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by Bill Frawley

#### KIRKWOOD PRESERVE

(855 Grubbs Mill Rd, Newtown Square, PA 19073, 3.8 miles from TRP)

The Willistown Conservation Trust's Kirkwood Preserve consists of 83 acres of protected open space in Newtown Square. The preserve is comprised primarily of rolling grassland but also includes 21 acres of wet areas, and a half-mile of winding Crum Creek and its narrow band of adjacent woodland. With the grassland providing an important habitat for birds (and other wildlife), the Trust boasts a bird conservation program that is "nationally recognized, and attracts students, scholars, and scientists from all over the country."

There are a little over 3 miles of trails that loop through Kirkwood. A trail map, as well as other information, can be found at <a href="wctrust.org/kirkwood-preserve/">wctrust.org/kirkwood-preserve/</a>. The map shows three color-coded trails, each of which explores a different section of the preserve from the flatter grasslands, to Crum Creek, to the lone hill, which is a moderate climb that peaks at a beautiful view over the landscape below. In addition to the trails illustrated on the map, you may find additional trails and loops that are not shown. Don't hesitate to strike out on these other trails. The preserve is not big



enough for you to get lost, and the 'other' trails are likely just 'out-and-back' spurs, connections between marked trails, or short loops that return back to where you left the charted trail.

The trails are mostly 3-foot-wide paths mowed through the grasslands with occasional short stretches worn to dirt. The footing is fairly uneven so a sturdy pair of shoes is helpful. A 3-4 mile run or walk is enjoyable here with a little overlap of the multiple loops, or two loops of the perimeter. Because this is a protected bird habitat, dogs are not permitted. The preserve is open daily from sunrise to sunset. The parking lot is easy to find about a quarter mile down Grubbs Mill Road from Goshen Road.



## MEET PT

Andrew Tavernia, P.T.

from Xcelerate Physical Therapy

Monday, August 30th at 7:30 p.m.

(Following the Monday Night Run/Walk)

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therapies to get you to the starting line. Andrew holds a physical therapy degree from Northeastern University and has over 20 years of experience. He is interested in hands on/manual therapy, as well as orthopaedic and sports therapy.

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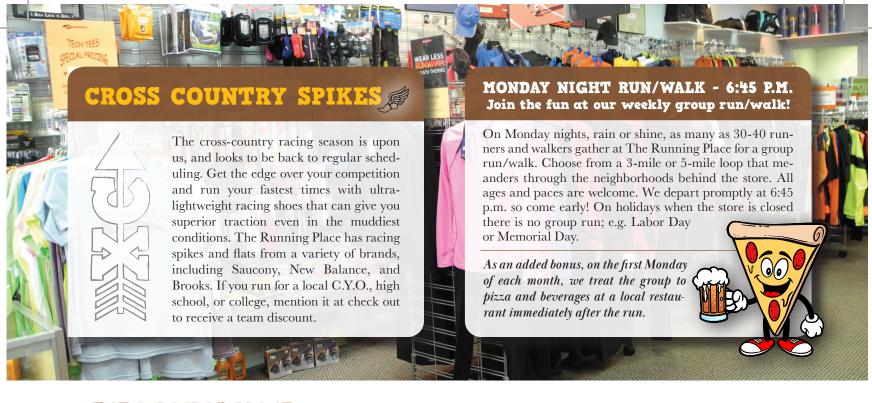
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