

Talk of the Town

Gearing Up for Summer

Of course the Wanderer's favorite way to enjoy cycling is to sit in his comfy, air conditioned man-cave and watch the Tour de France, all 2,161 miles of it, coming up June 30 through July 22. But after the Tour, he'll be inspired to take a few rides, and it's good to know that there are so many places in Alexandria to take his aging two-wheeled friend for an annual tune up. And because he values his own analytical ability so much, he never mounts his bike without his helmet, and he's due for a new one this year. Helmets wear out, you know, just hanging in the closet.

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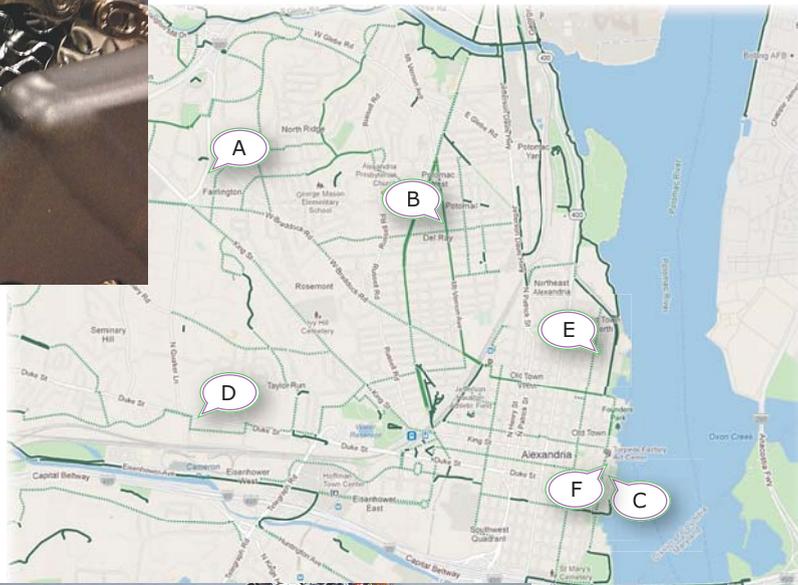


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Find everything a cyclist could need here! Bikes, clothing, bags, baskets and classes on roadside maintenance. Check out their calendar for group rides.
1545 North Quaker Lane, 703.820.2200, spokesect.com

B VELOCITY BICYCLE COOPERATIVE

They have settled in at their new location in Del Ray and they are ready to help all levels of cyclists to enjoy the fun of bicycles through workshops, youth programs and community bike rides all run by experienced volunteers. Tune-up in the do-it-yourself bike maintenance workspace and meet new people that share your love of cycling!
2111 Mount Vernon Avenue, 703.835.0699, velocitycoop.org



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E WHEEL NUTS BIKE SHOP

Hourly, daily and weekly bike rentals are available along with sales and repairs.
302 Montgomery Street, 703.548.5116, wheelnutsbikeshop.com



D BICYCLE PRO SHOP

Find a great selection of bikes, clothing and accessories for serious cyclists, commuters and families.
3240 Duke Street, 703.212.2453, bicycleproshop.com



F BIKE AND ROLL

No bike? No problem! Bike rentals are available to the occasional rider to enjoy a beautiful day's ride from March through November.
1 Wales Alley, 703.548.7655, bikethesites.com



C BIG WHEEL BIKES

Beginner, triathlete, or looking for a rental? They are ready to help with 40 years of experience and an inventory of over 20 different bike brands.
2 Prince Street, 703.739.2300, bigwheelbikes.com