



RECREATION DEPARTMENT

MONTHLY REPORT

MAY 2020

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PROGRAMS AND CLASSES

Cardio Room

The Cardio Room will open Monday, June 1 from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Only two (2) or three (3) participants will be allowed in the room at one time. Equipment is limited and every other machine has been labeled Do Not Use to allow for adequate social distancing. Equipment will be cleaned by staff every hour on the hour. Disinfectant spray, wipes and hand sanitizer are available for all participants.

Isle of Palms Farmer's Market

The City of Isle of Palms and the Recreation Department are planning to hold the Farmer's Market this summer. The market is scheduled for Wednesdays 3:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. on July 8 through August 26. The Farmer's Market webpage and Facebook page have been updated with information for vendors and food truck participants. All previous participants have been notified about the upcoming market. The Recreation Department continues to follow other area markets to see how they are controlling crowds during the COVID-19 pandemic. Vendors are slowly starting to submit applications.

Saturday Yoga

Jen DeGoyler, Yoga Instructor has been contacted about starting classes Saturday, June 6. Classes may be held outside or inside. Waiting on feedback from the participants. We are also in discussions about evening yoga under the oaks on Wednesdays during the Farmer's Market. Information to be confirmed soon.

Tae Kwon Do

Youth and adult Tae Kwon Do classes will start Saturday, June 6. The youth class will be held from 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. and the adult class 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. The first class will be held outdoors. The gymnasium will accommodate both classes with the recommended 5 people per 1000sq feet. Due to the stress of the pandemic instructor Jack Emmel would like to offer free classes through the month of June to participants.

Tennis Camps

Orange Ball Tennis Camps will be held Monday, June 8 – Thursday, June 11 from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. There are six (6) people registered for the camp. Red Ball Tennis Camp is scheduled for Monday, June 22 – Thursday, June 25 from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.. Currently three (3) people are registered for camp. Tennis camp participants will meet at the tennis courts Monday morning of camp. Campers will bring water bottles, sunscreen, bug spray and a healthy snack. A hand sanitizing station is available at the courts and disinfectant wipes will be available through the tennis instructor if needed. Guidelines will be emailed to parents before the start of camp. All camp payments will be received before the start of camp.

Rising Stars Basketball Camp

Basketball Camp is scheduled for Monday, August 3 – Friday, August 7 from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Currently forty (40) children are registered for basketball camp.

Virtual Recreation

Angela Reinhardt, Pat Boyd and Judy Fischer have been contacted about the possibilities of teaching classes through Zoom. Instructors would like to hold classes a variety of different ways, looking at online, in house and outside.

Community Yard Sale

The Annual Community Yard Sale has been re-scheduled to Saturday, September 19.

Music in the Park

This event was cancelled due to COVID-19

Sand Sculpting Competition

Piccolo Spoleto Sand Sculpting Competition was cancelled due to COVID-19

IOP Beach Run

The IOP Beach Run will be held on Saturday, July 25, 2020 at 8:00 a.m.

Half Rubber Tournament

The Annual Half Rubber Tournament is scheduled for Saturday, August 22, 2020.

Summer Camp

Camp will begin June 15, 2020 and will follow SCRPA, NRPA, CDC, SCDHEC and the Governor's guidelines. This camp will offer island children seven weeks of camp activities in a small group environment. Staff will adhere to the proper wearing of PPE's, Large group games will not be included this year, and field trips will not be a part of the 2020 camp schedule. Along with the distancing plan, summer camp groups will maximize use of the recreation ground space outside as well as indoors for game and activities.

Fall Athletics: Adult Leagues

Registration and team captain meetings will be held in August for All adult athletic leagues that consisted of 3 on 3 Basketball, 6v6 Soccer and Softball.

Employee Safety Training

Recreation staff continue to participate online safety training provided by the Municipal Association of South Carolina.

MUSC Wellness

Staff submitted all the requested documents to MUSC Wellness and walked around the facility during the evaluation. We received the MUSC Back to Business Playbook on Tuesday, May 26 and the facility is ready to re-open.

Building Maintenance, operations and re-opening phases during May

Recreation staff continue to monitor and supervise all open fields, bark park and tennis courts, basketball courts and picnic shelter area with appropriate signage.

Hand Sanitizer is available outside in three (3) locations.

Water fountains continued to be turned off

The playground opened May 31 with appropriate signage.

Monday, June 1 the Recreation Building will open and is available for small exercise classes, cardio room with limited use and Volleyball will be permitted in the gymnasium using the (5 per 1,000 sq. ft.)

Staff have gone through the facility and properly cleaned and disinfected all equipment and furniture for the soft opening on Monday, June 1.

Appropriate disinfectants and cleaning materials are in obvious and available locations for participants using the Cardio room and participating in fitness classes.

Staff is working with Instructors regarding class formats and changes that have taken place, to make sure we are following CDC and DHEC guidelines.

Staff continue to participate in Zoom Meetings with SCRPA Directors and staff, Regional and District Recreation Directors. Staff continue to observe City Council meetings.

Karrie Ferrell is working with the Emergency Management Committee to edit and prepare a citywide Emergency Management Plan that is executable and informative to all departments.

Social Media notification were created and posted on Facebook to indicate the new opening phases, health care reminders and upcoming event notifications.

Phone calls have been received regarding status of Summer Camp, the reopening of the Recreation Center, Cardio room and normal programs and activities.

Staff assisted the Police Department with placing white lines on Palm Boulevard and also marked highly visible 15' buffers around fire hydrants.

Recreation Staff assisted with supervision of Municipal Parking lot two (2) weekends in May.

Isle of Palms Recreation Re-opening update
Friday, May 22, 2020

The Governor's office and Accelerate South Carolina have offered some clarifications to Parks and Recreation operations. In conjunction with these clarifications the Isle of Palms Recreation Department is prepared to:

Open the playground on May 31. Signage will be placed around the playground area advising participants they are using the playground at their own risk.
Playground Mulch will be purchased next week to comply with Playground standards.
NOTE: Without the mulch we cannot open the playground.

Recreation Agencies that rent their buildings are restricted to a capacity of 50. These limitations do not include recreation programming. However we do not anticipate more than fifty (50) participants in the building at any given time until Summer Camp begins in June.

Inside Pickle Ball and Volleyball are permitted if we can handle (5 per 1,000 sq. ft.)
Outdoors Pickle Ball was never shut down by Executive Order so we will continue to allow on the outside courts.

Currently there is NO BASKETBALL. Governor may be loosening up on Indoor Basketball restrictions later in the summer.

Fall Sports – We were told “don't even ask”. Let's see how we do in next month and a half

Summer Day camps there are no ratio/capacity restrictions. SCRPA AND NRPA highly recommend small size groups (approx. 1 to 10), However on Isle of Palms we have always kept a 1:8 ratio between counselor and camper. Next week, after Memorial Day staff will begin purchasing supplies for Summer camp that is scheduled to begin June 15.

Staff will adhere to the proper wearing of PPE's,

