



Anoka County

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Anoka County Parks Programs and Activities

Check out Anoka County Parks for fun seasonal programs and activities. All CDC/MDH guidelines will be followed. To register or for more information, call 763-324-3350 or visit anokacountyparks.com.

Wargo Nature Center Restoration Project Day

August 21, 10am-12pm; Wargo Nature Center, 7701 Main St., Lino Lakes

Ages 12+. Help restore the natural environment at Wargo Nature Center! We'll tackle different challenges each month like buckthorn and garlic mustard removal and native plant seed collection – depending on needs and group size each month. Meet outside before heading out on the morning's project. Pre-registration required and drop-ins are welcome. Participants under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

FREE!

Intro to Kayaking

- August 2, 4-6pm; East Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park, 9750 Egret Blvd NW, Coon Rapids
- August 31, 6-8pm; Rum River South County Park; 3000 Ferry Street N, Anoka

Ages 16+. Learn the basics of kayaking including boat safety, basic strokes, bracing, and which boat is best for you. Pre-registration is required.

COST: \$25/person (+tax)

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Anoka County Parks Programs and Activities – Add 1

Stand Up Paddle Boarding

August 30, 2-3:30pm; Rice Creek Chain of Lakes Park Reserve, Centerville Beach, 7373 Main St, Lino Lakes

Ages 16+. Paddle boarding is easier than you may think and a great way to get some exercise! No experience required. Pre-registration is required.

COST: \$20/person (+tax)

Women's Summer Workshops

August 18, 1-3pm; Canoeing; Wargo Nature Center, 7701 Main St, Lino Lakes

Women Ages 18+. Looking for a new way to enjoy the great outdoors this summer? Try new outdoor activities through our Women's Summer Workshop series. These women-only workshops are a great way to learn or practice some outdoor skills while meeting other women who love the outdoors. Workshops are co-sponsored by Spring Lake Park Recreation Department and Minnesota DNR's Becoming an Outdoors Woman program. Pre-registration is required, and equipment is included in the program fee.

COST: \$20/person (+tax)

Dragonfly Survey

August 19, 5:30-7:30pm; Wargo Nature Center, 7701 Main St., Lino Lakes

Ages 12+. Help look for some of the 76 species of Odonata (dragonflies and damselflies) found in Anoka County. The program will start with an overview of major groups and families before heading out to catch and identify dragonflies. Pre-registration required.

FREE!

Birding Hike

August 31, 9-11am; Bunker Hills Regional Park, Campground Visitor Center, 13101 County Pkwy B, Coon Rapids

All Ages. Join an experienced bird guide in one of Anoka County's beautiful parks. Along the way we will be watching and listening for birds! We will then identify and keep a list of all the bird species observed. Binoculars are available if needed. Pre-registration is required.

COST: \$5/person (+tax)

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Anoka County Parks Programs and Activities – Add 2

Forest Kids Club

Wednesdays, 9:30-11:30am; Wargo Nature Center, 7701 Main St., Lino Lakes

Ages 4-5. Join us for a season or register for the whole school year! We will spend Wednesday mornings adventuring and learning out on Wargo's wooded peninsula, exploring different nature topics and seasonal changes along the way. In addition to guided activities, each week will include a free-explore time where participants will be encouraged to follow their senses and create their own adventure with new friends! This is a great hands-on experience for young children. Pre-registration is required.

COST: \$110/session (+tax); Fall Session: September 8 - November 17, Winter Session: January 5 - March 16, Spring Session: March 30 - June 8.

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