

PROGRAMMING NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2023

8TH ANNUAL CARPENTER CLASSIC

Monday, October 2

Held at Trillium Links and Lake Club

Registration starts at 10am and shotgun start at 11am

4-person Captain's choice format

\$500 per team

Special Olympics All proceeds go directly to Jackson County Special Olympics.

WALKTOBER - OCTOBER 1-31

Walking provides countless health benefits. And what better month to spend more time outdoors in WNC than October?

Register by October 5.

Email: jeniferpressley@jacksonnc.org. Set a daily step or mileage goal for yourself to work toward, keep track on the sheet that will be provided, and at the end of the month, you will earn a t-shirt.

This program is only open to Recreation Center members.

FUTSAL PICK UP NIGHTS - for ages 14+

Thursday nights at the Cullowhee Recreation Center

Ends October 12

6:30-9:00pm......\$3.00 per person/night





TREAT STREET/PUMPKIN PATCH

Tuesday, October 31 from 5-7pm

Pumpkin Patch will be held at Bridge Park. Downtown businesses will also be open for trick-or-treaters.



RALPH J. ANDREWS CAMPGROUND

Closing for the season on Sunday, October 15.





Registration: October 2-20 (starts at 9:00am)

FEE: \$30.00

3 year olds - 3:00-3:45pm 4-6 year olds - 4:00-4:45pm

Classes will be held Tuesdays OR Thursdays at the Recreation Center in Cullowhee starting the week of October 24.

Limited to the first 8 to register

NOVEMBER

YOUTH BASKETBALL PRACTICES/GAMES

Beginning November 6 the basketball courts at the Cullowhee Recreation Center will be closed Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday nights from 5pm-close.

Starting December 2 they will be closed on Saturdays from 8am-4pm for games.

YOUTH BASKETBALL OFFICIALS NEEDED!!!

Contact: Andrew Sherling at 828-293-3053 or Anna Taylor at 828-631-2020 for more information.



PICKLEBALL PLAY

First Methodist Church in Sylva \$1.00 each time you play at the church ONLY Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday 12:30-2:30pm for Intermediate/Advanced players Mark Watson Park in Sylva (FREE)

Monday, Wednesday & Friday 8:30-11:30am for Beginner/ Intermediate players



DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5





FACILITY CLOSURES:

Friday, November 10 - Closed for VETERANS DAY Thursday, November 23 - Closed for THANKSGIVING Friday, November 24 - Open 10:00am - 2:00pm Saturday - Monday, December 23-25 - Closed for CHRISTMAS Tuesday & Wednesday, December 26 & 27 - Open 10:00am-2:00pm

DECEMBER

CHRISTMAS EVENTS



SANTA'S COMING TO TOWN

Sunday, December 3

1:30-3:30pm

Held at the Cullowhee Recreation Center

FREE for everyone

Come meet Santa, take a picture with him, and don't forget your wish list to put in Santa's mailbox.

GINGERBREAD HOUSE CONTEST AND MORE

Registration: November 1 - 30

FREE - must pre-register at www.rec.jacksonnc.org

Houses due December 8 from 6:30-7:30pm at the Cullowhee Recreation Center



We will have cookie decorating, hot chocolate, and refreshments that night!!!

For more information contact Joe Lyon: 828-293-3053 x4.

NOTE FROM OUR DIRECTOR, RUSTY ELLIS:

Many of you are already aware, but I am retiring as Director of the Jackson County Parks and Recreation Department. I started working for the Recreation Department as Youth Athletic Director in November 1996. In 1999 I was hired as the Assistant Director. After the retirement of our former director, I was hired as Director in 2013. Over my 27 years of employment, I have been lucky to work with a lot of great staff, made a lot of friends, witnessed and been part of building many news parks, a great greenway and recently our new Aquatics Facility, which is set to open in late spring 2024. My last day working for the county will be December 29. Thank you to Jeff Carpenter for me giving me this opportunity back in 1996 and helping me grow as a professional as well as all the support I have received from all Jackson County residents over the years. I know that I am leaving this department in good hands and look forward to seeing this Department grow even more. Thank you again Jackson County residents for making these 27 years working at the Recreation Department something special. All will be truly missed. I will be back to swim in the new Aquatics Facility!!!

DECEMBER 1-31:

MEMBERSHIP PROMOTION

25% off ALL memberships during the entire month of December.

PERSONAL TRAINING SPECIAL Buy 10 sessions and get 1 FREE (\$55 value) Limited to 2 packages per person

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We will not be holding the annual Run-In 5k in 2024. We appreciate the support of the event over the years.

