



Roadrunner Happenings

Roadrunner Activities and News (June 2011)

President's Corner: The Club Officers and I would like to thank everyone that volunteered to help us make the club's annual May Walk a success. Without your individual donations of time and energy, we couldn't make it happen. The weather was great and the views on the trails were beautiful (check out Facebook for some pictures). We will be writing more in the days to come but just wanted to put something out to thank everyone. Initial reports are that approximately 1,500 people came by the Merzweckhalle over the weekend to walk and socialize. That is very rewarding to see as a longtime member of the Roadrunners. We received lots of compliments on all aspects of the event and are quickly re-establishing our reputation for planning and hosting a first class volksmarch. Thank you again for all your support.

NEW Volunteer Appreciation Event and Informal Open House: The date on the Volunteer Appreciation picnic has been **slipped to 18 Jun** so that we have time to make this a great time for all of you and not step on your Memorial Day or Fourth of July weekends. Pat Massey and Sheryl Neal are trying to find a good location right now and will let everyone know as soon as possible. We would like to invite all the volunteers and their families to come out and enjoy the friendship and hospitality of the club with your fellow volunteers. There will be food and drinks provided by the Roadrunners for all. This will be a chance to relax and to get to know your fellow members better. The May Walk volunteers will be presented their volunteer patches for their hard work and the 2010-2011 Officers/ Directors will be recognized for their service to the club. So let's all be there and show our appreciation. With the election coming on the 21st, it is also an excellent chance for members to come by and meet the new candidates for the Roadrunner Board and find out more about your club and volksmarching.

HOT Club Elections (BOD): Don't forget that the annual club elections will be held on 21 Jun at the Rimini in Weltersbach. We'd like to see as many members there as possible to participate and vote for the officers and directors for 2011-2012. Suzanne Todd, our Secretary, will run this event so if you have questions contact her at ramsteinroadrunners@yahoo.com. If you would like to run for a club office (either officer or director) please contact Suzanne or any of the board members and let them know. Nominations can also be made from the floor the night of the elections. This year we are also looking for any of our members that are interested in working as the assistant or alternate to our present board members. This gives you the chance to participate actively in your club and meet more people interested in volksmarching. Pat Massey and I would love to see all of our Board Members have an alternate – that way people can participate, learn the ins and outs of volksmarching and it helps cut the overall work load for everyone. Try it – you might like it and have a great time.

The candidates for officers and directors are listed below and these will be the positions voted on at the meeting:

President	Brad Crandall
Vice-President	Patrick Massey
Treasurer	Steve Cater
Secretary	Suzanne Todd

In addition the Board of Director positions listed here will be voted and are critical to the smooth operation of the club. Some of our officers/directors are doing double duty so if you can help them out, please volunteer your time and effort:

Tours	Gene Behrends
Membership	Micheline Huntley
Assistant Membership	Donna Glenn
Publicity	Lynne Crandall
Sales	Sheryl Neal
Asst Sales	Kelsey Neal
German Liaison	Gina Massey
Volkssport	Markus Neu
Trailmaster	Rick Glenn
Asst Trailmaster	Phil Massey
Achievements	Vacant
Webmaster	Marlyn Neal
Special Events	Bobby Steele

There are three ways that you can have your voice heard in this process –

- Come to the meeting on 21 Jun at the location announced on the Web site and vote in person.
- Absentee ballot via email – send your vote to the club email address (ramsteinroadrunners@yahoo.com)
- Absentee ballot via snail mail – Print the candidate list and write either Y (yes) or N (No, put in a name that you want to vote for) next to each name. Drop into an envelope and mail to the Ramstein Recreation Center.

If you have a “write-in” candidate or want to volunteer for a position yourself – please just write your name in and it will be voted on with the remainder of the candidates at the meeting. **Votes will need to be in NLT 20 Jun 2011 so they can be tallied and ready for the meeting on the 21st so your assistance is appreciated.**

The MPS address is:

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Upcoming Events

- Here's how you decode the listings - you'll find the event name (i.e. **Morbach**) followed by the state or the country the walk is in (**RP, Saar, etc**) and the trail lengths if they have been published in the termineliste (**NEW for 2011**). Check on the web site in the Master Distance Listing Dec 09 for how far approximately the walk is from Ramstein-Miesenbach. You still need to check the weekly walking column in the Stars & Stripes, the walk brochures and the official termineliste but this will give you a start. We will also suggest some nice "mini-trips" for folks who are more adventuresome. The officers have done a number of these over the years and can provide information if you need it.

- Always remember to take your **passport AND international driver's license** if you are traveling to a walk outside the boundaries of Germany. You never know when the customs officials will enforce the borders and the fines can be steep. At best, the hassle may cost you several hours and much frustration.

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Location and Distances</u>	<u>(A=5/6km trail in France)</u>
June 2011		
2 Jun 2011	Messerich (RP – 5/10/20km)	
2 Jun 2011	Montabaur (RP – 5/10/20/42km)	
2 Jun 2011	Siersburg (Saar – 5/10/20km)	
4 Jun 2011	Bischweiler, FR (A/10km)	
4/5 Jun 2011	Hahnstaetten (RP – 5/10/20/30km)	
4/5 Jun 2011	Reichweiler (RP – 5/10/20km)	
4/5 Jun 2011	Waldboeckelheim (RP – 5/10/20km)	
4/5 Jun 2011	Differten (Saar – 6/10/15/20km)	
4/5 Jun 2011	Frankenholz (Saar – 5/10/20km)	
4/5 Jun 2011	Soucht, FR (A/10/20/42km)	
5/6 Jun 2011	Wellen (RP – 5/10/15/20km)	
11 Jun 2011	Beaufort, Lux (6/12/22km)	Potential Car Pool
11/12 Jun 2011	Katzenelnbogen (RP – 5/10/20km)	
11/12 Jun 2011	Schwedelbach (RP – 6/11/20km)	Flag Walk
11/12 Jun 2011	Seibersbach (RP – 5/10/20km)	
11/12 Jun 2011	Sitterswald (Saar – 5/10/15km)	Potential Car Pool
12/13 Jun 2011	Wustweiler (RP – 5/10/20km)	
12/13 Jun 2011	Gladbach (RP – 5/10/20km)	
13 Jun 2011	Bad Marienberg (RP – 5/10/20km; Rad – 25/40km; Swim)	
13 Jun 2011	Beaufort, Lux (6/12/22km)	

15 Jun 2011	Allenbach (Saar – 5/10/20km)	
18/ Jun 2011	Diekirch, Lux (12/20/40km)	
18/19 Jun 2011	Bad Kreuznach (RP – 5/10/20km)	Potential Car Pool
18/19 Jun 2011	Fehl-Ritzhausen (RP – 5/10/20km)	
18/19 Jun 2011	Kordel (RP – 6/11/20km + Night Walk on 18 Jun)	
18/19 Jun 2011	Elversberg (Saar – 6/10/20km)	
18/19 Jun 2011	Hangard (Saar – 5/10/20km)	
19 Jun 2011	Forbach, FR (A/10/20km)	
22/23 Jun 2011	Eisen (Saar – 5/10/20km +Night Walk on 22 Jun)	
23 Jun 2011	Stennweiler(Saar – 5/10km)	
25 Jun 2011	Vianden, Lux (6/11/15/20/30/42km)	Potential Car Pool
25/26 Jun 2011	Dielkirchen (RP – 5/10/20km)	
25/26Jun 2011	Heimbach (RP – 6/10/20km)	
25/26Jun 2011	Wallmenroth (RP – 5/10/20km)	
25/26 Jun 2011	Holz (Saar – 6/10/20km)	
25/26 Jun 2011	Uberherren (Saar – 5/10/20km)	
26 Jun 2011	Seffern (RP – 5/10/20km)	
26 Jun 2011	Cocheren, FR (A/10/20km)	
26 Jun 2011	Beringen, Lux (6/11/22km)	
29 Jun 2011	Ludwigshafen-Bad Durkheim (RP – 6/12km)	

July 2011

2/3 Jul 2011	Idar-Oberstein (RP – 5/10/20/42km)	Potential Car Pool
2/3 Jul 2011	Thalexweiler (Saar – 5/10/20km)	
2/3 Jul 2011	Munich (MOB – 5/10/20km)	
3 Jul 2011	Rheinboellen (RP – 5/10/20km)	
3 Jul 2011	Wiesbaden (HE – 6/10/20km)	
9/10 Jul 2011	Langenlonsheim (RP – 5/10/20km)	Potential Car Pool
9/10 Jul 2011	Schiffweiler (Saar – 5/10/20km)	
9/10 Jul 2011	Titisee-Neustadt (BW-Sud – 5/10/20km)	Potential Car Pool
10 Jul 2011	Altrich (RP – 5/11/20km)	
13 Jul 2011	Bexbach (Saar – 6/10/20km)	

Long Range Event Planning

- 7 June 2011** Board of Directors Meeting- Rimini in Weltersbach. 6PM social, 7PM meeting
- 18 June** May walk volunteer picnic - more details to follow, watch for this on the Facebook account and Web Page
- 21 June 2011** **ELECTIONS** -- General Membership Meeting and elections. Rimini (Bergstrasse 7, 66879 Weltersbach, 6PM social hour
- 5 July 2011** Board of Directors Meeting- TBD. 6PM social, 7PM meeting
- 19 July 2011** General Membership Meeting . Location TBD , 6PM social hour and 7PM meeting