

North Dakota Parks & Recreation Department

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Cross Ranch State Park events change with the weather

Because of the unusual winter weather affecting the area, Cross Ranch State Park is making a few changes to upcoming events. CRSP is also offering cross country ski lessons with expectations there will be snow this winter, but unfortunately until the snow arrives there won't be any lessons.

Here are the upcoming events at the park:

Winter Wildlife, Jan. 14: Bring your camera or borrow one of ours as a Park Ranger talks about tips for taking the perfect outdoor photo. We'll also discuss what animals do in the winter and which ones can be seen in the park. After that, put your knowledge to the test as we take a hike and take pictures. Program runs from 1 to 3 p.m.

Survivor, Jan. 28: Snow or not, participants will learn how to be prepared for winter. Learn how to tie knots before heading out to make a fire and build a winter shelter! Program runs from 1 to 4 p.m. All participants are required to be accompanied by an adult. Pre-registration is required before Jan. 25. Call the park at 701-794-3731. Cost is \$5/participant.

Cross Country Ski Lessons: Join guest instructor Kurt Weinberg once a month as he gives free lessons for those just beginning to cross country ski or those who are a little rusty. Don't have equipment? The park has equipment that can be borrowed free of charge for the lesson. Lessons begin at 1 p.m. and are tentatively scheduled for Jan. 15, Feb. 5, and March 11.

For more information call Cross Ranch State Park at (701) 794-3731 or visit its website at www.parkrec.nd.gov for a complete schedule of events. You can register early by e-mailing crsp@nd.gov.