

Please find below, Utah State Parks news for January 18:

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### **SNOWMOBILE SAFETY TIP OF THE WEEK**

**Salt Lake City** – Keep your distance when operating your snowmobile while traveling in a line or group. Be sure to keep at least a two-second interval between you and the snowmobile ahead of you. Never operate the machine at excessive speeds that may impair your ability to stop quickly or avoid a collision with other riders or objects. If operating at night, drive slowly enough that your headlight can illuminate the area in front of you.

For the latest grooming conditions visit [snowut.org](http://snowut.org) or call the Utah State Parks grooming hotline at 800-OHV-RIDE. Ride Smart!

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### **WINTER AT WASATCH MOUNTAIN STATE PARK**

**Midway** – Wasatch Mountain State Park offers great activities for the entire family this winter, including cross-country skiing and snowshoeing.

Enjoy cross-country skiing on six miles of groomed, flat terrain on the Lake Course, or try the more advanced un-groomed route on the Mountain Course. Day trail passes are \$6 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under. Rental equipment is available for \$12 for adults and \$6 for children.

Snowshoeing is another great way to get outdoors and explore the park. Rentals are available for \$6 for adults and \$3 for children. Now through February 26, enjoy guided snowshoe hikes with the park naturalist Wednesdays through Saturdays. Contact the park to schedule a trip. For current snow conditions or more information, please call 435-654-1791.

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## MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND IN UTAH'S STATE PARKS

**Salt Lake City** – It may only be January, but it's almost Memorial Day Weekend to many anxious campers and Utah State Parks reservation agents. Reservations for Memorial Day Weekend can be made beginning at 7 a.m. Thursday, February 10.

An \$8 non-refundable reservation fee is charged for each individual site reserved. Group site reservations may be made up to 11 months in advance. A \$10.25 non-refundable fee, along with a per-person fee is charged for group sites and building rentals.

Reservations are available online at [stateparks.utah.gov](http://stateparks.utah.gov) or by calling 801-322-3770 within the Salt Lake calling area or toll-free at 800-322-3770. Customers may reserve up to three campsites per call.

For more information, campground maps, or current park conditions, please visit [stateparks.utah.gov](http://stateparks.utah.gov).

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## UPCOMING UTAH STATE PARKS EVENTS

February 1 – March 31      Antelope Island State Park - Syracuse  
Art Exhibit: Enjoy the works of Scott Anderson, which are on display in the visitor center art gallery. His photographs feature birds and wildlife of Antelope Island.  
801-725-9263

February 5                  Rock Cliff Nature Center/ Jordanelle State Park - Francis  
Animal Builders: Join us from 10 a.m. to noon to learn about animal builders and engineers. Head out on snowshoes looking for and creating animal winter homes. Bring snowshoes or borrow a pair from the park. Pre-registration is required. 435-782-3030

February 5                  Wasatch Mountain State Park - Heber  
Stars and Snow: Bundle up and join us in the visitor center at 6:30 p.m. for an evening learning about the winter night sky. We will spend some time indoors, then, take a short snowshoe walk for constellation observation. Snowshoes and hot chocolate provided. 435-654-1791

February 5                  Snow Canyon State Park - Ivins  
Cinder Cone Hike: Join us at 10 a.m. and learn about volcanoes and the volcanic activity responsible for the lava flows in the park. Hike to the top of the Snow Canyon cinder cone during this 1.5-mile, round-trip hike. This event is free and open to the public. However, space is limited and registration is required. 435-628-2255

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