

2023 North American Prairie Conference
Night Lighting and Bat Netting – Monday June 26, 7:45 to 11:00 PM
Yellow Banks County Park, 6801 SE 32nd Avenue, Pleasant Hill, IA

Participants will provide their own transportation or carpool to Yellow Banks Park
Sign up for these evening sessions at the registration table.

Night lighting for Insects – Jim Durbin (319) 721-1593

Jim will set up blacklights at Yellow Banks Park in the ballfield #1 area. He will turn the lights on at sunset and observe insects until 11:00 PM or so. Anyone interested in joining is welcome. Expect to see a variety of moths and beetles.

Bat Netting – Russell Benedict (641) 628-4335

Join Russ Benedict, Professor of Biology, and Central College students as they attempt to catch bats. Mist nets will be placed over roads and trails in the oak-hickory and riparian forests along the Des Moines River in Yellow Banks Park and monitored from 8:00 to 11:00 PM. You will learn amazing facts about bat biology and the local species of bats. Any of the nine regularly occurring bat species living in Iowa could potentially be caught, but Big Brown and Eastern Red Bats are most frequently caught. People can move back and forth between this event and the insect night lighting program nearby.

Map and Directions to Yellow Banks County Park (see the park map on the reverse side)

14 min (8.2 miles)

via NE 64th St



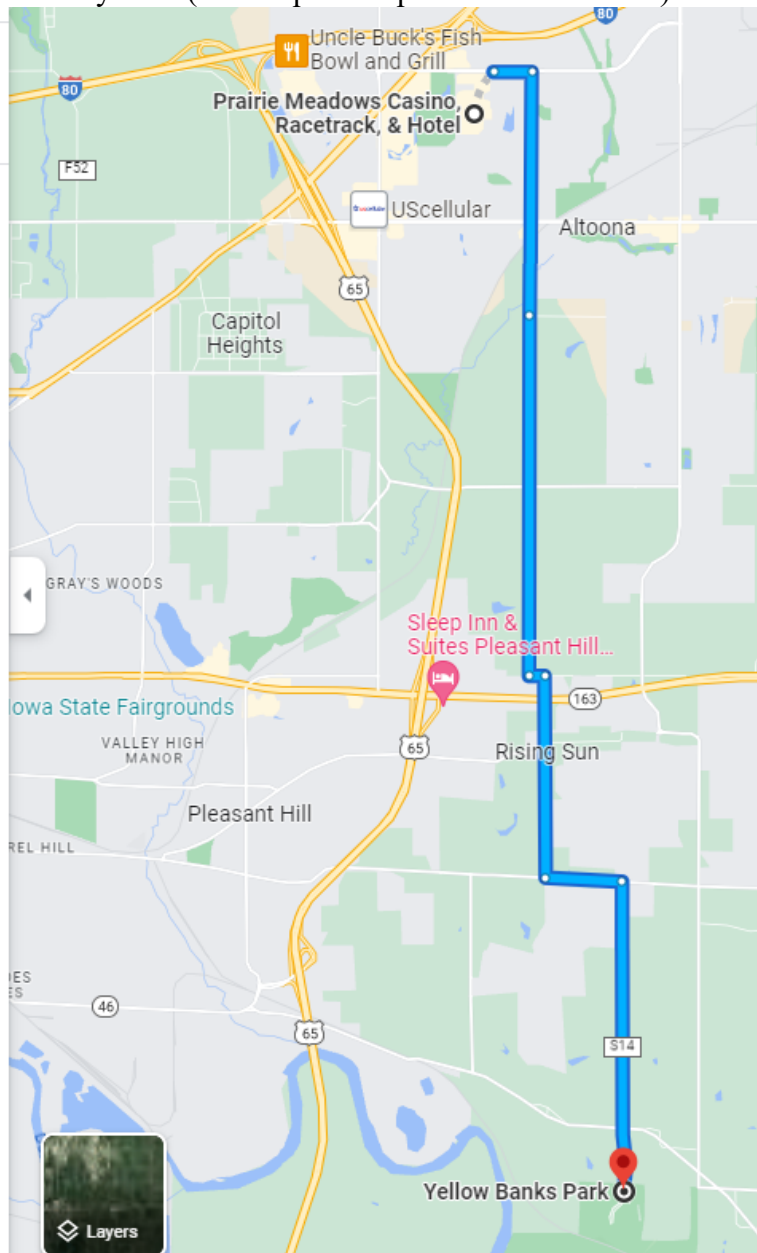
Prairie Meadows Casino, Racetrack, & Hotel

1 Prairie Meadows Dr, Altoona, IA 50009

- ↑ Head east on Adventureland Dr toward Shriners Pkwy
0.3 mi
- ↪ Turn right onto 17th Ave NW
1.6 mi
- ↑ Continue onto NE 64th St
2.4 mi
- ↶ Turn left onto NE 12th Ave/N E University Ave
0.1 mi
- ↪ Turn right onto NE 64th St
1.3 mi
- ↶ Turn left onto SE 6th Ave
0.5 mi
- ↪ Turn right onto SE 68th St/Hawkins Ln
2.1 mi
● Continue to follow SE 68th St

Yellow Banks Park

6801 SE 32nd Ave, Pleasant Hill, IA 50327



Locations for Night Lighting and Bat Netting at Yellow Banks Park
6801 SE 2nd Avenue, Pleasant Hill, IA 50327
Night Lighting at Ballfield #1 (red)
Bat Netting near the Boat Ram (blue)

