

Email Reminder sent Thursday July 27 2023

Wild Flower Society- Sunday Morning at Huffman Prairie- important driving info included

Dear Wildflower Friends,

Be sure to see the important driving directions below!

Sunday, July 30, 2023 at 10 am: *Huffman Prairie State Natural Landmark, Greene County, Ohio*

Dave Nolin will guide us along the trail at Huffman Prairie that should be in full bloom with purple coneflower, blazing star and royal catchfly. This 100 acre prairie holds an abundance of the plants one would have found in Ohio's original prairie plant community. You may want to read his fine book "Discovery and Renewal on Huffman Prairie: Where Aviation Took Wing" if you have not already. Nice brochure at

https://www.metroparks.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/05/HuffmanPrairieBrochure_0320_digital2.pdf

Please bring water and binoculars for some birding as well as enjoying the wildflowers.

Directions: Though Google maps shows the actual location of "Huffman Prairie State Natural Landmark", Pylon Rd, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH 45433, it does NOT calculate a correct route, as Debbie K informed me (Thank you. Debbie). Be sure to see the directions below. Driving time about 1 hour and 15 minutes

Debbie K writes "I just wanted to let you know that Google Maps will lead you astray with directions to Huffman Prairie. It directs you to enter Wright Patterson Air Force Base at the main gate, then onto restricted base roads (Skeel Ave). The MP's will deny access!"

Instead, participants will need to enter Wright Patterson AFB at public access Gate 16A off of OH-444 which is Communications Blvd, and drive a short distance to the Twin Base Golf Club, <https://goo.gl/maps/r96huhCgpzordfG78> You may use this link or use "Twin Base Golf Club" as your destination from Cincinnati

Then, once you arrive at the golf club, you may use the directions below or view <https://goo.gl/maps/WX2CFD5imkYYnpXS8> to take you from the Golf Club to Huffman Prairie State Natural Landmark. This route looks longer than necessary but there are some road closures on the shorter route. Jpg map

<http://cincywildflower.org/attachments/huffman%20map.jpg>

1. Enter **WPAFB at GATE 16A (GPS 39.791671, -84.060302), Communications Blvd**. This is also the entrance to Twin Base Golf Club. You will see a sign for Huffman Prairie Flying Field. Drive 0.2 mile on Communications Blvd
2. Turn **LEFT** at intersection onto unnamed road as you approach a closed gate. Drive 0.4 mile

3. Turn **LEFT** on **Hebble Creek Rd.** at stop sign, drive 1.0 mile
4. Turn **VERY SHARP RIGHT** onto **Marl Rd** (narrow, tree lined road). Drive 1.0 mile. You will pass an overflow parking lot on the left.
5. Take another **SHARP RIGHT** to stay on **Marl Rd.**, drive about 200 feet
6. Take a slight **RIGHT** onto **Pylon Rd**, drive about 200 feet. Parking lot is on the right.

Coming Soon- Saturday, August 12, 2023 at 10 am: *Bloomfield Barrens*, Spencer County, IN

As always, our Society's events are free and open to the public, and all are welcome.

Sincerely, Bob Bergstein, Communications, Cincinnati Wild Flower Preservation Society

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