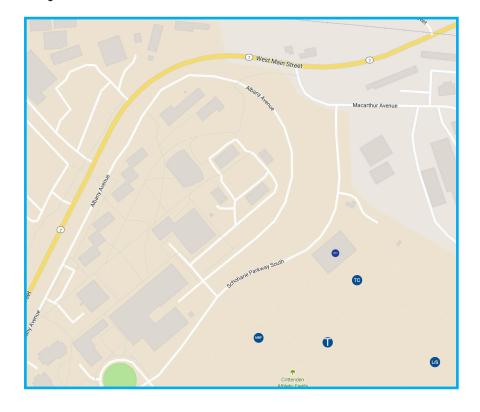
Start Point: SUNY Cobleskill Athletic Field off Schoharie Parkway S

**Directions:** SUNY Cobleskill Athletic Field Take NYS Thruway (I 90) to Exit 25A, West on I 88 to Exit 21. At the end of the ramp at stop sign, turn right onto Rt. 7. Proceed on Rt 7 East to just past SUNY Cobleskill campus, making a right onto MacArthur Ave to Schoharie Parkway S. Right on Schoharie Pkwy S. to Athletic Fields on your left. Take first driveway on left leading you back to last parking lot on right. Bathrooms available here.



For more information about our Club or AVA, please send your request, including your name, address & phone:

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# Cobleskill, NY 10K/5K Walk June 1, 2024







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#### Sanctioned Event #126658

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## **AVA Rules and Conditions**

Start/Finish: SUNY Cobleskill Athletic Field off Schoharie Parkway S

**Time:** Start anytime between 9:30am – 11:00am, finish by 1:00 pm

Trail Rated: 1A-5K throughout the streets of Cobleskill

2B-10K short hills on unpaved footpath and uneven sidewalk/macadam

**Stipulation:** This event is open to everyone. With registration for these events, the participants accept the guidelines for AVA Volkssport events and agree to observe the principles of good sportsmanship. Littering is prohibited. Dogs are allowed in the village and kept on leash at all times. Removal of dog excrement on the trail is necessary.

**Procedure:** Each participant must register and sign a waiver at the "Start" table. Return to Start/ Finish table at the end of your walk to pick up stamped books AND those not doing books, to check in when you're back so we know and can check you in.

**Event Fees:** All participants pay \$4 for this walk. Children 12 and under walk free. All walkers 18 and under must have a signed AVA athletic waiver for each child by the parent/guardian. Children 18 and under must be accompanied by a watchful adult.

**IVV Books:** Event & Distance books will be available at the Start/Finish for \$6.00 each. Event and Distance Credit may be earned each time the course is completed. Participants who become new members by joining ESCV today will receive New Walker Kits containing both Event & Distance books and three free event coupons! Annual Membership is \$12 per individual or \$20 per family.

**Event Disclaimer:** The sponsors are not liable for accidents, thefts, and/or material damage. Every reasonable effort will be made by the sponsors to make this a safe, enjoyable and memorable event. An AVA athletic waiver must be signed by those participating in any event.

Restrooms: Start/Finish and Stewarts

**Donations:** In our inaugural 2008 walk in Cobleskill, ESCV collected a generous amount of money from our walkers in support of Better Life Foundation. This organization has been helping Schoharie County residents since 1996 who are battling cancer with financial assistance to help with bills and providing support to their family and care givers. We hope you will be generous once again to this wonderful county wide program. Look for the can on the Start Table.

**Event Conditions:** This event will take place regardless of weather conditions except as noted in the sanction. Please check the website before traveling to the event using the URL on the bottom of the front page. Anything extraordinary will be noted there. There will be no refunds for pre-paid credit fees.

ESCV would like to thank the Office of Community Outreach at SUNY Cobleskill and Evelyn Davies for her help in making it possible to have our Start/Finish spot and bathrooms available for our use today.

# **Early History of Cobleskill**

The historic village of Cobleskill, once known as "the Pancake Flour Capital of the World", was settled in 1721 on land bought from the Iroquois by German Palatine settlers. Built in 1802 the Bulls Head Inn (picture on front of brochure) is the center of the village's National Register of Historic Places. One will pass through the small village park with a veterans memorial including canons. You will cross over the millpond on a bridge formed from the Cobleskill Creek. The

architecture of the commercial area, several residential streets, churches, an old school, a railroad depot and the 158 year old county fairground buildings (only 10K) comprise the main historic places you will see along the walk.

The Battle of Cobleskill, known as the Cobleskill massacre in 1778, brought the village into the American Revolution. All the agricultural

farms in the area were collectively known as part of the "Breadbasket of the Revolution". This fertile valley was invaluable to the

Revolutionary forces. The agricultural output

of the region was responsible for much of the sustenance provided to General George Washington's Army during much of the war.

Onward from the 1830's, many mills were built and produced products i.e. fulling(finishing cloth), saw, grist and cider mills.

A half dozen stone quarries operated in the late nineteenth century. With the opening of the railroad, the hamlet became a moderately prosperous farming community helping to quadruple population and increase the number of hotels, grocers, blacksmith shops, etc. With the closing of the train line, the town's decrease in population and businesses lead to what you see today.

Currently Cobleskill is an education center housing SUNY Cobleskill, New York State's premier public agricultural state funded college and the largest village employer. Teddy Roosevelt stopped here once while campaigning for governor via train on a podium set up in front of the former Hotel Augustan and now Scholet Furniture.

We hope you enjoyed visiting Cobleskill, a small village in Schoharie County that made its mark in the Revolutionary War and in the Industrial Revolution of this great country.

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