**Director’s Report for June 6, 2022**

**Programs**

Our Adult Volleyball Program wrapped up for the season on May 24th. Our Adult Spring Hiking Program has been going very well. We’ve had good weather and solid participation during each hike. We’re planning to wrap this program up on May 31st. We’ve run three Senior Moment-um Programs through the month of May, including a Senior-Senior Prom that we co-sponsored with the GHS National Honor Society. Overall, we continue to see steady participation in these programs. We had good participation for our Bolduc Park Golf Lessons through the May Session, particularly in the Adult Lessons. The numbers for the programs we’ve run the past month are as follows:

* Adult Volleyball – 9-14 Participants each week
* Winnisquam Scenic Trail Hike – 16 Participants
* Bolduc Park May Youth Golf Lessons – 3 Participant
* Bolduc Park May Adult Golf Lessons – 10 Particpants
* Senior Moment-um Mother’s Day Breakfast – 17 Participants
* Weeks Woods Hike – 14 Participants
* Ramblin’ Vewe Farm Hike – 16 Participants
* Senior Moment-um Cinco De Mayo Luncheon – 19 Participants
* Locke’s Hill Hike – 17 Participants
* Senior Moment-um Senior-Senior Prom – 17 Participants
* Weeks Woods #2 Hike – 12 Participants

We’ve got a very busy month coming up with some spring programs wrapping up. These programs include our June session of Bolduc Park Golf Lessons and a number of Senior Moment-um activities. We will also get into the start of our summer programming season with our Shooter’s Gold Basketball Camps, Tennis Lesson Program, Tennis Match Play Program, Lakes Region Riding Academy Horsemanship Camp, Babysitting Course that we co-sponsor with the Library and the start of our Beach programs. We will once again be holding our Town Wide Yard Sale to raise funds for Gilford Old Home Day in the middle of the month. Registration continues for our Red Sox Bus Trip in July as well as our other upcoming summer programs. We will also be opening up registrations for our Fall Youth Soccer Program. Here is a list of planned programs for the month of June along with the dates they will run:

* Fall Youth Soccer Registration Night on June 1st
* Senior Moment-um Dessert and Show on June 1st
* Bolduc Park Youth Golf begins June 7th
* Senior Moment-um Hawaiian Luau on June 7th
* Bolduc Park Adult Golf begins on June 9th
* Senior Moment-um Father’s Day Luncheon and Movie on June 13th
* Town Wide Yard Sale is scheduled for Saturday, June 18th
* Shooter’s Gold Basketball Camp runs June 27th –June 30th
* Swim Lessons tentatively scheduled to begin on June 27th
* Arts & Crafts Program begins on June 28th
* Tennis Lessons Begin on June 28th
* Tennis Match Play Program Begins on June 28th
* LRRA Horsemanship Camp runs June 29th – July 1st
* Babysitters Class is scheduled for June 30th

**Facilities**

Fay’s Boat Yards was very generous in helping us move the swim raft back onto the beach from the end of the parking lot. DPW was then able to move the raft back to the shoreline. We were able to put the raft and the JIM Buoys in the water on May 25th. We hope to be able to put the swim lines in sometime in early June.

DPW helped remove the two bad lifeguard towers at the Gilford Beach and put in the two new ones, which had been built this past spring. All towers are now in place and ready for the start of the summer season.

We ran into trouble a multiple facilities when we turned the water on for the season. We had a number of broken sprinkler heads at Stonewall Park, which have since been replaced. The sprinkler system at the Francoeur Field seemed to be on the fritz and would not stop running. We have since manually turned off the water to that irrigation system and the Cal Ripken League is coordinating those repairs. At the Gilford Beach, we had both a broken pipe behind a sink in the men’s room that was leaking as well as a leaking hot water heater. Matt from the Buildings and Grounds Dept. was able to fix the two leaks and is waiting on a new sink to replace one that had rusted out in the men’s room. He also addressed a number of small issues with the toilets at the beach.

Our Seasonal Maintenance Staff has re-painted the floors in both restrooms at the Town Beach. It is our hope to have them re-paint a number of the picnic tables prior to the start of the season as well.

The 7th grade Beach Clean-up is scheduled for Thursday, June 2nd and we’re looking forward to their assistance to help get the beach in shape prior to the start of the season.

We received a large delivery of engineered fiber wood chips to supplement the safety surfacing of our playground structures and swings at the Village Field and the swings at the Gilford Beach. With the assistance of DPW, we’ve been able to spread those wood chips in all the desired locations.

Chaisson Carpentry is in the process of replacing the decking on the Village Field Bandstand, which had been approved late last fall. This work should be completed shortly.

We’ve had some vandalism issues in the past week. We had graffiti on two of our signs at the Gilford Beach and a Garden Cart thrown into the Adder Hole. We also had someone drive onto the Varsity Baseball Field and do donuts just beyond the infield, which resulted in some significant ruts in the turf. Both incidents were reported to the Police Dept.

Sincerely,

Herb Greene, Gilford Parks and Recreation Director