

RECREATION THIS WEEK: July 6, 2011

Full Day Spaghetti & Meatballs Sports Camp

The Recreation Department is now hosting the Spaghetti & Meatballs Sports Camp All Day! Replacing the Challenger British Sports Camp, this popular camp runs Monday – Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. for ages 6-13 (July 11-15, 2011). Enjoy active sports including beach volleyball, basketball, frisbee golf, flag football, geocaching, swimming, and much more. Excursions into town are also planned with a lunch or two out, and possibly a movie. Look for the daily schedule at the Recreation Office. Cost is only \$125 for the week, with half day options available. Call the Recreation Department at (760) 934-8989 ext. 222 to register.

Adult Summer Softball League is Underway!

The Recreation Department has closed enrollment for the 2011 adult softball season and is welcoming back 8 returning Men's teams and 12 returning (and new) coed teams. First night of play is 5:15 p.m. **Tuesday, July 5**, at Shady Rest Park. Coed will play every Tuesday and Thursday nights, Men's league plays Mondays and Wednesdays. The snack bar will be open courtesy of the Mammoth Lakes Women's Club, so come on down and see what summer softball is all about at Shady Rest Park.

Adult Softball Tournament

The Men's 'E' Softball Tournament is scheduled on **July 16 & 17, 2011**. A round-robin format will be used with 1st and 2nd place individual awards, 1st, 2nd and 3rd place team trophies, and two MVP awards. Only ASA approved aluminum barreled bats allowed. For information call Grover Swick, Tournament Director: (760) 963-4902, or email hardlinedrives@gmail.com. A \$100 deposit is due 2 weeks before the tournament (Entry fee: \$350).

The Toughest Race in the Most Beautiful Place

The **June Lake Triathlon** is this **Saturday, July 9, 2011** at the June Lake Swim Beach. Events this year include USAT Sanctioned Kids Mini Tri (6-12 years), and the original Sprint and Olympic races! With an estimated 500 participants and over 100 volunteers, the event continues to grow positioning the Eastern Sierra as a premiere high altitude fitness destination. Prizes are presented from local ceramic artists, photographers and painters. Visit www.highsierratri.org/junelake.html for additional information, race schedules, course layouts and more!

Racer packets are available at the following locations & times:

- July 7 - Footloose Sports between 5:30-8:00 p.m.
- July 8 - June Lake Swim Beach (race site) between 10:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
- July 8 - June Mountain Ski Area between 5:00-8:00 p.m. at the Welcome Dinner.

Racers must pick up their OWN packet and be present with Photo ID and USAT card (if you are a current USAT member). RELAYS - ALL members of the relay team must be present to pick up packet as well.

Race Reminders: Shuttle only from June Mountain Parking Lot or ride your bike in from other points. Shuttles have bike racks. Water temp recorded yesterday at 64 degrees! GOOD LUCK!

Footloose Sports Rides this Week

There is a lot of riding to be done this week now that the holiday is over so we hope you can join us for some of these scenic and fun rides.

- Friday: June Lake Loop. We plan on meeting at 8.30 a.m. at the Shell Mart at the June Lake Junction. This is a scheduled Blue Sky Fest ride so we hope to see some visitor's join us.
- Saturday: Benton Crossing Ride- meeting at 8.30 a.m. for a 9:00 a.m. ride. This is a scheduled Blue Sky Fest ride of about an hour and a half.
- Sunday: Scenic Loop ride - meeting at Footloose Sports at 8.30 a.m. and leaving at 9:00 a.m. to take advantage of the new surface on the scenic loop.

Special Events and Programs Celebrating Devils Postpile's Centennial

Devils Postpile National Monument will be hosting a series of special events to celebrate its centennial birthday, "A Century of Conservation 1911-2011". The following is a list of special events that will be taking place from July 7 - 9, 2011 in addition to regularly scheduled ranger led programs.

July 7, 5:00-7:30 p.m. - Preserving a Valley: Stopping the Trans-Sierra Highway

Meet at the Mammoth Lakes Welcome Center to celebrate one of the largest community-based conservation victories in the preservation and protection of the Reds Meadow Valley and Devils Postpile. Refreshments will be served. 5:00-7:30p.m.

July 8, 9:00-10:30 a.m. - Celebrating a Century of Conservation

Join us at the Mammoth Lakes Welcome Center Auditorium for a ceremony commemorating a century of preservation, partnerships and progress.

July 8 & 9, 10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. - Wilderness, Trails, and Forest Service Packers

Drop by the Reds Meadow Cabin to learn about the history of the US Forest Service packing in the valley and meet some very special four legged guests.

July 8 & 9, 12:00-2:00 p.m. - The History of National Park Service Horse Patrol

Join National Park Service Ranger Billie Patrick at the Rainbow Falls Hitching Post any time between 12-2:00p.m. to see National Park Service horse patrol in action and learn about its history.

July 8, 2:00-3:30 p.m. - The Geology of the Devils Postpile and the Reds Meadow Valley

Join Geologist Wes Hildreth on a 1.5 hour geologic tour to learn about the astounding geology of Devils Postpile and the Reds Meadow Valley. Meet at the Devils Postpile Ranger Station.

July 8, 8:00 p.m. - John Muir and the Sierra Club

Meet at the Mammoth Lakes Welcome Center for a 1 hour living history presentation by local John Muir expert Lee Stetson.

July 9, 7:00-10:30 a.m. - Bird Banding Demonstration

Drop by the Devils Postpile Amphitheater to learn about bird banding and bird monitoring in Devils Postpile from Point Reyes Bird Observatory Eastern Sierra Project Director Stella Moss.

July 9, 1:00-4:00 p.m. - The Geologic Story of the Reds Meadow Valley

Join Geologist Wes Hildreth on a moderate 3 hour hike to sample the in-depth geologic story of Devils Postpile and the Reds Meadow Valley. Wear hiking shoes or boots. Meet at the Devils Postpile Ranger Station.

July 9, 8:30 p.m. - Layers of Stories: Nature and History in the Middle Fork Valley

Join National Park Service Historian Christopher E. Johnson to learn about the engaging history of the monument and the valley. Meet at the Devils Postpile Amphitheater.

For more information, contact Devils Postpile National Monument at (760) 934-2289 or the Mammoth Lakes Welcome Center at (760) 924-5500.

Mammoth Lakes Farmers Market

Farmers Market is back in Mammoth every Wednesday between 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. until the end of summer. Grab your re-usable shopping bag and get over to the Luxury Outlet Mall on Main Street for some home grown produce, arts & crafts, entertainment and more. For vendor information contact: info@greenfoxevents.com, (760) 709-6744 or Facebook us.

Mammoth Mud Run

Stomp through mud pits! Crawl on your hands and knees underneath obstacles! Haul your body up and over walls! And that's just a partial listing of what you'll have to do. The 1st Annual Mammoth Mud Run tests your endurance and strength in a series of obstacles, mud pits and more over a span of 5 kilometers. It's fun. It's dirty. It will leave you breathless. Join us for the highest Mud Run in California on **Saturday, August 27, 2011** at the Village at Mammoth/Canyon Lodge. For more information and to register visit www.MammothMountain.com/MammothMudRun.

Mammoth AYSO Registration

Register your player or yourself as a volunteer parent, coach or referee by **June 30, 2011**. Registration & volunteer forms are available at the Town of Mammoth Lakes Recreation Department Office (above Giovanni's) Monday - Friday, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. A player will be guaranteed placement on a team if registered prior to July 1, 2011. After July 1, and before August 1, 2011 players are requested to complete forms, submit late payment fees of \$10/player and wait to be placed – space available – on a team.

The current player fees are \$60 per child or \$50 / \$40 for second or third child (please bring birth certificates for new players). Fees include new uniform, team photo, great coaching, tournaments and awards! Age Divisions: U5 Coed / U6 Coed / U8 / U10 / U12 / U15 & U19. For complete registration information, call (760) 709-2481, email: Mammothayso@gmail.com or visit www.Mammothayso.com.

Six Unforgettable Days in the Sierras

Mammoth Mountain is excited to announce the return of the Mammoth Unbound Camp. The camp provides a unique opportunity for kids between 8-15 to visit Mammoth and experience everything the Sierras has to offer. Over the course of six, fun-filled days campers will participate in geocaching, skateboarding, mountain biking, rock climbing, zip lining as well as a day of hiking and rafting in Yosemite, before finishing the week with a horseback riding adventure through the mountains where they will camp overnight and sleep under the stars. Campers will be housed in same sex rooms at the Mammoth Mountain Inn with 24-hour supervision

from our highly qualified staff. A 7-to-1 camper to counselor ratio ensures plenty of private attention for your child. All food is also included and the diverse menu will have healthy options for all. Camp dates are **July 10-15, July 24-29 and August 7-12, 2011**. Contact Pam Lonza at (760) 934-0795, email plonza@mammoth-mtn.com, or visit www.MammothMountain.com/SummerCamps for all the details or to make a reservation.

Sierra Club, Range of Light Activities

- Sierra Club evening hikes every Wednesday. See <http://nevada.sierraclub.org/rolgroup/>
- Sierra Club Outings every Sunday. See <http://nevada.sierraclub.org/rolgroup/>
- Sierra Club Social and Program: Tuesday July 19, Hayden Cabin Museum BBQ.
- Go to <http://nevada.sierraclub.org/rolgroup/> for details.
- Sierra Club Hike with Birders Steve Brad & Ken Wells, Saturday July 30.
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On-Going Recreation Programs...

Sharpen Up Your Stroke at the Community Center Tennis Courts

Tennis lessons are now being offered by USPTA Tennis Professional Tom Sherry at the Community Center Tennis Courts. Clinics, camps, and private lessons for all ability levels are scheduled every Tuesday through Thursday that emphasize stroke production and strategy. The Mammoth Lakes Tennis Club (MLTC) has programmed a number of special events hosted at the Community Center Tennis Courts, including the new "Sunday Social" beginning on June 19, 2011. Socials get underway from 9:30 a.m. till 12:00 p.m. with snacks provided by the MLTC. For more information about the tournaments and socials, contact MLTC president Gail Lonne at (760) 934-0150 or glonne@verizon.net. To purchase your tennis lesson punch cards, please call (760) 934-8989 ext. 222, visit www.townofmammothlakes.com or pick up a copy of the new 2011/12 Annual Mammoth Lakes Recreation Guide available throughout town. Tennis Lessons will be unavailable on **Thursday, July 7 and 14, 2011**. Sorry for any inconvenience. The Youth Tennis Camp begins Monday, July 18, so call and reserve your spot today!

Party Yourself into Shape!

Zumba® Fitness is offered every Monday by Kaysie Williams from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Mammoth Lakes Community Center, 1000 Forest Trail (near The Village). Zumba® Fitness is an exhilarating, effective, easy-to-follow, Latin-inspired, calorie-burning dance fitness-party™ that's moving millions of people toward joy and health. Participants don't even have to know how to dance. Just move your body and follow the instructor's lead. It's easy! Participants can purchase a 10 class punch card for \$77.50 or a 5 class punch card for only \$42.50. The Drop-In rate is \$10 per class. For more information or to register call (760) 934-8989 ext. 222. Feel the music and let loose!

Learn to Swim this Summer at the Whitmore Pool

The Whitmore Pool is your venue for swim lessons of all ages and abilities this summer. Located adjacent to the ball fields on Benton Crossing Road, this unique outdoor aquatic facility has a 360-degree view of the Eastern Sierra, including the Glass and White Mountain ranges. Stroke Improvement classes are offered every Monday and Wednesday from 8:15 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. between May 11 - June 15, 2011, and Mondays only from June 20 - August 8, 2011. Cost is \$10 per day. American Red Cross Swim Lessons are progressive lessons offered for all ages. The Whitmore Pool staff will help you place your child in the correct level and provide

information regarding times of the specific class needed. Classes are subject to cancellation due to low enrollment if the minimum class size of 3 students is not met. The first session begins June 27 between 10:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. for Tiny Tot, and level I, between 11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. for Tiny Tot, II, III. Please call the Whitmore Pool at (760) 935-4222 for reservations or stop by to make arrangements.

Get Gymnastics Fever!

This year-round program is designed to introduce children from 3-18 years old the wonderful and exciting sport of gymnastics. Offered by Michelle DeJong, a level 8 competitive gymnast and Level 1-5 gymnastics coach, participants will learn to tumble and more in a safe and structured environment. This program is also a recipient of Measure R funding with \$7,000 of gymnastic equipment. Three age sessions are available at the Community Center on Forest Trail and are all on schedule for February, 2011.

- 3-5 yr olds – Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
- 5-8 yr olds – Saturday: 10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
- 8-12+ yr olds – Wednesday: 4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. & Saturday: 11:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Fees are only \$50/month (8 sessions) for residents and \$60/month for non-residents. Five session Punch Cards are available for \$50 and Private lessons are available upon request at \$20 for 30-45 minutes. Drop-in's are welcome and encouraged - First one is FREE! Please call (760) 934-8989 ext. 222 for more information or to register your aspiring Gymnast!

Never Have a Slow Day in Mammoth!

The eagerly awaited 2011/12 Annual Mammoth Lakes Recreation Guide is now available! The 32 page guide is the definitive source for recreation in Mammoth Lakes packed-full of programs, events and activities for kids of all ages. Whether you're looking for family fun at our many parks, challenging your endurance on our many trails or replenishing your spirit in the great outdoors, we hope you'll take advantage of what our team has created, and what awaits you in Mammoth Lakes...Your recreation Nirvana!

Look for a plethora of new camps including mountain biking, a Grom Mania and Wave Rave Concrete Kommandos Skate Camp, the Challenger British Sports Camp, the AYSO Advanced Soccer Camp and our hugely popular climbing, wilderness and Youtheatre camps. There is also an extensive sports & recreation events calendar, summer/winter trail map, and information on our aquatics, tennis and gymnastic programs.

A big "thank you" to our many partners involved in producing the guide: our service providers who created the diverse programming activities; our advertisers who provided the financial support and the Town's Staff who keep it all together. For additional information about recreation in Mammoth Lakes or to register for a camp or program please visit www.townofmammothlakes.com or call the Recreation Department office at (760) 934-8989 ext. 222. Make it a great day!

Upcoming Events

- On-going: Gymnastics/Tumbling Program at the Community Center
- On-going: Zumba Fitness at the Community Center
- On-going: The Whitmore Pool is open – swim lessons...
- On-going: Little Sluggers Begins at MES (ends June 29)
- On-going: Tennis Lessons every Tuesday/Thursday
- On-going: Main Street Farmers Market every Wednesday
- On-going: Footloose Sports Tour of Mammoth Bike Challenge

- On-going: Coed Softball League
- On-going: Men's Softball League
- June 29: Reds Meadow Road OPEN
- July 5: Swim Lessons Session 11
- July 6-8: Grom Mania Skate Camp
- July 8-9: June Lake Triathlon and Festival
- July 8-10: Blue Sky Festival
- July 11: Spaghetti & Meatballs Sports Camp – All-day
- July 11: Swim Lessons Session 111
- July 12: Mammoth Sharks Swim-a-Thon
- July 12: Recreation Commission Meeting
- July 13-17: Mammoth Lakes Jazz Jubilee
- July 16-17: Adult Softball Tournament, Men's E
- July 17 – ESV Wildrose Summit Ride
- July 18: Swim Lessons Session 1V
- July 18: Youth Climbing Camp 1
- July 18: Youth Tennis Camp
- July 20: Grom Mania Skate Camp
- July 21: Mammoth Trails Meeting
- July 24: ESV Crowley/Rock Lake Pie Ride
- July 25: Wilderness Camp
- July 25: Swim Lessons Session V
- July 27: Mountain Bike Camp

Contact Us

All the winter/spring events, programs and activities are listed on www.townofmammothlakes.com and in the 2010-11 Winter/Spring Mammoth Recreation Guide. Please call the Recreation Department at (760) 934-8989 ext. 222 or visit us in the Town Offices – Minaret Village Mall (above Giovanni's) to register for a program, for additional information or to forward your comments and suggestions.

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