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BOLTON RECREATION DEPARTMENT

WINTER NEWSLETTER

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IN THIS NEWSLETTER YOU WILL FIND ALL OF BOLTON RECREATIONS OFFERINGS, PROGRAMS, AND EVENTS FOR THE WINTER OF 2026!

OUR MISSION:

IT IS THE MISSION OF THE BOLTON RECREATION DEPARTMENT TO ENRICH THE LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE BY CREATING RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH AND ENHANCEMENT TO PROMOTE CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT AND STRIVING TO INCREASE SOCIAL, CULTURAL AND PHYSICAL WELL-BEING OF ALL AGES.

SATURDAY DECEMBER 5TH

Bolton Winter Faire and Santa's Workshop:

When: Saturday December 5, 2026
Time: 10:00am-2:00pm
Where: Bolton Center School Gymnasium (108 Notch Road)

Join the Bolton Recreation Department for the annual **Winter Faire!** Vendors and Crafters interested in hosting a table/space at the fair can register with the Recreation Department. Find the registration form on the Bolton Recreation Department Website. For our folks visiting, take a stroll around the faire to see what the community and Connecticut residents have to offer!

During the Winter Faire, we will also be hosting **Santa's Workshop,** with craft tables as well as a showing of *ELF* (2003). Write letters to Santa, decorate your own ornaments, and more!

Holiday Tree Lighting:



When: Saturday December 5, 2026
Time: 4:00pm - 5:00pm
Where: Town Green in front of Town Hall

Visit the steps at Town Hall for crafts, a story for Bentley Memorial Library staff, a visit from Santa, and the lighting of our tree! Parking will be at Bentley Memorial Library (206 Bolton Center Rd.) and Town Hall (222 Bolton Center Rd.)

*Due to unforseen circumstances we will be unable to light the living tree near the Veteran's Memorial. We will still have our own tree present at the event to be lit.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:



Winter Faire and Santa's Workshop:
- Setup
- Cleanup
- Craft tables
- Letters to Santa
- etc.

Holiday Tree Lighting:
- Supervision
- Setup
- Cleanup
- Craft tables
- etc.

Other Town-Wide Events on Saturday, December 5th:

Santa's Pancake Breakfast: 8:30am - 11:00pm @ Firehouse
Stuff-a-Cruiser: 9:00am - 11:00pm @ Firehouse
Festival of Trees: 4:30pm – 8:00pm @ Bolton Congregational Church

COMMUNITY EVENTS AND FAMILY PROGRAMS:

HOLIDAY LIGHT TOUR 2026:

Do you decorate the outside of your house for the holidays?

Let us know by Monday November 30, 2026 and you can be listed on our map to join in the **Holiday Light Tour** around town. Join us in giving the families in our community the chance to see your outdoor holiday lights and vote for their favorite!

Maps will be available on the town website starting Monday, December 7, 2026 and voting will be done online only with a link listed on the map.

Voting deadline: December 22, 2026

To Register: CLICK HERE (no cost)

WOOD FLORAL ARRANGEMENT WORKSHOP:

When: Friday, December 18th
Time: 6:00pm-8:00pm
Where: The Lodge in Patriots Park (124 Lake St., Coventry, CT)

Join *Wood and Word Blooms* for a fun and creative wood flower arranging experience where you'll design a beautiful, one-of-a-kind arrangement!



Two sizes to choose from:

- Mini: $55.00
- Classic $70.00

To Register: **CLICK HERE**

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AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS:



Imagine Arts Academy: Wild World the Art of Conservation

Kids learn about a famous conservationist in each class and how they are working to save the animals. Kids will explore the wonder and beauty of the animal kingdom, and discover nature in a way that inspires empathy, curiosity, and creativity. They learn about many different animals and how wildlife conservationists are working to protect species around the world. They experiment with a variety of art techniques and use Crayola art materials to create frog paintings, ink diffusion jellyfish, polar bear sculptures, and more!

Who: Grades K-5
When: Thursdays 1/28-3/4, 3:15-4:15pm
Where: Bolton Center School - Gr. ⅞ Staff Room
Cost: $160

To Register: CLICK HERE

BUS TRIPS:

A Day on Your Own in New York City

Enjoy a day in the "Big Apple" with friends and family. Get a jump start on your holiday shopping, visit the museums, see a Broadway show, or just enjoy the sights of the city. Bus will drop off at Rockefeller Center.

Date: Saturday, December 5th
Reg Deadline: Wednesday, November 26th
Departs From: Tolland Commuter Lot, I-84 Exit 68 (Near Dunkin Donuts)
Departure Time: 7:00am
Return Time: Approx. 10:30pm
Fee: $90 (fee includes bus transportation only)

Register: CLICK HERE



ADULT PROGRAMS (18+):

Drop in Adult Volleyball:



Stop by on Monday Nights for friendly pick-up Volleyball! Bring your friends or come alone and enjoy!

- **Bolton Center School**
  - 7:30pm-10:00pm
    - NO VBALL 12/28, 1/18

- **Drop in fee:** $2.00 residents; $4.00 non-residents
- **Season passes:** $30.00 residents; $50 non residents.
  - Cash and Check are the only forms of payment available.

Drop-in only - No registration required

Jujitsu with Master Patrick Cassidy:

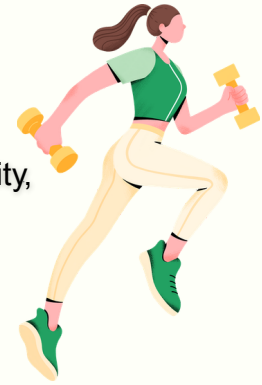


Learn self-defense techniques, build confidence, and take control of your personal protection against aggressive attackers through the art of jujitsu.

When: Mondays and Wednesdays 7:00pm, November - April
Where: Herrick Park, 29 Hebron Rd.
Cost: $80.00/month paid to instructor at class

Questions or concerns contact:
Master Patrick Cassidy (860) 539-0601

Karen's Yoga Cardio:



Start with yoga stretches, balance, and flexibility, 20 minutes high intensity, low impact cardio. Floor exercises including abs, glutes, and arms, end with stretches and a cool down. Exercise for all!

When: Mondays 5:45-6:45pm
Who: Karen Cordero
Location: Herrick Park, 29 Hebron Rd.
Cost: $40.00 for 8 class punch card; $80.00 for 16 class punch card; $7 walk-in fee

Drop-in or Sign up via: corderok53@gmail.com

SPRING SNEAK PEAK:

- **Annual Egg Hunt:** March 2027
- **Soccer Shots:** April 2027
- **Spring Break Camp:** April 2027
- **Spring Afterschool:** Spring 2027
- **Borrow-a-Bike Program:** Spring 2027

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITES:

The Bolton Recreation Department always has volunteer opportunities for all ages in the community! Some upcoming opportunities are listed below. Contact the Recreation Department today to learn more!

Volunteer:
Do you need community service hours to graduate high school? Or just looking for some extra ways to lend a hand to the community in your spare time? Join the Recreation Department at our town events and programs through out the year.

Upcoming events include:

- Saturday, December 5, 2026: Winter Faire
- Saturday, December 5, 2026: Holiday Tree Lighting



HOW TO REGISTER FOR PROGRAMS:

1. **Go to Bolton, Connecticut and select the Recreation Department hot button**
2. **Click on https://boltonrec.recdesk.com/**
3. **Login at the top right hand corner to your existing RecDesk ID or create a new ID**
4. **Select program of interest from the online registration tab and click register**
5. **Payment can be made online with a credit card when registering with a 2.9% convenience fee.**
6. **Or come in to office and we can process the registration by cash check or card.**

YOUR VOICE MATTERS!



SCAN THIS QR CODE SO BOLTON RECREATION CAN HEAR YOUR FEEDBACK: