

## **Bigfoot Adventures are Afoot in Southeast Ohio**

CAMBRIDGE, OHIO (April 17, 2023) – Whether you know him as Bigfoot, a yeti, Sasquatch, or just a fun fantasy, the shaggy mythical beast has been rumored to live in Ohio since the mid-1700's, with nearly 40 reported sightings since the mid-1980s alone, Guernsey County's Salt Fork State Park and Lake are the places to be for sightings this spring.

Guernsey County hosts a number of fun events and destinations perfect for cryptozoologists and skeptics alike. Those looking for a little nature with their local lore should check out the monthly **Bigfoot Night Hikes** led by the park naturalist. (<https://www.facebook.com/saltforkstatepark>). These events allow participants to hike the park trails after dark in search of the legendary Bigfoot. You might even get to see some of the other wildlife that calls Guernsey County home. During park hours, the lodge gift shop also carries a wonderful array of Bigfoot souvenirs for all ages and enthusiasts!

Since 2005, **The Ohio Bigfoot Conference** has welcomed fans of the furry legend to gather and talk all things Squatch. The Bigfoot conference takes place annually at Salt Fork State Park. The event features top rated speakers from across the Bigfoot community who share their experiences and knowledge in the subject of Sasquatch. From television personalities, academes, local and national investigators and other prominent figures, the conference has something for everyone. The weekend also features many free events including the largest vendor fair of Bigfoot merchandise, advanced hike, Bigfoot Festival and family hike. It truly is a great weekend full of fun and informative events for the whole family to enjoy. [www.ohiobigfootconference.org](http://www.ohiobigfootconference.org)

Looking for more outdoor fun? Run or walk the Bigfoot races at Salt Fork State Park this summer and winter. The **Summer Sasquatch 50K, 20- & 10-mile trail races** will take place on June 10 & 11, 2023. These races will challenge you with a 10.4-mile loop course over rolling hills. Hikers are welcome in the 10 Miler - the generous cutoff time allows you to enjoy a supported hike at your own pace. Hikers are welcome in the 10-mile race.

Can't make it to the summer Sasquatch races? Join in the fun this winter on Dec. 9 & 10 for the **Bigfoot 50K, 20- & 10-mile trail races**. Have your family tag along for an awesome Ohio stay-cation! Salt Fork Lodge offers great rooms at reasonable prices.

Call (740) 439-2751 and request the Bigfoot race discount when making your reservation. Learn more at [www.westernreserveracing.com/races/](http://www.westernreserveracing.com/races/)

### Did You Know?

- Morgan's Knob at Salt Fork State Park is where much of one of the episodes of "Finding Bigfoot" and "Monsters & Mysteries in America" were filmed.
- Bigfoot Ridge, Salt Fork State Park's primitive campground, was the area where Kathy Lee Gifford and Hoda Kotb filmed an episode of their "Today Show with Kathy and Hoda."
- USA TODAY ranked Salt Fork State Park one of the Top 10 "Squatchiest" Places in the Country!

No matter what you're looking for, Guernsey County, Ohio has something for Bigfoot enthusiasts – or those looking for an offbeat adventure log on to: [www.VisitGuernseyCounty.com/events](http://www.VisitGuernseyCounty.com/events).

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