

SKOWHEGAN PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT



Winter Programs 2016-2017



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The Skowhegan Community Center is a proud affiliate of the following groups: and more.....

MRPA - Maine Recreation & Park Association

NRPA - National Recreation & Park Association

NEPA - New England Park Association

NNEPRC - Northern New England Parks & Recreation

USTA - United States Tennis Association

USTF - United States Track & Field

ASA - Amateur Softball Association

Cal Ripken/Babe Ruth - Baseball

America Legion - Baseball

NYSCA—National Youth Sport Coaches Association

Maine Trail Finder

Healthy Maine Partnership-Maine CDC/ACEW

MMA-Maine Municipal Association

NESTMA-New England Sports Turf Managers Association

Maine Outdoor Coalition, Maine Great Outdoor Weekend

MAHPERD-Maine Association for Health, Education, Recreation & Dance

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PROMOTING HEALTH & WELLNESS

In an effort to promote health, wellness, and a better quality of life for its citizens and visitors, the town of Skowhegan and the Parks & Recreation Department have designated all facilities as tobacco-free zones.

The Town of Skowhegan Selectmen approved and adopted the resolution to promote health and wellness at their May 28, 2002 meeting. The initiative was a collaborative effort between the Parks & Recreation Department, Healthy Maine Partnership, Somerset Heart Health, and the Town of Skowhegan. The environment in which we live plays a critical role in supporting healthy behaviors. Young people who observe adults using tobacco at recreational facilities are more likely to perceive tobacco as a normal part of adult life. Tobacco use is inconsistent with the goals of recreation; to promote healthy, active, family recreation. Second-hand smoke contains toxins, is a cancer-causing agent, and is a known contributor to heart disease.

Our goal at the Parks & Recreation Department is to promote no smoking at our facilities, to eliminate exposure to second-hand smoke, and to reduce cigarette litter.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How will I know when my program starts?

Program start dates and times are listed below each program title. Unless otherwise noted, you will **NOT** receive a phone call or postcard with this information.

What types of payment do you accept?

We accept personal check and cash. At this time, credit/debit cards are **not** accepted.

Why do I need to provide an email and cell phone number?

We ask that you provide at least one of these so that we can quickly and accurately get in contact with you if there is a cancellation or a change with the program you have signed up for. If your contact information changes during a season, please let us know as soon as possible so that you are receiving the most up-to-date information.

How will I know if a program is cancelled due to poor weather?

In the case of inclement weather, the Recreation Department will make a decision and post all cancellations to their Facebook page as soon as possible on the day of a program. Coaches of individual teams are responsible for contacting players to let them know of any cancellations.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

REGISTRATION POLICY

Please register on time as programs fill up quickly.

Please check individual programs for specific registration information.

- Unless noted, preregistration is required for all programs.
- Registration must be done in person or can be mailed prior to program deadline.
- Mailed registrations will be accepted once received, depending on availability.
- All fees are required at time of registration.
- There is no fee for Skowhegan residents, unless program is under direction of a specialized Instructor or additional program fees apply.
- Residents have priority when space is limited.
- The cost for leagues, specialized programs, and tournaments will be determined by director.
- There are no team or coach requests.
- Refunds will be given if a program is cancelled by the recreation department or if a child withdraws before the first practice. If withdrawal occurs after the first practice, a refund may be given on a prorated basis.
- Refunds, unless specifically noted, are not given for bus trips, tickets or specialized programs.
- All participants must abide by all policies and procedures.

The Skowhegan Parks & Recreation Department reserves the right to cancel any program due to insufficient registration or any other cause that prevents the presentation of an activity in a safe and acceptable manner. The department also reserves the right to suspend any child or coach from a program if there are issues that cannot be resolved.

The Skowhegan Parks & Recreation Department issues 3 seasonal brochures.

Spring/Summer - Fall - Winter

In addition to the brochures, additional programs, special events, school vacation programs and additional program information are added on our facebook page and are distributed via school flyers.

SKOWHEGAN TRAILS

SKOWHEGAN RIVER TRAIL DEBE PARK & RIVER'S EDGE BIKE PARK

Rebuilt in July of 2011, The Skowhegan River Trail/DeBe Park and River's Edge Bike Park is now a paved ADA-compliant stroll through the woods overlooking the scenic Kennebec River Gorge. Outdoor fitness equipment stations and benches have been installed, is designed for any fitness level and has the ability to provide a full-body workout. The trailhead of the River Trail is located on Mt. Pleasant Avenue. Those seeking a longer hike should consider starting downtown by crossing the walking bridge and then continuing onto the adjoining Philbrick Trail.

PHILBRICK NATURE TRAIL

The Philbrick Trail is marked by blue blazes and loops up and around the gorges that slope down to the Kennebec River. Some of the blazes have weathered away, but the trail is easy to follow and is well maintained. The trailhead is located at the end of Joyce Street next to the Pollution Control Plant. When entering the trail, you will see the Skowhegan River Trail to your right.

HESELTON STREET NATURE TRAIL

Forming three distinct loops, the Heselton Street Nature Trail winds its way through a white pine forest. Typical of many of the woods in the area, the loamy sand soil covered with pine needles provides a cushioned walk up and down the ravines. Bridges and stairs have been added, which help traverse the steeper and wetter sections of trail. The loop closest to Heselton Street is ADA-compliant, lined with crushed gravel. Parking and access are available from both Heselton Street and from Memorial Field at the end of East Maple Street.



Visit www.mainetrailfinder.com for hiking, biking, paddling, and x-country ski trails throughout our beautiful state of Maine!

PLAYGROUNDS & PARKS

COMMUNITY CENTER PLAYGROUND

This playground is for ages 12 & under and is our largest town playground. It is a gated area for friends and families with young children to enjoy. It was rebuilt in 2006 with the support of New Balance.



MEMORIAL FIELD PLAYGROUND

Located in the Memorial Field Complex and can be accessed from East Maple Street or the Army National Guard parking lot. This playground was rebuilt in 2009.

AMANDA BERRY PLAY PLACE

Located on South Factory Street, adjacent to the Bucky Quinn Field. This playground was rebuilt in 2004.

CANOE PORTAGES

Island Avenue
Mill Street
DeBe Park

OTHER FACILITIES

Skate Park - Poulin Drive
Outdoor Basketball Courts - Poulin Drive
Tennis Courts - East Maple Street
Ice Rink @ Fairgrounds - Beech Street Entrance

COMMON AREAS

Island Avenue Common
North Avenue/Jewett Street Triangle
Witten Brook Park Area
Skowhegan Indian
Madison Ave/E. Madison Road Triangle
Gorge River View Area
Main Street Park
Water Street/High Street Triangle
Arnold Exhibition Park - Island Avenue
Route 2/West Front Street Triangle
Dudley Corner School House

MULTI USE BALL FIELDS

Community Center Youth Football Field Complex
Carl Wright Baseball Complex
Bucky Quinn Field - South Factory Street
Pat Quinn & Memorial Fields - East Maple Street



USER FEES

YOUTH RESIDENTS

Free year-round access includes:

Open Gym - Game Room - Exercise Room (ages 14 & up) - Use of Locker Rooms

Youth Programs (not requiring specialized fees)



ADULT RESIDENTS

Free year-round access includes:

Open Gym - Exercise Room - Use of Locker Rooms - Game Room

Adult Programs (not requiring specialized fees)

LOCKER RENTALS

6-Months: \$15.00

1 Year: \$25.00

NON RESIDENT YOUTH

1 Year: \$95.00 * 6 Months: \$50.00 * Per Program: \$20.00

Open Gym - Game Room - Exercise Room (ages 14 & up)

Use of Locker Rooms and Lockers

NON RESIDENT ADULT

1 Year: \$135.00 * 6 Months: \$70.00 * Per Program: \$35.00

Open Gym, Exercise Room, Game Room

Stretch n Tone, Select Exercise Programs

Use of Locker Rooms and Lockers

RENTAL INFORMATION

REVENUE PRODUCING EVENTS

	4 Hours or Less	4-8 Hours	Rate per hour after 8 hours
Conference Room	\$100.00	\$150.00	\$50.00
Kitchen	\$100.00	\$150.00	\$50.00
Gym	\$175.00	\$225.00	\$50.00
Ice Rink	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$50.00

NON REVENUE PRODUCING EVENTS

	4 Hours or Less	4-8 Hours	Rate per hour after 8 hours
Conference Room	\$75.00	\$100.00	\$50.00
Kitchen	\$75.00	\$100.00	\$50.00
Gym	\$100.00	\$150.00	\$50.00
Ice Rink	\$125.00	\$125.00	\$50.00

Looking to hold a party, meeting or family function?

We would be happy to accommodate you!

You must be 18 or older to rent facilities. A deposit is required at time of reservation. Additional staff fees will apply if rentals are during non-operational hours. For more information, availability, and facility rental guidelines, please contact the Community Center at 474-6901 or skowrec@skowhegan.org