

Summer Living



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Camp Big Fish preps for Big Summer
Summer Activities and Camp listings
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- Cooking Camp (June 9th-13th)
- Mystery Treasure Camp (June 16th-20th)
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- Narnia Camp (July 7th-11th)
- Wilderness Camp (July 14th-18th)
- Color Clash Camp (July 21st-25th)



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Lenoir City Pool x 7

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11549 Snyder Rd, Knoxville, TN 37932

www.CampBigFish.org

Farragut Location @ Knoxville Christian School *near Top Golf*



2025

Local



SUMMER CAMP

Events and Activities Listing

ATOMIC ROWING - OAK RIDGE ROWING ASSOCIATION

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Learn-to-Row Summer Camps

For young people who turn 12 this year
up to age 17

Boys & Girls / No Experience necessary

Learn-to-Row Week 1: June 23 - 27

Learn-to-Row Week 2: August 18-22

Monday – Friday from 4:15 to 6:15 PM

\$125 per week

atomicrowing.com/summer-programs/

CAMP BIG FISH

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Christian Summer Day Camp

For rising Kindergarten through rising
5th grade children

- Big Fish Summer Camp at
Knoxville Christian School Campus
11549 Snyder Road, Knoxville 37932
May 27th – July 25th, 7 AM – 5:45 PM
\$1850/camper

Registration fee March1 – April 30 150/camper

Registration Fees May 1 – July 25 200/camper

No refunds and no multi child discount.

Main Office Phone: 423-400-1504

Preschool Phone Number: 865-292-1904

office@campbigfish.org

www.campbigfish.org

CAMP MUSE

Storybook STEM –

rising Pre K (must be 4 by 5-31) and Kindergarten

Cosmic Explorers –

rising Kindergartners and 1st Grade

STEAM Ventures Around the Globe –

rising 2nd and 3rd graders

8:30 AM – 2:30 PM 235-275/week.

Will provide T-Shirt- campers must provide 2
snacks, lunch and water bottle.

516 Beaman Street Knoxville TN 37914

865-594-1494

CAMP WEBB

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Sports Camps

Football camps, lacrosse camps, cheer & dance,
volleyball camp, soccer camp, basketball camps,
track/running camp. K-7th grade

Adventure Camp

9 AM- 4 PM 385/week June 2 – July 25

Specialty Camp

9 AM – 2 PM 335 and 355/week

Sports Camp

9 AM- 2 PM 325/week

Camp Wonderwool

4 - 5 years 9 AM-2:30 PM 335/week June 2-6,
June 9-13, June 16-20

Lunch & T-shirt included

State-champion level coaching

9800 Webb School Drive, Knoxville 37923

865-291-3840

campwebb.com

CEDAR BLUFF RACQUET CLUB

Summer Fun Camp

June 2-5, 19-21, Jul 7-10, Jul 21-24, Jul 28-31

Mon-Thurs 9 AM- 12 Noon

Cost: \$250, Snacks provided. Grades: 1st-8th

865-690-5700, info@cbrctennis.com

701 Racquet Club Way

Knoxville TN 37923

Register online at cbrctennis.com

CHRISTIAN ACADEMY OF KNOXVILLE

[SEE OUR AD ON PAGE 2](#)

CAK offers week-long specialty camps, called
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Camp, Elementary Art Camp, Softball Camp,
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9AM- 3 PM

529 Academy Way, Knoxville, TN 37923

865-690-4721

Visit www.cakwarriors.com/

[summer_camps/](#) for more information
and registration.

CONCORD CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

CCS will offer summer camps in volleyball, soc-
cer, basketball, cheer, and football. Camps will be
led by our HS Varsity Head Coaches and will be
held at the Concord Christian School campus.

11704 Kingston Pike, Farragut, TN 37934

865-966-8858

Visit www.concordchristianschool.org/athletics/summer-camps.cfm for more
information and registration.

CONCORD PARK PAR THREE GOLF

Ages 17 and under play free.

10909 Northshore Dr.

Knoxville, TN 37922, 865-966-9103

Visit www.concordparkgolf.org/camps for
more information and registration.

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CONCORD SAILING CAMP

One week sessions June 2-27.
 Mon-Fri 9 AM – 5 PM, 400/week.
 No experience necessary – will be divided into
 fleets by age and experience. Must be able to
 swim. Bring own lunch and PFD. Ages 8-16.
11600 S Northshore Drive
Knoxville, TN 37922
865-599-0820, concordail@gmail.com

COOL SPORTS

Facility for Turf, Hockey, Skating, and
 Parties/Rentals
110 S Watt Road, Knoxville, TN 37934
865-218-4500
coolsportstn.com

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150 N Martinwood Rd, Ste 402
Knoxville TN 37923; (865) 335-9370
**Visit thecuttingedgeclassroom.com/
 kids-camps/ for more information
 and registration.**

DIAMOND BASEBALL

SEE OUR AD ON PAGE 11
Baseball & Softball Summer Camps
 Various skills camps available – check website.
 Visit diamondbaseballtn.com/camps-events/ for
 details and registration.
200 Center Park Drive,
Knoxville, TN 37922
865-389-5889
info@h3sports.org
diamondbaseballtn.com

**THE EPISCOPAL SCHOOL
 OF KNOXVILLE**

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Camp ESK
 June and July 2025
 Camp options for ages Rising K - 8th grade.
950 Episcopal School Way
Knoxville, TN 37932
865-777-9032

camp@esknoxville.org
**Visit shop.esknoxville.org for more
 information and registration.**

FAIRWAYS AND GREENS

May 3rd SNAG Clinic - fantastic way to introduce
 young beginners (ages 2-6) to golf in fun, engag-
 ing environment. Only two spots left! We still have
 availability for the May 10th and 24th sessions.
 Each clinic is designed a little differently, ensuring
 a unique experience for your child each time!
 Saturdays 10-10:45am. Cost is \$40.00.
 All equipment provided.
Register: allieknightgolf.com/
snag-starting-new-at-golf
Questions: allieknightgolf@gmail.com

**HUNTINGTON LEARNING
 CENTER**

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 Tutoring and Test prep. ACT/SAT test specialists.
 Math, Reading and Study Skills for all ages.
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117 North Peters Road
Knoxville, 37923
865-691-6688
www.huntingtonhelps.com

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 Mon-Thursday 1 PM – 5:30 PM,
 Friday 2 PM – 5:30 PM.
 June 30 – July 26
Lebanon Street, Knoxville, TN 37919
865-588-1858

IJAMS NATURE CENTER

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 about the connections between land, plants,
 animals and humans.
Preschool Camp ages 3-5 300/session
Discovery Camp ages 6-9 335/session
Wilderness Camp
 ages 13-15 335/session
Adventure Camp
 ages 8-12 335/session
 5 day session Monday – Friday 9 AM- 3 PM
 July 14-18, July 21-25
2915 Island Home Avenue
Knoxville, TN 37920
865-577-4717 ext 1012
kpreston@ijams.org

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**SUMMER
 DANCE CAMPS**



STUDIO ARTS for dancers | June 3 - July 25

- Wizard of Oz Ballet Camp
- In a Barbie World Dance Camp
- Broadway Bound Theater Camp
- Super Heroes Dance Camp
- Descendants Dance Camp
- Arts & Crafts
- Movement Games
- Dance Classes
- Story Time
- In-Studio Performances



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Field trips, rock wall climbing, martial arts, bounce houses, lazer tag, nerf wars and dodge ball. Bring your own snacks, lunch and water bottle.

**10961 Kingston Pike
Knoxville TN 37934
865-675-4499, rbutturini@rbkama.com**

KNOXVILLE CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

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Every summer has a story at Camp Irish! Imagine summer experiences where your child grows in mind, body and spirit. Camp Irish 2025 is open to everyone and provides a safe place to explore interests, make new friends and sharpen skills. With arts, academic and athletic camps to choose from, there's a camp for you!

**9245 Fox Lonas Road,
Knoxville, TN 37923, 865-560-0313
Visit camps.knoxvillecatholic.com for individual camp information and registration.**

KNOXVILLE CHILDREN'S THEATRE

Summer Term at
CT's Creative Dramatics

Most classes will culminate in a showcase presentation for family and friends at the end of the term. The cost for the week varies by class. Ages 4 and up. 5 day sessions. Visit knoxvillechildrenstheatre.com/classes/summer-camps/ for more information about the variety of class offerings.

**747 World's Fair Park,
Knoxville, TN 37902, 865-208-3677
knoxvillechildrenstheatre.com**

KNOXVILLE CHRISTIAN BASKETBALL CAMP

Future Champs Basketball Camp

Ages 6-17 – Jun 2-6 girls, June 9-13 Boys, July 7-11 Boys, July 14-18 Coed, July 21-25 Boys
Held at Farragut Middle School. Boys and Girls. \$165.00/camper/week. 9 AM- 3 PM. T-shirts, certificates and awards provided. Camper provide own lunch and water bottle.

**200 West End Avenue, Farragut TN 37934
865-388-1262
Knoxvillechristianbasketballcamp.com**

KNOXVILLE MUSEUM OF ART Summer Art Academy

June 2- July 25, Ages 3-17

The Knoxville Museum of Art's Summer Art Academy offers quality educational opportunities that will ignite your child's imagination through drawing, painting, sculpture, and more! Summer Art Academy will continue to offer classes and workshops for ages 3-17. Workshops will be held in Bailey Hall, the Sarah Jane Hardrath Kramer Education Center, and Martin Studio.

Morning classes 3- 12 years. Afternoon classes – teens 13 and up. 160.00/week for member 175.00/week for non member.

**For more information call 865-525-6101 ext. 241 or e-mail education@knoxart.org
1050 Worlds Fair Park Drive
Knoxville TN 37916**

Visit knoxart.org/kma_events/saa2023/ to download the brochure.

LONG VIEW RANCH

Summer Camps for Ages 6-17.

Games, fun activities, awesome food, engaging worship music, and Christ-centered messages.

- **DAY CAMP** Ages 6-12 / Mon - Fri
- **ADVENTURE CAMP** Ages 6-12 / Mon - Sat
- **ACTION CAMP** Ages 13-17 / Mon - Sat
- Retreats and Camps available for your church

or school group
**423-636-0032, 190 Bledsoe Hollow Lane
Mosheim, TN 37818
Register online: longviewranch.com**

MISS CHLOE'S SCHOOL OF DANCE

2025 Summer Camps

How to enroll: Log in to your parent portal to enroll online or pay by check.

**E-mail misschloestn@gmail.com
865-235-6627, 111 East Broadway Street
Historic Downtown, Lenoir City, TN, 37771**

MORNING STAR CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Camp Morning Star is for children aged 5 to 12 years and is designed to keep your child learning and having fun all summer long. There are three camps: Scampers Camp – for rising kindergartners, Junior Camp – for rising 1st and 2nd graders, and Day Camp – for rising 3rd through 5th graders. May 27 – Aug 21.

**10614 Flickinger Lane, 37922
865-671-0244
www.morningstarchild.com**

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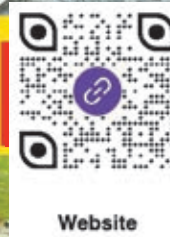
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OPENINGS AVAILABLE

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- Track/Running Camp

- ▶ 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- ▶ Lunch & T-shirt included
- ▶ State champion-level coaching



Website

697 Melton Lake Dr., Oak Ridge, TN 37830
Email lglen@orra.org with questions



Register Here!



LEARN-TO-ROW CAMPS

No Experience Necessary
Ages 12-16, Boys & Girls

Week 1: June 23-27, 2025
Week 2: August 18-22, 2025
Mon.-Fri., 4:15-6:15pm
Cost: \$125 per week



NATIONAL FITNESS CENTER IN KNOXVILLE

Several of our locations offer a variety of action-packed, themed summer camps that are open to children ages 5 – 12 years old. For a fee, you can enroll your kids in one or all our week-long programs. Camps are open to members as well as non-members and vary by location. Weekly camp themes in West Knoxville and Oak Ridge. Monday – Friday 8:30 AM to 5:30 PM.

West Knoxville location:

865-470-3600 or 865-344-0912

8511 Walbrook Drive, Knoxville, TN 37923

Visit nfc1.com/programs/kids-camps/ for more information.

SAMURAI DRAGONS

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**KARATE, KOBUDO, SELF DEFENSE,
SAMURAI SWORD**

Classes held at Davis Family YMCA

12133 South Northshore Drive,

Knoxville TN 37922, 865-300-2318

www.samuraidragns.com

SCHOOL OF ROCK, KNOXVILLE

Do you want to learn how to play in a band or learn to write songs?

School of Rock Knoxville offers a wide variety of music camps and workshops that cover topics such as these.

Our local music camps are perfect for musicians of any skill level who want to play guitar, bass, drums, keyboard and vocals.

101 Sherlake Lane, Suite 101

(Kingston Pike & Sherlake)

(865) 247-4038 (school)

(865) 919-0699 (cell)

Knoxville.SchoolofRock.com

STUDIO ARTS FOR DANCERS

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In a Barbie World

June 3-5, Ages 5-9, 9AM-11:30AM, \$105

Wizard of Oz Camp

June 9-13, Ages 5-12, 9AM-1PM, \$200

Broadway Bound

June 16-20, Ages 8-16, 9AM-3PM, \$275

Descendants Camp

June 23-25, Ages 7-11, 9AM-11:30AM, \$105

Super Heroes Camp

July 21-25, Ages 6-12, 9AM-1PM, \$200

Youth Dance Classes

Week 1: June 24, 26; Week 2: July 1, 3;

Week 3: July 8, 10

Ages 4-5, 4:00PM-5:00PM, \$40/week

Ages 6-9, 5:15PM-6:45PM, \$55/week

Diversity in Dance

Mini Workshop,

9AM-11:30AM, \$80/week Must meet ability requirements of Studio Arts for Dancers. Rising level III & IV

Diversity in Dance

Workshop

June 23-July 10, Monday-Thursday each week,

9AM to 1PM, \$200/week

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1234 Rocky Hill Road,

Knoxville, TN 37919

865-539-2475

www.studioartsfordancers.com

THE LITTLE GYM OF WEST KNOX/FARRAGUT

4 months to 12 years

Super Quest Camp

3-12 years

Skill Thrill

6-12 years

Monday thru Friday May 30 – August 4

Morning 9-12 or all day 9-4

215 Brooklawn Street

Knoxville tn 37934

865-966-4386

TATE'S DAY CAMP

At Tate's Day Camp, we provide traditional camp activities like swimming, arts & crafts, music, hands-on nature study, archery, boating, fishing, sports, games, and group initiative activities. Different weekly themes help to keep camp exciting and fresh for our campers.

May 27 to August 1.

9215 Bob Gray Road,

Knoxville TN 37923

865-690-9208, info@tatescamp.com

tatescamp.com

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SUMMER PROGRAMS

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CONFIDENCE
FOR NEXT SCHOOL
YEAR WITH**



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MATH

STUDY SKILLS

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TOWN OF FARRAGUT

The Farragut Parks & Recreation Department endeavors to provide quality programming for all ages and abilities in our new community center as well as sports and outdoor activities at the Town's four parks. Farragut also hosts several community events each year.

Bob Watt Youth Fishing Rodeo

on Saturday, May 10 8 AM- 11 AM

Independence Day Parade

on Friday, July 4 9:30 AM – 12 noon

Chalk the Park

5-31 1-6 PM

Farragut Community Center activities: classes, Open Gym, Toddler Takeover and more (see website for schedule)

Learn more about these and other upcoming events at farragutparksandrec.org

UT KNOXVILLE COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN

UT Summer Design Camp

June 30 – July 17

Come spend a week with us this summer in a UT design studio to learn about design and your

place in it during our summer design camp for high school students. You'll learn about architecture, interior architecture and graphic design and how they impact the world.

1715 Volunteer Blvd. Knoxville TN 37996
865-974-5265

Archdesign.utk.edu/study/summer-design-camp

UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE GARDENS

Located on UT Ag Campus next to UT Vet School. Campers will take home their own plants, taste foods grown in garden and play while exploring the Botanical Garden.

Weekly June 2 – August 7

Whitneyhale@tennessee.edu
865-974-4625

UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE KIDCAM CAMP (T REC SPORTS)

Sports, creative arts, STEM, movement, specialist programs, swimming and water play. Weekly themes.

May 27- Augu1 5-13 years 9 AM – 3 PM.
260/week, 234/siblings.

2111 Volunteer Blvd. Knoxville TN 37996
877-454-3226

Utkkidcamcamp.com

UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE KIDS U

Kids U features weeklong day camps during June and July for area youth in grades 3-12 (rising).

These camps provide an opportunity for students to work with University staff, faculty, and graduate students, while exploring their interests in various fields.

Register at www.utkidsu.com or call **865-974-0150** for more information. See full catalog and other important forms and information at www.utkidsu.com

WE ROCK THE SPECTRUM KIDS GYM

Eight weeks of themed fun – can attend one week or as many as you wish. 9 AM- 1 PM.

Daily open play, themed arts and crafts, games and stories.

9648 Kingston Pike Ste 4

Knoxville TN 37922

865-357-9648

werockthespectrumknoxville.com

YMCA CAMP OCOEE

One-week sessions. Morning sessions are for individual activities and afternoon are for bonding with their cabin group through shared experiences with Christian emphasis. 7-16 years – boys and girls.

111 YMCA Drive Ocoee TN 37361

423-338-588

info@campocoe.com

ZOO KNOXVILLE Wildly Fun Zoo Camp

Zoo Knoxville offers a variety of day camps for kids from 4-17 years old. Camp activities include animal interactions, games, crafts, fun activities, excursions through the zoo and trips behind-the-scenes to learn how we care for zoo animals.

Monday through Friday each week except for 3-day camps. 9AM to 3PM. 5 days: 255 for members, 295 for nonmembers; 3 days: 170 for members, 200 for nonmembers. Camp shirt, water bottle and back pack provided.

zkfamily@zooknoxville.org

865-637-5331 ext 1363

3500 Zoo Knoxville Drive

Knoxville TN 37914

www.zooknoxville.org/experience/zoo-camp



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- By Mail
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April 26, 2025 • 10am-Noon

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Call **865-346-4488** or visit **minimemd.com**.



831 Loop Rd, Knoxville TN 37934

*Botox regular price \$12 a unit. Sale price good only for Botox appointments scheduled during the Grand Opening.

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An open option at Choto Marina

*Own your own boat, equipment,
or join Carefree Boat Club*

An introduction to Choto Marina, 12214 Choto Marina Way in Concord along/in Fort Loudoun Lake, Carefree Boat Club and their amenities through the lens of its owner, Justin Church:

“Our biggest thing that I would say I’m most proud of about our team here is our customer service,” Church said. “I’ve been around the lake my whole life, and I don’t believe at all that there’s another marina that has the boats like we do, that care for their customers and have the customer service to our managers at our boat club, our marina, our forklift drivers for the kids that work here. We’ve got a lot of customers that have been here a long time that can attest to that. That’s a huge separation factor with our marina. That’s what people love coming out to see us. Obviously, our water location cannot be beat. You’re right across from Prater Flatts. Those are just a couple of things that separate us. I’d say those two things.

Individually, “It’s just our management, all of our staff,” Church said.

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entertain and engage your
kids this summer?
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SUMMER ON THE HILL

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OR EMAIL CAMPS@ESKNOXVILLE.ORG

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“It’s just all of our managers and our staff, forklift drivers, everybody. It’s what makes this place very special.

“We have about 300 boats on property. We have about 150 boats on the water, 150 boats in dry storage, too. Then we have a shed up top that we have boats are on trailers. We have a lot of trailer storage on our property as well in a secure, gated area. And we also have the restaurant on property as well.”

Tough call on buying a boat?

“When you go and buy a boat, you’re going to pay 20 percent down; you’re going to have a big note,” Church said. “You’re going to then be stuck with a depreciating asset; you’re going to be stuck with slip fees. You’re going to be stuck with maintenance fees and everything else.

“So, before you get involved in that, I would highly recommend you go ahead and come try our (Carefree) Boat Club out because you can make sure that this thing is for you. You make sure this lifestyle, this hobby, is something you really want to get into, because it can get real expensive and hard.”

Carefree Boat Club

One option, without owning a boat, is Choto’s Carefree Boat Club.

“So let’s say you’re a new boater, a person that’s interested in boating, and you don’t know what you want,” Church said. “You just know that you want to be on the water.

“The boat club, in the simplest terms, is boating without owning. It is an on-the-water country club is what it is.”

On one hand, “A lot of people like to do the work on their boats themselves,” Church said. “They like their own thing. They want to keep their boat. ... That’s a great thing. They can own their boats, they can own their water skis, they can own everything.

“But with the boating club, basically, you come here and you pay an entry fee. Then you pay a monthly fee, but you have access to those boats all through the year. All you have to do is go on an app, reserve your boat and when you come down here, you’re going to be greeted by our crew. They’re going to take you to the boat that you reserve,” Church said. “You have a clean boat that’s full of gas. We have water skis and wakeboards and tubing equipment for you. You come here, you load your boat with your family, you go out for a few hours, come back in, take your trash with you, go off the boat and go home.”

Meanwhile, “We clean the boat, we refuel the boat for you. ... And when you do that, you don’t have to worry about the (boat purchase) finances; you don’t have to worry about the maintenance, the wear and tear, the cleanliness; you also don’t have to worry about slip fees; you don’t have to worry about the boating insurance; you don’t have to worry about getting that boat winterized in the winter.

“We take away all the care for you when you join a boat club.”



Club details

With 18 boats available in Carefree Boat Club and about 150 club members, “what you do is you have a select amount of reservations,” Church said. “Let’s say you have four reservations; so, let’s say you want to reserve that boat for a Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. As soon as you use Mondays, that reservation comes free again so you can book it for the following week or whenever you choose.”

Up to four reservations can be made — which renew weekly — and can be done up to six months in advance for club members. “On the weekdays, you have it all day,” Church said. “On the weekends, we do two day parts: you

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Iaido
(Japanese Sword):
Sundays at 3pm
(Ages 14 and up)

New Students
Three Months
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Karate:
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SamuraiDragons.com | Sheena: (865) 300-2318

CAMP IRISH

Catholic
of the Diocese of Knoxville

camps.knoxvillecatholic.com

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have a morning and an afternoon. To keep the club boat out all day on a weekend would use up two of your four weekly reservations.”

“The weekdays, you can get a boat pretty quickly on a weekday. On the weekends, because that’s when most of the people go boating, we suggest to do that about a week to 10 days ahead of time. Just as soon as you can make that, because we have other members here that they’re going to be trying to get a time on the weekend as well. But it’s not that hard. ... Most of the time, everybody gets what they want. Once they figure it out after the first week, everyone’s happy with it.”

Church said all club fees are the same throughout the year and do not fluctuate by season.

As for training on how to operate a boat for a novice if you join Carefree, “You have unlimited access to training,” Church said. “We’re not going to send you out on the boat unless we are confident that you can operate that vessel because if you go out and wreck that thing, that is obviously horrible for you and it’s horrible for us. There’s a no-win situation there. We’re going to make sure that you’re comfortable with taking these things out before we turn it loose to you.”

Although Church said typical boating operation training is one two-hour session, “if you need more than that, you got unlimited access to training.”



Always alert

“As far as in the harbor, we’re going on dock walks multiple times of the day to make sure that we’re running smoothly,” Church said. “Every day, even in the winter, we’re doing that. Every time in dry storage, if we’re pulling a boat out, from the dock hands to the forklift driver to any of us, if we see something wrong with the boat, if there’s a fluid coming out there, we’ve been around it so much, we’ll spot that out and let people know immediately.

“If there’s an unusually heavy amount of debris in the water, we’ll have notification on that; we’ll let everybody know as they’re coming out.

Moreover, “We’re constantly sending out emails to our customers, letting them know of adverse weather or any other problems that could lead to an unsafe day,” Church said.

Cheers at Choto

Cheers at Choto restaurant “is an added amenity,” Church said. “It’s a great location. Cheers is going to be open starting on May 1. You’re going to have from fish, to burgers, to chicken wings. They’re going to have drink specials. They’re going to have live music all weekend. So it’s a big selling point. It’s a great spot on the lake.”

~Story by Alan Sloan

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BASEBALL & SOFTBALL SUMMER CAMPS 2025

MAY 23 | 9AM-12PM
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MAY 23 | 12-2:30PM
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MAY 28 | 9AM-12PM
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MAY 29 | 12-2PM
SMALL GROUP HITTING
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HITTING CAMP
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JUNE 5 | 12:30-2:30PM
SMALL GROUP HITTING
AGES 12 & UNDER | \$75

JUNE 10 | 9AM-12PM
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JUNE 11 | 9AM-12PM
CATCHERS CAMP
12 & UNDER | \$100

JUNE 12 | 9AM-12PM
SOFTBALL ALL SKILLS
AGES 12 & UNDER | \$100

JUNE 17 | 9AM-12PM
PITCHING CAMP
AGES 12 & UNDER | \$100

JUNE 18 | 9AM-12PM
INFIELD CAMP
AGES 12 & UNDER | \$100

JUNE 18 | 12:30-2:30PM
SMALL GROUP HITTING
AGES 12 & UNDER | \$75

JUNE 19 | 9AM-12PM
SOFTBALL HITTING CAMP
AGES 13 & UNDER | \$100

JUNE 24 | 9AM-12PM
SIMCOX HITTING CAMP
AGES 9-12 | \$100

JUNE 24 | 12:30-3:30PM
INFIELD CAMP
AGES 12 & UNDER | \$100

JUNE 25 | 9AM-12PM
BEGINNERS PITCHING 101
AGES 12 & UNDER | \$100

JUNE 26 | 9AM-12PM
SOFTBALL ALL SKILLS
AGES 13 & UNDER | \$100

JULY 8 | 9AM-12PM
BASEBALL ALL SKILLS
AGES 13 & UNDER | \$100

JULY 8 | 9AM-12PM
BASEBALL ALL SKILLS
AGES 12 & UNDER | \$100

JULY 9 | 9AM-12PM
SOFTBALL PITCHING
AGES 14 & UNDER | \$100

JULY 10 | 9AM-12PM
BASEBALL 4 BEGINNERS
AGES 10 & UNDER | \$100

JULY 15 | 9AM-12PM
SOFTBALL ALL SKILLS
AGES 13 & UNDER | \$100

JULY 16-17 | 9AM-12PM
**COACH SIMCOX
CAMP**
AGES 11 & UNDER | \$160

JULY 16 | 12:30-3PM
HITTING CAMP
AGES 12 & UNDER | \$85

JULY 17 | 12:30-3PM
INFIELD CAMP
AGES 12 & UNDER | \$85

JULY 22 | 9AM-12PM
PITCHING CAMP
AGES 12 & UNDER | \$100

JULY 23 | 9AM-12PM
INFIELD CAMP
AGES 12 & UNDER | \$100

JULY 24 | 9AM-12PM
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AGES 13 & UNDER | \$100

JULY 29 | 9AM-12PM
CATCHERS CAMP
AGES 13 & UNDER | \$100

JULY 30-31 | 9AM-12PM
**COACH PITCH
TO KID PITCH**
AGES 9 & UNDER | \$150

JULY 31 | 12:30-2:30PM
**SMALL GROUP
HITTING**
AGES 12 & UNDER | \$75

AUG 5 | 9AM-12PM
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Fulmer Golf Classic

Benefit fundraiser at Avalon; this year's happening May 2

The annual Phillip Fulmer Golf Classic, benefiting Boys & Girls Club of the Tennessee Valley, has proved to be one of the Knoxville metro area's top golf fundraising events.

Since 2017, Avalon Golf & Country Club, 700 Turnberry Circle just off Highway 70 between Farragut and Lenoir City, has hosted an average of 144 golfers during this one day, early spring event. This year's best ball, 18-hole, single flight event begins with a 10 a.m. shotgun start Friday, May 2.

Bart McFadden, CEO of BGCTNV, and Maria Misciagna, director of Special Events, released a joint statement about the recent history of Avalon and the Fulmer fundraiser.

How did the association of Fulmer and Avalon come about?

"We chose Avalon Country Club for the Fulmer Tournament not only for its first-class amenities, but also because of Tony Hollin's (AGCC general manager) long-standing support of Boys & Girls Clubs of the Tennessee Valley. As a former Club kid himself, Tony's connection to our mission runs deep, making Avalon a meaningful and fitting location for this special event.

"Coach Fulmer and BGCTNV staff were impressed by Avalon's commitment to exceptional service, well-maintained course conditions, and the club's welcoming atmosphere. Combined with Tony's personal connection to Boys & Girls Clubs mission, Avalon felt like the perfect place to host the Fulmer Tournament."

Overall during the 25 years of Fulmer's Classic, more than \$3 million has been raised by BGCTV.

As for positive golfer feedback, "Golfers consistently praise the Fulmer tournament for its well-organized format, excellent course conditions at Avalon Country Club and the welcoming atmosphere. Many have highlighted the smooth flow of the day, the quality of amenities and the meaningful connection to supporting Boys & Girls Clubs of the Tennessee Valley. Overall, participants enjoy the balance of competition, camaraderie and giving back to a great cause."

Just in the past four years, a number of Fulmer's former standout UT Football players have returned as honorary guest players: Jamal Lewis, Deon Grant, Billy Ratliff, Fred White, Robert Peace, Jarvis Reado, Bruce Wilkerson, Dale Jones, Dr. Benson Scott, Phil Stuart, Heath Shuler and Jeff Francis.

~Story by Alan Sloan

For more information, visit bgctnv.org/fulmer-golf-classic/

