

# Portsmouth Ohio Road Meet 2019

## May, 18 2019

Starting from Portsmouth Brewing Company (224 2nd St, Portsmouth, Ohio 45662)  
You can park your car across the street from the Brew-pub.

### **STOP 1 - Alexandria Point (110 Scioto St, Portsmouth)**

It is located 300 yds west of PBC, so I figure we can walk to and fro between the two locations.  
One can view both bridges from here.

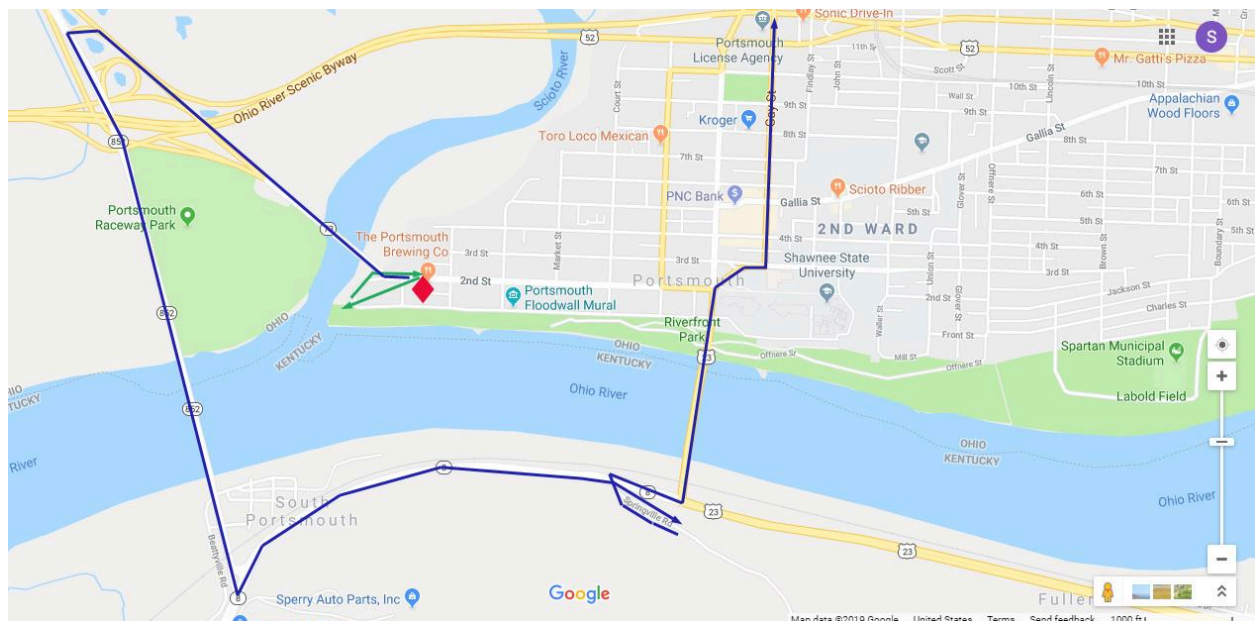
After walking back to our cars, we will head west on 2nd Street (Oh 73/104) over the Scioto River and into the interchange for US 52-Oh 73/104-OH 852. Follow the guide signs for Oh 73-104-852. We will eventually want to turn left onto OH 852, back over US 52, going south towards "Kentucky."

Going south on Oh 852 we will cross the Carl Perkins bridge, once we reach Ky 8, we will turn left again.

Head east on KY 8 for a mile, but stay in the right lane. There is a turnoff, on your right, just before we reach US 23, take that turnoff and follow it for 500 yds.

### **STOP 2 - Flat Hollow Rd/Grant Bridge Overlook**

There is a dirt lot we can pull into and look upon the (new) US Grant bridge (and Portsmouth).

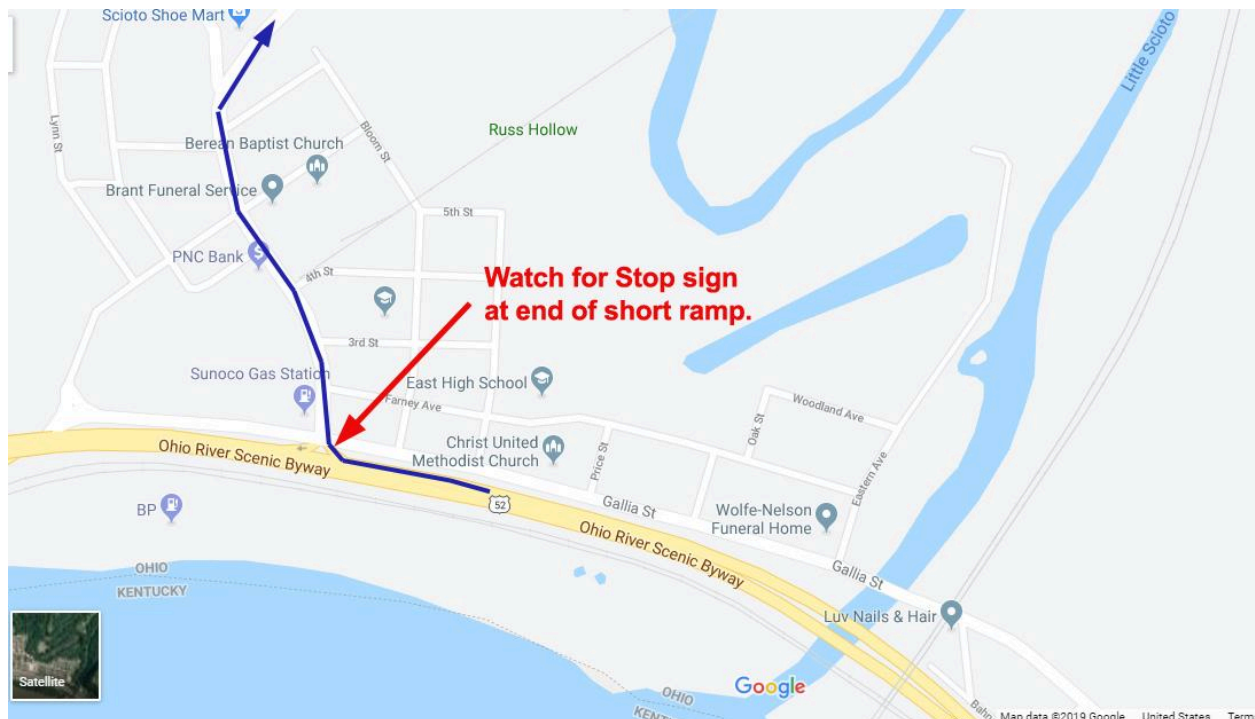


After the lookout, we'll head back to KY 8, turn right, and then immediately turn left onto US 23 north back into Portsmouth. Follow the signs for US 23 north past Shawnee State, the business district, US 52, and continue north for 11 miles till we get through Lucasville and reach Oh 823. Take the ramp for OH 823 south, Ironton.

Basically we're going to follow OH 823 all the way south to US 52 (16 miles). Once on US 52 we will continue east briefly till we reach the Wheelersburg exit. Once you reach the exit ramp, turn left, and go underneath US 52. There will be a Sunoco station on your right after you pass US 52, we will regroup there.

### STOP 3 - Wheelersburg Sunoco

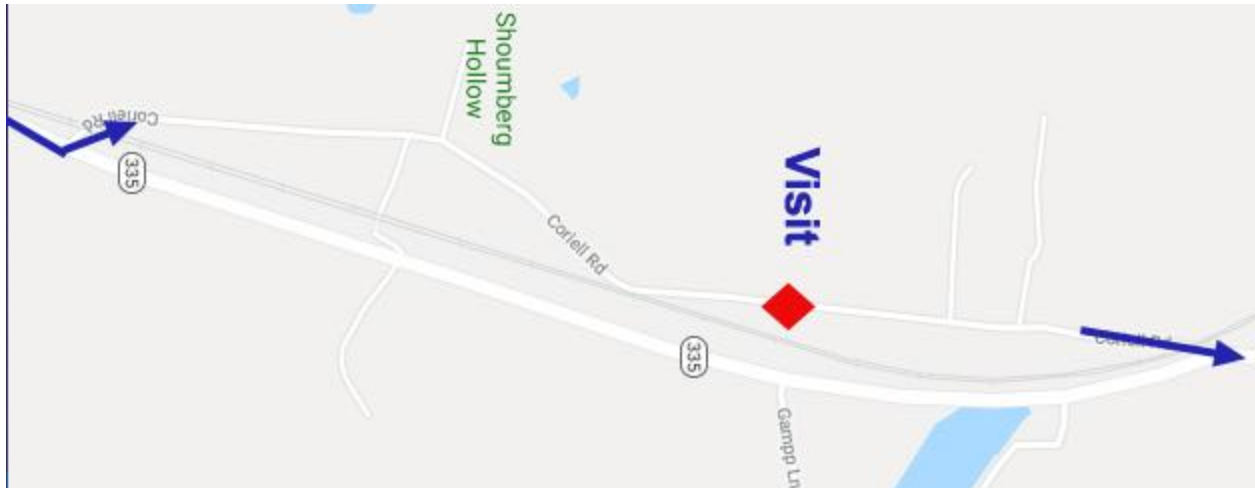
From the Sunoco station we will go south back to US 52 and follow that west  $2\frac{3}{4}$  miles to Oh 335 & Sciotoville. **BEWARE(!) The exit ramp to Oh 335 is very short and has an Stop Sign. so don't tailgate here.**



We will follow OH 335 through Sciotoville and then underneath OH 823 and then a RR Trestle. After we go under the RR Trestle, OH 335 turns to the left, and we will take the first road to the left (Stout Hollow Rd) after this turn. You will immediately see a narrow tunnel approaching us, we'll go through this and basically immediately turn around, go through again and turn left back onto OH 335 north.

### STOP 4 - Stout Hollow Rd Tunnel

Follow OH 335 another  $1\frac{1}{2}$  north and we'll turn left again onto Coriell Rd (ignore that 'No Outlet' sign). Follow Coriell Rd for  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a mile and on your right you'll see a patch of pavement, a guardrail and telephone wires going east. There was a bridge, or crossing of the railroad here that we can get out and admire.

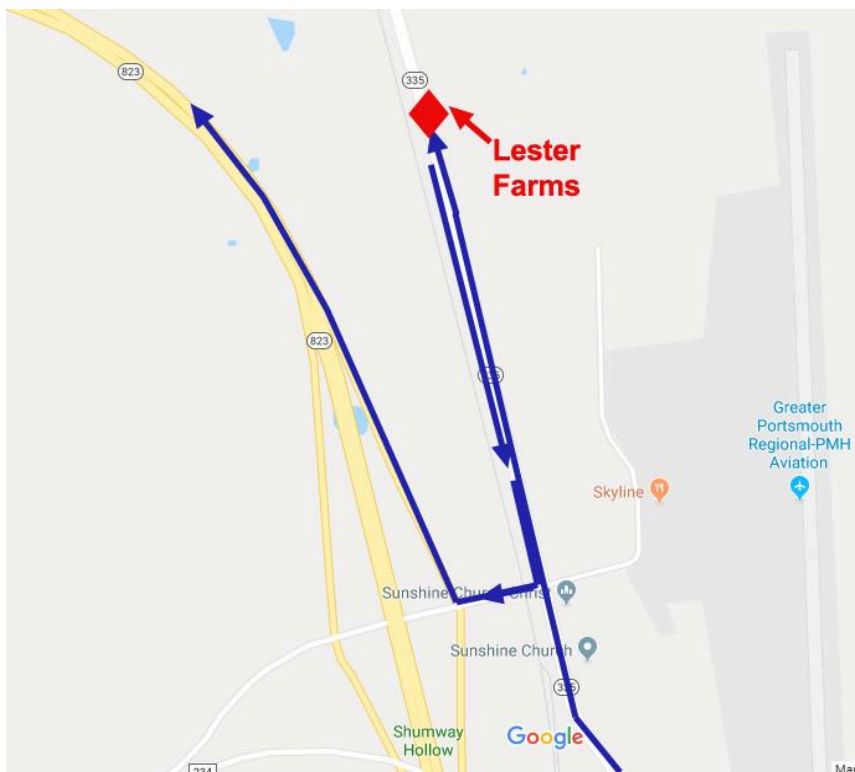


### STOP 5 - Gnapp Ln/Coriell Rd

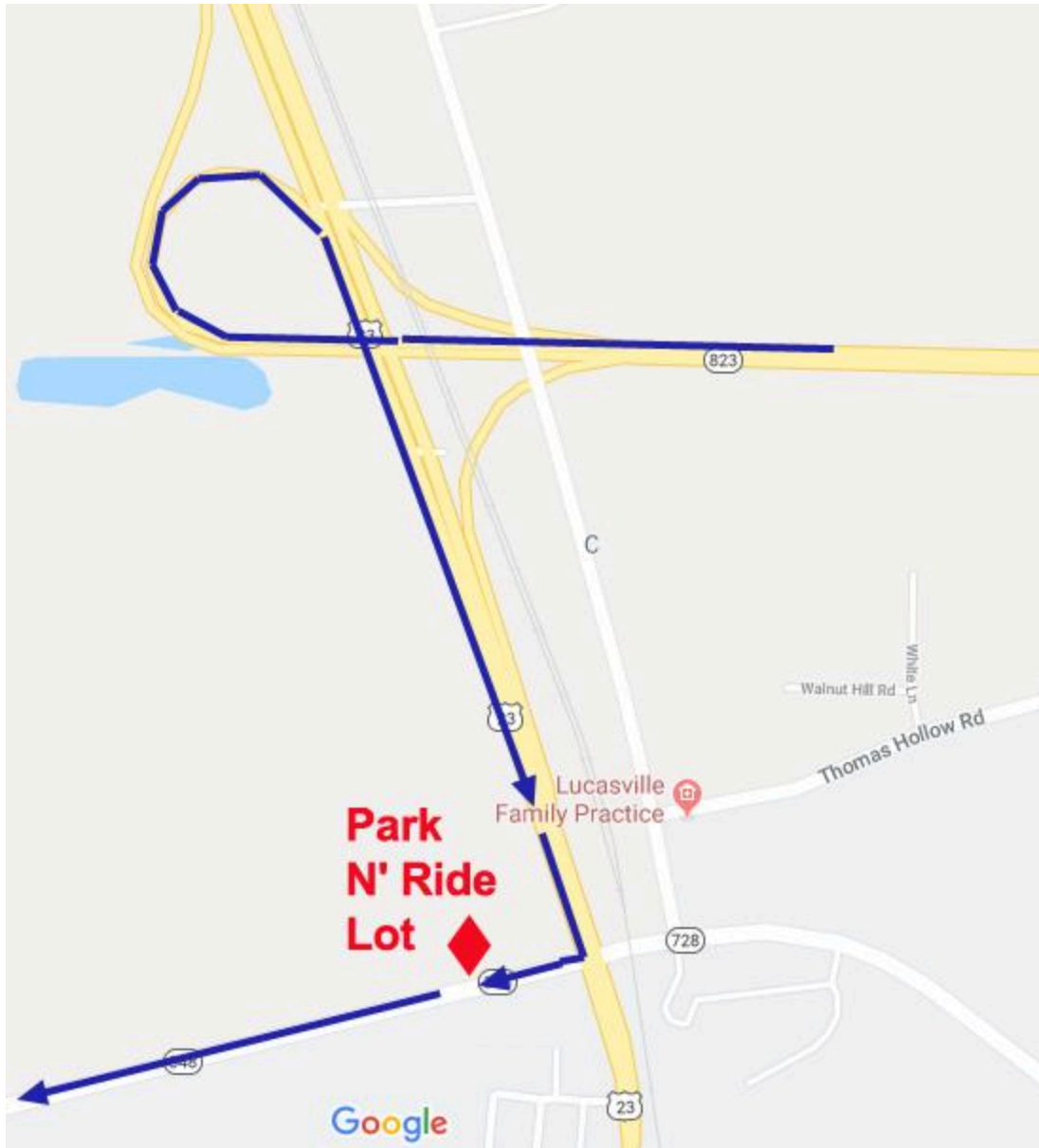
Now we're supposed to be able to continue north another half mile to Oh 335, but the road goes from paved to gravel and there is a RR crossing just before Oh 335 that hopefully won't be in use. Otherwise we'll go back south on Coriell back to Oh 335.

Once we return to OH 335 we'll continue north 2 ½ miles till we reach Shumway Hollow & Portsmouth Airport. Just north of that 4-way intersection, is Lester Farms, who has two building sides full of roadsides. Lester Farms is two properties north of the airport and is private property, so I'm not planning on any of us going beyond the side of the road here.

### STOP 6 - Lester Farms/Roadsign Farms



After turning around, we'll go back to Shumway Hollow, turn right, then immediately turn right again onto OH 823 North. We will follow Oh 823 north back to US 23. Take US 23 south to Oh 348/728. Turn right onto OH 348. Immediately on the right is a park & ride and we can stop there to recollect ourselves.



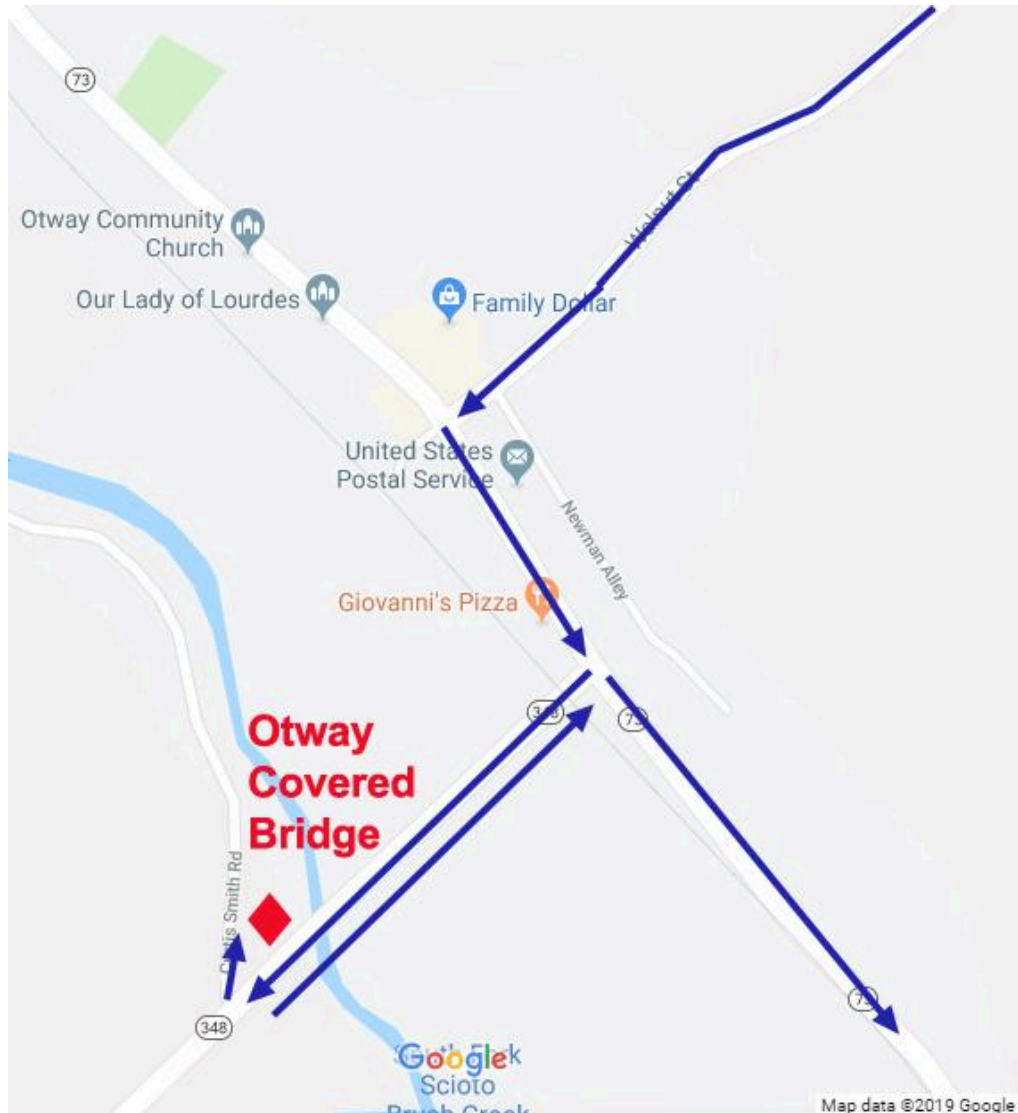
### **STOP 7 - Lucasville Park & Ride**

We will then stay on OH 348 west for 12 miles till we reach Otway. Do note for most of the way, there is extra space and grading on the northside of Oh 348 for twinning of the roadway (though I have yet to find any documents or news reports concerning expansion of 348, past or present)

Once in Otway, 348 meets Oh 73, we will turn left here. Go east a ¼ mile and turn right onto 348 again. Continue west another ¼ mile and take the first right (Curtis Smith Rd). You'll see the Otway Covered bridge on your right.

### **STOP 8 - Otway Covered Bridge**

After we stop here, we'll go back to Oh 348 and turn left. Head east on Oh 348 to Oh 73, and turn right. We will follow Oh 73 all the way back to Portsmouth. It will be approximately 20 miles back to Portsmouth Brewing Company.



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The Floodwall murals and Labold Field (Original home of the NFL's Portsmouth Spartans, later to be the Detroit Lions) can be view before or after the meet.

The new Ironton-Russell Bridge, over the Ohio River, is not on this itinerary either, but can be viewed on its own later if you choose.