



Parks and Recreation Commission –
January 2018
Wendy Clubb, Recreation Supervisor

Swimming Pool Programs-

- Aquatics Coordinator and Shift Supervisor attended Ellis and Associates Aquatic Safety School conference in Phoenix, Arizona.
- 4 new lifeguards have been added to the staff.
- Preparing to introduce new Jeff Ellis Swimming lesson curriculum in March/April.

Recreation Center –

- Our name has officially been changed to Ike Woody Woodman Recreation Center.
- The interior of the facility has received a new paint job; we are still working on getting new furniture and hope to give the exterior a facelift this summer.
- No programming other than Mighty Mites has taken place due to the painting.
- New programming to start in February with classes like Felting, Knitting, and DIY Bath & Body.

Rock Wall & Gyms-

- Valdez Rock Wall is open Tuesdays and Thursdays, however, the times have changed in January. Family Climb is now from 6:00pm-7:30pm. Adult Climb is 7:30pm-9:00pm. The Rock Wall is now open on Saturdays for Open Climb 1:00pm-4:00pm. Open Climb is for all ages! Starting in February, Open Climb hours on Saturdays at the Rock Wall will change to 2:00pm-4:00pm. P&R continue to search for additional Rock Wall Attendants.
 - Six individuals (5 Adults and 1 Youth) have completed the Climb Denali program at the Rock Wall. There are 86 total participants.
 - Total Rock Wall Attendance for the month of January = 496 includes;
 - Family Climb = 294
 - Adult Climb = 86
 - Open Climb = 116
- Walk with a Doc. at Hermon Hutchens Elementary School Gym, Saturday, January 5th and 26th from 5:30pm-6:30pm. A total of 36 individuals participated in WWAD in January.

- Family Gym was added to the January Gym schedule, Sundays at HHES from 2:30pm-3:30pm. Family Gym is for immediate family members with children. A perfect time to get your family out of the house! Spend time shooting hoops, working on volleyball skills or bring an indoor soccer ball to kick around. The kiddos will definitely love the miniature rock climbing wall, great for bouldering practice. This activity is FREE to the public.
 - Total Gym attendance for the month of January = 349 includes;
 - Adult Basketball = 154
 - Adult Volleyball = 54
 - Family Gym = 80
 - Open Gym = 61

General-

- We are still looking at all of our policies and procedures for the Recreation Center as well as department wide to find efficiencies and streamline processes.
- Starting February 1st, our ages have been redefined for our programs and facilities as part of transitioning focus towards the Recreation Center.
- Many of our new programming will require pre-registration – trying to determine best method of advertising and communication with the public to ensure they know about what we are offering and that they understand they must pre-register.
- We have been working to open the ski hill. Staff was hired and training has been taking place. We had our inspection.
- We are planning a few things for Frosty Fever.

Parks & Rec Age Requirements have changed!

"Adult" - Ages 15+
"Youth" - Ages 14 and Under

(Unless otherwise specified on event & activity advertisements.)

Rock Wall Adult Climb:

All spectators under the age of 15 must be accompanied by an adult/guardian.

Open Gym:

Ages 8 and under must be accompanied by an adult/guardian.

Valdez City Pool:

Children under the age of 11 must be accompanied by an adult/guardian. Children 6 years of age and under must have an adult/guardian in the pool, within arms reach.

All ages must behave in an appropriate and safe manner at all times.

If any participant is unable to do so, they may be asked by a Parks & Recreation staff member to be accompanied by a parent/guardian or may be suspended from participating in Parks & Recreation activities and events.



Questions?

Call the Parks & Rec Office at 835-2531

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Facebook: [ValdezAlaskaFun](https://www.facebook.com/ValdezAlaskaFun)

Looking to the Future-

Our next events/programs coming up:

- Inflate-A-Swim – Friday, February 23rd 7:00pm @ the Pool; Frosty Fever Event.
- Build a Sled & Hope it Shreds – Sunday, Feb 25th 3:00pm @ Salmonberry Ski hill; Frosty Fever Event
- Wax & Tune Clinic – Monday Feb 26th 7:30pm @ the Rec Center; pre-register by Feb 22nd.
- Ice Bowling – Tuesday Feb 27th 6:30pm @ the Rec Center; Frosty Fever Event
- Headlamp Hustle – Friday, March 2nd 8:00pm @ Mineral Creek Canyon, meet at the Water tower to snowshoe, ski, walk up to Skyline look out; Frosty Fever Event