

## Recreation This Week – July 20, 2023

### **Keep getting all the news – Recreation this Week is moving!**

- Recreation This Week will be migrating to a new format. If you want to continue to receive community recreation news, activities and events directly to your inbox, you must create a Profile on [DaySmart](#), our new online Reservation Platform.
- If you already have a profile you are good to go!
- Don't miss a week – [click here](#) to create your personal profile.

### **July is Park and Recreation Month!**

- On July 12, Town Council adopted a Proclamation declaring July as Park and Recreation Month in the Town of Mammoth Lakes.
- 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.
- This July, join us for FREE swim Sunday at the Whitmore Pool, the annual beach volleyball tournament at Shady Rest Park on July 29 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:**

- July 24-28: Aquatics Camp for 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade
- July 26-28: Skateboard Camp for 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade
- July 31-Aug 4: Gymnastics Camp for 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade
- July 31-Aug 12: Youth Theatre for 5-14 years old
- August 9-11: Skateboard Camp for 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade

### **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 Coed Slow Pitch Softball Tournament organized by [USSSA](#) on July 21-23.

- The Adult Kickball League is now scheduled to start on Sunday, July 30!

### **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](#).

### **Community Recreation**

- [Mammoth Lakes Repertory Theatre](#) presents ‘Barbara Brownell in Finding My Light’ this Sunday, July 23 at 4pm at the Edison Theatre. A must-see, one-woman show, for one day only. For more information, and to purchase tickets, please click [here](#).
- [Register](#) for the FREE Mammoth Summer Fun 5K at 6pm on Tuesday, August 1 at Shady Rest Park followed by “Tuesday Talks in the Park” proudly hosted by the ASICS Mammoth Track Club.
- There is still some availability in Mono Arts Council’s theatre and art camps. For further information, and to register, please click [here](#).
- [Register](#) for the Crowley Lake Fun Run on September 24. All proceeds benefit the local community with active classes, special workshops, and neighborhood improvements.
- [Registration](#) for AYSO Fall Soccer U8-U14 closed on July 15.
- [Registration](#) for AYSO Fall Soccer U5 & U6 closes on August 26.
- Eastern Sierra Interpretative Association offers year-round interpretive walks, hikes, and talks. This summer’s offerings include Mono Lakes Bird Walks, Panum Crater Tours, Wildflower Walks and Summer Evening Naturalist Talks. For more information, [please click here](#).
- Mammoth Youth Hockey registration is OPEN for the 2023-24 season. Register before August 15 and receive a 10% early bird discount. For more information, or to register, please [click here](#).

### **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.nwccg.gov/.../cainf-inyo-national...>

### **Reds Meadow Road Opens Friday, July 21**

- Inyo National Forest will open Reds Meadow Road from Minaret Vista to the public tomorrow, July 21 at 8:00am, pending any unforeseen circumstances while clearing hazard trees along the road and in parking lots, while conducting minor pothole repairs on the road.

- No services are available at the [Devils Postpile National Monument](#) (Monument). In order to protect public health, water quality, and other park resources, sanitation facilities must be available before the Monument can open. Plan your trip accordingly and be sure to [Leave No Trace](#).
- There is no water or food available in Reds Meadow Valley except at Reds Meadow Resort.
- Visitors are required to use the mandatory shuttle service provided by the [Eastern Sierra Transit Authority \(ESTA\)](#). There will be no bus service to ESTA stop #6 (see [Reds Meadow Shuttle Map](#)).
- Vehicles arriving before 7:00 a.m. or after 7:00 p.m. or any other time when the shuttle buses are not operating are subject to the entrance fee upon exit.
- Access to Rainbow Falls is only available from the [Rainbow Falls Trailhead](#) (stop #9).
- Forest campgrounds will not be ready for opening for another two weeks. The Monument's campground will also remain closed.
- Hazard tree abatement work will continue along Reds Meadow Road, so expect delays. More information will be forthcoming regarding partial and full road closures as a result of the planned reconstruction project.
- Temperatures are forecasted to be hot this weekend in the valley. Please prevent an unnecessary Search-and-Rescue mission: stay hydrated and wear sun protection. Please call 911 if you need assistance.
- Visit the Inyo National Forest website for more information: [www.fs.usda.gov/inyo/](http://www.fs.usda.gov/inyo/)

### ***Tioga Road OPENS Saturday, July 22***

- Tioga Road (continuation of Highway 120 through the [Yosemite National Park](#)) will open to vehicles on Saturday, July 22, at 8:00am. Tioga Road has some damage, so watch for one-lane sections, with delays up to 15 minutes just east of Olmsted Point.
- There is no estimate when Tamarack Flat or Porcupine Flat Campgrounds will open. Other campgrounds on Tioga Road will not open this year.
- The Tuolumne Meadows Wilderness Center will be open (8:00am to 5:00pm) and a general information desk near the visitor center will be open from 9:00am to 5:00pm.

### ***Lakes Basin Update***

- The Lakes Basin opened for full public access, including vehicles on July 14.
- Coldwater, Lake Mary, and Lake George campgrounds will open Friday, July 21. Pine City campground is delayed. The Twin Lake campgrounds opened on July 14.
- Parking is extremely limited – take the FREE [Orange Line](#). Well-behaved pets that are muzzled and leashed, or in a carrier are welcome aboard shuttles.
- Please be aware that hazard tree mitigation will be occurring along the paths and roadway. Please follow directions from Trail Hosts, adhere to public informational signs and be prepared for temporary traffic stops.

### ***Mammoth Mountain Update***

#### **Expected [Lift Operations](#) from Friday, July 21– Friday, July 28**

- Chairs: 1, 3, 23 and Panorama Gondola 1&2 (Wind & weather permitting).
- Hours of Operation for skiing and riding: 7:30AM-12PM.
- Last day for skiing and riding is August 6.
- 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.
- Lifts and terrain subject to change due to recent warm temperatures. Check [MammothMountain.com](http://MammothMountain.com) for daily operations updates.

#### **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.
- Gopher Trail, Juniper and Timber Ridge will open for the season on 7/22.
- [Bike Rentals](#) are available at Main Lodge and the Mountain Center from 9AM-6PM daily.
- Sierra Eastside Mountain Bike Association (SEMBA) presents the Mammoth 50K MTB PedalPalooza on 8/19. Sign up [here](#) before spaces fill up.
- 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. The STACYC pump track opens for the season on 7/22. 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.
- In case you missed last Party on the Mountain, you have another chance to jam at June Mountain on Saturday 7/29 from 3-8:30PM. Purchase your tickets in advance [here](#).

#### **Special Events**

- July 19-30: Unbound Chamber Music Festival
- July 21-23: Mammoth Reggae Festival
- July 28-29: Mammoth VillageFest
- July 28-30: Mammoth Lakes Open Air Arts & Crafts Fair
- July 29: Annual Kids Fishing Festival at the Snowcreek Ponds
- July 30: MLFD Firefighters Picnic at Shady Rest Park
- August 3-6: Mammoth Festival of Beers and Bluesapalooza
- August 11-12: Mammoth Margarita Festival
- August 17 – Sept. 3: Mammoth Shakespeare Festival at The Woodsite
- August 19: Mammoth Wine Walk
- August 25-26: Mammoth Rocks
- August 26: Wave Rave Skate Contest
- Sept. 1-3: Mammoth Rock n Rye
- [Click here](#) to view the Mammoth Lakes Events Calendar.