



2022

# Tour de Hunter Mill

## RIDERS GUIDE

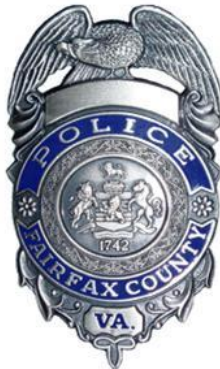
# THANK YOU TO OUR PARTNERS



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## **Thank you for participating in the 2nd Annual Tour de Hunter Mill.**

We're excited to have you join us for our annual bike event in Hunter Mill District. We ask you to remember that this is a RIDE, not a RACE. Riders are required to obey all traffic rules and signs.

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### **WAIVERS**

***Please print and sign your waiver and bring it to check in!***     [WAIVER](#)

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### **Refund Policy**

All ride registrations are final. **The event is rain or shine.** There will be no refunds, exchanges, or transfers for this event.

### **Weather**

It's spring in Virginia so there's always the chance that the weather will turn. If you decide not to ride, please stop by in Vienna at the start to pick up your socks anyway and thank our volunteers for showing up. **If you are on the route and hear thunder or see lightning, please take immediate cover. Be weather-wise!**

### **Venue Address**

The start and end location for the 2022 Tour is Vienna Town Green. The physical address is 144 Maple Ave. If you drive to the start, please use this site for more info: <https://www.viennava.gov/residents/public-parking>

### **Ride Descriptions**

By now you have already registered for the **Family Ride** or the **Long Ride**. The Family ride is a short ride through quiet Vienna streets. It has one rest stop with a surprise for kids.

The **Long Ride** is a delightful loop that uses Vienna neighborhood streets, little known connector paths, and the W&OD. When you get to Reston there is a rest stop halfway, at the North County Government Center where water, snacks, and bathrooms will be available. Leaving the rest stop, you'll go through Reston Town Center. The route map has been marked with Points of Interest showing off some of the amazing Public Art in the area. Note: the route does not actually go to all of them. If you want to see them (or get ice cream or coffee) you'll need to deviate from the route on your own. After Reston Town Center you'll rejoin the W&OD and stay on it back to Vienna.

## **Washington & Old Dominion (W&OD) Trail**

Part of the long ride will be on the W&OD Trail, a regional park owned by NOVA Parks. Trail authorities ask that riders observe [trail etiquette rules](#) and ride in groups of **no more than 5 riders together**. Remember to call your passes, slow down around pedestrians, and be courteous to other trail users.

As you approach Vienna, please note that on Saturday mornings the W&OD is extremely congested from the Caboose Brewery to the turn for the finish. Please slow down and be extra cautious going through here.

## **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

***Saturday, May 14, 2022***

**All routes are a rolling start, but no one should start before 8:30 am. Please note the rest stop times. They are only open when they are OPEN.\*\*\***

Both routes have been made available on the Reston Bike Club Ride w/GPS account. You do not have to have an account in order to access them. If you use a bluetooth device, you can get turn by turn audio using these routes. There is also an option to print the map and cue sheet if you wish.

### **Long Route**

<https://ridewithgps.com/routes/39315001>

## Family Route

<https://ridewithgps.com/routes/39315014>

## Vienna Town Green After Party

Join us for the party at the Town Green after your ride. It's going to be a great time.

## RIDE INFORMATION

This is an unsupported ride. While we will have ride marshals on the rides as well as assistance at rest stops, you will be responsible for your own safety and decisions. **If there's an emergency, call 911.**

If you feel unable to finish the ride at any time, you are free to withdraw and make your own way back home or to the post-ride celebration. We suggest you bring a charged cell phone, and download one or more ride service apps so you'll have access to a ride.

## RESTROOMS

There are restrooms at Vienna Town Green and North County Government Center. If you go in to use a restroom in a local establishment, please consider purchasing something, however small, to engender a good feeling towards cyclists.

## TIME LIMITS

You can take as long as you want for this event. Our sweeps will make the last run on the long ride at noon, and the party at Vienna Town Green ends at 1:30 pm. Check-in, rest stops, and the post ride celebration are **only** open during the hours specified. Rest stop open/close times are **FIRM**. If you show up earlier or later, please do not expect support.

**North County Government Center (Long Ride) 9:00 - 11:00**

**Family Ride Pit Stop 9:15 - 9:45**

## **Route Updates or Day-of Changes**

We have teams pre-riding/driving the routes to catch any day-of changes to the route. They will report any changes to us and we will get the word out as quickly as we can. These changes will be shared at the start and rest stops when possible. However, unexpected construction or a last-minute road closure is always a possibility.

## **What to Bring**

- Helmet (REQUIRED)
- Water bottles
- Saddle bag (spare tube, tire levers, pump)
- Spare tube (especially if you have a non-standard rim size)
- Charged cell phone and charger
- Red blinky tail-light (highly recommended)
- Sunglasses and sunscreen

## **Safety Reminder**

**From our friends at Fairfax County Police Department:**

- Obey all regulatory signs and traffic lights.
- Never ride against traffic; ride with traffic.
- Use hand signals to tell motorists what you intend to do.
- Ride in a straight line to the right of traffic, about a car-door width away from parked cars.
- Always wear a helmet.