

Discovery Trail Leads to New Bike



Park lovers from infants to octogenarians participated in this year's Fairfax County Park Authority Discovery Trial Map summer activity, and four lucky visitors whose names were selected in a trail-ending, drawing received a new bicycle and safety helmet Oct. 8 at the Spokes, Etc. store in Fairfax. This year's grand prize winners are Mati Lamb, 2, of Burke; Hyorin Choi, 9, of Vienna; Paula Reyes, 17, of Falls Church and the adult winner, Sharlene Ash of Alexandria. They were among more than 1300 people who qualified for the drawing by visiting eight of the 12 featured sites on this year's Discovery Trail Map.

This year's animal-themed Discovery Trail Map led to more than 20,000 park visits, a 38 percent increase in the number of park visits from 2017. All participants who visited at least eight featured park sites received a prize packet valued at \$93, which included tickets to park amusements such as camping, mini golf and boat, train and carousel rides. The bicycle and safety helmet grand prizes were donated by Spokes, Etc. and Trek through the Fairfax County Park Foundation.

Golfers are sure to spot the visible improvements at the newly renovated Oak Marr Golf Complex driving range in Oakton. The 20-year-old facility was regraded this summer to eliminate extreme slopes, and an improved drainage system was installed to eliminate muddy conditions that made it difficult to retrieve golf balls. Other noticeable changes include five lighted, contoured target greens that provide golfers a unique experience from different hitting stations along the range, and the range will look greener overall thanks to a four-inch-thick layer of clean topsoil to support new sod and grass seed.

The Oak Marr Golf Complex driving range features 78 hitting stations including 30 that are heated and/or covered. The improvement project was funded through the 2012 Park Bond and other bond-related sources.



OAK MARR DRIVING RANGE GETS AN UPGRADE

❄️ Snow Day Camps to the Rescue! ❄️

Don't let Old Man Winter throw a wrench into your work schedule. When schools are closed for multiple days, sign up your children for Snow Day Camps at Audrey Moore, Spring Hill, Oak Marr and Lee District RECenters. Snow Day Camps operate from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and campers get to enjoy arts and crafts, sports activities, various cooperative games and swim time while you're at work. Campers should bring a snack, lunch, drink and swimsuit/towel (pool use may be available). Snow Day Camps operate only when schools are closed for multiple days due to inclement weather. Check the web for registration information on snow days: www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/camps/snow-day.

