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Paradise on Ice and Winter Wonderland Kicks off Busy Opening Week for the Community

Paradise, CA, November 15, 2021, - The Paradise Recreation and Park District (District, PRPD) Paradise on Ice opened to a busy start of the season on Thursday November 11, 2021 for Veteran's Day at the Terry Ashe Recreation Center in Paradise.

The District hosted a soft opening private event to celebrate Butte County First Responders and their families last Wednesday evening.

On Saturday November 13th, PRPD hosted the 1st Annual Cornhole Tournament, Chili Cookoff, & Craft Beer Garden.

Sunny Quigley of the District reported that, "Community members showed their skills at cornhole and cooking their tastiest chili, while the public sampled the chili and craft beer and watched the intense cornhole game competition."

Public votes earned Cooker Mike Merrifield the Chili Cookoff title with a spicy classic chili.

The Cornhole Competition featured two separate Board options, the Paradise Boards made by the Ridgeview Rangers, and the Dirty 530 Cornhole Boards. Participants Justin Roberts and Martin Kaylor came in first on the Paradise Boards and participants Art Mosqueda and Michelle Thompson came in first on the Dirty 530 Boards. Eighty-eight individuals participated in the Cornhole Tournament. In addition, hundreds of participants enjoyed ice skating and the park festivities in the beautiful weather.

Staff Willie Davidson says of the day, "I expected a good variety of people from the community to attend. My expectations were surpassed, by a mile, the number of people that showed."

The District is planning a comprehensive list of activities for the upcoming weeks, other upcoming events include:

- Saturday November 27th – Adult and Children’s Pinewood Derby & Car Show, featuring Classic cars as well as new cars from our sponsor Courtesy Motors Subaru, who will also be sponsoring *free* skating sessions that day (please contact the District to reserve your spot).
- Saturday December 4th - Holiday Craft Faire, live music, ornament crafts, tree lighting and Santa’s arrival.
- Saturdays, December 11th and 18th - Musical band *The Yule Logs* will be performing twice at the Terry Ashe Recreation Center on the outdoor stage.
- Saturday January 8th – Polar Bear Paddlefest at Paradise Lake in Magalia.

Ice Rink hours and schedule are listed on the District website. Rain and windy weather may cancel ice skating, but some events may continue, please check with the District office, website, or Facebook for the latest information. The Terry Ashe Recreation Center is located at 6626 Skyway, Paradise, CA.

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Since 1948, the Paradise Recreation and Park District provides recreation facilities and programs to the residents of Paradise, the Butte Creek Canyon area, and the unincorporated communities of Magalia/Paradise Pines and Concow/Yankee Hill. The District serves 50,000 people living in a 170-square mile area and manages over 1,000 acres of park land and facilities.

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