

# **EXETER PARKS & RECREATION**



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# TOWN OF EXETER MEMORANDUM

TO: Russ Dean, Town Manager

CC: Melissa Roy, Assistant Director

FROM: Greg Bisson, Director of Parks and Recreation

RE: Summer Updates

DATE: 6/15/2020

## RECREATION DEPARTMENT SUMMER PROGRAM UPDATE

# **Carekids Program Update**

## UPDATED Registration #'s as of 6/12/2020 @ 2:30 PM:

Grades 1-4: 9 Registered (3 Resident Waitlist/ 3 Non-Resident Waitlist)
Grades 5-7: 9 Registered (2 Resident Waitlist/ 3 Non-Resident Waitlist)

#### **UPDATED Social Distancing Policy**

All participants and staff will be adhering to the recommended 6 ft social distancing requirements as much as possible. The program will be designed to accommodate this requirement the majority of the time.

(NEW) Participants will be allowed to play with the children <u>within</u> their group of 9 WITHOUT having to say 6 ft apart and WITHOUT wearing a mask. This has been deemed acceptable by the Town of Exeter Health Officer.

#### **UPDATED Group Dynamics**

There will be 2-5 groups of participants throughout the programs' 6 week duration. Groups will be separated by grades and contain 9 kids each. Each counselor will be assigned to a specific group for the entire summer. Each group will be assigned their own art supplies and sports equipment. This equipment will be shared within the group of 9 and sanitized every evening. Other groups will not be using this equipment. The group will follow a daily schedule of activities and move to new locations as a group therefore eliminating direct contact with other participants of the program. All activities and locations will need to be scheduled for the safety of staff and participants.

Participants, within their own groups, will continue to practice social distancing when necessary, however, children will be allowed to socialize and play games without staying 6 feet apart as long as they are with their individual group of 9.

#### FRIDAY NIGHT FLICKS PROGRAM UPDATE

The Department released the registration information and movie titles on Thursday, June 11th. As of Friday afternoon the first movie was almost sold out. The feedback has been very positive and community members are really excited about the event.

# **Program Information**

Join Parks and Recreation & Exeter TV this summer as we spend our Friday nights at the Drive-in! Call to reserve your spot as space is limited to 50 cars. Friday Night Flicks will be a great time for all ages to get out of the house and enjoy a fun event. Pre-Registration is required, please call Exeter Parks and Recreation at (603)-773-6151, Mon-Fri from 8AM - 4:30 PM, or go online to www.exeternh.gov/recreation. A fee of \$15 per car covers the movie license and porta potty rental. Each week Parks and Recreation will partner with a different local business to provide food or snacks. Friday Night Flicks is the place to be this summer!

JUNE 19th - Shrek \*\* ORDER PIZZA DELIVERED TO YOUR CAR FROM SHOOTERS PUB!\*\*

JUNE 26th - Jurassic Park

JULY 3rd - No Movie

JULY 10th - National Treasure JULY 17th - Goonies (TBD)

JULY 24th - Raiders of the Lost Ark

JULY 31st - Pirates of The Caribbean

Curse of the Black Pearl

AUGUST 7th - Grease

AUGUST 14th - Harry & The Hendersons

Location: Exeter High School Time: Movies Begin at Dusk

Cost: \$15 per car Pre-Register is required

#### **Daniel R Healy Outdoor Pool**

Even though the Governor approved opening of the Daniel R Healy Pool, the proposed CDC guidelines for pools create significant challenges causing a massive financial loss without opening the doors. Our swim lessons were cancelled the same time the summer camp was cancelled, This was a major contributor in revenue generation for the pool. Proposed guidelines require temperature checks of patrons, limiting pool capacity, 6' social distancing in and out of the water, masks to be worn while not in the water and other restrictive measures. Meeting these guidelines would create unfavorable conditions to open for both the patrons and staff. The pool program is subsidized each summer by revenue produced from the summer camp, season passes, daily admissions, swim lessons and concessions. Without some of these fees (Swim lessons and limited daily admissions) the pool program would stand to lose over \$40,000 or more. We are examining a way to open up the spray pad by reservation to allow people to cool off. The spray pad is a stand alone system that can run independently from the pool. Spray Pads have not been approved by the governor at this time.