

**TOWN OF DRYDEN RECREATION DEPARTMENT
MISSION**

To provide diverse recreational programs and leisure services which enhance the physical, social and cultural growth of all residents of Dryden, while promoting citizen involvement and a strong sense of community.

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Mission of the Dryden Recreation Commission:

The Town of Dryden Recreation Commission (DRC), in conjunction with the Town of Dryden Recreation Department, will strive to improve the quality of life for all residents by facilitating the opportunity to participate in healthy and satisfying recreation and leisure activities.

If you are interested in joining the DRC, please contact the Town of Dryden Recreation Department.

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

2009 has been busy for the Town of Dryden Recreation Department. We introduced a new registration system, and published our first seasonal brochure. Thank you all for being patient with the new process—it has worked out well!

We hosted our first Annual Father-Daughter Valentine's Day Dance, which was a great success. We are thrilled to add it to our roster of annual programs. January Family Fun Nights gave folks an excuse to get out and play, and showcases the wonderful community partnership we share with TC3.

The Department brought back its Wrestling Tournament, and added a Youth Basketball Tournament. Hundreds of kids from the region joined in on both, and a great time was had by all.

This summer brings more fun than ever. Please read through the brochure for information on our Summer Music Series, Christopher Ackley Skateboard Park hours, our Montgomery Park Summer Drop-In Program, Adult Outdoor Education and Dryden Old Home Days.

As always, please let us know if you have comments, thoughts or suggestions.

Thanks!
Melissa Bianconi *Director of Recreation, Town of Dryden*

Town of Dryden Facilities

Dryden Lake Park

Fishing dock
Ice fishing
Boating (non motor)
Picnic area/Pavilion
BBQ Grills
Nature Trails
Open fields
Playground

Jim Schug Trail

4.2 miles
Handicap Accessible
Walking/Hiking
Biking
Horseback riding
Cross Country Skiing
Snow Shoeing
Additional info: Call the DPW Department: 844-8888 option 8
All trail info is also available at www.dryden.ny.us

Other community facilities

Etna Park—Etna Road

Playground
Tennis Courts
Basketball Hoop
Open Space
Picnic Table

Montgomery Park

Dryden Village, Elm St
Gazebo
Playground
Pavilion
Basketball

Skateboard Park
Tee-Ball diamond

Groton Ave Park

Freeville Village, Groton Ave
Ball fields and Pavilion

Mill Dam Park

Freeville Village, Mill St
Playground
Picnic area

Dryden Community Café

1 West Main St, Dryden Village
www.drydencommunityscafe.blogspot.com

Ellis Hollow Community Center

111 Genung Road
www.ehcc.clarityconnect.com

Varna Community Center

943 Dryden Road

Etna Community Center

Main Street, Etna
Lower Creek Road

Community Associations are not managed by the Town of Dryden. We are proud to partner with the centers on a variety of programs and projects, but each center is independent and unique. We encourage the public to become aware of the Community Association in your Dryden neighborhood.

Summer Travel Baseball: 10U and 12U

It is time to sign up for Summer Ball. Practices and home games will be held at the Wall Street ball field. Practice days and times are determined by coaches and are weather dependant. Expect 2-3 practices and 1-3 games per week. This is a travel program. Registration fee includes entry fee into one tournament.

10U players can not be age 11 before April 30th, 2009

Price: \$35.00

Registration Deadline: June 19th, 2009

Registration Code: A2001-TBU10

Registration Maximum: 12 **Minimum:** 9

Coaches: Dan McGrath and Marty Gardner



12U players can not be age 13 before April 30th, 2009.

Price: \$35.00

Registration Deadline: June 19th, 2009

Registration Code: A2001-TBU12

Registration Maximum: 12 **Minimum:** 9

Coach: Andrew Pierce

Summer Travel Softball: 14U

The Town of Dryden Recreation Summer Travel Softball is gearing up for another season of County Teen summer ball. Practices will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays, and some Saturday mornings. Travel games will be on Tuesday and Thursday nights.

Players still have until June 19th to register, but Coach Moore wants to begin practicing early (June 8th) so sign up as soon as possible!

Price: \$35.00

Registration Deadline: June 19th, 2009

Registration Code: A2001-SGS

Registration Maximum: 15 **Minimum:** 10

Coach: Jack Moore



Montgomery Park Drop-In Program

The Montgomery Park Program is a **free** drop-in program for kids ages 6 to 12 and provides the opportunity for kids to cool off in the shade, get creative with arts & crafts, play lots of games and sports, enjoy special events and visit with friends.

Where: Montgomery Park, Elm St. Dryden Village

When: June 29th-August 14th 10:00 AM-5:00

Ages: 6-12 (under 7, we prefer a guardian accompany child)

Fee: FREE

Registration: No pre-registration is required for this program. At the first drop off, we will take emergency contact information and important medical information. All kids **MUST** sign in and out of the park each time they arrive and leave.

On top of daily activities, we have the following special events planned at the park:

Friday July 10th: 2:00-4:00

Summer FUN-lympics! Wacky relays, mixed sports and group games will give everybody a chance to strive for gold!

Friday July 17th: 2:00-4:00

Whiffle Ball World Series! You don't have to be Babe Ruth to play in this World Series!

Friday July 24th: 2:00 until the last group finishes

Scavenger Hunt! How well do you know the nooks and crannies of Montgomery Park? Show off your clue cracking skills with this fun activity!

This program is not to be used to substitute Child-Care or Daycare services!

Adult recreation staff will supervise the kids during activities but is NOT responsible for keeping track of children at the program or park site for the duration of the day; kids can come and go as they please. It is solely the responsibility of the parents, legal guardians and daycare providers to supervise their children to ensure their safety.



Christopher Ackley Memorial Skateboard Park



The Skateboard Park will open for another season this summer. All participants are required to wear helmets, sign in daily, and abide by all rules set forth by the Town of Dryden Recreation Department and the Village of Dryden. If under age 18, a parent or guardian must sign a permission waiver. Waivers can be found on our website www.dryden.ny.us/recreation-department, at the Recreation Department offices at the Town Hall, and are also available on site at the park. Remember, this is a skateboard only facility. Rollerblades and bikes are not permitted on the equipment.

Park Location: Montgomery Park, Dryden Village

Park Hours: M-F 12:00 noon-dusk, weather permitting. Saturdays 12:00-4:00, weather permitting. CLOSED SUNDAYS.

Fee: FREE

Are you looking for information about:

- Village of Dryden Summer Day Camp
- Village of Freeville Summer Day Camp
- Dryden Youth Football Camp
- Sertoma Fall Soccer
- Dryden Lake Pavilion Rental

The Town of Dryden Recreation Department does not manage these programs, but you will find forms and information attached to the back of this brochure!



Summer Music and more



Did you know the Town of Dryden Recreation Department provides TWO Summer Concert Series? With one held in Montgomery Park and another in Ellis Hollow, free music is available all summer long—no matter where you live! Visit our website for directions to each location.



Music in the Park Montgomery Park Elm St, Dryden Village

(Located directly behind the Dryden Hotel)

Wednesdays 6:30-8:30

**Rain Location*: Dryden Community Café,
Main St**

July 1: Free Little Birds

Featuring Marie Burns

July 8: Urban Horse Thieves

Alternative Country

July 15: Teacher's Lounge

Americana/Rock

July 22: Mark Rust

Upbeat, family oriented fun!

**July 29: Steve Southworth and
the Rockabilly Rays**

**50's Rockabilly Rock, plus a Classic Car Cruise In
Night, Cars are welcome to arrive at Montgomery
Park beginning at 4:30!**

August 5: The String Band

Bluegrass

**August 12: Ithaca Dixieland
Band**

Music of New Orleans, right here in Dryden!

August 19: Patti Witten

Acclaimed female folk artist/songwriter

***All weather related location changes will be
made by 5:00 PM and are final, even if the sky
clears.**



Music in the Hollow Ellis Hollow Community Center 111 Genung Rd

**Saturday June 20th: The
Horseflies!**

Old-time fiddle music meets alternative rock

July 7: Joe Crookston

One man folk/acoustic/soul

July 14: The Common Railers

Five member acoustic Americana

July 21: The Small Kings

Bluegrass/Folk Rock

July 28: The Ageless Jazz Band

Classic Swing to Latin Jazz

August 4: New Neighbors

(formally "IY")

Dryden Old Home Days JULY 31 AND AUGUST 1 2009

Dryden Old Home Days are back! We kick off the event on July 31st in Montgomery Park, for a day full of fun activities for kids and family—come join in the fun with a Magician, Nate and Kate's Kid Show, Pamela Goddard's dance and sing along, Victorian Games, old fashioned Root beer floats and more!

Then come down to Dryden Lake Park on Saturday, August 1st and revisit the Spit and Whittle Club and Needle Club of "Dryden's Past". A true treat for Dryden old timers! Finish the event with great music by Ageless Jazz Band and more.

Please check our website, the shopper and community boards in early July for event details and schedule!



Adult Programs



Adult Outdoor Education

By Jamie Arnold and Outdoor Opportunities

www.outdooropportunities.org

Learn basic outdoor skills, such as navigation with a compass and map, knots and lashings, knife and hatchet safety, trip and even meal planning! Participants will learn what to do in emergency situations, how to build shelters and find food, and basic outdoor first aid skills.

The course is broken into three classes. The first two classes will be held at the Dryden Lake Park Pavilion, and the third will be an experiential class held in Hammond Hill State Forest, and on property provided by Outdoor Opportunities. There is an option for class three to have an over night experience provided by Outdoor Opportunities, additional fees apply.

Session I Information:

Ages: 18 and older **Fee:** \$45.00
July 18th, July 25th and August 1
Times: 8:00-12:00
Registration Code: AOE1
Registration Deadline: July 3rd

General Information:

Class Minimum: 5 participants
Class Maximum: 16 participants
Program Coordinator: Jamie Arnold,
Licensed Guide

Session II Information:

Ages: 18 and older **Fee:** \$45.00
August 8th, August 15th August 22
Times: 8:00-12:00
Registration Code: AOE2
Registration Deadline: July 24th

**For detailed information on courses,
please contact Outdoor Opportunities
via email:
outdooropportunities@frontiernet.net
or visit their website:
www.outdooropportunities.org**

Dryden Adult Soccer Outdoor Play

Play is every Wednesday from 6:00-7:30pm and every Sunday from noon-2:00pm at the Dryden High School field 5 (behind the high school, the baseball backstop is labeled "5"). This is an informal coed game, and **all players age 16-up are welcome**. If you have never played but want to try it, or are considering returning to soccer after several years not playing, this is a great opportunity!

League Coordinator: Bill Turner (all inquires for Adult Soccer should be communicated using the options below)

Fee: \$10.00 to be paid to League Coordinator, checks made out to Dryden Soccer Club

We maintain a separate mailing list for the Adult group, drydenadultsoccer@yahoo.com. Announcements of schedule changes are always posted to that list. You can subscribe through the Web at <http://groups.yahoo.com/subscribe.cgi/drydenadultsoccer>

Or by sending your email address to Bill Turner at: wrt1@cornell.edu



Adult Softball League Co-Ed

The Adult Softball league begins in May each Spring. Teams are sponsored by local businesses and play on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:30 and Saturday mornings for the weekend league. We have enough men filling out team rosters, but are always looking for women to play. If you are interested, it's not too late! Please contact Andrew Pierce at the Recreation Department if you are interested!

If you are interested in forming a team for 2010, please be sure to contact the Recreation Department in March of next year. League rules, team fees and general information can be found at www.dryden.ny.us/recreation-department

Do you have a great idea for adult programming? Do you currently or wish to provide an adult recreation opportunity but need help gathering participants? Consider contracting with the Town of Dryden Recreation Department today! We look forward to hearing from you!

Fall Youth Sports

All practice locations, times and days are TBA as of June, 2009 due to the school complex construction project. We will stay in communication with families after you sign up for fall sports--it is very important that all email addresses and phone numbers are accurate and legible on registration forms.

YFL Tackle Football Grades 3-7*

The Town of Dryden Recreation Department is part of the regional YFL program. This is a travel league. Practices are three days a week, with one game on weekends. Players need cleats and water at each practice!

Registration Deadline: August 7th, 2009

Junior League: Grades 3-5 (max weight is 140 lbs—5th graders over 140 will be moved to the SR level)

Registration Code for JR: TFBJR

Senior League: Grades 6-7 (max weight is 190 lbs)

Registration Code for SR: TFBSR



Season: August 24-November 1, 2009

Equipment Hand Out: August 18th, 6:00-7:30 @ Town Barn behind Highway building—61 E. Main St

Fee: \$45.00 (\$10.00 late fee will be charged after August 7, no registrations will be taken after September 1!)

*If your child is in 3rd grade, they must have played two years of Flag Football, weigh at least 60 pounds, and must meet basic criteria set forth by coaches and the Youth Sport Coordinator. Coaches and the Town of Dryden Recreation Department reserve the right to move 3rd graders back to the Flag level if criteria is not met.

JR Head Coach: Ron Space

SR Head Coaches: Gordy Andrews and Charlie Dardia

Flag Football Grades K-3

We are looking forward to another great season of Flag Football. The focus of this program is on skill development and fun. This is an in-house program, meaning no travel. Practices/games are two nights a week.

Registration Deadline: September 1, 2009
\$10.00 late fee after September 1st

Who: Grades K-3

**Where: Dryden Elementary School
(field by the lady bug garden)**

When: September 15-October 29

Fee: \$25.00



JR Cheerleading Grades 3-5

Registration Deadline: August 21, 2009
\$10.00 late fee after August 21st

Who: Grades 3-5

Where: TBA

When: September 1st - November 1st (approximately)

Fee: \$35.00

Registration Code: JRCH09

Head Coach: Heather Coon

SR Cheerleading Grades 6-7

Registration Deadline: August 21, 2009
\$10.00 late fee after August 21st

Who: Grades 6-7

Where: TBA

When: September 1st - November 1st (approximately)

Fee: \$35.00

Registration Code: SRCH09

Head Coach: Gennie Andrews

Flag Cheerleading Grades K-2

This program cheers for the flag football players. Practice/games are two nights a week, at Dryden Elementary School.

Registration Deadline: September 1, 2009
\$10.00 late fee after September 1st

Who: Grades K-2

Where: Dryden Elementary School

When: September 15-October 29th

Fee: \$25.00

Registration Code: FCH09

* We need volunteer coaches for this program. If one is not in place by August 21st, we will have to cancel the program

BOOSTER CLUB OFFICERS NEEDED FOR FALL FOOTBALL AND CHEER!

For the past few years, these programs have fundraising and now need a board of parent volunteers to take the ropes to continue on with the fundraising efforts that give these programs the "extras" that make them special. Please be in touch with the Recreation Department if you are interested—this is a simple way to give back to the programs and community!