

**WINDHAM PARKS AND
RECREATION DEPARTMENT
MONTHLY SUMMARY REPORT
September 2014**

PROGRAM/FACILITY HIGHLIGHTS

Senior Trips – We had two senior trips in September. The first to the Wells and Ogunquit Historical Society and lunch at Mike’s Clam Shack. 15 seniors enjoyed this trip with a special stop at Congdon’s donut shop. On September 25th we had 20 seniors take a trip to the D.E.W. Animal Sanctuary in Mt. Vernon. A good time was had by all with over the 200 different animals at the sanctuary.

Programs – We are offering the Mad Science program again at the Primary School. We had 18 participants in the first session that started on September 16th. Our popular kiddie gym program starts at end of October which takes place in Town Hall gym. Our Halloween Adventure will be on October 24th at the Manchester School for children 3rd grade and under. The Park and Recreation Department will also be helping with shuttling people for Oktoberfest on October 18th. We also will be having a craft and game area at the Oktoberfest this year.

Dundee Park – Dundee Park closed for the season on September 1st. We are having some tree work done in October with the tall pines at the park. The Dundee Park Advisory Committee will be having its last meeting of the season in October.

DEPARTMENT PROJECTS

Lippman Park Project- The Maine Conservation Corp will be starting their work at Lippman Park on October 20th. The Archaeological survey on the area by the boardwalk was completed in September and no evidence of Native American artifacts were found in the area. Our story walk trail opened the week of September 22nd; we had 20 children from the “Places to Grow” child care center take a field trip to the story walk on September 24th. All had a great time with the story walk and a positive experience at the park.

Windham Skate Park – The Windham Skate Park was open the month of September and will be closing at end of October for the season. We had several ramps renovated during the month of September by Josh Benson the original builder of the park.

STAFFING LEVELS

Department all year staff - 4
Trail/Maintenance staff – 1

Total for Month of September-5

ORGANIZATIONAL/TOWN MEETING

Meetings held in September: September 24th met the day care from Places to Grow for a walk on our new story walk at Lippman Park. Sept. 26th met with the electrician at the Lippman Park, September 29th attended the press kick off event for the “Be the Influence Program” promoted by the Windham/Raymond Substance Abuse Task Force.

FUTURE EVENT DATES

Halloween Party October 24th

Tiny Tot’s gym program starts on October 28th

Baby Sitting Workshop November 1st