



Recreation & Parks
Department Report
October 2025

- In September, the Hughes Center hosted eight different groups for a total of 124 hours. Events included four baby showers, pickleball games and the Fit Girlz Monday night workouts.
- In safety matters, the department performed safety inspections on all fire extinguishers, eyewash stations, and AEDs in September.
- In September, the department handled 30 pavilion rentals across the city parks and 46 practice field reservations for Shiloh Park, Pleasant View Park, and Vick Field.
- Pleasant View Park and M.J. Hickey Park were the host sites for two tournaments in September. The tournaments brought 48 teams to Russellville.
- The River Valley Boys and Girls Club kicked off their flag football season in September. This year, six teams are participating in the league. Games are held at Shiloh Park on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday nights.
- The City Park splash pad closed for the season on September 21. It will reopen in May 2026.
- The pickleball courts at the Russellville Soccer Complex officially opened for play on September 8. A grand opening celebration was held on September 23, featuring prizes, food, giveaways, and snow cones.
- Construction to install turf on two fields at Shiloh Park will begin this fall. With this addition, Russellville will have a total of ten turfed fields. Increasing the number of turf fields will help attract more tournaments to the city.
- A new turf field at the Russellville Soccer Complex was approved this month. The addition will provide a reliable playing surface, allowing soccer games and practices to continue even when other fields are too wet.
- A new pavilion for Washburn Park has been ordered. Once it arrives, the old pavilion will be removed and construction on the new structure will begin. The project is expected to be completed by the end of the year.
- Maintenance staff moved into their new maintenance shop during the last week of September. The new building and yard are large enough to store all work equipment in one location. Some equipment will be stored indoors, which will help extend its lifespan.
- Registration for the first-ever Russellville Recreation and Parks Department Pickleball League was held from September 11 to October 3. A total of 28 participants have signed up for the league. Be sure to watch our Facebook page for announcements about future beginner's clinics.
- It's that time of year. Wednesday nights at the Hughes Community Center will switch from pickleball to volleyball. Courts will be open from 4:30p.m. to 7:30p.m. each Wednesday.