

Washoe Lake Calendar of Events 2009



The park is located 10 miles north of Carson City and 15 miles south of Reno. Take U.S. 395 north to the East Lake Boulevard exit, then drive north on East Lake Boulevard approximately 3.1 miles to the park entrance. From Reno, take 395 south to the East Lake Boulevard intersection, turn left, and drive south on East Lake Boulevard for 7.1 miles to the park entrance

What: Washoe Lake Wildflower Walk

When: May 9, 2009 9a.m.-11a.m.

Where: Meet at the main boat ramp

Description of Event: Take a leisurely walk with rangers to view this years spring wildflowers which may include wild rose, wild onion, Indian paintbrush, larkspur and more. Some uphill walking involved. Program suggested for ages 8 and up. Sandals not recommended. Bring water and a snack if you'd like.



What: "Lets Go Camping" Program

When: June 27-28, 2009 2 p.m. start on 6/27 finish 11 a.m. 6/28

Where: Washoe Lake Main Group Area

Description of Event: This program is geared towards families who have never experienced camping before. The program will consist of how to set up and take down your camp, Dutch Oven cooking, hikes, fishing techniques, and nature activities. The two day program will include two meals: Saturday dinner and Sunday breakfast. Snacks will

be on hand as well. A drawing will be held to select five families on June 3rd, 2009 at 5 p.m. Entry forms may be obtained at: 901 S. Stewart Street Suite 5005 in the Bryan Building and at Washoe Lake State Park Headquarters 4855 East Lake Blvd. Washoe Valley.

What: Introduction to GPS Navigation

When: July 11, 2009 9 a.m.-12:00 noon

Where: Washoe Lake State Park Main Group Area

Description of Event: Each year people become lost, stranded or worse in the wilderness. The program will introduce you to GPS. What is it? How does it work and how can you use it to navigate in the outdoors. If you already have a GPS feel free to bring it. A limited number of handheld GPS units will be available to try. Bring your lunch to enjoy after the program. To reserve your seat please call 687-4319. Program limited to 15 participants. There is no cost for the program but there is a \$ 4.00 per vehicle entry fee.



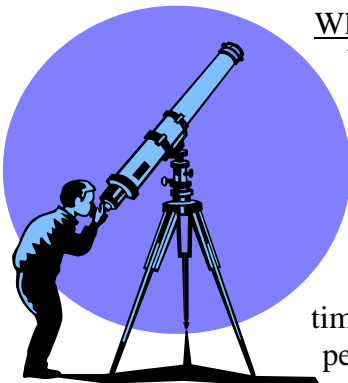
What: Washoe Lake Guided Wetlands Walk

When: July 25, 2009 8 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

Where: Washoe Lake State Park Wetlands Viewing Area

Description of Event: Take a guided walk with ranger staff through the wetlands to view birds, learn about what critters live in our wetlands, and plant identification.

Bring your binoculars. Staff will have birding books on hand to view. Meet at the Wetlands parking area.



What: An Evening of Stargazing

When: August 15, 2009 8:00 p.m.- 11:00 p.m.

Where: Washoe Lake State Park Main Group Area

Description of Event: Join Astronomy experts and Park Rangers for an evening of star and planet gazing. Our experts will have high powered telescopes available to view the moons of Jupiter and many fascinating objects in our Milky Way galaxy. Bring a jacket as evenings can be cool this time of year. There is no cost for the program but there is a \$4.00 per vehicle entry fee.

What: Beginning Dutch Oven Cooking

When: August 29, 2009

Where: Washoe Lake State Park Main Group Area

Description of Event: Have you ever tried traditional Dutch Oven Cooking? Join Park rangers for the experience of preparing and cooking Dutch Oven favorites such as scalloped potatoes, cobbler and chicken. Bring your apron and be prepared to do some cooking. There is no cost for the program but there is a \$ 4.00 per vehicle park entry fee. Program is limited to 40 participants so call early to reserve your space at 687-4319