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Wandering News

Wiesbaden International Wandering Club

OUR MISSION

WIWC strives to encourage Volksmarching, physical activity, outdoor enjoyment, and positive interactions with our host nation's citizens.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Are you excited for the warmer weather? I am! Walking in May might mean walking in the rain sometimes, but it also means not always needing a jacket or a sweater. It's a great time to walk and get to know this beautiful country of Germany.

If you still haven't gone on a Volksmarch yet and are a bit scared to try this new way of going on the trails, let us know. We'd love to help you out.

Happy Trails!
Kim



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Monthly Member Meeting Reminder

May 20, 2025

Schnitzel Queen in Nordstadt ([Borsigstraße 1A, 65205 Wiesbaden](#)).
6:00 pm for dinner (individual cost, euros only) and socializing; 7:00 pm for the meeting.

***Unless it's a holiday, meetings held every third Monday of the month.**

Upcoming Engagements

Bake Sale Fundraiser

Future Bake Sale Dates

May 19 Aug. 18
June 16 Sept. 22
July 21

Our next bake sale will be on **May 19. VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** to help make baked goods, distribute and collect money.

There will be a Signup Genius for this event, so keep an eye out.



Food safety certification

We are still looking for individuals who are food safety certified or would like to be. If you are interested, the club will cover the cost of the certification. Please contact the club for more details.

Featured walks of the month

Photos and stories by club members

If you have a walk that you'd like to share, email us at wiwcvolksmarching@gmail.com. In the subject line, write "Newsletter submission."

Saturday & Sunday, May 3rd & 4th

Weiler bei Bingen am Rhein, Rheinland-Pfalz

6 km, 11 km & 20 km trails

Address: Vereinsheim TSV 1886 Weiler e. V., an der Wassergall 2, 55413 Weiler bei Bingen am Rhein, Rheinland-Pfalz, 26 mi Southwest of Wiesbaden, about 30 minutes driving time from Wiesbaden

Start: 7.00 - 13.00 (7 am - 1 pm) for 5 km & 11 km trails 7.00 - 12.00 (7 am - 12 noon) for 20 km trail

Finish: You must finish a walk and be back at the start hall in order to get a stamp in your books is 16.00 (4 pm).

Saturday & Sunday, May 3rd & 4th

Limburg an der Lahn, Hessen

5 km, 12 km & 20 km trails

Address: Markthalle Limburg a. d. L., Ste. -Foy-Str. 2, 65549 Limburg an der Lahn, Hessen
32 mi Northwest of Wiesbaden, about 30 minutes driving time from Wiesbaden

Start: Saturday 7.00 - 13.00 (7 am - 1 pm) for all trails

Sunday 7.00 - 12.00 (7 am - 12 noon) for all trails

Finish: You must finish a walk and be back at the start hall in order to get a stamp in your books is Saturday 17.00 (5 pm), Sunday 16.00 (4 pm).

Future events



We asked last month for feedback on some additional trips to add to this year's list of goals. We received some wonderful ideas for future trips our fellow club members want to do, and here's a look at your recommendations:

Culinary and beer walk in Ilbeshausen - July 19

Get ready for some fun! We're organizing another bus trip to the delightful Culinary and Beer Walk in Ilbeshausen. It's a family-friendly tradition where you can stroll through beautiful woods and meadows, stopping at five stations to enjoy tasty regional food and sample different local beers, wines and alcohol-free drinks (available for purchase, euros only).

There will also be a lively German band, outdoor seating, and food and drinks at the starting and finishing point. We'll meet and return to the Wiesbaden train station.

Our club has had a fantastic turnout in past years, and we'd love to see you there again! We're currently figuring out the bus cost, which depends on how many people sign up. So, the sooner you let us know you're interested, the sooner we can finalize all the details.

Please send an email to wiwcvolksmarching@gmail.com or respond to the survey in our WhatsApp group to express your interest. We can't wait to hear from you!

19th II IVV Olympiad in Finland

August 14-17

Other than the traditional volksmarching, it will also include cycling, swimming and canoeing if you would like to participate in any additional outdoor activities.

The flyer for this event can be found at: <https://www.ivv-europa.eu/english/ivv-olympiad/>

We are seeking a trip captain for this event for transportation and accommodations. Trip captains always go for free in exchange for coordinating the trip.

From Our Members

Got a great walk, location, or news to share (include pictures)? Send a short article to WIWCVolksmarching@gmail.com for the next newsletter. Subject: "For the WIWC Newsletter."

From Yvonne Cochran



The Kinder Fest was a great success for the Wiesbaden International Wandering Club! We gave away the first 100 freeze pops in less than an hour! Thank you, Judy, for bringing another 50 that went just as quickly.

As we had hoped, when the kids were enjoying their freeze pops we were able to give our "elevator speech" to each of the parents. We had over 40 interested folks sign up for more information.

The walks below are local. But don't forget walks happen globally – tell us about your adventures when you travel!

Upcoming Walks

Saturday & Sunday only, May 10th & 11th, Schorndorf-Weiler, Baden-Württemberg

5 km, 10 km & 20 km trails

Address: Vereinsheim, Lorzingstr. 2, 73614 Schorndorf-Weiler, Baden-Württemberg
143 mi West of Wiesbaden, about 2 hours 30 minutes driving time from Wiesbaden

Sunday only, May 11th, Oberwesel, Rheinland-Pfalz

5 km, 11 km & 20 km trails

Address: Marktplatz, Rathausstr. 6, 55430 Oberwesel, Rheinland-Pfalz
34 mi West of Wiesbaden, about 50 minutes driving time from Wiesbaden

Saturday & Sunday only, May 17th & 18th, Kriegsfeld, Rheinland-Pfalz

5 km, 10 km & 20 km trails

Address: Turn- & Festhalle, Hinter Kirch. 10, 67819 Kriegsfeld, Rheinland-Pfalz
39 mi West of Wiesbaden, about 1 hour driving time from Wiesbaden

Sunday only, May 25th, Oberwiesen, Rheinland-Pfalz

5 km, 10 km & 20 km trails

Address: Gemeindehalle, Hauptstr. 3, 67294 Oberwiesen, Rheinland-Pfalz
36 mi Southwest of Wiesbaden, about 45 minutes driving time from Wiesbaden

Upcoming European Walks

There are walks everywhere in Europe, check out the IVV website below. Here are some of the upcoming walks to wet your appetite:

53rd 2-Day Walks in Blankenberge, West Flanders, Belgium, May 03 & 04, 2025, Tweedaagse Voettocht Blankenberge - Meer dan alleen wandelen // Plus que la marche // More than just walking //

IVV-BWF & IML "44th Waendel Walk in Wellingborough, Northamptonshire, England, May 09 - 11, 2025, 44th International Waendel Walk 2025 | Wellingborough Town Council

IVV-FFSP & IML, B.L.M.D. "4 jours en Chantonnay, Vendée, France", Distances 8 km, 12 km, 21 km, 28 km & 42 km plus BLMD extreme long-distance trails 100 km, 150 km, 200 km trails. May 29 - June 01, 2025 2025 edition Walking 4 days in Chantonnay Vendee

Volksmarching Websites

For more information on volksmarches overseas and abroad, check out the following.

International Walks	http://www.ivv-online.org
Sponsored Walks in Germany	https://www.dvv-wandern.de/aktuelles-angebot
Year-Round Walks in Germany	https://www.dvv-wandern.de/permanente-wanderwege
Walks in the USA	www.ava.org

Friendly Reminder for Traditional Events

Cups: Organizers (clubs) are not required to provide cups for participants to receive free beverages such as iced tea, broth, or water. While most organizers do provide cups, it's a good idea to bring your own to ensure you can enjoy the offered beverages.

Additional Drinks and Food: At the start hall and some control points, other drinks, sandwiches, etc., including beer and wine, are available for purchase.

Permanent Trails

For local traditional events, check out nearby permanent trails (Year-Round Events). Hike them anytime to get your book stamp.

WIWC Goethe Trail. Get ready to explore Frankfurt! 🌲 We have 5 km & 11 km trails ready for download. Find all the .gpx files at <https://www.dvv-wandern.de/permanente-wanderwege/hessen/wanderweg/auf-goethes-spuren-frankfurt>. You'll need the Komoot app to open the trail files. Want a printable PDF? Just let us know! Happy hiking!
Address: Goethehaus, Großer Hirschgraben 21, 60311 Frankfurt am Main, Hessen

Distance: 23 mi East of Wiesbaden, about 30 minutes driving from Wiesbaden.

"Auf den Spuren der Aartalbahn" (on the remnants of the old Aar River Valley Railroad. IVV Permanent Trail 5 km, 13 km & 21 km trails, [DVV Wandern - "Auf den Spuren der Aartalbahn im Taunus" \(dvv-wandern.de\)](https://www.dvv-wandern.de)

Address: Sportplatz Kleinfeldchen "Imbiss bei Kosta", Hollerbornstraße 13, 65197 Wiesbaden- Dotzheim, Hessen

Distance: 2 mi Southwest of downtown Wiesbaden, about 5 minutes driving time from Wiesbaden.

"Schwalben Wanderweg" (Swallow hiking trail, the town's name is Swallow Creek) IVV Permanent Trail

6 km, 12 km & 20 km trails, [DVV Wandern - "Schwalben Wanderweg" \(dvv-wandern.de\)](https://www.dvv-wandern.de)

Address: Cafe "Kirch 1", Kirchstrasse 1, 65307 Bad Schwalbach, Hessen

Distance: Northwest of downtown Wiesbaden, about 25 minutes driving time from Wiesbaden.

"Auf den Spuren der Roemer in Mainz-Kastel" (on the traces of the Romans in Mainz-Kastel). IVV Permanent Trail There is a brewery & restaurant at the Starting Point that also offers brewery tours (the restaurant also offers alcohol free drinks aside from food)

7 km & 15 km trails, [DVV Wandern - "Auf den Spuren der Römer in Kastel" \(dvv-wandern.de\)](https://www.dvv-wandern.de) Address: Brauhaus Castel,

Otto-Suhr-Ring 27, 55252 (Wiesbaden-) Mainz-Kastel, Hessen Distance: 5 mi Southeast of downtown Wiesbaden, about 10 minutes driving time from Wiesbaden.

"Taunus Rundwanderweg" (Taunus Mountains Loop Trail) IVV Permanent Trail

13 km trail only, [DVV Wandern - „Taunus-Rundwanderweg“ \(dvv-wandern.de\)](https://www.dvv-wandern.de)

Address: Wiesbaden Tourist Information, Marktplatz 1, 65183 Wiesbaden, Hessen

"Rheinhessen Blick" (view of Rheinhessen Region) IVV Permanent Trail

6 km, 10 km & 20 km trails, [DVV Wandern - "Rheinhessenblick" \(dvv-wandern.de\)](https://www.dvv-wandern.de)

Address: "Schlemmer House" Restaurant (good food there), Marie-Curie-Strasse 9, 55453 Gau- Algesheim, Rheinland-Pfalz

WIWC Information

Social Media

You can get updated walks through email, Facebook, our website, and our WhatsApp Group chat.

- **Facebook Group**: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/293708457976771>
- **Website**: www.wiwcvolksmarching.org
- **Email**: wiwcvolksmarching@gmail.com
- **WhatsApp**: For members we have a WhatsApp Group Chat. Want to be included, let us know and we will add you.

Membership Information

Family price: €30

Single price: €15

Members are entitled to monthly newsletters, weekly notice of upcoming walks, member trip prices, and boutique discounts.

WIWC council for 2025

President	Kim Kuhn
Vice President	Judy Fishel
Treasurer	Klaus Michels
Secretary	Nicole Rand
Registration Director	Klaus Michels
Membership Directors	Paula Johnson and Nicole Rand
Trail Masters	Klaus Michels and Adam Marchbanks
Media Directors	Karen Landreth and Christina Spence
Boutique Managers	Christina Spence and Nicole Rand
Event Planning and Fundraising	Yonnie Cochran
All-Around Coordinators	Tim & Frances Salas and Adam Marchbanks