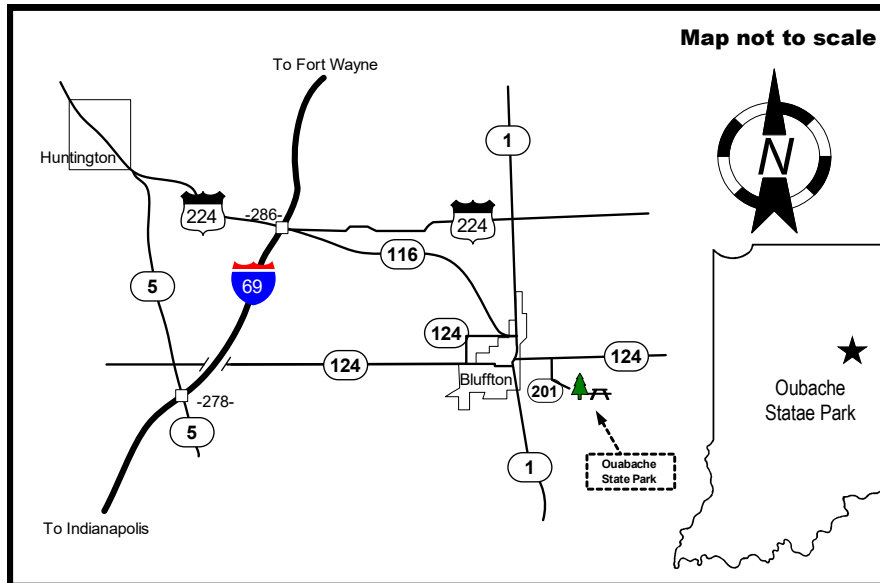
Saturday, September 24, 2022



**START/FINISH POINT:** Rustic Oak Shelter  
**START TIME:** 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM (E.D.T.)  
**FINISH TIME:** 4:00 PM (or before)  
**DISTANCE:** 6 or 11 Km (3.7 or 6.8 miles)  
**TRAIL RATING:** 1B (Per AVA)  
**TRAIL DESCRIPTION:** Two loops through forest trails on fairly flat terrain through magnificent stands of oak and hickory. Passes a woodland marsh, the wildlife exhibit, and several interesting footbridges  
**FOR MORE INFORMATION:**  
 Terry Elser at (260) 438-8975  
 Cliff Terry at (317) 776-1848 or  
 Ouabache State Park at (260) 824-0926  
**PARK ADDRESS:** 4930 E. SR 201  
 Bluffton, IN 46714



**DIRECTIONS:** From I-69, take exit 286 and follow US 224 and SR 116 into Bluffton. Then take SR 124 east 2½ miles to the park sign; turn right (south) on SR 201 and follow brown State Park signs to the park entrance. Once in the park follow the signs to the Rustic Oak Shelter.



Sanction # MA 21—121098

# PROPHETSTOWN STATE PARK

West Lafayette, Indiana

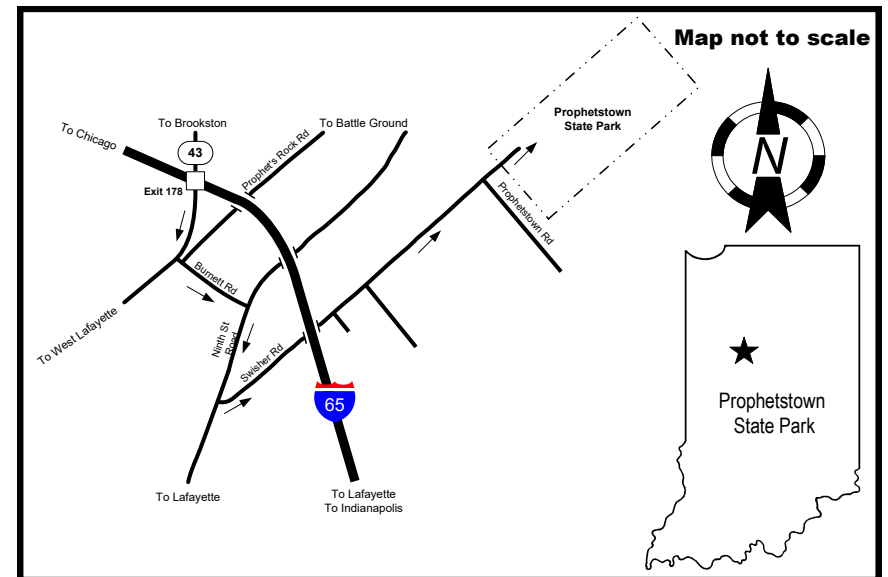
Saturday, June 4, 2022



**START/FINISH POINT:** Coneflower Shelter  
**START TIME:** 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM (E.D.T.)  
**FINISH TIME:** 4:00 PM (or before)  
**DISTANCE:** Two 5 k (3.1 miles) & 7 k (4.3 miles) loops  
**TRAIL RATING:** 2B (Per AVA).  
**TRAIL DESCRIPTION:** Hike in the park's large expanses of tall prairie grasses, blooming native wildflowers, and numerous wetlands that wait to be explored.  
**FOR MORE INFORMATION:**  
 Terry Elser at (260) 438-8975,  
 Cliff Terry at (317) 776-1848, or  
 Prophetstown State Park at (765) 567-4919  
**PARK ADDRESS:** 5545 Swisher Road  
 West Lafayette, IN 47906



**DIRECTIONS:** Located just north of Lafayette and northwest of the Purdue University campus. From I-65, take Exit 178 onto SR 43 going south to Burnell Rd. Left on Burnell Rd to North Street Road, then right to Swisher Road Turn left on Swisher to the park entrance. Once in the park follow the signs to the Coneflower Shelter. Caution: There are mistakes on some GPS applications. Do not use SR 225 since there is no park entrance.



Sanction # MA 21—121096

# POTATO CREEK STATE PARK

North Liberty, Indiana  
**Saturday, August 6, 2022**



**START/FINISH POINT:** Nature Center  
**START TIME:** 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM (E.D.T.)  
**FINISH TIME:** 4:00 PM (or before)  
**DISTANCE:** 5 k (3.1 miles) or 10 k (6.2 miles) Bike 11 K (6.8 miles)  
**TRAIL RATING:** 2B (Per AVA)  
**TRAIL DESCRIPTION:** The route uses the state park's existing trail system winding through mostly flat wooded areas. Two hills may be encountered along the route.  
**FOR MORE INFORMATION:;**  
 Bob Buzolich at (574) 339-9140, or  
 Potato Creek St. Park at (574) 656-8186  
**PARK ADDRESS:** : 25601 State Road 4,  
 North Liberty, IN 46554.



# SHAKAMAK STATE PARK

Jasonville, Indiana  
**Saturday, August 13, 2022**

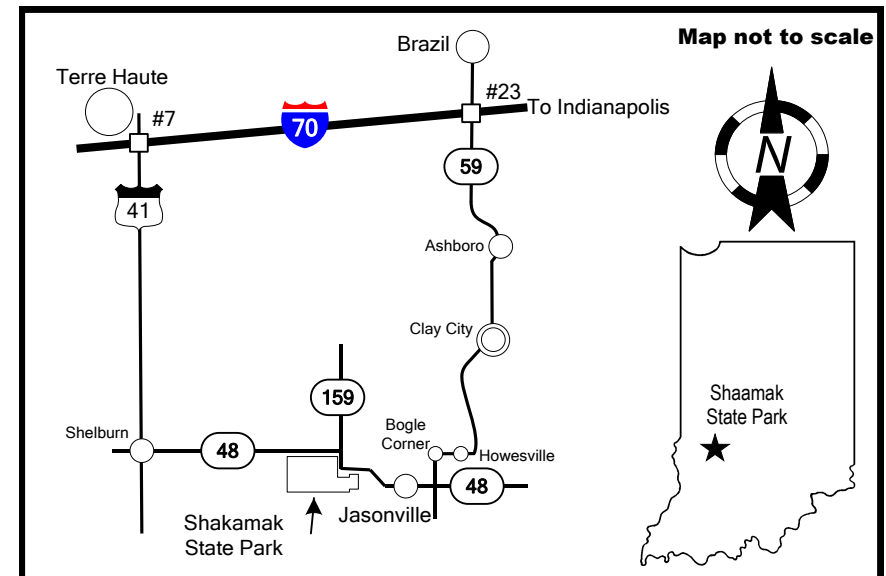
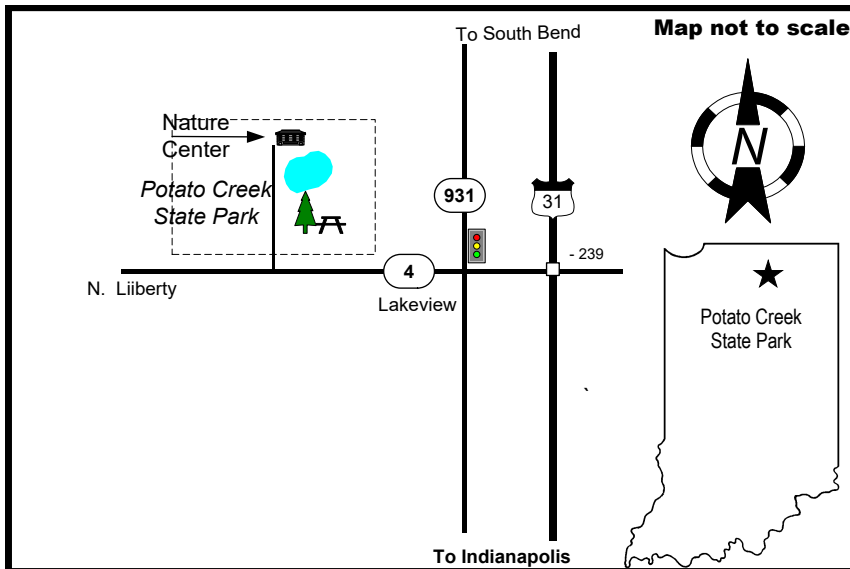


**START/FINISH POINT:** Pool Shelter  
**START TIME:** 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM (E.D.T.)  
**FINISH TIME:** 4:00 PM (or before)  
**DISTANCE:** 5 k (3.1 miles) or 10 k (6.2 miles)  
**TRAIL RATING:** 2B (Per AVA)  
**TRAIL DESCRIPTION:** Two loops through forest trails on rolling terrain with some steps with some moderate hills.  
**FOR MORE INFORMATION:**  
 Terry Elser at (260) 438-8975  
 Cliff Terry at (317) 776-1848 or  
 Shakamak State Park at (812) 665-2158  
**PARK ADDRESS:** : 6265 W State Road 48  
 Jasonville, IN 47438



**DIRECTIONS:** Potato Creek State Park is located in northern Indiana about six miles west of U.S. 31 (exit 239) on State Road 4. From the gate house at the park entrance you should follow the signs to the Nature Center. The start point is located in the vicinity of the Nature Center

**DIRECTIONS:** From Indianapolis take I-70 west to exit 23 (SR 59). Follow SR 59 south for 20 miles to SR 48. Turn right on SR 48 and go 3 miles to the park entrance. From Evansville or Terre Haute take US 41 to SR 8. Go east on SR 48 for 14 miles to the park entrance. After entering the park, follow the signs to the shelter.



Sanction # MA 21—121097