

CHESSIE PATHWAYS

President's Column

By John Dye

Well we procrastinated long enough but we finally have sanctioned walks for the rest of the year. Usually we have three (3) short duration summer walks but this year we missed the sanctioning window for June so we are down to two (2). If you find this totally unacceptable, feel free to sign the petition at impeachjohndye.org. Contributions will be accepted to my Cayman Island account. If enough money is raised, I promise to leave for the Caribbean.

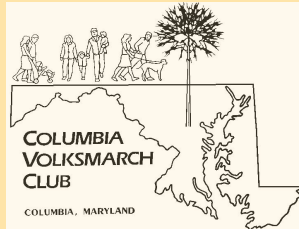
In July, we are teaming up with Nightmare Graphics again. As before, it will be held in conjunction with their annual Oops Sale. This popular event draws lots of folks for the bargain apparel from overruns and mistakes. It has been well received every time we have done it. The event will be the last Saturday in July.

Thanks to Paul Lubell, we are able to once again use the St. Paul Lutheran Church in Catonsville for a start point. The walk date is August 14. As you read this, Paul is out getting the trail ready.

Our Fall event will be Saturday October 16. Our start point will be the Premier Health and Fitness Clubs in Odenton. The trail will be on sidewalks and hard surface paths. A significant portion will be on The Washington, Baltimore & Annapolis Trail.

Remember the events only happen if you attend, walk and volunteer to help. Please be kind when our fearless Volunteer Coordinator Don Dressner comes a callin'. Especially with only two weeks between our July and August walks. See you on the trail!

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President's Column

by Mike Quinlan

I wanted to take a few minutes to update our members on the club's status. We held our final open membership meeting on April 1, 2010. Much of the discussion centered on what actions we need to take to close out the club. From this point on, an executive committee composed of the club officers will plan and execute necessary actions. We will meet on an ad hoc basis, but will do most of our work via e-mail

We have not yet decided whether to close at the end of our fiscal year (June 30, 2010) or the end of the calendar year (December 31, 2010). This is one big decision we will be making very soon. The operation of our YREs beyond June 30 hinges on this decision.

Our final combined newsletter with the Columbia Volksmarch Club will be the June issue. Our web site will continue to operate until the club closes officially. If any member has questions, comments, or suggestions, please send them to one of the officers. Our e-mail addresses are found elsewhere in this newsletter.

Last but not least, don't forget our Mother's Day walk at Rosaryville State Park on Sunday, May 9, 2010. We hope to see lots of old timers at that, the club's final fling. I hope to see you there!



IVV/AVA Happenings

by Ron Bowers

IVV

The IVV World Report Number 008 was posted on 03 March and the IVV World Report Numbers 006 and 007 were posted on 12 February. All of these documents can be found in the NEWS Section as well as the World Reports Section of the IVV WEB Page: <http://www.ivv-web.org>.

The Federation Luxembourg has posted its annual report for 2009 in the News Section of the IVV WEB Page.

Norway has a new point of contact individual.

The first two events in Direct Member Country Romania will take place on September 11 and 12, 2010 in Brasov. Check the News Section on the IVV Web page for additional information.

The Turkish Federation has a new web page concerning their hosting the IVV 12 Olympiad. Check the News Section on the IVV Web for additional information.

AVA

The March and April 2009 AVA CHECKPOINTS have been posted on the AVA WEB Page <http://www.ava.org>.

The deadline for submission of articles for the June/July 2010 edition of The American Wanderer is April 25. Check out the March and April Checkpoints to see whom to send the articles to.

The last meeting of the National Executive Council was held in Albuquerque, New Mexico between 12 and 14 March 2009 and the next NEC meeting is scheduled to take place in Albany, New York between 1 and 3 October 20-09. All interested volkssporters are invited to attend the meetings.

Jackie Wilson, the current AVA Executive Director, will retire effective August 31, 2010. If you are interested in this position, or know someone who is, the individual should go to <http://www.ava.org/ExecDirPosition.htm> for a copy of the announcement, job requirements and instructions for how to apply for this position. The deadline for applications is midnight May 3, 2010. Any questions should be e-mailed to the AVA President at president@ava.org.

LOOKING UP THE TRAIL TO THE MONTH AHEAD

Hit-or-miss impressions/recommendations
— *John Dye*

WARNING: Use at your own risk!!

May 2010

“Tra la! It's May! The Lusty Month of May!”
May is a time when people let their hair down and celebrate life at its most basic.
Maybe you don't want to do any may-pole dances,
Have a go at a volkmarch instead.

Enjoy the following.
(For current information or more details, I always check http://mdvolks.org/new_walklist.php or <http://www.ava.org>)

Saturday May 1 Manchester, MD
The trails start at Manchester Valley H.S and are on sidewalks, natural surfaces, wooded paths and roadsides and goes through Christmas Park Watershed and Nature Center.
Special Classifications: Cemetery Stroll, Historic Churches, Museums
51 mi – about 1 hr 8 mins (from Rich's house in Laurel)
40 mi – about 57 mins (from John's house in Columbia)
Trail Rating 2+ Start: 8 – noon

Saturday May 8 Leesburg, VA
5K/10K Walk will be on natural and mowed grassy surfaces over parts the equestrian cross-country course and on roads past fields and the estate house. Relatively flat. This is the only opportunity this year to walk the cross-country course used in US Olympic trials.
65.5 mi 1 hour 8 mins
TR 2; Start 7:30 - 10

Sunday May 9 Upper Marlboro, MD
The last hurrah for the Chesapeake Bay Country Wanderers.
Description: The 10km Rosaryville St. Park trail is entirely natural surface. The 5 km trail is half natural surface and half on paved road shoulders. The natural surface sections are uneven in spots, with tree roots, and have some short, steep sections. There is one minor stream crossing. Participants can expect wet, muddy spots, especially if there is recent rain.
26 mi – about 41 mins (from Rich's house in Laurel)
39 mi – about 53 mins (from John's house in Columbia)
Trail Rating 2+ Start: 9 - 2

Saturday May 22 Lorton, VA
Walk in the Occoquan Regional Park
The Trail will pass through the Lorton Workhouse Art Center. Set on 55 acres of land in the historic D.C. Workhouse and Reformatory, the Workhouse provides a home for more than 150 of the regions finest professional and emerging artists as well as cooperative studios, performance and theatre venues, dedicated gallery space, and event facilities which may be visited on the trail. The 10 KM trail also passes through the town of Occoquan. Occoquan is a restored artist's community town with shops, outdoor dining, and historic structures. There is an A Award
Special Classifications: Artistic Heritage, Museums, Riverwalk America
55.6 mi; 1 hour 9 mins
TR 3; Start: 8 - 1.

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Saturday to Monday May 29/31
Cumberland, MD

Hey the walk starts at the Crabby Pig Restaurant. Should that be enough said? There are Two events to allow you to tour Western MD by doing walks in Cumberland and Mt Savage. See where the first iron rails in the US were made, the western MD Coal Heritage route where the highest grade of bituminous coal in the world came from, several iron furnaces and where iron ore was discovered before coal and where coal was loaded onto railroad cars to go to the C&O Canal. Visit several small museums chronicling the history of the area.

Special Classifications: Forts of the United States, Historic Churches, Museums, Railroad Heritage

132 mi – about 2 hours 7 mins

Trail Rating 2+; Start 8 - 1

5/30 Cumberland, MD - 2 Walk Weekend-Event - Wash.

6/05 Beltsville, MD - Agri. Center - Event - P.G.

6/12 Silver Spring, MD - Downtown - Event - Montg.

6/19 & 6/20-Solomons, MD Weekend - Event

6/26 Towson, MD -Hampton Historic Site-Event- Balt.

Keep Walking and Bring a Friend
www.annapolisamblerswalk.com

- Bob Schmick

CVC Upcoming Event Schedule

• Saturday July 31 – Columbia - Nightmare Graphics Oops Sale

• Saturday August 14 – Catonsville – St. Paul Lutheran Church

• Saturday Oct 16– Odenton - Premier Health and Fitness Clubs

• Monday December TBD – Columbia - Holiday Walk/Party

New Start Point for Atlantic City, NJ, Walk (YRE Y1643)

We have moved the start point for the Atlantic City walk to the Margate Public Library, 8100 Atlantic Ave, Margate, NJ 08402, which is south of AC. After checking in you will either drive to the original start location, or have the option of doing a 20K walk north on the boardwalk.

The original start was on a pier in AC that was destroyed in the recent storms on the east coast.

2010 CVC Meeting Schedule

• CVC Meetings are normally held on the 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00 pm at Owen Brown Community Center (OBCC), 6800 Cradlerock Way, Columbia, MD 21045 unless otherwise noted below.

May 10th ←

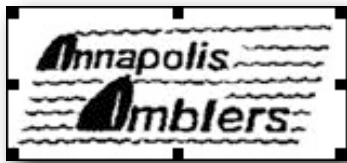
June 14th (At the Dye House - See address on page 1) Note: see page 4, col 3.

July 12th (At the Dye House) Note: see page 4, col 3.

August - No meeting!

September 13th

October 11th



Group Walking Schedule

05/1 – 06/26/10

5/01 Manchester, MD - Mary Ruth Mem.-Event-Carroll

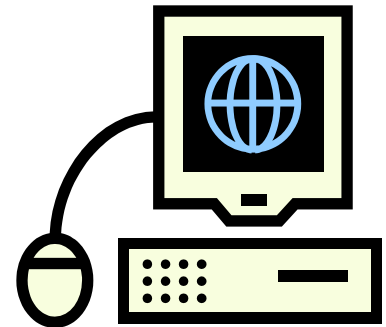
5/08 Leesburg, VA - Sandy Bottom Park - Event

5/08 Upper Marlboro, MD - Rosaryville St. Pk.-Event

5/15 Severna Park, MD - Pedal Pushers-YRE- A.A.

5/22 Indian Head, MD- Chapman S. P. - YRE - P.G.

5/29 Cumberland, MD - 2 Walk Weekend-Event - Wash.



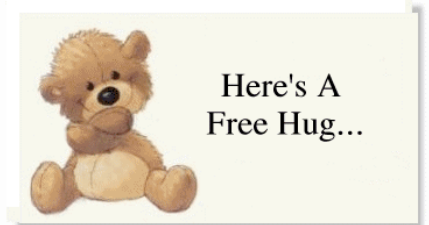
Visit the websites of CVC and CBCW.

CVC:

<http://www.bangor59.com/cvc/>

CBCW:

<http://www.mdvolks.org/cbcw/>



2010 CVC Year-Round Events

Walk Route	Start Point
Harper's Choice	Feet First at Hickory Ridge
Kings Contrivance	K C McDonalds
Ellicott City Centennial Lake	Long Gate Sunoco
Ellicott City North	Long Gate Sunoco
Hickory Ridge	Feet First at Hickory Ridge
Columbia Mall	Starbucks

2010 CVC YRE Totals

Event	Start Point	Total
Centennial Lake	Long Gate Sunoco	25
Ellicott City North	Long Gate Sunoco	12
Hickory Ridge	Feet First/Hickory Ridge Sunoco	17
King Contrivance	Kings Contrivance McDonalds	18
Harper's Choice	Feet First/Hickory Ridge Sunoco	11
Mall	Starbucks at Columbia Mall	35
2010 Total		126

Note 1:

All participants were for credit - no free walkers. (a/o 4/14/10)

Note 2:

Harper's Choice - new trail; can be walked together with Hickory Ridge.

Hickory Ridge - revised trail; can be walked together with Harper's Choice.

Kings Contrivance - new trail

Centennial Lake - new trail – alternate trail from registration

Ellicott City North – alternate trail from registration

The Mall in Columbia – new outdoor alternate trail

Comment on CVC Year Round Events

Dear Columbia Volksmarch Club

We just want to let you know how much we enjoyed your 10K Harper's Choice YR 370 and 10K Centennial Lake YR 1757 walks. We completed these walks on April 3 & April 5 and had wonderful days. Thank you for maintaining these walks. Also, the Walk Box at Feet First was quite impressive! The employees at Feet First were great. We experienced a bit of nostalgia, as we lived in Columbia 1972-1976 as newlyweds.

Mike & Betty Green
Members of Volkssport Club of West Point

2010 CBCW Year-Round Events

Walk Route	Start Point
Bowie	GNC Store at Bowie Mall
Odenton	BP Gas Station at Piney Orchard Mall
Severna Park Bike & Walk	Pedal Pushers Bicycles

Owen Brown Community Center Closing for the Summer 2010

From the Owen Brown Village Observer, April 2010

The Owen Brown Community Center is getting a face lift! Please stop by anytime to see our new color scheme display board. We will need to vacate the building beginning June 3 through September 6. Our new home will be at the Meeting Room next to the MacGills Common Pool, 10025 Shaker Drive. Unfortunately, we cannot use that space until June 21st so we will be working via email and telephone exclusively between June 3 and June 21. We will still be available to perform our regular services - notary, resale documents, covenant concerns and rental requests. Gordon MacPhee, Covenant Advisor, can be reached at obcovenants@columbiavillages.org, Nancy Thomas, Village Manager, can be reached at obca@columbiavillages.org or call our regular number 410-381-0202. We will be back "home" on Tuesday, September 7th.

Col. Ken Wilson: A Volksmarcher treks on



Col. Ken Wilson (Credit: Katherine Frey/The Washington Post)

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2010/03/29/AR2010032902723.html?sub=AR>