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DISC “GOLF COURSE” OPENS AT MEMORIAL PARK

ROCKPORT, TX – A grand opening for Aransas County’s only disc golf course will be held on Saturday, November 23 at 10 am at Memorial Park. Installation and materials for the nine-hole course, which is located on the south front side of the park, nestled throughout the live oak trees near the soccer fields and walking paths, were funded by BATADGA, Inc. and corporate sponsors.

“We’re very excited about adding this popular sport to the recreational offerings at Memorial Park,” noted Rick Martinez, director of Parks and Leisure Services for the City of Rockport. “Disc golf is designed to be enjoyed by people of all ages, gender identity, and economic status, making it a great lifetime fitness activity.”

Disc golf is played much like golf. Instead of a ball and clubs, though, players use a flying disc or Frisbee®. The sport was formalized in the 1970s and shares with golf the object of completing each hole in the fewest strokes (or, in the case of disc golf, fewest throws). The disc is thrown from a tee area to an elevated target, which is the “hole.” The trees, shrubs, and terrain changes located throughout the park provide challenging obstacles for the golfer, without interfering with other recreational activities.

“Disc golf is one of the fastest growing sports in the world right now,” noted William Nelson Co-Owner of Batadga. With the opening of this new course, there will now be seven courses in the Coastal Bend allowing us to hold tournaments and competitions.

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“This is a project we’ve been working on for over a year and are appreciative of the support we’ve received from the City and the course’s sponsors.,” he added.

Sponsors include the City of Rockport, BATADGA, Inc. (Bill and Ted’s Awesome Disc Golf Adventures), Spears & Co Real Estate, Big Bear Contracting, and Rock Bottom Park and Pub. Also, Craig’s Tire Service, Southern Star Cabin & RV Resort, Dominos, Pawsitive Reward Dog Training, Prosperity Bank and Atlas Counters.

Disc golf provides upper and lower body conditioning, aerobic exercise, and mental stimulation. Concentration skills increase by mastering shots and negotiating obstacles, and players of limited fitness levels can start slowly and gradually increase their level of play.

Information on how to play, official rules, and a scorecard are available on the City’s web site at: <https://cityofrockport.com/723/Disc-Golf-at-Memorial-Park>. The course will be open during daylight hours seven days a week.

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