



Miami Valley Outdoor Club

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May 2013

"Great Miami Outfitters - Firsthand"

Tuesday, May 7
7:00 p.m.

Miami Valley Outdoor
Club Meeting

May 7 Only
Location Change:

Meet at
Great Miami Outfitters
25 East Linden Ave.
Miamisburg

Now's your chance to see one of the Miami Valley's premier suppliers of gear and apparel for outdoor enthusiasts, up close and personal. Gather at Great Miami Outfitters in Miamisburg for the May meeting of the Miami Valley Outdoor Club.



Great Miami Outfitters is an independent, family owned and operated small business that opened their doors in May 2007. And although they chose to locate in an historic 1860's building in downtown Miamisburg, their merchandise and services are anything but old fashioned. They carry the most up-to-date, highest quality gear and apparel, usually only found in outdoor specialty stores. Their enthusiastic staff are knowledgeable about outdoor activities and the products they sell and want to make sure the customers enjoy the outdoors with the right gear. GMO is more than a store. They offer classes, programs and trips on canoeing, kayaking, backpacking and fishing, and they are an excellent information resource for area outdoor activities and facilities.

The presentation will be in the downstairs classroom of Great Miami Outfitters and will be covering the latest, greatest and newest gear out there. And MVOC members will receive a new MVOC specific member card to Great Miami Outfitters.

You can learn a lot about Great Miami Outfitters even before your first visit, by checking out their website at [Great Miami Outfitters](http://GreatMiamiOutfitters.com). Read their newsletter, plan a canoe trip, watch a video, shop online or ask a question by phone or email.





Campout at Lake Loramie State Park a Huge Success!

Over 30 campers enjoyed outdoor activities at the first Pick-A-Park weekend of the season. MVOC members, family, friends and co-workers enjoyed the daytime fair weather by hiking, kayaking, mushroom hunting, cycling, fishing, reading, and snoozing. Some even looked for bargains at the annual all-village garage sale in nearby Minster. And everyone weathered 2 nights of cold and rain in tents, RV's and pop-up campers. All day Saturday the weather was beautiful and Saturday evening the whole crew feasted on a fantastic potluck dinner. Many campers enjoyed gabbing around campfires late into the night since the rain did not begin until around midnight. Many Thanks to Steve Longenecker for organizing the event.



Some scenes from the Lake Loramie Weekend (above)

Climbing at Urban Krag

Wednesdays at 6:30, May 8, 15, 22 & 29

Urban Krag Climbing Center, 126 Clay St., 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

Fast Hikes at Taylorsville, Tuesdays at 4:30, May 7, 14, 21 & 28

Join members of MVOC for a Tuesday hike at Taylorsville MetroPark, 2101 U.S. 40, Vandalia. 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. With the change to Daylight Savings Time and a later sunset, there may be an occasional second loop.

Guilford & Lake Alma Pick-A-Park Weekends Coming Up Next.

Plans are to leave Dayton on Fridays around 3:00 p.m. and return home on Sundays. If people want to stay over 1-2 nights, reservations are recommended ahead of time. Camping reservations for both parks: 866-644-6727 or online.

The weekend format will be much the same as the Lake Loramie event. Outdoor activities, during the day, a potluck feast on Saturday night. RV's, pop-ups and tents welcome. Bring fishing gear, bikes, kayaks, and canoes. Family, friends, co-workers are also welcome.

Park details can be found at the Ohio State Park website:

<http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/parks/tabid/80/Default.aspx>
Don't forget Golden Buckeye discounts when making your reservations or at check-ins. Questions? Contact Patty W. at pattywheel@yahoo.com or 937-684-0884

May 31 & June 1

Guilford State Park, Lisbon, OH

Total of 41 electric sites, \$24 per night

2 tents or one trailer and 1 tent., six people per site

4 sites reserved:

#s 7 & 8 for tents; #s 10 & 11 electric

June 14, 15,

Lake Alma State Park, Wellston, OH

Location change because of renovations at East Fork.

2 non-electric sites #s 82 & 83 reserved for tents

71 electric and 10 non electric in campground

Pick-A-Park locations later this year.

Scioto Trail State Park, July 12, 13, 14

Delaware State Park, August 9, 10, 11

Harrison Lake State Park, September 20, 21, 22

Kelley's Island State Park, October 18, 19, 20

Lake Hope State Park, November 15, 16, 17

Shawnee State Park, December 13, 14, 15

MetroParks Forest Birds Field Trip

Sat., May 11, 6:00 am-8:00 pm. Meet at Possum Creek MetroPark Farm, 4790, Frytown Rd.

A road trip to see extremely colorful birds like warblers, tanagers, and orioles from just a few feet away at nationally recognized birding hot spot—Magee Marsh Wildlife Area. Learn how these world travelers play a part in our forest ecology, and how we can protect them. Bring binoculars if you have them; a limited supply will be available. Registration required. (937) 277-4178 or jjyork@metroparks.org for details. All ages Fee: \$40

MVOC Board Meeting. Thurs., June 13, 6 pm at Marion's Pizza on North Dixie. All MVOC members are welcome

MVOC Annual Picnic,

Tuesday, July 2, Paw Paw Shelter, Hills & Dales MetroPark. Details later.

Germantown MetroPark Overnight Campout, June 22-23

Old Mill Road Group Campsite

Limited parking for cars, 3 of 6 spots already reserved. We have a limit of 25 people for the site. MVOC members and guests on a first come first reserve basis. People can park at the sledding hill and hike to the site.

Shimps Hallow Group Campsite

September 28 noon to 29 at noon

Reserved -- just off of Boomershine Rd. Limited parking at site. More parking at sledding hill on Boomershine Rd.

Both events are tent/hammock camping only. Day hikes will be scheduled or you can plan your own hike. Evening activities include campfire and s'mores. Please contact Sharon at 620-0887 to confirm your attendance. More details to come.

(FREE) National Bike To Work Day Pancake Breakfast

Fri. May 17, 7:00-9:00 am

RiverScape Pavilion, 111 E. Monument Ave., Dayton
Leave your car in the garage and support National Bike to Work Day. Ride in on your own or with a group to RiverScape MetroPark for a free pancake breakfast, then head to work. Live music, cycling related exhibitors, and a team challenge are also part of the fun. Turn this one day into a lifestyle. Registration requested, walk-ins welcome. Contact (937) 277-4374 for details. metroparks.org/biketowork. All ages

(FREE) Try Kayaking

Thu. May 9, 4:00-7:00 pm

Eastwood MetroPark, Blue Lake, 1401 Harshman Rd.
Come try a kayak and see if it is something you would like to learn more about. An introduction to the boat and proper safety gear will be offered; you will be able to try different styles of kayaks. This is a great way to learn about the sport in a controlled and safe environment. All equipment is provided. Registration requested, walk-ins welcome. Contact (937) 277-4374 for details. All ages

June 4 MVOC Meeting at Wegerzyn

Guest Speakers: Students from the River Institute at the University of Dayton - building opportunities for the Dayton Community to see our rivers as the strategic natural resource central to the communal, economic, aesthetic and ecological vitality of the region.



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Membership Form

Miami Valley Outdoor Club Membership/Waiver Form

Renewing dues are the full year's amount: singles \$16 / families \$24 regardless of date of renewal.

Renewing members must fill out membership/waiver form every year. Both spouses/partners in a family must sign. Write additional family members on back of 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 current year and the entire following year.

***Circle one:** (Include) (Do not include) my name and information on the annual roster sent to all MVOC members.

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 _____

Print out and Mail to: Miami Valley Outdoor Club, P.O. Box 292571, Dayton, OH 45429