



SOMERSET COUNTY PARK COMMISSION

Therapeutic Recreation

***2021 October
Adult Programs***



Please call 908-526-5650 if you would like your name taken off our list.



Therapeutic Recreation Department

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Office Hours:
Monday through Friday 8:00am to 4:30pm
2021 October Adult Programs

Therapeutic Recreation (TR) is a cooperative effort between the Somerset County Park Commission and the following participating municipalities:

Bedminister	Manville
Bernards Township	Montgomery
Bernardsville	North Plainfield
Bound Brook	Raritan
Branchburg	Somerville
Bridgewater	South Bound Brook
Green Brook	Warren
Hillsborough	Watchung

TR provides year round recreation programs to children and adults with developmental disabilities residing in participating municipalities. We encourage your input and suggestions. Not sure which program to register for? Please call the TR office. We are here to help you recreate!

POLICIES

Annual Information Form/Release & Waiver Form

In an effort to maintain current personal information about each participant, everyone must complete an annual information form. You are asked to complete it fully and return it to the TR office. Once each year, in January, we will ask you to update the form, and whenever you have new information (such as a new doctor or a change in medication) or have a change in medical status, we ask that you notify us immediately. Additionally, a current Release, Waiver and Participation Agreement Form must be on file.

Financial Assistance

Through the Somerset County Park Foundation, a scholarship/financial aid fund has been created for individuals who cannot pay the entire amount due for a program. To request assistance contact the TR Department to find out more information regarding this procedure and requirements. Minimum contribution will be required.

Payment Policy

All program fees are due when registration is submitted. If necessary, please discuss a possible payment schedule with the TR office. Failure to pay these fees can result in suspension from programs during a season. The participant and/or guardian is responsible for paying the entire program fee regardless of the participant's attendance. A fee may be charged for all returned checks.

Refund/Household Credit Request

The Somerset County Park Commission will refund registration fees due to illness, injury, or other extenuating circumstances which makes participation in the program impossible, providing that prior to the start of the program notification is given to the TR Department. Refunds will be prorated in accordance with the number of sessions/classes attended and/or supplies/tickets already purchased. Furthermore, if we find the program requirements are not commensurate with the abilities of the registrant, a refund for the program will be given. A household credit for other reasons may be granted if the program has not yet begun and another program registrant enrolls. No refunds/credits for absences.

Canceled Programs

A minimum number of participants is required for each program. A program may be canceled if this number is not reached. A program reimbursement or credit will be issued. If a program is canceled because of unforeseen circumstances, you will be contacted as soon as possible, and a program credit or refund will be issued.

Closed Programs

If a program closes because we have reached maximum enrollment, your name will be put on a waiting list and you will be contacted if space becomes available.

Behavior

Participants who are physically or verbally abusive to themselves or others will be suspended from the program and participation in future programs will be limited.

Inclement Weather

If at all possible, TR staff will call your home if a program is canceled due to inclement weather. For further information, you may call the TR office for a recorded message.

Medication/Personal Needs

TR staff cannot administer medication. Participants must be able to meet their own personal needs and administer their own medication.

Groups

No more than two individuals from any one group residence may register for an activity that has limited slots available.

Other Policies

For safety reasons, no smoking will be permitted during TR sponsored activities. Alcohol consumption is forbidden during programs. Registration is not transferable. No participant substitutions will be allowed.

REGISTRATION POLICY

Registration will be accepted beginning on the date specified below and on the registration form. Registration is accepted in the following ways:

- **Registration is now online and will take place on Wednesday, October 6 beginning at 7:00pm. You may register for 4 programs.**
- Phone-in/fax registration will begin Thursday, October 7 at 9:00am. No email registration accepted.

The fax machine is in a public area. It is highly recommended that you fax only during office hours.

Registrations received prior to the specified date & time will not be accepted.

Please visit our website to review our policies and procedures as well as information regarding the TR registration process.

COVID GUIDELINES

- Due to the uptick in covid cases programs have limited spaces.
- To limit exposure, we ask that you drop your participant off at the door where staff will be waiting to greet you. Participants will be brought outside at the end of the program.
- Equipment and supplies are regularly sanitized. The bathrooms are sanitized prior to the start of programs. Hand sanitizer is available.
- All individuals, regardless of vaccination status, must wear a mask when indoors. Mask breaks will be incorporated into the program.
- Individuals who are sick are asked to remain home. If someone comes to a program sick, family/staff will be called to pick up the individual immediately.
- Programs may change or be cancelled based on the Governor's executive orders or recommendations of the CDC.

If you have any questions about these policies, or if you cannot attend the day's program or event, please call the TR office.

Location: Please note the location of each activity listed in the programs description. Most programs are outdoors so please dress accordingly.

Pick-up/Drop-off Policy

This policy applies to all programs offered by the department. Participants will be given one (1) warning per calendar year and allowed one (1) offense per year.

- A. Individuals dropped off early and picked up late at program location for special programs and trips will be assessed a penalty of \$10.00 per fifteen (15) minutes after a (15) minute grace period.
- B. Individuals who are dropped off directly at a program site may be dropped off no more than 5 minutes before the start of program. Those individuals dropped off early will be assessed a penalty fee of \$10.00 per (15) fifteen minutes. Individuals picked up late at a program site will be assessed the same penalty as stated in A.
- C. After the first offense, individuals will be charged a higher rate.
- D. Abuse of the policy will result in suspension from the program.

Different Person Pick-Up

If someone other than the parent/guardian or group home staff will be picking up a participant at the conclusion of the program advance written notification **MUST** be given to the TR staff.

PLEASE NOTE TRANSPORTATION IS NOT BEING OFFERED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Adult Programs, ages 18 and older

TR HALLOWEEN PAINTING (97723)

Come join us for some creative fun as we explore a Halloween themed painting evening.

Date: Tuesday, October 12
Time: 5:00 - 6:00pm
Location: TR Activity Center Parking Lot
Fee: \$20.00

TENNIS (97724)

Come get your tennis on and join us for the TR Open. No experience necessary. Feel free to bring your own racket if you have one.

Date: Thursday, October 14
Time: 7:00 - 8:00pm
Location: Green Knoll Tennis Center
587 Garretson Road, Bridgewater
Fee: \$10.00

EARLY BIRD WALK AT DUKE ISLAND PARK (97725)

Awaken your body and mind while counting your steps with us at this leisurely fitness walk.

Date: Saturday, October 16
Time : 10:00 - 11:30am
Location: Duke Island Park, Parking Lot B
Old York Rd, Bridgewater
Fee: \$10.00

PUMPKIN FUN AT THE EEC (97726)

Fall colors are beautiful to look at. We will make a centerpiece using a pumpkin and some fall flowers.

Date: Monday, October 18
Time: 7:00 – 8:30pm
Location: Environmental Education Center
190 Lord Stirling Rd, Basking Ridge
Fee: \$27.00

LUNCH AND LAWN GAMES AT DUKE ISLAND (97727)

Bring a brown bag lunch and get ready for a little friendly competition as we play a variety of lawn games.

Date: Wednesday, October 20
Time: 11:00am - 1:00pm
Location: Duke Island Park, Parking Lot C
Old York Rd, Bridgewater
Fee: \$10.00

CINEMA EXPERIENCE (97728)

Popcorn, candy, and movies go together like good friends! We are excited to have the opportunity to rent a theater for our TR family and watch the new Addams Family 2 movie currently in theaters. **Additional money needed to purchase a snack or bring your own.**

Date: Saturday, October 23
Time: 4:00 - 6:30pm
Location: Hillsborough Cinemas
111 Raider Blvd, Hillsborough
Fee: \$20.00



SUNSET WALK AT DUKE ISLAND PARK (97729)

Squeak in a little fitness while winding down from the day with a relaxing walk and enjoying the sounds of nature.

Date: Monday, October 25
Time: 5:00 - 6:00pm
Location: Duke Island Park, Parking Lot B
Old York Rd, Bridgewater
Fee: \$10.00

LUNCH AT THE EEC (97730)

Before our brown bag lunch Naturalist Monica will give us a tour around the Environmental Education Center grounds where you will learn more about the EEC and all it has to offer.

Date: Wednesday, October 27
Time: 11:00am - 1:00pm
Location: Environmental Education Center
190 Lord Stirling Rd, Basking Ridge
Fee: \$10.00

HALLOWEEN PUTT PUTT (97731)

Calling all ghouls, goblins, and witches. Spend the evening playing putt putt golf, going on a hayride, and having a howling good time. Costumes are optional. **Please bring \$5.00 for your golf fee.**

Date: Thursday, October 28
Time: 6:30 - 8:00pm
Location: Colonial Park, Parking Lot C
156 Mettlers Road
Franklin Township
Fee: \$10.00



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10	11 Holiday	12 TR Halloween Painting 5:00 - 6:00pm	13	14 Tennis 7:00 - 8:00pm	15	16 Early Bird Walk @ Duke Island Park 10:00 - 11:30am
17	18 Pumpkin Fun @ the EEC 7:00 - 8:30pm	19	20 Lunch & Lawn Games @ Duke Island Park 11:00am - 1:00pm	21	22	23 Cinema Experience 4:00 - 6:30pm
24	25 Sunset Walk @ Duke Island Park 5:00 - 6:00pm	26	27 Lunch @ the EEC 11:00am - 1:00pm	28 Halloween Putt Putt 6:30 - 8:00pm	29	30
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