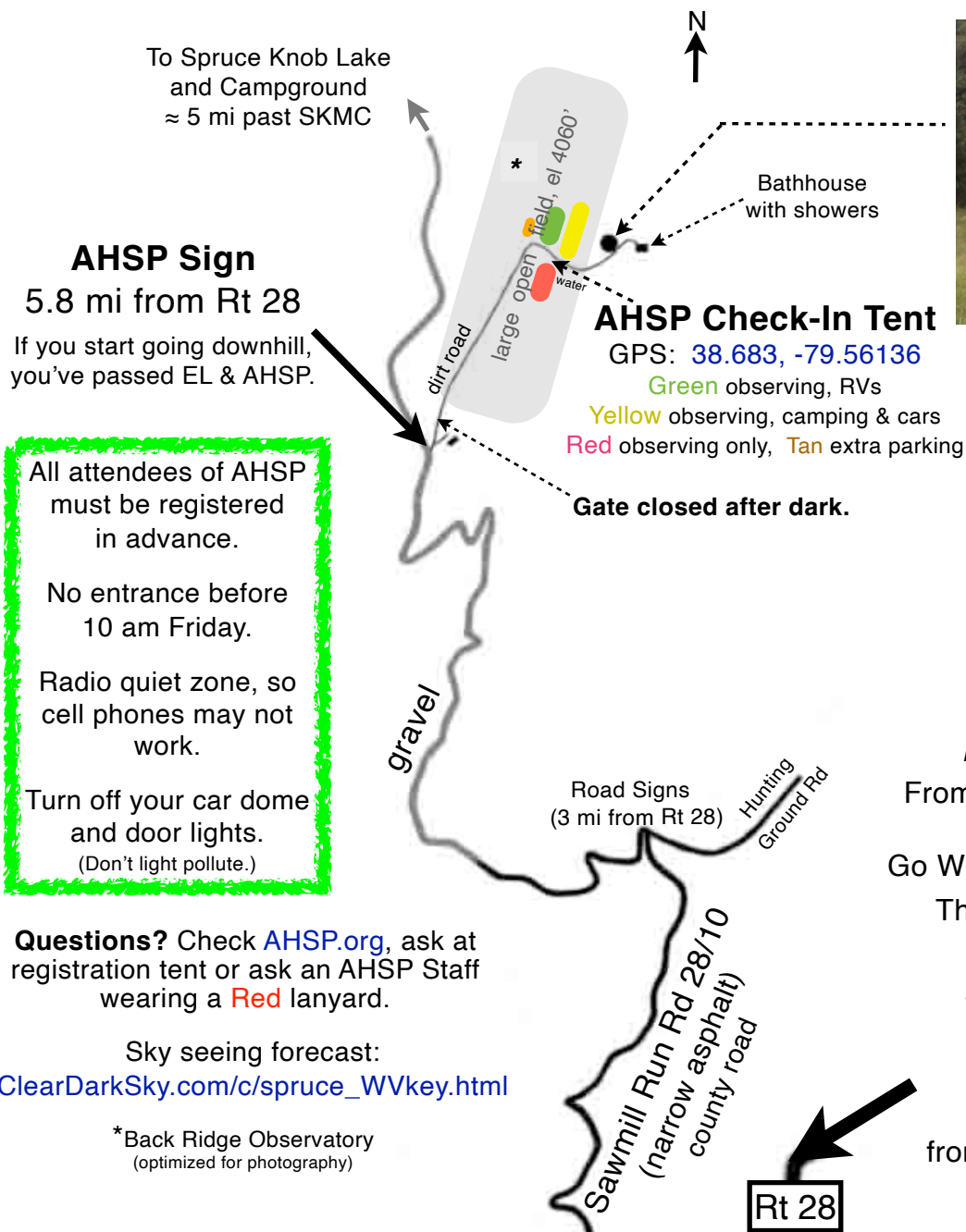


# Almost Heaven Star Party

At Spruce Knob Mountain Center, SKMC, in West Virginia



SKMC's Main & Dining Yurts  
(have WiFi)



To Spruce Knob Lake and Campground  
≈ 5 mi past SKMC

## AHSP Sign

5.8 mi from Rt 28

If you start going downhill, you've passed EL & AHSP.

All attendees of AHSP must be registered in advance.

No entrance before 10 am Friday.

Radio quiet zone, so cell phones may not work.

Turn off your car dome and door lights.  
(Don't light pollute.)

**Questions?** Check [AHSP.org](http://AHSP.org), ask at registration tent or ask an AHSP Staff wearing a **Red** lanyard.

Sky seeing forecast:  
[ClearDarkSky.com/c/spruce\\_WVkey.html](http://ClearDarkSky.com/c/spruce_WVkey.html)

\*Back Ridge Observatory  
(optimized for photography)

## AHSP Check-In Tent

GPS: **38.683, -79.56136**

**Green** observing, RVs

**Yellow** observing, camping & cars

**Red** observing only, **Tan** extra parking

Gate closed after dark.

## From the West:

Rt 33 comes over the mountains to Rt 28 at Seneca Rocks. Then go S 19 mi to Sawmill Run Rd turnoff.

## From the North & East:

From I81 take exit 296 W onto Rt 48. (The exit is 3.4 mi S of I66) Go W 43 mi on Rt 48 to Moorefield exit. Then go S on Rt 28 for 55 miles:  
Petersburg 42 mi  
Seneca Rocks & Rt 33, 19 mi  
leave Rt 33 junction, 8.4 mi  
Circleville bridge, 5.6 mi  
leave valley ≈ 3 mi  
from turnoff onto Sawmill Run Rd.

## From the South:

Green Bank 26 mi  
Bartow & Rt 92, 17 mi  
Thornwood & Rt 250, 14 mi  
from turnoff onto Sawmill Run Rd.



county road sign



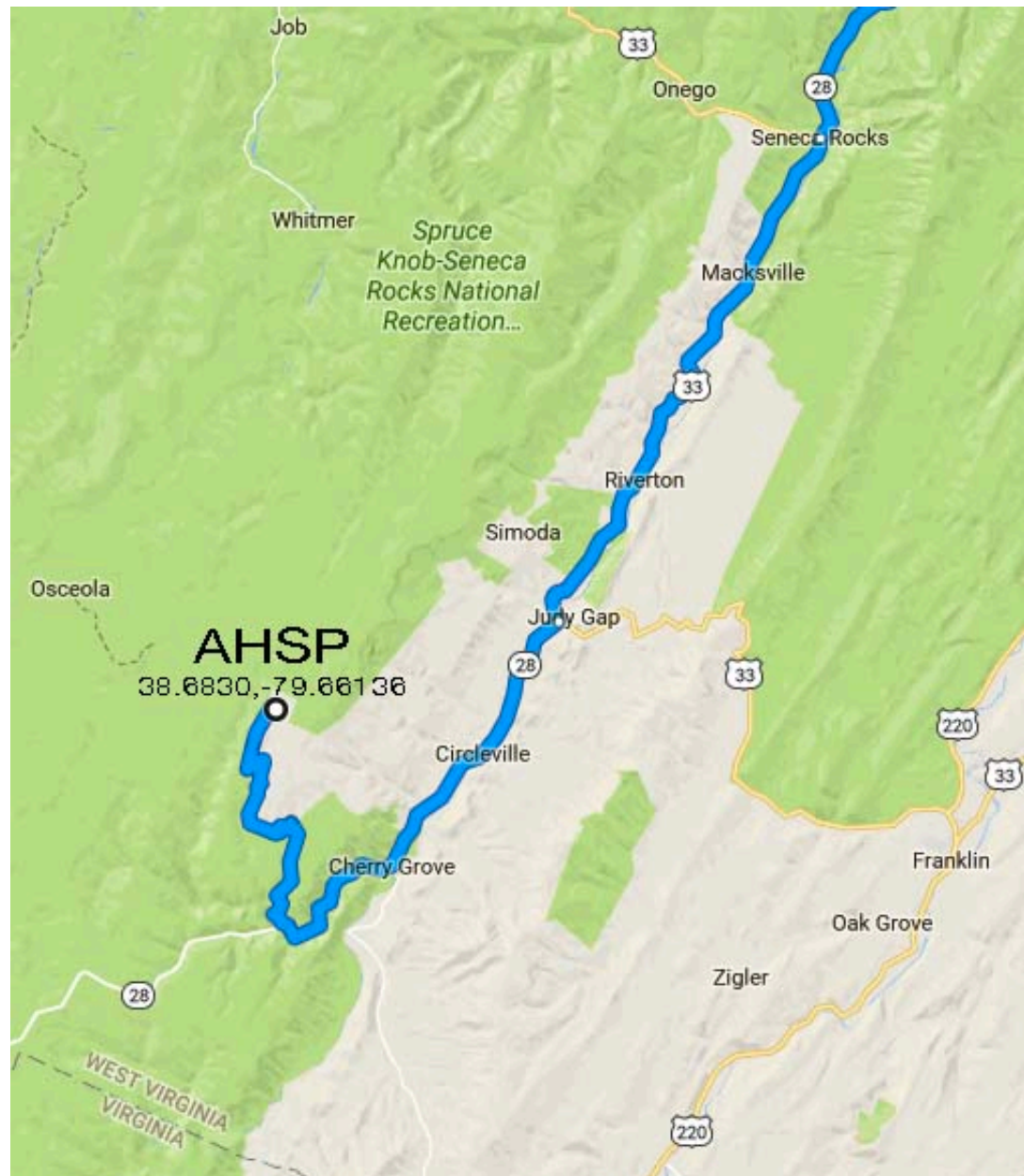


Recommended route is through Moorefield. Rt33 from Harrisonburg has steeper grades and tight cutbacks.

Recommended routing through Moorefield, WV



As noted above, the junction where Rt 33 leaves Rt 28 is more of a landmark than Judy Gap, and Rt 28 leaving the valley and starting to climb is more noticeable than Cherry Grove. This is because Google Maps lists incorporated towns independent of whether there is a speed limit change or anything noticeable as you drive the highway.



Detailed Directions provided by NOVAC Member and AHSP Alumni Ed Takken!