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Westwood YMCA Offers Hot Vacation Spot

COVENTRY – Area residents searching for a vacation paradise close to home can stop looking and start planning to spend some time at the Westwood YMCA, one of the region's most beautiful outdoor recreation centers.

Located at 2093 Harkney Hill Road, the facility consists of 80 acres of heavily wooded land preserved for camping and hiking and the expansive and pristine Quidnick Reservoir used for activities such as swimming, fishing and boating.

Campers have access to canoes, kayaks, sail boats, fishing boats and sail boards; and use of a fishing dock, a giant rope swing, horseshoe pits, basketball and tennis courts, athletic fields, playgrounds, hiking trails, barbecue grills and volleyball courts.

Vacationers can rent sites for trailers or tents; cabins that have one room and a porch and sleep up to six people; lodges that consist of one bedroom, a bathroom, kitchenette and porch and accommodate up to six people; and a deluxe lodge, which has an additional bedroom. The sites cabins and lodges can be rented on a daily or weekly basis at rates set for YMCA members and nonmembers.

General programs campers can take advantage of are introduction to sailing, boating safety, introduction to kayaking, windsurfing, archery lessons, tennis lessons, skin diving, paddle boarding, yoga on the beach, aqua fitness, horseback trail riding and swimming lessons. Also, walking, biking and running clubs are conducted along with speaker nights and Saturday crafts,

Youth specific programs include a football camp July 21 to 25, fishing buddies; a teen movie night on July 5 and a trip to Yawgoo Water Park on July 26.

Some of the special events planned are water games day on July 4 from 1 to 3 p.m.; a Wii bowling tournament on July 5 at 1 p.m. and a bingo tournament on the same day from 3 to 5 p.m.; a summer carnival on July 16 from noon to 3 p.m.; a Halloween party on Aug. 15 at 6:30 p.m.; a Robin Hood archery challenge on Aug. 17 at 1 p.m.; and a movie night on Aug. 22 at 7 p.m.

For more information or to reserve a camp site, cabin or lodge, call 401.397.7779 or go online to www.goymca.com.

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