

Fort Fairfield Recreation and Parks Happenings

8-22-16

Pee Wee Soccer-The program is for boys and girls entering grades 2-3 this school year. The emphasis is on skill development, sportsmanship, exercise, and having fun. Pee wee soccer will be held on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 3:00-4:15pm on the small soccer field located in front of the elementary school beginning September 1. Participants in the program will meet each day after school in the cafeteria before proceeding to the field. Please bring shin guards (we provide some if you do not have any), proper foot wear, and proper clothing (mouth guards are optional). Volunteers are welcome to assist with the program. Parents are responsible for arranging transportation each day after soccer at 4:15pm. There is no cost to participate. Registration forms are available on line, at school, or at the town office. For more information, please call 472-3882.

Youth Soccer-Youth soccer is for boys and girls entering grades 4-6 this school year. The program will be held on Monday and Wednesday afternoons from 3:00-4:30pm beginning on August 31. Parents are responsible for arranging transportation each day after soccer at 4:30pm. Volunteers are welcome to assist with the program. There is no cost to participate. Players will meet in the elementary school cafeteria each day after school before going to the field. Be sure to bring shin guards (if you have them), proper foot wear, appropriate clothing for the weather, and mouth guards (optional). If there are a sufficient number of players who sign up for the program, we may organize a league consisting of teams that will play scheduled games. There is also an opportunity for players in this program to participate on our grade 4-6 travel soccer team that will practice Friday afternoons from 3:00-4:30pm beginning on Sept. 2. The travel team plays in "Aroostook County Round Robin Soccer Tournaments" on Saturdays beginning Sept. 10 in Van Buren and ending with the County Championship on Oct. 8 in Presque Isle. Registration forms are available on line, at school, or at the town office. For more information, please call 472-3882.

Co-ed Volleyball-Co-ed volleyball for ages 16 and over will be held at the Fort Fairfield Community Center on Sunday evenings from 6-8pm tentatively beginning on October 30 and continuing through the end of April 2016. The program is informal with teams being selected each night from all those in attendance. There is no charge to participate so be sure to thank Rob for volunteering his time again this year to run the program.

Indoor Walking/Exercise-The community center gymnasium is open to the public for walking/exercise Monday through Friday from 6:00am-12:00 noon (except holidays). The hours are subject to change and will be posted accordingly. There is no charge to use the facility for this activity.

Adult Basketball-The community center will be open for adult basketball on Monday and Thursday evenings from 6:30-8:30pm starting on Thursday, October 27. Play is informal with teams being selected each night from all those in attendance. If there is sufficient interest amongst all players, we will organize a league and have scheduled games for each team.

Open Gymnasium-The community center will be open for after school free play basketball tentatively beginning on Monday, October 24. The hours for free play (open gym) basketball will be: Monday-Friday from 2:45-5:00pm; Friday and Saturday evenings from 6:00-8:30pm; and Saturday and Sunday afternoons from 1:00-4:00pm. Open gym will not be held whenever there is a varsity boys or girls basketball game scheduled to take place at the same time. All participants are reminded that street sneakers and shoes are not allowed on the gym floor. Open gym hours are subject to change once the school and recreation basketball seasons begin in November.

Fall Foliage Luncheon-There will be a fall foliage luncheon excursion to the Lakeview Restaurant in St. Agatha on Thursday, October 6 for all senior citizens and their guests. The tour bus will depart from the Knights of Columbus Hall in Fort Fairfield at 10:00am and will return at approximately 2:30pm. There is no charge for the bus transportation but all participants are responsible for the cost of their own lunch. Pre-registration is required for all participants. To register, please contact Gerald at 472-4001.

Goughan Farm Adventure-On Tuesday, October 4 the parks and recreation department is conducting a field trip to the Goughan Farm for a fun afternoon of activity and adventure. The trip includes: transportation to and from the farm, a group hay ride, exploration of the corn maze, homemade ice cream, and a take-home pumpkin, all for just \$6 per person. For an additional \$2.50 you can play 9 holes of mini golf, or for an extra \$5 you can play the entire 18 hole course before leaving the farm. The bus will depart from the community center at 12:00 noon and return at approximately 3:30pm. In order to participate on the trip, you must be at least 10 years of age or be accompanied by a responsible chaperone.

Swimming Pool Closed-The Fort Fairfield Municipal Swimming Pool is officially closed as of August 24. A big thank you to all the pool staff this summer who helped teach swim lessons to more than 140 youngsters while also monitoring the pool for free swimming for over 40 hours a week during the ten weeks that the pool was open this summer.

New Programs or Activities- If you have an idea or an interest in a new program or activity that is not already available in our community, please contact the parks and recreation department to discuss the possibility.

Please Return Uniforms-A reminder to all that the parks and recreation department is still missing several uniforms that have not yet been returned by participants from programs and activities held this past year. If you have any uniforms that belong to the parks and recreation department, please return them to the Fort Fairfield Town Office or the Recreation and Parks Department office at the community center. In order for us to continue providing youth activities at little or no cost to the children of Fort Fairfield, we rely on these uniforms being returned in a timely manner after each sports season. Thank You!