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Subj: Parks & Recreation Monthly Activity Report

FACILITIES

Bathroom facilities at Laurel Park and Pat Livezey Park were re-opened following the winter season. The Laurel Park bathrooms are open during operational hours and automatically lock each evening at 9:30 p.m. The bathrooms at Pat Livezey Park are opened by staff for events, rentals, and soccer practices/games.

Mowing at all park locations has started for the season with our new company, Effluent Retrieval. All properties were visited by a representative from Effluent Retrieval along with Dudley and Annelise prior to the start of mowing operations to ensure accuracy of the areas to be mowed. Inspections are conducted weekly to ensure compliance with the contract and all mowing to date has been very satisfactory.

FACILITY RENTALS:

One facility request processed for New Hope-Solebury Free Library for use of Laurel Park and Pat Livezey Park on various dates in May through August for their story-time travel trailer program for kids.

CANAL PARK:

Routine maintenance and inspection. Soccer has decided NOT to use the field this season for any games and to use it for practices only.

MAGILL'S HILL:

Routine maintenance and inspection. Planning is in progress for replanting the hillside later this year.

PAT LIVEZEY PARK:

Fields (Upper & Lower)

Routine maintenance and inspection. Top dressing completed for the upper and lower athletic fields resulted in much improved turf with spring growth. Preparations are in progress for native plantings at the hillside along the lower athletic field next to the parking lot.

Maintenance / Buildings / Security

Routine maintenance and inspection. Bathrooms opened for the season.

LAUREL PARK:

Routine maintenance and inspection. Top dressing of two of the multi-purpose fields has significantly improved both of our most used fields. Several major appliances in the snack were removed and replaced with new ones as part of the ongoing capital improvement of that facility. These appliances had each failed and reached the end of their useful life (stove, refrigerator, freezer, cold drink cooler).

TRAILS

Routine maintenance and inspection. The preliminary Master Trail Plan priority list and ranking system has been completed and distributed for review to P&R and to our consultant.

NORTH POINTE PARK:

Routine maintenance and inspection.

AQUETONG SPRING PARK:

Routine maintenance and inspection. Two Eagle Scout projects were reviewed and approved by the P&R Board at its April meeting, for installation at Aquetong Spring Park.

- 1) Eagle Scout Charlie Babboni – Bluebird and Owl Houses
- 2) Eagle Scout Parker Taylor – Bats and Bee Houses

SOLEBURY PARK:

Routine maintenance and inspection. No additional contact received from the group that expressed interest in having a Par 3 golf facility on the site.

SOLEBURY GREEN:

Routine maintenance and inspection. Design Consultant Kimmel-Bogrette is proceeding with draft plan.

COMPREHENSIVE PARK, RECREATION, OPEN SPACE, TRAIL & GREENWAY PLAN UPDATE:

A revised project timeline was received from Gilmore & Associates along with sample report pages, but no new chapters were received. Revised timeline anticipates completion in November 2026.

PROGRAMS

SOLEBURY BASEBALL / SOFTBALL LEAGUE:

Baseball and Softball have just started their season. Opening day was Saturday, April 18th at Laurel Park.

Website: www.soleburybaseball.org

Email Contact: soleburytwpbbaseballsoftball@gmail.com

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/soleburybaseballandsoftball>

SOLEBURY SOCCER:

Spring Soccer has just started their season with both Intramural and Travel games at Laurel Park.

Practices every night of the week at Laurel Park and Pat Livezey Park until the Fall season begins.

Website: www.soleburysoccer.com

SOLEBURY BASKETBALL:

A total of ten (10) teams participated in the Travel ICBA League this season. We had TWO championship teams this season in the ICBA League. The winners were the 6th Grade Boys and the 7th Grade Girls Teams! Individual trophies were awarded to the players on each championship team, and the ICBA Team trophies are already in the award cabinet in the Municipal Complex Lobby.



Adult Basketball will continue through June 4, 2026 on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

Basketball website: www.soleburytwp.org/parks-recreation/pages/sports-programs

ICBA website: www.icbabasketball.com

SOLEBURY LIONS YOUTH WRESTLING:

The winter season has ended.

Website: www.soleburyyouthwrestling.com

Facebook: [Solebury Lions Youth Wrestling](https://www.facebook.com/groups/132869324008298) at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/132869324008298>

NEW HOPE-SOLEBURY LACROSSE:

The Lacrosse Spring season is in progress.

Website: <http://www.nhslacrosseclub.com/organizations/19205>

LAMBERTVILLE-NEW HOPE RAMBLERS

The Lambertville-New Hope Ramblers Football and Cheerleading program provides opportunities for children ages 5-14 in Lambertville, New Hope, Solebury Township. The season has concluded.

Contact information for next season is available on the Ramblers website at <https://lnh-ramblers.com>

SUMMER CAMP:

Camp registration is now OPEN! Camp will run 4-weeks from July 6th-31st at Pat Livezey Park from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. daily. Program information and the registration link can be found on the Township website.

JULY 2026

SOLEBURY TOWNSHIP OUTDOOR SUMMER CAMP
JULY 6TH - 31ST | MON - FRI | 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Additional Activities Include:

Building solar ovens and bottle rockets
Hands on environmental education & plant identification
Mystery detective games
And many more!!

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
29		31	01	02	03	04
05	06  Balloon Animals	07  Kids Karate	08  Science Experiment	09  Solebury PD Visit	10  Magic show Pizza Lunch & Game Day!	11
12	13  Glitter Tattoos	14  Kids Karate	15  Science Experiment	16  Solebury PD Visit	17  Magic show Pizza Lunch & Game Day!	18
19	20  Balloon Animals	21  Kids Karate	22  Science Experiment	23  Solebury PD Visit	24  Magic show Pizza Lunch & Game Day!	25
26	27  Science Experiment	28  Kids Karate	29  Glitter Tattoos	30  Solebury PD Visit	31  Magic show Pizza Lunch & Game Day!	01

Schedule subject to changes

Website: <https://www.soleburytp.org/summer-camp>

BACKGROUND SCREENING and CLEARANCES:

The current Clearance List is updated throughout the year for those who are required to obtain volunteer clearances. Individual sports organizations are required to provide certification to Solebury Township and/or copies as appropriate. The PA State Law on Clearances is in effect for all volunteers and employees, who are required to provide the following:

- PA State Police Criminal Record Check
- ChildLine PA Child Abuse Clearance through the Dept of Human Services
- FBI Criminal Background Check OR the 10-Year CPSL Resident Affidavit

FIRST AID / CPR / AED TRAINING:

CPR / AED / First Aid training courses are available online at various websites. Township personnel completed the training on October 20 and are certified for 2 years. Sports organizations conduct training for coaches and other designated personnel.

CONCUSSION TRAINING

Coaches and sports groups using Township facilities are asked to complete the CDC Concussion Training and produce a certificate of completion or League certification.

Concussion Training Website: <https://www.cdc.gov/headsup/youthsports/training/index.html>

LICENSE PLATES and TILE PROMOTION:

Sales continue each month. Since this program was started, it has raised \$74,295 to date for Parks and Recreation programs and events. Receipts are documented in the monthly budget report.

CELEBRATION TREE PROGRAM:

Forms and information are posted on the Township website at the link below.

https://www.soleburytpw.org/sites/g/files/vyhlif1221/f/uploads/solebury_township_tree_program_form_0.pdf

EVENTS

Various events take place each month that are run or sponsored by the P&R Department. Details are posted on the Township website, Facebook, advertisements, posters and via online email contact. Below are the recent events from the past month and a look ahead at coming attractions!

A) Sat	4/04	Annual Egg Hunt for Kids	Pat Livezey Park
B) Sat	4/04	NHC Pride Pageant	BC Playhouse
C) Sat	4/11	Baseball Picture Day	Public Works Building
D) Sat.	4/18	Egg Hunt for Hounds	Aquetong Spring Park
E) Sat.	4/18	Baseball Opening Day Ceremony	Laurel Park
F) Sat.	4/25	Garlic Mustard Pull & Pesto Workshop	Aquetong Spring Park
G) Thurs.	4/30	Pickleball Clinics Start	Laurel Park
H) Sat.	5/02	EV Car Show	NHS High School
I) Sun.	5/03	NH Auto Show Cars & Coffee	NHS High School
J) Wed.	5/06	Medicare Options Educational Seminar	Township Building
K) Sat.	5/09	E-waste Recycling Event & PR Tool Drive	UES Parking Lot
L) Sun.	5/17	14th Annual Robert Nagg Memorial Game	NHS Stadium

TRAINING

Recreation Program Coordinator Annelise Dahlin completed her 6-week training and study course with PRPS in preparation for the Certified Park & Recreation Professional exam which she will take in January 2027.

Director Dudley Rice and Annelise Dahlin completed the PRPS Playground Safety maintenance and training course held at Upper Gwyneed Township.

Both Dudley and Annelise attended the Bucks County Recreation Council meeting and training watershed training session conducted by Karen Ogden, Bucks County Conservation District, and by Kathleen Connally, Penn State Extension, held at the Falls Township Municipal building.

MEETINGS / ADMIN / SUBDIVISIONS

Parks and Recreation held its public meeting on April 23. All action items were forward to the Supervisors. Of Note: Mark Blucas nominated for Lake Solebury Committee. No subdivisions or land developments were submitted for review.

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