

Please find below, Utah State Parks and Recreation news for June 30:

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JORDANELLESTATE PARKHOSTS FIREWORKS SHOW

Heber-- Visit Jordanelle State Park Saturday, July 11 from 7 to 10 p.m. for an evening of fireworks and entertainment. Enjoy an evening of live music, kabobs, hot dogs, burgers, and drinks. Local dealers and sponsors provide wakeboard, kneeboard, and skyski exhibitions. Fireworks begin at 10 p.m.

Bring blankets and lawn chairs, and find a spot on the day-use beach area. Entrance fee is \$10 per car with up to eight occupants. Jordanelle State Park is located off US 40 at the Mayflower Exit 8. For more information, please call (435) 649-9540 or stateparks.utah.gov.

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CONSTRUCTION POSTPONED AT JORDAN RIVER OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE CENTER

Salt Lake City-- Construction at Jordan River Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) Center, which would have closed the park, is postponed until further notice. The park remains open for riding during its regular business hours of Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday from 8 a.m. until sundown. For more information, please call (801) 533-5425.

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SOLDIER HOLLOW GOLF COURSE AT WASATCH MOUNTAIN STATE PARK RATED ONE OF THE TOP COURSES IN NATION

Midway-- Soldier Hollow Gold Course was ranked 11th in the 50 Best Municipal Courses in the nation in a recent issue of Golfweek Magazine. Just last March, the course was named one of five golf courses in Utah selected as Golfweek's Best Public Access courses.

For more information or for tee times, visit stateparkgolf.utah.gov or call Wasatch Mountain Pro Shop (435) 654-0532 or (801) 266-0268 and Soldier Hollow Pro Shop (435) 654-7442 or (801) 261-4733.

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UTAH STATE PARKS BOATING TIP OF THE WEEK

Salt Lake City-- Remember three basic navigation rules to keep you safe on the water - proper lookout, safe speed, and safe distance. These three key principles will help you avoid a collision with another vessel, a person in the water, or potential water hazard.

The boat operator is required to keep a proper lookout, by sight and hearing, at all times while on the water. Boaters must be aware of where they are going and pay attention to the actions of other boaters. Make sure to look for other boats before making any turns.

Boats should be operated at safe speeds at all times, in order to react to potentially hazardous situations. In some situations the best speed may be wakeless speed. Never operate a boat faster than you feel comfortable or that your skills will allow.

Operate boats at safe distances to have adequate time and distance to react to prevailing circumstances. Utah's Speed and Proximity Law requires boaters to operate their vessel at a wakeless speed when they are within 150 feet of another boat, a person in the water or who is being towed by another boat, shore anglers, launch ramps and docks, designated swimming areas, or whenever in a wakeless speed zone.

For additional boating information go to stateparks.utah.gov (<http://www.stateparks.utah.gov/>) or (801)538-BOAT. Wear it Utah!

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IRONMISSION STATE PARK MUSEUMHOSTS EVENTS

CedarCity-- Iron Mission State Park Museum hosts two events coinciding with the Utah Shakespearean Festival. Events are inspired by the play Foxfire, which embraces family history and tradition. Admission to all events are half off with a ticket stub from Foxfire.

July 1 to 31

Potters of the Gathering: Learn about early pottery production in 19th century Utah, contrasted with English factory pottery production. Fee is \$3.

July 1 to August 29

Self-Guided Heritage Tour: Explore the rich history of Cedar City and surrounding areas on a self-guided tour of 15 historical sites. Free tour booklets are available at the festival, Iron Mission State Park Museum, and the Cedar City/Brian Head Tourism Bureau. Stamp booklet at each location and receive special discounts from participating businesses.

On July 11 and August 8 at 10 a.m., free guided tours are available by Iron Mission State Park Museum Curator Ryan Paul. Meet in front of Bulloch's Drug Store, 91 N. Main Street.

For more information on these events visit www.bard.org (<http://www.bard.org/>) or call (435) 586-9290.

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UPCOMING UTAH STATE PARKS EVENTS

July 24 – 25 Antelope Island State Park - Syracuse

Pioneer Day Weekend Events: Learn to make pioneer handkerchief dolls, pick up a needle and quilt, dip candles and make a pioneer lantern. Participants should bring an empty vegetable or soup can to make their own pioneer lantern. Learn pioneer games such as farm ball and sack races. Activities are available 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (801) 649-5742

July 24 East Canyon State Park - Morgan

Star Party: Learn about the night sky including constellations, planets, and the universe (weather permitting) at 10 p.m. Take a turn viewing the moon and planets through one of the park's telescopes. Program lasts about an hour. Bring binoculars, blankets and lawn chairs. (801) 829-6866

July 25 Rock Cliff Nature Center/Jordanella State Park - Francis

Junior Ranger Program -Make a Star Finder: Children six to 10 are invited from 11 a.m. to noon to make a star finder and learn how to use it. Children will earn a badge and certificate. Rock Cliff is located on the east side of the reservoir. (435) 782-3030

July 25 Antelope Island State Park - Syracuse

Frary Homestead Program: Join park staff at 11 a.m. for an informative program on the history of the Frary Homestead. (801) 649-5742

July 25 Wasatch Mountain State Park - Midway

Junior Ranger Program - Animal Homes: Join the park naturalist at 1 p.m. on a search for where and how animals make their homes. This program is geared toward children six to 12, but everyone is invited. (435) 654-1791

July 25 Wasatch Mountain State Park - Midway

Astronomy - Stories of Light: The night sky is full of wonder and awe. Join the park naturalist at 9:30 p.m. to explore some of these stories of light. (435) 654-1791

July 25 Jordanella State Park - Heber

Star Party: Join the park naturalist and the Salt Lake Astronomical Society at 9 p.m. to view stars and deep sky objects through telescopes. Hailstone is located on the west side of the reservoir. (435) 782-3030

July 25 Wasatch Mountain State Park - Midway

Huber Grove History Tour: Join the park naturalist from 10 to 11 a.m. for a tour of historic Huber Grove. Visit this beautiful, peaceful area and learn about the Huber Family and the Mormon West. The tour is free and open to the public. (435) 643-1791

July 25 Hyrum State Park - Hyrum

Evening Program: Join Laura Hines from Utah State University Water Quality Department at 7 p.m. for an interactive presentation on Utah's water quality, specifically in Cache Valley. Admission is free. (435) 245-6866

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