

RECREATION THIS WEEK: July 18, 2012

Recreation Department News...

CELEBRATE NATIONAL PARK AND RECREATION MONTH!

GET WILD and celebrate National Park and Recreation Month with the Town of Mammoth Lakes Recreation Department! Join us EVERY Friday for Disco night at the Mammoth Roller Rink, experience the best of Mammoth in one of our many youth summer camps, and get wet and wild at the Whitmore Pool. Call the Recreation Department office at (760) 934-8989 ext. 222 for all July festivities.

America has celebrated July as the nation's official Park and Recreation Month for more than 25 years, and in 2009 the U.S. House of Representatives officially mandated July as Park and Recreation Month. As the obesity epidemic continues to rage, programs like Park and Recreation Month and the First Lady's "Let's Move!" campaign are energizing an American population to adopt healthy lifestyle choices. Additional information about National Park and Recreation Month is available online at: www.nrpa.org/july.

FRIDAY IS DISCO NIGHT AT THE MAMMOTH ROLLER RINK

Get your groove on at the Mammoth Roller Rink this **Friday night** from 6:00 – 8:30PM for DISCO NIGHT! Prizes will be handed out for best costume. Don't forget to bring a few dollars for food and drink specials. Experience Mammoth's new recreation hotspot with roller/inline skating, skate rental, hit the mini-ramps, play some roller hockey, our just chill out playing table tennis/golf.

YOUTH GYMNASTICS CAMP

"Eat, breathe, sleep gymnastics...Join our instructor **Michelle** DeJong for the second gymnastic camp this summer from **July 20-22, 2012**. The 3-day camp includes 4 hours of gymnastics each day! Campers will be training on all four woman's Olympic apparatus, along with other camp fun such as games, movie's, pizza and a sleepover on Saturday night. Fees: \$160/ \$55 daily drop in rate. Family Discount: \$5 discount per child after first family member has paid regular camp price.

YOUTH CLIMBING CAMP

The Sierra Rock Climbing School Youth Climbing Camp beginning Monday, July 23 is a unique opportunity for young people to learn rock climbing from professional guides in a supportive and safe environment. The focus of the camps is having fun, climbing safely and learning valuable climbing techniques. Camps take place in various climbing areas around the Eastern Sierra and are offered for beginner through advanced climbers.

For reservations please call the Recreation Department at (760) 934-8989 ext. 222. Rock climbing instruction and all climbing gear will be provided: including shoes, harnesses, helmets, belay devices and ropes. Nowhere else can you get such expert instruction at entry level cost on the Eastside! The cost is \$155 for 2-days.

GROM MANIA SKATE CAMP

Designed for beginner to intermediate skaters, the Grom Mania Skate Camp from Wednesday, July 25 will meet daily at the Shady Rest Skate Park for drop-off and pick-up. In addition to a heavy emphasis on street scene skateboarding, the camp will also travel to summer hot spots and enjoy activities like bowling, swimming, and vert. skating. The schedules for these Wednesday through Friday camps are available at the

Recreation Office. Helmet, elbow pads and kneepads are required. Cost is \$126/\$105 Early Bird if you register at least 10 days in advance or just \$42 per day.

U.K. INTERNATIONAL SOCCER CAMP

Professional British soccer coaches will once again host these popular soccer camps. Coaches provide a safe, educational and FUN program for all. Both UK Soccer Camps offer Full-day and Half-day options! This 5-day camp begins Monday, July 30, 2012.

The program is offered to all players within the community and is split into the following age appropriate levels:

- Fun in the Sun (4-6 years): Fun, exciting games to build confidence and teach fundamentals.
- Skills 'N' Thrills (7-10 years): Technical development and skill building in a stimulating environment.
- Compete with your Feet (11-16 years): Challenging game related situations to enhance technical and tactical knowledge.

Each day includes individual footskills, small side games, coached scrimmages and a daily tournament. There is an awards ceremony at the end of the camp week for family members to come and watch the players receive their awards, as well as, the important World Cup Finals! Camp Fee includes: A UK International Soccer camp T- Shirt, player of the week awards, World Cup prizes and an individual evaluation certificate. Participants are asked to bring cleats, shin guards, soccer ball, snacks and a water bottle. Full day campers will need to bring lunch every day. Full Day Campers receive a free UK Soccer ball. The cost: \$105 for weekly morning session / \$35 per day, or \$165 for weekly full-day session / \$45 per day. Family Discount: \$5 discount per player after first family member has paid regular camp price.

ADULT & COED SOFTBALL TOURNAMENTS

Register your softball team with Grover Swick for the Men's Adult Softball Tournament this weekend, or the COED Softball Tournament on July 28/29, 2012. Join the annual home-run and hitting accuracy contests during the tournament. Fees are \$350/team. (16 max.) Please call Grover Swick at (760) 963-4902 for additional information.

GET WET & WILD AT THE WHITMORE POOL

Get wet and wild at the Whitmore Pool. Recreational swimming is offered midweek from 1:00-3:30PM and from 12-4PM on weekends. Lap swimming is offered every midweek morning, and on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons, with swim lessons scheduled Monday – through Friday at 10 and 11AM. Admission fees are \$4.50 for adults, \$2.75 for seniors/military and youth, and only \$1.50 for children (1-6 yr. olds). Ask about our Five Swim Pass – every 6th swim is FREE! Call (760) 935-4222 for hours of operation and additional information.

NEVER HAVE A SLOW DAY IN MAMMOTH AGAIN!

The Town of Mammoth Lakes Recreation Department is proud to present the new 2012 Summer/Fall Recreation Guide. The guide is the definitive source for recreation in Mammoth Lakes packed-full of programs, events and activities for kids of all ages. Pick up your copy from any Certified Rack located throughout Mammoth Lakes, visit the Town Offices, Mammoth Lakes Welcome Center, or log onto www.MammothRecreation.com. 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!

NEW 2012 SUMMER FEES

For 2012, the Recreation Department has replaced resident and non-resident fees with "Early Bird" (EB) fees or "Regular" (Reg.) fees. Early Bird fees provide a 20% discount on camp programs if purchased 10-days in advance. This discount does not apply to the daily drop-in rate or facility rental fees. A \$5.00 family discount per child is also offered after the first family member has paid the EB or Reg. camp price.

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On-Going Recreation Programs...

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. **NO GYMNASTICS ON 7/24, 25, & 28.**

- 3 yr. olds – Saturday: 8:45 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
- 4-5 yr. olds – Saturday: 9:30 a.m. – 10:15 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.
- 8-12+ yr. olds – Tuesday: 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. – Invitation only.

Five session Punch Cards are available for \$60 for the first family member and \$55 for each additional family member. Private lessons are available upon request, please inquire with the instructor. Drop-ins cost \$15 per session are welcome and encouraged - First one is FREE! Please call (760) 934-8989 ext. 222 for more information or to register your aspiring Gymnast!

ZUMBA FITNESS

Party yourself into shape with Zumba® Fitness offered by Kaysie Williams from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Mammoth Lakes Community Center, 1000 Forest Trail. Cost: 10 punch-\$77.50; 5 punch-\$42.50; Drop-In rate \$10 per class and your first class is only \$5! **NO ZUMBA ON JULY 9, YES ON JULY 16 AND THEN NO MORE UNTIL SEPTEMBER 10.**

Recreation News, Events & Activities in Town...

EASTERN SIERRA LAND TRUST - RIDE, MOVE, EAT and GROOVE!

Each year, Eastern Sierra Land Trust hosts a fundraiser to help fulfill its mission to *preserve vital lands in the Eastern Sierra region*. This weekend, Bill Walton, NBA Hall of Famer and UCLA basketball great, will partner with Eastern Sierra Land Trust (ESLT) for a weekend of biking, hiking, fundraising, and gala dinners designed to showcase our dramatic surrounding scenery, and to connect ESLT supporters and members to this treasured land.

Friday afternoon, July 20: Bill Walton will hold a basketball clinic for invited high school players at Mammoth High School. The public is welcome to attend this free event to watch, starting at 2:00PM.

Saturday morning, July 21: Join Walton on a bike ride along one of the most scenic roadways in America - the 23 mile June Lake Loop. The ride will include a gourmet "feed" station, a chair-lift ride to lunch at June Mountain Ski Area, a limited edition ESLT Fun Ride t-shirt, and many photo opportunities with Bill.

Saturday morning, you can enjoy a private guided hike along Green Creek to tour **several** of ESLT's current conservation projects.

The weekend ends on **Saturday evening** with a Woodstock-inspired celebration sponsored by Mammoth Mountain Ski Area, which will include a groovy reception, hip dinner, silent auction, and entertaining flower-power program with Bill Walton and live music by Flashback.

Proceeds from the event will benefit the mission of Eastern Sierra Land Trust to protect our treasured lands and preserve a healthy balance of uses that can be sustained forever. ESLT has helped preserve over 7,800 acres of important lands to date and continues to grow with over 700 members and many dedicated volunteers. Interested people may contact ESLT for more information and to buy tickets at info@eslt.org, (760) 873-4554 and at www.eslt.org

4TH ANNUAL JUNE LAKE LOOP MOUNTAIN MUSIC FESTIVAL

The June Lake Loop Performing Arts Association happily presents the 4th annual June Lake Loop Mountain Music Festival, **July 26-29, 2012**, in the historic June Lake Loop (Highway 158 in Mono County). This year's four day, boutique festival at five venues around the Loop includes a broad musical repertoire and events for the whole family: world class country, folk, honky tonk, bluegrass, alternative rock and emerging artists; a four day kids music camp (starting July 24-28); dancing and fresh mountain air.

Jewel of the High Sierra, the June Lake Loop, offers fishing, hiking, horse-back riding, swimming, fine dining, two famous pubs and a world class spa - all in a stunning environment. Music has always been in the heart of the Loop, with impromptu concert gatherings springing up in the meadows, in the pubs, and in the parking lots. The Mountain Music Festival celebrates this rich history with incredible music, food, dancing and fun.

Tickets for each event range from \$10-\$20 and are available on the day of the show at each venue. All-event passes are also available online at JuneLakeMusic.com or for sale in June Lake at the General Store, Ernie's Tackle, and Gnome Hollow Gallery. All-event pass holders will also receive local discounts.

A portion of the proceeds will support "The June Lake Loop Women's Club Scholarship Fund".

For tickets, directions, more details, music, and additional press materials head to: www.JuneLakeMusic.com or on Facebook "See you in the Loop!"

SUMMER OF STEWARDSHIP - LAKE GEORGE

Join Friends of the Inyo, MLTPA, Mammoth Trails and supporting local businesses in beautifying Lake George, one of the best-loved spots on the Mammoth Lakes Trails System on Saturday, July 28, 2012. Trail maintenance, lakeshore cleanup and other stewardship activities will be followed by free lunch for volunteers sponsored by the Mammoth Sunrise Rotary Club at Pokonobe at 1:30 p.m. and prizes! **What:** Bagel and orange juice breakfast, volunteer trails work, lunch and giveaways. **When & Where:** Meet at 8:30 a.m. at Lake George parking lot. **Who:** Volunteers of all ages and abilities are welcome! Please dress for trail work with sturdy, close-toed shoes, long pants and a long-sleeve shirt. Gloves and tools provided. **More info:** Visit www.mltpa.org, email drew@friendsoftheinyo.or or call (760) 873-6500.

Upcoming & On-Going Events...

- On-going Whitmore Pool OPEN
- On-going Mammoth Roller Rink OPEN
- On-going: Men's & Coed Softball League
- OPEN Reds Meadow, Tioga, Sonora and the Lakes Basin
- July 16-20 Challenger Sports British Soccer Camp
- July 16-20 Sports Camp
- July 18 Mammoth Lakes Music Festival
- July 20-22 Youth Gymnastics Camp II
- July 21-22 Men's D Adult Softball Tournament
- July 23-27 Next Level High Altitude Basketball Academy I - CANCELLED
- July 23-24 Youth Climbing Camp I
- July 25-27 Grom Mania Skate Camp II
- July 27-28 Villagefest – California's Highest Rib Cook Off!
- July 28 Kids FREE Fishing Festival
- July 28 Mammoth Kids Discovery Zone Grand Opening
- July 28-29 Coed D Adult Softball Tournament
- July 29-29 42nd Annual Fireman's Canoe Races and Picnic
- Jly. 30 –Ag. 3 UK International Soccer Camp II
- Jly. 30 –Ag. 3 Wilderness Camp II
- Aug. 3-5 Youth Gymnastics Camp III
- Aug. 3-5 Mammoth Festival of Beers/Bluesapalooza
- Aug. 5 Mammoth High School Football Annual Golf Tournament at Sierra Star
- Aug. 8-10 Wave Rave Concrete Kommandos
- Aug. 9-11 Sierra Summer Festival
- Aug. 10-11 Mammoth Margarita Festival
- Aug. 13-17 AYSO Advanced Training Soccer Camp
- Aug. 13-25 Next Level High Altitude Basketball Academy II - CANCELLED
- Aug. 13-17 Wilderness Camp III
- Aug.17-19 Mammoth Festival
- Aug. 20-21 Youth Climbing Camp III
- Aug. 24-25 Mammoth Rocks – a Taste of the Sierra