

Newport Recreation

Quarterly report 10/08

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PROGRAM	PARTICIPANTS	VOLUNTEERS	DETAILS
Senior Exercise	20	3	Meet Mon, Wed & Fri ~ 8:30-
After School Program	30	0	Free time for the kids after
Soccer K-7th	225	25	Practice & games
Flag Football 3 rd -5 th gd	24	4	Practice & games held on the Common on Tue & Thursday
Rentals	Many	0	Birthday Parties, Old School
Swimming Lessons	45	0	Held at Hilltop Motel with 2
Day Camp	125	5	8 weeks of camp, Monday through Friday ~ 8:30-4:30. Games, Arts & Crafts, hikes,
Teen trips	40		Adventure trips for teens 12-16
Red Sox trips x 3	55 x 3	0	(3) different games in 2008
Skate Park/Tennis	Many public		Open to all ages & abilities
Hershey Track and Field	20	3	Practice held twice a week with a state meet in June held
Meadow Park	Many public	0	Open to all ages & abilities
Boys high school	20	1	Practice & games with a full
Town Forest/Frisbee	Many public	0	Trails open to all with maps

Newport Recreation was very busy in the third quarter of 2008. Our Day camp program continues to be a great success and serves many children in and around the Newport area. Over 125 different children ages 6-12 attend day camp and are able to take advantage of such activities as special trips, swimming, arts and crafts and physical activities with their friends in a safe friendly environment.

Soccer experienced a surge of participants about 6 years ago and has continued to hold steady with about 250 players in grades K-12th. Currently, the softball fields are doubling as soccer fields in the fall. A search for additional athletic field space needs to be a high

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priority for the town so the programs can accommodate future growth and the current fields can get the much needed maintenance and off-season rest.

Thanks to almost \$100,000 in private donations Meadow Park has been revitalized as a new place for families to enjoy our local parks . The project started with the new playground in 2005 followed by the pavilion in 2007. The last piece of the project will be the addition of a public bathroom facility in 2009. These projects could not have happened without the full support and donations of our generous townspeople.