

Director's Report – RAB 5/8/17

Youth Sports - T-Ball and softball are underway – the season will extend through early June. The 4-6 team will end the season by competing in the Carroll County Recreation Department's Youth Softball Tournament in Tamworth on Saturday June 3rd.

Track and Field starts May 23rd. We are taking registrations now for the program. Our Track and Field team will participate in 3 local meets – in Moultonborough, Wolfeboro and Meredith. The local meets have 8 teams competing. The runners, jumpers and throwers then have the opportunity to participate in the Regional Granite State Track and Field Meet with many more towns participating. The Regional meet we compete in will either be in Rochester or Dover on Saturday June 17th. Those athletes that finish in 1-4 place at one of two regional meets move on to compete at the State Meet to be held in Pelham this year on Friday June 24th.

Special Events – The Sunset Hike, held in conjunction with the Castle in the Clouds, will be held this coming Friday, May 12th at 7:00 PM at the Castle.

States Landing Clean Up – Green Up Day will be held on Saturday June 13th beginning at 10:00 AM at States Landing. We will be installing a horseshoe pit as well as cleaning up around the area. A barbecue lunch will be prepared by Town Officials will be held after the work is completed. During lunch there will also be a presentation/update on the progress of the States Landing project and status on milfoil in the area.

40th Anniversary Celebration of the Park – July 15th (Rain date July 16th)

Trips – Our next trip to the USS Constitution historical area in Boston is on Monday May 15th (I'd given the wrong date in the last report). We are partnering with Belmont Parks and Recreation for that trip.

On Friday July 21st will be our, ever popular, trip to the Cabbage Island Clambakes and Boothbay Harbor in Maine.

Red Sox (Adults and Families) – We have teamed up with Meredith Parks and Recreation to offer a trip to see the Boston Red Sox take on the KC Royals at Fenway Parks (7:10 game) on Friday July 28th.

A representative from the Indian Head Resort in Lincoln met with Donna Tatro, Bonnie Donahue (representing the RAB) and me on Wednesday April 26th at the Recreation Dept., to tell us about the "parties" (themes, buffet, entertainment etc.) they hold that are geared to a senior population. The trips look great and seem as if they might appeal to a slightly different senior crowd than our current trips. We'll be going up on June 5th to see for ourselves how the events work.

On August 24th we are planning a trip to the Lowell National Historical Park in Lowell, MA. Final details of this trip are still being organized. This will also be a cooperative trip with Belmont.

Adult Programs – The 2017 organizational meeting of the Recreation Department's Adult Softball League will be held on Wednesday May 11th at the Recreation Dept. The League usually gets underway at the end of June. Games are held 2-4 days during the week and the season ends with a Jamboree and Home Run Derby and Ladies' Distance Hit.

The outdoor sessions of Pickle Ball get underway on May 31st and runs 3 days a week.

“Fitness with a Difference” – Low impact fitness will be held on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from June 20-Aug 31 at the Recreation Department

Summer – We are still in the process of hiring summer staff and setting up staff training/orientation schedules. Summer staff (counselors and waterfront) will be attending the “Wink Tapply Playground Leader’s Workshop and Waterfront Training in Franklin on Saturday June 3rd.

The summer brochure is available in hard copy at the Recreation Department, Library, Town Hall and was distributed through the schools. It is also available on line. We have a wide variety of activities for all ages planned.

The summer concert series gets underway on Wednesday June 28th and runs every Wednesday through August 9th at the Lion’s Club gazebo beginning at 6:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted by:

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