

Staff Report for November 20th 2018

Programs

Last Month

30-Sep	Grade 7-8 Girls' Bball Travel Team	8	One team – first time we pulled this off!
8-Oct	Youth Ultimate		
17-Oct	Art Club	2	Cancel
21-Oct	Sloth Army	5	
23-Oct	Little Dribblers Basketball	12	Full. Plus several on a waitlist
2-Nov	Indoor Soccer Scrimmage	12	Full with several on a waitlist
6-Nov	Pickleball		
14-Nov-18	K9 Nosework®	TBD	Added “holiday session”

Coming Up

26-Nov	Jr. Cheer		
26-Nov	Coach Application Deadline for Youth Basketball League		
2-Dec	Registration Deadline for Youth Basketball League		
3-Dec	Coach Meeting for Youth Basketball League		
8-Dec	Youth Basketball League Skills Assessment		

Little Dribblers

Little Dribblers is a basketball skills development program for grades 1-2. In the past we allowed more kids into the program, but found that it was simply too large to manage well. This year we had 3 wonderful coaches (2 volunteer) and they did an extraordinary job with the program: Levi Buck, Sammi Daly, Tori Schuller. The kids had a great time and the parents were delighted.

Reading with Rover

We wrapped up our first session of Reading with Rover. 4 of the teams plan on taking the Reading with Rover test in December. They will also do “reads” at local libraries starting in January. A great program!

Youth Basketball

Youth basketball registration is underway. I'd like to request that a commissioner schedule a time with Doug and I to briefly review coach applications if possible. The application deadline is Nov 26. I'd like to review them by Dec 5. The skills assessment is Dec 8.

Winter/Spring Activity Guide

The winter activity guide will be distributed December 6. New programs include: Drip Irrigation/Dwarf Conifers, Discover Whidbey Walks, Reading w/ Rover “Reads” at local libraries.

Pickleball

Check out the new Pickleball Court! The court saw some fall use, primarily by a group that attended our Pickleball 101 clinic. We have a portable net, paddles and balls for folks to check out from the office. Usage will likely increase next spring/summer.



Reading with Rover (Photos courtesy of South Whidbey Record, Patricia Guthrie)



Little Dribblers



Sloth Army by Laura Guido/ Whidbey Newsgroup



Facilities and Grounds

- The November winds have hit and we have been dealing with trees down and debris cleanup.
- Tyler Carlson is now on board as of the 5th and has settled in to the position nicely.
- Playground chips were blown in on the 6th and topped off both playgrounds
- The new retaining wall project is being wrapped up and we have had very positive feedback from the public as we have been working on it.



Director's Items

On October 24th, Dennis, Carrie and I attended the School Board meeting and listened to the decision they made regarding the Middle School campus, more on that in the regular agenda. I met with Larry van Horn, Director of Facilities for Island County and we worked out an agreement for some security upgrades to the administrative building. The County will be funding and installing a camera for the main entrance and a recording system which will stay with the building. We will fund and install panic buttons for our staff, which will connect to our burglar alarm to notify 911 in case of emergency. The cost on this was last quoted between \$300-\$500 for installation of three panic buttons, one in each office. I feel that is a good use of funds. Mark, Dennis, Tom and I all attended the Trails Open House on Tuesday, November 6th. It was well attended and we received a good amount of feedback from the Community. More on that in the Regular Agenda. Mark and I attended a GIS seminar put on by the County on Friday November 9th. A lot of good information on the uses of the County's GIS system, but more importantly a contact to call with questions. Good information.

Upcoming Events

- 20-Nov (TUESDAY) SWPRD Budget Hearing-6:00pm
- 20-Nov (TUESDAY) SWPRD Regular Board Meeting-6:30pm
- 22-Nov Thanksgiving-SWPRD Closed
- 23-Nov SWPRD Closed
- 26-Nov Coach Application Deadline for Youth Basketball League
- 2-Dec Registration Deadline for Youth Basketball League
- 2-Dec Elf Chase-Community Park
- 3-Dec Coach Meeting for Youth Basketball League
- 8-Dec Youth Basketball League Skills Assessment
- 19-Dec SWPRD Regular Board Meeting-6pm