

# NRD Magic Show Tomorrow at the Newstead Public Library

## Summer Recreation Program Summary

Last week, the NRD hosted its Annual REC Olympics on Friday with “Medals” awarded to the winners of select events. This day also happened to mark the start of the Tokyo Olympics. This week Friday, the Rec. Dept. will meet at the Newstead Public Library for a Magic Show and go to Russell Park for Lawn Games. Speaking of Olympics and lawn games, the Sport of the Week is Track & Field! As August rolls in... Next week will be Flag Football, so dust off the cleats!

The Town of Newstead Summer 2021 Recreation Programs which started on Monday, June 28<sup>th</sup> run through Friday, August 6<sup>th</sup> at Vet’s Park. With now nearly 300 registrations for all program offerings combined, some programs are closed; yet others remain open, so “do not delay, sign up today!” To get in on the action and register for programs on-line, go to [www.newsteadrec.com](http://www.newsteadrec.com). For more personal service, you may visit the Clerk’s Office at the Newstead Town Hall.

The following programs are currently being offered during the Summer 2021 Rec. Season:

<b>Summer Rec. Programs</b>	<b>Days</b>	<b>Times</b>	<b>Fees (Tentative &amp; TBD)</b>
AM Fitness & Fun	Monday-Friday	8-9am	\$20/participant for season
* AM REC Session	Monday-Friday	9am-12pm	\$30/participant for season
* PM REC Session	Monday-Friday	1-4pm	\$30/participant for season
After Hours Hoopla	Monday-Friday	4-5pm	\$20/participant for season
Field Excursions/Trips	TBD	TBD	TBD

\* As in the past, youth may register for the AM or PM Session, but not for both. Each session will adhere to grade levels and includes 4 - 45 minute programs... arts & crafts, playground games, recreational activities, and sport of the week. The AM and PM Sessions are Monday-Friday and are all-inclusive for the duration of the Summer, excluding AM Fitness & Fun, After Hours Hoopla and any paid field trips, which require separate registration. Note: Summer Recreation is held at Veteran’s Park this Summer due to construction projects at ACS facilities.

In addition to the core programs listed above... Special events include(d): the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade, a Hike to Akron Falls Park, an Outing at Destroyer Golf, the NRD Annual Olympics, a magician at the Newstead Library/Russell Park, a “Fun Run” and the “Let’s Can Hunger!” food drive.

Please note: To register for these special events, youth must already be registered in the AM or PM REC Program. Most excursions are free, others may require a fee or contribution/donation. Some are walking trips; others require drop off at an alternate site. Stay tuned for more details.

## Registration Process

Participants are encouraged to set-up family accounts and register ASAP due to program caps. Again, participants may register on-line at [www.newsteadrec.com](http://www.newsteadrec.com) or stand in line at the Newstead Town Hall located at 5 Clarence Center Road. For the convenience of on-line registration, a modest processing fee is assessed and invoiced. Please note that there are “caps” - a limited number of openings for the programs and special events, which will be filled on a first-paid, first-serve basis. A registration is not complete until paid. “Don’t delay, sign up today!”

## **Rec. Dept. Leadership and Staff**

The Summer 2021 Recreation Program is led by Dan Roland, Director, and four Program Coordinators: Leah Czechowski, Nick Roland, Abby Stone and Micah Suckow. Program Coordinators are responsible for planning, organizing, implementing, supervising, and evaluating their respective programs. This core leadership team sets the standards for new and returning staff joining the Rec. Dept. as Program Attendants. Attendants include: Haley Aquino, Lauren Bergman, Steven Doktor, Laicy Karczewski, Sarah Kidder, Mattie Klein, Dakota Langenfeldt, Emerson Polkowski, Kiernan Regan, and Alex Roland. Please note that applications for substitute positions may still be submitted. The application form is posted on the Town of Newstead website. Once completed, the application along with a cover letter should be sent to Newstead Town Hall c/o Dan Roland, Rec. Director.

## **Lifeguard Certification Courses**

In preparation for Summer, the Newstead Rec. Dept. hosted two Lifeguard Training Courses for community members: re-certification in May and new certification in June. The courses were conducted by an American Red Cross Certified Instructor. The programs are of great importance to Aquatics Staffing for the Rec. Dept., and also provide job preparation for participants to work at other pools and water parks in the local community. Both programs reached capacity/sold out!

## **Rec. Dept. Mission and Board:**

The Recreation Department mission is as follows: “The Town of Newstead Recreation Department is committed to providing residents of the Town of Newstead, Tonawanda Territory, Akron Central School District, and Students of the Akron Central School District with a variety of enjoyable and meaningful physical fitness programs and leisure activities that promote individual development and teamwork in a safe and positive environment.”

The role of the Rec. Board is to further the mission of the Recreation Department, by adhering to its core values: Commitment, Fairness, Honesty, Passion, Respect, Resourcefulness, and Service and improving its functional areas: activities/programming, budgeting/ appropriations, facility management, organizational development, and publicity/public relations. The next meeting of the Recreation Board is scheduled for Thursday, August 5<sup>th</sup> at Town Hall.

The Newstead Recreation Board includes the following members: Joel Gregorio (Chair), Bo Izydorczak (Secretary), Adam Massaro, Tim Morgan, Melissa Polkowski, Jason Pragle, Mike Schilling, and Alicia Tomporowski. In addition, the Town Board Liaisons to the Recreation Department are Councilmen Dr. Ed Burke and Patricia Pope. The School Board Liaison is currently Debbie Forrestel. Thanks to the Rec. Bd. for volunteering their time and to the Town Bd. for their support... It is through their collective efforts that the Rec. Dept. continues to grow!

While the Town of Newstead, the Recreation Board, and Rec. Staff are the official caretakers of the Recreation Department, it takes the collective efforts of the community to be truly successful. Residents with suggestions for the betterment of the Recreation Department are asked to please contact a Rec. Bd. Member or the Recreation Director, Dan Roland via cell phone at #392-7657. Thanks for your support!