

Recreation This Week – July 6, 2023

July is Park and Recreation Month!

- Since 1985, people in the United States have celebrated Park and Recreation Month in July to promote building strong, vibrant and resilient communities through the power of parks and recreation and to recognize the more than 160,000 full-time park and recreation professionals — along with hundreds of thousands of part-time and seasonal workers and volunteers that maintain our country's local, state and community parks.
- This year's theme "Where Community Grows" celebrates the vital role park and recreation professionals play in bringing people together, providing essential services and fostering the growth of our communities.
- Town Council is scheduled to adopt a Proclamation declaring July as Park and Recreation Month in the Town of Mammoth Lakes.
- The Town of Mammoth Lakes Parks and Recreation Department is leading initiatives and providing opportunities for people of all ages, abilities and identities to achieve healthier lifestyles, promote and understand nature and environmental resilience, as well as bringing the community closer through a variety of programs and services. This July, join us for FREE swim days every Sunday at the Whitmore Pool, the annual beach volleyball tournament at Shady Rest Park on July 29, the Men's and Coed Softball tournament at Shady Rest Park and register for any of our signature or contracted parks and recreation summer camps.
- Learn more about Park and Recreation Month and the schedule of activities and events: <https://www.townofmammothlakes.ca.gov/764/Park-and-Recreation-Month>

Park and Recreation Facilities Update

- Parks and Facilities currently open include: [Whitmore Pool](#) (lap swim and public swim/lessons), Whitmore Recreation Area (all ball fields and the Synthetic Sports Field & Track), Shady Rest Park (playground, restrooms, ball fields, soccer fields and DiscGolfPark®), Volcom Brothers Skatepark & Little Brothers Skatepark, Trails End Park, Mammoth Creek East restrooms, Community Center Tennis Courts 1-4, Pickleball Court (Court 1), restrooms and playground.
- Click [here](#) to view the updated status of Town parks, trails, and facilities.

Summer Camps

- Check out the camp flyers on the [website](#) for more detailed itineraries and [register online](#) or contact the Parks and Recreation Team at (760) 965-3690 for assistance.
- **PLEASE NOTE: SUMMER CAMP CHECK-IN FOR ALL CAMPS IS AT SHADY REST PARK - NOT AT THE MAMMOTH RECZONE (CRC)**

SUMMER CAMPS WITH AVAILABILITY:

- 3rd- 5th - Grade Gymnastics, July 31
- 3rd - 5th - Camp Mammoth, August 14
- 6th - 8th - Skateboard Camp, August 9
- 5-14 year old - Youth Theatre, July 31

Summer Adult Programs – Programs Underway!

- The Annual Beach Volleyball Tournament at Shady Rest Park is on July 29. [Register online!](#)
- Lap Swim at Whitmore Pool NOW OPEN (Mon-Fri: 6:30-8:30am, Mon/Wed/Fri: 5:30-7:30pm)
- [Buy a Pool Membership or Punch Pass online!](#)

- Mammoth Lakes Slow Pitch Softball Tournaments organized by [USSSA](#) (July 14-16 & 21-23)
- The Adult Kickball League is now scheduled to start on Sunday, July 30!

Community Recreation Center Update

- Crews are starting work on drywalling the Zamboni and storage rooms.
- Work on installing the framing for our windows on the south side of the rink is underway.
- Our chiller at our outdoor facility has been removed from the site.
- We are looking forward to opening the Mammoth RecZone this summer and LA Kings Ice at Mammoth Lakes for the 2023/2024 winter season. The town appreciates the community's patience and support as we work to grow recreation opportunities for our community.

Work for Parks and Rec!

Parks and Recreation is currently recruiting for awesome people to join our team:

- Temporary Parks Maintenance Worker
- Recreation Coordinator (Adult Leagues – Softball and Kickball)
- Recreation Intern (Summer Camps)
- To be considered for an open recruitment, all applicants must submit an [online application](#).

Recreate Safely in Mammoth Lakes!

- The historic snowpack bringing record runoff to the Eastern Sierra. Be aware that waterways are running full, cold, and fast so please recreate safely around streams, lakes, and waterways!
- Not only are area waterways unsafe for fishing, boating, and swimming, but their surrounding banks are dangerously unstable as the water eats away at them. Hidden subsurface hazards like rocks and tree limbs can be deadly.
- Keep a safe distance from fast-moving water this spring and summer. DO NOT attempt to bypass closures to access areas that have been blocked for your safety.
- Never leave children and pets unattended around fast-moving water. DO NOT let them play in the currents, not only in the area of creeks and rivers, but also near culverts and storm drains.
- Please obey posted closure signs, stay away from unstable banks, and avoid unnecessary risks. Check the conditions and know before you go.
- Please prepare your home and business to ward against flood risks and fast-moving water.
- USFS has launched an Inciweb page specifically for updates regarding flooding impacts, road damage, and weather alerts: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/.../cainf-inyo-national...>
- Property owners can collect sandbags from the Town Yard – [299 Commerce Drive](#).

Lakes Basin Update

- The USFS announced that the Twin Lakes campgrounds are scheduled to open to the public on Friday, July 14, 2023 with the remainder of the campgrounds anticipated to open on **Friday, July 21, 2023**.
- At this time, the U.S. Forest Service - Inyo National Forest has not established an opening date for public vehicle access in and around the Lakes Basin.
- Lake Mary Road opened to pedestrian access ONLY at 7 AM on Wednesday, June 21.
- ESTA is currently operating 2 trolley's in the Lakes Basin daily between 9am – 5:30pm.
 - Route 1: From the Village to Twin Lakes out and back. The route will run from the usual stop in The Village by the Westin stairs to the parking lot/bus shelter at Twin Lakes.
 - Route 2: This route will run from just inside the gate into the Lakes Basin. Left at Pokonobe Lodge and around Lake Mary loop road returning to the gate.
- Please be aware, that there will be limited bike capacity - no bike trailers at this time.



- Well-behaved pets that are muzzled and leashed, or in a carrier are welcome aboard shuttles.
- Additional information: <https://www.estransit.com/>
- The Town will provide regular updates via Facebook and Instagram to the public regarding the opening of the Lakes Basin.

Mammoth Mountain Update

Expected [Lift Operations](#) from Friday, July 7– Friday, July 14

- Chairs: 1, 2, 3, 6, 11, 23 and Panorama Gondola 1&2 (Wind & weather permitting).
- The last scenic ride up to the top station is a 3:45pm, loading from the bottom station and for a ride around only which guests may not get out of the cabin. Last ride down from the top is at 4pm.
- Road Runner is closed for the season and there is no easy way to ski or ride down from the summit.
- Hours of Operation for skiing and riding: 7:30am-12pm.
- There are no afternoon tickets available for purchase.
- Lifts and terrain subject to change due to recent warm temperatures. Check MammothMountain.com for daily operations updates.

Hours of Operation for [Food & Beverage](#) locations:

- Broadway Marketplace: 7AM-1:30pm daily
- Chip Shot Café: 7am-3pm
- Daily Grind in Juniper Springs: 7-11am daily
- Lakefront: 5-9pm daily
- McCoy Express, Marketplace, Steeps Bar & Eleven53 Café: 10:30am-2pm
- The Mill: 8am-1:30pm daily
- Mountainside Bar & Grill: 7-10am, 11am-4pm & 5-9pm daily
- Sierra General Store in MMI: 7am-8pm daily
- Tusks Bar: 9am-1:30pm daily
- Yama Ramen & Vulcania: 4-9pm daily
- The Yodler: 11am-5pm daily

Summer Activities:

- The [Bike Park](#) is open for the season with limited trail access. For access to the Bike Park, you can catch the Bike Park shuttle on Canyon Blvd. from 9AM-5:30pm daily. All Bike Park guests must have a Bike Park ticket in order to ride on the bus. The lower section of Big Ring is now open.
- [Bike Rentals](#) are available at the Mountain Center from 9AM-5PM daily.
- The [Sierra Star Golf Course](#) is open for the season. Call (760) 924.GOLF to book your tee time.
- The [Adventure Center](#) at Main Lodge is open with the Ropes Course, Rock Wall, Archery, Junior Zip and Woolly's Mining. Hours of operation are 10AM-5PM.
- [Camp High Sierra](#) is open for the season. For all reservations to Camp High Sierra, please call 800.Mammoth.
- [Tamarack Bike and Paddle](#) rentals are available 9AM-5PM daily.

Weekend Activities:

- [Party on the Mountain](#) will be jamming at June Mountain this Saturday, July 8 from 3-8:30PM. Tickets are available at any ticket window, online or by calling 800.Mammoth.
- Additional information: <https://www.mammothmountain.com/>



Special Events

- July 7-8: Giddy-Up Country Music
- July 14-15: Mammoth JazzFest
- July 21-23: Mammoth Reggae Festival
- July 28-29: Mammoth VillageFest
- [Click here](#) to view the Mammoth Lakes Events Calendar.