

# EXPLORE



## Pickleball Clinic

**When:**

Sunday September 25

**Where:**

Pelham Rec Center

**Who:**

Ages 18+

**Cost:**

\$18/person

**Schedule:**

- Beginner  
12:30pm - 2:00pm
- Advanced Beginner  
2:15pm - 3:45pm
- 3.0/3.5  
4:00pm - 5:30pm

**Instructor:**

Sandy Thomson, Magic City Pickleball

**Space is limited.**  
[Register here.](#)

## PLAY PICKLEBALL!

### Parks & Rec Clinic Open to All Skill Levels

With simple rules, and elements of tennis, badminton, and ping-pong, pickleball is the fastest growing sport in America, with over 4.8 million players. "We have seen an increase and interest in learning the basics for playing pickleball, and for taking the game to the next level. We want to provide clinics several times a year to introduce it to those interested in learning more about this sport," said Alicia Walters, Assistant Director of Pelham Parks and Recreation.

The next clinic is Sunday, September 25 at the Pelham Rec Center. Three different sessions for various skill levels are planned. If you have never played pickleball before, you'll want to sign up for the Beginner Clinic. Participants will learn basic shots and principles of the game, including scoring and overall strategy.

Those who have a concept of the game and scoring, and who have played for approximately two months, should join the Advanced Beginner Clinic. Players at this level can keep the ball in play with players of like skill. The focus will be on the overall strategy and positioning of the game, including the correct mechanics of shots at the NVZ line, such as dinking and volleying. Serving skills will also be covered.

The 3.0/3.5 Clinic is for those who have played for more than six months with more advanced skills. Players will learn advanced court positioning, covering shots and pressuring the opponent, pressure dinking, speed-up shots at the net, and when to use the lob.



## LIBRARY HAPPENINGS

Pelham Public Library has an enriching and informative slate of programs for adults scheduled for the month of September. Library Director Mary Campbell expressed her excitement about the events. "I hope that our program offerings will create community conversations, highlight different aspects of Alabama history, and help residents thrive in their daily lives. Everyone knows the library is a great place for kids, but we are a great place for adults as well!" Check out the schedule:

**"When the Blast Occurred: Remembering the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church Bombing" - Tuesday, September 13, 6:00 pm, Roberts Room A**

The 1963 bombing of Birmingham's Sixteenth Street Baptist Church killed four young girls and shocked the world. This talk recalls the experiences of people who were inside the church at the time of the blast. Free program. Limited seating. Registration recommended.

**American Red Cross Blood Drive - Monday, September 19, 12:00 to 5:00 pm, Roberts Room**

Help fill an urgent need. Register at [American Red Cross](#).

**Understanding Medicare Seminar - Tuesday, September 20, 4:00 pm, Roberts Room B**

Get answers on the often confusing Medicare process. Free.

**Shelby County Slave Index: A New Tool for Local Slave Ancestry Research - Tuesday, September 20, 6:00 pm, Roberts Room**

Find out how this locally-developed resource can help Black Americans learn more about their ancestors who lived during a time when information was not readily available. Hear one man's story on how he was able to find details about his family by using the system. Free program. Limited seating. Registration recommended.

**Résumé Workshop - Monday, September 26, 6:00 pm, Roberts Room**

Learn how to write a strategic, precise, and adaptable résumé. Free workshop. Limited seating. Registration recommended.

**Job Interview Workshop - Thursday, September 29, 6:00 pm, Roberts Room**

Gain skills to put you in the best position to get the job you want. Limited seating. Registration recommended.



Questions about these programs?  
Call the Library at 205.620.6418

Register on the [Pelham Public Library website](#).  
Click on "Library Programs."

## HAPPENING IN PELHAM



**SATURDAY AUGUST 27**

**11:00 AM - 3:00 PM**

**Critter Encounters**

Come to the Oak Mountain State Park Interpretive Center and learn who crawls, calls hops, and slithers while meeting our Teacher Creatures.

Free (with paid park admission)

More information on the [OMSP Event Page](#)



**MONDAY | SEPTEMBER 5**

**CLOSINGS & SPECIAL HOURS**

Pelham City Hall and city offices will be closed on Labor Day. This also includes the Library, the Senior Center, and the Pelham Civic Complex & Ice Arena.

City facilities with special hours include:

Ballantrae Golf Club - 7:30 AM - 6:30 PM (Weekend rates)

Pelham Racquet Club - 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Pelham Rec Center - 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM



**SUNDAY | SEPTEMBER 18**

**1:30 PM - 5:30 PM**

**Self-Protection for Women and Teens**

This hands-on class will cover several important aspects of self-protection with instructor Jerry Wideman. Space is limited. Ages 13+.

Cost: \$20.00 per person

Register on the [Pelham Parks and Recreation website](#).

Click on the "Art, Family & Leisure" tab.



**TUESDAY | OCTOBER 4**

**6:00 PM - 8:00 PM**

**National Night Out - Save the Date!**

Enjoy family fun, free food, and more while you meet Pelham first responders. See cool fire trucks and police equipment, and learn more about our wonderful community partners.

Free

For updates, visit our Pelham Police Department [Facebook event page](#).



## FALL GOLF CLINIC

With cooler fall temperatures just around the corner, now is a great time to hit the links and learn the game of golf. Whether you're a beginner who has never held a golf club or someone who wants to improve their game, the golf pros at Ballantrae Golf Club are eager to teach you the fundamentals of the game in just two short lessons.

The Fall Golf Clinic will be held Saturday, September 17, and Saturday, September 24 from 1:00 to 2:00 pm. On September 17, participants will receive an introduction to golf and learn short game fundamentals. On September 24, the basics of the set-up and full swing will be taught.

The registration fee for the clinic is \$40. The fee includes both clinic sessions, all range balls, and clubs if needed. The Fall Golf Clinic is open to both men and women. The registration deadline is Wednesday, September 14. Please contact the Ballantrae Golf Shop at 205.620.4653.



## SKATE SCHOOL

The final Skate School of 2022 is open for registration, and students will have the chance to participate in the Christmas show. All classes begin with a 15-minute warm-up off-ice, with skates on. The schedule is listed below:

**Classes Begin Monday, September 19**

On-ice classes - 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Adult on-ice classes - 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

**Classes Begin Wednesday, September 21**

Homeschool on-ice classes - 10:30 am - 11:30 am

**Classes Begin Saturday, September 24**

On-ice classes - 10:30 am - 11:30 am



For more information, please email [Susie Gray](mailto:Susie.Gray).