



*Recreation & Parks
Department Report
October 2019*

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- Fifteen (15) groups used the Hughes Center during September for a total of 147 hours. Events included a first responder appreciation lunch, CASA non-profit expo and Bruce Bland Ministries.
- For the month of September there were 23 regular parties and 6 private parties at the aquatic center for a total of 64 hours. Classes in September included Try Scuba, Tone Zone, Aqua Zumba, water aerobics and Silver Fins for a total of 39 hours. Swim lesson classes were held for a total of 26 hours. Events in September included a swim challenge where participants could sign up to swim either a 5K or 10K. Participants included 30 patrons and 18 employees of the aquatic center.
- The Parks Commission met on September 12. Minutes are available for viewing at www.russellvillearkansas.org
- The department had 18 pavilion rentals in the month of September.
- The Department's monthly safety inspection was completed. All of the parks fire extinguishers were inspected, offices were also inspected and any necessary updates or repairs were made.
- The splash pad closed for the season on Monday, September 30. Attendance at the splash pad remained high this year.
- The Arkansas Valley Soccer Association (A.V.S.A.) began their fall season on September 14 at the Russellville Soccer Complex. There are 500 kids participating on 48 teams this fall. Teams are practicing on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays and games are played on Saturdays.
- The Russellville Youth Baseball Association (R.Y.B.A.) began their fall league play on September 17 with 16 teams participating. Teams play on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday nights at Hickey Park.
- The Boys and Girls Club began their youth flag football league in September. They practice at Shiloh Park on the lower field and play games at Vick Field on Monday, Tuesday and Thursdays.
- Maintenance installed new border around the composite play unit at James School Park.
- A bicycle rack and workstation has been ordered for Illinois Park. The entrance to the Ouita Coal Company mountain bike trail is located in this park. The nine mile trail is designed for mountain bikers, walkers and joggers. A bicycle rack has also been ordered for the aquatic center.