

THE PROFESSOR'S MINUTE

JULY-AUGUST 2018

Pokémon League is a fun and accessible way for Pokémon fans to get together and have some fun! League events are open to all Pokémon TCG and video game players regardless of experience level or skill. Using your own cards and Pokémon video games, you can play, trade, and even earn cool prizes! The best part is that you can do all this with other Pokémon players who love collecting and playing just as much as you do.



July League Promo

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August League Promo

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Celestial Storm will contain over 168 cards, including 11 new Pokémon-GX, several new Prism Star cards and several Pokémon native to the Alola and Hoenn regions.



Celestial Storm Prerelease tournaments have been scheduled for our area. They are as follows:

Easley

July 21st, 2018- 930a - Easley Library 304 Biltmore Road, just off Hwy 123, Easley, South Carolina, 29641. Cost \$30. Please see Blake or Lee at the coffee shop in the main Library or at the Red Barn 2333 N Pleasantburg Dr Suite A, Greenville, SC 29609. You may also call (864) 412-7887.

Greenville

July 28th, 2018 - 1p - The Red Barn 2333 N Pleasantburg Dr Suite A, Greenville, SC 29609. Cost \$30. You may reserve your spot at the store or call (864) 412-7887.

Anderson

Planet Comics 2704 N Main St, Anderson, SC 29621 - Cost \$25 (plus tax)

July 21st, 2018 - 2p

July 22nd, 2018 - 2p

July 28th, 2018 - 2p

July 29th, 2018 - 2p

You can also RSVP at our website at www.easleypokemongym.gq, on our Pokemon Tournament Central page.



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Pokemon Tournament Central

<u>July</u>

- 21 Prerelease Easley
- 21 Prerelease Anderson
- 22 Prerelease Anderson
- 28 Prerelease Greenville
- 28 Prerelease Anderson
- 29 Prerelease Anderson

August

- 11 Anderson Comicon
- 18 Southeastern Gaming Con
- 25 Pokemon Day Anderson Museum

September

15 - League Challenge - Standard Easley

<u>October</u>

- 13 League Challenge Standard Anderson
- 20 Prerelease Greenville
- 20 Prerelease Anderson
- 21 Prerelease Anderson
- 27 Prerelease Greenville
- 27 Prerelease Anderson
- 28 Prerelease Anderson

November

- 10 Operation Pikaclaus Charity Tournament Unlimited Greenville
- 17 League Challenge Standard Greenville
- 24 League Cup Standard Anderson

December: No Tournaments

The Red Shed Coffee Shop

COFFEE...COFFEE....

The Red Shed Coffee Shop is now open at the Captain Hampton Memorial Library in Easley. Be sure to get to league early and get to the shop for a great cup of coffee, food, snacks,or a drink. The Red Shed has cool Pokemon products for sale. Be sure when you see Lee or Blake, tell them your with the Pokemon League and thank them for their support of the Pokemon League.



Pokemon GO Community Day

What is Pokémon Go's Community Day event?

Designed to get players out and playing at a certain time, each limited-time event will offer featured Pokémon with a unique and exclusive move that will spawn for three hours, alongside a resource bonus - such



as double XP, Stardust or Lure Modules - as incentives to get out there and playing.

The seventh Pokémon Go Community on Sunday, July 8th is as follows:

Featured Pokémon: Squirtle

Date: Sunday, July 8th

Times: North America, 2pm to 5pm EST

Unique move: Hydro Cannon

Bonus 1: 1/4 Egg Hatching Distance

Bonus 2: 3-hour Lures

How do get Squirtle Squad Squirtle?

Something new for Community Day is the addition of a new form - the sunglasses-wearing Squirtle, based on the Squirtle Squad from the anime!

You can earn a chance of catching one by completing Field Research throughout the hours of Community Day. These Field Research quests are usually 'catch three' of the Pokémon, so assuming that's the same here, it should be fairly easy to rack up completed quests throughout the event.

August Pokemon GO Community Day will be announce once information has been released by Niantic.

Pokemon Day At The Anderson County Museum

Join your fellow trainers for a day of Pokemon fun at the Museum. Bring your handheld games and trading cards to play with friends or learn to play with Pokemon Professors. We will also have special promo cards and a Pokemon Go team meeting. Cosplayers and trainers of all ages are welcome.

Join us at the Anderson County Museum 202 E Greenville St, Anderson, South Carolina 29621. Time for this event will be 11a- 3p.



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Deck Lab

July 19, 2018 at 7p, we will have our very first Deck Lab at the Easley

Pokemon League. Deck Lab is being created to help players, espeically new players learn the ins and outs of deck building. This edition of Deck Lab we will focus on the basics of deck building. So bring your Pokemon Cards and get ready for some great deck building techniques. We will supply the energy needed for the decks built at Deck Lab.



Future Deck Lab events will feature more advance deck building,

Future Deck Lab events will feature more advance deck building, compatetion deck building, all about tournaments and much more.

Be sure to check in with Mr. Jeff if you are planning to attend Deck Lab. Deck Lab is open to everyone interested in deck building. New players and Parents who may be interested in basic deck building.

Pokémon North America International Championships

The 2018 Pokémon North America International Championships are the fourth and final International Championships event of the 2018 Championship Series season. The event is one of the largest of the entire 2018 season and features exciting competition for both Pokémon Trading Card Game and Video Game



Championships (VGC) players. This year's competition will take place at the Greater Columbus Convention Center in Columbus, Ohio, on July 6–8, 2018. Huge amounts of Championship Points and thousands of dollars in prizes will be on the line in both the Pokémon Ultra Sun and Pokémon Ultra Moon VGC and Pokémon TCG competitions.

For more information and registration see https://www.pokemon.com/us/play-pokemon/internationals/2018/north-america/registration/.

Pokemon World Chapionships 2018

The Pokemon World Championships will run from August 24-26 from the Music City Center in Nashville, Tennessee. Trainers for both the 3DS games and the Trading Card Game have been advancing through various Championship Series events. Those who earn enough Championship Points will punch their tick

enough Championship Points will punch their ticket in and compete for their share of a \$500,000 prize pool.

For more information see https://www.pokemon.com/us/play-pokemon/worlds/2018/about/.

Pokemon Switch Games

Let's Go Pikachu and Let's Go Eevee share a lot with Pokemon Go, they utilize Pokemon Go's Pokemon capture mechanics, meaning you throw Poke Balls at wild Pokemon to catch them rather than battling them. You can also connect the Let's Go games to Pokemon Go via a Bluetooth connection, and you can transfer Pokemon from Pokemon Go into Let's Go (though not the other way around). Pokemon appear in the overworld before you can initiate capturing them, and you can send gifts to Pokemon Go from Let's Go as well.





However, the Let's Go games are Pokemon RPGs, and you explore the Kanto region just as you would in Red and Blue. While you can't battle

wild Pokemon, you can battle NPCs and other players, and those battles use the turn-based system of the main Pokemon games. You get experience points both from catching Pokemon as well as battling other trainers, though the leveling system hasn't been finalized yet.

Pokemon Go is not required to play the Let's Go games. When catching Pokemon in docked mode, you do have to use motion controls to throw Poke Balls. In handheld mode, motion-control aiming (using the gyroscope) is required, but you use the Joy-Con's buttons to actually throw the ball.

The first 150 Pokemon as well as their Alolan forms from Sun and Moon would appear in Let's Go Pikachu and Let's Go Eevee.

Mew will be available in the Let's Go games via the Poke Ball Plus controller. Every Poke Ball Plus will come with a Mew already stored on the device, and this is the only way to get Mew in the Let's Go games-- you won't be able to transfer Mew from Pokemon Go to Let's Go.

Your starter Pikachu or Eevee cannot evolve in the Let's Go games. However, other Pikachu or Eevee you catch or transfer can be evolved. Only Jolteon, Flareon, and Vaporeon are available out of Eevee's eight current evolutions.

Pokemon Let's Go Pikachu and Let's Go Eevee release on Nintendo Switch on November 16. Releasing alongside them (but sold separately) is the Poke Ball Plus controller, which is a Joy-Con-like peripheral you can use when catching Pokemon.



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July Legendary Distribution

Two Legendary Pokémon from the Unova region descend in July!

During July 13–28, 2018, you can add the fearsome Thundurus to your Pokémon Ultra Sun or Pokémon Sun game, or the menacing Tornadus to your Pokémon Ultra Moon or Pokémon Moon game.

Event Pokemon - Legendary Pokemon Year

The Event Pokemon are very rare Pokemon given out over the Nintendo Network, at select locations, or with codes, during a usually limited time frame for in Pokemon Sun and Moon. Occasionally, Items are given out as well.

Upcoming Events

Magearna - Never-ending, Sun/Moon
Dialga or Palkia - February 2 - 28, 2018
Regigigas or Heatran - March 1, 2018
Raikou or Entei April 2018
Xerneas or Yveltal - May 2018
Zygarde - June 2018
Tornadus or Thundurus - July 2018
Groudon or Kyogre - August 2018
Latios or Latias - September 2018
Reshiram or Zekrom - October 2018
Ho-Oh or Lugia - November 2018

Celebi - Sep. 22, 2017 - Sep. 21, 2018

More information on our website at www.easleypokemongym.gq.

Pokemon Sun & Moon - Celestial Storm

The season of emerald storms is nearly upon us, and with it a tumultuous battle between Pokémon and creatures from Ultra Space. The lineup for Sun & Moon—Celestial Storm includes several new Pokémon-GX: Articuno-GX, Blaziken-GX, Scizor-GX, Stakataka-GX and Rayquaza-GX, alongside new Prism Star cards featuring Latios, Latias and Jirachi.

The Sun & Moon—Celestial Storm expansion will feature:

Over 160 cards, including: 3 new Prism Star cards 11 Pokémon-GX 27 Trainer cards

Each booster pack will include:

10 cards from the expansion, including at least 1 rare card, plus 1 basic

Pokemon Sun & Moon - Celestial Storm - Continued

Energy card

For the opportunity to try out Sun & Moon—Celestial Storm ahead of launch, head to one of the many Prerelease tournaments taking place around our area from July 21–29.



Leagues Supported By The Following...

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Hampton Memorial Library in
Easley. Get to the shop for a great cup of coffee, snacks,or a drink. The Red Shed has cool
Pokemon products for sale.
Located inside the Library.

Boardwalk 1175 Woods Crossing Rd, Greenville, SC 29607 (864) 297-6924

Boardwalk offers a large selection of games and has a great selection of Pokemon TCG and related products.

Da Zoo Games 1003 Gentry Memorial Hwy. Easley, SC 29640 (864) 553-0190

Games for the entire family.

Pokemon singles and other

Pokemon products available.

The Red Barn 2333 N.Pleasantburg Dr, Greenville, SC 29609 (864) 412-7887

The Red Barn located across from Home Depot on N. Pleasentgurg Dr carrys a great selection of Pokemon, Magic the Gathering, War Hammer, Jewelry and Art. Coffee and snacks as well. Safe and clean. Very family friendly.

Planet Comics
2704 N Main St, Anderson, SC 29621
Comics, Games, Pokemon Singles
and TCG Merchandise

The Pickens County Library system,
Captain Hampton Memorial Library
staff, we thank you for all that you do
and have done for the league over the
years. Heath we really appriciate all
your efforts and hard work in our
league. May we continue to find more
Pokemon adventures into the future.