

## WEST WINDSOR: Bicycle Alliance donates racks to Caspersen Rowing Center

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West Windsor Bicycle and Pedestrian Alliance President Jerry Foster and Princeton National Rowing Association Executive Director Kristopher Grudt, joined by West Windsor Mayor Shing-Fu Hsueh, cut the ribbon on six bicycle racks at the Caspersen Rowing Center in West Windsor.

The bicycle racks were donated by the WWBPA, a non-profit volunteer organization

dedicated to building a bicycle and pedestrian-friendly community. Carr & Duff Contractors donated the labor and materials to install the racks next to the boathouse. The Caspersen Rowing Center is the mid-Atlantic states' only official U.S. Olympic Training Site and is located on the north side of Lake Mercer in Mercer County Park.

"This is a great addition to our facilities here at the Caspersen Rowing Center," said Mr. Grudt. "In addition to Olympic and national team athletes training out of the facility, we have between 200 and 400 area high-school athletes out here six days a week participating in rowing. A number of them were already riding bikes to practice but I have seen that number increase since the bicycle racks were installed.

"Despite the rain on the first day the racks were open, they were already mostly full. PNRA is very appreciative of the work the WWBPA is doing in our community and thanks the WWBPA and Carr & Duff for their valuable contributions to our facility."

The WWBPA is committed to encouraging bicycling in our community. The organization has provided bicycle racks for the West Windsor Community Farmers' Market and organized efforts to add more bicycle racks and lockers at the Princeton Junction train station. It also encourages businesses to add bicycle racks outside their stores. Many trips are two miles or less — a perfect distance to do by bicycle.

Other recent WWBPA events included the fourth annual Community Bike Ride on Oct. 2 and "Walk to Hawk" with students from Maurice Hawk School to mark International Walk to School Day on Oct. 6. More information about the WWBPA is available at



From left, Alliance President Jerry Foster, rowing center Executive Director Kristopher Grudt and West Windsor Mayor Shing-Fu Hsueh cut a ceremonial ribbon at the new bicycle rack at the Caspersen Rowing Center at Mercer County Park.

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