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**THOMPSON PARK DAY IS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17**



LINCROFT - From start to finish, **Thompson Park Day** is fun for the whole family! A celebration of the season, the event is held from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday, October 17 at Thompson Park, 805 Newman Springs Road, Lincroft. Free activities for the day include canoeing on Marlu Lake (weather permitting), kids' races, entertainment, mini golf, a corn maze, and more. Activities requiring two tickets (\$1 per ticket) or a wristband (\$12 per person) are archery at the indoor archery range, climbing

wall, inflatable activities, wagon rides, Dixie Whirlwind and Mini Tea Cups. The following activities accept tickets only: Grab & Go Ceramics at the Creative Arts Center, Rockem Sockem Robots, and Take a Shot Game (two tickets each); pumpkin painting (three tickets); and Melt Down, Bungee Trampoline, and Extreme Party Racing (five tickets each).

Scheduled activities for the day include:

#### **Kids' Races:**

##### ***Diaper Derby:***

(Crawlers) 12 p.m., 2 p.m., 4 p.m.

##### ***Tot Trot:***

(Walkers to 17 mos.) 11:45 a.m., 2:45 p.m., 3:45 p.m.

(18 to 23 mos.) 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m.

(2 to 3 yrs.) 11:15 a.m., 2:15 p.m., 3:15 p.m., 4:15 p.m.

##### ***Pee Wee Run:***

(4 to 6 yrs.) 12:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m., 4:30 p.m.

##### ***Sack Races:***

(7 to 8 yrs.) 12:15 p.m., 3 p.m.

(9 to 10 yrs.) 1:45 p.m., 4:45 p.m.

#### **Entertainment:**

##### **Theater Barn**

- Sing & Sway LLC Presents - Karaoke & Thriller Dance Experience: 11:30 a.m.-3 p.m.
  - Karaoke, Part I: 11:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m.
  - Learn the THRILLER Dance: 12:30-2 p.m.
  - Karaoke, Part II: 2-3 p.m.
- Yosi's Spooky Silly Halloween Show: 4:15-5 p.m.

##### **Strolling Performers**

- "The Balloonatics" Balloon Twisters: 11:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
- Funny Factory Balloon Artists: 12:30-4:30 p.m.

Get into the spirit of the day by entering the **Scarecrow Contest**. Held from 11 a.m.-3 p.m., competitors are provided framework and stuffing and bring their imagination and decorations. Entries

are \$8 in advance or \$10 day of event. This year also features the ***Spooktacular Jack O'Lantern Contest*** from 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Pumpkins, carving utensils and decorations provided. Advance registration is \$8.00 per family, per pumpkin and day of registration is \$10. Details and pre-registration for both contests are available online at [www.MonmouthCountyParks.com](http://www.MonmouthCountyParks.com).

Thompson Park Day also offers numerous volunteering opportunities for those ages 14 and older. Those interested should contact Park System Coordinator of Volunteers Tracy Shiffman at [tracy.shiffman@co.monmouth.nj.us](mailto:tracy.shiffman@co.monmouth.nj.us).

To learn more about ***Thompson Park Day*** or other Park System activities, please visit [www.MonmouthCountyParks.com](http://www.MonmouthCountyParks.com) or call the Park System at 732-842-4000. For persons with hearing impairment, the Park System TTY/TDD number is 711. The Monmouth County Park System, created in 1960 by the Monmouth County Board of County Commissioners, is Monmouth County's Open Space, Parks, and Recreation agency.

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