

SUMMER ACTIVITY GUIDE 2024



CITY OF CORDOVA DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & RECREATION

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HELLO, CORDOVA



As spring turns into summer, we are excited for the return of warmer weather and all the fun activities we'll have the opportunity to enjoy. On the following pages here are just a few of the fun things worth celebrating.

I would like to challenge all of you to get active, get involved and enjoy all our offerings.

The Department is proud to provide high-quality opportunities to be healthy, happy and enjoy this incredible place we call home.

I hope you'll take time to explore our parks and open spaces and take advantage of the many programs and activities we're proud to offer this summer. Cordova has something for everyone and it's all here for you to enjoy!

We are also excited to announce that we've got a new online registration system where you can sign up for our activities, book our facilities and get a membership to the pool and Bidarki. Visit our website www.cityofcordova.net/parks-recreation to find our more and create your account.

Have a wonderful summer!!!

Sincerely,

Duncan Chisholm

Parks and Recreation Director

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STAFF INFORMATION

The dedicated staff of the Cordova Parks and Recreation Department work tirelessly each day to positively influence and enhance the quality of life in Cordova by providing great experiences, places and facilities that fuel a more active, healthy, and connected community.



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PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

The commission is an advisory body to the City Council and makes recommendations regarding policies, planning and implementation of plans having to do with the establishment, development and maintenance of city parks. and the establishment and operation of recreational programs and the development and maintenance of recreational facilities.

The Parks & Recreation Commission meets the last Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. in City Council Chambers.

COMMISSIONERS:

Aaron Hansen, Marvin VanDenBroek, Erin Cole, Henk Kruitof, Jim Fritsch, Kara Rodrigues, Jason Ellingson.

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HOW TO REGISTER





Register Online

The most convenient method to sign up for Parks and Recreation programs is now available online through CivicPlus. This platform enables you to search, enroll, and make payments for activities using any computer, tablet, or smartphone. Just follow these simple steps:

- Go to cityofcordova.net/parks-recreation
- Log in with your existing account or create a new one by following these instructions:
 - Click on Login/Create Account in the upper left corner, then choose Create Your CAK Account.
 - On mobile devices, click on **Account** in the upper right, then select Sign Up.
 - Fill in the necessary details.
 - If you wish to receive text alerts (for program cancellations, facility closures, etc.), indicate your preference next to your cell number.
 - You can add additional household members (spouse, children, etc.) at any time in your **Account Settings**. Keep your entire household under one account!
- Explore our online catalog of upcoming activities. When you find an
 activity, be sure to select the correct account member before adding it to
 your cart.

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HOW TO Register



Register In Person

Registration can be completed in person at the Bidarki Recreation Center. If you require assistance during registration, feel free to visit us or contact us by phone. Registration operates on a first-come, first-served basis, and payment must be made in full at the time of registration.

Bidarki Recreation Center 103 Council Ave, Cordova, AK 99574 Phone: (907) 424-7282; Email: parksadmin@cityofcordova.net Office Hours: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Mon - Fri.

Registration Policies

The City of Cordova reserves the right to cancel an activity or reservation for any reason If we cancel an activity or reservation, a full refund will be issued. A refund can be issued if you need to cancel your registration or reservation. Refunds requested more than seven (7) days before the start of an activity or reservation will be issued in full. Refunds requested within seven (7) days of the start of an activity or reservation will be issued a 50% refund. No refunds will be issued after the start of an activity or reservation. Refunds will not be given for activities missed by participants. Please allow up to 30 days to process all refund requests.

- Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Payment is due in full at the time of registration.
- Parks and Recreation reserves the right to cancel a program if a minimum number of participants is not reached.
- Registrations received after 5:00 PM within five calendar days before the program's start date are not guaranteed to be accepted and will be subject to staff availability.
- Program Age Requirements: Children must meet the program age requirements by the time the program starts. For programs that are for specific grades, children outside the expected age range for their grades, based on the Cordova School District's age cutoff date, will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
- Dates are subject to change.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Programs/events with this icon require registration



Eyak Lake Appreciation Day

SUNDAY JUNE 16 | 1PM - 3PM | ALL AGES FRFF

SKATER'S CABIN

Join us for an enriching afternoon at Eyak Lake. Engage with the initiatives of Copper River Watershed Project, share your insights on the future of Skater's Cabin and enjoy kids activities from Prince William Sound Science Center. Then partake in paddle races at 2pm., featuring 1-mile & 0.5 mile races in both individual and team categories. Conclude the day with a leisurely family float. Pre-register for races or sign up on the day.



Paws in the Pool

SUNDAY JULY 21* | 10AM - 2PM | \$10/dog | max 10 dogs per session. Bob korn memorial swimming pool



Bob Korn Pool is going to the dogs! We're having a pawsome event at the Pool for you and your dog. The event is free for humans but \$10 per dog with proceeds going to provide food for the Cordova Police Department doggy jail. Pre-registration is required. Different sessions for small or large sized dogs.

*Date is dependent on timing of pool liner replacement project.



Ski Hill Gutbuster Run/Walk

SATURDAY AUGUST 24 | 10AM - 2PM | 8 - ADULT \$10 Adult / \$5 Child | Max 50 Participants. Ski hill



Join our challenge to run or walk up the Ski Hill CAT Route to the terminus of the chair-lift at Top Station and back with a grueling 445ft climb and roundtrip distance of approximately 1.2 miles. Divisions are for Open Men, Open Women, and U12 boys and girls. Feel the burn!

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YOUTH ACTIVITIES





Mini Movers

TUE, THU, SAT | 10AM - 12PM | AGE 1 - 5 Free with parent M/Ship or \$2.50/Child Bidarki recreation center

Drop in

Mini Movers is a drop-in parent/caregiver led casual play session designed for preschoolers to explore their physical capabilities at their own pace in a fun, safe, and social environment.



Pickleball Camp

JUNE 24/25 | 1PM - 3PM | GRADE 4 - 8 \$10/CHILD | MAX 12 PARTICIPANTS BIDARKI RECREATION CENTER



Discover the joy of pickleball! Our youth program welcomes beginner players, providing an energetic and inclusive environment to learn and play this exciting sport. Learn the rules of the game and start developing your skills. Paddles provided.

Volunteer coaches needed.



Pop Up Play

WED JULY, 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 | 11AM - 1PM AGE 3 - 12 Free



HOLLIS HENRICHS PARK

Join the City of Cordova Parks and Recreation team for two hours of family fun and games over the summer holidays. Staff will bring a treasure chest of equipment and activities designed to spark the imagination and inspire creative play, including things like hoops, balls, pool noodles, giant yard games, frisbees, bubble play, general sports gear and much much more.

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Youth Co-Ed 30/30 Outdoor Soccer

WED JULY 10 - AUG 7 | 5PM - 6PM | GRADE 1 - 3 S40/Child



MULTIPURPOSE FIELD, WHITSHED ROAD

This program is the perfect fit for busy families looking to get their kids active and to experience the benefits of instruction and game-play opportunities to practice learned skills. This is a one-day-a-week commitment for six weeks. Teams will meet and have a 30-minute practice, and then a 30-minute game. Games are 4v4, no goalie.

Volunteer coaches needed.



Youth Co-Ed 30/30 Outdoor Soccer

WED JULY 10 - AUG 7 | 6PM - 7PM | GRADE 4 - 6 \$40/Child





This program is the perfect fit for busy families looking to get their kids active and to experience the benefits of instruction and game-play opportunities to practice learned skills. This is a one day a week commitment for six weeks. Teams will meet and have a 30-minute practice, and then a 30-minute game. Games are either 5v5 or 7v7 with goalie, dependent on numbers.

Volunteer coaches needed.



Disc Golf Camp

MON/TUE JULY, 22 & 23 | 5:30PM - 7:30PM Grade 8 - 12 \$20/Child. Max 12 Meals reservoir disc golf course



This two evening summer camp experience for youth aged 12 to 18 is designed to provide a fun, introductory experience to the sport of disc golf. The camp is a partnership with the Cordova Disc Golf Club and instruction is from club members. The camp aims to familiarize participants with the sport, provide essential skills, and each participant receives a brandnew Innova disc.

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Volleyball Co-Ed Clinic

MON/WED JULY 22 & 24 | 3PM - 6PM | GRADE 6 - 9 \$20/CHILD | MAX 14 PARTICIPANTS BIDARKI RECREATION CENTER



Our clinic provides a fun and encouraging environment for players who want to improve their volleyball skills. We will work in developing the fundamental skills through drills and scrimmages, while working on individual, position-based, and team skills. **Volunteer coaches needed.**



Triple Threat 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament

SAT AUGUST 3 | 10AM - 3PM | GRADE 7 - 12 \$10/Player MT eccles Gymnasium



Calling all ballers! Join us for our 3 on 3 basketball tournament this August! Whether you currently play basketball, are working on your skills or just want to have fun, this is a great event for you. Showcase your skills, highlight your teamwork, have fun and compete! All players on the team must be at least 12 years old and a maximum of 18 years old.

Volunteer ref's and scorers needed.

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Drop in Volleyball

MON & WED | 6:30PM - 8:30PM | 18+ Free with M/Ship or Daily admission required Bidarki recreation center Drop in

Pickup volleyball at its finest! Come during designated times for pickup games where fitness and fun are emphasized. Games are typically 6v6.



Drop in Basketball

TUE & THU | 6:30PM - 8:30PM | 18+ Free with M/Ship or Daily admission required Bidarki recreation center



Pickup basketball at its finest! Come during designated times for pickup games where fitness and fun are emphasized. Games are typically 5v5 or 4v4.



Drop in Pickleball

FRI | 5PM - 6PM | 18+ Sat | 3PM - 4PM | Adult + Child (10+) Free with M/Ship or Daily Admission required Bidarki recreation center

Drop in

Come play one of the fastest growing and most popular sports in a recreational setting. Get a great workout while having fun learning the game and making friends. Court set up is dependent on attendance. Other times by arrangement - call in advance for court set-up.

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Senior 65+ Social Walking

MON & WED | 9AM - 10AM | 65+ Free with M/Ship or \$5 daily admission Bidarki recreation center

Come to Bidarki to walk with friends or meet new ones. Walking is one of the top five exercises to lower blood pressure, lose weight, build a strong core and legs. Walking around our gym 22 times is approximately 1 mile. *access to gymnasium via stairs is required.



Intro to Disc Golf

MON/TUE JULY, 22 & 23 | 5:30PM - 7:30PM ADULT 18+ \$20/Participant | Max 12 Participants Meals reservoir disc golf course



Drop in

This two-evening Intro to Disc Golf is designed to provide a fun, introductory experience to the sport of disc golf. This introduction is a partnership with the Cordova Disc Golf Club and instruction is from club members. The goal of the program is to introduce beginners to the sport and provide them will a solid foundation of knowledge and skills and is taught in a group setting. All registrants will receive a brand-new Innova Aero disc.



Mindful Morning Hike

WED AUGUST 7 | 9:30AM - 11:30AM ADULT 18+ \$5/Participant. Max 20 Participants Haystack loop trail



Escaping into nature is a wonderful way to calm our minds and soothe our souls. Join us and Forest Service staff as we take a morning walk through the woods and explore the 1.5-mile Haystack Loop on this adults-only walk. Carpooling is encouraged - meet at Bidarki Recreation Center at 8:45am or at the trailhead at 19.5 Copper River Highway. Limited parking is available. Hike starts at 9:30am sharp. Bring snacks, water, and appropriate clothing for changeable weather. Pets on leash are welcome. Remember to be bear aware.

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Mindful Morning Hike

WED AUGUST 14 | 9:30AM - 2PM Adult 18+ \$5/Participant | Max 20 Participants Eyak River Traii



Escaping into nature is a wonderful way to calm our minds and soothe our souls. Join us and Forest Service staff as we take a morning walk as we wander the Eyak River Trail on this adultsonly walk. This 6-mile trail (roundtrip) follows the west bank of the Eyak River for one-quarter mile through mature Sitka spruce forest before opening into rolling muskeg meadows before reuniting with Eyak River for the remainder of the distance before reaching Mountain Slough. Car-pooling is encouraged - meet at Bidarki Recreation Center at 8:45am or at the trailhead at 5.7 Copper River Highway (before Marie Smith Jones Bridge). Limited parking is available. The hike starts at 9:30 am sharp. Bring snacks, water, and appropriate clothing for changeable weather. Pets on leash are welcome. Remember to be bear aware.



Mindful Morning Hike

WED AUGUST 21 | 9:30AM - 2PM
ADULT 18+
\$5/PARTICIPANT | MAX 20 PARTICIPANTS
SADDLEBAG GLACIER TRAIL



Escaping into nature is a wonderful way to calm our minds and soothe our souls. Join us and Forest Service staff as we wander the Saddlebag Glacier Trail on this adults-only walk. This well-drained, 6 mile roundtrip level trail winds its way through stands of cottonwood and spruce trees. It guides the hiker through a small, glaciated valley to the outlet of Saddlebag Lake. Split log bridges at several small stream crossings aide the hiker during high water periods. From the lake outlet, Saddlebag Glacier can be viewed at the far end of the lake. Car-pooling is encouraged - meet at Bidarki Recreation Center at 8am or at the trailhead off Copper River Highway at Mile 24.6. Turn north on firewood cutting road. Trailhead is 1 mile at the end of the road. Bring snacks, water, and appropriate clothing for changeable weather. Pets on leash are welcome. Remember to be bear aware.

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Mindful Morning Hike

WED AUGUST 28 | 9:30AM - 2PM ADULT 18+ \$5/Participant | Max 20 Participants Pipeline Lakes / McKinley Lake Trails



Escaping into nature is a wonderful way to calm our minds and soothe our souls. Join us and Forest Service staff as we wander the Pipeline Lakes Trail and return via the McKinley Lake Trail on this adults-only walk. Most of the 1.9 mile trail up to Pipeline Lakes is boardwalk. The first 3/4 mile passes through dense sprucehemlock forest before opening up into muskeg meadows that offer impressive views of the Chugach Mountains. At the junction with the McKinley Lake trail we will be returning to the highway. Round trip is approximately 4.5 miles. Hike starts at 9.30 sharp. Limited parking is available near the trailhead. Car-pooling is encouraged. Meet at Bidarki at 8am or at the Pipeline Lakes trailhead off Copper River Highway mile 21.4. Bring snacks, water, and appropriate clothing for changeable weather. Pets on leash are welcome. Remember to be bear aware.

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FAMILY ACTIVITIES





Labor Day Family Kickball Tournament

MON SEPTEMBER 2 | 10AM - 4PM ALL AGES \$5/PARTICIPANT | MAX 10 PER TEAM. | 6 TEAM LIMIT CORDOVA MUNCIPAL PARK - LITTLE LEAGUE FIELD

Join our family-friendly kickball tournament. This tournament is for all ages - gather a team from your neighborhood or family and friends to join the fun! This is a backyard style, kickball tournament. Teams should at have at least 8 players with a max of 10 per team. Each team needs a mix of ages with at least 4 people being under 18, and the remaining players can be any



Parent - Child Cornhole League

FRI SEPTEMBER 6 - 27 | 6:30PM - 7:30PM ADULT: 18+. CHILD: 7 - 12 \$30/TEAM. MAX 6 TEAMS. BIDARKI RECREATION CENTER



Cordova Parks & Recreation is excited to announce a family cornhole league. Games will be played at Bidarki Recreation Center on Friday nights starting at 6:30pm. Cornhole doubles will be played. Teams must consist of a maximum of 2 individuals: one adult and one child. We will provide the cornhole boards and bags. Two games will be played each week and are self-officiated. Time limit will be 30 minutes per game to score at least 21 points. Prizes will be awarded to the league champions.



Alaganik Slough Float

SAT SEPTEMBER 14. 10AM START \$5/PADDLER

22 MILE RECREATION AREA. COPPER RIVER HIGHWAY



Alaganik Slough from the 22 Mile Recreation Area to the Alaganik Slough boat ramp at 17 Mile. Bring a canoe, kayak, SUP or inner tube. This one-way trip is approximately 4 miles. Each person **must** wear a U.S. Coast Guard-approved life jacket. Participants are encouraged to stage a vehicle at Alaganik Slough (17 Mile CRH) in order to transport themselves and their equipment back to 22 Mile. Free BBQ at end.

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PARK AMENITIES



Cordova offers several parks and open spaces for your leisure and enjoyment.

Park Amenities		Shelter	Picnic Table	BBQ Grill / Fire Ring	Restrooms	Playground	Multiuse Space	Basefield / Softball	Natural Area	Body of Water access	Walking / Hiking access	Scenic view
Breakwater Park & Trail	118 Nicholoff Way		√								✓	✓
Cordova Municipal Park (Little League Field)	100 South First St				√			√				
Eyak Lake Skater's Cabin	2210 Power Creek Rd	√		✓	√				√	√	✓	✓
Eyak Mountain Trail	Entrance via 5th St								√		✓	√
Fleming Spit Recreation Area	New England Cannery Rd				√				√	√		✓
Hollis Henrichs Park & Odiak Pond	300 Chase Ave	✓	√	√	√		√		✓		✓	✓
Nettie Hansen Park	401 Browning Ave		√	√		√						
Nirvana Park & Cemetery	Entrance via Lake Ave			√	√				√	√	✓	✓
Noel Pallas Children's Memorial Playground	101 South First St.		√		√	√						
Meals Reservoir Disc Golf Course	0.5 Mile Whitshed Rd								√		✓	√
Ocra Inlet Recreation Area	1451 Whitshed Rd				√		√	√				√

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FACILITY INFORMATION



BIDARKI RECREATION CENTER

103 Council Avenue Cordova, AK 99574 P: (907) 424-7282 E: parksadmin@cityofcordova.net

For monthly schedule visit: www.cityofcordova.net/bidarki



BOB KORN MEMORIAL SWIMMING POOL

610 Railroad Avenue Cordova, AK 99574 P: (907) 424-7200 E: pool@cityofcordova.net

For monthly schedule visit: www.cityofcordova.net/pool

ADMISSION FEES

Daily

Adult: \$7.50

Student/Senior/Concession: \$5.00

Child/Youth: \$4.00

10 Trip

Adult: \$67.50

Student/Senior/Concession: \$45.50

Child/Youth: \$36.50

20 Trip

Adult: \$135.00

Student/Senior/Concession: \$91.00

Child/Youth: \$72.75

Monthly

Adult: \$100.00

Student/Senior/Concession: \$75.50

Child/Youth: \$39.50

Annual - Swim OR Gym

Adult: \$314.00

Student/Senior/Concession: \$236.75

Child/Youth: \$116.00 Family: \$492.00

Annual - Swim & Gym

Adult: \$523.00

Student/Senior/Concession: \$394.50

Child/Youth: \$206.00 Family: \$784.50

Note:

Adult: 18 - 64 years; Child/Youth: 6 - 17 years; Student: 18+ with ID; Senior: 65+. Concession: Active Military with ID and CVFD volunteers; Family: Up to two domestic partnership adults and three children 6 – 17. Daily, 10-Trip, 20-Trip and Month passes are valid for entry to both facilities.

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FACILITY RENTALS

Reservation requests can be made online at www.cityofcordova.net/parks-recreation or in person at the Recreation Center or Pool with a Rental Application.



BIDARKI RECREATION CENTER - GYM FLOOR

Sport Use: \$39/hour Birthday Parties: \$45/hour Play equipment rental: \$25/hour

Please contact parksadmin@cityofcordova.net or phone (907) 424-7282 for more information



BOB KORN MEMORIAL SWIMMING POOL

Whole Facility: from \$84/hour Lanes: from \$13.50/lane/hour

Please contact pool@cityofcordova.net or phone (907) 424-7200 for more information



EYAK LAKE SKATER'S CABIN

\$50/night with a 3 night max. \$50 key deposit

Please contact parksadmin@cityofcordova.net or phone (907) 424-7282 for more information



ODIAK CAMPER PARK

Tent site: \$20/night RV site: \$35/night

Please contact parksadmin@cityofcordova.net or phone (907) 424-7282 for more information

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



Volunteers are FUNdamental to Cordova Parks & Recreation.

Cordova Parks & Recreation has many volunteer opportunities: coaching youth, special events, parks and trail clean-ups, and landscape maintenance. We need assistance from individuals, organizations and businesses.

Parks and Recreation volunteers not only impact our bottom line by providing important services, they get a great sense of community pride for supporting Cordova's parks and recreation system.

This summer we are in need of the following to help make our programs and activities the best that they can be:

- Youth sport coaches for pickleball, soccer and volleyball.
- 3x3 Basketball referees and scorers
- Group hike and event volunteers

If you'd like to help out this summer, scan the QR code above, and then select the Volunteer for Us button or swing by Bidarki Recreation Center to complete an application.

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