



# PARKS & RECREATION NEWSLETTER

ROANOKE ISLAND/MAINLAND DIVISION  
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## LOCATION:

**Lions Club Center at  
Westcott Park**  
1000 Westcott Park Road  
P.O. Box 1000  
Manteo, NC

## OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Friday  
8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
252-475-5910 (Phone)  
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# SPRING 2026

**Registration for spring programs will  
open at 8:30 a.m. on February 18, 2026.**



Registration can be completed online or in person. Our office is open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Friday.

Registration forms are available at the Dare County Parks and Recreation office, or participants may register online:

**DareNC.gov/Register**

Early registration is highly recommended as programs will fill up fast. Otherwise, the deadline to register is noted alongside the activity. There is a \$5 late fee for registering after a program's registration deadline.

## Important things to remember when registering:

- Registration can be done online or in person. If there are issues with online registration, please call our office for assistance.
- A program is open until it is full. Once a program is full, children will be placed on a waiting list. If space becomes available, participants on the waiting list will be notified.
- Participants must meet the age requirement and play at age.
- Participants will not be allowed to play "up" or "down." They must play at the age at the cutoff.
- Programs/schedules are subject to change without notice.
- Players shall not wear jewelry, with the exception of medical medals, which must be taped inside their uniform if worn. Tape over an earring(s) will not be allowed.

# RI LITTLE HITTERS



**Who:** Boys and girls (3-year-olds) - (as of March 1, 2026)

**Cost:** \$30

**When:** Mondays and Wednesdays  
(from March 9, 2026 to March 25, 2026)

**Time:** 3:45 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**Where:** Westcott Park Softball Field (Manteo)

**Details:**

Limited to 12 participants. One parent must participate with each child. All participants will learn fun drills and develop motor skills.

# DISC GOLF IN MANTEO



**Who:** Boys and girls ages 8-12 (as of March 1, 2026)

**Cost:** \$20

**When:** Tuesdays and Thursdays  
(from March 3, 2026 to March 26, 2026)

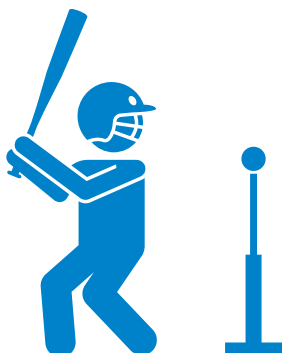
**Time:** 5:15 p.m. to 6 p.m.

**Where:** Ace Run at North End Park (Manteo)

**Details:**

Limited to 8 participants. Participants will have fun learning disc golf. This activity will consist of beginner instruction. The deadline for registration is Friday, February 28, 2026.

# TEE BALL IN MANTEO



**Who:** Boys and girls ages 4-6 (as of April 1, 2026)

**Cost:** \$30

**When:** Practices start the week of March 30, 2026. Practice days and times will be determined by the coach. Games will take place on Mondays and Wednesdays from April 27, 2026 through May 2026.

**Deadline:** Friday, March 20, 2026 or when the program is full.

**Where:** Roanoke Island fields

**Details:**

Enjoy a fun t-ball team experience with practices and games. Coaches are needed. For more information, please contact Will Minor at 252-475-5914.

# GYMNASTICS



**Who:** Ages 1.5-12 (as of March 1, 2026)

**Cost:** \$45

**When:** Tuesdays or Thursdays starting March 10, 2026

**Where:** Lions Club Center Gym at Wescott Park

## **Ages 1.5-3:**

Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. with a parent.

## **Ages 3-4:**

- Classes will be held on Tuesdays from 5:45 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.
- Classes begin May 10, 2026.
- No assessment day is required for this age group.

## **Ages 5-12:**

- Gymnasts must participate in an assessment day before being placed in a class.
- **Assessment Day:**
  - Tuesday, March 3, 2026
  - 5:45 p.m. to 7:45 p.m.
  - At the Lions Club Center at Wescott Park's Dance Room
- Following the assessment, Coach Ana will place each gymnast in the class best suited to their skill level to ensure they can progress and succeed.
- **Class Levels Offered for Ages 5-12:**
  - Bronze, Silver or Gold
- **Class Times:**
  - Tuesdays: 6:45 p.m. to 7:45 p.m.
  - -OR- Thursdays: 5:45 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. or 6:45 p.m. to 7:45 p.m.

## **Details:**

- Classes will begin March 10, 2026 and run through May 7, 2026. There will be no classes the week of April 6, 2026 (spring break).
- If a class is full, please add your name to the waitlist for the possibility of an additional class being offered.
- For more information—or if you have questions or aren't sure which class your child should be in—please contact Alison Beacham at 252-475-5907.

# AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Youth open gym will be held after school until 5 p.m. unless there are other programs scheduled. Children in 5th grade and under must have an adult present in order to participate.

# POLLINATOR PALS



- Who:** Boys and girls ages 8-12 (as of April 1, 2026)
- Cost:** \$20
- When:** Tuesdays from 4:15 p.m. to 5 p.m. (April 14, April 21, April 28 and May 5). (No session during spring break)
- Time:** 4:15 p.m. to 5 p.m.
- Where:** Lions Club Center at Westcott Park

## Details:

The goal of the gardening program is to promote a love of gardening and to provide hands-on experience with growing vegetables and flowers. The participants will start seeds for spring planting, work on gardening crafts, and plant flowers and vegetables to take home and also to plant around Westcott Park.

# VOLLEYBALL



- Who:** Boys and girls ages 8-10 and 11-15 (as of April 1, 2026)
- Cost:** \$40
- When & Where:** Practice days and times will be determined by the coach. Games will be held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at the Lions Club Center in Manteo.

**Deadline:** Friday, March 20, 2026 or when the program is full

## Details:

Practices will start the week of Monday, March 30, 2026. Times are to be determined. Games will start soon after and run through May. For more information, please contact John Cleaver at 252-475-5917.

# SAVE THE DATE: DARE COUNTY DANCE RECITAL

Dare County Dance Presents Year 40 Dance Recital, "Dancing through NYC, 40 Years of DCD"

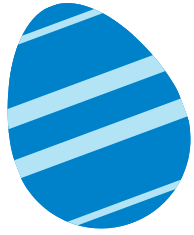


- When:** Saturday, May 9, 2026 (Times TBD)
- Where:** First Flight High School in Kill Devil Hills
- Cost:** \$5 for general admission. Tickets will be available for purchase at Dare County Parks and Recreation offices in April. Tickets will not be available for purchase at the door on the day of the performances.

**Morning Performance:** "Broadway Babies"

**Matinee and Evening Performance:** "Showstoppers"

# EASTER EGG HUNT



**Saturday, March 21, 2026 at 10 a.m.**

An Easter egg hunt will be held at 10 a.m. sharp on Saturday, March 21, 2026 at Westcott Park in Manteo. Please arrive before 9:45 a.m. to participate in the egg hunt. After the egg hunt, we will go inside for pictures with the Easter Bunny, and kids can participate in fun games and crafts in the gym.

## PLEASE NOTE:

The following programs noted with an asterisk (\*) are co-sponsored programs and require separate registration directly to that organization. These programs are not administered by the Dare County Parks and Recreation Department. Please contact the league administrator by email, phone or Facebook messenger for more information.

## DARE COUNTY BASEBALL LEAGUE SKILLS DAY\*

- Who:** Ages 6-12
- Deadline:** Wednesday, February 27, 2026
- Skills Day:** Sunday, February 28, 2026 at Westcott Park in Manteo  
Skills Day is mandatory for all players.
- Times:**
- 8U (6-8-year-olds): 6-year-olds from 1 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. and 7-8-year-olds from 1:30 p.m. to 2:15 p.m.
  - 10U (9-10-year-olds) from 2:15 p.m. to 3:05 p.m.
  - 12U (11-12-year-olds) from 2:15 p.m. to 3:05 p.m.
- Opening Day:** Saturday, March 28, 2026 at Manteo High School
- Payment:** Checks or money orders should be made payable to Dare County Baseball and mailed to: Dare County Baseball, P.O. Box 695, Manteo, NC 27954

For additional information, please contact league president Deon Simmons at 252-202-9737 or email [info@darecountybaseball.com](mailto:info@darecountybaseball.com). You may also visit [DareCountyBaseball.com](http://DareCountyBaseball.com) or find us on Facebook at "Dare County Baseball League."



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# ANNUAL FREE EASTER EGG HUNT

SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2026  
10 A.M.

📍 AT WESTCOTT PARK IN MANTEO  
(1000 WESTCOTT PARK ROAD)

Easter Egg Hunt  
Pictures with the Easter Bunny  
Games and Crafts

**Don't forget to bring your Easter basket!**  
For more information, please call 252-475-5910.