



Bridgewater Recreation Department

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9am to 5pm Monday to Thursday 8am to 5pm Friday www.bridgewaternj.gov

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Welcome to the Bridgewater Recreation Department! We encourage everyone to participate in our programs. If you or your child has an individualized need due to a disability, in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, AND MAY REQUIRE A REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION IN ORDER to successfully participate, please note it on the registration form. The Recreation staff, in conjunction with the staff at the Somerset County Park Commission Therapeutic Recreation Department, will contact you. Three weeks notice is needed to ensure that appropriate accommodations can be provided.

Directory	
Bradley Gardens Little Loop	908-203-1118
www.bradleygardensbaseball.com	
Bridgewater Baseball & Softball	908-685-0077
www.bridgewaterbaseball.com	
Bridgewater Soccer Association	908-658-9559
www.bridwatersoccer.com	
Bridgewater Football League (BFL)	908-685-1346
www.bridgewaterfootballleague.com	
Bridgewater-Raritan Pop Warner Football	908-578-3269
www.brpopwarner.org	
Raritan Valley Roller Hockey	888-658-8664
www.rvrhockey.org	
Somerset County Park Commission	908-722-1200
www.somersetcountyparks.org	

New!

PRE-SCHOOL SOCCER PROGRAM



The Pee-Wee Panther Soccer will run in conjunction with the Bridgewater United Soccer Club – this program is for 4 & 5 year old Boys & Girls! Trainers from Soccer Centers will create a fun atmosphere to introduce young players with lots of touches on the ball! This league will run on Saturdays, April 18, to June 13, 2009 at Soccer Centers. Registration deadline: Monday, March 30th.



Strive for 5 Bridgewater's 5K Spring Fitness Challenge Sunday, April 26, 2009 presented by Bridgewater Baseball and in conjunction with the Mayor's Wellness Challenge. For more information or forms visit www.bridgewaterbaseball.com or Jaspear@optonline.net.



In conjunction with Bridgewater Baseball and the "Strive for 5" 5K Run, the Mayors Wellness Campaign will host a Community Fitness Challenge Hike. The one mile hike will take place on Sunday, April 26, 2009, at 8:00 AM, prior to the Bridgewater 5K Run. For more information, feel free to contact the Health Department at (908) 725-6300 Ext. 260 or visit the Mayors Wellness Campaign webpage at www.bridgewaternj.gov.

Youth Drop In Centers

The Bradley Gardens School and Adamsville School Youth Drop In Centers will be open through mid August 2009 pending attendance. They will resume Friday, September 11th at Bradley Gardens School and Sunday, September 13th at Adamsville School. All students' grades 6-12 are invited to attend. Activities include basketball and other ball and board games, as well as a variety of arts & crafts activities. Pizza and soda are served to all children who attend. The Bradley Gardens drop-in center is open on Friday evenings from 5:30-8:00pm. The Adamsville drop-in center is open Sunday afternoons from 2:30-5:00pm. If you have any questions, call Bill Veliky at (908) 725-6300 ext. 235. Please note that dates are subject to cancellation due to school functions and lack of attendance.



Summer Playgrounds Program (entering grades 1 to 9 2009-2010 school year) there is now going to be a \$50 non-refundable registration fee in order to participate. Whether a child goes one minute one day or every minute every day this registration fee reserves the child's spot in this popular program. Participants' entering grades 1 & 2 will go to Van Holten; entering grades 3, 4, 5 & 6 can choose between Adamsville, Bradley Gardens, Eisenhower and Hillside Schools. New Site – those entering grades 7, 8 & 9 will now go to Chimney Rock Park for a site all their own! Program dates: Monday, July 6 to Friday, July 31, 2009. Sites will close due to inclement weather. Registration forms will be available on Monday, March 23, 2009 and there after, forms will have more program specifics. *Registration Deadline: Monday, June 1, 2009.* Note - some sites do reach maximum capacity before deadline & therefore close)

Remember to look on-line www.bridgewaternj.gov at the beginning of August for all Fall & Winter 2009 - 2010 Recreation programs!



Somerset County Park Commission – Therapeutic Recreation (TR) Department The Division of Recreation is currently a participating municipality with the Somerset County Park Commission Therapeutic Recreation (TR) Department, allowing for regionalized recreation programs for children & adults with developmental disabilities. For further information, please contact Somerset County Park Commission at 908-526-5650 www.somersetcountyparks.org.



Bridgewater Recreation Department Spring & Summer Program Listing 2009

Program registration forms will be available starting Wednesday, March 18, 2009 (except Summer Playgrounds which will be available on Monday, March 23, 2009) at the Recreation Department and on line at www.bridgewaternj.gov!



General Programs

Itty Biddy Sports
(ages 2 to 5) held at Soccer Centers
Best Impressions Interview & Resume
Creation (ages 13 to 17)
Girls on the Run
(girl's grades 3 to 5)
Girls on Track
(girl's grades 6 to 8)
Manners Matter
(ages 7 to 12)
Smart Sitter
(ages 11 to 16)
Outdoor Basketball League
(boys & girls grades 1 to 7)

Camps

Pre-School Mini Day Camp
(ages 4 & 5 note: 3 year olds only
accepted if entering kindergarten in
2010 and toilet trained)
Soccer/Multi Sports Camps
(1st grade graduates to age 12) held at
Soccer Centers
Soccer Camp – new!
(ages 7 to 14) held at Soccer Centers
Junior Kickers – new!
Camp (ages 4 to 6) held at Soccer
Centers

Field Hockey

(girl's ages 7 to 18) held at Soccer
Centers www.totaldutchfh.com

Karate

held at RKA Family Karate
Children's Karate (ages 4 to 12); Teen
Karate (ages 13 to 15); Adult Karate
(ages 16 and over)

Lacrosse

Pee-Wee Outdoor Lacrosse Clinics
(boys ages 4 to 1st grade and girls ages
4 to 2nd grade) Registration Deadline:
Friday, April 3, 2009

Girl's Lacrosse Clinic
(grades 3 to 8) with BRHS Varsity
Coach Kathie DeBonis

MADE – Making a Difference
Everywhere (Bridgewater-Raritan
resident's grades 9th to 12th 2008-2009
school year) Volunteering Opportunities
visit www.made2006.tripod.com or
email made2006@verizon.net

Soccer

Soccer Kids & Camps
held with the McLoughlin School of
Soccer (ages 3 and over)
Soccer Stepping Stones
(ages 3 to 6) held at Soccer Centers
Holiday Break Camps
(ages 8 to 14) held at Soccer Centers

Yoga

held at Gurukul Holistic Center
(mommy & me; junior, teen, adults;
seniors & family)

YMCA all programs held at the Garretson Road
location – don't need a membership! Registration
for Pre-School Swim will start on Thursday, April
2, 2009 at the Bridgewater Municipal Building
from 6:00-7:00pm in the main entrance. Parking
will be available after 5:30pm; see registration
form for more specifics regarding registration.
All other swim program registrations will be
accepted at the Recreation Department when
forms are available on Wednesday, March 18,
2009 and thereafter. Tentative program
offerings for the Spring & Summer months: Pre-
School Swim (ages 6 months to 6), Youth Swim
(ages 7 to 12), Adult Beginner Swim Lessons.

Raritan residents are welcome to participate in
these programs!

Volunteer Assistant Program Bridgewater
Recreation is recruiting volunteer program
and sport assistants to shadow and assist
people with disabilities in our various sport
programs and camps. Volunteers will receive
inclusion training which includes disability
awareness and sensitivity training. As a
volunteer assistant you will play an essential
role in helping participants be successful in
programs and sports with their peers while
having fun. If interested please complete
registration form.

Men's Softball League opening for teams on
Monday and Sunday nights. We can have a
maximum of 12 teams per night. League fee
is \$450 NSA Team Fee \$25 and Umpires
extra. Please email at jrdow@hotmail.com or
call 908-338-6985.

Spring Roller Hockey League This is a recreation league
open to all boys & girls ages 5 to 15 of all skill levels.
League includes age appropriate instruction, practices and
games. Season runs from April to middle of June. All
games are played outdoors at local rinks in Bridgewater,
Branchburg and Readington. Visit www.RVRHockey.org
for more information and to register or you can call 1-
888-658-8664 or email info@RVRHockey.org. Registration
for the 2009 Spring Season ends March 14, 2009.

Attention Skateboarders, In-Line Skaters & BMX Bikers!
Bridgewater Township and Raritan Borough have entered
a shared service agreement with Somerville for this
season in which residents can use the Ken Cornell Wheels
Park for \$10. The park is along Veterans Memorial Drive
in Somerville, near the Pizza Hut on East Main Street. For
more information call or stop by the Somerville
Recreation Department at Boro Hall 25 West End Ave –
Somerville, NJ 08876 Monday to Friday 9am to 4:30pm or
call (908) 704-6985 or visit www.Somervillenjrec.com.

Join our e-mail list!

Want to receive Recreation information via e-mail? Send a
quick e-mail to recreation@bridgewaternj.gov to be added
to our distribution list & we'll keep you in the loop! Don't
miss another deadline!