

Please find below, Utah State Parks and Recreation news for July 14:

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UTAH STATE PARKS BOATING TIP OF THE WEEK

Salt Lake City-- As boaters cool off at area lakes and reservoirs, Utah State Parks Boating Education Specialist Chris Haller reminds boaters to follow Utah's speed and proximity law.

This law requires boat operators to remain at a slow wakeless speed whenever they are within 150 feet of another boat, person floating on the water, towed waterskier, shore anglers, launch ramp, dock, or designated swimming area. Personal watercraft are considered boats.

"This is probably the most violated boating law and cause of a number of boating accidents each year," stated Haller. "By maintaining a safe distance at all times, boat operators can reduce accidents and injuries."

For more information on safe boating or to take a boating education course, please contact stateparks.utah.gov or (801) 538-BOAT. Remember, Utah Boaters...WEAR IT!

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UPCOMING UTAH STATE PARKS EVENTS

August 1 Rock Cliff Nature Center/Jordanelle State Park - Francis

Fish Adaptations: Children age six to 10 are invited to learn about fish in Jordanelle Reservoir from 11 a.m. to noon at the Nature Center. Children earn a badge and Junior Ranger certificate. Rock Cliff is located on the east side of the reservoir. (435) 782-3030

August 1 – September 30 Antelope Island State Park - Syracuse

Art Gallery: Charles Uibel displays his photographs in the visitor center art gallery. (801) 725-9263

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Junior Ranger Program: Join park staff at 2 p.m. to learn how Antelope Island's cowboys worked their cattle at historic Fielding Garr Ranch. Though this program is intended for children six to 12, everyone is welcome. (801) 649-5742

August 1 – 31 Iron Mission State Park Museum – Cedar City

Art Exhibit: Enjoy artwork by Utah artist Lydia Brescia. (435) 586-9290

August 1 Wasatch Mountain State Park - Midway

Junior RangerProgram - Campground Critters: Many little critters live in and around the park's campground. Find out who lives here, where they live, and what they're doing when you're out playing. This program is geared toward children six to 12, but everyone is invited. Program begins at 1 p.m. at the campground office. (435) 654-1791

August 1 and 8 Wasatch Mountain State Park

Huber Grove History Tour: Tour historic Huber Grove from 10 to 11 a.m. Visit this beautiful, peaceful area and learn about nature on the ranch. Tour is free and open to all. (435) 654-1791

August 5 – 7 Iron Mission State Park Museum – Cedar City

History Day Camp: Children age nine to 11 are invited to participate in a three-day interactive history camp. Participants load handcars and trek to new homesteads learning the basics of early mining in Iron County. New settlers construct log cabins and build basic pioneer furniture. (435) 586-9290

August 5 Edge of the Cedars State Park Museum - Blanding

Kids Pottery Day: Join park staff from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. to learn how ancient people made and used pottery. Make your own clay pot! Mix paints from stone, clay, and plant material and learn how to make and use a paintbrush set from yucca leaves. Each student will have an opportunity to make at least one pot from air-dry clay to take home. Pottery Day is geared for students in fourth to eighth grades. Space is limited to 12 students, so register early. Fee is \$10. (435) 678-2238

August 6 – 8 Camp Floyd-Stagecoach Inn State Park and Museum - Fairfield

Experience how soldiers lived at Camp Floyd in 1861 and how the Utah War served pre-Civil War objectives. Campers meet costumed interpreters, play 19th century games, drill, march, and set up a soldier's camp, fire an 1860s period firearm, and make soldier crafts. Other activities include conducting a full-scale military exercise; and observing muskets and firing a cannon. Participants receive a 2009 history camp t-shirt, Union or Confederate cap, replica rifle, canteen, haversack, harmonica and more. This program is designed for children eight to 11. Each camp is limited to 24 participants and runs 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. Reservations and \$75 camp fee are required. (801) 768-8932.

August 7 – 9 Rockport State Park - Peoa

16th Annual Dam Jam Bluegrass Festival: Enjoy bluegrass music by local musicians at Old Church Campground. Come to listen, or bring your instrument and play with other musicians. Camping is available. (435) 336-2241

August 7

Wasatch Mountain State Park - Midway

Full Moon Hike: Join the park naturalist on a two-mile round trip hike along the Heber Valley Overlook Trail at Dutch Hollow at 8:30 p.m. Discuss nocturnal wildlife and some of the adaptations that allow them to navigate through a dark. Bring a flashlight, water and snacks, and dress for the weather. (435) 654-1791

August 7

East Canyon State Park - Morgan

Mysterious World of Spiders: Make friends with the world's least liked creature, the spider. Program begins at 8 p.m. and includes identifying dangerous spiders found in Utah. Content geared toward children, but everyone is welcome. (801) 829-6866

August 8 – October 3

Fremont Indian State Park and Museum - Sevier

Art Show and Reception: Enjoy the works of Ana Maria Burrell and Vandy Moore. Mediums include wildlife and landscape photography, paintings and stone jewelry. An artists' reception is August 8 from 2 to 5 p.m. (435) 527-4631

August 8

Wasatch Mountain State Park - Midway

Junior Ranger Program - Predators and Prey: Join the naturalist for a one-hour program about the unique relationship between predators and prey and how they keep a balance in nature. Program begins at 1 p.m. at the campground office. (435) 654-1791

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