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Run for Green Registration is open - Sign up Now!

The **13th annual** Run for Green will be held Saturday September 15th here in Davidson! We will again have 1/2 Marathon, 10K, and 5k races, with proceeds to support DLC and land conservation in the Davidson community. We have lots going on Race Day: a band on the Green during and after the Race, friends from the Renaissance Festival joining us, and beer for runners after the Race (with proper ID), so join us and make a day of it in Davidson!

Runners: Registration is available at www.runsignup.com. The course has been recertified this year, so see the website or the course map below for details! A course **preview run** is being held on Saturday, Aug 12th at 7:30am for those who might be interested--Omega Sports will have Brooks demo shoes to try out for the preview run as well.

Volunteers: If you are not a runner, there are also tons of volunteer opportunities to help out as a volunteer with the race. We need folks to work at packet pick up, race set up and take down, our early risers are needed to work race day registration, water stations, course monitors, awards tent, and much more. Grab a friend and email autumn@davidsonlands.org if you are interested in volunteering on race day!

Sponsors: We are grateful to our *many* local sponsors who support the Run each year, including our title sponsor, **MSC Industrial Supply**. Other generous Gold sponsors of the race include: Davidson College, Burkert Fluid Control Systems, Charlotte Eye, Ear, Nose, and Throat Associates, and Omega Sports.

Many thanks also to our Silver level sponsors: Davidson Day School, Ingersoll Rand, John Marshall Custom Homes, Lake Norman Realty, and Total Bond Veterinary Hospital of Davidson. We are so grateful to these Sponsors and so many others who help make Race Day possible. To see a full list of our local sponsors, visit www.runsignup.com. And it's never too late--if you are still interested in helping to sponsor the race, email autumn@davidsonlands.org!

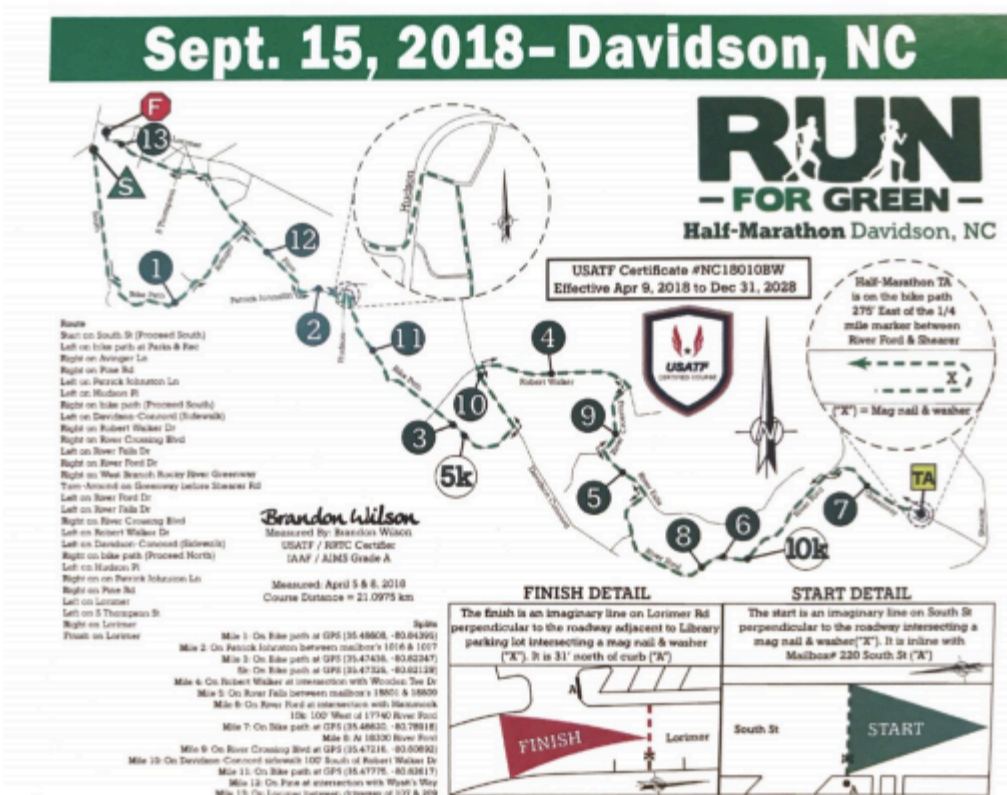
Check out the (slightly) new race course below!

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WOW Nature Outing: Carolina Thread Trail

Sunday, July 29 from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., in Davidson

Carolina Thread Trail (CTT) and WOW invite you to join us on a exploration of the West Branch Nature Preserve Trail! Sena McCrory, CTT Program Coordinator, will lead us on an easy, **shady and cool**, 1.5 mile hike into this 90-acre preserved wetland habitat to look for birds, reptiles, plants, trees, and more- all of which make this part of Davidson so special. Click on this link for more information about the trail:

<https://www.carolinathreadtrailmap.org/trails/trail/west-branch-nature-preserve-trail>

Check out WOW's blog about the beavers at this trail:

<http://www.davidsonlands.org/wow-beavers/>

This outing is for children with their families. **The minimum age for this outing is 5 years.** Please, no dogs or strollers. Please do not send registration enquiries to Carolina Thread Trail. Registration closes Saturday, July 28, at 5 p.m.

Pre-registration is required for all WOW nature outings. To begin the registration process, please send an email to dlc.wow@gmail.com with the names of all the participants (parents and children), ages of the children, any allergies and a cellphone number. Be sure you get a confirmation of registration email that includes medical and photo waiver instructions.

Location and directions will be sent to those with confirmed registration.



WOW Nature Outing: Butterflies, Bees, Bugs and Dragonflies

Sunday, August 19 from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., in Davidson

We had a great time with Rob Van Epps last year on this outing, we've asked him to do it again! We hope you'll join us on a nature expedition with a local pollinator expert and naturalist, Rob Van Epps, Sunday, August 19. We'll be walking along local trails discovering butterflies, bees, bugs and dragonflies. August is peak time for butterflies in our area and, with some luck, we could see 20 or more different species. You'll have a chance to learn about butterfly life cycles, which kinds we should see in Davidson, and why they are so important. There are over 20,000 butterfly species in the world, and some of them live right here! In celebration of Davidson Lands Conservancy's publication of a butterfly book (see below for where to get it) and Davidson's being designated a Bee City (www.beecityusa.org), we're looking forward to master naturalist, Rob Van Epps, leading us on a nature walk.

This outing is for children with their families. **The minimum age is 4 years old.** No strollers nor dogs please. Registration closes Saturday, August 18, at 5pm.

Pre-registration is required for all WOW nature outings. To begin the registration process, please send an email to dlc.wow@gmail.com with the names of all the participants (parents and children), ages of the children, any allergies and a cellphone number. Be sure you get a confirmation of registration email that includes medical and photo waiver instructions.

Location and directions will be sent to those with confirmed registration.

LNWC Creature Feature

Thursday, August 2 at 7:00 p.m.

The Lake Norman Wildlife Conservationists presents "A Creature Feature" at the Mooresville Public Library, Thursday, August 2, 2018 at 7:00 PM.

Come and see animals – some live and some that are preserved. Biologist Gene Vaughan will showcase a wide variety of animal life found right here in the Lake Norman area. Hold a green frog, dip up a fish that doesn't lay eggs, say hello to a box turtle; this event will be fun and educational for kids of all ages!!

The Park at Beaty Street Hikes

Sponsored by the Town of Davidson and the Beaty Street Task Force

- Sunday, August 12: 2-3 pm
- September-December: 2nd Sunday of month 2-3pm; 3rd Friday of month 1-2 pm

Free but registration is required at www.townofdavidson.org/dpr

Fall Hikes and Outings

Sponsored by the Town of Davidson and Davidson Lands

- Sunday, September 9: West Branch Nature Preserve; 2-4 pm
- Sunday, October 14: Fisher Farm Park; 2-4 pm
- Sunday, November 11: Runneymede Woods; 2-4 pm
- Sunday, December 9: Abersham Park; 2-4 pm

Free but registration is required at www.townofdavidson.org/dpr
