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UTAH STATE PARKS BOATING SAFETY TIP OF THE WEEK

SaltLake—Whether you are boating for one day or multiple days, you should always file a float plan with details about where you are heading and when you expect to return. This information helps search and rescue crews in the event of an emergency.

Boating Education Specialist Chris Haller suggests the following float plan tips.
For shorter daytime outings, a verbal float plan may be sufficient. At a minimum:

- Contact a responsible person who is not going on the trip, like a close friend or relative, and provide them with your float plan.
- Leave a telephone number of the local rescue authorities that should be contacted if you are overdue.
- If you plan to extend your time on the water, be sure to let your contact person know before your float plan expires. This avoids unnecessary contact of rescue authorities.

For extended outings, a written float plan is warranted. This plan should include:

- Description of the vessel, including make, size, color, bow number, and marine band call sign.
- Trip itinerary of where you are going with a detailed description of route and intended camping spots.
- List providing number of passengers, names, addresses, and contact information for each passenger in case of an emergency.
- The license plate number and description of the tow vehicle and trailer.

For more boating safety information or to take a safe boating course, visit stateparks.utah.gov. Utah Boaters...WEAR IT!

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UPCOMING UTAH STATE PARKS EVENTS

September 4 East Canyon State Park - Morgan

All about Insects: Insects are some of the creatures most frequently encountered by campers and outdoor enthusiasts. We've all heard them, been bitten by them, and have had them crawl on us. Learn more about insects at 8 p.m. at the Bauchmann Pavilion. Program is geared towards children six to 13 and adult supervision is required. (801) 829-6866

September 5 and 7 Camp Floyd/Stagecoach Inn State Park and Museum - Fairfield

CampFloyd Days: Camp Floyd State Park, in conjunction with the Utah Territorial Civilian Commission and Utah Civil War Association, host a Civil War Encampment from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. This event allows visitors to experience camp life and participate in activities performed by soldiers of Johnston's Army including reenactments, encampments, storytelling, stagecoach rides, firearm and cannon demonstrations, marches, drills, and 1861 period games. (801) 768-8932

September 5 Rock Cliff Nature Center/Jordanelle State Park - Francis

Junior Ranger Program - Science in Action: Children six to 10 are invited to see science at work from 11 a.m. to noon at the Nature Center. Children earn a Junior Ranger badge and certificate. Rock Cliff is located on the east side of the reservoir. (435) 782-3030

September 5 and 7 Antelope Island State Park - Syracuse

Labor Day Weekend Events: Join park staff to learn how the people of Antelope Island lived, learn to make pioneer handkerchief dolls, pick up a needle and quilt, dip candles, make a pioneer lantern, and learn pioneer games. Participants should bring an empty vegetable or soup can to make their own pioneer lantern. Activities are available 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (801) 649-5742

September 5 Antelope Island State Park - Syracuse

Junior Ranger Program: Join park staff at 2 p.m. for a fun-filled experience learning how the people of Antelope Island worked at the historic Fielding Garr Ranch. Though this program is intended for children six to 12, everyone is welcome. (801) 649-5742

September 5 Wasatch Mountain State Park - Midway

Junior Ranger Program - Discovering Birds: What do birds eat and where do they live? Discover the answers to these and many other questions during this one-hour program geared toward children six to 12. The program begins at 1 p.m. at the campground office. (435) 654-1791

September 5 Antelope Island State Park - Syracuse

AntelopeIslandBalloon Stampede: Enjoy a day of hot air balloon and kite flying. Activities, food, entertainment and more from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. (801) 773-2941

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