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-  Trails are Marked by Numbered Wooden Posts (Post 1 is the Trail Kiosk)
-  Parking
-  Jasper Trail Loop 1.4 miles
-  Todd Forrest Trail Loop 2.1 miles
-  Bootlegger Trail Loop 2.3 miles
-  Cutoff Trails (shortens loops)
-  Secondary Trails (unmarked)
-  Mason-Dixon Trail Segment
-  County Park
-  City of Newark Parcel
-  Welsh Tract Parcel
-  Roads
-  Ponds

For questions regarding trail markers, or to volunteer to help with trail maintenance, or to report a downed or damaged marker or downed tree over a trail, please contact [info@henrys bikes.com](mailto:info@henrys bikes.com)

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## New Castle County Parks

With 250 parks scattered across **New Castle County**, residents can find everything from quiet pockets of nature to athletic facilities for the sports-minded.



**Please help us keep Iron Hill Park clean, litter-free, and safe. Thank You!**

Learn more about New Castle County parks at [www.nccde.org/parks](http://www.nccde.org/parks)

**Thank you to the Iron Hill Park volunteers for your great work and unwavering support of the Park.**

**Elisa C. Diller, Councilwoman  
New Castle County**

## How to Use Maprika at Iron Hill Park

- Download Maprika from the App Store or Google Play. *Note: the Maprika app may be listed or described as "GPS on ski map" – that is actually the app you want.* It may be best to download Maprika elsewhere than in the Park, to assure adequate WiFi for full download.
- Using Maprika in Iron Hill Park: open the Maprika application. Be sure to switch on your phone's GPS functionality.
- **Android system:** tap on the ☰ symbol and select 'All Maps'. Then select 'Nearby'.
- **Apple system:** look for and tap on 'select map' in the upper left corner. Then select 'more maps' and search the Maprika collection for 'Iron Hill'.
- **Android & Apple:** look for and tap on '**Iron Hill County Park, DE**' (this brings up the same map as appears on the reverse side of this flyer).
- **Android:** select 'Install'.
- **Apple:** tap on 'download app'.
- You're done! Via GPS (so long as you are within the boundaries of Iron Hill Park), you will be able to find and see your precise location on the map (indicated by a *flashing blue marker*) from anywhere in the Park.

## First State Velo Sport and Henry's Racing Team

First State Velo Sport (FSVS) is a USA Cycling team that has been competing in and running cycling events in the Mid-Atlantic region for nearly 50 years. The group has a strong legacy of supporting the sport of competitive cycling, as well as giving back to the community both financially and through volunteerism. At Iron Hill, FSVS has promoted an annual mountain bike race for at least 20 years.

Henry's Racing Team (H\_RT) has been a force in local mountain bike racing since 2011 when Matt Holloway took ownership of Henry's Bicycle Shop and formed H\_RT with a group of riders and racers loyal to the shop. Henry's Bicycle Shop is located in the Polly Drummond Shopping Center in Pike Creek, Newark, DE.

H\_RT sponsors numerous events annually, including the Iron Hill MTB (mountain bike) Challenge, all of which benefit local charities, non-profits, and other worthy causes.

For more info., email: [info@henrysbikes.com](mailto:info@henrysbikes.com)

## Friends of Iron Hill Park

The *Friends* is a non-profit volunteer organization working for the benefit of Iron Hill Park since 2008.

We're proud of our collaboration with Henry's Racing Team/ First State Velo Sport on the *Trail Mapping and Marking Project*, supported by a County Council grant.

Other *Friends'* regular activities include:

- Park Watch
- Hosting regularly scheduled Iron Hill Park Trail Hikes in season.
- Maintaining point-of-discard recycling receptacles in the Park, as well as the *Friends'* own Bark Park gazebo.
- Hosting annual UD student and other outside volunteer groups for maintenance projects in Iron Hill Park.
- Mutual support activities with Iron Hill Science Center.
- Maintenance of the *Friends'* Park Message Board, and website.

We welcome public contact at [friendsofironhillpark.org](http://friendsofironhillpark.org) and at 302-738-5529.

## Iron Hill Science Center and Museum

Iron Hill Science Center and Museum are owned and operated by the non-profit Delaware Academy of Science (DAS) and dedicated to the natural sciences. The Museum houses archaeological holdings, including artifacts of indigenous peoples, as well as items from the iron mining era and the village of Iron Hill. The building itself was originally Iron Hill School 112C, in operation from 1923 until 1965. It was converted to the Museum from 1967 until its provisional closing in 2016, and was the primary repository for all DAS collections.

On May 1, 2016, the Iron Hill Science Center officially opened, exhibiting natural history collections including geology (rocks and minerals), paleontology (fossils), mammalogy (mammals), ornithology (birds), entomology (insects), etc. The Iron Hill Science Center is now the main office for the DAS, where visitors can view the exhibits, enjoy a program, and learn about the world around them in a cozy setting.

Learn more at: [ironhillsciencecenter.org](http://ironhillsciencecenter.org)

## Delaware Disc Golf

Delaware Disc Golfers is a non-profit club promoting Disc Golf and installing courses in the State for over 30 years. The Iron Hill Disc Golf Course was installed in 2008. It has 2 permanent tee pads and 2 permanent baskets per hole, giving it 4 distinct layouts. The course is mentally and physically challenging -- long and tight, with clean fairways and elevation changes on almost every hole. To score well, players need to call on many different shots and skills. The Gold layout is considered one of the toughest used for competition in the world.

The gold tees (6' X 12' concrete pads with great traction) were installed earliest, and designed to capitalize on Iron Hill's unique and challenging terrain. Each tee stands at ample distance from the previous pin to avoid course back-ups. The Iron Hill course was designed with the idea of everyone playing to par 72 regardless of course alternative selected -- so aim to play the tee position and layout that best suits you.

Iron Hill Park is open year round, dawn to dusk. The course is free; no fees apply.

For more information, go to: [dediscgolf.com](http://dediscgolf.com)

## The Mason-Dixon Trail

About one mile of the Mason-Dixon Trail is in Iron Hill Park, passing through the Iron Hill Science Center/ Iron Hill Museum parcel on Old Baltimore Pike, through Iron Hill Park to Welsh Tract Road near I-95. Just north of the main (upper) Iron Hill Park parking lot there is a granite memorial to Robert Yost, founder of the Mason Dixon Trail.

The Mason-Dixon Trail connects the Appalachian Trail with the Brandywine Trail. This 199 mile long trail starts at Whiskey Springs, PA, heads east, and then follows the west bank of the Susquehanna River south to Havre de Grace, MD. Across the river, the Mason-Dixon Trail continues east into Delaware, passing through Iron Hill Park, along the Christina River and White Clay Creek, and heads northeast to its eastern terminus at Chadds Ford, PA.

The Mason-Dixon Trail is also a volunteer organization. Members are responsible for maintaining the trail. More information can be found at: [www.mason-dixontrail.org](http://www.mason-dixontrail.org)



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### Iron Hill Park - Volunteer Trail Mapping and Marking Project

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### W3R (Washington-Rochambeau Revolutionary Route)

In 1781 allied French and American forces crossed from the Iron Hill area into Maryland on their way to fight the British at Yorktown, Virginia. More information at: [www.w3r-us.org](http://www.w3r-us.org)