

# LIVERMORE AREA RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT

## PROGRAM COMMITTEE

### MINUTES

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2022**

**2:30 PM**

#### *NOTICE: Coronavirus COVID-19*

*In accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act (Cal. Gov. Code 54950 – 54963), as amended by Assembly Bill 361 (2021), the Livermore Area Recreation and Park District Program Committee Members and staff participated in this meeting via Zoom teleconference. In the interest of maintaining appropriate social distancing, members of the public also participated electronically.*

**Committee Members Present:** Jan Palajac, Maryalice Faltings

**Staff Present:** Mat Fuzie, Linda VanBuskirk, Jill Kirk, David Weisgerber, Julie Dreher, Pamela Healy, Michelle Kleman, Nancy Blair, Jeff Schneider

**Members of the Public Present:** There were no members of the public present.

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Palajac called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.
2. **Public Comment:** There was no public comment. Chair Palajac closed the public comment period.
3. **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Teleconference During a Proclaimed State of Emergency (Resolution No. 2770-b):** Resolution No. 2770-b was approved unanimously.
4. **Approval of the Minutes of the Program Committee on November 16, 2022:** The Minutes from November 16, 2022 were approved unanimously.
5. **The Role of LARPD in the Arts Community Based on the City's ABC Report:** This report discussed the following: the Bothwell Center's current end of life status, the position that the City of Livermore (COL) should be investing more in the Arts, and a broad recommendation that the COL needed to be more involved and invested.

GM Fuzie commented that our Board has made it clear we see the Arts as part of what we do, and that we should invest in them. He shared the following:

- In a recent meeting with the COL and Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District (LVJUSD), he asked if the COL has decided what their role would be in the Arts community. They (COL) have not had that discussion yet. This discussion ties into the future of the Bothwell, the Barn and the Master Property Agreement.
- In February 2023 staff will meet again with the COL. The goal will be to identify our respective assets, needs and wish lists and discuss whether we want to go out for a joint bond or parcel tax.
- The LARPD's role in the Arts community has not yet been clearly defined, nor has that of the COL or LVJUSD. However, all agree that the Bothwell is coming to the end of its useful life.
- We need to continue to have the discussions with our partners and make decisions.

Committee Comments and Questions:

- Will Board members be participating in this February meeting? *No, just staff.*

**Action:** This was a discussion only and no Committee action was taken.

**6. Major Events Being Planned for 2023:**

Community Outreach Supervisor (COS) David Weisgerber shared his screen to review all of the known events in the planning stages for 2023. The presentation covered the following three categories of events:

1. LARPD Events (These are seasonally driven)
2. Partnerships/Co-Sponsored Events
3. Community Events

List of 2023 Events:

**January-April:** Polar Bear Plunge, Muffins with Bunny, Egg Stravaganza, Livermore Half Marathon, Opportunities Expo at the Library

**May-August:** Volunteer Appreciation, Community Services Day, Ravenswood Victorian Tea, LARPD Foundation Fundraiser, Livermore Rodeo, LLWS, Ravenswood Ice Cream Social, Movies in the Park, Thursday Farmers Markets, Science at Stockmen's Park

**September-December:** Pumpkin Patch and Splash, Sycamore Scares, Donuts with Santa, Great Yule Log Hunt, Ho Ho Holiday Carnival, Ravenswood Victorian Yuletide, Golden Circle Holiday Boutique

Committee Comments and Questions:

- How do we know what events are taking place in Stockmen's Park? Who is running/scheduling events there? *Monthly Science event is done by Quest, staff will find out who the event coordinator is.*
- Which of these events the Board members get invited to as representatives of the District? How is this decided? Community-facing events are good opportunities to get the LARPD name out in the community via Board members. *As we are planning the events, the appropriate invitation list is discussed. For community events, we try to get all of our partners to consider including all of our BOD. This is a good discussion for the Board Retreat.*
- Can this presentation be shared with the Board at an upcoming January meeting? *Yes.*

**Action:** Staff will bring this presentation to a January Board meeting.

**7. Update on ESS Program Sites (Altamont, etc.):**

Youth Services Administrator (YSA) Nancy Blair shared that we were asked by the School District to re-open ESS at Altamont Creek a few weeks ago. Right At School will still be present on campus; we will be an additional resource. Licensing will be here on Friday. We have reached out to all families who were enrolled in our program when we closed it back in June; 21 families want to return. We can take around 35-40 kids to start with.

Committee Comments and Questions:

- How many kids were enrolled last June? *There were 33.*
- Has the School District asked us to return to any other Right at School sites? *We are not aware of any other requests.*
- The Committee expressed kudos to YSA Blair for her efforts and in getting the Altamont Creek site ready for licensing so quickly.

**Action:** This was a discussion only and no Committee action was taken.

**8. Update on Community Garden Program, Including the Second Garden at Mocho Park:**

COS Weisgerber gave the following updates:

- Mocho Park: LARPD approved the drawing for the access road and ATT, which included an acceptable ramp to be cut and ADA access. Early 2023 is the target date.
- RLCC Community Garden: Renewals went out on December 6<sup>th</sup> and are due January 6<sup>th</sup>. There is a slight change to the rules: no fruit vines are allowed. This rule will be universally applied. Staff will be doing some planned maintenance.

Committee Comments and Questions:

- Is the plan to go down existing waiting list for the new garden at Mocho Park or will it be opened to general applications? *This has not been specifically discussed yet. GM Fuzie will be bringing a few aspects of signup policy before the Board.*

**Action:** This was a discussion only and no Committee action was taken.

**9. Directors' Reports and Announcements:**

- Committee members wished staff happy holidays.
- GM Fuzie shared that Veteran's Hall warming center opened for business, word is out, it is being used.

**10. Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 3:16 p.m.

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# Community Events Planned for 2023

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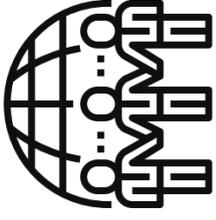


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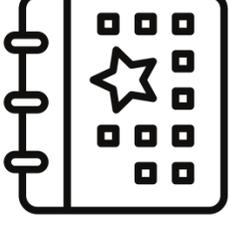
## LARP Events

- Donuts with Santa
- Sycamore Scares
- Muffins with Bunny
- Egg-Stravaganza



## Partnerships / Co- Sponsored Events

- Little League World Series
- Livermore Rodeo
- Livermore Half Marathon
- Ravenswood Progress League
- Community Service Day



## Community Events

- Livermore Farmers Market
- Science at Stockman Park
- Opportunities Expo

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# 2023 Events

## January - April

### LARPD Events

Polar Bear Plunge (Jan 8)  
Muffins with Bunny (Apr)  
Egg-Stravaganza (Apr)

### Co-Sponsored

Livermore Half Marathon (Mar 5)

### Community Events

Opportunities Expo at Library (Jan)

## May - August

### LARPD Events

Volunteer Appreciation (Aug)

### Co-Sponsored

Community Service Day (May 6)  
Ravenswood Victorian Tea (May 7)  
LARPD Foundation Fundraiser (May 20)

Livermore Rodeo (Jun)

Little League World Series (Aug)  
Ravenswood Ice Cream Social (Aug 13)  
Movies in the Park (TBD)

### Community Events

Thursday Farmers Markets (Summer)  
Science at Stockmans Park (Monthly)

## September - December

### LARPD Events

Pumpkin Patch and Splash (Oct)  
Sycamore Scares (Oct)  
Donuts with Santa (Dec)  
Great Yulelog Hunt (Dec)  
Ho Ho Holiday Carnival (Dec)

### Co-Sponsored

Ravenswood Victorian Yuletide (Dec 10)  
Golden Circle Holiday Boutique (Dec)

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