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Disc Golf in Central Illinois

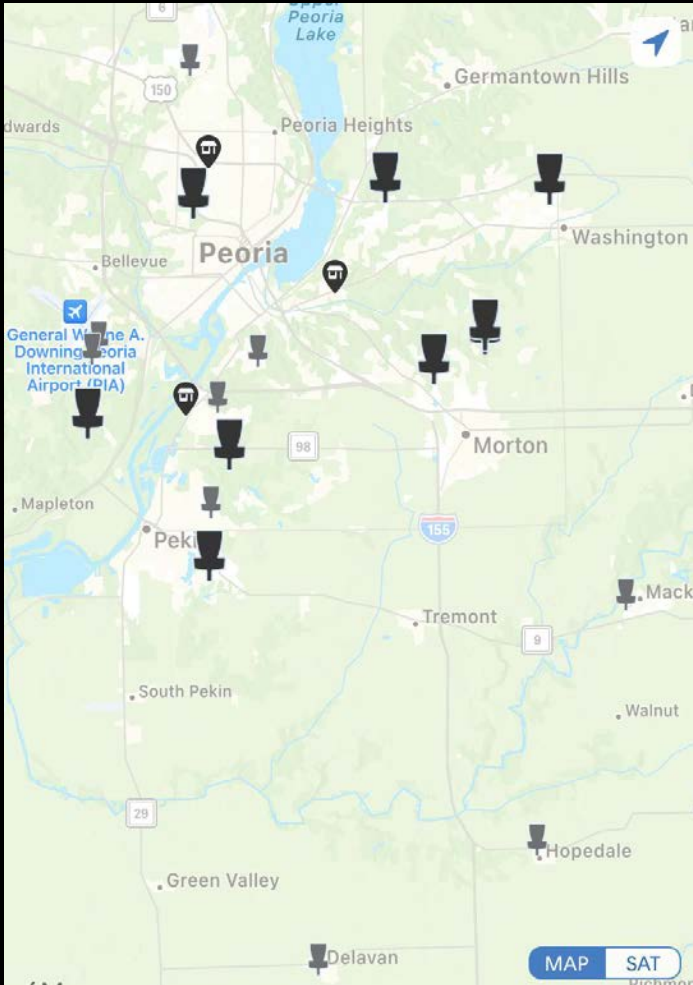
Central Illinois is home to one of the largest disc golf events in the world: The Ledgestone Insurance Open

- Held in Morton and Eureka, IL every August

Disc golf community in CI is established (and growing)

Courses around Peoria:

- Eight 18-hole courses
- Nine 9-hole courses





Disc Golf: The Rules

Operates exactly like golf. Each hole on the course has a tee, fairway, and a “target”

- Scores like golf too, with a set par on every hole.



The tee is usually constructed from concrete or brick, and provides a runway for the thrower to gain traction and level ground

The “target” is a basket with chains that function to catch the disc

Discs are typically a rubber/plastic blend with specific rim shapes for aerodynamics



Cost to Play

Disc golf is a popular sport for its cheap playing cost

One disc usually costs between \$8 and \$20, depending on the plastic and popularity of the manufacturer

That's it!

Courses are usually on park property and are free to play, making the discs the only cost

Cost to Install



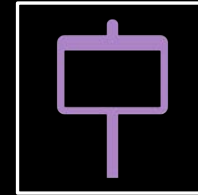
Target Installation:

18 baskets would need to be installed. These run about \$500 a piece. I would estimate this cost around \$7200 after freight shipping costs



Pad installation:

18 pads would have to be installed, each around 55 square feet. With concrete around \$8 per square foot, I would estimate this at around \$8000 to \$8500 total



Signing

Each hole will require a tee sign that shows the layout of the path to the basket. This will likely cost somewhere between \$1000 and \$1500

Maintenance

Disc golf is a very low maintenance sport

After installation, maintenance includes regular grass mowing and landscaping (tree-trimming and brush removal if necessary)

- These services are often part of regular park maintenance and will not be affected

Baskets can be removed in the winter to elongate their life, but many are built to withstand all weather conditions, including freezing winters



Safety

One of the questions when it comes to disc golf is **safety**.

How do you avoid hitting pedestrians (or other golfers) with flying discs?

Step One: Course layout

- Courses are designed to avoid areas with high levels of activity, such as playgrounds and pavilions, utilizing the more open areas of the park

Step Two: Course Flow

- Courses are designed with mandatory directions to avoid walking in the fairway of another hole

Step Three: Education

- Warnings are often posted on the Welcome sign and throughout the course instructing throwers to watch and wait for pedestrians



Reception



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Poll for the proposed course in Delavan, IL

If the proposed course were built (see previous post), would you travel to Delavan to play?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, at least once | 51% > |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, frequently | 30% > |
| <input type="checkbox"/> No | 0% > |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I'd play leagues | 9% > |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I'd play tournaments | 10% > |

Why Delavan?

1. Capitalize on a growing sport and community
2. Fills a large gap
3. Stimulate local economy
4. Additional recreation for Delavan residents
5. Challenging, but fun course!