

2024 Cycling Seniors Club Schedule

Cycling is a full body and mind exercise! Join the Park Rangers and the *Cycling Seniors* Cycle Club this spring! We have rides for both new and more experienced riders. Please bring your own bicycle and helmet. *Use of M-NCPPC bike will be available upon request.* A waiver of liability will need to be signed. This program is FREE for Prince George's County Residents only, 60 years of age and better! Club rides will generally take place on Wednesdays of each month – April through October, (possibly November) weather permitting.

To Register: www.paparksdirect.com

Search by activity code: 17549 the easiest way to find the club rides or key word "cycling".

Wednesday, June 12

Bladensburg Waterfront, Bladensburg to Cherry Hill Park, College Park, 8-11 am

PARKS DIRECT ACTIVITY CODE: 17549-478B

Arrive 8 am; ride push off at 8:30 am

Meet/Ride Begins: Bladensburg Waterfront Park 4601 Annapolis Road

Bladensburg 20710

This ride will start at the Bladensburg Waterfront and follow the Paint Branch Trail around College Park, Lake Artemesia, past the University of Maryland and Paint Branch Golf Course to Cherry Hill Park. The mileage for this ride will be approximately 9 miles one way, 18 miles round trip. For those who want more miles and challenge, we can continue up the hill and end at Beltsville Community Center!

Wednesday, July 17 Indian Head Rail Trail 8 – 11:30 am

PARKS DIRECT ACTIVITY CODE: 17549-478C

Arrive 8 am; ride push off at 8:30 am

Meet/Ride Begins: Theodore Green Blvd Parking

10390 Theodore Green Blvd, White Plains, MD 20695

The Indian Head Rail Trail is Charles County's most exciting recreational trail. A generous gift through the Department of Interior's Federal Lands to Parks Program, Charles County has completed converting this abandoned railroad corridor into a 13-mile bike trail. Connecting the Town of Indian Head to Route 301 in White Plains, the IHRT traverses approximately halfway across our County. For those who are willing and able, we can ride the entire 26 miles round trip but plenty of opportunities for a shorter ride for those who may want to not ride the full 26. As many miles you wish to do, works!

Without a doubt, the IHRT is a unique opportunity to enjoy some of Southern Maryland's most undeveloped natural areas. Originally built in 1918 as a supply route for the Navy's Indian Head Powder Factory, this

elevated rail bed passes through the Mattawoman Creek stream valley. Cyclists, hikers and nature enthusiasts will experience the surroundings of mature forests, natural wetlands, and occasional farmland. Wildlife abounds! Visiting the IHRT is almost like stepping back in time.

See trail map INDIAN HEAD RAIL TRAIL (charlescountymd.gov)

See mileage chart and cut off points 637081210588500000 (charlescountymd.gov)

Wednesday, August 14

Bladensburg Waterfront/ to Adelphi Mills or Rec Lawn Building - Northwest Branch Trail 8-11:30 am

PARKS DIRECT ACTIVITY CODE: 17549-478A

Arrive 8 am; ride push off at 8:30 am

Meet/Ride Begins: Bladensburg Waterfront Park 4601 Annapolis Road

Bladensburg 20710

Join the Park Police and Park Rangers on the Northwest Branch Trail. We will start our ride at the Bladensburg Waterfront and ride to Adelphi Mill, in Hyattsville. This ride is approximately 16 miles round trip. This trail is fairly flat/paved with a couple of small hills and road crossings. This ride is appropriate for intermediate/advance cyclists.