The Vaughan Athletic Center’s Indoor Tennis Center was utilized August 13, 2012 – August 17, 2012 by Fox Valley Special Recreation Association’s “Lose the Training Wheels Program.” All 9 courts were used for this program. Nets were taken down on courts 1 and 9 to accommodate bikers completing their laps while training to ride a bike.

The only major concern prior to hosting the program was to preserve the condition of the tennis court surface. The following paragraph contains a few notes to recap and prepare for any future similar programming.

Overall, the condition of the courts were preserved very well. A couple notes worth mentioning:

- There were a few tire marks/tread marks on the courts, particularly courts 1 and 9 where participants were making their turns. These marks seemed to appear towards the end of the week when participants began to ride with 2 tires on the bike. Recommend instructors and volunteers to use caution during that time.
- We ask that the instructors store and try to keep their equipment on our cement slab along the wall on court 1. The heavy equipment can indent the courts if left on the court surface.

The tennis courts were scrubbed a week later and there were no tire marks left after the cleaning. Again, overall the condition of the courts were maintained and we are tentatively booked for another Lose the Training Wheels program in 2013.

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