

COUNTY OF GREENE | MONTHLY DEPARTMENT REPORT

DEPARTMENT: PARKS & RECREATION

PERIOD: AUGUST 2026

- Blue Ridge Dark Skies - 8
- Mother/Daughter Mermaid Party - 48
- Mother/Son Game Night - 66
- Drop In Pickleball - 112
- Yoga with Gail - 6
- Youth Soccer Goalie Training - 10
- Fall 2026 Youth Soccer - 349
- Fall 2026 Flag Football - 73

DISCUSSION TOPICS/ITEMS

1. Department Staffing & Operational Continuity

GCPR is currently operating with one full time employee following the departure of the Recreation Supervisor after a short period with the Department. As a result, I am currently responsible for overseeing and managing all Department programs and operations, with the assistance of part-time staff who have taken on additional hours and responsibilities to help maintain program operations, customer service, facility needs, and administrative functions. This includes the planning, coordination, and day-to-day management of all Fall recreation programs while continuing to address the regular administrative and operational responsibilities of the Department. The County has re-advertised the Recreation Supervisor position and is scheduled to interview candidates during the coming week. While the current staffing structure presents significant challenges, GCPR continues to prioritize maintaining continuity of services and programs to the community.

2. Continued Growth in Participation

GCPR has entered one of its busiest programming seasons of the year, with a substantial number of programs and community offerings operating concurrently throughout the Fall 2026 calendar. The Department is currently coordinating Fall Youth Soccer, Fall Youth Flag Football, Fall Youth Basketball, the Dog Walking Club, Outdoor Movie Nights, Spooktacular, and other seasonal and community recreation offerings during this same period. These programs require extensive coordination of participants, coaches, volunteers, schedules, facilities, equipment, registration, communications, and day-to-day program operations. Fall Youth Soccer and Flag Football have successfully launched, while Fall Youth

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Basketball registration is underway and the Department continues preparations for its October start, including preseason player evaluations for the Rookie Division. The Department's Fall programming calendar represents a significant portion of GCPR's annual recreation activity and demonstrates both the continued demand for programs in Greene County and the substantial operational workload required to deliver them.

3. Commitment to Program Continuity

Despite the current staffing limitations, GCPR remains committed to ensuring that its programs and services do not falter during this period of transition. GCPR is a program-heavy department, and the Department's primary responsibility remains providing quality recreation opportunities to the residents of Greene County. Staff continue to work diligently to keep programs operating, support participants and families, coordinate volunteers and coaches, manage facilities, and address the day-to-day needs of the Department. The current staffing situation is a challenge, but it will not diminish GCPR's commitment to the community or the quality of the programs being provided.