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Enjoy the Florida sunshine safely!

- Use sunscreen
- Wear hat/shades
- Carry water

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2024 Year Round and Seasonal Events

GENERAL INFORMATION

Procedures for non-online start boxes: Ask for walk box at start location; please be considerate of staff and patrons. Register, sign waiver & use start cards to return at finish. You can earn volkssport event and distance credit every time you complete course. Insert pages, water and rest rooms are at start points. Pets are permitted, with the exception of beaches on the Tarpon Springs/Howard Park route. **See procedures for online start boxes** for the Belleair-Largo, Dunedin Historical, Fort Myers, Punta Gorda, Sarasota, and St. Pete Murals walks in event description.

Walk Fees: Fee is \$3 each day you do the event and includes volkssport credit if desired. You may walk twice for distance credit for same fee on same day (not Tampa 20K). There is no A award; B awards are 50¢; club pins are \$3.

Payment: Please pay by check made out to Suncoast Sandpipers. If you can't pay by check at the time of event, send payment to club address. Some monitors may provide envelopes to their home addresses.

Special Programs: The Sandpipers participate in the following programs (it is understood that all are eligible for Walking the United States—50 States):

A-MAZE-ing Labyrinth (AML)

Great Lakes Great Fun, Great Fitness, Great Friendships (GL) Lighthouses II (LH) Par for the Course (PfC)

Rails to Trails (RtT) Step to the Beat (StB) Town/City Hall (TH) Walking with America's Veterans (V)

Walking the USA A–Z (USA–Initial) <u>Membership/Events Info</u>: To join the club (membership is free!) or to see the latest on upcoming events, go to suncoastsandpipers.org, facebook.com/suncoastsandpipers or email the club at pipers@tampabay.rr.com.

Start & complete walks in daylight!

Belleair-Largo Stroll 5/10K Year Round Walk

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OSB: This event has an online start box. Please go to my.ava.org to register. You will need to establish an account, sign a waiver and download the instructions. After completing the walk, check in at online finish table. You will be sent a stamped insert card. **NOTE:** The 20K route is not available due to ongoing repairs in Taylor Lake Park. Estimated completion date is summer of 2024. We will reinstate the route at that time.

> Point of Contact Alice Lawrence 727-542-9742 Alicefennell@icloud.com

Special Programs: PfC, TH, StB, USA—B, V.



Dunedin Historic Stroll 5/11K Year Round Walk 123515/2024 Y1992

OSB: This event has an online start box. Please go to my.ava.org to register. You will need to establish an account, sign a waiver and download the instructions. After completing the walk, check in at online finish table. You will be sent a stamped insert card.

Special Programs: GL, PfC,



Downtown Fort Myers 6/11 Year Round Walk

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120404 2024/Y1589

OSB: This event has an online start box. Please go to my.ava.org to register. You will need to establish an account, sign a waiver and download the instructions. After completing the walk, check in at online finish table. You will be sent a stamped insert card.



Point of Contact **Craig Bennington** (239) 687-8333 craigbennington@gmail.com Year Round Dates Jan 1-Dec 31, 2024

Special Programs: USA-F, StB, V.

Punta Gorda 6/10K Waterfront Year Round Walk

OSB: This event has an online start box. Please go to my.ava.org to register. You will need to establish an account, sign a waiver and download the instructions. After completing the walk, check in at online finish table. You will be sent a stamped insert card.



St. Pete Murals 6/10K Year Round Walk

OSB: This event has an online start box. Please go to my.ava.org to register. You will need to establish an account, sign a waiver and download the instructions. After completing the walk, check in at online finish table. You will be sent a stamped insert card.

Special Programs: PfC, RtT, StB (10K) USA-S.



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St. Petersburg Central Arts District

NE St. Petersburg 5/10K Year Round Walk St. Pete Pier 5/10K Year Round Walk

<u>Start/Finish</u>: Register at GFS Food Service Store, 3131 4th St. (4th St Center), St. Petersburg, Pinellas Co., 727-821-1902.Box is on front window shelf by ice machine. NE walk starts from Marketplace. For Pier/Roser Park walk, you drive 3 miles to start at Demens Landing. Directions are on walk instructions. Parking in Demens Landing is limited to 2 or 3 hours.

Directions: From I-275S, take exit 25 for 38th Ave. N. Keep left at fork in ramp. Turn left onto 38th Ave. N.; follow it to 4th St. N. Turn right onto 4th St. N. From Sarasota and points south: heading north on I-275, take exit 24 for 22^{nd} Ave. N. Turn right onto 22^{nd} Ave. N.; follow it to 4th St. N. Turn left onto 4^{th'} St. N.

1-275 Exit 25 38th Ave. N GFS Market-30th Ave. N. place 22nd Ave. N. Exit 24 st St. **Point of Contact** Alice Lawrence 727-542-9742

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lot for registration and NE walk. You'll be directed to parking for St. Pete Pier walk.

Time: Mon-Sat: 7 a.m.-9 p.m.; Sun: 9 a.m.-8 p.m. Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas & New Year's Day.

Trails: NE route, rated 1A (easy) goes through commercial, park, & residential areas; it's okay for wheel chairs/ strollers with assistance. St. Pete Pier 5K (doesn't go to Roser Park) is rated 1A. 10K route is rated 3B (hills, uneven surfaces), goes through historic Roser Park and may be hard for wheelchairs and strollers.

Special Programs: NE: StB (10k); Pier: AML, RtT (10K), StB. Both: PfC; USA-S. St. Pete Grand Prix: Due to the race,

walks cannot be done Mar 1-14.

Parking: Park in 4th St. Center parking

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Safety Harbor 5/10K Year Round Walk

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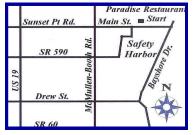
<u>Start/Finish</u>: Paradise Restaurant, 443 Main St, Safety Harbor, FL, 727-725-1208.

Directions: From Tampa, take SR 60 west (towards Clearwater). Turn right on Bayshore Dr.; drive 2.5 miles to Main St (stop sign); turn left. Paradise is four blocks west on right. From north or south Pinellas County, take US 19 to Sunset Point/Main St. Go east 2.5 miles to restaurant on left.

Parking: Please do not use restaurant parking. Street parking is plentiful.

Time: Hours 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily. The restaurant has different hours on major holidays; call 727-725-1208.

<u>Trail</u>: The rated 2B route is on sidewalks, roads and some steps. There is





Year Round Dates Jan 2-Dec 30, 2024 one steep hill. Walkers stroll on quaint city streets, along the serene Tampa Bay shoreline and through shady Phillipe Park. With modification, walk is good for wheelchairs and strollers.

Special Programs: PfC, StB, TH, USA-S, V.



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Downtown Sarasota 5/10K Year Round Walk Sarasota/Lido Key 5/10K Year Round Walk

OSB: These events have an online start box. Please go to my.ava.org to register. You will need to establish an account, sign a waiver and download the instructions. After completing the walk, check in at online finish table. You will be sent a stamped insert card.

Special Programs: Downtown: V; both Sarasota walks: PfC, StB, USA—S.



Tampa 5/10/20K Year Round Walk

<u>Start/Finish</u>: The Barrymore Hotel Tampa Riverwalk, 111 W. Fortune St., Tampa, Hillsborough County. Registration box is at front desk. Water and rest rooms are available.

Directions: From I-275 N, use exit 44 (Downtown West); exit right onto Fortune St. (first right). From I-275 S, use exit 45A, Downtown East-West, & follow signs to Downtown West/Ashley St. Get in right lane and exit right onto Fortune St. immediately after crossing I-275 S.

<u>Parking</u>: Park in metered street parking.

Time: Hotel is open every day, 24 hours a day. Regular hours start at 7:30 a.m.



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Trail: Trail (rated 2A) is mostly on sidewalks. 5/10K route tours University of Tampa, Hyde Park dining and shopping area (not 5K), and Bayshore Dr. waterfront. 20K route includes Channelside District and Ybor City. Because the walk requires crossing a pedestrian bridge with stairs, walk is not recommended for strollers and wheel chairs. **Special Programs:** PfC, StB, USA–T,



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Tarpon Springs/Howard Park 5/10K Year Round Walk Tarpon Springs/Sponge Docks 5/10K Year Round Walk

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<u>Start/Finish</u>: Bayou Café, 118 E. Tarpon Ave, Tarpon Springs, Pinellas Co., FL 727-514-2617. Water and rest rooms are available. For the Howard Park walk, you'll drive 4 miles to walk start after registration.

Directions: From Tampa, take SR 60 to US 19. Head north (right) about 15 miles to Tarpon Ave. Left on Tarpon Ave 1 mile to public parking lot on corner of Alt 19 and Tarpon Ave. From other points, take US 19 or Alt US 19 to Tarpon Ave.

Parking: Park in public parking lot on Pinellas Ave. between Court St. and Tarpon Ave. or on street. Please don't use café parking!

Time: Bayou Café is open 7 a.m.-2 p.m., daily. Café is closed Christmas and New Year's Day. Café may close on other holidays, including Greek Orthodox holidays. Call Café to check.

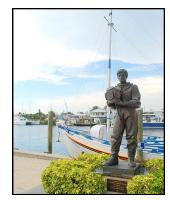
Trail: Sponge Docks walk is through historic Tarpon Springs; Howard Park

Venice 6/10K Seasonal (Jan-Mar) Walk

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Alt	SR 60	

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goes through a county park and to two beaches. Walks are on sidewalks, roads, & grassy areas. Trail ratings are 1A. A combined route can be done for 2 event/20K credit (to register and pay for both events). With modifications, walks are OK for wheel chairs/strollers. Pets aren't allowed on Howard Park beaches.

Special Programs: Howard Park: LH. Sponge Docks: RtT, TH, V. Both: PfC, StB; USA—T.

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Closed until Jan 6, 2025

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