

Ojai Recreation Department

ACTIVITY GUIDE



Check out our
new Senior
Hiking programs
on pages
24 & 25

Fall 2024 September-December

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Registration Opens August 20



MISSION STATEMENT

The Ojai Recreation Department seeks to enhance the physical and mental well-being of Ojai citizens by creating and offering a wide variety of accessible activities.

Recreation Manager's Message



Hello Ojai!

I am grateful for the opportunity to serve as your new Parks & Recreation Manager. While originally from the Seattle area, I am happy to call Southern California home. I have over 17 years of Parks and Recreation experience, including the City of San Clemente, the City of Chandler AZ, and the City of Auburn WA. In my free time, I am an avid international traveler, and I love to stay active by going hiking, playing soccer, or Muay Thai kickboxing,

In this guide, you will find several new programs, including Senior Hiking and Skyhawks Sports Classes for Tots. We also have several exciting new renovation and modernization projects for our facilities to provide the community with the best experiences possible. You can read more about these plans in our new Parks and Recreation Updates on page 29.

We hope you have a great Fall season and fully take advantage of all the City of Ojai has to offer for you and your family.

Matt Davis

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*Recreation Manager
City of Ojai*

Event Highlight

OJAI DAY 2024

Ojai Day is an annual street fair and city-wide celebration of Edward Libbey's contributions to the development of the downtown arcade, Libbey Park and post office.

Saturday, October 19
Starting at 10:00 a.m. in
Downtown Ojai

Featuring locally-infused art and family-friendly entertainment, vendors, activities and fun!

www.ojaiday.com



Legal Talk
About The
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What Is Required
To Be Done
In The Now
What Will Missed
If Giving Up Doing
A Material Function

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Sports Organizations

Ojai Valley Pickleball (805) 320-1597
www.ojaivalleypickleball.org

Ojai Valley Tennis Club (805) 646-7241
www.theojai.net

Youth Soccer
AYSO 147 (805) 649-1170
1129 Maricopa Hwy PMB 207
info@ojaiayso.org • www.ojaiayso.org

Ventura County Fusion (805) 830-8027
info@vcfusion.com • www.vcfusion.com

Youth Baseball (805) 410-4969
Ojai Valley Baseball League
info@ojaivalleybaseball.com
ojaivalleybaseball.leagueapps.com

Youth Volleyball (888) 988-7985 or (310) 212-7008
United States Youth Volleyball League
info@usyvl.org



Community Organizations

Help of Ojai (805) 646-5122
helpofojai.org

Lake Casitas (805) 649-2233
www.casitaswater.org/recreation

Ojai Day (805) 646-5581 ext. 120
www.ojaiday.com

Ojai Valley Chamber of Commerce (805) 646-8126
www.ojaichamber.org

Ojai Valley Land Conservancy (805) 649-6852
www.ovlc.org

Ojai Valley Youth Foundation (805) 640-9555
www.ojaiyouth.org

Oak View Community Center (805) 654-3951

US Forest Service (805) 646-4348

Ventura County Parks (805) 654-3951

*We Create Community Through
People, Parks & Programs*

Ojai Recreation Department is hiring!



We're looking for part-time staff and instructors to help create and support a variety of programs and recreation activities for the community.

Instructors



Do have an idea for a class you would like to teach?
Contact us at the Ojai Recreation Department!
Whether it is fitness, arts, sports, or a fun activity
you would like to share with others, we are always
looking for new and interesting programs to offer.

For more information on how to get started, please call (805) 646-5581 Ext 313 or email us at ojairec@ojai.ca.gov

Recreation Leaders



Interested in helping our Parks and Recreation department develop and strengthen a vibrant, diverse, and social destination for everyone to enjoy? You can become a Recreation Leader and assist in supporting games, camps, classes, sports, programs and special events. This is an engaging and enriching entry-level position that requires no prior experience in the field.

If you like having fun at work and interacting with people then this could be the career you have been looking for! For more information, please visit www.oiaj.ca.gov or call (805) 646-5581 Ext 390.



www.ojai.ca.gov



www.ojairec.com

Youth Programs

Art - Painting, Drawing and Mixed Media for Youth

Ages 5 - 14

Learn to draw people, animals, nature and paint them in a wide variety of mediums and techniques. Students will be taught principals of art, color theory, perspective design, value of color, as well as master tips on drawing and painting techniques. New content will be taught at each class. Our art instructor guides you through the painting process to help bring out your inner artist.

1031.101	6	Wed	3:30 pm-4:30 pm	9/11-10/16
1031.103	6	Wed	3:30 pm-4:30 pm	10/30-12/11

No class 11/27

Fee: \$110 (\$20 materials fee due to instructor at first class)

Instructor: Robin Schwartzburd

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Art Room



Beginning Golf (Skyhawks)

Ages 5 - 8

NEW!

Skyhawks Beginning Golf is powered by Payne Stewart Golf Experiences, the recommended entry-level golf program for PGA Junior Golf Camps. The unique, games-based play program and modified learning equipment make it easier for kids to hit the ball and experience early success. Putting, chipping, pitching and full swing, are all taught through games, simple repetitive motions and learning rhymes that make it easy for young kids to remember and repeat. Specially designed, age-appropriate golf equipment is provided.

1064.101	6	Wed	4:00 pm-5:00 pm	9/4-10/9
1064.102	6	Wed	4:00 pm-5:00 pm	10/16-12/4

No class 10/30 & 11/27

Fee: \$109

Instructor: Skyhawks Sports Academy

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Backyard

Boxing Fundamentals

Ages 12 - 15

NEW!

The Fundamentals of Boxing Course is for the individual who has zero experience, and or gaps in their understanding of boxing. Topics covered include: the development of a proper mechanical structure, as it relates to the warm-up, stance, footwork, defense, punch dynamics, partner drills, bag, mitt work, and cool down. Please wear work-out attire and bring a water bottle.

0652.101	4	Tue & Thu	6:00 pm-7:30 pm	9/3-9/26
0652.102	4	Tue & Thu	6:00 pm-7:30 pm	10/1-10/24
0652.103	4	Tue & Thu	6:00 pm-7:30 pm	11/5-11/26
Fee:	\$120			
0652.104	3	Tue & Thu	6:00 pm-7:30 pm	12/3-12/19
Fee:	\$90			

Instructor: Melvin Simpson

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Multi-Purpose Room





OJAI RECREATION DEPARTMENT

YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUE

The Ojai Recreation Department Youth Basketball League is a program for kids of all experience levels in 1st through 8th grade. Practices will be held weekly throughout the season. Volunteer coaches are needed for all age groups. Games will be held in the John G. Martin Gymnasium at Sarzotti Park on Saturdays. Practice dates and times will be set by team coaches.

IMPORTANT DATES

- REGISTRATION DEADLINE: NOV 22
- TEAMS ANNOUNCED BY: DEC 11
- FIRST PRACTICE: WEEK OF DEC 16
- NO PRACTICE: DEC 23- JAN 4
- FIRST GAME: JAN 11
- PICTURE DAY: JAN 25
- LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP: MAR 15

LEAGUE FEE

- \$105 PER PLAYER, INCLUDES GAME JERSEY!

LEAGUE DIVISIONS

- 1ST / 2ND GRADE COED #0141.101
- 3RD / 4TH GRADE BOYS #0142.101
- 3RD / 4TH GRADE GIRLS #0142.102
- 5TH / 6TH GRADE BOYS #0143.101
- 5TH / 6TH GRADE GIRLS #0143.102
- 7TH / 8TH GRADE BOYS #0144.101
- 7TH / 8TH GRADE GIRLS #0144.102



Call the Ojai Recreation Department or
visit ojairec.com for more information.
(805) 646-5581 ext. 390



Youth Programs

Dance - Ballet & Jazz



Ages 3 - 7

Designed for students ages 3-7 years old, these classes offer development in coordination, musical awareness, and listening skills while helping students implement their natural creativity in a stress-free environment. Through this program, girls and boys gain a sense of joy and accomplishment. Classes include ballet and jazz. Once primary steps are learned, basic combinations of skills will be added. Proper dance attire, such as a leotard, is recommended and hair should be secured. Please bring a water bottle to class.

Ages 3 - 4

1023.101	7	Sat	9:30 am-10:15 am	9/7-10/19
1023.104	6	Sat	9:30 am-10:15 am	11/2-12/14

No class 11/30

Ages 5 - 7

1023.102	7	Sat	10:15 am-11:00 am	9/7-10/19
1023.105	6	Sat	10:15 am-11:00 am	11/2-12/14

No class 11/30

Fee: \$140

Instructor: Catherine Yazadzhiev

Location: Starlight Dance Academy, 407 Bryant Circle Suite B, Ojai

Drivers Education

Ages 14 - 18

This course is designed to help teens obtain their driver's license and includes parental involvement. Participants can choose from an internet course or a home study course. This class does not include behind-the-wheel driving but is accepted by the DMV.

IMPORTANT STEP AFTER YOU REGISTER: To complete your registration, please email tessa@allgooddrivers.com your receipt number, as well as your student's name, phone number, and email address. You will not be fully registered if you do not send this email.

1077.101

Fee: \$40

Instructor: All Good Drivers

Location: Online course

Field Hockey (Skyhawks)

Ages 5 - 8

NEW!

Join Skyhawks for an exciting introduction to Field Hockey, a sport with a global appeal! Our fun, inclusive program, developed with USA Field Hockey, teaches basics like stick handling and passing in a game-based environment. Perfect for boys and girls, this program is your child's gateway to a new sport. Each participant receives a free stick, Go Ball and online training with LEAP Hockey. Let's discover Field Hockey together!

0132.101 6 Thu 4:00 pm-5:00 pm 9/5-10/10

0132.102 6 Thu 4:00 pm-5:00 pm 10/17-12/5

No class 10/31 & 11/28

Fee: \$109

Instructor: Skyhawks Sports Academy

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Backyard

Flag Football (Skyhawks)

Ages 5 - 8

NEW!

Experience the excitement of football with Skyhawks Flag Football. Coaches will teach skills like passing, receiving, kicking and flag pulling. Participants will gain confidence and learn important life lessons in a fun, positive environment.

0121.101 6 Fri 4:00 pm-5:00 pm 9/6-10/11

0121.102 6 Fri 4:00 pm-5:00 pm 10/18-12/6

No class 11/1 & 11/29

Fee: \$109

Instructor: Skyhawks Sports Academy

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Backyard



GYMNASTICS

OUR GYMNASTICS PROGRAM IS A YEAR ROUND ACTIVITY AND IS FUN-FOR-ALL! FROM CARTWHEELS AND SOMERSAULTS TO BEAM AND BAR SKILLS, EVERYONE IN ANY AGE GROUP AND ALL EXPERIENCE LEVEL WILL BE SURE TO HAVE A GREAT TIME! TINY TOTS IS A PARTNER PARTICIPATION CLASS, AND STARS IS OUR BEGINNER LEVEL INTRODUCTION TO THE MORE ADVANCED GYMNASTICS PROGRAMS.

Tiny Tots

AGES 2-4

11:00-11:45 A.M.

1 CLASS A WEEK: \$54

September 9-October 14-Monday's

#0201.801

September 4-October 9-Wednesday's

#0201.803

October 28-December 16-Monday's (No class on 11/11, 11/25)

#0201.901

October 30-December 11-Wednesday's (No class on 11/27)

#0201.903

AGES 2-4

12:00-12:45 PM

1 CLASS A WEEK: \$54

September 9-October 14-Monday's

#0201.802

September 4-October 9-Wednesday's

#0201.804

October 28-December 16-Monday's (No class on 11/11, 11/25)

#0201.902

October 30-December 11-Wednesday's (No class on 11/27)

#0201.904

Kindergym

AGES 4-6

3:00-3:45 P.M.

September 9-October 21-Monday's (\$63)

#0202.801

September 3-October 22-Tuesday's (\$72)

#0202.802

September 4-October 23-Wednesday's (\$72)

#0202.803

September 5-October 24-Thursday's (\$72)

#0202.804

September 6-October 25-Friday's (\$72)

#0202.805

October 28-December 16-Monday's (No class on 11/11, 11/25) (\$54)

#0202.901

October 29-December 17-Tuesday's (No class on 11/26) (\$63)

#0202.902

October 30-December 18-Wednesday's (No class on 11/27) (\$63)

#0202.903

October 31-December 19-Thursday's (No class on 11/28) (\$63)

#0202.904

November 1-December 20-Friday's (No class on 11/29) (\$63)

#0202.905

Stars

AGES 7 & UP	4:00-5:00 P.M.	
September 9-October 21-Monday's (\$63)		#0204.801
September 3-October 22-Tuesday's (\$72)		#0204.802
September 4-October 23-Wednesday's (\$72)		#0204.803
September 5-October 24-Thursday's (\$72)		#0204.804
September 6-October 25-Friday's (\$72)		#0204.805
October 28-December 16-Monday's (No class on 11/11, 11/25) (\$54)		#0204.901
October 29-December 17-Tuesday's (No class on 11/26) (\$63)		#0204.902
October 30-December 18-Wednesday's (No class on 11/27) (\$63)		#0204.903
October 31-December 19-Thursday's (No class on 11/28) (\$63)		#0204.904
November 1-December 20-Friday's (No class on 11/29) (\$63)		#0204.905

Tumbling Class

AGES 7 & UP	5:15-6:30 P.M.	1 CLASS A WEEK
September 3-October 22-Tuesday's (\$72)		#0208.802
October 29-December 17-Tuesday's (No class on 11/26) (\$63)		#0208.902

Open Gym

AGES 7 & UP	5:15-6:30 P.M.	1 CLASS A WEEK
September 5-October 24-Thursday's (\$72)		#0208.804
October 31-December 19-Thursday's (No class on 11/28) (\$63)		#0208.904

Adult Class

AGES 18 & UP	6:45-8:15 P.M.	1 CLASS A WEEK
September 5-October 24-Thursday's (\$72)		#0203.804
October 31-December 19-Thursday's (No class on 11/28) (\$63)		#0203.904

Rock Stars

*PREREQUISITES REQUIRED	5:00-6:15 P.M.	
September 4-October 25-3 Days a week (\$216)		#0206.801
October 28-December 20-3 Days a week (No classes 11/11, 11/25-11/29) (\$189)		#0206.901

Super Stars / Pre-Team / Team

*PREREQUISITES REQUIRED	5:00-7:30 P.M.	
September 4-October 25-3 Days a week (\$288)		#0207.801
October 28-December 20-3 Days a week (No classes 11/11, 11/25-11/29) (\$252)		#0207.901

Youth Programs

Kung Fu - Kung Fu For Youth

Ages 5 - 13

Learn Southern Shaolin Kung Fu from Sigung Darrell Gooden and staff. Get introduced to international award-winning animal forms, i.e., the Tiger, Dragon, Leopard, Snake, and the Crane. Sigung Darrell's expert teaching focuses on building self-confidence while having fun. This monthly course provides a solid foundation to the fundamentals of Kung Fu. Free t-shirt with registration.

1012.109	Mon & Wed	4:30 pm-5:30 pm	September
	No class 9/2		
1012.110	Mon & Wed	4:30 pm-5:30 pm	October
1012.111	Mon & Wed	4:30 pm-5:30 pm	November
	No class 11/11		
1012.112	Mon & Wed	4:30 pm-5:30 pm	December
	No class 12/23, 12/25, & 12/30		

Fee: \$80

Instructor: Darrell Gooden

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Multipurpose Room



Mindful Movement Arts - Breakdance

Ages 6 - 12

This course is open to beginners, and as a continuation for former students to advance further. Break Dancing is an energetic style of street dance and is one of the 4 cornerstones of Hip-Hop. Anything goes, in terms of movement, as long as it is done to a beat. Practitioners, called B-Boys or B-Girls, utilize four different elements: Top-rocking, Footwork, Power moves, and Freezes to express their creativity and movement style through music.

1014.102	6	Fri	4:30 pm-5:30 pm	9/20-10/25
1014.105	6	Fri	4:30 pm-5:30 pm	11/1-12/13
	No class 11/29			

Fee: \$108 (\$10 materials fee paid to the instructor on the first day of class)

Instructor: Terry Kvasnik

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Multipurpose Room

Mindful Movement Arts - Parkour

Ages 6 - 12

This course is open to beginners and as a continuation for former students to advance further. Parkour is an athletic training discipline in which practitioners move from point A to point B in the most fluid and creative way possible. Learning movements such as Vaults, Light Foot Technique, Spins, Twists, and Monkey Rolls gives practitioners a level of agility and insight that keeps them safe while traversing their environment in style.

1014.104	6	Tue	4:30 pm-5:30 pm	9/17-10/22
1014.107	6	Tue	4:30 pm-5:30 pm	10/29-12/3

Fee: \$108 (\$10 materials fee paid to the instructor on the first day of class)

Instructor: Terry Kvasnik

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Multipurpose Room



Mindful Movement Arts - Parkour Advanced

Ages 6 - 12

***Prerequisite Required:** All participants must have completed the foundation level Parkour Class or have permission from instructor to enroll.

This class is for students who have previously completed the foundation level Parkour Class and are ready to take their parkour skill to the next level. Participants will learn advanced and specialist parkour skills such as Kong Vaults, Spinning Axe Flip, 360 Precisions and high-speed obstacle traversing. There will also be more use of the outdoor area of the park to apply the techniques, develop risk assessment, and make wise judgment calls in real time scenarios. This will call upon higher levels of practice in control, focus, and awareness to take their parkour skills to the next level.

1014.103	6	Thu	4:30 pm-5:30 pm	9/19-10/24
	No class 11/28			

Fee: \$108 (\$10 materials fee paid to the instructor on the first day of class)

1014.106	5	Thu	4:30 pm-5:30 pm	11/7-12/12
	No class 11/28			

Fee: \$90 (\$10 materials fee paid to the instructor on the first day of class)

Instructor: Terry Kvasnik

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Multipurpose Room

OJAI RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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AGES 3-5

1ST DOWNTOTS
BASEBALL TOTS
CHEER
HOOPSTER TOTS
FIELD HOCKEY
VOLLEYKATS

AGES 5-8

BEGINNING GOLF
FIELD HOCKEY
FLAG FOOTBALL
STEM BASKETBALL

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**MORE
INFO**

You can find specific info about these programs in this Activity Guide's listings or call us at
(805) 646-5581 ext. 390

The Ojai Recreation Department Presents



PARENTS' NIGHT OUT KIDS' MOVIE NIGHT

SEP 13

SEP 27

OCT 11

OCT 25

NOV 8

NOV 22

DEC 13



ALL MOVIES ARE RATED PG

DROP-OFF: 6:00PM

\$15 PER CHILD

MOVIE: 7:00PM

CASH OR CHECK ONLY

PICK-UP: 9:00PM

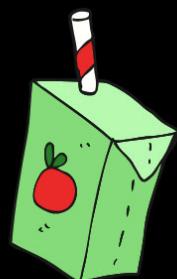
AGES 6-12

Seating is limited to the first 40 participants and is based on a first come, first serve basis.

Drop-off at the Boyd Community Center Game Room.

Bring blankets and seating of choice. Mats provided.

Popcorn and juice served with film.



Call the Ojai Recreation Department or visit ojairec.com for more information.

(805) 646-5581 ext. 390



Youth Programs

Music - String Ensemble - Violin, Viola, and Cello

Ages 8 - 12

Learn to play the violin, viola, or the cello! In this course, students will learn the basic techniques of how to hold the instrument, how to read basic sheet music, play string ensemble, and use proper posture while playing the instrument. Participants will be required to provide their own instrument; however, the instructor can assist with instrument rentals.



1041.101 6 Sat 3:30 pm-4:45 pm 9/21-12/7
No class 9/28, 10/12, 10/26, 11/9, 11/23 & 11/30

Fee: \$110 (\$10 materials fee paid to the instructor on the first day of class)

Instructor: Cameron Schubert

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Multipurpose Room

STEM Basketball (Skyhawks)

Ages 5 - 8

NEW!

Designed to pair strategic STEM-based activities with basic game-play and current hot topics, the STEM Sports® basketball curriculum educates participants on subjects including velocity and acceleration, basketball shoe design, tracking with technology and much, much more! Skyhawks puts the Sports in STEM.

1065.101 6 Sat 9:00 am-10:00 am 9/7-10/12
1065.102 6 Sat 9:00 am-10:00 am 10/19-12/7
No class 11/2 & 11/30

Fee: \$109

Instructor: Skyhawks Sports Academy

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Gymnasium



Soccer - Ventura County Fusion Soccer

Ages 2 - 11

Parent and me

NEW!

(Ages 2 - 3)

This class will help your tot focus on engaging activities and movement competence whilst introducing the soccer ball. Kids and their parents play fun games to develop listening skills, balance, coordination, sharing and running. Participants this age use a size 3 ball.

0112.111 6 Tue 2:30 pm-3:15 pm 9/17-10/22

0112.112 6 Tue 2:30 pm-3:15 pm 11/5-12/10

Fee: \$99

First Kicks

(Age 4)

A fast-paced non-competitive dynamic soccer program designed for kids to have a fun introduction to soccer. The program focuses on technical aspects of the game. The sessions will not only introduce and develop basic techniques but are devised to nurture a love for the game. Participants this age use a size 3 ball.

0112.101 6 Tue 3:15 pm-4:00 pm 9/17-10/22

0112.105 6 Tue 3:15 pm-4:00 pm 11/5-12/10

Fee: \$99

Mini Kicks

(Ages 5 - 6)

This program focuses on the fundamentals of soccer with ball familiarity, and unopposed activities progressing to small-sided games. This "learning through game" process concentrates on basic soccer technical aspects (i.e. dribbling, passing, shooting) and progresses into group and team-related activities. Participants this age use a size 4 ball.

0112.102 6 Tue 4:00 pm-5:00 pm 9/17-10/22

0112.106 6 Tue 4:00 pm-5:00 pm 11/5-12/10

Fee: \$99

Premier Kicks

(Ages 7 - 11)

This program emphasizes technical proficiency with group-related activities that provide technical and tactical development using small-sided games to create game awareness in match situations. Participants this age use a size 4 ball.



0112.107 6 Tue 5:00 pm-6:00 pm 9/17-10/22

0112.108 6 Tue 5:00 pm-6:00 pm 11/5-12/10

Fee: \$99

Instructor: Ventura County Fusion Soccer

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Front Yard

Youth Programs

Tennis - Youth Tennis

Ages 4 - 17

Tennis is a great sport to learn early in life! These classes are specially designed for young players to achieve early success while having fun. Space is limited. The instructor will determine skill levels and final class placement. For more information, please contact Katya Welborn at (805) 798-3699 or katyawelborn@gmail.com.

Quickstart (Ages 4 - 5)

Quickstart tennis introduces young children to the game of tennis. The format includes modified age-appropriate courts, racquets and tennis balls. All equipment is provided.

0331.151 6 Sat 9:15 am-10:00 am 9/7-10/12

Fee: \$60

0331.152 6 Sat 9:15 am-10:00 am 11/2-12/14

No class 11/30

Fee: \$60

Beginners (Ages 6 - 11)

Agility and tennis fundamentals are emphasized.

0331.101 6 Mon 4:00 pm-5:00 pm 9/9-10/14

Fee: \$60

0331.105 6 Mon 4:00 pm-5:00 pm 10/28-12/16

No class 11/11 & 11/25

Fee: \$60

0331.107 6 Sat 10:00 am-11:00 am 9/7-10/12

Fee: \$60

0331.103 6 Sat 10:00 am-11:00 am 11/2-12/14

No class 11/30

Fee: \$60

0331.102 6 Wed 4:00 pm-5:00 pm 9/4-10/9

Fee: \$60

0331.106 6 Wed 4:00 pm-5:00 pm 10/30-12/11

No class 11/27

Fee: \$60

Adv. Beginners (Ages 10 - 16)

Intermediate level.

0332.101 6 Mon & Wed 5:00 pm-6:00 pm 9/4-10/14

0332.102 6 Mon & Wed 5:00 pm-6:00 pm 10/28-12/16

No class 11/11, 11/25 & 11/27

Fee: \$120

Intermediate (Ages 12 - 17)

Tournament level.

0333.101 6 Tue & Thu 4:00 pm-5:00 pm 9/3-10/10

Fee: \$120

0333.102 6 Tue & Thu 4:00 pm-5:00 pm 10/29-12/12

No class 11/26 & 11/28

Fee: \$120

Advanced (Ages 14 - 17)

Tournament level.

0334.101 6 Tue & Thu 5:00 pm-6:00 pm 9/3-10/10

0334.102 6 Tue & Thu 5:00 pm-6:00 pm 10/29-12/12

No class 11/26 & 11/28

Fee: \$120

Instructor: Katya Welborn

Location: Lower Libbey Tennis Courts

Tots - 1stDown

Ages 3 - 5

NEW!

1stDownTots is a development program for kids ages 3-5 years old that uses a variety of fun games to engage kids while teaching the sport of football and developing fundamental skills. The goal is to build fitness, muscle coordination, football fundamentals and create a love of the game. We do not do any tackling or blocking at this level.

Rams

(Age 3)

0125.101 6 Fri 1:00 pm-1:45 pm 9/6-10/11

0125.104 6 Fri 1:00 pm-1:45 pm 10/18-12/16

No class 11/1 & 11/29

Bulls

(Age 4)

0125.102 6 Fri 2:00 pm-2:45 pm 9/6-10/11

0125.105 6 Fri 2:00 pm-2:45 pm 10/18-12/6

No class 11/1 & 11/29

Buffalos

(Age 5)

0125.103 6 Fri 3:00 pm-3:45 pm 9/6-10/11

0125.106 6 Fri 3:00 pm-3:45 pm 10/18-12/6

No class 11/1 & 11/29

Fee: \$99

Instructor: Skyhawks Sports Academy

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Backyard

Tots - Baseball Tots

Ages 3 - 5

NEW!

Baseball Tots classes focus on fine and gross motor skills as well as body control. We teach all the baseball basics, such as throwing, catching, hitting and running control. We are excited to help these little ones develop a love of the game!

Batters*

(Age 3)

*Parent participation required

0084.101 6 Tue 1:00 pm-1:45 pm 9/3-10/8

0084.104 6 Tue 1:00 pm-1:45 pm 10/15-12/3

No class 10/29 & 11/26

Hitters

(Age 4)

0084.102 6 Tue 2:00 pm-2:45 pm 9/3-10/8

0084.105 6 Tue 2:00 pm-2:45 pm 10/15-12/3

No class 10/29 & 11/26

Homers

(Age 5)

0084.103 6 Tue 3:00 pm-3:45 pm 9/3-10/8

0084.106 6 Tue 3:00 pm-3:45 pm 10/15-12/3

No class 10/29 & 11/26

Fee: \$99

Instructor: Skyhawks Sports Academy

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Backyard

Youth Programs

Tots - Cheer

Ages 3 - 4 **NEW!**

Children in these high energy classes learn far more than just core cheer concepts and techniques; they also explore their personal expression, agility, rhythm, and teamwork. It is a great way to build self-confidence and nurture the desire to share happiness with others!

0651.101	6	Thu	3:00 pm-3:45 pm	9/5-10/10
0651.102	6	Thu	3:00 pm-3:45 pm	10/17-12/5

No class 10/31 & 11/28

Fee: \$99

Instructor: Skyhawks Sports Academy

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Multipurpose Room

Tots - Hoopster Tots

Ages 3 - 5 **NEW!**

Learning basketball has never been more fun! These classes focus on dribbling, shot technique, passing and teamwork. Adjustable hoops and appropriately-sized basketballs are used to always provide just the right amount of challenge.

Froggies* **(Age 3)**

*Parent participation required

0141.104	6	Mon	1:00 pm-1:45 pm	9/9-10/14
0141.107	6	Mon	1:00 pm-1:45 pm	10/21-12/16

No class 10/28 & 11/11 & 11/25

Rabbits **(Age 4)**

0141.105	6	Mon	2:00 pm-2:45 pm	9/9-10/14
0141.108	6	Mon	2:00 pm-2:45 pm	10/21-12/16

No class 10/28 & 11/11 & 11/25

Kangaroos **(Age 5)**

0141.106	6	Mon	3:00 pm-3:45 pm	9/9-10/14
0141.109	6	Mon	3:00 pm-3:45 pm	10/21-12/16

No class 10/28 & 11/11 & 11/25

Fee: \$99

Instructor: Skyhawks Sports Academy

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Multipurpose Room



Tots - Field Hockey

Ages 3 - 4 **NEW!**

Join Skyhawks for an exciting introduction to Field Hockey, a sport with a global appeal! Our fun, inclusive program, developed with USA Field Hockey, teaches basics like stick handling and passing in a game-based environment. Perfect for boys and girls, this program is your child's gateway to a new sport. Each participant receives a free stick, Go Ball and online training with LEAP Hockey. Let's discover Field Hockey together!

0131.101	6	Thu	2:00 pm-2:45 pm	9/5-10/10
0131.102	6	Thu	2:00 pm-2:45 pm	10/17-12/5

No class 10/31 & 11/28

Fee: \$99

Instructor: Skyhawks Sports Academy

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Backyard

Tots - VolleyKats

Ages 3 - 4 **NEW!**

A great way to learn the signature sport of summer! One of the more difficult motor skills to grasp for children, these forgiving classes help them learn to bump, set, and spike, as well as develop agility, reaction, speed, and teamwork.

0421.101	6	Wed	3:00 pm-3:45 pm	9/4-10/9
0421.102	6	Wed	3:00 pm-3:45 pm	10/16-12/4

No class 10/30 & 11/27

Fee: \$99

Instructor: Skyhawks Sports Academy

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Backyard

Yoga for Youth

Ages 6 - 12 **NEW!**

This youth yoga class is a fun and engaging program designed specifically for youth. Classes combine playful poses, creative activities, builds strength and resilience. This class will introduce our youth to the wonderful world of yoga in an age appropriate and enjoyable way.

Ages 6 - 8

#1015.101	5	Wed	4:00 pm-5:00 pm	9/4-10/2
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Ages 9 - 12

#1015.102	5	Wed	5:00 pm-6:00 pm	9/4-10/2
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Fee: \$124

Instructor: Sheryl Sheppelle

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Front Lawn

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Adult Programs

Art - Watercolor, Acrylic and Mixed Media Painting

Ages 15+

In this fun course students will learn a variety of painting techniques to improve their painting skills and build confidence. Students will be taught principles of art, color theory, perspective design, value of color, as well as master tips on drawing and painting techniques. New content will be taught at each class.

1031.102	6	Wed	5:00 pm-6:30 pm	9/11-10/16
1031.104	6	Wed	5:00 pm-6:30 pm	10/30-12/11

No class 11/27

Fee: \$120 (\$35 materials fee due to instructor at first class)

Instructor: Robin Schwartzburd

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Art Room



Boxercise

Ages 18+

NEW!

A non-contact hybrid form of exercise that involves footwork, punching, and evasion movements to simulate the activities involved in the sport of boxing. It's often combined with other conditioning activities, such as jumping rope and calisthenics, which increases the intensity of each training session. It can help improve your heart health, body composition, and strength, as well as lower your blood pressure and aid weight loss. Most of all, boxercise is a fun way to get some exercise and release stress in a safe and healthy way. Please wear work-out attire and bring a water bottle.

0652.105	4	Tue & Fri	12:30 pm-2:00 pm	9/3-9/27
0652.106	4	Tue & Fri	12:30 pm-2:00 pm	10/1-10/25
0652.107	4	Tue & Fri	12:30 pm-2:00 pm	11/1-11/26

Fee: \$120

0652.108	3	Tue & Fri	12:30 pm-2:00 pm	12/3-12/20
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Fee: \$90

Instructor: Melvin Simpson

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Multi-Purpose Room

Dog Training

Beginner/Advanced Dog Obedience

Ages 14+

This class is designed for dogs at all levels of training, no prior training required. Fun activities and reward-based training will be used to develop focus and help you and your dog learn how to be a team. Basics such as "sit", "down", and "come" will be taught along with fun tricks and games to keep your dog interested and encouraged.



1051.104	10	Sun	10:30 am-11:30 am	9/22-12/8
No class 10/13 & 10/27				

1051.102	10	Wed	10:30 am-11:30 am	9/25-12/4
No class 11/27				

Fee: \$250

Instructor: Lucy Grace

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Front Lawn

Intermediate Dog Obedience

Ages 14+

This class is for dogs with some training that already know basic commands. Students will work on beginning agility skills that include how to do more than one jump, how to hold a stay on a platform and at a startline, how to work on both sides, tunnel, weaves and front cross. This class will also include more advanced obedience skills and tricks.

1051.103	10	Sun	9:30 am-10:30 am	9/22-12/8
No class 10/13 & 10/27				

Fee: \$250

Instructor: Lucy Grace

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Front Lawn

Rally Obedience

Ages 14+

This class is designed for dogs that have reached an intermediate level of training. Rally is a fun form of Obedience training where dogs and handlers learn to perform many different skills on a course. Rally is divided into levels: AKC Rally has five: Novice, Intermediate, Advanced, Excellent, and Master. This class will accommodate those just wanting to try the sport as well as those already involved in competition. In addition to the basics, you will learn some fun tricks and games to keep your dog interested and engaged.

1051.101	10	Wed	9:30 am-10:30 am	9/25-12/4
No class 11/27				

Fee: \$250

Instructor: Lucy Grace

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Front Lawn

Adult Programs

Drop-In Soccer

Ages 16+

Come on out to the field to enjoy a friendly game of soccer. Our Adult drop-in soccer program is designed to bring people together to play for fun and exercise. All skill levels are welcome.

Drop-in **Wed** **6:30-8:00 pm**

Weekly

Drop-in fee: \$3

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Sarzotti Park Field 1

Drop-In T'ai Chi



Ages 16+

Come drop in and experience an ancient meditative martial art. This form involves a slow series of choreographed movements. Benefits include stress reduction and improved balance and health. Loose clothing and low-heeled shoes recommended.

Drop-in **Wed** **7:00 pm-9:00 pm**

Sat

7:00 pm-9:00 pm

Weekly

9:30 am-11:30 am

Drop-in fee: \$5

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Multi-Purpose Room

Fitness - Weight Room

Ages 14+

The workout area is on the second floor of Ojai's John G. Martin Gymnasium. We operate a fitness training room with all the great equipment.

2622.109	Mon, Wed & Fri	3:00 pm-6:00 pm	September
<i>No class 9/2</i>			
2622.110	Mon, Wed & Fri	3:00 pm-6:00 pm	October
2622.111	Mon, Wed & Fri	3:00 pm-6:00 pm	November
<i>No class 11/11 & 11/29</i>			
2622.112	Mon, Wed & Fri	3:00 pm-6:00 pm	December
<i>No class 12/23, 12/25, 12/27 & 12/30</i>			

Fee: \$40

Instructor: Gary Ryan

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Weight Room

Flexibility Yoga



Ages 18+

NEW!

Beginner friendly yoga to open and unlock your hips, spine and hamstrings. Focusing on longer holds, connecting to the breath to open up the fascia and create more mobility. Participants will need to bring their own yoga mat and a water bottle.

1015.103 **5** **Sat** **9:00 am-10:00 am** **9/7-10/5**

Fee: \$149

Instructor: Sheryl Sheppelle

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Front Lawn

Kung Fu - Kung Fu For Adults

Ages 14+

Learn Southern Shaolin Kung Fu from Sigung Darrell Gooden and staff. Get introduced to international award-winning animal forms, i.e., the Tiger, Dragon, Leopard, Snake, and the Crane. Sigung Darrell's expert teaching focuses on building self-confidence while having fun. This monthly course provides a solid foundation to the fundamentals of Kung Fu. Free t-shirt with registration.

1012.159	Mon & Wed	5:30 pm-6:30 pm	September
<i>No class 9/2</i>			
1012.160	Mon & Wed	5:30 pm-6:30 pm	October
1012.161	Mon & Wed	5:30 pm-6:30 pm	November
<i>No class 11/11</i>			
1012.162	Mon & Wed	5:30 pm-6:30 pm	December
<i>No class 12/23, 12/25 & 12/30</i>			

Fee: \$80

Instructor: Darrell Gooden

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Multipurpose Room



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OCTOBER 12

7-9 PM

\$25 PER PERSON

ACTIVITY #1084.104

GET READY FOR A WILD RIDE DOWN THE OJAI VALLEY'S MOST HAUNTED ROAD IN THE GHOST VAN! CREEK ROAD HAS OVER 13 GHOSTS ALONG HER LONELY TWISTS AND TURNS. RICHARD SENATE, GHOST HUNTER AND AUTHOR OF "CHAR-MAN", WILL SEND SHIVERS DOWN YOUR SPINE WITH FOLKLORE, GRIM HISTORY, AND GHOSTS. HEAR TALES OF THE MYSTERIOUS FACELESS LADY, THE HELL HOUND OF MEINERS OAKS, AND OF COURSE, CHAR-MAN!

MEETS AT THE OJAI RECREATION DEPARTMENT PARKING LOT

OJAI GHOSTS

OCTOBER 19

7-9 PM

\$25 PER PERSON

ACTIVITY #1084.101

JOIN US AS WE EXPLORE VARIOUS HAUNTED PLACES IN THE OJAI VALLEY WITH GHOST HUNTER AND AUTHOR OF "CHAR MAN", RICHARD SENATE! TAKE A SPINE-TINGLING WALK INTO THE FOLKLORE OF THE OJAI VALLEY AND DELVE INTO HER MANY DOWNTOWN GHOSTS, FROM THE MAN ON THE TOWER, TO THE SOBBING TEENAGE GIRL OF LIBBY PARK. WE WILL LOOK INTO THE OLD CEMENT JAIL AND MAYBE SEE "EDDIE" THE GHOSTLY PRISONER, STILL SERVING HIS SENTENCE IN SPIRIT FORM. WE MAY ALSO ENCOUNTER THE CATWOMAN OF MONTGOMERY STREET OR THE EVIL BLACK CHICKEN OF DEATH! PLEASE MEET IN LIBBEY PARK BY FOUNTAIN.

NORDHOFF CEMETARY

OCTOBER 26

7-9 PM

\$25 PER PERSON

ACTIVITY #1084.103

JOIN GHOST HUNTER AND AUTHOR OF "CHAR MAN", RICHARD SENATE, FOR A LATE-NIGHT WALK THROUGH THE HISTORIC NORDHOFF CEMETERY. LEARN ABOUT THE HISTORY OF THE OLD BURYING GROUNDS AND THE STORY OF HER GHOSTS, INCLUDING THE PHANTOM DOG, THE GHOST GIRL, AND THE SHADOW PEOPLE. THERE WILL ALSO BE A LESSON IN GHOST HUNTING AND RESPECT FOR HISTORIC CEMETERIES. TOUR STARTS AT THE OJAI COMMUNITY CENTER!

MEETS AT THE OJAI RECREATION DEPARTMENT PARKING LOT

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AGES 18+

FLASHLIGHTS AND CLOSED-TOED FOOTWEAR
ARE REQUIRED. CAMERAS
ARE ENCOURAGED.

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Adult Programs

Music - Ojai O'Daiko Japanese Drum Workshop

Ages 18+

Taiko is the art of Japanese drumming based on the philosophy of unity of mind, body and spirit. Kumi-Daiko (ensemble drumming) provides a means to express oneself through movement and music and has been used to build community and friendships through the playing of the drum. Today, Taiko is used all over the world to connect people through cultural understanding, creative expression, and the rhythmic heartbeat of the drum. Ojai O'Daiko would like to share this connection with everyone in the Ojai Valley and the surrounding areas!

1048.101	6	Sat	2:00 pm-4:00 pm	9/14-10/19
1048.102	6	Sat	2:00 pm-4:00 pm	11/2-12/14

No class 11/30

Fee: \$120 (\$30 materials fee paid to the instructor on the first day of class)

Instructor: Gavin Takase-Sanchez

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Multipurpose Room

Pottery Class - Hand Building/Sculpting for Adults

Ages 18+

Students will get to enjoy working and learning a range of pottery-making techniques, including coils, slabs, pinch pots, glazing, and underglazing. Firestick is a well-equipped, high-fire studio, known for its more than 40 'made from scratch' glazes. Each piece will be fired in a cone 10 kiln with high-quality materials. Students will create 5 to 6 projects, completing the process by glazing and firing works of art that they will be excited to take home. The classroom is open-air (open on one side).

1037.106	6	Tue	2:30 pm-4:30 pm	9/10-10/15
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Fee: \$150 (\$30 materials fee paid to the instructor on the first day of class)

1037.113	6	Tue	2:30 pm-4:30 pm	10/22-11/26
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Fee: \$150 (\$30 materials fee paid to the instructor on the first day of class)

Instructor: Firestick Studio

Location: Firestick Studio, 1804 E. Ojai Ave., Ojai



Power Yoga

Ages 18+

NEW!

This invigorating power yoga class is designed for adults seeking dynamic and challenging yoga practice. This high energy class focuses on building strength, flexibility and endurance through a series of powerful flowing sequences.

1015.104	5	Sat	10:00 am-11:00 am	9/7-10/5
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Fee: \$149

Instructor: Sheryl Sheppelle

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Front Lawn

Tennis - Adult Tennis

Ages 18+

Tennis is a great sport to learn at any stage of life! Classes are specially designed for each age group and skill level to help players achieve success and improve skills while having fun. For more information, please contact Katya Welborn at (805) 798-3699 or katyawelborn@gmail.com.

0023.101	6	Thu	6:00 pm-7:00 pm	9/5-10/10
0023.102	6	Thu	6:00 pm-7:00 pm	10/31-12/12

No class 11/28

Fee: \$60

Instructor: Katya Welborn

Location: Lower Libbey Tennis Courts





ADULT COED

Softball League

DUST OFF YOUR OLD CLEATS AND GLOVES AND GET BACK OUT ONTO THE FIELD. EACH TEAM WILL BE SCHEDULED TO PLAY 14 GAMES. ALL TEAMS IN EACH DIVISION WILL MAKE THE PLAYOFFS. A COMPLETED ROSTER IS DUE PRIOR TO THE FIRST SCHEDULED GAME. WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU OUT THERE!

\$20 OFFICIAL'S FEE WILL BE PAID DIRECTLY TO THE OFFICIAL ON THE DAY OF THE GAME. ALL GAMES ARE PLAYED AT SARZOTTI PARK.

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UPPER LEAGUE

**TUE @ 6:30PM-10:00PM
9/10 - 10/29
#0055.101**

LOWER LEAGUE

**FRI @ 6:30PM-10:00PM
9/13 - 11/1
#0055.102**

FREE AGENTS

LOOKING TO PLAY BUT DON'T HAVE A TEAM? LET US KNOW! FROM TIME TO TIME WE HAVE TEAMS THAT NEED PLAYERS. WE CAN CONNECT YOU WITH THE TEAM MANAGERS!

Call the Ojai Recreation Department or visit
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Ojai Recreation Department

FALL SENIOR PROGRAMS

MONDAY

Senior Fitness

9 am-10 am
10 am-11 am

Bridge

1 pm-3 pm

TUESDAY

Billiards

9 am-12 pm

Game-Tastic

9 am-12 pm

Jigsaw Puzzle

9 am-12 pm

WEDNESDAY

Senior Fitness

9 am-10 am
10 am-11 am

Senior Hiking

See page 24 in our
Activity Guide

Pinochle

1 pm-3 pm

THURSDAY

Line Dancing*

10 am-11 am
*select Thursdays

Theater Thursday*

12:30 pm-2:30 pm
*first & third of the month

FRIDAY

Billiards

9 am-12 pm

Game-Tastic

9 am-12 pm

Jigsaw Puzzle

9 am-12 pm

Table Tennis

9 am-12 pm



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Senior Programs

Billiards

Ages 55+

Do you like playing pool? Or maybe you just need somewhere to practice. Come by and rack'em up on one of our 2 pool tables. Don't have your own stick... no worries we have a few to share. Our billiards program will meet every Tuesday & Friday in our game room. All skill levels are welcome.



Date and Time: Tuesday & Friday: 9:00 am-12:00 pm

No class 11/29, 12/24, 12/27 & 12/31

Fee: Free

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Game Room

Bridge

Ages 55+

NEW!

Date and Time: Monday 1:00-3:00 pm

No class 9/2, 11/11, 12/23 & 12/30

Fee: Free

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Art Room

Fitness - Senior Strength - Weight Room

Ages 55+

This class is designed for Seniors who would like to participate in a sensible low-impact program that results in a gradual increase in strength and mobility. Organized strength exercises using resistance bands and other non-traditional training equipment will be executed to help build strength. This class has a relaxed, friendly atmosphere and offers individual attention from our accredited staff that has been serving Ojai since 2000.

2621.109	Mon & Wed	9:00 am-10:00 am	September
2621.159	Mon & Wed	10:00 am-11:00 am	September
No class 9/2			
2621.110	Mon & Wed	9:00 am-10:00 am	October
2621.150	Mon & Wed	10:00 am-11:00 am	October
2621.111	Mon & Wed	9:00 am-10:00 am	November
No class 11/11			
2621.151	Mon & Wed	10:00 am-11:00 am	November
No class 11/11			
2621.112	Mon & Wed	9:00 am-10:00 am	December
No class 12/23, 12/25 & 12/30			
2621.152	Mon & Wed	10:00 am-11:00 am	December
No class 12/23, 12/25 & 12/30			

Fee: \$50

Instructor: Gary Ryan

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Weight Room

Free Movement Dance

Ages 55+

Start your morning with movement, stretching and fun! Following along or doing your own thing. Our number one goal is to move our bodies to great music and have a blast! Lets dance!!

1023.103 5 Sat 8:30 am-9:25 am 9/14-10/12

1023.106 5 Sat 8:30 am-9:25 am 11/2-12/7

No class 11/30

Fee: \$55

Instructor: Catherine Yazadzhiev

Location: Starlight Dance Academy, 407 Bryant Circle Suite B, Ojai

Game-Tastic

Ages 55+

Stop by the Ojai Recreation Department every Tuesday & Friday to get your Game On! There will be various games such as Scrabble, Mexican Train, Rummikub and various other board games! All skill levels are welcome.

Date and Time: Tuesday & Friday: 9:00 am-12:00 pm

No class 11/29, 12/24, 12/27 & 12/31

Fee: Free

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Art Room



Senior Programs

Hike - Ventura Preserve (Riverview Trailhead)

Ages 55+ **NEW!**

Head out on this 2.9-mile loop trail near Ojai, California. Generally considered an easy route, it takes an average of 58 min to complete.

Elevation: 131ft Length: 2.9 Miles Difficulty: Easy
1066.101 1 Wed 9:00 am-11:30 am 9/25

Fee: \$10

Instructor: Ojai Recreation Department Staff

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Front Lawn

Hike - Fox Canyon (Valley View Preserve)

Ages 55+ **NEW!**

Get to know this 2.9-mile loop trail near Ojai, California. Generally considered a moderate route, it takes an average of 1 h 42 min to complete.

Fox Canyon starts on a healthy incline up switchbacks, gradually revealing beautiful views of the Ojai Valley as you go. On a clear day you can even see out to the ocean! While the start is a challenge the second 2/3's of the hike is rolling single/double track ending in a decent decline back to the parking lot. Overall this is an incredible hike with beautiful views.

Elevation: 833ft Length: 2.9 Miles Difficulty: Moderate
1066.102 1 Wed 9:00 am-11:30 am 10/9

Fee: \$10

Instructor: Ojai Recreation Department Staff

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Front Lawn

Hike - Pratt Trail

Ages 55+ **NEW!**

Enjoy this 3-mile out and back trail near Ojai, California. Generally considered an easy to moderate route, it takes an average of 1 h 45 min to complete.

Elevation: 100ft Length: 3 Miles Difficulty: Easy to Moderate
1066.103 1 Wed 9:00 am-11:30 am 10/23

Fee: \$10

Instructor: Ojai Recreation Department Staff

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Front Lawn

Hike - Shelf Road (Valley View Preserve)

Ages 55+ **NEW!**

Get to know this 3.5-mile out-and-back trail near Ojai, California. Generally considered an easy route, it takes an average of 1 h 24 min to complete. The best times to visit this trail are October through May.

Elevation: 383ft Length: 3.5 Miles Difficulty: Easy
1066.104 1 Wed 9:00 am-11:30 am 11/13

Fee: \$10

Instructor: Ojai Recreation Department Staff

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Front Lawn

Hike - Cozy Dell

Ages 55+ **NEW!**

Explore this 4-mile loop trail near Ojai, California. Generally considered a moderate route, it takes an average of 2 h 24 min to complete.

Cozy Dell is located right at the start of Maricopa Highway. This hike is a steady climb up to a beautiful outlook looking over the Ojai Valley. Along the way you get a birds eye view of the valley leading up Maricopa Highway and overlooking the local orchards.

Elevation: 1,197ft Length: 4 Miles Difficulty: Moderate
1066.105 1 Wed 9:00 am-12:30 pm 11/27

Fee: \$10

Instructor: Ojai Recreation Department Staff

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Front Lawn

Hike - Wills-Rice Loop Trail

Ages 55+ **NEW!**

Enjoy this 4.8-mile loop trail near Ojai, California. Generally considered a moderate route, it takes an average of 1 h 51 min to complete.

*This hike includes a river crossing so hiking poles are recommended. This hike takes you through parts of the beautiful Ventura River Preserve. There are some mild ups and downs throughout the hike as it takes you from flat winding double track, into beautiful creek side oak groves, and back out again.

Elevation: 456ft Length: 4.8 Miles Difficulty: Moderate
1066.106 1 Wed 9:00 am-12:00 pm 12/11

Fee: \$10

Instructor: Ojai Recreation Department Staff

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Front Lawn

OJAI RECREATION DEPARTMENT

SENIOR HIKING

OUR SENIOR HIKING PROGRAM IS FOR SENIORS WHO WANT TO GET OUTSIDE, CHALLENGE THEMSELVES AND ENJOY THE GREAT OUTDOORS. WHETHER YOU'RE AN EXPERIENCED HIKER OR JUST WANT TO START HIKING, THERE'S A HIKE FOR YOU.

IT IS REQUIRED THAT ALL HIKERS BRING A FILLED WATER BOTTLE FOR THEMSELVES AND DRESS IN APPROPRIATE HIKING ATTIRE. IT IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED THAT YOU BRING A HAT, SUNSCREEN, HIKING POLES (IF NEEDED), AND A SMALL BACKPACK FOR SNACKS IF DESIRED. HIKES WILL START AND END AT THE OJAI COMMUNITY CENTER.

AGES: 55+ FEE: \$10 PER HIKE

**2ND & 4TH WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH
SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER**

FOLLOWING EACH HIKE, WE WILL STOP FOR A SWEET TREAT (NOT INCLUDED IN FEE)

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Senior Programs

Jigsaw Puzzle

Ages 55+

Are you a "dissectologist"? A "dissectologist" is someone who enjoys putting together jigsaw puzzles. Every Tuesday & Friday, we will meet in the Ojai Recreation Department Art Room to create fun memories. Here you can choose to work on jigsaw puzzles ranging from 500 pieces to over 1,000 pieces! All skill levels are welcome. Hope to see you there!

Date and Time: Tuesday & Friday: 9:00 am-12:00 pm

No class 11/29, 12/24, 12/27 & 12/31

Fee: Free

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Art Room



Line Dancing

Ages 55+

Learn line dancing steps, routines and combination moves. Build healthy and resilient communities with people, improve health and wellness. Line dancing improves cardio, muscle strength, social interaction, balance, concentration, and coordination. Come join us and have a great time!

1021.109	3	Thu	10:00-11:00 am	9/5-9/19
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1021.111	3	Thu	10:00-11:00 am	11/7-11/21

Fee: \$15 per session or \$5.00 drop-in per class

Instructor: Stacy Pergson

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Multipurpose Room



Pinochle

Ages 55+

NEW!

Date and Time: Wednesday 1:00-3:00 pm

No class 12/25

Fee: Free

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Art Room

Table Tennis

Ages 55+

Come serve up some fun every Friday! Table tennis (Ping Pong) is a great way to work on hand-eye coordination, improves balance, reflexes, and helps with short-term memory!

Date and Time: Friday 9:00 am-12:00 pm

No class 11/29 & 12/27

Fee: Free

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Multipurpose Room



Theater Thursday

Ages 55+

NEW!

Bring some snacks and join us on the first and third Thursday each month for a feature film. All movies will be shown on a BIG screen with subtitles, from classics to newer releases!

Date and Time: First and third Thursday 12:30-2:30 pm

Fee: Free

Location: Ojai Recreation Department/Multipurpose Room



Community Resources

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My Ojai App

This official city app, "My Ojai," is free and available for download in the app store for iPhones and Google Play for android phones. My Ojai features access to the following City resources:

- City Website
- City News
- City Municipal Code
- Ojai Trolley Schedule and Website
- City Calendar
- Recreation Department Class Schedule and Website
- Resident Requests to all City Departments

My Ojai encourages citizen engagement by allowing anyone to report a problem directly from their mobile device. From potholes to building permits, facility rentals and more, a report can be made by simply snapping a picture and pressing send. An issue ticket is created and then routed to the appropriate city department for corrective action.

2-1-1 Information Line

211 is a free service that connects community members to information about critical health and human services available in their community. 211 is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. 211 utilizes both bilingual call specialists and a phone-based translation service to offer 211 information and referral in over 150 languages. 211 also provides incident-specific information during times of disaster, including road closures and shelters.

Phone: Toll-Free (800) 339-9597 / Dial 2-1-1 from a landline or cell phone in Ventura County to connect with 211.

Website: www.211ventura.org

SMS/Text: Text your Zip Code to 898-211

Community Assistance Program

HELP of Ojai's Community Assistance Program (CAP) provides a range of services to meet the basic needs for low-income and unsheltered residents of the Ojai Valley. Fresh food is distributed Mon & Wed at 108 S. Montgomery Street from 9 am-noon. For more information, please call (805) 640-3320.

Digital Inclusion

Through technology, we can check in with family and friends, stay in touch with health care providers, find healthy foods, perform meaningful work, and learn new skills—all from a safe distance. The California Department of Aging contracts with and oversees the local Area Agencies on Aging (AAA) and other CDA programs and partners that coordinate a variety of technology devices and services. Resources provided by the CDA include, devise acquisition, digital literacy resources, and how to use an iPad- a step-by-step guide. For more information, please call (800) 510-2020 or visit https://aging.ca.gov/Programs_and_Services/Digital_Inclusion/

Food Share (Ventura County)

Food Share is dedicated to leading the fight against hunger in Ventura County, and is hosting pop-up pantries throughout our county for residents in need. To learn more about the services offered by the Food Share of Ventura County, please call (805) 983-7100 or visit the website listed below.

Phone: (805) 983-7100

Website: www.foodshare.com

Self-Care

The Wellness Everyday website is committed to supporting the mental, physical, and social health of all individuals living within our community. By providing education, resources, and information on the latest programs offered within the county, we believe the Wellness of our Ventura County community can belong to each of us. The content on this website is provided by the County of Ventura.

Website: www.wellnesseveryday.org

Senior Nutrition Services

HELP of Ojai's Senior Nutrition Program invites Ojai Valley residents over the age 60 to participate in their Congregate Meal Program. Join them Monday-Friday from 11:45-12:45 at our West Campus location (370 Baldwin Road) for nutritious meals! This service is low cost, and no one will be denied a meal due to inability to pay. For more information, please call (805) 649-8018.

Senior Resources and Support

Looking for information on resources and support available for seniors? Visit the VCAA website or call 805-477-7300 to learn more about the resources, meal services, and support available for seniors in Ventura County.

Ventura County Area Agency on Aging (VCAA)

Phone: (805) 477-7300

Website: www.vcaa.org

Transportation Services

HELP of Ojai offers a great resource for seniors and people with disabilities to continue to access the grocery store, doctors, and other appointments within our Ojai Valley. This service is low cost and grants are available for those who qualify. No one will be denied transportation due to an inability to pay. To learn more, please call (805) 646-7787.

#OJAIDAY

Come to downtown Ojai on October 19 and celebrate the beautiful city of Ojai and everything our community has to offer, including locally-infused art and family-friendly entertainment, vendors, activities and fun!

Go to ojaiday.com for more information.



Parks & Recreation Project Updates

Exciting News!



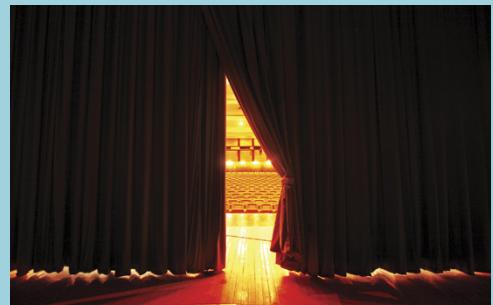
1 The John Martin Gymnasium will be getting six new basketball hoops to replace the old ones, as well as a new gym divider curtain. This will significantly improve and modernize the gym's functionality for the community in the future. Project timeline info to come soon.

2 Did you know? The City of Ojai Parks and Recreation Department was recently awarded a \$750,000 grant from the State of California Parks and Recreation for Sarzotti Park infrastructure projects. More information on exciting park improvements will follow.



3 We're very excited to begin play on five new city pickleball courts, two paddle tennis courts, and one shared court at Soule Park. Construction is almost complete, with a tentative opening in mid/late August. Regular construction updates can be found at www.ojai.ca.gov/544/construction-updates-public-works-project.

4 All the world's a stage, especially with newly renovated stage curtains in the Community Center's Multi-Purpose Room. With a fresh new look, we hope to offer future theater camps and programs for the community to enjoy. We will be completing this project by the end of August 2024.



5 And last but not least, we are replacing the old wooden bleachers on softball field #2 at Sarzotti Park with new aluminum bleachers. We are expecting completion of this project around August of 2024.

Please stay tuned for more exciting modernization and improvement projects courtesy of the City of Ojai and the Ojai Recreation Department.

Youth Scholarship Opportunities

The organizers of the Mountains to Beach Marathon have generously donated funds for Youth scholarships. These funds will cover 100% of one program, per child/per fiscal year (July 1-June 30).

Scholarship funds are limited and are available on a first come/ first served basis. You must apply to be approved for this funding. Please allow two weeks for application/approval process. Participant is not considered registered, nor allowed to participate, until funding is approved.

The following is necessary to apply:

- Registration form
- Scholarship Application form
- Proof of Income (an approved list is provided during application process)
- Proof of residency-driver's license with a current address or recent (within last 30 days) utility bill

Youth Tennis Scholarships

Youth Tennis Scholarships are provided by the generous donation of the Ojai Valley Tennis Club. Scholarships are awarded for all youth tennis classes & Junior World Team tennis. These monies will cover 50% of the registration fees. To apply, simply fill out a registration form, a scholarship application form and pay 50% of the registration fees due. **PLEASE NOTE: Scholarships are intended to assist people with limited incomes. Applications are approved based on income qualifications.**



3 Easy Ways to Register

- ★ Register early, class sizes are limited and early registration may assure your place in a high demand class ★
- ★ Classes that do not meet minimum student enrollment may be canceled before the first session ★
- ★ Your registration can help ensure this necessary enrollment figure! ★



***Online** - Go to ojairec.com and follow the **PROGRAM REGISTRATION** tab.



In person - Come visit the recreation office at 510 Park Road. Meet our staff and process your registration forms in person during business hours: Mon.-Fri. 8:00am - 5:30pm. We accept cash, check, or credit card payments. Make checks payable to the Ojai Recreation Department or ORD.



US Mail - Obtain registration forms from the web at www.ojairec.com, and mail to:
510 Park Road, Ojai, CA 93023.

Registration Information / Guidelines

Confirmation Of Registration

A Registration confirmation receipt will be emailed to you, unless you register online in which case you can print your own receipt. Please be sure to include your email address on the registration form. If you have not received your confirmation before the beginning of your class, please call the Ojai Recreation Department, (805) 646-5581 ext 390.

Canceled Class

Pre-registered students will be notified in advance if a class is canceled by the Ojai Recreation Department. You may choose a full refund or have your fees transferred to another class. Check and cash refunds will be mailed to you. Please allow four to six weeks for check/cash refunds.

Dropping a Class Refunds

If you are unable to attend a class for which you are registered, you must notify the Ojai Recreation Department before the second class meeting, otherwise a refund will not be issued. Once proper notice has been received, your registration fee, minus a \$5.00 service charge, will be refunded. Specific refund policies apply to one-day events and specialty camps. Refund requests will be granted with a two week notice unless activity has a wait list. **Adult Sports:** A full refund will be given prior to the current season schedule posted on the City of Ojai's Adult Sports website and/or the schedule sent out to the team manager. A \$50 administrative fee will be applied after the season schedule has posted. Refunds will not be granted after the second game of the season.

Media Release

Participant, and his or her parent or legal guardian, (if the participant is under 18 years old), hereby gives permission to the City of Ojai to photograph, film and/or tape by any method Participant's participation in such activities and to use, reproduce, exhibit and publish Participant's photograph in any manner and in all media, publications, advertising and publicity.

Registration General Policy

Ojai residents are those individuals who reside within Ojai's city limits. Proof of residency (a drivers license) is now required at the time of registration and must match the adult address indicated on all registration forms. All incomplete forms, including forms from residents who do not include proof of residency, will be returned without registration.

Non-residents living outside of Ojai's city limits, include, but are not limited to, those who live in unincorporated areas such as Mira Monte, Meiners Oaks, Casitas Springs, Upper Ojai, Oak View and all communities east of Gridley Road and west of the Vons shopping center. Please refer to a locator map displayed on the City web site at www.ojaicity.org. The fee for non-residents is a 5% surcharge not to exceed \$10 per transaction and \$25 per adult sports team registration. **All pro-rated classes or activities will be subject to a 10% service fee not to exceed \$10. All pro-rated registration must be processed in office only.** Please allow up to two weeks for your check to clear the bank.

★ A \$28.50 service charge will be issued on all returned checks ★

★ We accept Visa, MasterCard and American Express. Make checks payable to: Ojai Recreation Department or ORD ★

GET OUT 'N PLAY!

Contact Information



City Information

The City Council meets at 6 pm on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month. Meetings take place in Kent Hall, 111 W Santa Ana Street, Ojai, CA 93023.

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District 2
Suza Francina Council Member
District 4
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Kristy Rivera Events and Public Information Officer

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Stay up to date on the latest news and events by following the City of Ojai on social media.



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City Hall

401 South Ventura Street, Ojai, CA 93023
Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm
(805) 646-5581 • www.ojai.ca.gov

Recreation Department

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510 Park Road, Ojai, CA 93023
Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 5:30 pm
(805) 646-5581 ext 390 • www.ojairec.com
Email: ojairec@ojai.ca.gov



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