



**Twining Valley Dog Park
Update & Frequently Asked Questions
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UDP&R has been receiving regular inquiries about the new Twining Valley Dog Park. We are thrilled with the excitement and support of this new facility. In order to better serve those interested, many of the frequently asked questions can be found below.

When will the Twining Valley Dog Park open?

The construction of the dog park, which was part of Phase 1A work on the site, should be completed this summer. There are some outstanding items that need to be completed prior to us being able to safely open for public use.

How large is the Twining Valley Dog Park?

Twining Valley Dog Park is nearly 4.7 acres spread between 3 separate enclosures. At Twining Valley Dog Park, the small dog (under 25lbs) area is .9 acres, the medium dog (26lbs to 49lbs) area is 1.75 acres and large dog (50lbs+) area is 2 acres. For comparison's sake, the current dog park, Mondaug Bark Park, is a total of 1 acre in size (3/4 acre for large dogs and 1/4 acre for small dogs).

Where should I park to use the Twining Valley Dog Park once it opens?

For the time-being, all Twining Valley Dog Park visitors will park in the main park parking lot by the former clubhouse at 1400 Twining Road and use the tunnel that connects the two sides. As part of Phase 1B, a 50-car parking lot is being constructed adjacent to the new dog park and should be completed by the first quarter of 2022.

Will a membership or fee be required to access the Twining Valley Dog Park?

Access to the Twining Valley Dog Park will be membership based and restricted with an electronic access system. Members will be issued a fob to gain access to the enclosures. In order to educate visitors on the rules of the dog park and about etiquette related to safely using the facility, an online orientation will be required to be completed. Proof of current vaccinations and a current Montgomery County dog license will be required as part of the registration process.

Membership for Upper Dublin Township residents will be free, but residents will be required to provide a \$5 security deposit for the access fob. Non-Upper Dublin residents will be required to pay a \$50 membership fee in 2021. The non-resident membership fee is proposed to be \$75 per year beginning in 2022. Commercial users (dog walkers/dog sitters) will be required to pay a \$100 membership fee in 2021. The commercial membership fee is proposed to be \$200 per year beginning in 2022.

Once re-opened, the same electronic access system will apply to Mondaug Bark Park. Membership will provide access to both facilities.



How can I register for a Twining Valley Dog Park membership?

Once the Township knows when the Twining Valley Dog Park is close to opening, membership registration information will be publicized on the Township website, social media, email and on the bulletin board at Mondaug Bark Park.

How will the Township prevent non-members from entering the enclosures at the Twining Valley Dog Park?

The implementation of the electronic access system should prevent the majority of non-members from entering the enclosures. Members found to be holding gates open so non-members can enter and/or members escorting non-members into the enclosures could face a suspension of their membership.

Will guests (referring to other dogs) of dog park members be permitted?

At this time, guests will not be permitted. There are no plans for a one-day guest pass.

Are there plans for additional trees or shelters in the enclosures?

As part of the proposed Phase 2 work at Twining Valley Park, shelters are planned for each of the enclosures. In addition to the shelters, tree plantings will also be occurring.

Will there be water available at Twining Valley Dog Park?

Water will not be available initially at Twining Valley Dog Park, but the Township is working on getting water to that part of the property.

Will the existing dog park, Mondaug Bark Park, be closed?

The existing dog park, Mondaug Bark Park, will be closed for maintenance purposes once the Twining Valley Dog Park opens. Work will include improving the site drainage, re-establishing grass and planting trees. The entry gates will also be equipped with the same electronic access system being installed at the Twining Valley Dog Park.

Other than within the enclosures, what other parts of Twining Valley Park are accessible for dogs with their owners?

At this time, leashed dogs can be walked on the dog park/18-acre side of Twining Valley Park outside of the enclosures. The Township is considering permitting leashed dogs and their owners to also utilize the other side of the park (87-acre side), but this is currently not permitted.