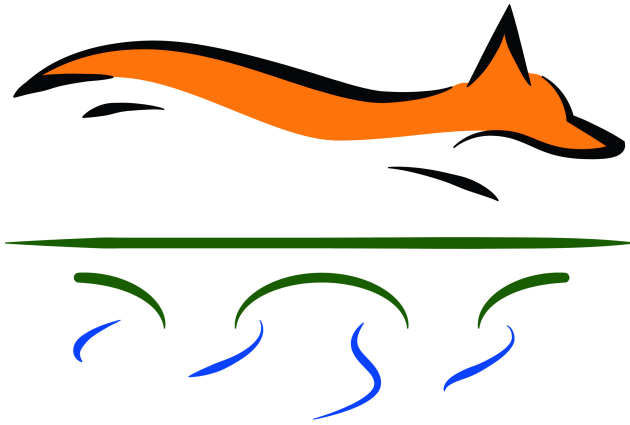




Spectator's Guide

Fox Valley Marathon Races



Course

With most of the course on the river paths between St. Charles and North Aurora, the roads along the river, Route 25 or Route 31 can easily get you to 5 viewing areas A–F along the course that let you cheer on your runner up to 10 times for the marathon.

Spectating Areas

	Mile	Spectator Area
A*	0	Start/Finish
A*	0.8	Start/Finish
B**	7.5	Clark Island Recreation Area
C**	11.1	North Aurora Island Park
D**	13.0	Lippold Park
B**	14.4	Clark Island Recreation Area
C	18.0	North Aurora Island Park
D	19.9	Lippold Park
B*	21.2	Clark Island Recreation Area
E*	23	Fabyan Forest Preserve (east)
A*	26.2	Start/Finish

* Can also view half marathoners and 20-mile runners here.

** Can also view 20-mile runners here.

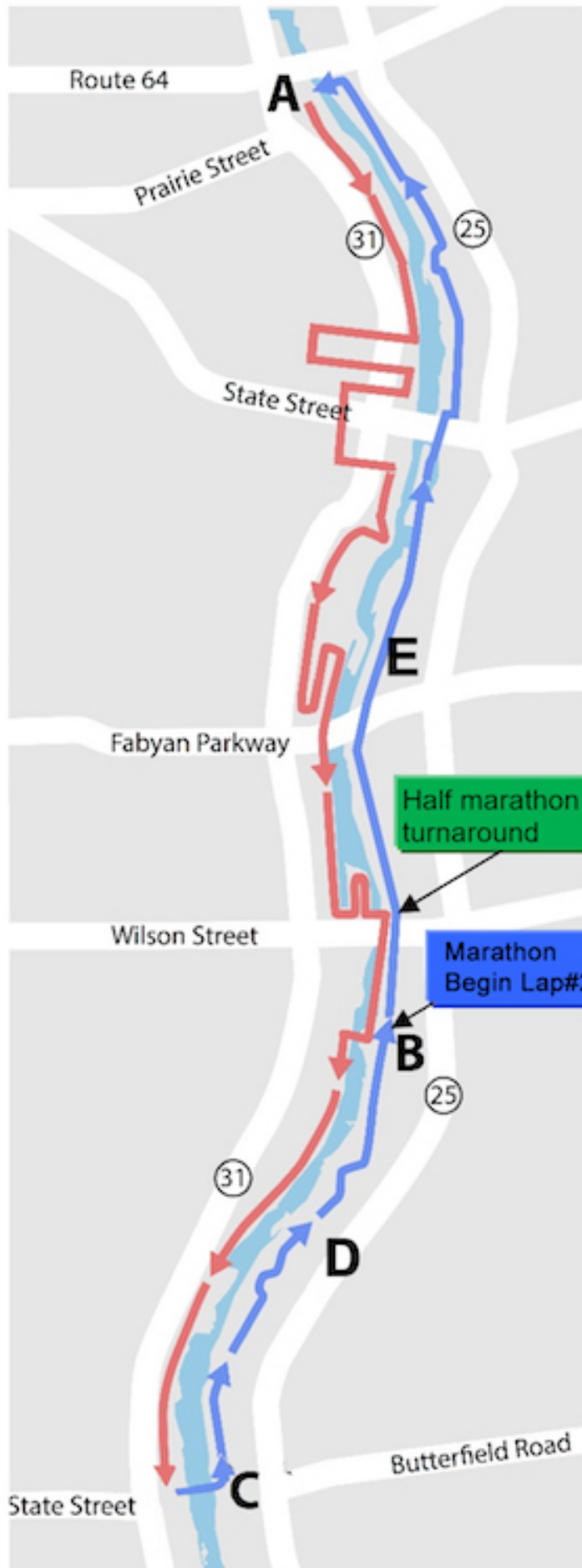
Note: Mileage for all spectator areas is approximate.

If you prefer an approach to spectating that involves less moving from spot to spot, we have also described cheer zones in Geneva and Batavia that are great spectating locations.

City Cheer Zones

Geneva cheer zone: Miles 2.0–3.0 (all races)

Batavia cheer zone: Mile 7.0 (all races);
Mile 15.3 (20-miler);
Mile 21.5 (marathon)



Road Information

Road Closures or Partial Closures

CLOSED FOR THE DURATION OF THE RACE:

Prairie Street (St. Charles) between Route 31 and Route 25
Fabyan Forest Preserve, west-side

Illinois Street (St. Charles) between Route 25 and Route 31 is closed until 7:30 a.m.

Riverside Ave./Route 25 in St. Charles, is closed from 6th Ave. to Division St. is closed until 7:45 a.m.

Riverside Ave./Route 25 (St. Charles) will have ONE lane open from 6th Ave. to Moore Ave. from about 7:30 AM to 1:30 PM.

Route 31 from Prairie Street (St. Charles) to 3rd St. (Geneva) will be completely CLOSED from about 6:45 AM to 8:15 AM. **This section should be avoided.** To get from St. Charles to the Geneva area during this time, use 3rd St southbound out of St. Charles, which becomes Anderson Blvd in Geneva.

Route 31 (Geneva) will have ONE lane closed from 3rd Street to Fabyan Parkway from about 7:00 AM to 8:30 AM.

Route 38 (Geneva) will be CLOSED from River Lane to S 7th St from about 7:00 AM to 8:30 AM.

3rd Street is closed at the railroad crossing

For traffic detours through downtown Geneva, see p. 21 (Geneva cheer zone).

Major Routes and River Crossings Unaffected by Race

No closures or lane restrictions on southern portions:

- Route 64, St. Charles
- Fabyan Parkway, Geneva
- Wilson Street, Batavia
- Route 56, North Aurora
- Route 31 South of Fabyan Parkway
- Route 25 South of Division

A: Start

Feel the excitement of race morning at the Start

6:45 AM Mayor's Introduction and National Anthem

7:00 AM Start for distances 13.1+. Corral located in Mt. St. Mary Park

7:10 AM Start for 5K. Corral located in Mt. St. Mary Park

Refreshments

1. Brunch Café, Breakfast and Lunch
2. Kimmer's, treats and refreshments

Runner Tracking

We now have runner tracking available, so you can get real-time Athlete Updates on your runner. You can sign up for runner tracking on our website.

<http://www.fv26.com/>



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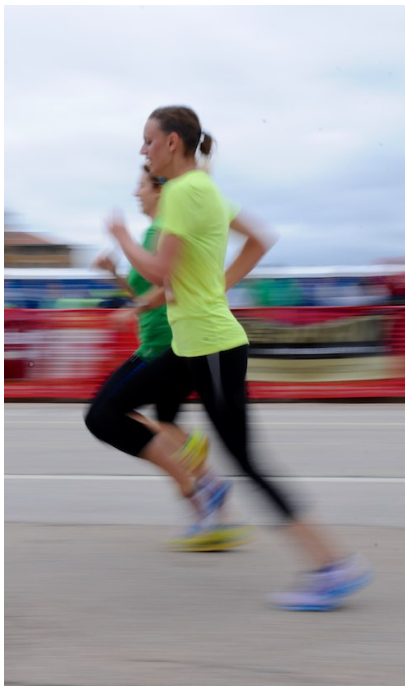
A: Finish

Watch the drama of family and friends, and neighbors realizing a lifetime goal

7:20 AM to 1:30 PM

Runners will arrive heading north along Riverside Ave on the east side of the river, will turn left to cross the river on the Prairie St. bridge, and will finish in Mt. St. Mary Park.

Race	Begin Finishing at:
5K (red bibs)	7:30 AM
Half Marathon (green bibs)	8:05 AM
Fall Final 20 (orange bibs)	8:40 AM
Marathon (blue bibs)	9:11 AM



Runner Pace (min./mile)	Finish Times		
	Half Marathon	20-Mile	Marathon
5	8:05 am	8:40 am	9:11 am
6	8:18 am	9:00 am	9:37 am
7	8:31 am	9:20 am	10:03 am
8	8:44 am	9:40 am	10:29 am
9	8:57 am	10:00 am	10:55 am
10	9:11 am	10:20 am	11:22 am
11	9:24 am	10:40 am	11:48 am
12	9:37 am	11:00 am	12:14 pm
13	9:50 am	11:20 am	12:40 pm
14	10:03 am	11:40 am	1:06 pm

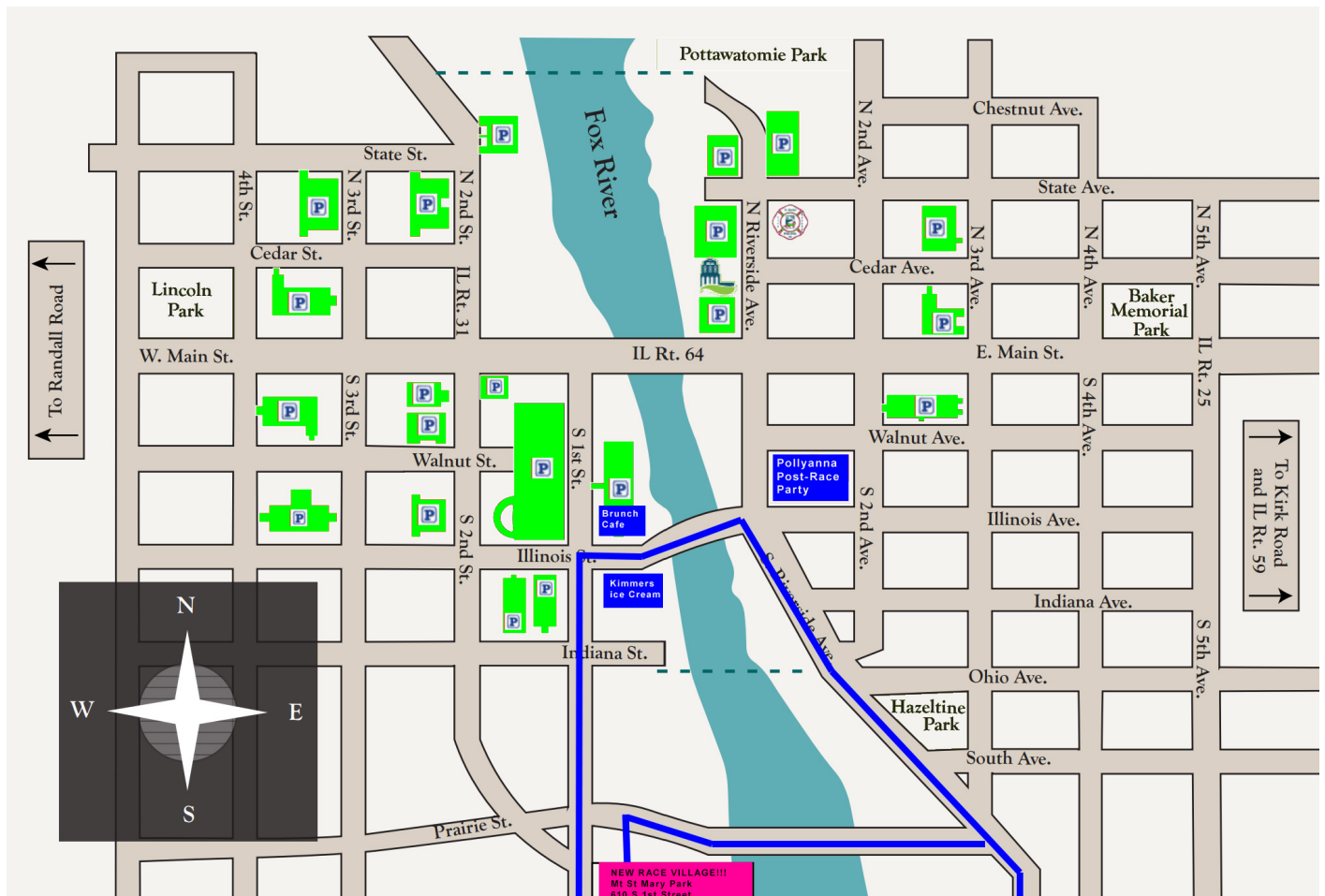
Note: All times in this guide are calculated assuming every runner starts exactly at 7:00 am. However, because the last wave may start as late as 7:30 am

Parking

This map is a general figure intended to direct you to the city parking lots.

PLEASE FOLLOW ALL POSTED SIGNS IN LOTS. We do not have any special exemptions for race day. If you park in a lot that says non-customers will be towed, **YOU WILL BE TOWED.** Also, note that many of the free city parking lots are located right next to private lots, so please read signs carefully!

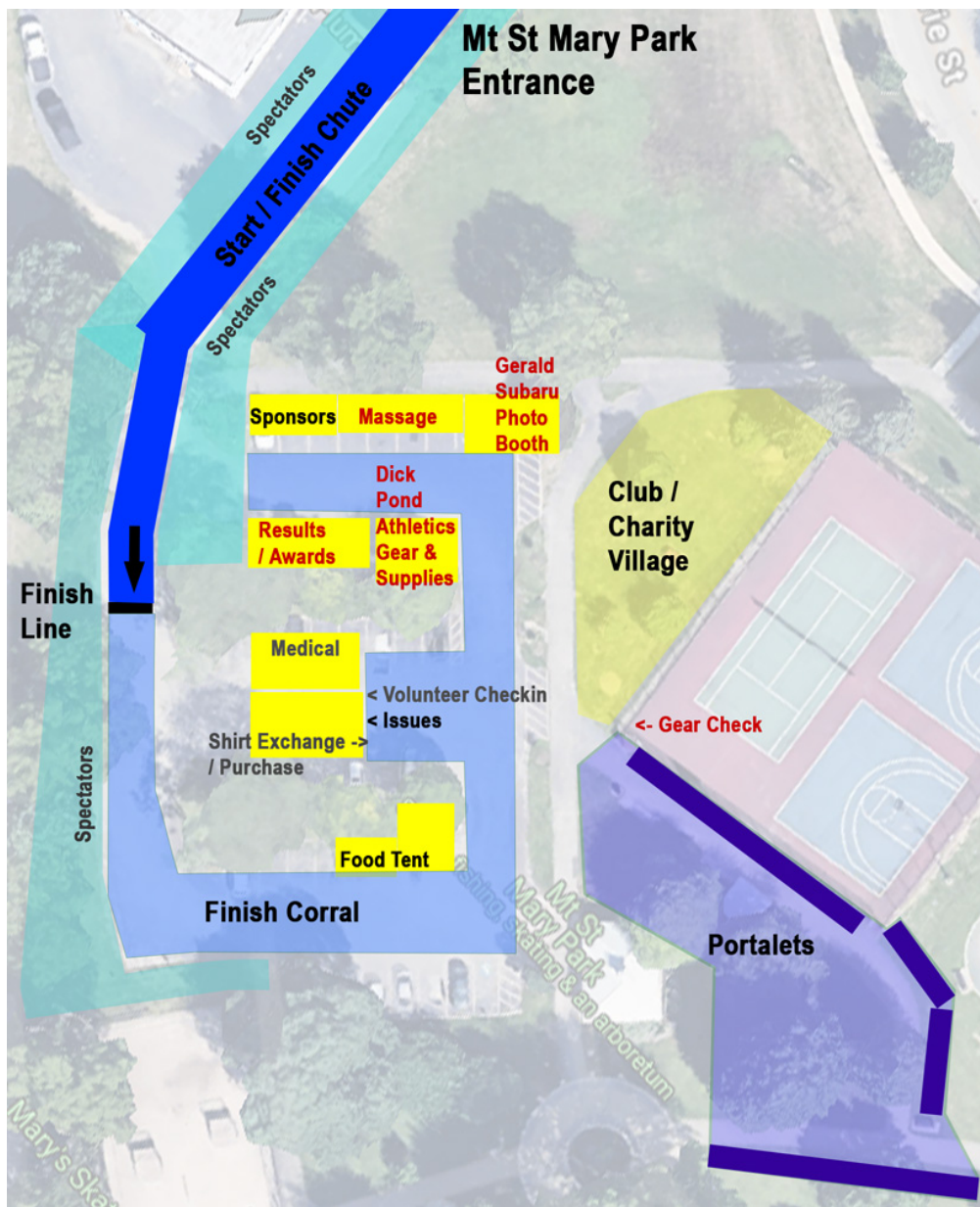
In addition to the parking lots, there is free street parking throughout town.



Race Village

Meeting Your Runner after the Race

After the race, you can meet your runner in the Race Village in any area outside of the Finish Chute, which runs from the Finish Line through the Food Tent.





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B: Clark Island Recreational Area

325 S. River Street, Batavia
Route 25, South of Wilson Street

Please do not park along Route 25.
This state highway is not designed for pedestrian traffic in this area.

Parking (east side of river)

Available on-site in two lots

Washrooms

Portable restroom on-site

Activities

- Picnic and fishing areas
- Playground
- Baseball diamond



The Preserve
of Geneva

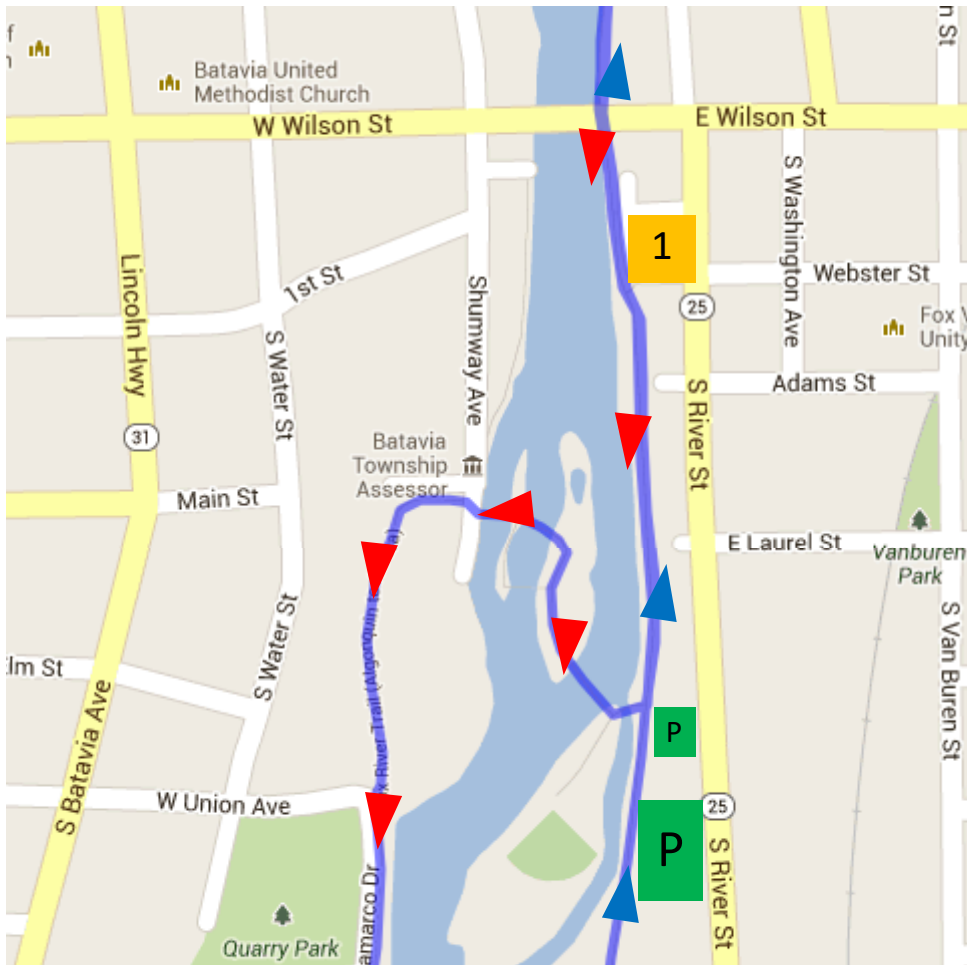
*Geneva's largest
office location*



Windows
& Doors

Area B: Clark Island Recreation Area

Runner Pace (min./mile)	OUTBOUND 20-Mile, Marathon, Mile 7.5	RETURN	
		20-Mile, Marathon Mile 14.4	Marathon Mile 21.2
5	7:37AM	8:12 AM	8:46 AM
6	7:45 AM	8:26 AM	9:07 AM
7	7:52 AM	8:40 AM	9:28 AM
8	8:00 AM	8:58AM	9:48AM
9	8:07 AM	9:09 AM	10:10 AM
10	8:15 AM	9:23 AM	10:32 AM
11	8:22 AM	9:43AM	10:53 AM
12	8:30 AM	9:57AM	11:14 AM
13	8:37 AM	10:07 AM	11:35 AM
14	8:45 AM	10:21 AM	11:56 AM



C: North Aurora Island Park

14 E. State St, North Aurora

Route 56 will be open throughout the race.

Route 56

Parking

Available on-site

Washrooms

Portable restroom on-site

Refreshments

1. Citgo

Coffee, drinks, snacks

2. Harner's

Breakfast, bakery, lunch

3. 7-11

Coffee, drinks, snacks

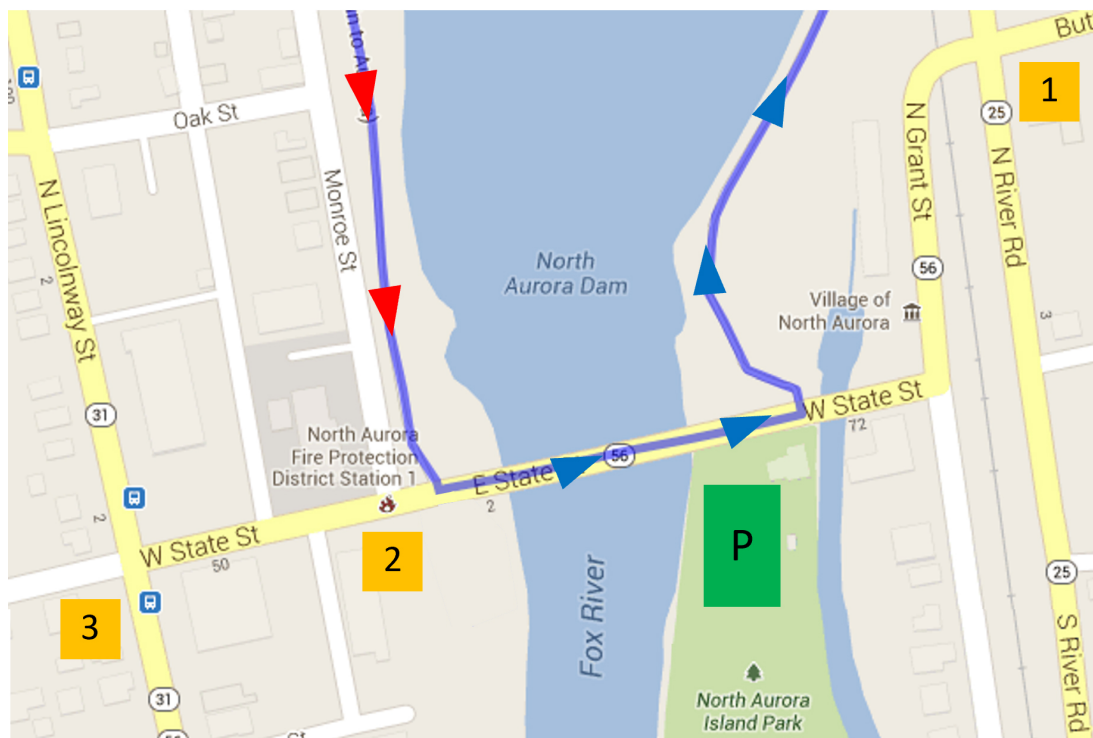
Activities

- Picnic area and shelters
- Playground
- Bicycle and walking path
- Fishing
- Scenic dam



Area C: North Aurora Island Park

Runner Pace (min./mile)	OUTBOUND	RETURN
	20-Mile, Marathon Mile 11.1	Marathon Mile 18
5	7:55 AM	8:30 AM
6	8:06 AM	8:48 AM
7	8:17 AM	9:06 AM
8	8:28 AM	9:24 AM
9	8:39 AM	9:42 AM
10	8:51 AM	10:00 AM
11	9:02 AM	10:18 AM
12	9:13 AM	10:36 AM
13	9:24 AM	10:54 AM
14	9:35 AM	11:12 AM



D: Lippold Park

2001 S. River Rd, Batavia
Route 25, North of Route 56

The entrance is a little hard to spot. Watch your mileage; it is 1.5 miles north of Route 56 (North Aurora) and about 0.25 miles north of Red Oak Nature Center.

Parking

Available on-site

Washrooms

Portable restroom on-site

Activities

- Bicycle/Walking/jogging path
- Boardwalk/nature area
- Picnic pavilion
- Rope bridge/children's area



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Area D: Lippold Park

Runner Pace (min./mile)	RETURN	
	20-Mile Mile 13	Marathon Mile 19.9
5	8:05 AM	8:39 AM
6	8:18 AM	8:59 AM
7	8:31 AM	9:19 AM
8	8:44 AM	9:39 AM
9	8:57 AM	9:59 AM
10	9:10 AM	10:19 AM
11	9:23 AM	10:38 AM
12	9:36 AM	10:58 AM
13	9:49 AM	11:18 AM
14	10:02 AM	11:38 AM



E: Fabyan Forest Preserve (east)

1500 Crissey Ave (Rte 25), Geneva*
Route 25 north of Fabyan Parkway

Parking (east side of river)

Available on-site and across Rte. 25
Please, no parking on the grass

Washrooms

Portable restroom on-site

Refreshments

1. Phillips 66: coffee, drinks, snacks

Activities

- Bike and nature trails
- Boat/canoe launch
- Fishing and hiking
- Historic Frank Lloyd Wright site
- Picnic area and shelter

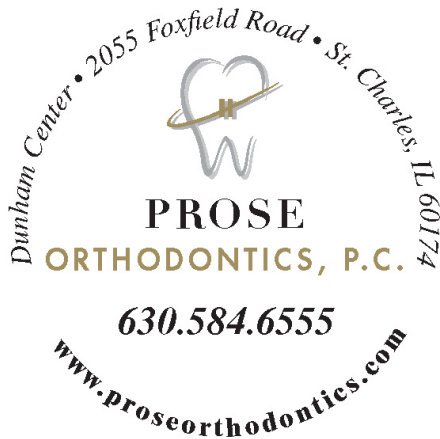


The west side of Fabyan Forest Preserve will be completely closed to cars, as runners will be using roads, trails, and parking lots in this area.

* Some mapping software lists this address as Batavia.

Area E: Fabyan Forest Preserve (east)

Runner Pace (min./mile)	RETURN		
	Half Marathon Mile 9	20-Mile Mile 16.1	Marathon Mile 23
5	7:45 AM	8:20 AM	8:55 AM
6	7:54 AM	8:36 AM	9:18 AM
7	8:03 AM	8:52 AM	9:41 AM
8	8:12 AM	9:08 AM	10:04 AM
9	8:21 AM	9:24 AM	10:27 AM
10	8:30 AM	9:41 AM	10:50 AM
11	8:39 AM	9:57 AM	11:13 AM
12	8:48 AM	10:13 AM	11:36 AM
13	8:57 AM	10:29 AM	11:59 AM
14	9:06 AM	10:45 AM	12:22 PM



Geneva Cheer Zone

If you spectate from this area (around miles 2 or 3), you should NOT plan on also viewing the start. There will not be time to see your runner at both spots. Please allow 25 minutes to drive between spectating areas and park.

To get to this area from St. Charles and avoid closed roads, take 3rd Street south from St. Charles, which becomes Anderson Blvd in Geneva. Follow the detour highlighted in yellow (below) to get through Geneva between 7:00 am–8:30 am.

There is a multi-level parking garage at Third Street and South Street plus free street parking in many areas of Geneva. Please follow all posted signs; also, please do not park in any church lots. You will want to park to the ‘outside’ of the race course if you plan to drive to another spectating area.



Refreshments

(open before 7:30 am)

1. Starbucks
2. Geneva Diner
3. State Street Diner
4. Egg Harbor

Many more places in Geneva are open after 7:30 am; please see www.geneva.il.us for a complete list.

Traffic detour route

Geneva Cheer Zone

Runner Pace (min./mile)	OUTBOUND	RETURN
	All Races 13.1+ Mile 2.0	All Races 13.1+ Mile 3.0
5	7:10 am	7:15 am
6	7:12 am	7:18 am
7	7:14 am	7:21 am
8	7:16 am	7:24 am
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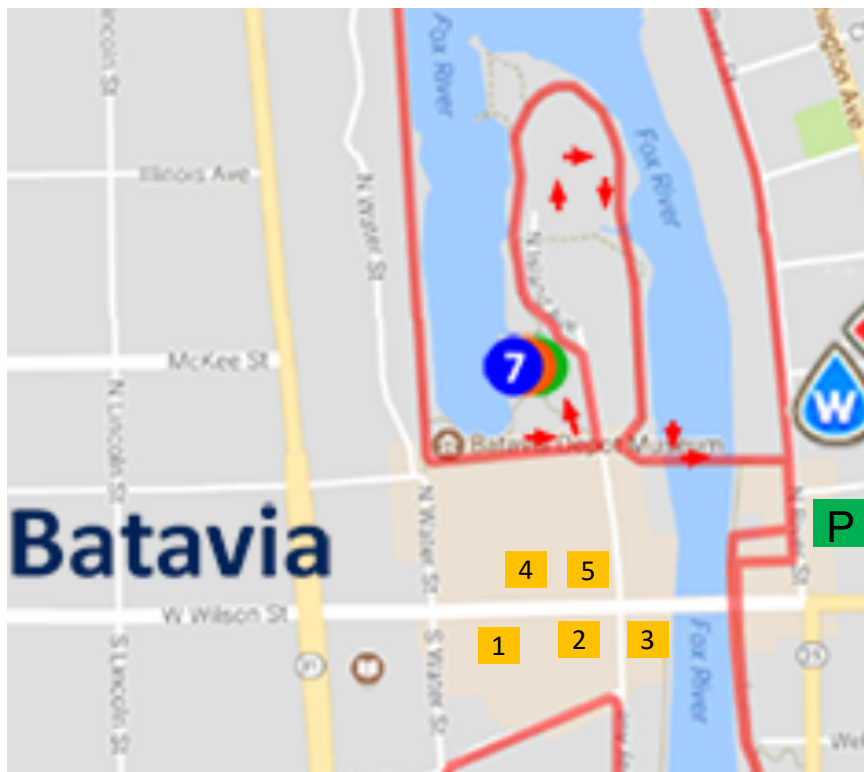
Batavia Cheer Zone

The best place to park and spectate in downtown Batavia this year is on the **EAST** side of the river, using the 3-level parking area on the south side of State Street, between North River Street and Washington Avenue (Rte 25). There is also some free street parking in this area on the east side of the river. Please follow all posted signs; also, please do not park in any church lots.

Please do NOT use the pedestrian bridge parallel to Houston Street, as there will be heavy runner traffic from all three races on it. Instead, walk one short block south and cross the river on Wilson Street.

If you spectate from this area, you should NOT plan on also spectating at Clark Island in Batavia. There will not be time to see your runner at both spots. Please allow 25 minutes to drive between spectating areas and park.

Please see road closure page to determine the best way to get to this area. Wilson Street will remain open throughout the race as the path goes beneath the road.



Refreshments (open for breakfast)

2. Daddio's Diner
3. Limestone Coffee & Tea
4. McDonald's
5. Briana's Pancake House

Batavia Cheer Zone

Runner Pace (min./mile)	OUTBOUND	RETURN	
	All Races Mile 7	20-Mile Mile 14.9	Marathon Mile 21.7
5	7:35 am	8:14 am	8:48 am
6	7:42 am	8:29 am	9:10 am
7	7:49 am	8:44 am	9:31 am
8	7:56 am	8:59 am	9:53 am
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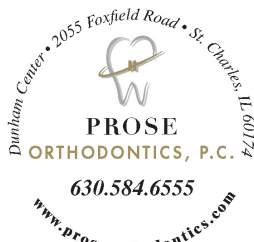
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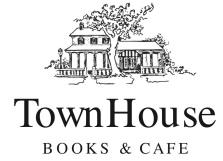
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