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## Mayor Fargo and Vice-Mayor McCarty Invite Residents to Celebrate Granite Regional Park's 3 World-class Amenities

**Sacramento, California, June 6, 2007**—Where else but Granite Regional Park can you find people playing soccer on the City's artificial soccer field, skateboarders executing acrobatic tricks, and dog lovers and their dogs comfortably pursuing their recreational interests. The public and media are invited to attend a fun-filled festival that will celebrate and showcase all of Granite Park's amenities. The festivities will include soccer and skateboarding competitions, appearances by professional athletes, a dog show and obedience demonstration, and activities for every member of the family.

Granite Regional Park features three premier, world-class amenities. The Skate Park was designed by a world renowned skate park designer and has quickly become a destination attraction for this region's skateboarders. The off-leash Dog Park boasts rich landscaping, trees and shrubs, a dog drinking fountain, and is gated. The artificial soccer field is 360 ft. by 240 ft., marked, and lighted for evening play.

"Southeast Sacramento is a diverse community with residents that pursue a wide range of recreational activities. With its impressive collection of world-class recreational amenities, Granite Regional Park will adequately serve this community and all of Sacramento. I invite everyone to join us on Saturday as we celebrate one of this City's most impressive parks," said Vice-Mayor Kevin McCarty.

Saturday's festival will showcase all that Granite Regional Park has to offer. Soccer lovers will be treated to a 6-on-6 soccer tournament, soccer clinics, and a professional soccer exhibition game played by semi-pro athletes. Skateboarders will be treated to an amateur skateboard contest and skateboarding clinics. Dog lovers will be treated to dog obedience demonstrations and a dog show. There will also be a petting zoo, amusement rides, live music, and food and merchandise available for sale.

### Details:

**Event:** Granite Regional Park Complex Festival  
**Attendees:** Mayor Heather Fargo, Vice-Mayor Kevin McCarty, National Sports Athletes/Stars to be Announced Shortly  
**Date:** Saturday, June 9, 2007  
**Time:** 12p.m. – 5p.m: Opening Remarks (12:30pm); Dedication Ceremony (2:00p.m.)  
**Location:** Granite Regional Park (Romona Avenue and Power Inn Road)  
**Highlights:** Appearances by Soccer and Skateboarding Athletes/Stars; 6-on-6 Soccer Tournament, Clinics, and a Semi-Professional Exhibition Game; Amateur Skateboard Contest and Skateboarding Clinics; Dog Obedience Demonstrations and a Dog Show; Petting Zoo, Amusement Rides, and Live Music.

Media inquiries about this event can be forwarded to Hindolo Brima, Public Information Officer, Department of Parks and Recreation, (916) 622-8066.

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## **Granite Regional Park Complex Festival Schedule**

8:00 a.m.	Soccer Tournament	Turf Fields
10:00 a.m.	Soccer Clinic 1 Passing, Dribbling, Shooting, and Juggling	All-Condition Sports Field
11:30 a.m.	Soccer Clinic 2 Passing, Dribbling, Shooting, and Juggling	All-Condition Sports Field
11:45 a.m.	Busy Bee Performing Dogs	Main Stage
Noon	Performance by Didely Squat	Main Stage
	Bowl Jam	Skateboard Park
12:30 p.m.	Opening Remarks	Main Stage
	Soccer Skills Challenges	All-Condition Sports Field
	Pro Soccer Player Autographs Session	All-Condition Sports Field
12:50 p.m.	Skateboarding Demonstration Tristan & Nic Puehse	Skateboard Park
1:00 p.m.	Soccer Clinic 3 Passing, Dribbling, Shooting, and Juggling	All-Condition Sports Field
	Old City Kite Demo	Soccer Field- South/West
	Performance by Didely Squat	Main Stage
	Rail Trick Competition	Skateboard Park
2:00 p.m.	Dedication Ceremony	Main Stage
2:30 p.m.	Soccer Clinic 4 Passing, Dribbling, Shooting and Juggling	All-Condition Sports Field
	Skateboarding Demonstration Tristan & Nic Puehse	Skateboard Park
2:45 p.m.	Awards Presentation- Skateboard Contest	Main Stage
3:00 p.m.	Busy Bee Performing Dogs	Soccer Field- West
	Best Ramp Trick	Skateboard Park

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3:15 p.m.	Kite Demo- Old City Kite	Soccer Field- West
3:30 p.m.	Awards Presentation- Soccer Tournament	Main Stage
4:00 pm	Performance by Didley Squat	Main Stage
	Pro-Soccer Exhibition Game/Autographs	All-Condition Sports Field
4:15 p.m.	Kite Demo- Old City Kite	Soccer Field- West
4:30 p.m.	Busy Bee Performing Dogs	Soccer Field- West

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