

Resident Association Newsletter



Summer Edition 2011

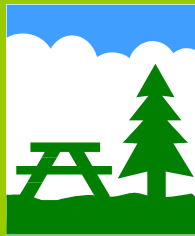


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Houghton's Pond Recreation Area

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A DCR Parking Pass is just \$35 for the entire year. The Department of Conservation and Recreation invites you to spend the day and enjoy the calm, clear waters of Houghton's Pond in the scenic Blue Hills Reservation. Offering 7,000 acres of open space, the Blue Hills Reservation is a green oasis in an urban environment. It is just under ten miles from Lower Roxbury Apartments.

Twenty-four acres in size and up to 42 feet in depth, Houghton's Pond is a spring-fed kettle hole pond formed by receding glaciers approximately 10,000 years ago. The Massachusetts Indians fished the pond and hunted the surrounding lands. From the colonial period through the late 1800s, several generations of the Houghton family farmed the area.

Today, the Houghton's Pond Recreation Area offers a variety of recreational activities, including swimming, fishing, picnicking, and hiking as well as a playground, concession pavilion, and Visitor's Center. Restrooms and a first aid station are open during the summer at the bathhouse.

Swimming Area Information

The swimming area is supervised by DCR lifeguards in July and August, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., 7 days a week. All park visitors must follow the directions of the lifeguard and park staff at all times. Failure to do so will result in removal from the park.



Picnic Area Information

Houghton's Pond Recreation Area offers 3 reservable sites with picnic tables and cooking grills. Portable grills are allowed in designated areas only. Two picnic sites are available on a first-come,

first-served basis for families and groups of fewer than 25 only.

Reminder: Lower Roxbury Resident Association

Meets every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. Meetings are held at the main office, 1059 Tremont Street, Roxbury.

If you'd like to be a part of what happens in your community come join us.

Please call the main office by 8/8 if you will be attending the August meeting.



Directions

By car:

From Route 93, take exit 3 (Houghton's Pond, Ponkapoag Trail exit) from Rte. 93.

By public transportation:

MBTA: The Great Blue Hill and Houghton's Pond sections are accessible from the Red Line's Ashmont Station. From Ashmont, take the trolley to Mattapan. The Canton and Blue Hills bus services the Trailside Museum and Great Blue Hill on Route 138. For the Houghton's Pond area, exit the bus at Blue Hill River Road. Cross the road and walk one mile east on Hillside Street. For directions to other areas of the reservation, please call (617) 698-1802.

FREE EVENTS IN BOSTON



Free Friday Flicks at the Esplanade

When: Fridays, from mid-June to late August - movie starts at sundown (around 8:30 - 9pm in June and 8pm - 8:30pm in August)

Where: Hatch Shell, Esplanade, Boston
Closest T station: Green Line/Arlington
More information, including the movie schedule and weather cancellations: 617-626-4970

Events at Rowes Wharf

Tuesday Night Events-Summer Soul
When: , June 21st-August 30th, 6-10 p.m.

Summer Soul takes place every Tuesday night. Sway to soulful sounds as the hotel hosts various R&B and soul bands this summer. Songs from legends such as Marvin Gaye, Al Green, James Brown, Otis Redding, Roberta flack and Gladys Knight & the Pips are brought to you live under the stars.

- August 9 Soul Sound Revue
- August 16 Ray Greene & Innervations
- August 23 Soul Sound Revue
- August 30 World Premier Band



Thursday Night Events-Blues Barge
When: June 16th-September 1st, 6-10 p.m.

A floating stage anchored behind the Boston Harbor Hotel at Rowes Wharf provides the setting for some of the hottest local and national blues artists. The concert series that launched Summer in the City, the Blues Barge features bands:

- August 11 Bruce Marshall Group
- August 18 Racky Thomas Band
- August 25 Lisa Marie & All Shook Up
- September 1 Jeff Pitchell



Oldies 103.3 Summer Concerts

When: August 20th—KC & the Sunshine Band
Where: All shows will begin at 7pm at the DCR Hatch Memorial Shell (Esplanade). Shows will be held rain or shine.



70 Rowes Wharf, Boston, MA 02110.
Rowes Wharf is the big archway on Atlantic Ave. Taking the orange line to State Street and walking down State Street to the harbor is the easiest way to get there from Roxbury.

Wednesday Night Events-Timeless Tunes
When: June 22nd-August 31st, 6-10 p.m.

Groove to the tunes you know and love with our Timeless Tunes series on Wednesday nights. This series features bands showcasing the best music from the last 50 years. You'll find your favorites whether you like music from the 60s, 70s, 80s, or 90s.

- August 10 Rare form
- August 17 Decades By Dezyne
- August 24 Manhattan Touch
- August 31 Joey Scott & The connection

Friday Night Events-Movies by Moonlight
When: June 17-September 2, 2011

- August 5 DeLovely
- August 12 Same Time Next Year
- August 19 An Affair to Remember
- August 26 Annie
- September 2 Raiders of the Lost Ark

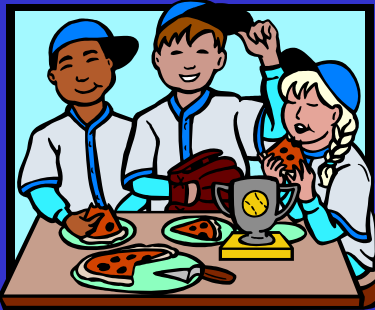


SUMMER TIPS

1. *Drink plenty of water.* It is very important to drink water. Your body needs water to prevent dehydration during warm summer days. Take special care to make sure infants and toddlers drink enough water. They can become dehydrated much more easily than adults.
2. *Wear sunscreen.* Sunburn is painful and unhealthy. Use a sunscreen that is right for your skin.
3. *Stay Cool.* Wear light, loose-fitting clothing to help you stay cooler.
4. *Wear Sunglasses.* Sunglasses protect your eyes from the sun's UV rays.
5. *Know your body.* If you are feeling ill, see a doctor. An average of 400 people die each year in the United States due to extreme heat.



BCYF'S SUMMER GUIDE

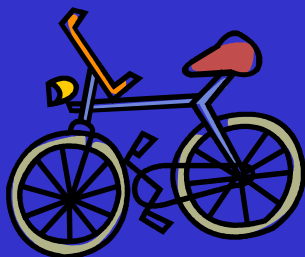


Check out all the summer programs that community centers are offering during the summer of 2011. This guide includes important information about a variety of summer camps drop in programs, sports leagues and more.
www.cityofboston.gov/bcyf

R.O.C.K. Roll & Ride

Date and Location: To be finalized. For more information, please visit www.cityofboston.gov/bikes or contact the BCYF Recreation Division 617-635-4920 x2229.

Free and exciting bike games and activities for the whole family. Learn to ride sessions, trail rides, kids bike rodeos, fix-your-bike workshops, tune ups, and more. Free bike rentals available.



Junior Golf Daily Lessons Program

July 5-August 12 Ages 7-14

*William J. Devine Golf Course,
Franklin Park, Dorchester*

10:00 AM-3:00 PM Monday-Thursday

George Wright Golf Course, Hyde Park

9:00 AM-11:30 AM Tuesday-Thursday

This beginner program provides basic instruction in the fundamentals of golf taught by professionals at the City of Boston's two municipal courses. Equipment is provided and pre-registration is required. For more information, please call 617-635-4920 x2145.

WARM WEATHER REMINDERS:



1. Please don't loiter outside in front of the buildings. This makes it hard for the Police to enforce our "No Trespassing" policy and it creates noise and other problems for other residents of the building and for our neighbors. Please talk to your children to make sure they understand this policy.
2. Charcoal and other outdoor grills are not allowed. They are a violation of the fire code.
3. If you have small children, open your windows from the top or install safety bars. Screens are not strong enough to prevent a child falling out of a window.

SPECIAL MUSEUM EVENTS

Boston Children's Museum

Location:

Children's Wharf at 308 Congress Street, Boston MA 02210

Phone: (617) 426-6500

Hours

Open every day 10am - 5pm

Fridays 10am - 9pm

Admission:

Boston Children's Museum admission is only \$6 per person from 4-5pm Saturday – Thursday.

Target \$1 Friday Nights Sponsored by are offered every Friday from 5–9pm.

MIT Museum

Location:

Massachusetts Institute of Technology / MIT Museum
Building N51 265 Massachusetts Avenue Cambridge, MA
02139

Phone: 617.253.5927

Hours

Open Daily 10am – 5pm / Closed Major Holidays

Free Admission:

- Children under 5 (does not apply to groups)
- Sundays 10 a.m. - noon
- 2nd Friday of each month, 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

