

# 9th Annual Black River Kayak-A-Thon

Saturday, June 29th, 2019



## Please Read All The Information

The Black River Kayak-A-Thon casual float course is 4 miles from the Put-In at French Creek, downstream to the Take-Out at the Black River Wharf. Visit [lorainblackriver.com](http://lorainblackriver.com) for registration materials, course maps, and details.

All participants will be required to check in at the Wharf and to haul their equipment to the Put-In at French Creek. Participants will be asked for proof of ownership of equipment (Drivers License, Registration Form) to claim equipment dropped off at the Put-In at French Creek.

### 1. COMMERCIAL BOAT TRAFFIC

This is class I water; however, it is a navigable river and will be open to large boat traffic during the event.

### 2. ENTRY FEE & REGISTRATION

Entry fees must be paid on the day of the event. Waiver forms must be signed and submitted the day of the event. Entry fees are \$10 for the casual float per adult and \$5 for kids. Registration opens at 9:00 AM at the Wharf. Please allow at least one half hour to complete the registration and payment process prior to check-in.

### 3. TRANSPORTATION & SHUTTLES

Participants may provide their own transportation between the (French Creek) Put-In and the (Black River Wharf) Take-Out points. **No parking is available at the Put-In (equipment drop-off only).** Parking is available at the Take-Out (Black River Wharf on 14th St.). Shuttles will be available to transport floaters (not equipment) from the Take-Out to the French Creek/Floaters Put-In. Shuttles will begin at 9:00AM and the last shuttle will depart from the Wharf at 11:00AM.

### 4. SCHEDULE

**A mandatory instructional/safety meeting will be held at 11:15 AM at the French Creek Put-In location.** The casual float will end at 1:30 PM, followed immediately by snacks and raffles.

Class	Latest Check-In Time	Safety Meeting	Start Time
Casual Float	11:00 AM	11:15 AM	11:30 AM

### 5. SAFETY

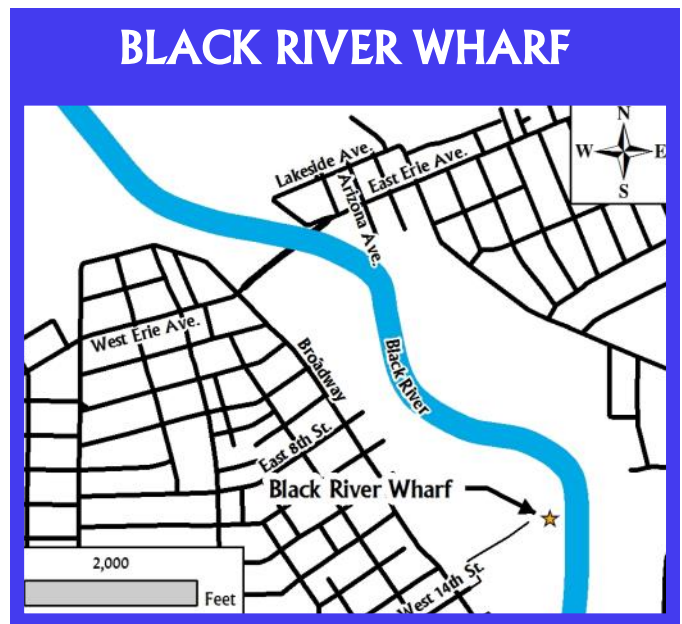
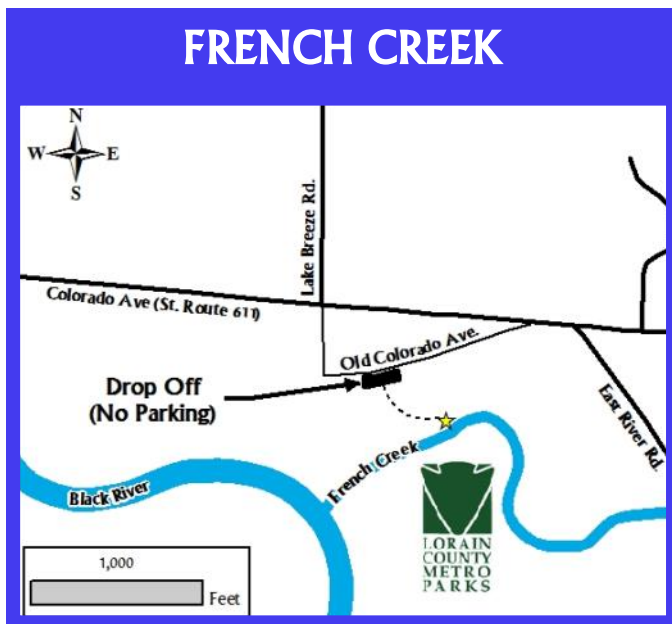
**A mandatory instructional/safety meeting will be held at 11:15 AM at the French Creek Put-In location.** An approved vest-type life jacket (Personal Flotation Device, PFD) must be worn properly by each participant throughout the race. If a participant is in trouble, other participants shall offer assistance if they are able to do so safely. Boats may be checked by the Ohio Division of Watercraft and/or the United States Coast Guard for a current boat license and approved safety equipment.

### 6. SNACKS, BEVERAGES, PRIZES AND KAYAK RAFFLE

Snacks and beverages will be provided to all participants starting at 1:30 PM. Casual float participants may pick up a whistle at the designated stop, the Rookery. Winning whistles will be gold in color and can be redeemed for prizes. A kayak raffle following the casual float will be open to anyone (5 tickets for \$5 or 15 tickets for \$10) but all float participants will receive one free entry. Raffle winner must be present to claim prize.

### 7. T-SHIRTS

T-shirts can be purchased upon registration on the day of the event. The t-shirt cost is \$15 and will be subject to availability on a first come, first served basis.



The Black River Kayak-A-Thon is a Subcommittee of the Lorain Growth Corporation