



# SUMMER 2024 ACTIVITY GUIDE



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## MAIN OFFICE

### OVP Community Center

3500A Hog Mountain Rd, Watkinsville, GA 30677

Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Phone: 706-769-3965

Weather Cancellations: 706-769-3965, option 2

The Parks and Recreation Department office and Community Center will be closed for the following holidays:

Monday, May 27

Thursday, July 4



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# mission statement

Create impactful recreational experiences, promote wellness, and connect the community.

## ADMINISTRATION

**Lisa Davol**, Director

**Whitney Sperlik**, Deputy Director

**Joan Postero**, Administrative Assistant

## PARKS

**Pat Sebring**, Parks Manager

**Tyler Hartzog**, HCM Facility Supervisor

**Maggie Hubert**, HCM Office Assistant

**Andy Dunston**, OVP Facility Supervisor

**Christina Starr**, OVP Office Assistant

## RECREATION

**Zach Churchill**, Recreation Manager

**Jake Thornton**, Senior Athletic Program Coordinator

**Payton Massey**, Senior Athletic Program Coordinator

**Andrew Bishop**, Athletic Program Coordinator

**Molly Lee**, Athletic Program Coordinator



# registration information

## ONLINE ONLY REGISTRATION BEGINS

Oconee County Residents: Monday, April 15

Out of County Residents: Monday, April 29

Registration is accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Most of our activities have limited enrollment. If an activity is filled, you will be placed on a waiting list and notified by phone of an opening.

**EASY ONLINE REGISTRATION:** <http://register.communitypass.net/OconeeCounty>

## PAYMENT

We accept Visa, MasterCard, Discover and American Express payments. We also accept online eCheck payments. Cash not accepted. Payee will be responsible for paying debit/credit card/eCheck convenience fees.

## OUT OF COUNTY

Out of County residents pay 200% of the program fee.

## PROGRAMS REFUND POLICY

No refunds or credits will be granted unless requested by program refund deadline. If request is made by the program refund deadline, you will have two options: (1) Receive an immediate credit for the full amount valid for 12 months or (2) Receive a refund, minus a 25% administration fee. Out of County fees will be returned with refund; registration convenience fees are non-refundable.

## PLAY IT FORWARD OCONEE

Please consider donating to the OCPRD youth scholarship fund to enable families in need the opportunity to participate. Your tax-deductible donations of any amount are welcome anytime. If you need financial assistance, please call the main office at 706-769-3965 for eligibility criteria.



# tackle football and cheerleading

**Program Coordinator:** Andrew Bishop  
**Email:** abishop@oconee.ga.us

## Football

The OCPRD Tackle Football league participates in the North Georgia Youth Football Association (NGYFA). Participants register for the high school they are zoned to attend, either Oconee or North Oconee. Games are held both at home team high school football stadiums and include travel to opposing teams across North Georgia. Visit the NGYFA website for additional information on the league (<https://www.ngyfa.org/landing/index>).

**\*Equipment not provided \***

<b>Age Groups:</b>	7U, 8U, 9U, 10U, 11U, and 7th Grade (12-13 years)
<b>Age Control Date:</b>	August 1, 2024
<b>Practices:</b>	Weeknights – varies by team
<b>Games:</b>	SATURDAYS – <b>TRAVEL INVOLVED</b>
<b>Locations:</b>	Oconee Parks & School Facilities
<b>Football Program Fee:</b>	\$180
<b>Tackle Registration Deadline:</b>	<b>May 24</b>

**EQUIPMENT NOT PROVIDED.** Each participant will need a helmet, shoulder pads, mouthguard, practice jersey, pants, and cleats.

## Football Season Timeline

**Parent Meeting** – Thursday, May 9, 6-7 p.m.  
**Jersey Fitting #1** – Monday, May 13, 4-7 p.m.  
**Registration Ends** – Friday, May 24  
**Jersey Fitting #2** – Monday, June 3, 4-7 p.m.  
**Team Conditioning** – July 29 – August 2  
**First Day of Practices** – Week of Monday, August 5  
**Picture Day** – Sunday, August 18  
**First Games** – Saturday, September 7  
**NGYFA Post Season Begins** – Saturday, October 26  
**NGYFA Super Bowl** – Saturday, November 16

Visit website for a full season timeline and FAQ.



## Cheerleading

If you have spirit, join the fun and cheer on the Titans or Warriors! Sideline cheerleading participants are registered for the high school they are zoned to attend, either Oconee or North Oconee. Cheer participates in the North Georgia Youth Football Association (NGYFA). Cheerleading age groups may be combined. Games are held both at home team high school football stadiums and include travel to opposing teams across North Georgia. Visit the NGYFA website for additional information on the league (<https://www.ngyfa.org/landing/index>).

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<b>Games:</b>	SATURDAYS – <b>TRAVEL INVOLVED</b>
<b>Locations:</b>	Oconee Parks
<b>Cheerleading Program Fee:</b>	\$200
<b>Cheer Registration Deadline:</b>	<b>May 10*</b>

**\*Cheer registration deadline is firm due to uniform orders deadline.**

**PROVIDED** – Cheer uniform (skirt and shell), V-neck undershirt, boy short briefs, pom-poms, and a bow.  
**NOT PROVIDED** – cheer shoes.

## Cheerleading Season Timeline

**Fitting #1** – Saturday, May 4, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.  
**Parent Meeting** – Thursday, May 9, 6-7 p.m.  
**Registration Ends** – Friday, May 10  
**Fitting #2** – Thursday, May 16, 3-7 p.m.  
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## coach's corner

### All Coach Requirements

- Register as a coach on Community Pass
- Complete and pass an online background screening
- Complete free online concussion training course
- Complete the NYSCA Coach Training
- Complete online USA Football Certification (*Football coaches only*)
- Complete online Darkness-to-Light (*first year Cheerleading coaches only*)

### Football Coach Commitment

- Three practices per week
- Saturday games
- Travel required for games

### Cheerleading Coach Commitment

- Two, one-hour practices per week
- Saturday games
- Travel required for games

### PARENT REQUIREMENT

NAYS Coordinator: Maggie Hubert  
Email: [mhubert@oconee.ga.us](mailto:mhubert@oconee.ga.us)

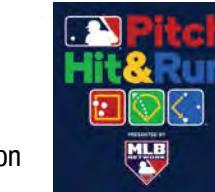
In order for a child to participate in any competitive youth activity, at least one parent/guardian must be a current member of the NAYS Parent Orientation & Membership Program. To fulfill this requirement please visit <http://tinyurl.com/OCPRDparents> and complete the steps outlined.



## special events

### Pitch, Hit, and Run – FREE

Program Coordinator: Jake Thornton  
Email: [jthornton@oconee.ga.us](mailto:jthornton@oconee.ga.us)



The Oconee County Parks and Recreation Department, in conjunction with Major League Baseball will be hosting this competition. Open to all boys and girls. Winners from each group (7/8, 9/10, 11/12, & 13/14) have the opportunity to progress to a sectional, regional, and national competition. All participants must pre-register online; link will be posted on website and social media once Major League Baseball opens registration.

Ages:

7-14

Date:

Saturday, April 20

Time:

10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Location:

Bogart Sports Complex



### National Parks and Recreation Month

For nearly 40 years, the nation has celebrated Park and Recreation Month in July to promote building strong, vibrant and resilient communities through the power of parks and recreation. This July OCPRD is recognizing and celebrating the more than 160,000 full-time park and recreation professionals — along with hundreds of thousands of part-time and seasonal workers and volunteers — who maintain our country's local, state and community parks.

This year's theme — **“Where You Belong”** — celebrates the many ways park and recreation professionals across the country foster a sense of belonging in their community by providing welcoming and inclusive programs, essential services for all ages and abilities, and safe, accessible spaces to build meaningful connections.





# Summer Sports camps

**Program Coordinator:** Andy Dunston  
**Email:** [adunston@oconee.ga.us](mailto:adunston@oconee.ga.us)

We partner with qualified and licensed coaches to provide the best camp experience. Each camp focuses on sport-specific fundamentals, provides situational practice and opportunities for gameplay. All camps have limited enrollment. **\*Fees listed include in-county and out-of-county rates.**

## Morning Summer Sports Camps:

CAMP	DATES	DAYS	TIMES	LOCATION	INSTRUCTOR	AGES	GENDER	Fee
D-1 Fitness, S1	5/28-5/31	Tues-Fri	9 a.m.-12 p.m.	OVP Multipurpose	D1 Training Staff	6-10	M/F	\$120/\$240
Baseball	6/3-6	Mon-Thurs	9 a.m.-12 p.m.	BSC	Jake Crane	6-13	M/F	\$120/\$240
Basketball, S1	6/3-6	Mon-Thurs	9 a.m.-12 p.m.	OVP Gym	Strong Basketball Staff	8-13	M/F	\$120/\$240
British Soccer Camp	6/3-7	Mon-Fri	VARIABLES	OVP	British Soccer Staff	3-16	M/F	VARIABLES
Mountain Bike	6/4-7	Tues-Fri	9 a.m.-2 p.m.	Heritage Park	Ben Hobbs	7-18	M/F	\$170/\$340
Beginner Mountain Bike	6/10-13	Mon-Thurs	9 a.m.-12 p.m.	Heritage Park	Oconee MTB	6-11	M/F	\$120/\$240
Girls Volleyball	6/10-13	Mon-Thurs	9 a.m.-12 p.m.	HCM Sand Court	Shannon Thompson	7-15	F	\$120/\$240
Boys Volleyball	6/10-13	Mon-Thurs	1-4 p.m.	HCM Sand Court	Shannon Thompson	7-15	M	\$120/\$240
D-1 Flag Football	6/17-20	Mon-Thurs	9 a.m.-12 p.m.	OVP Multipurpose	D1 Training Staff	5-14	M/F	\$120/\$240
D-1 Fitness, S2	7/8-11	Mon-Thurs	9 a.m.-12 p.m.	OVP Multipurpose	D1 Training Staff	6-10	M/F	\$120/\$240
Basketball, S2	7/15-18	Mon-Thurs	9 a.m.-12 p.m.	OVP Gym	Strong Basketball Staff	8-13	M/F	\$120/\$240
Cross Country	7/15-18	Mon-Thurs	8-11 a.m.	OVP	Wesley John	10-18	M/F	\$120/\$240
Morning Golf	7/22-24	Mon-Weds	9-11 a.m.	A&F Driving Range	Clay Chappell	5-15	M/F	\$120/\$240

**T-Shirt Policy:** In order to receive a sports camp T-shirt, participants must be registered 7 days in advance of the camp start date.

**Sports Camp Registration Deadline:** 7 days in advance of camp start date

**Location Key:**  
OVP = Oconee Veterans Park  
HCM = Herman C. Michael Park  
BSC = Bogart Sports Complex



## Evening Summer Sports Camps:

CAMP	DATES	DAYS	TIMES	LOCATION	INSTRUCTOR	AGES	GENDER	Fee
Soccer	6/10-14	Mon-Fri	6-8 p.m.	OVP Multipurpose	Dante Trevino	5-12	M/F	\$120/\$240
Wilderness I	6/18-20	Tues-Thurs	5:30-8:30 p.m.	OVP	Jody Rice	8-15	M/F	\$145/\$290
Beginner Basketball	6/24-27	Mon-Thurs	6:15-7:45 p.m.	HCM Gym	Trevor Ross	6-8	M/F	\$80/\$160
Soccer Mini	7/9-11	Tues-Thurs	6-8 p.m.	OVP Multipurpose	Dante Trevino	5-12	M/F	\$80/\$160
Wilderness II	7/16-18	Tues-Thurs	5:30-8:30 p.m.	OVP	Jody Rice	8-15	M/F	\$145/\$290
Evening Golf	7/22-24	Mon-Weds	5:30-7:30 p.m.	A&F Driving Range	Clay Chappell	5-15	M/F	\$120/\$240

# summer swim teams

For those interested in competitive swimming, there are several private swim clubs available in the area:

## Georgia Club

Laura Taylor Pasternak  
ltpasternak@gmail.com  
<https://thegeorgiaclub.com/tgc-swim-team/>

## Oconee Aquatic & Recreation

Mary Owens Howell & Ben Schlegl  
maryowen.h@athensbulldogs.com  
<http://www.oconeeaquatics.com>

## Oconee Club

Danielle West  
oconeestingrays@gmail.com  
<https://www.oconeestingrays.com/>

## Shamrock

Kelly Price  
Shreals@gmail.com  
<https://www.gomotionapp.com/team/shamrockseals/page/home>

## Summer Hill

Scott Burrell  
shbarracudas@gmail.com  
<https://www.summerhillrecreation.com/barracudas>



## OSL Summer Championship

**Meet Coordinator:** Kelly Price  
**Email:** shrseals@gmail.com  
**Ages:** 4-18  
**Date:** TBA  
**Location:** TBA  
**Fee:** TBA

## GRPA District Swim Meet

**Date:** June 28-29  
**Location:** Habersham

## GRPA State Swim Meet

**Date:** July 12-13  
**Location:** Moultrie-Colquitt County

## GRPA All-Star

**Participation Fee:** \$70



# adult programs

## Hatha Yoga

**Program Coordinator:** Andy Dunston  
**Email:** adunston@oconee.ga.us



Celia Brooks, Certified Hatha Yoga Teacher, teaches a mind/body practice of relaxation and rejuvenation using awareness, breath and movement to bring balance to the systems of the body. Class is for all skill levels.

**Ages:** 16 and up  
**Days:** Wednesdays  
**Sessions:** April 10-May 15 (6 classes)  
June 5-26 (4 classes)  
**Times:** 6-7:30 p.m.  
**Location:** Oconee Veterans Park Community Center  
**In County Fee:** \$50 (4-class session)  
\$75 (6-class session)  
**Out of County Fee:** \$100 (4-class session)  
\$150 (6-class session)  
**Registration Deadline:** Monday preceding first class of session

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[stmaryshealthcaresystem.org](http://stmaryshealthcaresystem.org)

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Inpatient/Outpatient Rehabilitation  
Lab Services  
Medical Group  
Memory Care  
Senior Living Community  
Stroke Care  
Surgical Services  
Wellness Center  
Wound Care

# fitness & open gym

## Indoor Track and Gymnasium

Members must be Oconee County residents and have a current membership. Please check our website for the current open gymnasium calendar or call 706-769-3965; select option 1.

## Indoor Track/Gymnasium Membership

Fee: 12-59 years old: \$20 per person, per year \*  
60+ years old: FREE

\*Children 13 and under not permitted on indoor track without a parent/guardian with a current membership.

## Fitness Center – Ages 14 and up

The Fitness Center features a wide array of state of the art cardiovascular and single and multi-station strength equipment. Members must be Oconee County residents and have a current membership. *Members ages 14-15 require adult supervision.*

## Fitness Membership Fees

\$40 per person, per quarter  
\$120 per person, per year

## OVP Fitness Center Hours

Monday-Friday	8 a.m.-8 p.m.
Saturday	8 a.m.-6 p.m.
Sunday	12-6 p.m.



# tall socks tennis

Tennis Coordinator: Taylor Dodd  
Email: [taylordodd@tallsockstennis.net](mailto:taylordodd@tallsockstennis.net)



## JUNIOR SUMMER TENNIS CAMPS:

No Show Socks (Beg/Int)	Tube Socks (Beg/Int)	Mini Crew Socks (Beg/Int)	Tall Crew Socks (Beg/Int)	Knee High Socks (Beg/Int)	Over the Knee Socks (Intermediate)	Thigh High Socks (Advanced)	Tube Socks (Beg/Int)
<b>Age: 5-6</b>	<b>Age: 7-8</b>	<b>Age: 9-10</b>	<b>Age: 12U</b>	<b>Age: 13 &amp; Up Middle School</b>	<b>Age: 13 &amp; Up High School</b>	<b>High Performance</b>	<b>Beginner High School</b>
June 3-7 8-9 a.m.	June 10-14 9 a.m.-12 p.m.	June 3-7 9 a.m.-12 p.m.	June 3-7 9 a.m.-12 p.m.	June 10-14 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.	June 17-21 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.	June 24-28 9 a.m.-12 p.m.	June 3-7 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.
June 17-21 8-9 a.m.	June 24-28 9-10:30 a.m.	June 17-21 9 a.m.-12 p.m.	June 17-21 9-10:30 a.m.	July 15-19 9-10:30 a.m.	July 15-19 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.		June 10-14 9-10:30 a.m.
June 24-28 8-9 a.m.	July 8-12 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.	June 24-28 9 a.m.-12 p.m.	July 8-12 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.		July 29-Aug 2 9 a.m.-12 p.m.		July 8-12 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.
July 15-19 8-9 a.m.	July 22-26 9-10:30 a.m.	July 8-12 9-10:30 a.m.	July 22-26 9 a.m.-12 p.m.				July 22-26 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.
		July 15-19 9 a.m.-12 p.m.					

# parks, trails, & amenities

Oconee County has over 600 acres of parkland to enjoy. Park amenities include ball fields, tennis courts, picnic shelters, playgrounds, walking paths, trails, Community Center, disc golf course, meeting rooms, outdoor volleyball court, dog park, pickleball courts, and more.



**Bogart Sports Complex (BSC)**  
200 S. Burson Avenue  
Bogart, GA 30622



**Heritage Park (HP)**  
2543 Macon Highway  
Watkinsville, GA 30677



**Herman C. Michael Park (HCM)**  
1051 Elder Road  
Bishop, GA 30621



**Oconee Veterans Park (OVP)**  
3500A Hog Mountain Road  
Watkinsville, GA 30677

# facility rental information

To reserve OCPRD facilities, we encourage you to first visit Rentals, Rules, and Policies on the website for detailed information. Payment is due once facility rental request is approved. In the case of tournaments and/or special events, a deposit may be required. This must be paid at the time of reservation request. Remaining fee's due dates are outlined in the Facility Request Policies.



<https://www.oconeecounty.com/478/Rentals-Rules-Policies>

For questions, please call 706-769-3965, select option 3 for Oconee Veterans Park, and select option 4 for Herman C. Michael Park, Heritage Park, or Bogart Sports Complex OR Email Andy Dunston, [adunston@oconee.ga.us](mailto:adunston@oconee.ga.us) for OVP and Tyler Hartzog, [thartzog@oconee.ga.us](mailto:thartzog@oconee.ga.us) for BSC, HCM, and HP.



## Walking Trails

The parks have walking trails for everyone to enjoy. Herman C. Michael, Bogart Sports Complex, and Oconee Veterans Park have paved walking trails. Trails at Heritage Park are open for seasoned hikers, mountain bike riders, and/or horseback riders. Visit the website for trail maps.



## Picnic Shelters

Shelters at Herman C. Michael Park, Oconee Veterans Park, and the Bogart Sports Complex are available for rent. Call 706-769-3965 for rental information and to schedule your event. Rotary Picnic Shelters at Oconee Veterans Park are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

# 2024 UPCOMING REGISTRATION DATES



[www.oconeecounty.com/ocprd](http://www.oconeecounty.com/ocprd)

## Summer

In County Residents: April 15  
Out of County Residents: April 29

## Fall

In County Residents: July 15  
Out of County Residents: July 29

## Winter

In County Residents: October 7  
Out of County Residents: October 21

