

What is parkrun?



(Sippo Lake, parkrun.org)

- Always small "p"
- Weekly timed 5K
- Always free
- Volunteer-led
- Welcoming
- Social
- Family-friendly
- Dog-friendly
- barkrunners
- pramrunners
- No awards
- No t-shirts
- Post-run coffee



Values alignment

parkrun values

- parkrun USA's aim is to build <u>healthy communities</u>
- It's a run (or a walk), not a race.
- Sustained participation is more important than speed.
- We believe that social support promotes <u>healthy habits</u>
- We <u>value diversity</u> in age, gender, speed, appearance, ethnicity, and social and economic background.
- Volunteering is a form of healthy activity that creates strong communities.
- Stewardship of public land supports healthy communities.





The 3 Pillars of the National Recreation and Parks Association:

Health & Wellness
Social Equity
Conservation



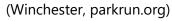


parkrun started in the UK, 2004



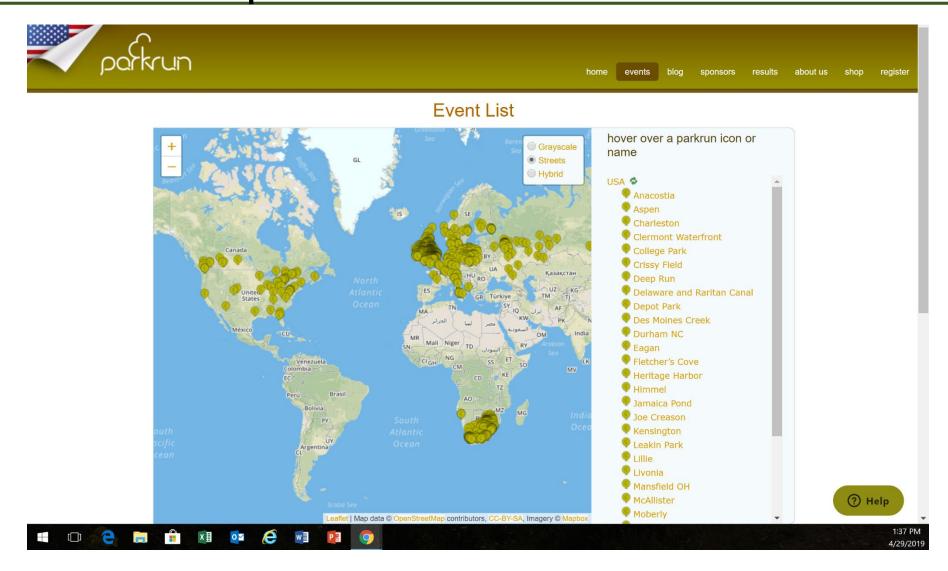
(RunWales, parkrun.org)





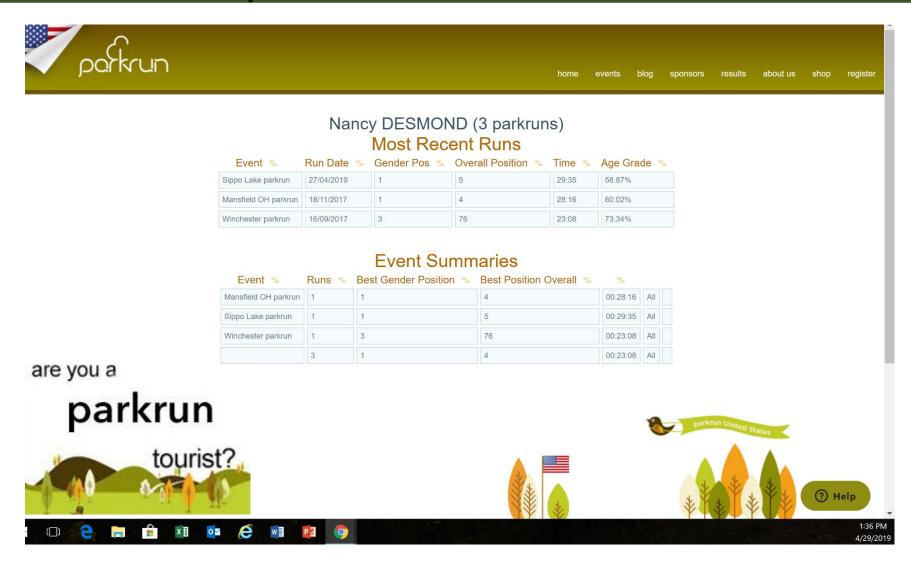


parkrun distribution





parkrun "tourism"





parkrun timing













Mansfield, OH & Stark Parks



(Mansfield, OH parkrun.org)



(Sippo Lake, parkrun.org)



Starting a parkrun

- Choose a course
- Recruit volunteers
- Pay parkrun a one-time \$5,000 fee for equipment software, website use and support
- Train volunteers on the timing system and run-day roles
- Soft launch to start
- Stark Parks had 64 people first run





(Fletcher's Cove, parkrun.org)

