

RECREATION THIS WEEK: June 18, 2014

Recreation Department News...

WHITMORE POOL OPENS JUNE 21 WITH FREE SWIMMING!

The Whitmore Pool opens to the public for recreation swimming and a FREE swim day this Saturday, June 21. Join in the fun from 12:00 – 4:00 p.m. Public swimming is offered Monday – Friday from 12:30 – 3:30 p.m. and from 12:00 – 4:00 p.m. every Saturday and Sunday. Swim lessons also commence Monday, June 23. Call the pool phone at (760) 935-4222 or visit www.mammothrecreation.com for all the details.

TRANSIT SERVICE: Beginning Monday, June 23, midweek transit service to the Whitmore Pool will commence. To celebrate this expanded service, a promotional 10-ride Punch Pass will be offered for only \$10 (\$2.00 round trip). Regular, one-way fee is \$3.00 for adults and only \$2.50 for children. For additional information please visit ESTA at www.estransit.com or call (760) 924-3184.

MAMMOTH REC ZONE OPENS JUNE 21

The Mammoth Rec Zone opens Saturday, June 21 at 6:00 p.m. with FREE Admission and only \$2.00/person for skate rental. Throw a few horseshoes, enjoy volleyball & badminton, basketball, and new rental inline/quad skates. Public Wi-Fi is also available and reserve your next birthday party or family gathering on wheels! The facility will operate every Friday from 5:00 – 10:00 p.m., Saturday from 3:00 – 10:00 p.m. and on Sunday from 3:00 – 7:00 p.m. Call the rink phone at (760) 934-2505 during operating times for additional information or visit www.mammothrollerrink.com. The facility is located at 416 Sierra Park Road (adjacent to the Library) and includes outdoor lighting, restrooms, generous parking, and concessions. Admission is only \$2.00 and includes access to all games, amenities and use of the facility. Rental skate upgrade with purchase of admission is only \$2.00 for youth/senior/military and \$4.00 for Adults.

Have Your Next Party on Wheels!

The Mammoth Rec Zone can be reserved for the exclusive use of your birthday party or special event. Games include: Bean Bag Toss, Horseshoe Pit, skate ramps, basketball, badminton, broomball and more! Fees are only \$50/hr. or rent the entire rink for the day for only \$200. Reservation only, subject to availability. All-inclusive birthday party packages are available and start from as low as \$7.50 per child. Call us to customize your party on wheels!

Contact Details

Summer Phone: (760) 934-2505
Year-round Phone: (760) 934-8989 ext. 222.
Website: www.MammothRollerRink.com

MOUNTAIN PAR COURSE AND PEAK BAGGING EXCURSION FOR TEENS! – JUNE 20

Participants will hike on trail and cross-country exercise courses using natural features to perform body weight resistance exercises for general health and fitness in preparation to bag a local peak. We'll also learn about and practice Leave No Trace principles. Each session will be 2-3 hours and meet at 9 a.m. On Tuesdays we'll meet at the Mammoth roller rink, Fridays at the Hilton Creek Trailhead. Wear durable hiking boots or



equivalent shoes, shorts, day pack, water, sun block, hat, sunglasses, windbreaker, snacks. (optional: lightweight long pants for cross country travel)

Times/Dates: 9:00 a.m. meet (Tuesdays at Mammoth Roller Rink, Fridays at Hilton Creek Trailhead)

- **Friday, June 20** - Meet at the Hilton Creek trailhead near the Crowley Lake Fire Department on Crowley Lake Drive on Friday, 9:00 a.m. From Mammoth Lakes head south on the 395 and exit at McGee Creek. Then make a quick left on Crowley Lake Drive and after 3 miles you'll see the fire department coming up on your left. The Hilton Creek Trailhead road will be on your right, it is marked but a dirt road. (If you've passed the fire department then you've gone too far). Head up the Hilton Creek Trailhead road for about ½ mile and park in the lot. Dave Titus will be there at 9 a.m., recreation supervisor John Connolly will also be present to help enroll any new drop-ins.
- Tuesday, June 24 and Friday, June 27th
- Tuesday, July 1
- Tuesday, July 8 and Friday, July 11
- Tuesday, July 15 and Friday, July 18

Peak bagging day info: Tuesday July 22, Mt Starr from Mosquito Flat trail head in the Rock Creek Drainage. This is a full day with times to be announced. We will eat lunch on the summit. Led by Mammoth Lakes Parks and Recreation Instructor Dave Titus: Mountaineer, Youth Sports Coach and Certified Leave No Trace Trainer. Space is limited, register online. FREE for ages 12-18.

SIGN-UP FOR ADULT SOCCER LEAGUE – JUNE 22

This summer the Recreation Department is re-introducing the Adult Summer Soccer League. Games will be played at the stunning new Whitmore synthetic soccer field every Sunday afternoon and Wednesday evening beginning on Sunday June 22, 2014. Manager's packets are available for pick-up at the recreation office or call Rob Gill, Adult Sports Coordinator, at (805) 796-7197 for more info.

U.K. INTERNATIONAL SOCCER CAMP – JUNE 23

Professional British soccer coaches will once again host these popular camps. Coaches provide a safe, educational, and FUN program for ages 4–16 years old. The first 5-day session begins **Monday, June 23, 2014**. The cost is only \$105 for weekly morning sessions (\$35 per day), or \$165 for weekly full-day sessions (\$45 per day). Register online at www.uksocca.com or at the Recreation Department Office. Call Steph at (760) 934-8989 ext. 237 for information.

SWIM SCHOOL AT WHITMORE BEGINS JUNE 23

Get your child signed up for swim lessons and water safety sessions beginning at the Whitmore Pool on Monday, June 23. Pool staff will help place your child in the appropriate class. Both week-long sessions and private lessons are available. Register online at www.mammothrecreation.com.

Week long sessions start every Monday, June 23 through August 15, 2014

- Class: 30 min/day for 5-days; 10 – 10:30 am, 10:45 – 11:15 am, 11:30 am – 12 pm.
- Cost: \$40 Early Bird (5 days in advance) / \$45.00 regular fee.

Private Lessons

Designed for both adults and children who want 1-on-1 attention in learning how to swim or improve their swim strokes.

- Monday-Friday: 10:00 – 10:30 am, 10:45 – 11:15 am or 11:30am – 12:00 pm
- Cost: \$30 per half-hour

CHILDREN'S YOGA AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER – JUNE 25

Children's yoga is healthy fun. It will help your child focus and relax while developing strength, coordination, and movement skills. Instructor Desiree Federman encourages all children ages 4 and up to join her in this supportive class environment. Class meets Wednesday mornings in the Mammoth Lakes Community Center from 10:30 - 11:30 a.m., on June 25, and July 2, 2014. Cost is only \$10/class, drop-ins welcome.

SIGN-UP FOR ADULT SOFTBALL LEAGUE – JUNE 27

The deadline for signing up an adult softball team is Friday, June 27. The summer league is open for both Men's and Co-ed divisions. Teams are admitted into the League on a first-come, first-served basis and league fees are \$600/team. Fees cover officials, field maintenance, end-of-season barbecue, awards, and league administration. Manager's packets are now available for pick-up or sign-up online at www.mammothrecreation.com.

REGISTER FOR CHALLENGER SPORTS SOCCER CAMPS – JULY 14

The Mammoth Lakes British Soccer Camp is almost 7-weeks away. This means you have 7-days to register for the camp and receive your British Soccer Jersey! Sign up online for Challenger Sports British Soccer Camp running July 14-18 in Mammoth by Friday, June 30th to receive your FREE British Soccer Jersey. The Tetra Brazil Academy Camp is also August 11-15. For more details contact Lee Dunne at 916-596-1664 or sign up by clicking: www.challengersports.com

GYMNASTICS/TUMBLING PROGRAM

Join Melissa and Kari, our level 5 gymnastics coaches at the Mammoth Lakes Community Center for the following classes:

- * 3 yr. olds Saturday: 8:30 - 9:15 a.m.
- * 4-5 yr. olds Saturday: 9:15 - 10:00 a.m. & Tuesday: 5:00 – 5:45 p.m.
- * 5-8 yr. olds Saturday: 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.
- * 8-12+ yr. olds Tuesday: 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. (invitation only)
Friday: 4:30 - 6:00 p.m.
Saturday: 11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

Five session punch card for \$60, drop-ins welcome at \$15 session. Want to try it out? Try your first session for free! Please call (760) 934-8989 x222 for more information or visit 'Mammoth Gymnastics' on Facebook.

Recreation News, Events & Activities in Town...

USFS FOREST PLAN REVISIONS CONTINUE – JUNE 19

The U.S. Forest Service will host a series of public workshops for forest plan revisions on the Sierra, Sequoia and Inyo National Forests. The meetings were originally scheduled for April 7, 8 and 10.

These workshops follow those the Forest Service hosted in January. At those workshops, the public provided feedback on the Forest Service's preliminary Need to Change, Draft Roles and Contributions, and example Desired Conditions.

"The public and our partners asked for more time to understand and engage with us on the Need to Change and we listened," said Regional Forester Randy Moore. "We are committed to ensuring that the public remains engaged as we move forward with revising these three forest plans."

The public is welcome at any of the three upcoming workshops:

- Sierra National Forest: Monday, June 16, 2014
Holiday Inn Fresno Airport, 5090 E. Clinton Way, Fresno, CA
- Sequoia National Forest : Tuesday, June 17, 2014
Woodrow W. Wallace Elementary School, 3240 Erskine Creek Rd., Lake Isabella, CA
- Inyo National Forest: Thursday, June 19, 2014
Cerro Coso Community College, Eastern Sierra College Center, 4090 W. Line Street, Bishop, CA

Each workshop will be held from 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. with presentations by Forest Service staff. The public will have time to visit topic-specific stations and to talk with Forest Service staff. Additionally, the public is invited to bring an 8 ½ x 11 inch copy of a photo depicting Forest Service lands they have strong feelings about. This photo may be recent or historic. Photos will be shared at the "Desired Conditions" station and the public should be able to answer the following questions regarding their photos:

- Where was the photo taken?
- When was the photo taken?
- What do you like about this place?
- Does this picture need to change? If so, how and when should this happen?

For more information regarding forest plan revisions visit the Pacific Southwest Region's planning website at: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/main/r5/landmanagement/planning>. Pertinent information for the June workshops will be posted there prior to the meetings.

For forest-specific information, please contact that forest directly:

- Sierra NF: Dirk Charley at 559-297-0706, extension 4805 or dcharley@fs.fed.us
- Sequoia NF: Maria Ulloa at 559-784-1500 or mtulloa@fs.fed.us
- Inyo NF: Deb Schweizer at 760-873-2427 or debraschweizer@fs.fed.us



The Sierra, Sequoia and Inyo are three of eight national forests that were selected as “early adopters,” meaning they will be the first to revise their land management plans using the new National Forest System Planning Rule, completed in 2012. The planning rule provides the framework for Forest Service land management plans across the nation.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES: In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if special assistance to participate in this meeting is needed, please contact the appropriate National Forest. Notification at least 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the Forest Service to make reasonable arrangements.

FOI - LUNDY LAKE CLEAN UP – JUNE 19

Get out and give back to the land and our local wildlife on Thursday, June 19! Help Friends of the Inyo kick off the Mono Basin Bird Chautauqua weekend by removing trash from the shore of popular Lundy Lake. Gloves, trash bags, tools, and water will be provided, but be sure to bring sunscreen, wear close-toed shoes, and be prepared for the elements. Meet at 9 am at the Lundy Dam parking area. More details at www.friendsoftheinyo.org or call (760) 873-6500.

MAMMOTH HALF MARATHON RETURNS JUNE 21-22

The 2nd Annual Mammoth Half Marathon & 5K, a one-of-a kind race event, with 100 percent of its net proceeds benefiting local causes, is set to take place the weekend of June 21 – 22, 2014, in Mammoth Lakes, California. The inaugural event in 2013 hosted over 1,000 runners between the half marathon and 5K distances, and donated over \$9,000 to Disabled Sports Eastern Sierra, Mammoth High School and other local nonprofit organizations. Registrations are outpacing last year by 30% and partner hotel rooms are already up over 40% more than last year’s successful event.

The Mammoth Half Marathon is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization, whose mission is to put on premier running events and catalyze volunteerism as a way to help communities. The half marathon starts at almost 9,000 feet above sea level at Horseshoe Lake, and features a picturesque, mostly downhill 13.1-mile course, including a new scenic loop around Lake Mary. The 5K’s 3.1-mile course takes runners of all ages and abilities through a beautiful route around downtown Mammoth Lakes. Both races culminate in the “Celebrate Mammoth Lakes” block party in downtown Mammoth, which includes music, entertainment and a family fun zone.

The half marathon race is the second leg of the San Diego-Mammoth Challenge; finishers of both the San Diego Half Marathon, which took place on March 9, 2014, and the Mammoth Half Marathon, will receive a special extra-large, spinning Challenge medal.

“Mammoth Lakes is such a perfect place to host an event of this kind,” said Susan Briggs, Executive Director of both the San Diego Half Marathon and Mammoth Half Marathon, “The community support at last year’s inaugural race was outstanding, and we are thrilled that over 1,300 runners have already signed up for the 2014 event. And, the new loop around Lake Mary will make this race one of the most scenic half marathon courses in the world.”

The weekend festivities include a Sport, Health & Fitness Expo to be held on Saturday, June 21 from 12 pm to 8pm at the Village Lodge, where runners will pick up their race packets, and vendors will provide interactive



demos and product samples. The half marathon and 5K will take place on Sunday, June 22, both starting at 7:30 am, and the Celebrate Mammoth Lakes Block Party will take place concurrently on June 22 from 7:30 am to 1:00 pm on Old Mammoth Road. The Expo and Block Party are free and open to the public. A limited number of bibs for both races may be available for sale on-site at the Expo if online registration does not sell out. The Mammoth Lakes, Crowley Lake, Bishop and surrounding communities are encouraged to come show their support of any and all of the weekend's activities. For information on road closures and detour information, visit the Community Info page on the Mammoth Half Marathon & 5K website at www.mammothhalfmarathon.com.

FOI - JUNE LAKE TRAILS DAY – JUNE 21

Friends of the Inyo will again be partnering up with the June Lake Trails Committee to get out and give back to our favorite spots in the June Lake Loop on Saturday, June 21. We'll have a morning of trail work, cleaning up by creeks and lakes, and celebrate good work with lunch and prizes! Meet at 8:30am at the June Lake Community Center near Gull Lake. More details at www.friendsoftheinyo.org or call (760) 873-6500.

FOI - FREEDOM OF WILDERNESS HIKE – JULY 5

Join Friends of the Inyo on a hike to beautiful Glass Creek Meadow in the newly designated Owens River Headwaters Wilderness, a hike with a 2500' of elevation gain over 8 miles on Saturday, July 5. Car shuttle provided; return time before 4pm. RSVP required as attendance limited to 12 participants. More information at www.friendsoftheinyo.org or call (760) 873-6500.

VOLUNTEER FOR THE JUNE LAKE TRIATHLON

The High Sierra Triathlon Club is looking for volunteers for the upcoming June Lake Triathlon on Saturday July 12. If you have never experienced this event before, volunteering is a great way to get involved. If you are interested in assisting, or have questions, shoot Connie Morrison (Volunteer Coordinator) at mocon1@suddenlink.net. You may also find a list of volunteer jobs on their website, or by visiting:

- VOLUNTEER SIGN UP: http://www.doitsports.com/volunteer2/jobs-by-date.tcl?event_id=213091
- VOLUNTEER INFO: <http://highsierratri.org/volunteer/>

FOI - WILDERNESS ACT CELEBRATION AT MAMMOTH CREEK PARK – JULY 5

Friends of the Inyo will partner with the Sierra Club and the Wilderness Society to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the passage of the Wilderness Act on Saturday, July 5. Join us from noon till 6:00 pm at Mammoth Creek Park at Mammoth Lakes. There will be music, creek exploration, demonstrations and guided walks on the Mammoth Greenway System. More details at www.friendsoftheinyo.org or call (760) 873-6500.

GREAT SOCCER STARTS HERE!

Late Registration for Mammoth AYSO fall soccer is underway. AYSO volunteers will be at Mammoth Rock n' Bowl (first floor - next to the fuse ball tables) on June 5, July 3 and July 24 from 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. Late registrants will be wait-listed and placed on a team as spots become available. Our goal with this new policy is



to create balanced teams, certify our volunteer coaches, and provide soccer programs that enrich your children's lives! The cost is only \$70 per child, or \$60 for the 2nd or \$50 for the 3rd child. Fees include a new Challenger Sports uniform, team photo, great coaching, tournaments and awards! **Age Divisions:** U5 & U6 Coed / U8 / U10 / U12 / U15 & U19. For complete registration information, call (760) 709-6756, email: Mammothayso@gmail.com or visit www.Mammothayso.com.

Upcoming & On-Going Events...

- On-going Lap swimming at Whitmore Pool
 - OPEN Tioga, Sonora and the Lakes Basin
 - June 20 Mountain PAR Course – FREE!
 - June 20 Monster Energy Mammoth Motocross Begins
 - June 21 Whitmore Pool Opens for Recreation Swim (12-4pm) & FREE Swim Day!
 - June 21 Mammoth Rec Zone OPENS! (6-10pm)
 - June 21-22 Summer Solstice Tennis Tournament. Doubles play at Snowcreek Athletic Club.
 - June 22 Mammoth Half Marathon
 - June 22 Adult Soccer League Commences at Whitmore
 - June 23 UK International Soccer Camp, Session 1
 - June 23 Swim Lessons Session 1 begin at the Whitmore Pool
 - June 23 Mammoth MX Scooter Jam – Village at Mammoth
 - June 24 Mountain PAR Course – FREE!
 - June 25 Children's Yoga
 - June 27 Mountain PAR Course – FREE!
 - June 27 Youth Gymnastics Camp 1
 - June 27 Registration deadline for summer Adult Softball League
 - June 28 Mammoth MX Pit Bike Challenge – Village at Mammoth
 - June 28 Kick Cancer Fundraiser at the Whitmore Track
 - June 30 Wave Rave Concrete Kommandos 1
- July is National Park and Recreation Month!**
- July 3 Mammoth Celebrates the Arts – Footloose Sports/Rite-Aid Parking Lot
 - July 4 Footloose Freedom Mile – 10:30AM
 - July 4 Mammoth Lakes Chamber of Commerce Parade – 11AM
 - July 4 Chamber Music Unbound Presents POPS in the Park – 2PM
 - July 4 Town of Mammoth Lakes presents the annual Fourth of July Fireworks at Crowley Lake (begins 5PM)
 - July 5 Village at Mammoth Fireworks Show
 - July 5 50th Anniversary Wilderness Walk – Mammoth Creek Park
 - July 10-20 Gimme Shelter Carnival – Sierra Nevada Resort & Spa