

RECREATION THIS WEEK: August 6, 2014

Recreation Department News...

SHOWBOAT YOUTHEATRE SAILS INTO MAMMOTH – FOR OVER 20 SUMMERS!

“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 “*Free to Be a Family*” 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 “*Mama Mia.*” **The workshop/rehearsals will be held on August 11-23, with local recitals for both shows the weekend of August 22 & 23.** Cost is \$100 for kids 10 and under, \$110 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 (760) 934-8989 ext. 234. Don’t miss the boat

SUMMER CAMPS

Youth summer camps are filling up fast – register online at www.mammothrecreation.com. Beginning August 11 is the final week-long Wilderness Camp & Tetra Brazil Advanced Soccer Camp, Youth Gymnastics Camp (with sleepover) is August 15-17, and the last Youth Climbing Camp is August 18-19. Call Missy at (760) 934-8989 ext. 222 for information or to register.

ADULT COED DODGEBALL THIS FALL AT THE RECZONE

The Recreation Department is bringing back Dodgeball! Games will be held every Monday and Wednesday at the Mammoth RecZone beginning at 5:30 p.m. This will be a great time under the lights at the RecZone (adjacent to the library) with music, fun and more! Games commence September 3 and wrap up on September 29, 2014. Fee is only \$84 per team. Teams must have at least 4 men and 2 women on the court at all times.

TENNIS LESSONS EVERY TUESDAY & THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Kyle Osland - former Head Coach at the Nick Bollettieri IMG Tennis Academy and Varsity Husky Tennis Coach is offering group sessions every Tuesday and Thursday afternoon for Tiny Tots, juniors and adults with 3 tennis



camps scheduled this summer. Drop-in lessons are scheduled through September 11, 2014. Kyle is also available for private lessons. For additional information or to schedule a private with the pro, please email Kyle or call (619) 200-2150.

Drop-in Tennis Sessions:

Tiny Tots Tennis

Who: Ages 4-6
 Time: 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.
 When: Tuesday & Thursday
 Dates: July 8 – Sept. 11
 Cost: \$10 per session

Junior Tennis Pros

Who: Ages 7-12
 Time: 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.
 When: Tuesday & Thursday
 Dates: July 8 – Sept. 11
 Cost: \$10 per session

Adult Drill Clinic

Who: Int./Adv.
 Time: 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.
 When: Tuesday & Thursday
 Dates: July 8 – Sept. 11
 Cost: \$10 per session

FIVE PUNCH CARD: Buy a 5 lesson punch card for only \$50 and get the 6th lesson FREE!

TENNIS CAMPS – Aug. 5 & 12

This camp is for Jr. High and High School players (ages 10-18 yrs.) that aspire to grow in the sport. Stroke improvement, strategy and conditioning emphasized. Participants should bring their own racquets. Offered Tuesday through Thursday, August 5-7 & August 12-14 at the Community Center Tennis Courts located on Forest Trail. Early Bird price is only \$80, regular fee is \$95. \$45.00 per day drop-in rate available for this camp, based on availability.

WHITMORE POOL CLOSES AUGUST 23

The Whitmore Pool will close to the public for recreation swimming on Saturday, August 23, 2014. 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. Lap swimming is offered Monday to Friday from 6:30 - 8:30 a.m. and every Tuesday and Thursday afternoon from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. Call the pool phone at (760) 935-4222 or visit www.mammothrecreation.com for all the details.

LEARN TO SWIM WITH THE EASTERN SIERRA SWIM SCHOOL

Get your child signed up for swim lessons and water safety sessions beginning Monday, June 23 at the Whitmore Pool. 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



SUMMER TRANSIT TO WHITMORE

Midweek transit service to the Whitmore Pool and Track & Sports Field is now available. 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.

2014 SCHEDULE to WHITMORE RECREATION AREA

DEPARTS FROM McDonalds	ARRIVES AT WHITMORE*
7:35 AM	7:45 AM
9:30 AM	9:40 AM
11:30 AM - NEW	11:40 AM - NEW
2:05 PM	2:15 PM
3:15 PM - NEW	3:25 PM - NEW
4:15 PM - NEW	4:25 PM - NEW
5:20 PM	5:30 PM

2014 SCHEDULE to MAMMOTH LAKES

DEPARTS FROM WHITMORE*	ARRIVES AT McDonalds
9:45 AM	9:55 AM
11:45 AM - NEW	11:55 AM - NEW
1:40 PM	1:55 PM
3:35 PM - NEW	3:45 PM - NEW
4:35 PM - NEW	4:45 PM - NEW
6:45 PM	6:55 PM

*Drop-off and pick-up is at the Whitmore Pool.

MAMMOTH RECZONE NOW OPEN!

The Mammoth RecZone is the coolest place to hang out this summer. The facility is an outdoor venue (with shade, lights, and concessions) located in the heart of Mammoth Lakes, near Vons and adjacent to the Mammoth Lakes Library offering a plethora of games and activities for all ages. Admission is only \$2.00 and includes access to volleyball, badminton, basketball, horseshoes, bean bag toss, blongoball, washer toss, skate ramps and more. Roller/inline skates are also available for rental. Browse the internet or catch up on the latest news or scores with FREE Wi-Fi or reserve your next birthday party or family gathering on wheels! Call the RecZone phone at (760) 934-2505 during operating times for additional information or visit www.mammothreczone.com.

HOURS: FRIDAY: 5 – 10PM / SATURDAY: 3 – 10PM / SUNDAY: 3 – 7PM

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!

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.

PICKLEBALL IS NOW IN MAMMOTH LAKES!

Join in and learn the fastest growing sport in America - easy to learn, fun to play and FREE! Pick-up games are scheduled every Tuesday from 4:30 – 6:30 p.m. at the Community Center Tennis Courts. For additional information please contact Bob or Tess Meggs at (530) 277-0199.

Recreation News, Events & Activities in Town...

IT'S THURSDAY NIGHT...WHAT ARE YOU DOING? RIDING YOUR BIKE OF COURSE!

This week's ride starts at the Footloose Sports Parking lot at 5:30pm heading to the Whoa Nellie Deli. This ride is limited so please email Caroline Casey at ccasey@mammoth-mtn.com to reserve your spot.

REDS MEADOW TRAILS DAY – AUG. 9

The trails of the Reds Meadow Valley are jewels of the Mammoth Lakes Region and the Mammoth Lakes Trail System, and thanks to the [Eastern Sierra Transit Authority \(ESTA\)](#) the [Inyo National Forest](#) and [Mammoth's own Measure R](#), the Summer of Stewardship Trail Days is final getting a chance to bring the love! Join the [Mammoth Mountain Community Foundation](#), [Mammoth Outdoor Sports](#), MLTPA, and [Friends of the Inyo](#) for trail rehabilitation work on the [Sotcher Lake Feeder Trail](#) this coming Saturday, August 9th. **Please note the extra special ESTA bus loading start time of 7:45 a.m. up at the [Adventure Center at Main Lodge!](#)** All ages are welcome, and a free lunch and raffle prizes will be had by all – everybody goes home a winner! Special thanks to [Old New York Deli](#), [Mammoth Brewing](#), [Bleu Handcrafted Foods](#), [Footloose Sports](#) and [Mammoth Sunrise Rotary](#).

All volunteers will get an introduction to trail maintenance skills from Friends of the Inyo staff, and those interested in being regular members of the Mammoth Lakes Trail System stewardship team should be sure to show up to get trained up for future projects.

We'll be meeting for lunch at 12:30 up at the [Sotcher Lake Trailhead](#) – thanks to [Bleu Handcrafted Foods](#) and [Sunrise Rotary](#) - and chilled Root Beer thanks to [Mammoth Brewing](#). And thanks to [KMMT Radio](#) for providing priceless airtime and high line studio chops to let everybody in on the fun!

All ages and abilities are welcome, and we love to see families and clubs! Please arrive dressed for trail work (long pants, sun protection, sturdy close-toed shoes), and **please don't forget the very extra special start time of 7:45 AM at the [Adventure Centre at Main Lodge](#) – the love bus will leave at 8:00 AM sharp!**

Visit mltpa.org or friendsoftheinyo.org for more information; call (760) 873-6500 or (760) 934 3154; or e-mail ursula@friendsoftheinyo. See you at the Adventure Center at the Main Lodge at 7:45 AM!

FREE PUBLIC OUTINGS PLANNED FOR BODIE HILLS THIS SUMMER & FALL

The Bodie Hills Conservation Partnership is planning to lead a series of public outings and stewardship projects this summer and fall on lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) in the Bodie Hills. The outings vary in length and difficulty and are free and open to the public. Space is limited, and pre-registration is required. For more information or to register please contact Jeff Hunter at info@bodiehills.org or (423) 322-7866.

- Aug. 9: Bodie Mountain & Potato Peak Hike with optional summit of Potato Peak. Rated: Very Strenuous
- Aug. 30: 8 mile Dry Lakes Plateau hike (cross country – no trail) with optional Beauty Peak summit. Rated: Very Strenuous
- Sept. 13: Obsidian Quarry tour with BLM Archaeologist Greg Haverstock. Rated Easy.
- Oct. 25: 4-mile hike to summit of Mt. Biederman. Rated: Moderately Strenuous.

In addition to the above listed outings, volunteers are also sought for two stewardship projects planned for August 16 and September 27.

- Aug. 16-17: Stewardship project involving fence work, with optional overnight camp and hike on Sunday morning.
- Sept. 27: National Public Lands Day stewardship project. Project yet to be determined.

SIERRA CLUB EVENTS

August 7: Meet 5:30pm Mammoth Union Bank, dogs ok, Info Dick and Joanne rhinn@skidmore.edu.

August 10: Deer Lake and Beyond Loop Hike. 11mi RT from Lake George, first ascending via the Mammoth Crest South Trail to Deer Lakes. From there, some easy uphill cross country to the summit ridge of Blue Crag at 11,160' then descend into Sky and Gentian Meadows. Return to Lake George via TJ and Barrett Lake. 2000' gain. Meet 8am Mammoth Union Bank, Info Melissa melissas1@verizon.net.

August 14: Explore the ruins of Mammoth City where Mammoth Lakes got its name. Learn about the history of mining in the area. Dogs ok. Meet 5:30pm Mammoth Union Bank Info Mike and Mary marymikeshore@gmail.com.

August 17: Yosemite, Tuolumne Meadows to Budd Lake and Cathedral Peak. 6+ mi RT, 1600' gain along the beautiful Budd Creek gorge on this unmapped, unmaintained trail with views of Unicorn, Coxcomb, and Cathedral peaks. No dogs. Meet 8 am Mammoth Union Bank, or 8:45 Tioga Road ranger station. Info Maurica Maurica_And@yahoo.com.

August 19: McGee Creek Trailhead. Potluck picnic and social at 6 pm. Enjoy friends and riparian habitat among cotton woods, aspens and willows. Bring a dish for 6-8 people to share and your own place setting. Everyone welcome. Info marymikeshore@gmail.com.

August 21: Meet 5:30pm Mammoth Union Bank, dogs ok, Contact Sally sges4d@gmail.com.



August 24: Hike to Lamarck Lakes. 5.8 mi RT, 1847' gain, strenuous. Meet 8am Mammoth Union Bank. Info Sherry (hikerlady@verizon.net).

August 28: Gull Lake Trail. Short 2 mi loop trail, dogs ok, Meet 5:30pm Mammoth Union Bank, Info Jean dillinghamjean@gmail.com.

Upcoming & On-Going Events...

- NOW OPEN Whitmore Pool
- NOW OPEN Mammoth RecZone: Friday – Sunday
- NOW OPEN Swim Lessons at the Whitmore Pool
- ON-GOING Adult Men’s and Coed Softball at Shady Rest Park
- ON-GOING Drop-in Tennis Lessons at Community Center Tennis Courts
- ON-GOING Adult Soccer League at Whitmore
- **July is National Park and Recreation Month!**
- Aug 5 Husky Prep Tennis Camp
- Aug 5 Drop-in Tennis Lessons at Community Center Tennis Courts
- Aug 6 Wave Rave Concrete Kommandos
- Aug 7 Drop-in Tennis Lessons at Community Center Tennis Courts
- Aug 11 Wilderness Camp
- Aug 11 Tetra Brazil Advanced Soccer Camp
- Aug 11 Showboat Youtheatre: “Free to be a family” and “Mama Mia”
- Aug 12 Husky Prep Tennis Camp
- Aug 12 Drop-in Tennis Lessons at Community Center Tennis Courts
- Aug 14 Drop-in Tennis Lessons at Community Center Tennis Courts
- Aug 15 Youth Gymnastics Camp
- Aug 18 Youth Climbing Camp
- Aug 19 Drop-in Tennis Lessons at Community Center Tennis Courts
- Aug 21 Drop-in Tennis Lessons at Community Center Tennis Courts
- Aug 23 Whitmore Pool closes for Recreation Swimming – open for lap swim through Sept. 5
- Aug 26 Drop-in Tennis Lessons at Community Center Tennis Courts
- Aug 28 Drop-in Tennis Lessons at Community Center Tennis Courts
- Sept 2 Drop-in Tennis Lessons at Community Center Tennis Courts
- Sept 3 Adult Coed Dodgeball begins at the Mammoth RecZone
- Sept 4 Drop-in Tennis Lessons at Community Center Tennis Courts
- Sept 9 Drop-in Tennis Lessons at Community Center Tennis Courts
- Sept 11 Drop-in Tennis Lessons at Community Center Tennis Courts
- Sept 21 Mammoth RecZone Closing Day
- Oct. 24 Halloween Skate Party at the Mammoth RecZone
- Nov. 28 Mammoth Ice Rink scheduled Opening Day
- Dec. 5 Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony