



27th Annual Schuylkill River Sojourn

Over the next seven days, we invite you to explore the Schuylkill River, challenge yourself, make new friends and become a steward of the river.

June 14 - 20, 2025



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Policies and Safety Rules

Policies:

1. No glass containers allowed on the river. No pets allowed.
2. All participants must attend the daily MANDATORY safety briefing conducted before launching. Participants must adhere to the safety guidelines presented.
3. Participants must wear a secured USCG approved Type 3 personal NON- inflatable flotation device (PFD) at all times when in or on the water.
4. Children must be able to swim and be fitted with an appropriately sized PFD.
5. Directions of the Safety Officers must be followed.
6. Alcoholic beverages are not allowed on the river, in municipal parks or on private property.
7. Person-powered watercraft only.
8. Organizers and safety officers of the Schuylkill Sojourn reserve the right to take anyone off the river whose equipment, physical abilities, or state of health would prevent them from safely completing a day on the Sojourn.

Safety Rules:

1. The first boat is always the “Lead Boat” and may not be passed. This boat will be designated by the Trip Leader.
2. The last boat is the “Sweep Boat” and no boat may be behind this boat. This boat will be designated by the Trip Leader.
3. More experienced paddlers will be expected to assist less experienced paddlers or to function as safety boats if requested by the Trip Leader.
4. Whistle and paddle signals will be used by all to communicate on the river. These signals will be explained daily to all paddlers.

General Instructions:

- When you get off the river in the evening, the outfitter will be at the location with your camping gear.
- Food and Water: Food will be provided for all meals except the first check-in Friday night at Schuylkill Haven. Water and Gatorade are always available at the morning, lunch, evening and scheduled water stops. You are welcome to bring a supply of your favorite high energy snacks. Please make sure you have a refillable water bottle with you at all times. Plastic/paper cups will NOT be available at water stops or lunch stops.



Week at a Glance

27th Annual Schuylkill River Sojourn Programs

Daily Safety Briefing every morning at 8:30am., this is mandatory for all paddlers. There will be a quick intro for first time/ beginner paddlers joining the Sojourn every morning at 8:15am. Morning launch is at 9 a.m. daily. Arrival times are approximate & can change based on river conditions & other factors. Join us for a fun week on the water, learning about the watershed and celebrating the 200th Anniversary of the Schuylkill Canal!

Pre-Sojourn–Friday, June 13, 2025

4-6 p.m. Check-in at Schuylkill Haven Island Park, Schuylkill Haven

Schuylkill River Greenways welcomes paddlers to the 26th Annual Schuylkill River Sojourn with check-in from 4 to 7 p.m. Arrivals may camp at the park for the night. The Island Park Committee will host a Sojourn Kickoff celebration featuring live music. There will also be burgers, hot dogs, ice cream and beverages available for purchase at the pavilion.

Day 1 – Saturday, June 14, 2025

15.5 miles: Schuylkill Haven to Port Clinton

Lunch: Auburn Dam. Sandy Sorlien, Author of “Inland: The Abandoned Canals of the Schuylkill Navigation” will be presenting on the history of the Schuylkill Navigation System and Schuylkill canal network.

Evening: Port Clinton Park. Mitch Martin, local historian and volunteer, will be joined by Sandy Sorlien to provide history and stories of the Upper Schuylkill Navigation System and lead tours of local canal sites Port Clinton.

Day 2 – Sunday, June 15, 2025

18.5 miles: Port Clinton to Jim Dietrich Park, Muhlenberg Twp.

Lunch: Peter Yarnell Park. Musician Haley Sheeler will provide live music during lunch. Ryan Strauss will be presenting on the history & restoration efforts of the Leesport Lockhouse.

Evening: Jim Dietrich Park. SRG’s Education Director, Ayashe Ramey for Trivia! Don’t worry, prizes will be provided to winning teams.

Day 3 – Monday, June 16, 2025

16.3 miles: Jim Dietrich Park to Gibraltar

Lunch: Reading Riverfront Park. Join SRG Trails Director, Kent Himelright and Muhlenberg Township Manager, Jim Bobeck in a update of all things Schuylkill River Trail in the Greater Reading Area.

Evening: Allegheny Aqueduct. Join Stuart Wells in learning about the canal structures and equipment that played a pivotal role on the Girard Canal and the history of the Allegheny Aqueduct.



Week at a Glance

Day 4 – Tuesday, June 17, 2025

13.7 miles: Gibraltar to Pottstown

Lunch: Historic Morlatton Village. Join Andy Hood, in a learning about Leave No Trace core principles and best practices for paddlers.

Evening: Canal Celebration at Pottstown Riverfront Park! Schuylkill River Greenways is hosting a fun filled night to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Schuylkill Canal. There will be live music from Madska, tie dying, local desserts and a program highlighting SRG's accomplishments and upcoming projects.

Day 5–Wednesday, June 18, 2025

17.8 miles: Pottstown to Mont Clare Lock 60

Lunch: Victory Park, Royersford. Join Larry Whyte, a local historian, as he takes us through the history, restoration, and the regional of impact of Lock 60, the only operational lock on the Schuylkill.

Evening: Join Martha Stewart-Fox Canal, historian for the National Canal Museum and Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor for a fun program of Conch Shell Blowing History on the canals and a conch shell demonstration.

Day 6–Thursday, June 19, 2025

14 miles: Mont Clare to West Conshohocken

Morning: Dan Daley Dedication and Remembrance.

Lunch: Valley Forge National Historical Park. National Park Service Ranger will welcome sojourners to Betzwood. Lance Butler, Phila. Water Department, will present an update on the Flat Rock Betterment Project which involves water quality and Manayunk Canal improvements.

Evening: Join SRG's Communication Director, Rosemary Keane in a fun filled paint night!

Day 7–Friday, June 20, 2025

16 miles: West Conshohocken to Philadelphia

Lunch: Philadelphia Canoe Club. Schuylkill River Greenways will give final remarks during lunch at the Philadelphia Canoe Club and award full-trip sojourners! SRG will also announce the winner of our kayak raffle.

Final Takeout: Sojourners will arrive at Boathouse Row and takeout at Lloyd Hall. Paddlers and their kayaks/canoes will be transported to Conshohocken or Schuylkill Haven.



Schuylkill Sojourn Scholarships

Schuylkill Sojourn Mentorship Program

This program was established during our 20th Sojourn in 2018. It supports young adults from local communities, Pottstown and Reading, to join the Sojourn for their first kayaking experience on the river. Participants paddle from Allegheny Aqueduct Park to Pottstown Riverfront Park or from Pottstown Riverfront Park to Lock 60 in Mont Clare, PA.

Schuylkill Action Network Sojourn Steward

We are so thankful for the Schuylkill Action Network's partnership and their work in the Schuylkill River Watershed. Brian Zalasky is an English teacher and soccer coach at Springside Chestnut Hill Academy in Philadelphia. As an English teacher, he encourages his students to explore new worldviews, listen to others, and empathize, all of which he plans to connect to his own experiences on the Sojourn. He also plans to relate his time on the water to his students while teaching the Transcendentalists and books such as, "Into the Wild," in his American literature courses.

Bill Trace Scholarship for First Time Sojourners

This award has been established in memory of Bill Trace, a regular paddler on the annual Schuylkill River Sojourn, a devoted outdoorsman with a love for the river, and an active member of Schuylkill River Greenways NHA. He loved getting people out on the river. This provides one free day of the Sojourn to an individual and guest who have never before participated.



Pre-Sojourn: Friday, June 13, 2025

Schuylkill Haven Island Recreational Park

EMERGENCIES: CONTACT 911

Non-Emergency Contacts:

SRG Contact: 610-322-0618

SRG Office: Monday - Friday: 484-945-0200 (9 a.m.-4 p.m.)

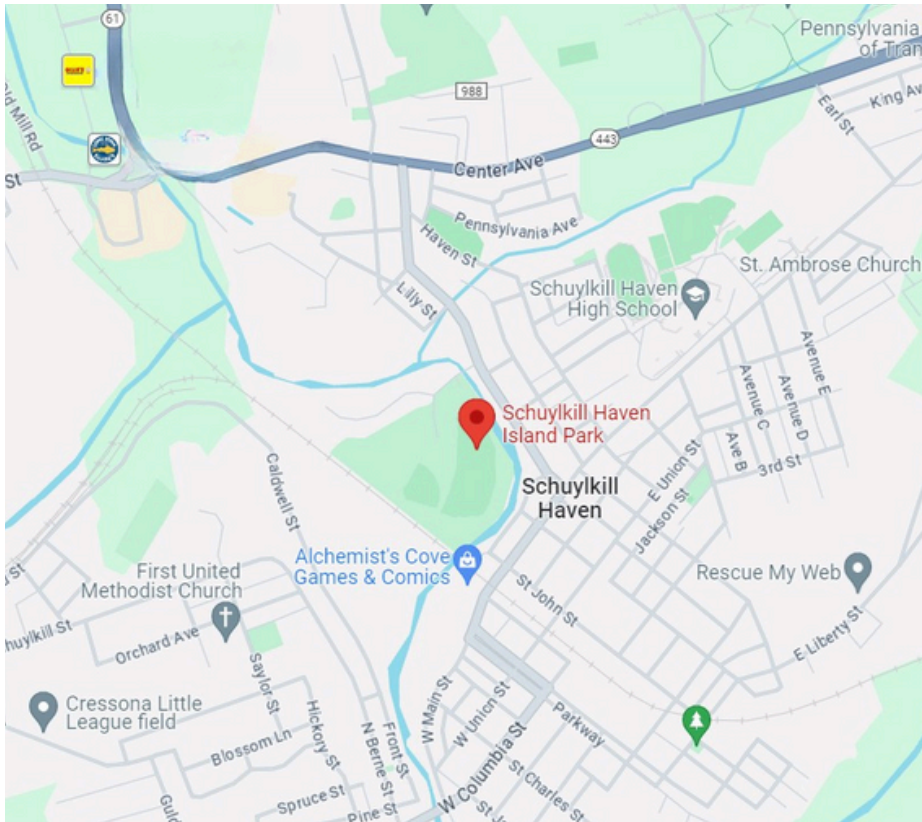
Take It Outdoors : 215-630-7706

Landing Captain: Schuylkill River Greenways
Schuylkill Haven Island Park
Broadway St. Schuylkill Haven, PA 17972

Check In: 4pm - 6pm, under pavilion

The Island Park Committee will host a Sojourn Kickoff celebration featuring live music from local musicians, food and drinks for purchase in the pavilion.

Schuylkill Haven Island Park



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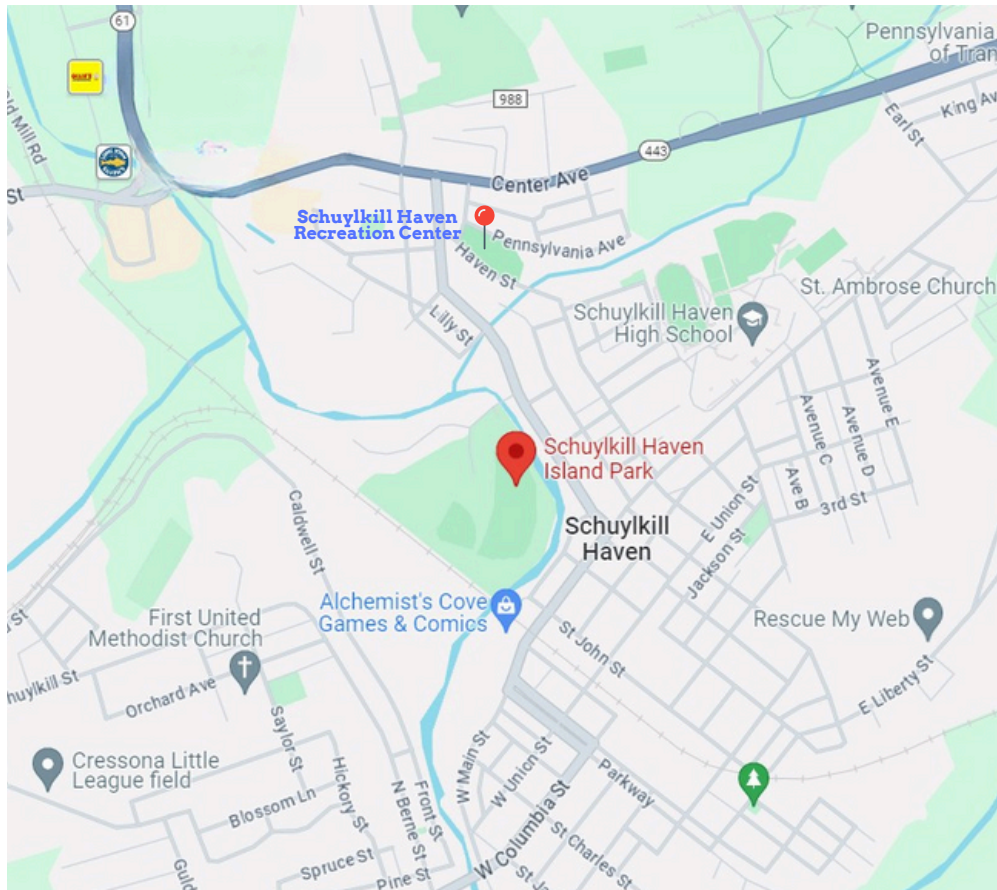
Schuylkill Haven Island Recreational Park

Activities: Camping is available at Schuylkill Haven Island Park.

Sojourners shuttling their car to Port Clinton Saturday evening can park at Island Park. Sojourners also have the option to take a shuttle back to Schuylkill Haven Sunday evening.

Sojourners leaving their car in Schuylkill Haven during the entire Sojourn, need to park their cars at the Schuylkill Haven Recreation Center on Haven Street. It is about a 10 minute walk back to the park. Map below.

Schuylkill Haven Island Park



Parking and Google Links:

If you are shuttling your car every day or taking the weekend shuttle, you may leave your car at Island Park in the gravel lot.

*Full Trip Shuttle Parking!

If you are doing the full trip and selected the full trip shuttle to bring you from Philly to Schuylkill Haven, park your car near the baseball field or check-in with staff for further directions.

Google Links:

- [Schuylkill Haven Island Park](#)
- [Schuylkill Haven Rec. Department](#)

Day 1 - Saturday, June 14, 2025

Schuylkill Haven to Port Clinton

EMERGENCIES: CONTACT 911

Non-Emergency Contacts:

SRG Contact: 610-322-0618

SRG Office: Monday - Friday: 484-945-0200 (9 a.m.-4 p.m.)

Take It Outdoors : 215-630-7706

Registration: 7am - 8am, Schuylkill Haven Island Park

Breakfast: 7am - 8:15am, Hosted by Schuylkill River Greenways

**New Paddler
Check In with
TIO:** 8:15am

Gear on Trailer: No later than 8:30am

Safety Briefing: 8:30am, ATTENDANCE IS MANDATORY!

**Opening
Remarks:** 9am, Schuylkill River Greenways will kick off the Sojourn with a few remarks.

Lunch: Auburn Dam Landing hosted by Schuylkill Lodge No. 138



Saturday River Miles: 17.7

River Features: Beautiful narrow headwaters, the Auburn Basin, views of the AT and the Chutes!

Program:

Sandy Sorlien, Author of "Inland: The Abandoned Canals of the Schuylkill Navigation" will be presenting on the history of the Schuylkill Navigation System and Schuylkill canal network.

Take Out:

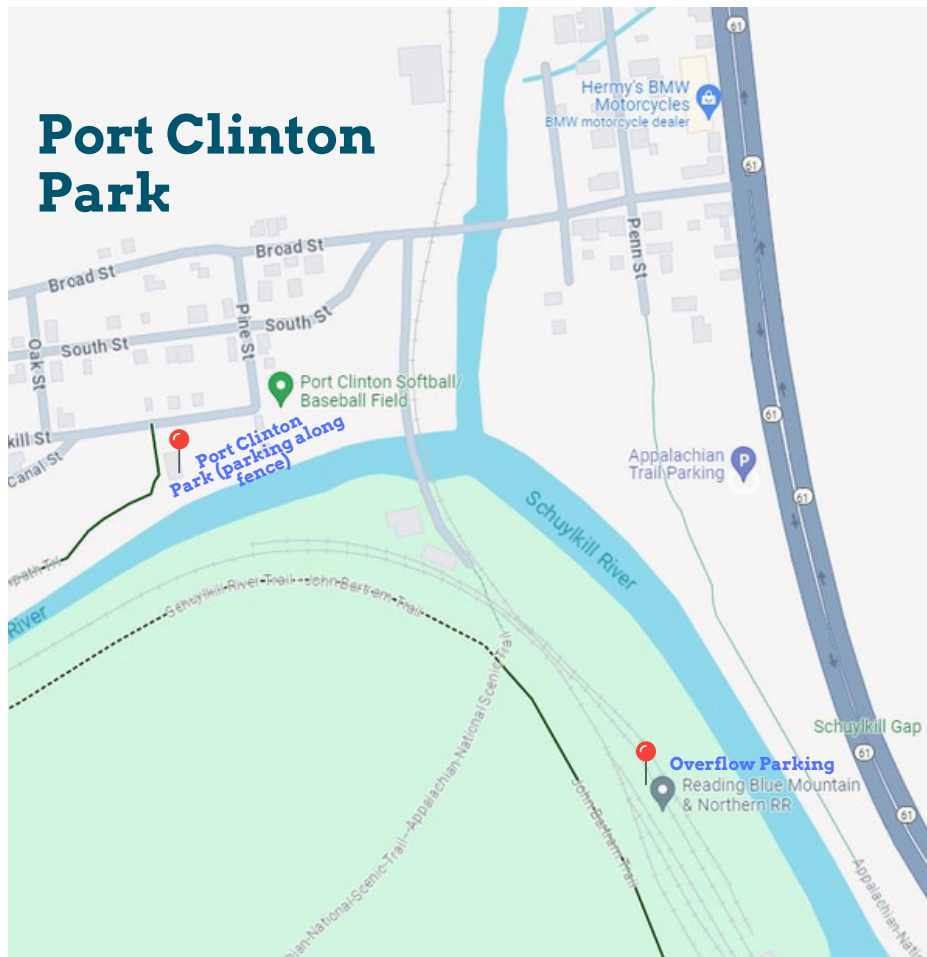
Port Clinton Park. Schuylkill St., Port Clinton, PA 19549. Shuttle buses will take paddlers to Schuylkill Haven.

Dinner:

4:00-6:00 pm. Hosted by Port Clinton Fire Company.

Evening Program:

7pm, Mitch Martin will be joined by Sandy Sorlien to provide history and stories of the Upper Schuylkill Navigation System and lead tours of local canal sites in Port Clinton.



Parking and Google Links:

Parking at Port Clinton is limited. There will be an evening shuttle from Schuylkill Haven to Port Clinton. *Only park where instructed at the Park or overflow at Reading Blue Mountain, both highlighted to the right.

Weekend Shuttle:

If you would like to leave your car at Schuylkill Haven Island Park, there will be a shuttle Sunday night to take you from Jim Dietrich park to Schuylkill Haven Island Park.

Google Links:

- [Schuylkill Haven Island Park](#)
- [Port Clinton Park](#)

Day 2 - Sunday, June 15, 2025

Port Clinton to Jim Dietrich Park, Muhlenberg Twp.

EMERGENCIES: CONTACT 911

Non-Emergency Contacts:

SRG Contact: 610-322-0618

SRG Office: Monday - Friday: 484-945-0200 (9 a.m.-4 p.m.)

Take It Outdoors : 215-630-7706

Registration: 7am - 8am at Port Clinton Park Pavilion.
Schuylkill St., Port Clinton.

Breakfast: 7am - 8:15am, Hosted by Saint John's Church
of Port Clinton. Directions: walk up Pine St.,
right onto Broad, then left onto Penn Street &
to the red church on the right hand side.
36 Penn St., Port Clinton, 19549.

Gear on Trailer: No later than 8:30am

**New Paddler Check In
with TIO:** 8:15am

Safety Briefing: 8:30am, ATTENDANCE IS MANDATORY!

Launch Time: 9am

Lunch: Peter Yarnell Park, Hosted by Hamburg Rotary.
448 Fisher Dam Rd., Hamburg, PA 19526.

Program: Peter Yarnell Park. Musician Haley Sheeler
will provide live music during lunch. Ryan
Strause will be presenting on the history &
restoration efforts of the Leesport Lockhouse.

Water Stop: Leesport Water Trail Landing

Take Out: Jim Dietrich Park, 4899 Stoudts Ferry Bridge
Rd., Reading, PA 19605. Shuttles will bring
paddlers back to Schuylkill Haven and Port
Clinton AFTER dinner.

Sunday River Miles: 19

River Features: Twisty river bends, the Kernsville Dam, and plenty of wave trains.

Dinner:

Hosted by Muhlenberg Lions Club.
Dinner will be held before the shuttle.

Evening Program:

7pm, join SRG's Education Director, Ayashe Ramey for Trivia! Don't worry, prizes will be provided to winning teams.

Parking and Google Links:

Jim Dietrich Park has plenty of parking reserved for paddlers by the blue pavilion and barn parking lot. Paddlers picking up or dropping off their kayaks, can follow the gravel road back to the Boat Launch area highlighted on the map below.

Weekend Shuttle:

If you would like to leave your car at Schuylkill Haven Island Park, there will be a shuttle Sunday night to take you from Jim Dietrich park to Schuylkill Haven Island Park.

Google Links:

- [Schuylkill Haven Island Park](#)
- [Jim Dietrich Park](#)



Day 3 - Monday, June 16, 2025

Jim Dietrich to Allegheny Aqueduct, Gibraltar

EMERGENCIES: CONTACT 911

Non-Emergency Contacts:

SRG Contact: 610-322-0618

SRG Office: Monday - Friday: 484-945-0200 (9 a.m.-4 p.m.)

Take It Outdoors : 215-630-7706



- Registration:** 7am - 8am at Jim Dietrich Park, 4899 Stoudts Ferry Bridge Rd, Reading 19605
- Breakfast:** 7am - 8:15am, Hosted by Muhlenberg Lions Club
- Gear on Trailer:** No later than 8:30am
- New Paddler Check In with TIO:** 8:15am
- Safety Briefing:** 8:30am, ATTENDANCE IS MANDATORY!
- Launch Time:** 9:00am
- Lunch:** Reading Riverfront Park hosted by the Keystone Canoe Club. 407 Riverfront Drive, Reading 19602
- Program:** Join SRG Trails Director, Kent Himelright and Muhlenberg Township Manager, Jim Bobeck in a update of all things Schuylkill River Trail in the Greater Reading Area.
- Take Out:** Allegheny Aqueduct, 1130 Old River Rd., Birdsboro, PA 19508
- Dinner:** Hosted by Cumru Lions Club.
Showers & Frozen Island Ice Cream Truck!
- Evening Program:** 7pm, join Stuart Wells in learning about the canal structures and equipment that played a pivotal role on the Girard Canal & the history of the Allegheny Aqueduct.

Monday River Miles: 15.1

River Features: Crazy Hat Day for Kelly's Rapids, city views of Reading, and waves trains.

Parking and Google Links:

Allegheny Aqueduct Historical Park does not have parking for paddlers. If you are dropping off/picking up your kayak, park along Old River Road temporarily. If you are camping over night, park at St. Johns Evangelical Lutheran Church and walk up Old River Road for dinner, programming, camping and showers.

Google Links:

- [Beidler House at Allegheny Aqueduct Historical Park](#)
- [St. Johns Parking](#)



Day 4 - Tuesday, June 17, 2025

Allegheny Aqueduct to Riverfront Park, Pottstown

EMERGENCIES: CONTACT 911

Non-Emergency Contacts:

SRG Contact: 610-322-0618

SRG Office: Monday - Friday: 484-945-0200 (9 a.m.-4 p.m.)

Take It Outdoors : 215-630-7706

Registration: 7am - 8:45am at , 1130 Old River Rd., Birdsboro, PA 19508

Breakfast: 7am - 8:15am,
Hosted by Cumru Lions Club

Gear on Trailer: No later than 8:45am

**New Paddler
Check In with TIO:** 8:45am

Morning Shuttle: Shuttles will leave from Riverfront Park at 7:30am and 8am.

Paddlers who have a car parked at St. Johns, will need to move their cars to Pottstown in the morning.
Paddlers arriving Tuesday morning for your first day can leave their car at St. Johns and take the limited evening shuttle available from TIO after sweep boat comes off the water.

Safety Briefing: 9:00am, ATTENDANCE IS MANDATORY!

Launch Time: 9:30am

Lunch: Morlatton Village, 31 Old Philadelphia Pike, Douglassville 19518

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Tuesday River Miles: 13.5

River Features: Scenic Tunnel of Love, small rapids and river islands.

- Program:** Join Andy Hood, WFR, in a learning about Leave No Trace core principles & best practices for paddlers.
- Take Out:** Pottstown Riverfront Park.
140 College Drive, Pottstown 19464.
- Showers:** Showers in the SRG office till 7pm.
- Dinner:** Hosted by Schuylkill River Greenways.
- Evening Program:** Showers and massages will be available starting at 4pm with dinner to follow. Canal Celebration at Pottstown Riverfront Park! Schuylkill River Greenways is hosting a fun filled night to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Schuylkill Canal. There will be live music from Madska, tie dying, & a update on all things Schuylkill River Greenways.

Pottstown Riverfront Park



Car Shuttle:

Full trippers & daily paddlers shuttling their cars daily will need to move their cars to Pottstown in the morning. Shuttles will leave from Riverfront Park at 8:15am. Paddlers arriving Tuesday morning for your first day and mentors can leave their car at St. Johns & take the limited evening shuttle available from TIO after sweep boat comes off the water.

Parking and Google Links:

There is plenty of parking at Riverfront Park!

- [Pottstown Riverfront Park](#)

Day 5 - Wednesday, June 18, 2025

Pottstown to Lock 60, Mont Clare

EMERGENCIES: CONTACT 911

Non-Emergency Contacts:

SRG Contact: 610-322-0618

SRG Office: Monday - Friday: 484-945-0200 (9 a.m.-4 p.m.)

Take It Outdoors : 215-630-7706

Registration:	7am - 8am at Pottstown Riverfront Park 140 College Dr., Pottstown, PA 19464
Breakfast:	7am - 8:15am, Hosted by Schuylkill River Greenways.
Gear on Trailer:	No later than 8:30am
New Paddler Check In with TIO:	8:15am
Safety Briefing:	8:30am, ATTENDANCE IS MANDATORY!
Launch Time:	9am
Water Stop:	Linfield Community Park, Limerick Twp.
Lunch:	Victory Park, 2nd Avenue &, Arch St, Royersford, PA 19468
Program:	Join Larry Whyte, a local historian, as he takes us through the history, restoration, and the regional impact of Lock 60, the only operational lock on the Schuylkill.

Wednesday River Miles: 17.6

River Features: windy river, small rapids, Lock 60 & the Schuylkill Canal.

Dinner:

Hosted By Schuylkill Canal Association, Betsy Daley. Dinner is at St. Michaels Pavilion. Directions: Walk across the Lock & turn right onto the gravel & continue past the past Lock Tender's house, past the concrete block garage, through the open gate and the woods to pavilion. Highlighted on map below.

Evening Program:

7pm, Join Martha Stewart-Fox Canal, for a fun program of Conch Shell Blowing History on the canals & a conch shell blowing demonstration.

Parking and Google Links:

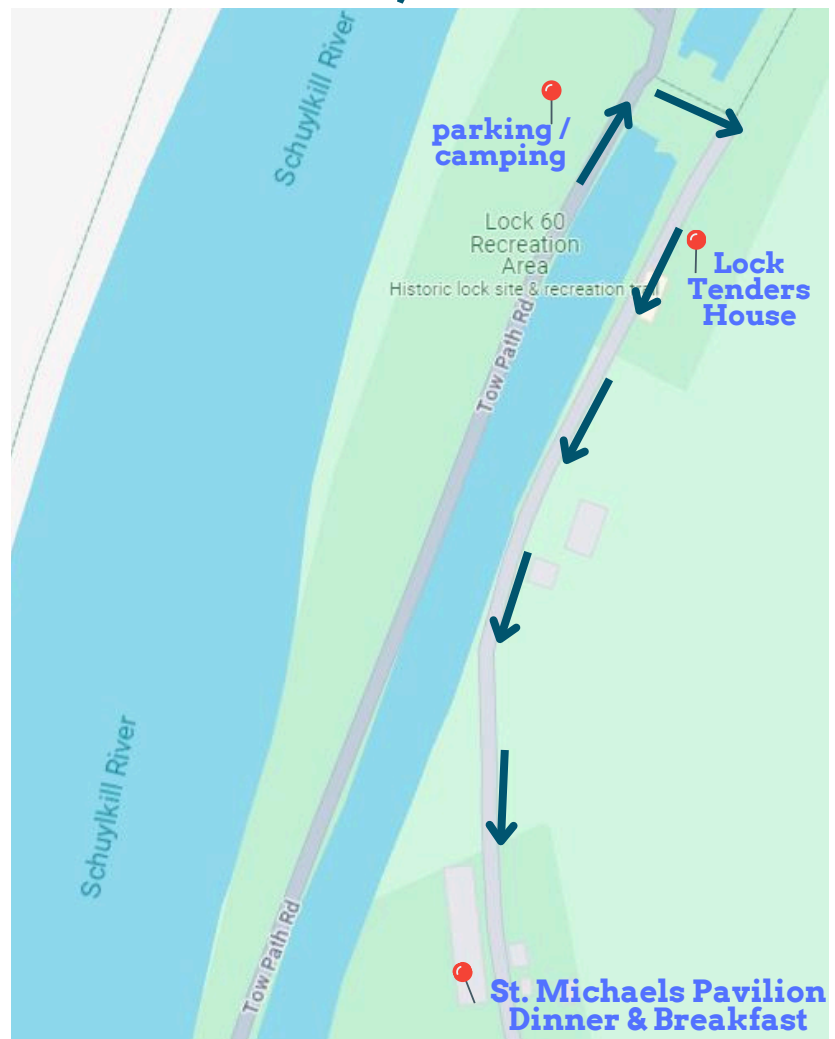
Parking is available in gravel lot and around the top loop. Do not park along the road.

Directions from lock 60 to St. Michaels Pavilion are highlighted on the map. If you would like to forgo the walk along the canal for dinner, use the link below to drive to St. Michaels. Park in the designated spots in the grass.

Google Links:

- [Lock 60, Mont Clare](#)
- [St. Michaels Pavilion](#)

Lock 60, Mont Clare



Day 6 - Thursday, June 19, 2025

Mont Clare to West Conshohocken

EMERGENCIES: CONTACT 911

Non-Emergency Contacts:

SRG Contact: 610-322-0618

SRG Office: Monday - Friday: 484-945-0200 (9 a.m.-4 p.m.)

Take It Outdoors : 215-630-7706

Registration: 7am - 8am at Lock 60. Lock 60 Recreation Area, Mont Clare, PA, 19453

Breakfast: 7am - 8:15am, Hosted by Schuylkill Canal Association at St. Michaels Pavilion.
Directions: walk the dirt the road past Lock tender's house & concrete block garage, go through the open gate & woods to the pavilion.

Gear on Trailer: No later than 8:30am

**New Paddler
Check In with TIO:** 8:15am

**Dan Daley
Dedication:** 8:30am: Join SRG in recognizing Dan Daley for many years as Lock 60 lock tender & decades of partnership with SRG.

Safety Briefing: 8:45am, ATTENDENCE IS MANDATORY!

Launch Time: 9am

Lunch: Betzwood Park at Valley Forge, Hosted by Valley Forge National Historic Park.

Thursday River Miles: 15.3

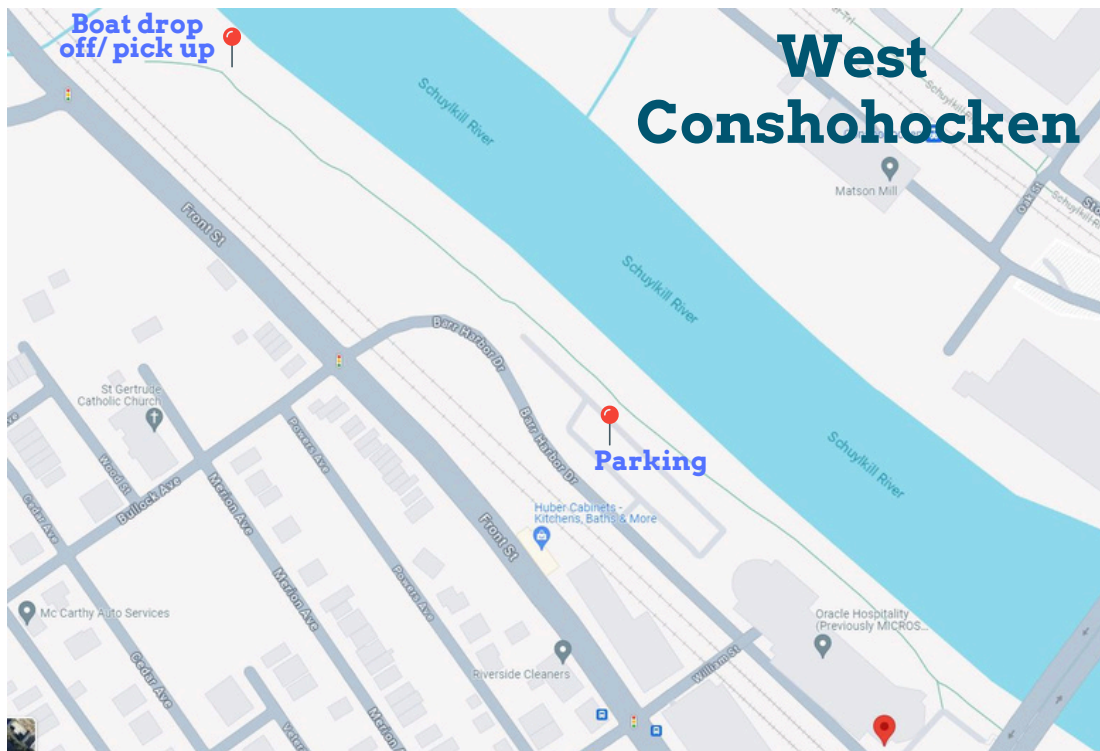
River Features: the Schuylkill Canal, wave trains, and flat water.

Program: National Park Service Ranger will welcome sojourners to Betzwood. Lance Butler, Phila. Water Department, will present an update on the Flat Rock Betterment Project which involves water quality and Manayunk Canal improvements.

Take Out: West Conshohocken. Shuttle buses will arrive after dinner. Use 300 Barr Harbor Dr., West Conshohocken, PA 19428.

Dinner: Hosted By Schuylkill River Greenways.

Evening Program: Join SRG's Communication Director, Rosemary Keane in a fun filled paint night!



Parking and Google Links:

Parking is available in the parking lot closest to the river.

Google Links:

- [West Conshohocken](#)

Day 7 - Friday, June 20, 2025

West Conshohocken to Philadelphia

EMERGENCIES: CONTACT 911

Non-Emergency Contacts:

SRG Contact: 610-322-0618

SRG Office: Monday - Friday: 484-945-0200 (9 a.m.-4 p.m.)

Take It Outdoors : 215-630-7706

Registration: 7am - 8am, 300 Bar Harbor Dr.
Conshohocken

Breakfast: 7am - 8:15am, Hosted by Philadelphia Canoe Club

Gear on Trailer: No later than 8:30am

**New Paddler
Check In with TIO:** 8:15am

Safety Briefing: 8:30am, ATTENDANCE IS MANDATORY!

Launch Time: 9am

Lunch: Hosted by the Philadelphia Canoe Club
4900 Ridge Ave, Philadelphia 19127

Program: Schuylkill River Greenways will give final remarks & full-trip sojourners will be recognized.

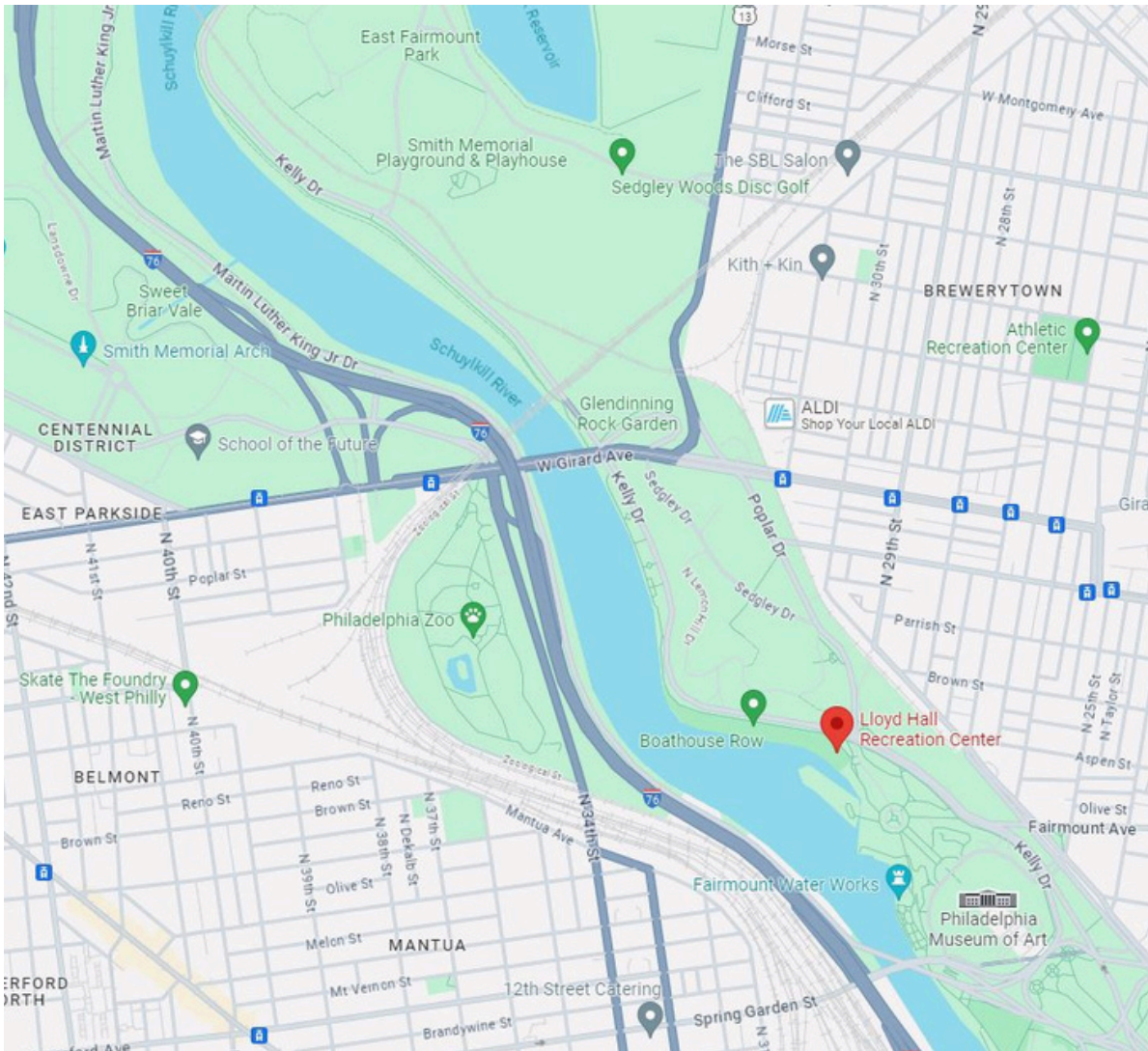
Take Out: Lloyd Hall, Boathouse Row
1 Boathouse Row, Philadelphia, PA 19130

Shuttles Shuttle Buses and Outfitter vehicles will shuttle boats, gear and sojourners back to West Conshohocken or Schuylkill Haven.

Friday River Miles: 11.8

River Features: Flat Rock, river bridges and the iconic Boathouse Row and Philadelphia Skyline.

Lloyd Hall Takeout



Parking and Google Links:

No parking needed at this location as all boats, gear and paddlers will be shuttled back to West Conshohocken or Schuylkill Haven.

Google Links:

- [Lloyd Hall Boat Launch](#)

Say Cheese! And keep an eye out for our Sojourn Photographer, Kara Foran!

SOJOURN PHOTOS

SAY CHEESE!

The official sojourn photographer will be paddling with the group every day to capture action shots on the water, group photos and everything in between!

MEET THE PHOTOGRAPHER

Kara Foran is an outdoor photographer & filmmaker based in Philadelphia. This will be her 4th sojourn

@karaforan
karaforan.com



WHERE CAN I FIND THE PHOTOS?

A few weeks after the sojourn you will receive a link to a photo gallery where you can purchase images.



THE SCHUYLKILL RIVER SOJOURN

What do I bring and wear?

on water gear

- kayak or canoe and paddle
- Snacks
- Coast Guard approved Type III Life jacket (PFD)
- Sunblock and lip balm w/SPF
- waterproof dry bag
- water bottle-aim for 1.5 liters capacity. Water & Gatorade will be available for you at every stop
- medications you need for the day

on water wear

- athletic wear, quick dry & swimming apparel
- sports sandals with ankle strap,
- water shoes or sneakers
- hat with a brim/ sun protection
- sunglasses with strap
- rain jacket-no ponchos
- bring a light jacket with full zip, mornings can be chilly

off water

- up to 2 duffle bags per person
- camping gear
- clothes for cool evenings
- shoes and socks
- headlamp or flashlight
- toiletries and towel
- medications

not permitted

- inflatable life jackets
- paddle leashes
- unsecured or excessive lines, ropes or bungee cords
- portage wheels not properly secured inside kayak/canoe

optional (but recommended)

- bailer and sponge, whistle, seat pad, waterproof dry box
- additional dry and warm clothes as well as rain gear
- insect repellent, body wipes, extra glasses
- portage wheels may be used if stored safely when not in use. Portage assistance will be available if needed.

THE SCHUYLKILL RIVER SOJOURN

Advice for your first Sojourn!

- Wear shoes you've used before on land and in water.
- Talk with anyone and everyone along the way.
- If you think you have enough clothes, bring more!
- Figure out the first night which tent(s) snore(s) and choose your tent site appropriately (TIO has ear plugs too).
- Prepare to be amazed by the quality of the safety people
- Paddling gloves are a good idea
- Be prepared for some short and longer walks to meals.
- Always pack snacks and bring them on the water with you.
- Don't overpack your camping gear; all you need on the boat is a dry bag with snacks, water bottle, sunscreen, etc. You can leave your car keys, dry clothes, tents, extra snacks, extra medicine and gear on the gear trailer that will meet you at the Take Out each day.
- Just go with the flow! SRG and TIO's got your back (and your boat).
- Anybody can do it and the experience is wonderful!

Be ready for
anything and
have fun.



2025 Sojourn Menu

****SRG provides water and Gatorade for the entire trip. Several water stops will include a variety of snacks. Each meal has vegetarian options but review the menu and pack additional snacks if needed.**

Friday Night Pre-Sojourn: Schuylkill Haven Island Park

- Schuylkill River Greenways will not be providing dinner this night. Schuylkill Haven Island Park is holding its annual "Rock the Island" community event and will have food vendors. BBQ Chicken will be available. Pre-ordering the BBQ dinner is highly recommended. To order, call 570-385-3578.

(Day 1) Saturday, June 14

- Breakfast: Schuylkill Haven Island Park, Hess Catering
 - o Scrambled eggs, French toast, sausage, homefries, fruit, and coffee.
- Lunch: Auburn Dam, Schuylkill Lodge No. 138
 - o Selection of wraps with lunch meat and vegetarian options, soup, salad and watermelon.
- Dinner: Port Clinton, Port Clinton Fire Company
 - o Spaghetti Dinner with salad and a variety of desserts.

(Day 2) Sunday, June 15

- Breakfast: Port Clinton, St. Johns Church
 - o Scrambled eggs, pancakes, sausage & vegetarian sausage, fruit, orange juice, coffee & tea.
- Lunch: Peter Yarnell Park, Hamburg Rotary Club
 - o Assortment of BYO Sandwiches with, veggies, fruit, cookies and chips.
- Dinner: Jim Dietrich Park, Muhlenberg Lions Club
 - o Mexican Fiesta – BYO fajita - chicken, steak, veggie, rice, beans, chips and salsa and drinks.

(Day 3) Monday, June 16

- Breakfast: Jim Dietrich Park, Muhlenberg Lions Club
 - o Bagels, cereal with non-dairy options, muffins, fruit, coffee and tea.
- Lunch: Reading Riverfront Park, Keystone Canoe Club
 - o Fresh salads made by volunteers, fresh fruit, selection of cut vegetables and chips, a variety of sandwiches (from hummus to peanut butter, meats and cheeses), snacks – granola bars and desserts like brownies and cake – coffee, tea, iced tea lemonade.
- Dinner: Allegheny Aqueduct, Cumru Lions Club
 - o Pulled pork BBQ sandwiches, vegetarian BBQ sandwiches, salads, fruit and drinks.
 - o There will be a frozen treat for dessert!

(Day 4) Tuesday, June 17

- Breakfast: Allegheny Aqueduct, Cumru Lions Club
 - Pancakes, sausage, eggs, yogurt, fruit, coffee and tea.
- Lunch: Morlatton Village, Historic Preservation of Berks Co.
 - Fried chicken, salads, veggie hoagies, drinks, water ice.
- Dinner: Riverfront Park, Pottstown, SRG and Bause Catering
 - Grilled Pork Loin with Fresh Herb Sauce GF DF, Grilled Chicken Parmesan GF, summer Salads, summer salads, & coffee.
 - There will be drinks and desserts!

(Day 5) Wednesday, June 18

- Breakfast: Riverfront Park, Pottstown, SRG and Bause Catering
 - Assortment of individual breakfast casseroles with vegetarian option, fresh fruit, baked oatmeal, coffee and tea. A few Gluten Free and Dairy Free options will be available at this breakfast.
- Lunch: Victory Park, Schuylkill Canal Association
 - Moyer Catering, hot dogs, hamburgers, veggie burgers, hot pork sandwiches, salads, & fruit.
- Dinner: Lock 60, Schuylkill Canal Association
 - Cheese steaks and veggie grinder, salad, chips, desserts, and beverages.

(Day 6) Thursday, June 19

- Breakfast: Lock 60, Schuylkill Canal Association
 - Breakfast sandwiches, cereal, yogurt and granola, fruit, coffee and tea.
- Lunch: Betzwood Park in Valley Forge, French Creek Racing
 - Variety of meat and veggies sandwiches and wraps, tomato pie, and drinks.
- Dinner: Barr Harbor in Conshohocken, Ribhouse BBQ
 - Chicken, Ribs, Baked Beans, Baked Ziti, potato salad, salad and drinks.

(Day 7) Friday, June 20

- Breakfast: Barr Harbor in Conshohocken, Philadelphia Canoe Club
 - Pastries, yogurt, cereal, fruit, coffee and tea. There will be GF and DF alternatives.
- Lunch: Philadelphia Canoe Club
 - Variety of meat and veggie sandwiches, salads, fruit, chips, fresh baked cookies, and drinks
- No dinner since the final takeout will be late afternoon.
- There will be snacks and drinks at the takeout at Lloyd Hall.

