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**Introducing FootGolf at Lincoln Hills Golf Course**

BIRMINGHAM, Mich., October 10, 2014 – If discounted fall golf rates aren't enough to entice golfers to hit the links, the City of Birmingham is hoping a brand new offering will hit the mark. FootGolf, a soccer-golf hybrid that is gaining in popularity across the country, will be offered at Lincoln Hills Golf Course beginning Saturday, October 25.

FootGolf is a very “addictive” sport that combines the best of the popular sport of soccer with an elite sport like golf. Similar to golf, the players’ intent is to kick a ball into the hole with the least amount of strokes possible. FootGolf uses the basic model of golf, with a tee box, a green, bunkers, hazards and 9 or 18 holes of play. There is a par for each hole, mimicking golf’s scorecards, and you still play as a twosome, threesome or foursome. The main differences are the cups, which are 21 inches in diameter, shorter holes (most people cannot kick a soccer ball farther than 50 yards) and the lack of equipment needed (no need to carry around heavy golf clubs in FootGolf).

The sport will be offered at Lincoln Hills Golf Course on Saturdays (beginning October 25) from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., weather permitting. The fee is \$10 for 9 holes, or \$18 for 18 holes. Players may bring their own #5 soccer ball, or rent one for \$5. Soccer cleats are prohibited. Players are encouraged to call Lincoln Hills at (248) 530-1670 to reserve a time.

“FootGolf is relatively new in Oakland County and we’re very pleased to offer it to the Birmingham area,” said Birmingham Golf Course Manager Jacky Brito. “We’re excited to offer a brand new way for both golfers and non-golfers to enjoy the City’s beautiful courses. FootGolf is easy and fun for everyone.”

Lincoln Hills Golf Course is located at 2666 West 14 Mile and rated as one of the top nine-hole courses in Oakland County. For detailed information, visit [www.golfbirmingham.org](http://www.golfbirmingham.org) or call (248) 530-1670.