

EXPLORE



Palooza in the Park

When:

Saturday, May 20, 2023
10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Where:

Trail System at Pelham
Recreation Center
2020 Pelham Park Blvd.
Pelham, AL 35124

Live Music:

Nashville Yacht Club Band

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FUN FESTIVAL

Palooza in the Park Features Music, Fun

Enjoy a day in the park filled with music, food, and fun. Palooza in the Park is back, and this year's festival will have something for everyone. Organizers say you should make plans to attend on May 20th at Pelham City Park. "Palooza in the Park is a great way to get out and enjoy our beautiful park and trail system, and support our community," said Paula Holly, one of the event's organizers.

This year's Palooza features the Nashville Yacht Club Band, an 8-piece tribute to the pop and R&B sounds of the '70s and '80s. The band is making a name for itself, playing festivals and other big events across the country. The music will put you in a summer frame of mind, even if it is still a few weeks away.

Another addition to this year's Palooza is the Pelham Parks and Recreation youth athletes parade. "We had a great opportunity to partner with Parks and Rec to celebrate our athletes," explained Holly. "They will take part in the parade and will be recognized from the stage, and no sports celebration would be complete without a dunking booth for the players to dunk their coaches!"

The Palooza will also offer retail and informational vendors, food trucks, and Kidzapalooza featuring Alabama Paintball. "This year's event welcomes back a D.J. from Feel the Beat Entertainment and the Tragic City Rollers will skate through the park," said Holly. The Palooza is also a dog-friendly event, so bring the pups.

Learn to Play Opportunities

Learn to Play Community Day

Saturday, May 13, 2023, at PRC

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

All ages - FREE

Ready, Set, Tennis

PRC: Tuesdays @ 10:00 a.m. - Starts May 23 (4 weeks)

PRC: Thursdays @ 7:00 p.m. - Starts May 18 (4 weeks)

Tennis Center: Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m. - Starts May 17 (4 weeks)

\$30; includes 4+ hours with an instructor, a racquet, and a t-shirt. Ages 18+. Register at [Ready, Set, Tennis](#).

Youth Summer Tennis Camps

Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Session 1: June 5-8

Session 2: June 12-15

Session 3: June 19-22

Session 4: July 17-20

\$140 per session | [Follow this link](#) for available discounts & registration.

Learn to Play & Watch the Pros

May is a busy month at Pelham Racquet Club. Not only is the club hosting a major tournament with noteworthy pros on the lineup, but it is also offering a chance for the general public to gain exposure to the game. The annual PRC Learn to Play Tennis Community Day is set for Saturday, May 13, which is the weekend before the opening of the USTA Women's Pro Circuit Tournament. The free Community Day event will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Pelham Racquet Club. "The event is open to all ages, from children to adults. You'll have a chance to get free pointers from the PRC tennis pros and play for free. It's a chance for anyone who wants to learn the game or sharpen their skills," said Chaney Mills, Director of the Pelham Racquet Club. There will be children's activities such as face painting, and an inflatable, plus free ice cream for all.

In addition to the Community Day, Pelham Racquet Club and the Pelham Tennis Center are offering an inexpensive, more in-depth option for adults who decide they want to learn more. "The Ready, Set, Tennis program is a good value. You pay 30 dollars to USTA and receive a racquet, four hours of instruction, and a shirt," said Mills. The Pelham Racquet Club will offer the program on Tuesdays starting May 25 from 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., and Thursday nights starting May 18 from 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. The same program is offered at the Pelham Tennis Center at City Park on Wednesdays starting May 17 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. To register, visit [Ready, Set, Tennis](#) and choose your preferred location.

The USTA Women's Pro Classic is a big event for Pelham Racquet Club. The play opens on Monday, May 15, and culminates with the championship round on Sunday, May 21. The annual tournament is sanctioned by the International Tennis Federation. The tournament is typically a \$25,000 event, but the ITF and USTA chose to elevate this tournament to a \$60,000 event in 2022. With the high stakes, the USTA Pro Circuit Tour serves as a pathway to the U.S. Open and tour-level competition for aspiring tennis players and is a frequent battleground for established players who



are looking to earn points and prize money. Mills said spectators can see some great competitive tennis for free, so be sure to take advantage of the opportunity right here in Pelham. To keep up with happenings at Pelham Racquet Club, [visit the website](#), or follow them on Instagram [@pelhamracquetclub](#).

AT A GLANCE

When:

Saturday, May 13, 2023
8:30 a.m. CASA 5K Run
9:30 a.m. 1-mile Fun Run
11:00 a.m. - Pelham Games

Where:

Pelham City Park

Cost:

5K - \$35
Fun Run - \$25
[Sign up here](#)

"Going All Out" For Pelham Games

The second annual Pelham Games is planned for May 13th at Pelham City Park, and members of the BEAT say they're going all out. "We partnered with CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) to bring a 5K run beginning at 8:30 a.m. followed by a superhero one-mile fun run at 9:30," said Chad Leverett, President of the Pelham BEAT. "The Pelham Games begin at 11:00 a.m. We're bringing back the hula hoop contest, the tennis ball toss, the dizzy bat, and a boys and girls football bracket tournament." Medals will be awarded to the winners of the contests.

Leverett said Shelby County CASA approached the Pelham BEAT about the partnership. The 5K and Fun Run will raise money for CASA, which advocates for abused and neglected children in Shelby County. The run is open to all ages. Participants are invited to dress up as their favorite superhero or invent a new one to show that the entire community can be heroes for children in need. "They wanted to do something fun for the kids, while also raising money for their non-profit. It's a win-win," stated Leverett.

Leverett pointed out that the event is being held earlier this year; in May as opposed to 2022's July date. "Last year it was over 100 degrees and miserable, so we hope folks come out in what will hopefully be much cooler weather."

"We've added some great food trucks to the line-up this year. Hey Bebe, the PB&J, and Summer Snow will be there. We also have two bounces houses, as well as a face painting artist," said Leverett.

Leverett believes community events are important to the well-being of our city. "Large events like the Pelham Games bring the community together to have fun. People from all walks of life come together, compete against each other, and laugh with one another. It reinforces we are a 'Pelham Strong' community, and promotes a sense of belonging. The memories will be something families cherish as they look back on the fun."



Participants enjoy the 2022 Pelham Games. Photo courtesy of Shelby County Reporter.



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Learn from a Pro!

Ballantrae Golf Club is kicking off Champions Tour Week in a big way with a free Challenge Golf event. PGA TOUR Champions star Tom Lehman and friends will share years of golf experience through instruction and demonstrations. The event will feature free food and drinks for the first 500 people, live music, a putting contest, and a hole-in-one contest. This special event is a driver for colorectal cancer awareness. Invite a friend and ride together for a fun experience at the practice facility in the beautiful Ballantrae neighborhood of Pelham. For additional information, please visit the [Facebook event page](#).

Movies Under the Stars

Get outdoors and relax with your family as Pelham Parks and Recreation presents Movies Under the Stars. The monthly event will feature movies on the big screen, food trucks, and games for all ages.

Pelham Parks and Recreation Assistant Director Alicia Walters encourages people to come early for some special activities before the movie starts. "On Friday, June 2nd, we'll have Family Kickball Night beginning at 5:45 p.m. If you plan to play kickball, we encourage you to [register](#) because space is limited. The movie starts at 8:15 p.m. with a showing of 'League of Super Pets'". Walters said you don't have to register for the movie screening.

On July 21, Walters said family fun will include a "Chalk the Park" event at 6:30, followed by "Lyle, Lyle, Crocodile".

Rounding out the summer lineup is "Sing 2" on Thursday, August 3. Games and food trucks will be available at 6:30 p.m.



MOVIES
Under the Stars

Friday, June 2
League of Super Pets

Friday, July 21
Lyle, Lyle, Crocodile

Thursday, August 3
Sing 2

Pelham City Park Behind the Rec Center

6:30 p.m. - Special activities & games
8:15 p.m. - Movie

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NEWS FROM THE CITY OF PELHAM

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HAPPENING IN PELHAM



THURSDAY | MAY 4 10:00 A.M. | PELHAM SENIOR CENTER Mother's Day Brunch

Ladies 55+ are invited to an appreciation brunch. We want to set aside some time to remind you of how special you are! Join us for a breakfast with great food and friends.

\$3 per person.
Registration opens at the beginning of each month.

WEDNESDAY | MAY 3 6:00 P.M. | OAK MOUNTAIN STATE PARK Hammies Hamduro

Mountain bikers unite! The Hammies are back with a different theme each Wednesday night. Race on the newly installed "Tails" trail and enjoy a good downhill thrill.

\$15 per participant. Categories for all ages.
Learn more and register [here](#).

FRIDAY & SATURDAY | MAY 5 & 6 6:00 P.M. | PELHAM CIVIC COMPLEX Pelham BEAT Dinner Theatre: "Love Letters"

This dinner theatre event is presented by South City Theatre and the Pelham BEAT. "Love Letters" is a funny and emotional portrait of the powerful connection of love.

\$50 per person; includes dinner and dessert.
Purchase tickets [here](#).

FRIDAY | MAY 5 7:30 P.M. | OAK MOUNTAIN STATE PARK Critters of the Night Hike

This easy guided night hike will let you experience what glows, calls, and crawls at night on the trails at Oak Mountain State Park. Enjoy a glimpse of the full moon!

Free with paid park admission. All ages are welcome.
Additional information is available [here](#).

MONDAY | MAY 8 6:00 P.M. | PELHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY Adult Craft Workshop

Create a mosaic trivet at the Adult Craft Workshop. The workshop is limited to 10 seats. The program is free, and all supplies are provided.

Ages 18+
Registration required. [Click here to register](#).

THURSDAY | MAY 11 10:00 A.M. | PELHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY Pelham Garden Club Monthly Meeting

"The Bluebird Lady" Patsy Scott will talk about the Oak Mountain Bluebird Trail and give tips on maintaining bluebird houses.

All adults are welcome. Pelham residency is not required.
[Learn more here](#).

HAPPENING IN PELHAM



MONDAY | MAY 15 8:30 A.M. | PELHAM SENIOR CENTER Men's Breakfast Club

Join us on the third Monday of each month for the Men's Breakfast Club. Meet at the Senior Center and travel to local breakfast spots for fellowship with new friends.

\$1 per person + money for breakfast.
Registration opens at the beginning of each month.

WEDNESDAY | MAY 17 7:30 P.M. | OAK MOUNTAIN AMPHITHEATRE Godsmack

American rock band Godsmack brings their Spring 2023 U.S. tour to Oak Mountain Amphitheatre.

For tickets and available seating, visit [Live Nation](#).

TUESDAY | MAY 30 2:00 P.M. | PELHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY Lew-E's Comedy Circus

Lew-E's Comedy Circus is a captivating and funny one-man show featuring amazing feats of juggling, hilarious comedy, magic, and lots of audience participation.

Free. All ages welcome
[Learn more here.](#)

THURSDAY | JUNE 1 7:00 P.M. | OAK MOUNTAIN AMPHITHEATRE Hot Summer Nights with TLC, Shaggy, En Vogue, & Sean Kingston

Kick off a hot summer with some classic hip-hop and R&B.

For tickets and available seating, visit [Live Nation](#).



Memorial Day Closings & Special Hours

Pelham City Hall & City Offices: CLOSED
 Pelham Public Library: CLOSED
 Ballantrae Golf Club: 6:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
 Pelham Rec Center: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
 Pelham Civic Complex & Ice Arena: CLOSED
 Pelham Senior Center: CLOSED
 Pelham Racquet Club: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
 AmWaste: No trash collection on Monday



Summer Fitness Classes at the Rec

New classes begin the first week of May, including:

- Barre
- Body Sculpt
- Boot Camp
- In-Trinity Warrior I
- Yoga
- Rev + Flow
- Silver Sneakers Renew Active Exercise
- Silver Sneakers Renew Active Yoga

Download the Summer Program Guide [here](#).

DINNER THEATRE

Presented by South City Theatre & the Pelham BEAT

May 5th & 6th @ 6:00 p.m.
Pelham Civic Complex



Tickets are \$50/person &
\$45 for BEAT members
Includes dinner & dessert
Cash bar available

Scan for tickets



SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Get started [here](#).



Pelham Parks & Recreation
Presents

FAMILY KICKBALL NIGHT

June 2, 2022
Rec Center Gym

6:00 p.m. - Game
7:00 p.m. - Pizza
8:00 p.m. - Movie
\$2/family member
[Register here](#)