



City Manager's Update

Triathletes here this weekend for competition with \$1 million purse

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This weekend the Daytona International Speedway will host more than 1,000 triathletes for Challenge Daytona, an endurance sports festival, for its second consecutive year. The main event is **Saturday, Dec. 5**, and features a mid-distance race where the world's best triathletes will compete for one of the largest prize purses in the sport. Prize money will be shared among more than 100 invited men and women professionals from around the world.

The competition starts with a 1.2-mile swim in 29-acre Lake Lloyd, followed by a 56-mile bike ride on speedway property, throughout streets in Daytona Beach, west on Highway 92 to DeLand and back to the speedway, followed by a 11.2-mile run at the world famous track.

Motorists can expect major traffic delays along the route of the bike race from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday.

Daytona Beach police officers and personnel will close most intersections on the course with assistance from the Volusia and Flagler County sheriffs' offices and law enforcement officers from Port Orange, New Smyrna Beach and Edgewater.

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There will also be races for athletes of all ages and abilities. Spectators are welcome. For more details, visit www.challenge-daytona.com.

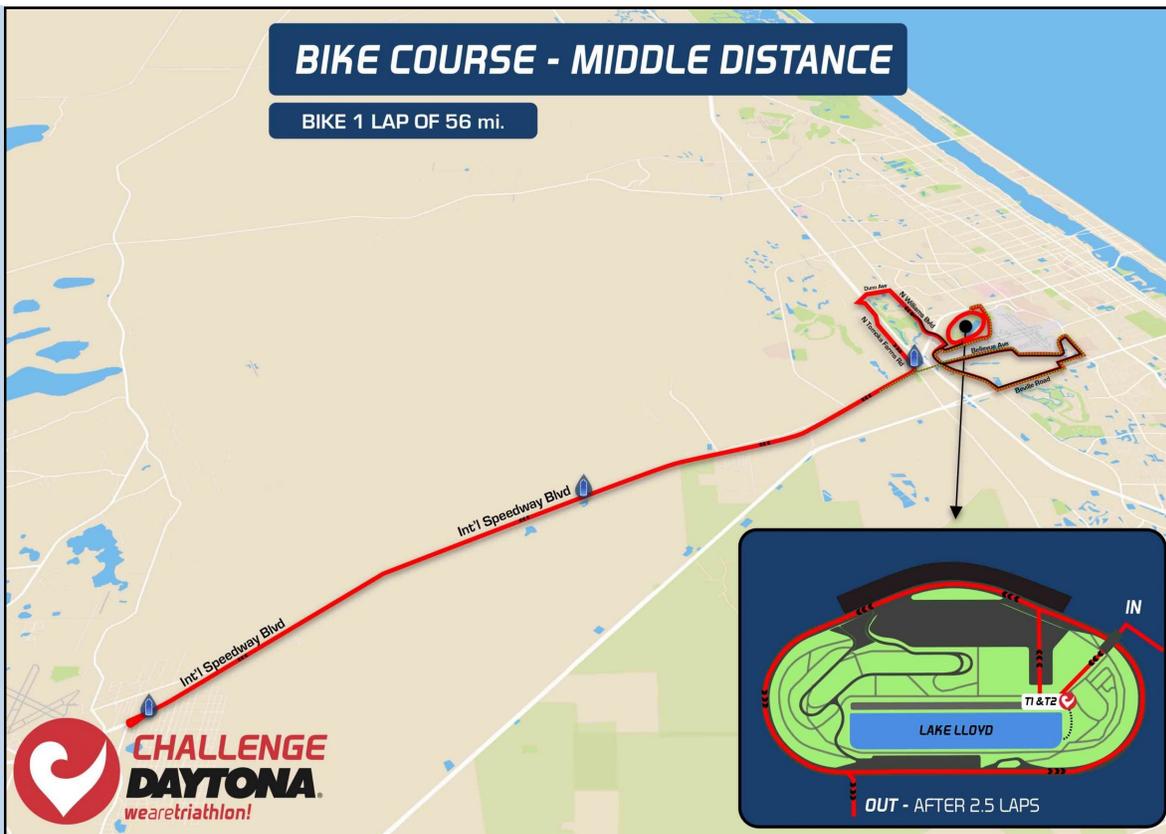
The cyclists' course will affect roadways from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday.

Full road closures:

- Bellevue Ave. from Clyde Morris Blvd. to Tomoka Farms Road
- Tomoka Farms Road from Dunn Ave. to U.S. 92
- Midway Ave. from the airport entrance south to Williamson Blvd.
- Williamson Blvd. northbound from Beville Road to Midway Ave.
- Dunn Ave. from Williamson Blvd. to Tomoka Farms Road

Daytona Flea Market entrance will be on Tomoka Farms Road only (north entrance closed).

Cyclists will also travel on U.S. 92 west to DeLand.



MMB Streetscape Meeting, Dec. 9

Residents are invited to a public meeting at 5:30 p.m. **Wednesday, Dec. 9**, at Daisy Stocking Park to discuss project details for the Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune Blvd. (MMB) Streetscape, which began in November. The project manager and contractor will discuss the road project's amenities and timeline and be available to answer questions.

Residents can view updates about the project at www.codb.us/MMBStreetscape. For more information about the streetscape, contact Deputy Public Works Director David Waller at (386) 671-8681 or WallerDavid@codb.us.



Free flu shots offered in Midtown

Free flu shots from the Florida Department of Health in Volusia County will be available from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 8, at 310 Jean St. This is the same location residents

pick up sandbags when preparing for a hurricane. The rain date is Friday, Dec. 11.

According to health officials, this year it's more important than ever to get a flu shot. It is possible to have the flu and COVID-19 at the same time.

The CDC recommends that anyone age 6 month and older get a flu vaccine. They are also highly recommended for:

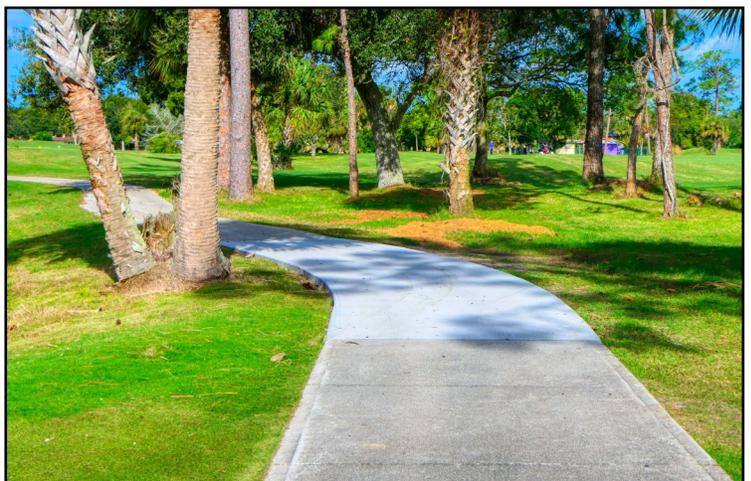
- People age 65 and older
- Pregnant women
- Infants over six months of age
- People with weakened immune systems or long-term health problems (such as asthma, diabetes or kidney disease)

Persons under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parent who is able to sign a consent form. Residents with questions about the free flu shots can call the health department at (386) 274-0500.



New paths for city's North Golf Course

Winter months are prime golfing season for the city-owned Daytona Beach Golf Club. Even with the increased number of golfers, play won't be hindered on the Club's North Course during the \$203,000 project to remove and replace nearly 4,000 linear feet of cart paths. The four-month project started in October and is on schedule to be completed in December, weather permitting. The new cart paths, which are made of poured concrete, are 8-foot wide and 6-inches thick. Replacement of the aged sections of the existing cart paths were necessary due to potential trip and fall hazards created by uneven and deteriorated sections.



Condemnation process continues despite pandemic

The objective of the city's condemnation process is to get property owners to correct unsafe conditions at their properties which make them a threat to health, safety and welfare. Since the beginning of the year, the city's chief building official has deemed 58 structures as blighted and no longer fit for human occupancy. Out of the cited structures, 18 have been either demolished or brought into compliance while nine are in the appeal process. Additionally this year, 24 structures, which were condemned in 2019, have been demolished either by the city or voluntarily by the property owner.



329 Division St.



505 Bellevue Ave.



602 Cassin Ave.

COVID-19 assistance available

City rental assistance

Rental assistance remains available to low – and middle-income residents who have been affected by COVID-19. Assistance is provided on a first-complete application and first qualified/eligible basis. For more information, visit www.codb.us/coronavirus.



County assistance deadlines approaching

The deadlines to apply to Volusia County for COVID-19 financial assistance are rapidly approaching:

- **Friday, Dec. 11:** Deadline for small and home-based businesses and nonprofit organizations.
- **Wednesday, Dec. 30:** Rent and mortgage assistance.

For more information, visit www.volusia.org/coronavirus.

Free COVID-19 testing

Free COVID-19 testing is available from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily at the city gym in New Smyrna Beach located at 1000 Live Oak St. The testing is available for all ages and no symptoms, appointments or identification is required. The testing site will be closed Dec. 24 and 25 for the Christmas holiday, and Jan. 1 for New Year's Day. For more information, visit Volusia.org/testing.



Residents can submit their homes and businesses for holiday lights map

Residents can add their decorated home or business to the city's Bright Lights & Merry Nights holiday lights map! The interactive map, available in early December, will showcase homes or businesses for residents to drive by and enjoy the festive displays. Learn more at www.codb.us/holidaylights.



251 S Lanvale Ave.



676 Mosaic Blvd.



262 Cyan Ave.



230 Ponce de Leon Blvd.



A (HOLIDAY) FLICK TO FIGHT CANCER

FRIDAY, DEC. 4 | 7:30 P.M.

PROCEEDS BENEFIT SHELDON'S REAL MEN

WEAR PINK CAMPAIGN



DAYTONA TORTUGAS
PRESENT

MOVIE
NIGHT
at the Jack

Holiday Boat Parade is Saturday, Dec. 5

This year's Daytona Beach Christmas Boat Parade is set for 6 p.m. this

Saturday, Dec. 5. The parade will travel south, starting on the north side of the Seabreeze Bridge and ending at the Daytona Marina and Boat Works, the site of the Chart House restaurant. The official judging area is on the south dock of the Halifax River Yacht Club, making the channel connecting the river and club one of the best viewing locations.



The annual event has been organized by the Halifax River Yacht Club since 2000. This year's boat parade will benefit the Veterans Support Fund. For more information, visit www.hryc.com/home or call (386) 255-7459.