



STAFF REPORT

TO: Parks & Recreation Commission

FROM: Bryce Shearen, CPRP, Parks & Recreation/Community Services Manager

DATE: July 1, 2021

RE: Recreation Updates

ACTION TO BE CONSIDERED:

None.

UPDATES:

Youth Activities:

- The Firearm Safety Course will be in July. The roster is full and has a large waiting list. Due to COVID restrictions and a state-wide shortage of volunteer instructors, the City is only able to offer one course.
- Registration continues for the four-week youth naturalist program. This program will run in August and feature a new topic each week, including, tree identification, wildlife tracking, and birding.
- Staff is working on coordinating a late-summer fall youth volleyball season with other surrounding communities.

Adult Activities:

- Two virtual classes are being offered in June and July through Little Canada Parks & Recreation in partnership with the University of Minnesota Extension's Master Gardener program. The class topics are: Fall into Winter and Climate Resilient Gardens. Registration for those classes can be done at <https://secure.rec1.com/MN/little-canada-mn/catalog>.
- Late-summer adult fall pickleball sessions are being offered and registration is now available.

Events:

- *Ice Cream Social:* The annual ice cream social will be held on Thursday, July 29. Thank you to the Little Canada Recreation Association (LCRA) and Culver's of Little Canada for sponsoring the event. Also, thank you the Little Canada Fire Department for bringing a fire engine to the event. (see attached flyer)
- *Farmers Market:* The Farmers Market continues every Monday at the hardware store parking lot on Rice Street.
- *Canadian Days:* Canadian Days is July 30 – August 1.