

2024



**JACKSON COUNTY**  
PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

APRIL

# Programming Newsletter



## GREENING UP THE MOUNTAINS 5K RUN & WALK

Date: Saturday, April 27

Race starts at 9am at Mark Watson Park

Fee: \$20/ \$25 race day - starts at 8am

Pre-register now at: <https://runsignup.com/Race/NC/Sylva/GreeningUptheMountains>

## JACKSON COUNTY BIKE RODEO (FREE EVENT)

Sunday, April 28 from 2-5pm

Free event for all ages

At Cullowhee Valley School

Enter a raffle to win a bike!!

Free helmets and helmet fitting

Other activities include: bike maintenance, bike rides, and obstacle course.

Kona Ice and Hit the Pit BBQ will also be there.



## SPRING GOLF LEAGUE

Starts April 23 at 5:30pm at Smoky Mountain Country Club

Fee: \$10 to enter & \$25 each week

League is every Tuesday for 8 weeks

Play 9 holes each week



## Special Olympics

### SPRING GAMES

Friday, April 26 starting at 10:00am at Smoky Mountain High School football field

RAINDATE: Friday, May 10 at the same time

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!

### YOUNG ATHLETES

Wednesday, April 24 starting at 9:30am at the Recreation Park in Cullowhee



## SOUND BATH MEDITATION

Saturday, April 6 or April 20

2:00-3:15pm

Fee: \$35 per session



## CPR/ AED CLASS

Sunday, April 21

3-5pm at the Cullowhee Recreation Center

Registration start April 1

\$35 payable by check day of the class

## RALPH J. ANDREWS CAMPGROUND

Will open for the season on Monday, April 29.

For questions or to make a reservation call:

828-743-3923



## BEGINNER PICKLEBALL CLINICS

Monday & Wednesday, May 13, 15, 20, 22  
(Raindates are Friday, May 17, 24)

10:30am-12:00pm

FREE, but pre-registration is required. Register online at [www.rec.jacksonnc.org](http://www.rec.jacksonnc.org). Limited to 16.

Learn the rules, techniques and fundamentals - Drills and game play each day

Equipment is provided. Bring your paddle, if you have one.



## PICKLEBALL INJURY PREVENTION & RECOVERY

Thursday, May 9 at 12:00pm

Cullowhee Recreation Center meeting room

Free, but must register at [jcprd.recdesk.com](http://jcprd.recdesk.com)

## SANDLOT

Registration: May 1 - 31

Fee: \$25

Ages: MUST be 5 years old by May 1, 2024; cannot turn 7 before May 1, 2024

6:00-7:00pm beginning week of June 3 for four weeks

Days: Mondays at Mark Watson Park OR Wednesdays at the Recreation Park in Cullowhee



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## ADULT SOCCER 6v6 LEAGUE

Thursday nights starting May 23

Registration: April 10 - May 10

Fee: \$125 per team + \$15 CASH each week

Games begin at 6:30pm

Must be 14 years old or older **AND** in high school

## YOUTH FLAG FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Registration: April 15 - May 15

Fee: \$45

For boys and girls in grades 1st - 6th

Tuesday and Thursday nights at the Recreation Park in Cullowhee beginning June 4

COACHES NEEDED!!! Contact Joe Lyon at 828-293-3053 x4 or [joelyon@jacksonnc.org](mailto:joelyon@jacksonnc.org)



## YOUTH FLAG FOOTBALL CLINICS

Registration: March 27 - April 28

Fee: \$30

Ages: 1st - 2nd grade - May 6, 7, & 9

3rd - 4th grade - May 13, 14, & 16

5th - 6th grade - May 20, 21, & 23

Time: 5:30-6:30pm each day

Limited to 12 participants in each group

## YOUTH TENNIS LESSONS

Registration: April 15 - 30

Fee: \$45

For anyone in grades 1st - 6th

Lessons begin Saturday, May 4 at Mark Watson Park and will last 6 weeks



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**PICKLEBALL OPEN PLAY**



**CULLOWHEE RECREATION CENTER**

Thursday from 9am-12pm - All Levels

Friday -

9am-12pm for Recreational and Intermediate players

12-3pm for Competitive players

Drills will be from 8-9am both days

Fee: facility day pass fee or membership is required

**FIRST METHODIST CHURCH in Sylva**

Tuesday - Thursday from 12:30-2:30pm

Tuesday & Thursday - Competitive players

Wed - Recreational and Intermediate players

Fee: \$1 each time you play

**MARK WATSON PARK**

Monday, Wednesday & Friday  
from 8-10:30am

For ALL LEVELS

Fee: FREE



**KIDS LEARN TO FISH**

Saturday, June 1

Registration is in May

FREE

9am - 2pm at the Recrea-  
tion Park in Cullowhee

For ages 7 - 13 (parent must be present  
for the entire event)

Limited to the first 40 to register

Lunch is provided.



**COMING IN AUGUST..... MLB TRIP:**

**Atlanta Braves vs. Miami Marlins**

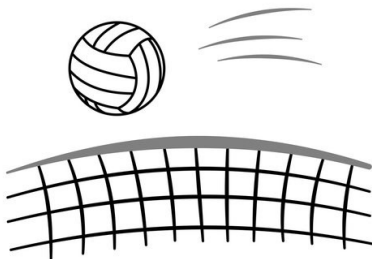
Sunday, August 4

Registration starts April 1.

Fee: \$85 - includes ticket,  
transportation, concession  
voucher, and parking.

Game time is 1:30pm

Will leave from the Cullowhee Recreation  
Center at 9:00am.



**ADULT CO-REC VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE**

Registration: June 1-29

Fee: \$275 per team

Games on Tuesday nights in July and August at  
the Cullowhee Recreation Center



**THE SYLVA POOL IS TENTATIVELY  
SCHEDULED TO OPEN AROUND  
MEMORIAL DAY. MORE  
INFORMATION TO COME LATER.**

**FACILITY CLOSURES**

Monday, May 27 for  
MEMORIAL DAY



*For more information call one of our  
Recreation Centers:  
Cashiers/Glenville 631-2020 OR  
Cullowhee 293-3053*



# OUTDOOR PROGRAMS

## HIKES - fee for each hike is \$7

April 10 at 9am in Panthertown - Meet at the Cullowhee Recreation Center

This is a difficult 10 mile hike

For ages 10 & Up (Children 10-17 must be accompanied by adult) - LIMITED to 6 people

May 14 at 10:30am to Fork Ridge Meadows - Meet at the Cullowhee Recreation Center

This is an easy 3 mile hike

For ages 10 & Up (Children 10-17 must be accompanied by adult) - LIMITED to 6 people



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## FAMILY CAMPOUTS at Ralph J. Andrews Campground



Dates: Friday, May 10 and June 7 starting at 5pm

Fee: \$85 per family of 4 (\$15 for additional participants) - fee includes dinner and breakfast

Equipment is available to rent.

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## KAYAK - Shook Cove to East LaPorte (5.2 miles)

May 31 at 10am - meet at Cullowhee Recreation Center

Fee: \$30 adults/ \$20 youth

Equipment is provided



## WHITEWATER RAFTING with Dillsboro River Company

Dates: June 14 & 21 starting at 1pm - meet at DRC

Fee: \$40 adults/ \$30 youth 12 and under

4 year olds or 40 pounds is the minimum.



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## BATTLESHIP CANOES at the Sylva Pool

Date: June 17 at 6pm

Fee: \$5 per person

Teams of 4 (minimum age is 10 year olds)

Equipment is provided



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## ADVENTURE CAMP

Dates: June 24-28 from 8am-5pm

Drop-off 8-8:30am/ Pick-up 4:30-5pm

Fee: \$250 per person

For ages 10-14 years old



**Camp activities include:** white water rafting, archery, canoeing, fishing, hiking, indoor rock climbing, ropes and knot tying, map and compass, Leave No Trace principles and more.