



Recreation & Parks  
Department Report  
September 2022

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- Nine groups used the Hughes Center during the month of August for a total of 160 hours. Events included a department head meeting, a training meeting for the U.S. Navy, an Arkansas Razorback Chapter 62 clock collectors meeting and a business holiday meeting for Dollar General managers.
- For the month of August the Russellville Aquatic Center had 23 regular parties and 8 private parties for a total of 70 hours. Learn to Swim lessons were held for a total of 14 hours. The Scuba School practiced four times in the month of August.
- The Parks Commission met on August 11. Minutes from previous meetings are available for viewing at [www.russellvillearkansas.org](http://www.russellvillearkansas.org).
- The department had seven park pavilion rentals in August.
- As part of the Department's safety plan, all fire extinguishers were inspected and a fire drill was conducted at the Hughes Center. To meet a new standard in first aid, a foil blanket was added to all first aid kits.
- Arkansas Valley Soccer Association registered for their fall league in August. The season will begin in September and run through the first weeks of November. Practices will be held during the week and games will be played on Saturdays.
- The RRPD fall softball league began play on August 9 with 15 teams participating this season. Games are played on Tuesday nights at Pleasant View Park.
- The Russellville Youth Baseball Association held registration in August for the 2022 fall season. The fall season games will be played on Tuesday and Thursday nights in September and October. New RYBA leadership is working hard to improve the program and make it more cost friendly so all kids have the ability to participate.
- Construction has begun on the trails and parking lot at Confederate Mothers Memorial Park/Pine Knob Bike Park. The parking lot is being enlarged and trails are being cleared and formed. Five large dead pine trees were removed from the area.
- Pleasant View Park was the host site for one tournament in August. The tournament brought twenty-one teams to Russellville.
- The maintenance department has been busy mowing, trimming trees, fixing sprinkler leaks, power washing pavilions, painting, cleaning and trimming along the trails.