

RECREATION THIS WEEK: August 7, 2013

Recreation Department News...

LEGENDARY TAHOE DERBY DAMES HIT THE MAMMOTH ROLLER RINK!

Roll on over to the Mammoth Roller Rink this Saturday, August 10 between 11AM and 2PM for a FREE Roller Derby exhibition by the legendary Tahoe Derby Dames. The Tahoe Derby Dames will be on hand to teach you the basics of blocking, jamming, and the fundamentals of roller derby. Don't miss this FREE one of a kind of event in Mammoth Lakes!

The Mammoth Roller Rink has extended the 2 for 1 skate rental offer till Saturday August 31, so grab a partner and come on over. The facility is adjacent to the Mammoth Lakes Library and opposite the Mammoth High School. The Mammoth Roller Rink operates from 6:00 – 10:00 p.m. Thursday thru Saturday evening under lights. The rink is also a fantastic venue for your birthday party on wheels and is available for hourly rental – roller hockey anyone?

For the complete summer schedule, rates and special promotions visit www.mammothrollerrink.com, see our rack card in all Certified Racks located throughout Mammoth Lakes and along HWY 395, or call the Mammoth Roller Rink at (760) 934-2505.

SKATE CAMP – WAVERAVE KONCRETE COMMANDOS – AUG. 7-9

This three-day camp, designed for all abilities, will meet daily at Volcom Brothers Skate Park. In addition to a heavy emphasis on skateboarding and skill development the camp will also go swimming, play fun games, and eat out. Camp is open to kids ages 6-13 and goes from 9-4 p.m. Cost is \$105/session. Next sessions: August 7-9, and August 19-21. Recreation staff highly recommends this camp as a warm-up to the annual WAVERAVE contest held at Volcom Brothers skate park on Saturday, August 24.

SHOWBOAT YOUTHEATRE SAILS INTO MAMMOTH – FOR OVER 20 SUMMERS – AUG. 5

“I’ve never had so much fun in all of my life” ...
“I can’t wait until the next one” ...
“I never knew my child had it in him!”

These are just a few of the comments overheard at the performance of Showboat Youtheatre’s most recent blockbuster musical, completely cast with children. This summer, they will drop anchor in Mammoth Lakes on **Monday, August 5** to begin its annual summer musical comedy workshops for all of the local youngsters from 5 to 17 years of age.

The workshops, sponsored and invited by Mammoth Lakes Recreation Department will be held at the Community Center and Mammoth Lakes Arts Center. The children from 5 to 10 years of age will be working on “Surf’s Up!” from 9 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. and the more advanced thespians from 10 and up will be working on the adapted, well known musical “AQUANET”. The workshop/rehearsals will be held on **August 5-15**, with local recitals for both shows the weekend of **August 16 & 17**. Cost is \$95 for kids 10 and under, \$105 for ages 11 and up.

Instructor is Ann Monahan, choreographer/director, who has been performing and teaching for over 45 years. For many years, she has conducted similar workshops throughout the Los Angeles area. For further

information and to register for this exciting and creative summer camp, either register online at www.mammothrecreation.com or call John Connolly at Mammoth Lakes Recreation at 934-8989 x234. Don't miss the boat!

GYMNASTICS/TUMBLING PROGRAM IS BACK!

Classes resumed on July 30, 2013.

STEERING COMMITTEE CONVENES ON AUGUST 5 TO DISCUSS THE POTENTIAL FORMATION OF A MAMMOTH LAKES RECREATION (MLR) ENTITY

The Town Council appointed Mammoth Lakes Recreation (MLR) Steering Committee will meet for the final time on Monday, August 19, 2013 at 3:30 p.m. in Suite Z. The facilitated workshops are led by the Strategic Marketing Group regarding the potential formation of a Mammoth Lakes Recreation (MLR) entity. Information regarding the upcoming MLR process, agendas and reference documents can be viewed online at: <http://www.ci.mammoth-lakes.ca.us/index.aspx?nid=533>.

Public participation is encouraged and public comments will be received during the last 15 minutes of each session or as time allows. Comments regarding the sessions or MLR process are welcomed and can be sent to Stuart Brown at sbrown@ci.mammoth-lakes.ca.us, or by calling (760) 934-8989 ext. 210.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT LAUNCHES ONLINE REGISTRATION

In an effort to improve customer service and streamline operations, the Recreation Department – compliments of Measure R, has partnered with the Active Network to provide 24/7 web-based activity and facility reservations. To begin, visit us online at www.mammothrecreation.com, click on the *Online Activity/Facility Reservations* tab and your first step is to **“Request Account.”** All you need is an email and password. The system will allow you to register online for an activity, reserve a facility or request Measure R equipment...it's fast and easy! Please drop by the office or call us at (760) 934-8989 ext. 222 if we can be of assistance to you.

NEW POST CAMP COOL DOWN!

This summer the Recreation Department is adding a 2-hour after camp ‘cool down’ session at the Mammoth Roller Rink for only \$10/participant (3 person min.). Drinks and healthy snacks will be provided, along with supervised entertainment. This program is available for any parents needing additional supervision while at work. The 2-hour program is offered after every parks and recreation hosted program. Call for more information or reserve online!

PLAY DROP-IN STREET HOCKEY EVERY SUNDAY AT THE MAMMOTH ROLLER RINK

The Recreation Department in partnership with members of the Ice Hockey League have scheduled Drop-in Street Hockey every Sunday night at the Mammoth Roller Rink from 5:30-7:30 p.m. The program will conclude on Sunday, August 24, 2013. Cost is only \$2/participant per session with the completion of a signed waiver by an adult (18+ yrs.) Please bring shoes and a stick. All adults and high school age teens welcome!

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Recreation News, Events & Activities in Town...

PLAN FOR DELAYS ON ROAD TO REDS MEADOW AND DEVILS POSTPILE

The Inyo National Forest announces that travelers should plan for delays of up to twenty minutes on the road between Minaret Vista and Agnew Meadows, beginning on August 7, 2013. Delays should only affect this portion of the Reds Meadow Road.

Inyo National Forest is completing clean-up efforts in Agnew Meadows Campground and Agnew Group Campground resulting from the November 2011 wind event that caused wide-spread tree blow-downs. There may be traffic delays while logs are being removed from the valley. It is expected there will be up to four loads per day being removed during a two week period.

If you have questions, please contact project leader Scott Kusumoto at 760-924-5522 or skusumoto@fs.fed.us

MAMMOTH MARGARITA FESTIVAL – AUG. 9-10

This weekend (Friday, August 9th and Saturday, August 10th) is the 2nd annual Mammoth Margarita Festival in The Village at Mammoth. Gomez's Restaurant is hosting a two-day event full of live music from Salsa and Flamenco, to Latin Jazz and Rock. And don't forget the grand tequila tasting. Learn about different tequilas and find your favorite as you sample more than 40+ vintage tequilas from 15+ tequila companies. Sip and enjoy your summer with the best margaritas, including skinnies, blends, peach, mango, strawberry and more!

MAMMOTH MUD RUN RETURNS AUGUST 24

California's highest Mud Run celebrates its third annual race as bigger, better, and muddier than years past. Participants can expect to have their endurance and strength tested in this one-of-a-kind 5k Mud Run packed with 18 manmade and natural obstacles, including snowmaking guns, airbags, and more. New this year, participants will enjoy a new course layout starting at Canyon Lodge. Runners will race through a number of obstacles up the ski slopes covered in mud, through The Village at Mammoth, then ride up the Village Gondola to the finish line at Canyon. After the race, the celebration continues at Canyon Lodge with music by DJ Kane and Echo Love Chamber, food, prizes, and fun for everyone.

Costumes are encouraged and rewarded for individuals and teams of four, and a kid-friendly course with obstacles has been created for runners ages 5-12 who will be awarded a medal at the finish line.

Entries are now open for individuals and teams, but participants are encouraged to sign-up soon for the best price and ensure their spot as space is filling up fast. Register at www.mammothmountain.com/MudRun before August 18 and get your free event tshirt. Mud Runs are all about having fun and getting muddy so grab your friends and save 15% off your team entry.

Friday, August 23

5-8pm Packet pick up in The Village at Mammoth

Saturday, August 24

7-8am	Costume Contest Sign-up at Canyon Lodge
7-9am	On-Site Registration/ Packet pick up at Canyon Lodge
7:30-8:30am	Stretching/warm up sessions
8:30am	Costume Contest
9am	Mammoth Mud Run 5k Start
11am	Awards Ceremony (adults only)
12pm	Mini Mammoth Mud Run 1K Start

*Schedule subject to change. Visit mammothmountain.com/mudrun for the latest.

Mammoth Rocks – A Taste of the Sierra

Mammoth Rocks is an evening of live music and includes the best food "tastings" from across the Eastern Sierra. This event takes place in The Village at Mammoth on Friday and Saturday evenings and is FREE to the public.

Friday Line-Up: Core Shots, The Stone Foxes, Nervous Wreckords, Gram Rabbit

Saturday Line-Up: Stratusfunk, Berel Alexander, Deadly Birds, Ease Up, Jet West, Delta Nova, Jelly Bread

More info available at: <http://www.mammothrocks.net/#!gigs/clbf>

Mammoth Lakes Area Trails Report – August 6

This past Saturday featured another successful Summer of Stewardship project hosted by Friends of the Inyo, MLTPA and the Town of Mammoth Lakes and co-sponsored by the great folks of the Southern Mono Historical Society. Huge thanks to the thirty-seven volunteers who came out to provide some TLC to the unique historic district and structures of the Mammoth Consolidated Mine. In addition to the afterglow of good work, all volunteers were rewarded with free passes to a night of tunes in the pines at Bluesapalooza courtesy of Mammoth Lakes Brewing Company. Volunteers repainted signs, restored eroding trails and delineated an improved, easy to follow loop through these cool old buildings. If you haven't been up to the Consolidated Mine area lately, head on up and take a gentle stroll through Mammoth's past.

Interested in learning more about Mammoth's colorful history? Visit the Southern Mono Historical Society's great little museum at the Hayden Cabin downstream from Mammoth Creek Park.

SOS volunteers and Friends of the Inyo Stewards also cut fallen trees out of the trail to Arrowhead Lake and cleaned up the trail around the lake. On their way down the hill, folks removed loose rock from the popular Duck Pass Trail.

Emerald Lake is reportedly where the flowers are going off these days. White-flowered Grass of Parnassas and shockingly orange tiger lilies grace creek edges and meadows, while climbing a little further to Gentian and Sky meadows yields even more subalpine summer color.

While ogling flowers, take a moment to notice the other fleeting bits of color darting over meadows and through sunny glades. If you see something that looks like a Dorito flying one to 2 feet off the ground, you've spied a Fritillary. Seriously though, the deep orange and spotted black wings of this later season butterfly present an uncanny resemblance to the original flavored chip.

August is a big month in the Lakes Basin and on all the trails around Mammoth. Whether walking, running or riding, please be respectful of the other folks out on the trails. Be mindful of dogs, move to the downhill side of the trail and say hello to the rider if you meet equestrians and always pack in what you pack out. On steeper trails, such as Duck Pass, please resist the temptation to charge straight downhill and cut the switchbacks. Switchback cutting causes erosion that is difficult repair and can blow the trail out.

This trail report is provided by Friends of the Inyo with support from the Town of Mammoth Lakes – Mammoth Lakes Trails System funding. The next opportunity to get out and give back to your public lands is next June 28 – July 1. Join Friends of the Inyo for a 4 day/3 night restoration project in the Northern Inyo Mountains. All meals and tools will be provided. Please contact Andrew Schurr to RSVP at andrew@friendsoftheinyo.org space is limited so please sign up soon!