Upcoming Events Benefit Ozark Greenways

Ozark Greenways is hosting a variety of activities, initiatives and fundraisers to draw attention to the importance of Springfield's growing greenway trail system, expanding on-street bike routes and membership to Ozark Greenways. The public is invited to help us create a more bicycle-friendly Springfield through several upcoming events.

21st Annual Ozark Greenways Membership Party – Sunday, April 1, 1-3 p.m. at Galloway Station, 4211 S Lone Line Ave., Springfield
This casual open-house-style party is open to the public with the goal to thank current members and encourage new members. A brief program will be at 2 p.m. A discounted $20 membership is available for those who want to join Ozark Greenways that day. Food and drink service will be open so people can make a day of it by stopping in for lunch before or after biking, walking or running on Galloway Creek Greenway.

An Evening with "The Metal Cowboy" author, Joe Kurmaskie – Thursday, April 19, 7 p.m. at City Utilities training building auditorium, 301 E. Central, Springfield
In partnership with the Healthy Living Alliance, Ozark Greenways is excited to bring Joe Kurmaskie, author of "The Metal Cowboy," to Springfield. Come hear his entertaining message about bike advocacy Portland-style, and be among the first to find out about an exciting new initiative of Ozark Greenways! We'll also have the scoop on bike commuting routes, the new Link concept, registration for Bike to Work Week and more. Free and open to the public.

Bike to Work Week – May 14-18
Take Ozark Greenway's annual commuter challenge: Leave the car behind to get to work or school at least one day by bike, bus, carpooling, telecommuting (or a combination) and prizes await. Free and open to the public. Register workplace and school teams at www.OzarkGreenways.org

13th annual Ozark Greenways Adventure Race – Saturday, May 12, 7 a.m. at the Willard Trailhead of the Frisco Highline Trail, Jackson Street, downtown Willard
Ozark Greenway's biggest annual fundraiser. Teams of four and two compete in either a short course (3-5 hours) or long course (5-8 hour) of running, mountain biking, canoeing, and orienteering. Register now! www.GreenwayRace.org

Wilson's Creek Greenway Ribbon Cutting - National Trails Day – Saturday, June 2, 10 a.m.
We'll cut a ribbon and "connect" a ribbon, as some of us like to say, on the new mile of Wilson's Creek Greenway on National Trails Day, Sat., June 2, 10 a.m. Come try out the two miles of
lovely paved greenway. Trailhead parking is at Rutledge Wilson Farm Park. A brief ceremony will take place on the trail, a mile north of the park.

**Annual Wildflower Ride – National Trails Day – Saturday, June 2, 8 a.m.**
Polk County Bike Club hosts this out-and-back bike ride on the Frisco Highline Trail during wildflower season at La Petite Gem Prairie (at mile marker 32). Starts 8 a.m. at the Bolivar Trailhead, with ride lengths up to 35 miles. Pre-register for $25 or $30 day of ride. [www.PolkCountyBikeClub.org](http://www.PolkCountyBikeClub.org)

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