

Fort Fairfield  
Parks and Recreation  
Department  
Summer Program  
2017

**Registration is required for all summer recreation activities and programs!!** *Parents can register their children for summer programs at the Fort Fairfield Swimming Pool on Thursday, June 1 between the hours of 12:00 noon and 7:00pm* (some programs begin earlier and require registration prior to June 1). All program fees are to be paid prior to or at registration on June 1. Those programs that require fees will indicate the fee in the program description. There are a limited number of openings with some programs so please don't hesitate to register. For more information concerning registration for summer programs, please contact the Fort Fairfield Parks and Recreation Department at 472-3882 or call the swimming pool at 472-3883.

**T-BALL BASEBALL** – is for boys and girls ages 6-8 as of May 1, 2017. The program allows players to hit a safety ball off a stationary tee and learn the basic skills of baseball. T-Ball will be offered on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9:30-10:30am beginning on Tuesday, June 27 and ending on Thursday, August 3 at the “Charlie Lockhart Field” located behind FFMHS. There is no fee to participate. In the event of rain, the alternative indoor location for T-ball will be inside at the Elementary School gymnasium, except if it rains on June 27 or 29 which will cause the program to be cancelled for the day.



**MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL** – is for baseball players ages 10-12 as of May 1, 2017. The program starts with a clinic/practice on Monday, May 15 from 6:00-7:30pm at the FFMHS Athletic Complex. This is a “no cut” program in that all who sign up will be placed on a team to play. Each team in the league will play approximately 12 games this summer beginning the week of June 12 and continuing through the end of July, with most games being played at 5:30pm on Mondays and Wednesdays. Team practices are usually held twice a week during the season. Games will be played on a home and away basis against teams from other towns in Central Aroostook County.

**MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL** – is for baseball players ages 8-9 as of May 1, 2017. The program starts with a tryout/practice on Tuesday, May 16 from 6:00-7:30pm at the FFMHS Athletic Complex. Practices will be held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6:00-7:30pm until the games begin the week of June 19 and continue through the end of July. This is a “no cut” program in that all players who sign up to play will be placed on a team for the season. Teams will play approximately 10 games, usually on Tuesdays and/or Thursdays at 5:30pm against other minor league teams from the Central Aroostook County area.

**YOUTH ALL-STAR BASEBALL** – is for baseball players age 10-12 (age as of May 1, 2017) who are participating in the major league baseball program during the current season. Practices for the all-star team will begin in late June. Major league coaches will inform their players of the exact starting day and time for all-star practices. The all-star team will play games against other teams from Aroostook County and will participate in the County Youth Baseball Tournament to be held Caribou on July 24 & 26. The team will also participate in “Round Robin” tournaments that will be held around the County during the summer.

**PONY LEAGUE BASEBALL** – is for baseball players ages 13-15 as of May 1, 2017. The Pony League team will play approximately 10 games in the Aroostook County Pony League. Practices will begin the week of June 5 (specific time and date to be announced) and will be held at the FFMHS Baseball Field. Games will begin the week of June 12 and will continue through the end of July. Interested players should contact coach John Ala or call the Parks and Recreation Department at 472-3882 to register for Pony League Baseball.

**JUNIOR GIRLS SOFTBALL** – is for girls 9-12 years of age as of May 1, 2017. The program will begin on Wednesday, June 7 with a practice from 4:30-6:00pm at the FFMHS softball field. Practice will also be held on June 9 and 12 from 4:30-6:00pm. Beginning June 14, practice will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays from 12:00-1:30pm. Games will likely begin the week of June 19 and will be played mostly on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons at 1:00pm. The team will participate in the NMCRA league and play teams from other communities in the County as well as participate in “Round Robin” tournaments and other tournaments during the summer including the MPBF Tournament in Fort Fairfield on July 13 and the County Championship in Presque Isle on July 27.

**MRPA TRACK & FIELD** – The program is for boys and girls ages 7-14 as of December 31, 2017 and will be held at the FFMHS Track. The age groups are 7-8, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14, and 15 with boys competing separate from girls. Practice will begin on Monday, June 5 from 2:45-4:00pm and will usually be held on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at the same time. Practice will continue up until the State meet on July 11 in Bangor. Participants will have the opportunity to compete in the regional meet to be held in Caribou on Tuesday, June 27 at 10:00am. If you qualify (top 4) at the regional meet in Caribou on June 27, you will then have the opportunity to advance to the state meet on July 11 in Bangor. Registration deadline for the MRPA Track and Field Program is Monday, June 19. Please contact the Parks and Recreation Department to register or for more information.

**YOUTH GOLF PROGRAM AT AVCC** - The Aroostook Valley Country Club is offering a youth golf program again this summer for boys and girls ages 9-17. AVCC golf pro Steve Leitch will be

instructing the program with assistance from others. The program consists of one hour of instruction on Wednesday mornings from 10:00-11:00am (U.S.), beginning on June 28. Also as part of the eight week program, participants will have the opportunity to play up to 9 holes of golf each Thursday at 10:00am starting on June 29 (if Steve feels they are ready). Each participant enrolled in the Youth Golf Program will have limited golfing privileges during the summer including course play during certain hours throughout the week, and playing on weekends and holidays after 3:00pm (for complete playing privileges, a junior membership is available). Participants will also be allowed to borrow a set of golf clubs each time you play if you do not already own a set. The cost for the program is \$50 and is payable at AVCC. For more information or to register for the youth golf program, please contact AVCC at 476-8083.



**TENNIS LESSONS** – Lessons are available for ages 8 and over and will begin on June 26 with an ending date of July 26. Intermediate players (those who have a basic understanding of the game) will meet on Monday and Wednesday mornings from 8:30-9:15am and beginners (those who have little or no playing experience) will meet on Monday and Wednesday mornings from 9:30-10:15am. Lessons are held at the tennis courts next to the swimming pool. Racquets are available if you do not own one.

**TIGER BASKETBALL CAMPS** – Tiger Camps are for boys and girls currently in grades 1-8. The objective is to provide the best possible instruction to all players by teaching the fundamentals of the game at the various levels in the manner of good sportsmanship and safety. The boys camp will be held the week of June 19-23, while the girls camp will be held the week of June 26-30. Both Tiger Basketball Camps run from 8:00am-4:30pm each day. The registration fee is \$140 which includes breakfast, lunch, a family bar-b-q, and a free t-shirt and basketball for each participant. To register, please contact Larry Gardner at 551-5001.



**YOUTH SOCCER** – Youth Soccer is for boys and girls entering grades 4-6 this fall. The emphasis on the program is sportsmanship, skill development, exercise, and team play. The program will be held on Monday and Wednesday from 3:00-4:30pm beginning on Monday, August 28 and continuing through the middle of October. Youth soccer is played on the small soccer field located in front of the Elementary School. Starting Friday, September 1 there will be practice each Friday from 3:00-4:30pm for all youth soccer players who want to play on the Fort Fairfield Youth Travel Soccer Team. The travel team will participate in “Aroostook County Round Robin Soccer Tournaments” on Saturdays tentatively starting on September 9. You can register for youth soccer during summer program registration or you can wait until registration forms are handed out to students at school on August 24.

**PEE WEE SOCCER** – Pee Wee Soccer is for boys and girls entering grades 2 and 3 this fall. The emphasis on the program is sportsmanship, skill development, exercise, and team play. The program will begin on Tuesday, August 29 and end on or around October 19. Pee Wee Soccer will be held every Tuesday and Thursday afternoon from 3:00-4:15pm on the small soccer field located in front of the Elementary School. You can register for the program during summer program registration or you can wait until soccer registration forms are handed out to students at school on August 25.



**COUNTY UNITED SOCCER CAMP** – This camp is for boys and girls entering grades K-5 and will be held at the Fort Fairfield Athletic Complex the week of July 31 to August 4. The camp schedule is as follows: grades 2 (never played) and under meet from 1:00-2:00pm; grade 2 (have played) through grade 5 are from 2:00-3:30pm. The registration fee is \$35 for grades 2 and under and \$40 for grades 2-5 and includes a camp T-shirt. The fee is payable to the camp director and FFMHS varsity boys soccer coach John Ala. For more information or to register, please contact coach Ala at [jala@msad20.org](mailto:jala@msad20.org).

**HIKING ADVENTURE** – The Parks and Recreation Department is offering a hiking adventure program for boys and girls ages 9-14 and will be held June 28-30. A minimum of 6 registrants (maximum of 12) are required in order for the program to happen. If there are less than 6 registrants, the program may be cancelled and your money reimbursed. Hikers will meet at the Community center each day at 12:30pm and will need to be picked up by 3:30pm. Each hiker should bring adequate shoes, a water bottle, sun screen, and dress according to the weather each day. Hiking will occur on the trails at the Nordic Heritage Center (transportation to and from the NHC is included). The cost is \$15 for the program and is payable upon registration.

**MOUNTAIN BIKE ADVENTURE**-The Parks and Recreation Department is offering a mountain bike adventure program for boys and girls ages 9-14 and will be held July 5-7. If there are less than 6 registrants (maximum of 12), the program may be cancelled and your money reimbursed. Bikers will meet at the Community Center each day at 12:30pm and will need to be picked up at the Community Center by 3:30pm. Participants may bring their own bike (must have prior inspection and approval from the instructor) or we will provide an adequate bike for you. Each rider should bring a bike helmet, water bottle, sun screen, and dress according to the weather each day. Most of the riding will take place at the Nordic Heritage Center on the single track mountain bike trails (bus transportation to and from the NHC is included). The cost is \$15 for the program and is payable upon registration.

**KAYAK ADVENTURE**-The Parks and Recreation Department is offering a kayak adventure program this summer for boys and girls ages 9-14 and will be held July 19-21. Participants will meet at the Community Center each day at 12:30pm and will need to be picked up by 3:30pm. If there are less than 6 registrants for the program (maximum of 12) the program may be cancelled and your money reimbursed. Kayaks, life jackets, paddles, and transportation to and from the water sites are included. Participants should bring a swim suit, t-shirt, water shoes, hat, towel, rain jacket, sun screen, water bottle, and dry change of clothes. The cost is \$15 for the program and is payable upon registration.

**PAMAALO CREATIVE CAMP** –The camp is for children ages 2 and up (ages 2-5 must be supervised) and will be held at the Community Center the week of July 17-21 from 3:00-4:30pm. Children will play, create art, explore music, and discover characters all in one amazing experience. “At this Zootopia inspired camp we will need you to join Judy Hopps and Nick Wilde on the police force to be a part of the story and on the lookout to solve a mysterious case which we can only solve together”. The cost is \$15 which includes all art supplies and is payable to camp director Pamela Nason. Children should come dressed in clothes appropriate for art work.

# FORT FAIRFIELD MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOL

The pool is scheduled to be open from Thursday, June 15 through Tuesday, August 22.

## GENERAL SWIM HOURS

**Every Day (weather permitting)**

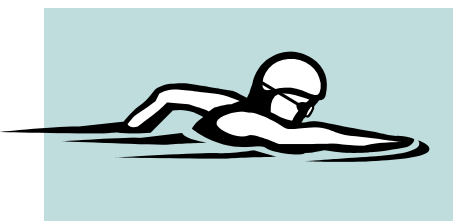
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### The pool will be closed on the following dates:

Tuesday, July 11.....After 4:00pm	Preparation for Potato Blossom Festival Swim Meet
Wednesday, July 12.....Until 6:00pm	Potato Blossom Festival Swim Meet
Friday, July 14.....After 4:00pm	Festival Activities
Saturday, July 15.....All day	Festival Activities & Parade

**SWIM TEAM** – The swim team is open to all for boys and girls who can swim and are 6 to 18 years of age as of May 1, 2017. Practices will begin on June 19 and will be held every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 4:00-5:00pm throughout the months of June and July. A more complete schedule of practices and meets will be made available to team members during the first week of practice.



**SWIM LESSONS** – are available to boys and girls 18 years of age and under with lessons following pre-set guidelines established by the American Red Cross. Lessons are held Monday through Thursday. There will be two sessions of lessons again this summer and parents have the option to register their children for either one or both sessions. There is a limit of approximately 10 students per class for most lessons groups so please be sure to register early on June 1 to insure enrollment. The registration fee is \$5 per

student which is due at the time of registration. We are an authorized provider of the American Red Cross.

\*The tentative swim lesson schedule is listed below and may change depending on registration numbers.

### **Session One – July 5 – July 27 (Mon –Thurs)**

Learn to Swim IV, V & VI.....9:15-9:55  
Learn to Swim I, II, & III.....10:00-10:40  
Learn to Swim (Summer School)..... 10:45-11:25  
Learn to Swim (Summer School).....11:30-12:05  
Learn to Swim I, II, III, & Par./Ch....12:15-12:45

### **Session Two – July 31 – August 17 (Mon-Thurs)**

Learn to Swim IV, V & VI..... 10:00-10:40  
Learn to Swim II & III.....10:45-11:25  
Learn to Swim I & Parent/Child..... 11:30-12:00

**PUBLIC SWIMMING** – The swimming pool is open daily (weather permitting) for public swimming during the summer from 1:00-4:00pm and 6:00-8:00pm starting on June 15 and ending on August 22. In order to attend public swimming an individual must be at least nine years of age or be accompanied at the pool by a responsible chaperone. There is no fee to attend public swimming.

**LAP SWIM** – Lap swim and aquatic exercise will be held on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 5:00-6:00pm starting on June 19 (tentative) and continuing through the end of July. During this time the pool is reserved for those intending to use the pool for aquatic exercise purposes and lap swimming only. There is no fee to participate in lap swim or aquatic exercise and all adults are welcome.

## OTHER COMMUNITY RECREATION ACTIVITIES & OPPORTUNITIES

Here is a list of dates and times for other recreational activities being held throughout the summer.

**MPBF Junior Girls Softball Tournament** – The tournament will be held on Thursday, July 13 beginning at 8:30am. All games are played at the Fort Fairfield Athletic Complex located at the FFMHS.

**MPBF Swim Meet** –The swim meet will be held on Wednesday, July 12 beginning at 9:00am at the Fort Fairfield Municipal Swimming Pool. Register by contacting the swimming pool at 472-3883.

**MPBF 3 On 3 Basketball Tournament** – is for individuals ages 16 and older. The double elimination event will be held on Tuesday, July 11 at the Fort Fairfield Community Center starting at 6:00pm. The entry fee is \$30 per team. Teams can register by contacting the parks and recreation department at 472-3882.

**MPBF 5 Miler Road Race** –The race/walk will be on Saturday, July 15. Registration is at 7:30am across from Hillside IGA on Main Street. Walkers start at 8:30am, runners at 9:00am. The cost is \$15.

**MPBF 25 Mile Bicycle Race/Tour** – The Spud Cycle Classic will be held on Sunday, July 16. Registration is from 8:00-9:45am at the Fort Fairfield Community Center. Both the 25 mile and 12 mile events will begin at 10:00am in front of the Fort Fairfield Blockhouse. The cost is \$15 for adults and \$10 for under age 18 and includes an event T-shirt. For more information, please contact the Fort Fairfield Parks and Recreation Department at 472-3882.

**Floatilla of Fun on the Aroostook** – Bring your kayaks and canoes to join us on the Aroostook River for an afternoon of floating and fun on Sunday, July 16 at 2:00pm. Paddlers will start at Forbes Boat Landing and end at Giggey's Boat Landing below the bridge in Fort Fairfield just in time to view the festival fireworks display. Enjoy the serenity and the many opportunities to view wildlife along the beautiful Aroostook River. Kayak and canoe rentals are available by calling Kayak Country at 540-6573.

**NHSC Youth Mountain Bike Program** – The Nordic Heritage Sport Club is conducting a Youth Mountain Bike Program on the single track trails at the Nordic Heritage Center for boys and girls ages 9-14 starting on Monday, June 12 and ending on July 17. The program will run from 6:00-7:30pm each Monday evening and there is no charge to participate. Riders should bring their own bike (if you need, a bike will be provided), helmet, water bottle, and proper clothing for weather conditions. Registration will be on site at the main lodge prior to riding on June 12. For more information, contact Tom Chasse at "Bike Board and Ski" in Presque Isle.

**Nordic Trail Festival** – The Nordic Heritage Sport Club will be hosting the annual "Nordic Trail Festival" for mountain bikers and trail runners at the Nordic Heritage Center on Friday and Saturday July 21-22. Two days of events, games, music, and activities will be held for biking and running enthusiasts of all ages and abilities. A complete schedule of events/activities can be seen by logging on to [www.nordictrailfestival.com](http://www.nordictrailfestival.com)

**High School Girls Basketball Tournament** – The Fort Fairfield Girls Varsity Basketball Team is hosting their annual summer basketball tournament on Friday and Saturday, June 30 and July 1 with games being played each day at the Community Center and FFMHS. Teams from throughout Maine and Western New Brunswick will compete for the title. To register or for more information, please contact FFMHS girls varsity basketball coach Larry Gardner.

## **SUMMER PROGRAM OFFERINGS AT THE FORT FAIRFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY**

June 15---10:30-11:30am “Family Story Time” (Theme: Father’s Day)—Ages 5 and under

June 21---11:00am-Noon “Explore Water and Frogs”—Ages 6-14

June 22---11:00am-Noon “Explore Water and Frogs”—Ages 6-14

June 28---5:00-6:00pm “Let’s Talk About It Book Discussion, Turnip Pie”—Ages 16 and over

June 29---10:30-11:30am “Family Story Time” (Theme: Fireworks)—Ages 5 and under

July 12---10:00am-5:00pm “Love Your Library Open House”—All ages

July 13---10:30-11:30am “Family Story Time” (Theme: Strawberries)—Ages 5 and under

July 19---3:00-4:00pm “Tween Book Discussion, Criss Cross”—Ages 9-13

July 26---5:00-6:00pm “Let’s Talk About It Book Discussion, Papa Martel”—Ages 16 and over

July 27---10:30-11:30am “Family Story Time” (Theme: Fish)—Ages 5 and under

July 28---11:00am-12:30pm “Rocket Launch”—Ages 5-10

August 10---10:30-11:30am “Family Story Time” (Theme: Boats)—Ages 5 and under

August 16---3:00-4:00pm “Tween Book Discussion, Uglies”—Ages 9-13

August 21---1:00-4:00pm “Solar Eclipse Viewing”—All ages

\*Pre-registration is required for all the book discussion programs (includes a copy of the book).

\*All other activities do not require pre-registration.

\*Children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by an adult.

\*For more information about summer programs at the Fort Fairfield Public Library, please call 472-3880.

**FORT FAIRFIELD  
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT  
SUMMER PROGRAM REGISTRATION FORM**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE FALL 2017 \_\_\_\_\_ GENDER \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_ EMERGENCY PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

FATHER'S NAME (printed) \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_

MOTHER'S NAME (printed) \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_

ALLERGIES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_ YES, PLEASE LIST ALL FOOD & MEDICATION ALLERGIES: \_\_\_\_\_

LIST MEDICATIONS \_\_\_\_\_

OTHER MEDICAL CONCERNS \_\_\_\_\_

**PARTICIPANTS, PARENTS OR GUARDIANS PLEASE READ CAREFULLY:**

I (the participant), or the parents or guardians of the above named participant if the participant is under the age of 18, hereby give my/our approval for participation in the programs listed below, knowing that participation in these programs may cause serious injury or even death to the participant. I assume all risks incidental to such participation, and hereby release, absolve, and indemnify, and agree to hold blameless, the Town of Fort Fairfield, the Fort Fairfield Parks and Recreation Department and its employees, MSAD#20, the organizers, sponsors, participants, supervisors, volunteers, or the person or organization responsible for transportation during these programs. I/we give permission for photographs to be taken of the participant for program newsletters and publications. I give permission for the participant to be treated by any physician at any medical facility that is available in case of an emergency. My/our signature below is verification that I/we understand and agree to the contents of this paragraph.

FATHER'S SIGNATURE (If under 18) \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

or  
MOTHER'S SIGNATURE (If under 18) \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

**PROGRAM(S) SIGN UP**

Program(s)	Date	Fee
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