

### **Explore the North Branch**



#### **Bloomsburg to Danville**

PFBC Bloomsburg to Danville's Montgomery Park

River Miles: 12.5 miles

Paddling Time: 3-5 hours; depends on river level

Difficulty: Easy

Hazards: None of significance

This quiet stretch of the river is perfect for all levels of paddlers, from experts to novices (with river level between one and six feet at Bloomsburg USGS gauge), and ideal for trying stand-up paddleboards (SUP). Launch at the PFBC Bloomsburg boat ramp (River Mile: 148.8). Along the way you will pass the historic Fort McClure House, Fishing Creek,

remnants of the North Branch Canal, The North Branch Canal Trail, and numerous islands where you are likely to see wildlife...







Mark your calendars and join SGP and the Susquehanna River Trail Association on August 4, 2018 for the annual Susquehanna Sojourn: Island Hopper. This all day paddling event will take participants along the beautiful Middle Susquehanna Water Trail; beginning just outside of Selinsgrove, PA. Details and registration information to follow.

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#### **Sheshequin Township to Towanda**

Larnard Hornbrook County Park to Eastside Riverfront Park

River Miles: 4.5 miles

Paddling Time: 1-2 hours; depends on river level

Difficulty: Moderate

<u>Hazards</u>: Short stretches of fast current toward

shore and under the bridge

This short (but sweet) section is a nice little jaunt for a weeknight or partial day trip. Start at the beautiful Larnard-Hornbrook County Park Access. Along the way you will venture past Sugar Creek, remnants of the North Branch Canal aqueduct,

numerous islands perfect for birding, and even a face painted on the cliff rocks with a unique but tragic legend...

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Want to see more of this year's winners? Now you can with the 2018 Photo Contest calendar. This calendar will showcase all of the 6th annual winning images in a full-color format that will beckon your gaze all year long. Click the link below to reserve your calendar today. Ordered calendar will be mailed during the month of November 2017.

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### **Explore the West Branch**

# **Watsontown to Lewisburg**Watsontown Borough Access to Saint George Street Access

River Miles: 8.5 miles

Paddling Time: 2-3 hours; depends on river level

Difficulty: Easy

Hazards: None of significance

This trip includes an optional island lunch break at Milton State Park. At the Watsontown Borough Access (hand-carry access) one can view interpretive panels on the former West Branch Division of the Pennsylvania Canal, a pavilion designed to look like a canal boat, and walk the 1-mile Towpath Trail. Trees and fields dominate this landscape, as well as unique bridges and wildlife, including eagles...

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## National Safe Boating Week May 19-25, 2018



In honor of National Safe Boating Week, we here at SGP want to remind you to wear your life jacket this paddling season. Accidents on the water can happen much too fast, so please "Wear It" don't "Stow It". Today, there are many options for recreational life jackets that allow for more range of motion, are lower profile, cool, and comfortable.

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## Explore the Middle Susquehanna

### Selinsgrove to Millersburg

Isle of Que to Millersburg Riverfront Park

River Miles: 21 miles

Paddling Time: 2 days, overnight <u>Difficulty</u>: Moderate to Difficult

Hazards: McKee's Half Falls, rocks at Liverpool

This overnight trip offers a unique opportunity: primitive camping on one of the 400 islands that dot the Middle Susquehanna between Sunbury and Harrisburg. On 23 of these islands, Susquehanna River Trail Association (SRTA) maintains rustic first-

come, first-serve campsites for boaters. This paddle includes long stretches of tranquil water dotted by small towns, beautiful scenery, and unique historic landmarks like the Millersburg Ferry Boat. Can't make the overnight? Join SGP and SRTA for our Island Hopper event on August 4th to paddle day-1's itinerary...

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#### **West Conowingo Reservoir Loop** Lock 15 and Lock 12 Historic Areas

River Miles: ~ 7.5 miles, as described Paddling Time: varies depending on route

**Difficulty**: Easy to Moderate

Hazards: Powerboats, jet skis, submerged rocks. Beware of scheduled whitewater releases from Holtwood dam in spring and fall, and during high

flow events in the summer.

This is a potential route on Conowingo Reservoir (the impoundment between Holtwood Dam in PA and Conowingo Dam in MA). After launching, head "upstream". This route sort of hugs the western shore, with Lower Bear Island to your right. After reaching the end of Upper Bear Island, paddle in between it and Lower Bear, then turn back upstream. As you continue, the channel becomes narrower and rocks rise up on either side. From here, one can continue meandering downstream; Susquehanna State Park is on river left. Keep river left; Big Chestnut, Hennery, and smaller/closer Sicily Island will be on your right Turn around where you'd like and head back in the direction from which you came to make a complete loop...

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### Volunteers Needed



#### **Upcoming Paddling Events**

Summer May, June, July 2018

May 26, 2018

Danville: Paddlemonium Races

June 2, 2018

Millersburg; Roaring Bull Race

June 2, 2018

Columbia; Riverlands Trail Festival

June 10, 2018

Danville: Children's Miracle Network Paddle -

June 16, 2018

McElhattan; Tiadaghton Elm/ Keystone Classic Races

June 22-23, 2018

Wilkes Barre; Wyoming Valley Riverfest

June 23, 2018

Loyalsock Creek; River of the Year Paddle and Celebration

June 23, 2018

Renovo; Greater Renovo Area Heritage Kayak & Canoe Poker Float

June 29-30, 2018

Lock Haven; Great Island Race Series Mini Tri and Adventure Triathlon

July 1, 2018

Bloomsburg; North Branch Park to Park

July 8, 2018

Laceyville Community River Day Paddle

July ,12-14, 2018

Lock Haven; Woodward Township Riverfest

July 28-29

Exploring the Susquehanna's Great Bend

For more events, visit our online events calendar

\* This list is not exhaustive\*

About the SGP



#### West Branch and Lower North Branch

The Susquehanna Greenway Partnership is the state appointed water trail manager for the West Branch and the Lower North Branch (Sunbury to Berwick) of the Susquehanna River Water Trail. This summer the staff of SGP are embarking on a scouting mission to visit and inventory all of the boat launches and access sites along both of our appointed Water Trail sections. We are looking for volunteers to assist us in our inventory of the Lower North Branch and the Upper West Branch (from Lock Haven to Cherry Tree). Volunteers will be provided with materials including maps, inventory site sheets, and training. Interested volunteers should contact Assistant Director Corey Ellison at 570-478-1317 or email cellison@susquehannagreenway.org for more details.

The mission of the Susquehanna Greenway Partnership is to envision, create and sustain a greenway along the Susquehanna River to enhance river towns and the lives of current and future generations.





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