

8/27/12  
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## Orton Event Report

The event running from Thursday August 23, 2012 through Monday August 27, 2012 at Orton Park (1103 Spaight St. Madison, Wisconsin) known as Orton Park Festival was approved with conditions to protect the park and limit inconvenience to the neighboring residences. The following information is related to how the fore mentioned conditions were followed by event staff, vendors and participants.

Event staff supplied an outline of their set up schedule, event schedule and map of the park set up. Parks staff was assigned to monitor event to observe and document how well the conditions set forth in the condition letter were met.

8/22/12 12:00pm Observed by Craig Klinke- East Parks Supervisor

- Cycropia had begun set up tents (2 small white) and lighting equipment.
- Wil Mar Neighborhood center had set up their tent on the basketball court.

### 8/23/12

3:29pm Observed by Craig Klinke- East Parks Supervisor

- Portable toilets were delivered to the park side of the terrace not the street side of the street side because of the slope of the terrace. Approval to proceed was granted by Craig Klinke.
- Chocolate Shoppe ice hopped the curb and had to be redirected to the proper entrance for vehicles. The vehicle was unable to navigate the west entrance due to the porta potties crowding the entrance (possible to relocate porta potties in the future or delay their delivery until later.
- Large tents arrived a day early. They had a hard time locating an area with enough space so as not to interfere with the ten foot tree clearance required in their condition letter. They asked to remove some low tree branches and were denied. Craig assisted them with finding a location that met the requirements as best as was possible.
- Craig spoke to event organizers and was told that Cycropia set up early to rehearse their performance.

### 8/24/12

9:55am phone complaint

- Citizen complaint that vehicles had started setting up before their 10:00 stated time no staff member on site as this was outside of our scheduled time.

9:43am Observed by Josh Schmitt Weekend Supervisor

- Wil mar set up on basketball court with clear vehicle tracks leading through the grass from Spaight St up to the booth leading me to believe that Wil mar delivery vehicle had not used the bike path entry and had instead entered the park mid block at Spaight St.
- Vehicle tracks noted in the grass off Few St. in the area leading of the bingo tent that could reasonably be assumed to be from the delivery vehicle.

10:16am Observed by Josh Schmitt Weekend Supervisor

- Generator delivered. ¾ inch plywood used during delivery to prevent turf damage. Neither truck nor trailer touched grass during delivery.
- Chocolate Shoppe ice cream setting up booth from material previously delivered. They set up off the basketball court due to lack of space.
- Porta johns were already set up in three sets. One set was at Spaight and Few, one at Spaight and Ingersoil and one set in the relative center along Spaight.

11:53am Observed by Josh Schmitt Weekend Supervisor

- Stage arrived. ¾ inch plywood was used during delivery to prevent turf damage. Truck and trailer did not touch grass.
- Blue S-10 Wisconsin plate #716395 tried to drive into park on grass and was directed onto the bike path.

12:40pm Observed by Josh Schmitt Weekend Supervisor

- Sound equipment arrived. ¾ plywood was used under vehicle and high foot traffic are by deliver crew.

1:09pm Observed by Josh Schmitt Weekend Supervisor

- Beer truck showed up plywood was again used to prevent turf damage, however by this time the number of sheets remaining covered about half the needed number of sheets needed. Since the permit did not specify that plywood was to be used for anything but the stage I told the delivery drivers to do their best with what they had.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> beer truck (positioned near food vendors) drove up to deliver without plywood present, I observed and recorded only.

7:30pm Observed by Josh Schmitt Weekend Supervisor

- Band was playing and Cycropia was getting ready to perform. Walked sidewalk surrounding Orton Park to check sound levels. Max reading was 73 dB

10:13pm Observed by Park Ranger C Jauch

- Band had stopped playing, but the crowd was still present

11:13pm Observed by Park Ranger C Jauch

- Couple of people still milling about in the park. Ranger advised by supervisor to assist the police with clearing the rest of the people from the park.

**8/25/12**

8:30am Observed by Josh Schmitt Weekend Supervisor, Park Ranger C. Henry

- Merchandise vendors setting up along bike path east end of the park allowed a few of them to use the bike path to set up.
- One merch vendor (W/F Wisconsin plate #AMSTROM) drove up on the grass and became verbally abusive when Ranger tried to explain procedure for set up. Vendor got in car drove over a glass item and tried to blame Ranger for her actions. Ranger withdrew as she set up her booth complaining the whole while. After confronting Ranger C. Henry and escalating in her angry speech, Ranger C.

Henry explained that if she did not calm down and follow the rules she would be asked to leave and if she refused she could be arrested for trespassing. The vendor made the choice to withdraw and follow the rules. A passing MPD officer was flagged down and did a foot patrol of the park to ensure the situation was under control.

- Food cart vendor entered off Ingersoll St. on the grass and was stopped by Ranger C. Henry and redirected down the bike path without incident.

7:30pm

- Event could have used about twice as many bike racks. Bikes were chained to any available structure including trees.
- Made contact with event police (Det. "Dorothy", Det. "Jen"). Shared condition letter and anticipated issues with PD. PD stated one citizen had been cited and arrested earlier Sat evening for drunken disorderly. Police Detectives stated they had contact with a citizen complainant and asked that I contact complainant and event organizer.

7:48pm

- Made contact with event organizer to ask him what time he was shutting down, he said 10pm

7:52pm

- Check volume behind stage 83 dB

8:05pm

- Check volume levels at other side of street 79 dB

8:12pm

- 2<sup>nd</sup> to last band ended

8:35pm

- Last band started

8:50pm

- Contact with citizen complainant, informed me that he was pleased with how quiet things were this year.

9:01pm

- Made contact with PD to share info

9:12pm

- Sound level check 84 dB max

9:28pm

- Sound level check about 100 feet in front of stage 79 dB

9:44pm

- Last band came back for an encore

9:47pm

- Beer tents still serving. Asked them to call "last call"

9:57pm

- Beer tents still serving. Told them to stop serving.

9:59pm

- Band stopped playing

10:02pm

- Amplification ended

10:21pm

- People leaving the park in steady streams. Park 90% empty. Event VIP area holding out.

11:00pm

- Event VIP left, park clear.

**8/26/12** observed by Josh Schmitt Weekend Supervisor

2:00pm

- Sound level check 79 dB

2:42pm

- Sound level check 87 dB

6:48pm

- Sound level check 89 dB

7:00 pm

- Amplification ended

7:05pm

- Volunteers started clean up of chairs, tables, fencing

7:30pm observed by C. Henry Park Ranger

- Vendors started to load, beer vendor hopped curb and drove across grass, Ranger C. Henry made contact asked if he would stay on designated path

7:30pm

- Amsterdam vendor very unpleasant, she made multiple comments to me and was very difficult to deal with

7:45pm

- Chocolate Shoppe staff used dollies to transport heavy coolers to their stall

8:40pm

- Stage was down and removed from park, plywood was used in accordance with agreement

9:10pm

- All vendors were out of the park, tents and generator remained

**8/27/12** Observed by Craig Klinke East Parks Supervisor

2:36pm

- Minor turf damage was noted and recorded
- Tents were still present

5:48pm Observed by P. Shaffer Park Ranger

- Auction tent still set up
- Beer tent still set up
- 3 small tents still set up on the basketball court believed to be Wil Mar tents
- Temp power pole still set up behind basketball court
- Generator had been removed
- Cycropia removing ropes and padding from tree