



Miami Valley Outdoor Club

July, 2012



MVOC Annual Picnic at Hills & Dales MetroPark!

Hike, Food, Games, Conversation, Relaxation!

Tuesday, July 3, 6:00 p.m. 'til dark

Don't miss one of our most popular events of the year! The Outdoor Club's annual summer feast at the Paw Paw Shelter at Hills & Dales MetroPark, 2740 S. Patterson Blvd. MVOC will provide hotdogs and hamburgers, buns, condiments, and pop. Bring your own table service and a side item to share - salad, casserole, fruit, dessert, etc. Come a little early and walk off a few calories before the feast by taking a hike through beautiful Hills & Dales MetroPark. The hike will leave promptly at 6:00 and return about 6:45. If you don't want to hike, come any time after 6:00 to start nibbling

on appetizers. We will begin grilling about 7:00 p.m. Children and dogs welcome.

We'll liven up the event with a t-shirt exchange, including sweat shirts and ball caps. Bring your old or new imprinted items to the picnic. Outdoor, political, whimsical, any themes - any size. Bring as many as you want. Take as many as you want. No even exchange necessary.

Directions: From Dorothy Lane between Rt. 48 and Dixie Dr., turn north on South Patterson Drive. Turn Right on Oak Knoll Road, then left on Deep Hollow Road to the entrance for Paw Paw Camp/Shelter. For more precise directions, check out the map at <http://www.metroparks.org/Parks/HillDales/Maps.aspx>

Mad River Innertube Float Trip

Saturday, July 14, 2011

It is so simple, yet so pleasant. Bring your innertube. You just drop your innertube into the river, sit down on it and float through a river paradise. Listen to the birds, talk to friends or just perfect your floating technique. If you do not have an innertube maybe we can loan you one, or tell you where to find one. Dress to get wet. Wear shoes that you do not mind getting wet. Do not bring anything onto the river that you will not mind losing. Sunglasses, (not perscription)

sunscreen, a change of clothes. We meet in Springfield and travel north. We position cars at the takeout to shuttle drivers back to their cars at the put-in. The river is spring fed and very clean and cold. It is also shallow for the most part. This event is weather dependent. Thunderstorms or high river levels make this dangerous. So explicit contact information is needed in case of cancellation. Reservations required for all and waivers for non-members required. Contact Dwight or Donna Gehring, at ddgehring60@woh.rr.com or by cell (937) 371-8511.

WaterSports Day at Hueston Woods

Saturday, July 21 Come when you can, stay as long as you like.

Come join MVOC members for a water sports day at Hueston Woods. We'll have 2 sailboards to share. You can also bring your own water craft (wind or hand-powered or motorboats under 10 hp). Kayaks, canoes, paddleboards, low horsepower boats and pontoons are available for rent at Hueston Woods marina. We will meet at the Hueston Woods swimming area just east of the marina. Great opportunity for the whole family. Fishing, swimming, cycling, hiking, nature center, concession stand or bring your own food and beverages.

Camping is available at Hueston Woods, so some of you may want to camp on Friday night or Saturday or both. The camping is not part of the group activity so you will need to reserve campsites on your own in advance.

Please call or email if you plan to attend so that we'll know to look for you or be able to call you if there are any last minute changes. Bruce at 299-8517, Jeanne at 299-4102, Lindy at 278-1493 or bruce-ho3055@woh.rr.com or lindymcd46@aol.com

[Park Map](http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/Portals/2/parkmaps/huestonwoodsparkmap.pdf) at <http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/Portals/2/parkmaps/huestonwoodsparkmap.pdf>

Climbing at Urban Krag

Wednesdays 6:30, July 11, 18, 25 (Gym closed July 4)
Urban Krag Climbing Center, 126 Clay Street,
Dayton, www.urbankrag.org.

Meet at the viewing platform at 6:30 pm. After 6:30 the person at the desk can point us out in the climbing area. Your first time in to the gym you will need to complete a belay certification which takes about 30 to 45 minutes and is a one-time charge of \$15.00. Everyone 14 or older must complete a belay certification. If you are under the age of 14 you will need someone who is belay certified to belay for you. If you are a minor (under the age of 18) you will need to have a parent or guardian sign a waiver for you.

Cost: The total charges for a first time visit will be: Belay certification \$15.00, Daily pass \$12.00, Shoes \$4.00, Harness \$3.00. For more information or to sign up, contact Hank Trimble at hank.trimble@yahoo.com

Tuesdays at Taylorsville

July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 at 4:30

Join members of MVOC for a Tuesday hike at

Taylorsville MetroPark. Various members will take turns leading a **FAST**-paced hike through hilly wooded terrain and along the Great Miami River, beginning promptly at 4:30 at a pace around 4 miles an hour. Meet at the parking lot near the CCC shelter off Route 40. This is a conditioning hike. Time, energy and attitude willing, some hikers often take another, somewhat slower, trip around the park at 5:30 or so.

Early Bird Tuesday Hikes in July

Get some fresh air and exercise early in the day. Join Lindy McDonough for these moderately paced, 1.5 hour hikes at 7:00 a.m. four times in July. Locations vary. Dogs are welcome but must be on leash. Bring bug repellent.

Tues., July 10 **Possum Creek MetroPark** - 4790 Frytown Rd; meet at the Argonne Forest parking lot

Tues., July 17 **Englewood MetroPark East** - 4361 National Rd. Meet at the Patty Shelter parking lot.

Tues., July 24 **Carriage Hill MetroPark** - 7821 E. Shull Rd; meet at the Red Wing Shelter.

Tues., July 31 **Englewood MetroPark South** - 9331 Meeker Rd.

Wednesday Nite Paddles

Nearly every Wednesday throughout the summer,

July 11, 18, 25 and Aug 8, 15

Whitewater Warehouse, 104 Valley St, Dayton, OH

Time: Shuttles leave at approximately 5:30 & 6:15 and later if necessary.

Cost: \$20.00 Equipment and Shuttle; \$5.00 Shuttle Only; Equipment and shuttle fees include sales tax.

Pete Willis, the first Wednesday of the paddling season



Payment by cash or check preferred.

Shuttle leaves whenever it is full, and will continue until all boaters are on the river - sometimes as many as 4-5 shuttles. Equipment and shuttle slots are available on a first come first serve basis. Dress to get wet, and be ready to have some Fun! Recommended age 14+.

Check the Whitewater Warehouse website at www.kayakdayton.com special events and trips, variations in dates, classes, river conditions and more.

Welcome New Members

Dave Lundy Bob & Sue Gilkey

Out and About

by Lindy McDonough

Once again, I think I'll have nothing to report, but after combing through my old emails I find lots to talk about. On May 4, MVOCer Steve Longnecker and his wife Sandy hosted a fun Paddle Party with about 15 people kayaking down the Stillwater River near West Milton. After a 3-hour float, the gang gathered at Steve's place for a cookout, cocktails, conversation and games. More arrived later for the eating part and as many as 25 attended altogether, including Steve's grandson, and a few other youngsters, several of Steve's friends & neighbors, and MVOC members Bruce & Sue Howorth, Sharon Mullins, Patty Wheelbarger, Mike Nelson, myself, Rebecca Ingebo and her husband David, Connie and Jim Steele, Kathie Hemmerick, Julie Webb, and Scott Barger. Sorry if I left anyone out. Anyone who wanted to, camped out on the Longenecker estate, but I don't know who, because Mike and I left before bedtime.

At least three MVOCers that I know of showed up for the first Wednesday paddle at Whitewater Warehouse on May 30 - Pete Willis, Walt Fenstermacher and myself. It was a glorious day and not too hot.

On May 18 MVOCers Amy Callahan (aka Falling Turtle) and Joel West (aka Irish Charm) were wed at 12:00 pm on Day 88 of their current hike on the Appalachian Trail. They were married at camp Riff Raff. Trail Days, Damascus, VA. Amy reported that there was laughter, tears, smiles, and lots and lots of beer - « a perfect day.» Their last journal entry was June 18 with 712 miles so far, near the West Virginia border.

For the MVOC Bike Ride and Campout from Corwin to Yellow Springs June 23 and 24, Ella Himes reported that it was a great weekend...the weather was spectacular! There were eleven participants for the weekend

event with five who biked from Corwin on Saturday. Hank Trimble, Gary Mount and Ella Himes biked the entire way to John Bryan State Park and back to Corwin the next day, 25 miles in 2 and a half hours each way. Connie and Jim Steele biked part way on Saturday, then turned around in order to make their dinner reservation at the Winds in Yellow Springs since it was their 40th anniversary. They joined the group at the camp site after dinner. Steve Longenecker and his grandson Brandon enjoyed mountain biking on the mountain bike trails at John Bryan State Park while Dwight and Donna biked on the bike path from Yellow Springs. Sharon Mullins transported the bikers' gear to the camp site Saturday and Steve Longenecker transported it back on Sunday. The group enjoyed a wonderful campfire, partaking in both great conversation and smores with part of the group playing cards as well. A fun time was had by all.

Jim Nies was kind enough to finish and send the June newsletter last month just before he left on a trip to Spain with his wife Pat. I can't wait to hear all about his trip. I hope he took lots of pictures and will share his adventures at one of our monthly meetings.

Jim Glidewell, a longtime member who doesn't surface often, but occasionally keeps in touch by email, recently reported that this spring he was traveling for three weeks on the Oregon coast. Some of you may have heard about the [huge] dock that floated up on the Oregon coast - debris from the tsunami in Japan. Jim actually saw it, but totally by accident. He happened to go to Agate Beach (where the dock ran aground) because he read that it was good for sunsets. When he arrived, there was a crowd of people and he couldn't figure out what was going on until somebody told him all about it.

No more news to report, but be sure to check the Outdoor Club website and the weekly announcements regularly. Last minute events get scheduled that don't make it into our newsletter and we don't want you to miss anything outdoorsy and fun.

Newsletter Deadline July29

Projector/Computer Training

Oh, No! Next year our longtime audio/visual expert Dwight Gehring will not be around as much to work the projector at meetings. We are considering having a training session for anyone interested in learning how to work the equipment as backup in times of need. Please let Dwight know if you are interested and we will schedule a time and place. Contact: ddgehring60@woh.rr.com or cell (937) 371-8511.

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Miami Valley Outdoor Club Membership/Waiver Form

New members please mark time-frame you are joining: _____Jan. thru Mar. - singles \$16 / families \$24
_____April thru June - singles \$12 / families \$18 _____July thru Sept. - singles \$8 / families \$12
_____Oct. and after - full-year membership dues (\$16 or \$24) will include the remainder of the year and the entire following year. Renewing dues are singles \$16 / families \$24. Renewing members must fill out membership/waiver form every year. Both spouses/partners in a family must sign. Membership year is Jan.1 to Dec.31

Name _____ I'd like to join _____ I'd like to renew _____

Address _____ I'd like more information _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone # _____

Email Address _____ Amount enclosed \$ _____

I hereby declare that I am at least 18 years of age and agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the Miami Valley Outdoor Club. I do hereby relieve the Miami Valley Outdoor Club and/or its officers and members from all responsibility and liability regarding any loss, injury, or accidents incurred at, or related to, any club activity or function.

Signature _____ Date _____

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