

START/FINISH: Stockbridge Town Hall, 50 Main St. Stockbridge, MA.

Directions: From the East: Take I-90 Mass Pike to Exit #2. Turn left and follow Rte. 102 west for 5 miles. Rte. 102 becomes Main St The Town Hall will be on left.

From the West: NYS Thurway (I-90) to Exit B3. Go .8 mile on Rte. 22 south, turn left at sign to Stockbridge. Go 7 miles on Rte. 102 through W. Stockbridge. Rte. 102 becomes Main St and Town Hall will be about 2 miles on the right.

From the North and South: Take Rte. 7 directly to Stockbridge



For further information about this event, please contact:

Susan Grey (518) 399-0159

e-mail: susanbg2@yahoo.com

Or for more information about our Club, send your request to:

Empire State Capital Volkssporters
PO Box 5464, Clifton Park NY 12065-5464

OR visit us on the web:

www.walkescv.org

Stockbridge, MA

Saturday, May 19, 2018

Sponsored by

Empire State Capital Volkssporters

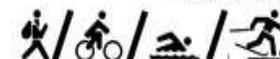


Red Lion Inn

10K/5K Walk

Special Programs:

Bridges - Spanning the USA, Food For Thought, Ice Cream Parlors, Make a Wish at a Water Fountain, Points of Reference, State Street Sashay, United States Post Offices, Vice Presidential Walks, Walk the USA - Street by Street, Walking the USA A - Z



SANCTIONED EVENT # 11080

Eligible for credit toward
IVV Achievement Awards



© Copyright 2018 ESCV

AVA RULES & CONDITIONS

Start/Finish: Stockbridge Town Hall, 50 Main St. Stockbridge, MA.

Time: Start anytime between 10 AM – 12 noon, finish by 3:00 pm

Trail Rating: Walk uses village streets, paved roads and sidewalks in this picturesque historical village, Norman Rockwell's home. Walk passes his grave. The 5k route is flat and on paved paths and sidewalks. It is rated 1A and suitable for wheelchairs and strollers. The 10k route is rated 2B and it includes hills. Otherwise the route has the same conditions as the 5K.

Stipulations: There is no pre-registration, and this walk will take place regardless of weather. At time of registration, each participant accepts the guidelines for AVA Volkssport events. There are no refunds, if walk is terminated for any reason, books will be stamped accordingly. Pets must be leashed. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult and watched carefully, especially near roads and waterways. Smoking is prohibited in public buildings by Mass. State Law.

Procedure: Each participant must register and sign a waiver at the "Start" table. A "Start Card" must also be filled out & carried in order to record "Checkpoints" along the route. The card is then returned to the "Finish" table and becomes the property of ESCV.

Fees:

IVV Credit Walkers - \$3.00

Non-Credit Walker - \$2.00

IVV Books: Event & Distance books will be available at the Start/Finish location for \$6.00 each. You may receive one (1) Event Credit for this event, and Distance Credit may be earned each time the course is completed.

Disclaimer: The American Volkssport Association, ESCV, the Village of Stockbridge or any properties associated with this walk cannot be held responsible for any lost or stolen items, damage, accident or injury of any kind at any time. Every effort has been made to make this a safe and enjoyable event.

Restrooms: will be available at start/finish.

****We hope to be in Stockbridge when the lilacs are in bloom. The scent pervades the air and is glorious.

Background: Stockbridge was first settled in 1734 as a mission for the Mahican Indian tribe known as the Stockbridge Indians. The township was set aside for the tribe as a reward for their assistance against the French in the French and Indian Wars. The Reverend John Sergeant from Newark, New Jersey was their missionary. First chartered as Indian Town in 1737, it was officially incorporated on June 22, 1739 as Stockbridge, named after Stockbridge in Hampshire, England.

Although the Massachusetts General Court made an assurance that the Indians' land could never be sold, it was rescinded. Despite their further help during the Revolutionary War, the tribe was relocated first to New York State, then to Wisconsin. The village was taken over by English settlers. With the arrival of the railroad in 1850, Stockbridge developed as a summer resort for the wealthy. Many large houses called Berkshire Cottages were built in the area before World War I and the advent of income tax. One estate on the Lenox border, Tanglewood, is today the summer home of the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

Since 1853, Stockbridge has benefited from the presence of the Laurel Hill Association, a village beautification society.

Stockbridge was also the home to Elizabeth Freeman, late in her life. The former slave who was one of the petitioners in the lawsuit that had slavery declared unconstitutional in Massachusetts, Freeman worked in the household of the Massachusetts statesman Judge Theodore Sedgwick. She is buried in Stockbridge's downtown cemetery.

Famed 19th century literary figure, Catharine Maria Sedgwick, was born in Stockbridge in 1789. She is the author of six novels including her most famous, Hope Leslie (1827). The town has a tradition as an art colony. Sculptor Daniel Chester French lived and worked at his home and studio called Chesterwood. Norman Rockwell painted many of his works in Stockbridge, home to the Norman Rockwell Museum.

Enjoy your visit!!