



Lumpkin County Parks and Recreation Department Annual Report 2022

This past year was a busy year that was filled with growth! While we lost our Park Maintenance Supervisor who had been on staff for 10 years, and our Park Maintenance Worker, we were able to hire a new supervisor who brings fresh ideas and a tremendous work ethic to the team.

Athletics continued to be the core of our operations, with Spring Baseball/Softball having a total of 385 participants. Basketball was our next most popular sport with 361 players. That was followed by Fall Baseball/Softball with 192, Football with 152, Cheer with 122, Swim Team with 58, Track and Field with 44, and Girls Flag Football with 20. Pickleball had well over 100 different individuals participate, with 75 joining the newly created Pickleball Club, 11 annual passes, and a maximum of 32 full month passes purchased in August. We hosted the 10u girls District 7 GRPA Basketball tournament. Our 3rd grade football team won the MFL Super Bowl. Additionally our 8u baseball team won the GRPA State Championship!

We offered several sports camps during breaks and the summer, utilizing outside contractors to provide the camps. We held baseball, softball, and basketball camps, 16 to 38 participants per camp. All of our facilities were extremely popular as rentals, as we rented the Timken Pavilion in Yahoola Creek Park 93 times, held 2 tournaments at the Cloverleaf, hosted the State JROTC competition, and 2 5k's. Rooms in the Community Center were rented 486 times, and the Community House was rented 91 times.

Maintenance work around the park included replacement of the decking and some supports on all of the bridges, planting of trees by the Master Gardeners, and street light installation. Day-to-day tasks that keep the park looking great were done by staff, which includes mowing, edging, spraying, and maintenance at the Reservoir.

2022 was a successful and fun year, and we are all looking forward to a fantastic 2023!