



Recreation & Parks
Department Report
November 2023

- Fourteen groups used the Hughes Center during the month of October for a total of 231 hours. Events included an eclipse meeting for city employees, registration for the Collegiate Bass Fishing Series fishing tournament, a Filipino-American scholarship fundraiser and a campaign fundraiser for State Representative Matt Duffield.
- The Parks Commission met on October 12. Minutes from previous meetings are available for viewing at www.russellvillearkansas.org.
- The Department had twenty pavilion rentals in the city parks and five practice field reservations for Shiloh Park, Pleasant View Park and Vick Field in October.
- As part of the Department's safety plan, department offices, AEDs, vehicles, heavy equipment and fire extinguishers were inspected during the month of October.
- Pleasant View Park was the host site for one tournament in October. The tournament brought forty-seven teams to Russellville.
- The RRPD softball league wrapped up play in October at Pleasant View Park. We appreciate the teams that play in our league every year.
- Online registration for the annual Christmas parade began in October. The parade will be held downtown at 6:30 p.m. on December 7. All entries can register online at <https://secure.recl.com/AR/russellville-recreation-parks/catalog>.
- The annual Kidsfest was scheduled for October 28 at the Downtown Fall Fest. Unfortunately, the weather did not cooperate, and the event was canceled.
- Construction on the turf project has begun at Pleasant View Park. The dirt work is near completion and the concrete work and turf installation will begin next week.
- Phase II of the Schoolhouse Trail is almost finished and the trail is open to the public. Once the lighting along the trail is installed, the phase will be completed.
- The maintenance staff is hard at work mulching leaves, winterizing water fountains and sprinkler systems, organizing Christmas lights and getting the parks ready for winter.