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Restoration Since 1989*

Explore the Gunpowder is Back!



Get outdoors in support of land preservation and clean water! This year, Gunpowder Valley Conservancy (GVC) is kicking off its [**Explore the Gunpowder Watershed Challenge on Earth Day, April 22nd!**](#) It is a 40 day-long event where participants are encouraged to connect with nature, local businesses, and environmental stewardship. All you have to do is complete one or both of our challenges at your own pace between April 22nd and May 31st.

You can earn a challenge coin and grand prize raffle entry for each challenge that you complete! The grand prize is a Gunpowder Getaway - one night at the historic Monkton Hotel (Fisherman's Lodge) and a pair of Manor Mill concert tickets.

Here are the two *Explore the Gunpowder* Challenges for 2024. Good luck!

#1: Activity Challenge



Complete 35 miles of activity in honor of GVC's 35th Anniversary! Walk, bike, roll, swim, paddle, or otherwise move through the watershed at your own pace. There is a \$35 registration fee with all proceeds going to support GVC. Once you complete your payment, you will receive a code to join our challenge on the free Pacer app, which includes a virtual tour of the Gunpowder!

[Register now](#)

#2: Passport Challenge



- » Charlotte's Quest Nature Center
- » Cromwell Valley Park
- » Glenn Martin Aviation Museum
- » Graham Equestrian Center
- » Historical Society of Baltimore County
- » Jerusalem Mill
- » Manor Mill
- » Marshy Point Nature Center
- » Oregon Ridge Nature Center
- » Pipe the Side Brewing Company
- » Sparks Nature Center

Collect 4 stickers in our FREE Gunpowder Passport. You can also earn a sticker by [volunteering with GVC](#) or joining us on our [April 27th Fun Hike at Marshy Point](#). If you haven't gotten a Passport yet, you can find them at our partner locations listed above.

Make sure to tag your adventures with #GVCExplore and follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#). We'll be posting updates about special events happening each week at our passport locations. Stay tuned!

Have a large group or business that would like to help distribute copies of our *Explore the Gunpowder Watershed* Challenge Passport? [Email Amy Young](#) for more information.



Special Thanks to our Event Sponsors



Manor Mill Pipe the Side Brewing

GVC Events



Don't forget! You can earn a sticker for your Gunpowder Passport by attending any of our upcoming events from April 22nd to May 31st!

April 27: [Fun Hike at Marshy Point](#)

April 27: [Tree Planting - Full](#)

May 4: [Land Preservation Monitoring](#)

May 4: [Tree Planting](#)

May 11: [Explore the Gunpowder @ Prettyboy Dam](#)

May 11: [Tree Planting](#)

May 11: [Rain Barrel workshop](#)

May 16: [Tour of Ecotone Native Nursery](#)

May 18: [Tree Planting](#)

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