

## Locations & Directions Continued:

**To Ferran Park from Comfort Inn and Suites Tavares North:** Depart Comfort Inn to E. Burleigh Ave (US-441S/FL-19/FL44) and right about 1.5 mi to FL-19 ramp on right. Follow ramp to FL-19 N/S Bay St and left 1.6 mi to Paul Brown Parkway, then Grover St N (still FL-19) about .7 mi to E McDonald Ave. Left .2 mi to Ferran Park Dr.



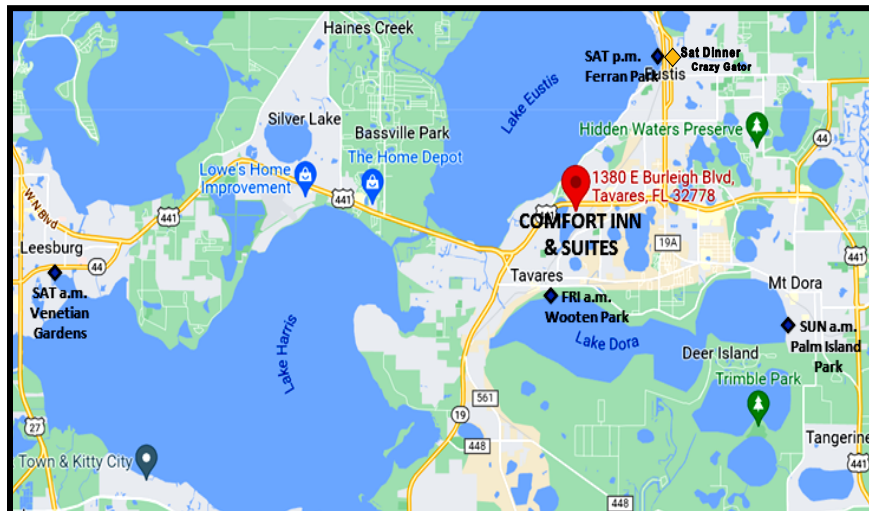
**Nov 5 (p.m.) Dinner**  
**The Crazy Gator**  
**402 N Bay St. Eustis, FL**

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**Nov 6 (a.m.) Mount Dora Walk Registration & Start**  
**Palm Island Park**

**411 S. Tremain St., Mt. Dora, FL**

Depart Comfort Inn to Burleigh Ave ( US-441 S/FL-19). Right for 1.5 mi, then stay right onto FL-19 for 1.4 miles. FL-19 merges with W Old US Hwy 441 for another 1.8 mi to 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. in Mt. Dora. Continue straight on to 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. for .3 mi 4 blocks to N Tremain St. Turn right and follow to end, at Palm Island Park parking. *Additional parking locations are on separate flyer.*



# Walk Around Florida 31



## November 4-6, 2022

**Four walks and a swim in serene central Florida!**



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## WAF 31 Lake Walks in Old Florida



**Greetings!** The Happy Wanderers, Mid-Florida Milers and Suncoast Sandpipers invite everyone to their 31<sup>st</sup> Walk Around Florida, a weekend of volkssports, food, and friendship. Pack up the car and head to the beautiful lake district of central Florida, a world away from beaches and amusement parks.

**Events.** Everybody is welcome to events in the “The Golden Triangle,” an area bounded by the cities of Eustis, Mount Dora, and Tavares. Event sponsors are volkssport clubs that offer members opportunities to earn credit towards distance and event accomplishments as they walk, bike and swim. For more information on volkssports, ask at start points. However, it's not necessary to join a club to participate.

**General Policies.** Events are held rain or shine. We cannot make refunds for no-shows. Water will be at walk starts and checkpoints but Florida in fall can be warm; please carry water. See walk descriptions for pet eligibility.



**Accommodations.** WAF31 headquarters is the Comfort Inn & Suites, Tavares North. King or Two Queens rooms are \$95, plus tax, available Nov 3-7. Onsite parking is included. Pets are permitted for an additional fee. NOTE: LAST DAY TO GET THIS RATE IS SEPTEMBER 5, 2022. For online reservations, see:

<https://www.choicehotels.com/reservations/groups/DC95M7>

Or: Call 1-877-424-6423 and say “Walk Around Florida.”

**Registration.** Preregistration is required for the Sat dinner and is encouraged for walk/swim events (see registration form and waiver). On Fri, Nov 4, you'll receive an Activity Card showing what you've paid for. Please present card at every event and checkpoint. If not preregistered, you may sign up for all events on Fri afternoon and receive the Activity Card. On Sat, Nov 5, and Sun, Nov 6, unregistered participants sign up at the walk starts.

**Wining & Dining.** On Fri, Nov 4, after the Tavares walk, break out the Happy Hour gear as we gather for a Meet & Greet at the Golden Triangle (the meeting room transformed into a pub named after the area's nickname). Complimentary beverages and snacks will be served to registered WAF31 participants. A list of suggested dining venues will be on hand. On Sat, Nov 5, The Crazy Gator in nearby Eustis will

## WAF 31 Locations & Directions

Nov 4 Walk & Swim Registration Nov 4-5 Swim Start  
Nov 4 Meet & Greet

### Comfort Inn & Suites, Tavares North

1380 E Burleigh Blvd, Tavares, FL 32778

**From Orlando and points EAST:** Take I-4 to FL-414 and FL-429 or (from East) FL-46 and/or FL-44 to US-441 outside of Mt. Dora. Then 6.6 mi on US-441 to hotel, on left—turn at VA building to access hotel parking.

**From Tampa area:** Use I-75 to exit 321 towards Sumterville on CR 470. Left in town on US-301 for .3 mi, then right on CR 470 for 6.5 mi, then becomes FL-48. Continue another 4.8 mi. After Yalaha, left on FL-19 for 6.7 mi, then right to merge with FL-441 and 1.6 mi to hotel on right—turn at VA building to access hotel parking.

Nov 4 (p.m.) Tavares Walk Start

### Wooten Park

100 E Ruby St, Tavares, FL 32278

Depart Comfort Inn to Burleigh Ave (US-441 S/FL-19/FL-44/E). Turn right for .3 mi to S Homer St. Right for .7 mi to a quick left; then right onto Dora Ave. Go .9 mi to Lake Dora Dr.; turn right .3 mi, changing to E. Main after round-about, to S St. Clair Abrams Ave. Turn left to park. Public parking is in immediate area.

Nov 5 (a.m.) Leesburg Walk Registration & Start  
Venetian Gardens

109 E. Dixie Ave, Leesburg, FL 32748

Depart Comfort Inn to Burleigh Ave (US-441 S/FL-19/FL-44/E). Right to Mayo Dr. Make a U-turn at Mayo Dr. and follow Burleigh Blvd 10 mi to FL-44/E Dixie Ave. Left about 1.4 mi to Venetian Gardens on left.

Nov 5 (p.m.) Eustis Walk Registration & Start

### Ferran Park

250 Ferran Park Dr, Eustis, FL 32757

**From Venetian Gardens:** Exit Gardens onto FL-44/E Dixie Ave and right (towards Dozier Circle) about 1.4 mi to US-441 S/FL-44/E North Blvd. Right 1.8 mi to County Rd 44 and left about 10 mi to N County Road 452. Turn right about 1 mi to FL-19/N Bay St. Right about .7 mile to Ferran Park Dr. Turn right onto Ferran Park Dr.

## WAF 31 Walk & Swim Descriptions

Please see schedule on page 3 for start and finish times



**Nov 4. p.m. Tavares 5/10K Walk.** After registration, it's a short drive to the Wooten Park walk start on Lake Dora. Along the route, participants view historic structures flanked by new edifices, while walking to the hum of seaplanes operating from the lake airport. Walk is rated 1B (some uneven surfaces). Pets are o.k.

**Nov 4-5. Comfort Inn and Suites Pool Swim.** Complete a swim of at least 300m in outdoor hotel pool. Swim is rated 1A.

**Nov 5 a.m. Leesburg 5/10K Walk.** Leesburg is located at the head of the Ocklawaha River. In 1938, the Works Progress Administration built the Venetian Gardens, a community centerpiece of canals and gardens ever since. Once home to thriving groves destroyed by freezes in the 1980s, Leesburg is now popular as a retirement destination. The walk is rated 1A, difficult for wheelchairs and strollers. Pets are o.k.



**Nov 5 p.m. Eustis 6/10K Walk.** Eustis is known for its historic district that features Ferran Park on Lake Eustis, with a variety of recreational uses. A busy port city before the railroad came to town, Eustis is known for its annual festival in honor of George Washington. The walk is rated 2A (steep hill), challenging for wheelchairs and strollers. Pets are o.k.



**Nov 6 a.m. Mount Dora 5/10K Walk.** Finish the weekend with a hosted walk of the Mount Dora year round event. Enjoy a stroll in a quaint and artsy inland Florida town with great shopping and restaurants. The walk is rated 1C with some hills (not suitable for wheelchairs, challenging for strollers). Pets are o.k.



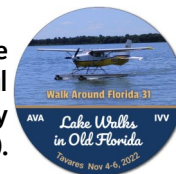
The AVA or its subsidiary clubs are not responsible for theft or loss of personal belongings or property.

The events (119827-2022/0726; 121625/121630; 121638 and 121639) have been sanctioned by the American Volkssport Association (AVA), a member of the International Federation of Popular Sports (IVV), and are eligible for credit toward IVV achievement awards.

## Wining & Dining Continued:

offer a buffet featuring salad, Chicken Marsala, tilapia, vegetable sides, rolls, soft drinks, all topped off with a special WAF31 dessert. Cost is \$35 which includes tip. **NOTE:** We can only take 70 reservations. Sign up today!

**Fees.** The participation fee for each event is \$3. To celebrate the Tavares Seaport, the sponsors offer a set (4) of colorful coasters featuring a seaplane as an award. The set of sturdy paperboard coasters costs \$3 (does not include \$3 event fee).



## WAF 31 Schedule of Events

<b>Nov 4</b>	Tavares 5/10K Walk	Start 12-3 p.m.; finish by 6 p.m.
	Swim Event 300m Hotel Pool	Start 12 p.m.; finish by 5 p.m.
	Meet & Greet at hotel	Start 6 p.m.
<b>Nov 5</b>	Swim Event 300m Hotel Pool	Start 9 a.m.; finish by 5 p.m.
	Leesburg 5/10K Walk	Start 8:30-10 a.m.; finish by 12:30 p.m.
	Eustis 6/10K Walk	Start 12-2 p.m.; finish by 4:30 p.m.
<b>Nov 5</b>	Dinner	Start 7 p.m.
<b>Nov 6</b>	Mount Dora 5/10K Walk	Start 9-10 :30 a.m.; finish by 1 p.m.



## WAF 31 Special Programs

	Tavares	Leesburg	Eustis	Mount Dora
<b>Walks</b>				
Airports	✓			
Little Free Libraries	✓		✓	
Rails to Trails	✓	✓		
Rockin' around the Clock	✓	✓	✓	✓
Town Halls/City Halls	✓	✓	✓	✓
Walking/Veterans	✓	✓		✓
Walk US	✓	✓	✓	✓
Walk USA A-Z	✓ T	✓ L	✓ E	✓ M
<b>Swim</b>				
Walk USA A-Z	✓ T			

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# Walk Around Florida 31 Registration

Please print/copy this page; complete forms, and sign waiver. You may sign up to 2 people with same address. **Check box if entrant is a minor. A signed waiver must be on record for all entrants.** A parent or guardian must sign the below waiver for children under 18 and sign both a Release of Liability Assumption of Risk and a Photo Liability for Minors when you pick up the Activity Card. Mail WAF31 event registration form with check made out to Happy Wanderers to: Leslie Stone, 1103 Hansberry Ct., Ormond Beach, FL, 32174. Envelope must be postmarked by [Oct 15](#).

Name #1: \_\_\_\_\_

Name #2: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email #1: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email #2: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check box if minor.



## Volkssports Registration

Please check desired credit options. (IVV Credit = you stamp books.) The award (coaster set) is the same for all events and its price does not include walk fee. For one award, check an award block next to a checked walk fee box.

Event Day & Time	IVV Credit (\$3)	No Credit (\$3)	Award (\$3)
Tavares (W) Nov 4, p.m.	#1		
	#2		
Hotel Pool (S) Nov 4, p.m. Nov 5 all day	#1		
	#2		
Leesburg (W) Nov 5, a.m.	#1		
	#2		
Eustis (W) Nov 5 p.m.	#1		
	#2		
Mount Dora (W) Nov 6 a.m.	#1		
	#2		
<b>\$Total:</b>			_____

## Wining & Dining Registration

Please check if you are coming. If you have dietary issues, send email to [mcbmetherell@aol.com](mailto:mcbmetherell@aol.com)

	Meet & Greet (Free) Nov 4	#1	
		#2	
	The Crazy Gator (\$35) Nov 5	#1	
		#2	
<b>\$Total:</b>			_____

**\$Total enclosed:** \_\_\_\_\_

You may write one check for both participants. Please indicate on check who is included.

**Note: due to economic fluctuations and supply delivery instability, the menu may change. If this occurs, we will notify you immediately.**

## WAF31 Waiver

**All walk participants must sign waiver (adults for kids under 18). You will not receive an activity card without a signed waiver on file.**

In consideration of being allowed to participate in any way in American Volkssport Association volkssporting programs and related events and activities, the undersigned:

1. Agrees that before or during my participation, if I believe anything is unsafe, I will immediately advise the event supervisor or other person in authority at the volkssporting program and the related events and activities of such conditions and refuse to participate.
2. Acknowledges and fully understands that each participant will be engaging in activities that could involve risk of serious injury, including permanent disability and death, and severe social and economic losses which might result not only from my own actions, inactions or negligence of others, or the condition of the premises, the trail or any equipment used. Further, that there may be other risks not known to us or not reasonably foreseeable at this time;
3. Assumes all the foregoing risks and accept personal responsibility for the damages following injury, permanent disability or death;
4. Release, waive, discharge and promise not to sue the American Volkssport Association, its affiliated clubs, their respective administrators, directors, agents, or other volunteers and employees of the organization, other participants, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and,

if applicable, owners and leasers of premises used to conduct the event, all of which are hereinafter referred to as "releasees", from demands, losses or damages on account of injury, including death or damage to property, caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the releasee or otherwise.

5. Members, please be aware that when you share photos, via digital image or otherwise, with AVA, such photos or images become the property of AVA and AVA, its legal representatives and assigns, retain the right and permission to publish any such photo or image in any written or electronic publication, including Checkpoint or TAW, on social media, websites or in audiovisual presentations, promotional literature, advertising or in any similar method.

**The undersigned has read the above waiver and release, understands that I have given up substantial rights by signing it and sign it voluntarily. I further understand that if I place my name on the form upon which this waiver and release is printed, that I voluntarily agree that I understand that I have given up substantial rights.**

Signature #1: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature #2: \_\_\_\_\_

(For minor, if applicable)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_