

## Release and Indemnification Agreement

The people named on this registration form wish to participate in the Hiking Award Program sponsored by the Dane County Chapter of the Ice Age Trail Alliance, Inc. The Alliance and its officers and directors and the Program sponsors, volunteers, and chapter officers and members (collectively, the "Alliance") wish to ensure to the fullest extent possible that they are not sued or held liable for injuries or damages sustained by participants or those participating in the Program. I make this release and agreement on my behalf of anyone else who would be able to sue if I were injured while participating in the Program.

I agree and acknowledge as follows (1) Participation carries with it some risk of serious injury. The risks include but are not limited to those caused by over-exertion, vehicular traffic, the weather, facilities, equipment, the Alliance and other participants; (2) I assume all risk of participating in the Program; (3) I understand the Alliance is relying upon the agreements and representations I make on this form; (4) I release the Alliance from any and all claims, including negligence claims and claims relating to personal injury of property arising out of my participation in the Program except I do not release reckless or intentional tort claims; (5) I agree to indemnify the Alliance if I or anyone else brings a claim against the Alliance for injuries I receive due to my participating in the Program. ("Indemnify" means to reimburse the Alliance for any amounts they have to pay and expenses/fees they incur due to an injury claim relating to me); (6) I have read this document and understand it.

If I am under age 18, my parent or guardian is signing on my behalf, and my parent or guardian also agrees to indemnify the Alliance if I, or anyone else, brings a claim against the Alliance due to injuries I receive due to my participating in the Program. With knowledge of the risks involved and the rights I give up, I waive the rights I might otherwise have and I freely sign this document.

### WAIVER SIGNATURE REQUIRED

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PARTICIPANT'S SIGNATURE

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COMPANION'S NAME (PRINTED)

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COMPANION'S NAME (SIGNATURE)

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PARENT/GUARDIAN'S SIGNATURE

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DATE

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## Highlights of the Dane County segments

Travelling along the edge of a marsh, a lowland prairie and over limestone ridges shaped by the Green Bay Lobe in the Lodi Marsh Wildlife Area, your trek through Dane County from the north begins in the middle of the Eastern Lodi Marsh Segment that is highlighted by "Dave's View" and the nature trail that makes up the Lodi Marsh Segment.

Circling around a former farmstead with remnants of a building from the 1870s, Springfield Hill includes a Dispersed Camping Area and oak savannah and is great for snowshoeing.

The IAT passes through agricultural fields and stone building remnants of Halfway Prairie and then winds around Indian Lake, formed by melting glaciers, before heading into the Driftless Area.

The Table Bluff Segment has a lollipop trail through restored prairies and continues through the Holmes Preserve and Swamplovers land traversing steeper, rocky slopes and more restored prairies. The southernmost bluff provides a view of Blue Mounds that is a landmark along numerous high points of the IAT in Dane County. Two white-blazed trails offer nice variety on an out-and-back hike.

The Cross Plains Segment goes over a dolomite ridge before travelling past the IATA headquarters, around the 'Mammoth's Back' and through the NPS Cross Plains Interpretive Site where Wilke Gorge was created by melting glacial water and Shoveler Sink and its sinkhole. You'll return to hiking along the terminal moraine and prairie / oak savannah restorations on the Valley View Segment.

The trail resumes on the Madison Segment, going through University Ridge golf course until connecting with the Verona Segment. You'll continue through the Ice Age Junction Area and its restored prairies, passing through Badger Prairie County Park and ending in Prairie Moraine County Park. Along the way, you will have scenic views of the Sugar River Valley and ravines cut through the Johnstown Moraine by glacial meltwater.

The views of the Sugar River Valley continue as you climb and descend two plateaus on the Montrose Segment. The Brooklyn Wildlife Segment is the southern end of Dane County and takes you through the glacial outwash/sand prairie and the bedrock hills in the Brooklyn State Wildlife Area.

# Dane Drifters

## A Hiking Award Program in Dane County



### Segments:

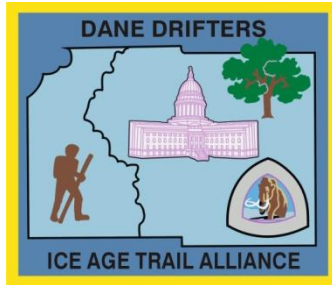
Eastern Lodi Marsh  
Lodi Marsh  
Springfield Hill  
Indian Lake  
Table Bluff  
Cross Plains  
Valley View  
Madison  
Verona  
Montrose  
Brooklyn Wildlife

**The Ice Age Trail Alliance (IATA) is a volunteer and member based organization that builds, maintains and promotes the Ice Age Trail. Your registration fee goes to the IATA's Dane County Chapter, a group of volunteers who maintain the Trail through Dane County.**

For more information, visit: [www.iceagetrail.org](http://www.iceagetrail.org)

## My *Dane Drifters* Hiking Log

Sign up for Dane Drifters, the hiking program that rewards you for hiking the Dane County segments of the Ice Age National Scenic Trail. Challenge yourself to walk all 39.4 miles of Ice Age Trail (IAT) in Dane County and **optional** 24 miles of connecting routes. As incentive, the Dane County Chapter of the Ice Age Trail Alliance has developed a program that records your progress and rewards your completion.



### How the program works:

1. Complete the registration and waiver portions of this form, remove it from the brochure, and send it with your registration fee to the address shown. Retain the hiking log.
2. Upon receiving form and payment, you'll receive maps and descriptions of the segment to help plan your hikes (including parking areas).
3. Track your progress on the Hiking Log. When you're finished, mail or email completed log to:

Gary Wensing  
3006 Hillside Trail  
Cross Plains, WI 53528

**Remember, connecting routes are optional.**

4. The Dane County Chapter will record your name in the **Dane Drifters** register and send you a Certificate of Achievement and an embroidered patch.

### Questions?

Call: Gary Wensing: 608-798-3006

Email: [kensinginn@tds.net](mailto:kensinginn@tds.net)

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Name

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Address

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City State Zip

	Segment (North to South)	Miles	Date Hiked
1	<b>Eastern Lodi Marsh</b> <i>Dane/Columbia Co Line in middle of segment to East side of Lodi-Springfield Rd</i>	2.1	
2	<b>Lodi Marsh</b> <i>West side of Lodi-Springfield Rd</i>	1.8	
3	<b>Connecting Route</b> <i>Lodi-Springfield to Ballweg Rd</i>	7.8	
4	<b>Springfield Hill</b> <i>Loop start/ends on Ballweg Rd</i>	1.6	
5	<b>Connecting Route</b> <i>Ballweg Rd to Matz Rd</i>	2.1	
6	<b>Indian Lake</b> <i>Matz Rd to Hwy 19</i>	3.5	
7	<b>Connecting Route</b> <i>Hwy19 to Pine Rd</i>	3.6	
8	<b>Table Bluff</b> (includes optional 1.2 mi connecting route) <i>Pine Rd to Scheele Rd</i>	5.1	
9	<b>Connecting Route</b> <i>Scheele Rd to Hickory Hill St</i>	1.5	
10	<b>Cross Plains</b> (includes optional 3.0 mi of connecting routes) <i>Hickory Hill St to Timber Ln/ Mineral Point Rd</i>	9.9	
11	<b>Valley View</b> (includes optional 0.3 mi connecting route) <i>Timber Ln/Mineral Point Rd to Mid Town Rd/Shady Oak Ln.</i>	3.4	
12	<b>Connecting Route</b> <i>Mid Town Rd to Woods Rd</i>	1.8	
13	<b>Madison</b> <i>Woods Rd to Hwy PD</i>	3.1	
14	<b>Verona</b> <i>Hwy PD to Wesner Rd</i>	6.4	
15	<b>Connecting Route</b> <i>Wesner Rd to Purcell Rd</i>	2.9	
16	<b>Montrose</b> <i>Purcell Rd to Hwy D</i>	7.5	
17	<b>Brooklyn Wildlife</b> <i>Hwy D to Hughes Rd</i>	3.4	
	<b>TOTAL Trail Segments</b>	<b>43.3</b>	
	<b>TOTAL Connecting Routes</b>	<b>23.9</b>	
	<b>Grand Total Dane County</b>	<b>67.2</b>	

## Registration Form

IATA Member \$10.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Non-Member \$12.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Companion(s) to Above\* \$ 6.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Contribution \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*A companion is eligible for an award, but must hike with a registered participant, sharing maps and all other mailings.

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First Last Age\*\*

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Address

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City State Zip

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Phone

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Email Address

\*\*This helps us learn more about Ice Age Trail users and how we may better serve their needs and recreation patterns.

**REQUIRED: PLEASE READ AND SIGN  
WAIVER ON REVERSE SIDE**

Make checks payable to:  
**Dane County Chapter IATA**

**Send registration form with check to:**

Gary Wensing  
3006 Hillside Trail  
Cross Plains, WI 53528