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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Anoka County Parks Announces June Programming

Join the Anoka County Parks and Recreation staff in exploring the great outdoors this June!
Go on a guided bird walk or try a kayaking class! Register at www.anokacountyparks.com or by
calling Wargo Nature Center at 651-429-8007.

Kayaking at Bunker Beach!

Yes, you read that correctly. We are offering our popular Introduction to Kayaking class at
beautiful Bunker Beach Water Park. This is truly a unique opportunity to learn kayaking basics in a
pool instead of a on a big lake or moving river. This active, fun, sport is easy to learn and makes for
a wonderful way to spend time outdoors. Space is limited. Pre-registration is required.

Fee: \$25/person (plus tax)

Friday, June 24, 9-10:30 am

Bunker Beach Water Park, Bunker Hills Regional Park, Coon Rapids

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Canoe and Kayak by the Light of the Moon

If you have never been out on the water in a canoe or kayak as the sun sets and the moon rises, this program is a must for you! We will head out to either George Watch Lake from Wargo Nature Center or the Mississippi River from Coon Rapids Dam and let Mother Nature entertain us with an abundance of wildlife, a beautiful sunset, and a spectacular full moon. Space and boats are limited. Fees include boat rental. Pre-registration is required. Register online at www.anokacountyparks.com. For more information call 651-429-8007.

Fee: \$10/person–bringing own boat (OR) \$20/person–renting a boat (plus tax)

Wednesday, June 15, 8-10 p.m.

Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park, Coon Rapids

Introduction to Kayaking

This popular introductory level kayaking class is being offered at several locations around the county. We will use sea kayaks to learn the basics of kayaking as we explore the lakes around Wargo Nature Center, the Mississippi River at Coon Rapids Dam, and the Rum River. Space is limited, so sign up early. Pre-registration and pre-payment required. Register online at www.anokacountyparks.com or call 651-429-8007 for more information.

Fee: \$25/person (plus tax)

Wargo Nature Center, Lino Lakes

Tuesday, June 21, 1-3 p.m. or 7-9 p.m.

Rice Creek Chain of Lakes - Centerville Beach, Lino Lakes

Thursday, June 30, 6-8 p.m.

Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park, Coon Rapids

Saturday, June 25, 12-2 p.m. or 2-4 p.m.

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Disc Golf

Come try out the newly completed disc golf course at Bunker Hills Regional Park in Coon Rapids. This course introduces disc golf equipment, rules, and style of play. A disc will be provided that is yours to keep. Meet at Parking Lot #2. Pre-registration is required. Register online at www.anokacountyparks.com or for more information call 651-429-8007.

Fee: \$5/person (plus tax)

Saturday, June 11, 4-6 p.m.

Bunker Hills Regional Park, Coon Rapids

Water, Water Everywhere: Grandparents Camp

(For campers ages 5 and up accompanied by an adult.)

Water is everywhere! It gives animals a home, cools us off in the summer heat, washes our clothes, and gives plants a drink. Join us for a wonderful watery time as we search the lake to look for critters, create art with water, and even play games with water. Be ready to get dirty and wet! Pre-registration is required. Register online at www.anokacountyparks.com or for more information call 651-429-8007.

Fee: \$30 adult/child pair. Additional camper: \$10

Friday, June 17, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Wargo Nature Center, Lino Lakes

Eat or Be Eaten Camp

(For campers finishing grades K-2)

Every animal has special powers to help it survive in the wild. Some animals have super speed, some are almost invisible, and others can see in the dark. Campers will become predators and prey to learn these special skills. Which animal power do you have? Pre-registration is required.

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Register online at www.anokacountyparks.com or for more information call 651-429-8007.

Fee: \$130/person

June 20-23, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Wargo Nature Center, Lino Lakes

I Don't Wanna Grow Up! Camp

(For campers finishing grades 3-5)

Dressin' up in clean clothes? Good manners at the dinner table? Heck no! At this camp we'll spend the days hangin' out at the tree house you will help build, cooking lunch over a fire on the banks of the Mississippi River, making sailboats, and hunting for crayfish and other river treasures.

Pre-registration is required. Register online at www.anokacountyparks.com or for more information call 651-429-8007.

Fee: \$130/person

June 27-30, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park, Coon Rapids

Campfire Talks

Join a naturalist for campfire talks at the Bunker Hills Regional Park and Rice Creek Chain of Lakes Campgrounds. Programs are on Saturday evenings at 7 p.m. and include a roaring campfire, interactive activities, and presentations enjoyable for the whole family. Best of all, the programs are FREE! Meet behind the Bunker Hills Campground Visitor Center or the Rice Creek Chain of Lakes Campground amphitheater.

Bunker Hills Regional Park, Coon Rapids

Saturday, June 11, 7 p.m.: Bats

Saturday, June 25, 7 p.m.: Birds and Hike

9 p.m.: Whippoorwill and Owl Hike

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Rice Creek Chain of Lakes, Lino Lakes

Saturday, June 18, 7 p.m.: Loon

Women’s Outdoor Adventure Series: Kayaking the Rum River

Learn the basics of kayaking; then spend the afternoon on the beautiful Rum River! This is a great way to explore one of Anoka County’s gems. Class is appropriate for women ages 15 years and older. Pre-registration is required. Register online at www.anokacountyparks.com or call 651-429-8007 for more information.

Fee: \$15/person (plus tax)

Sunday, June 12, 2-4 p.m.

Rum River South County Park, Anoka

Kayaking for Women

In this introductory course, we’ll start out by learning the basics of kayaking and then spend the rest of the evening on the water. Dinner is provided. This program is in cooperation with the Becoming an Outdoors Woman program. Class is appropriate for women ages 15 years and older. Limit of 12 participants. Pre-registration is required. Register online at www.anokacountyparks.com or call 651-429-8007 for more information.

Fee: \$35/person (plus tax)

Wednesday, May 18, 4-9 p.m.

Wargo Nature Center, Lino Lakes

Wednesday, June 8, 4-9 p.m.

Coon Rapids Dam Visitor Center, Coon Rapids

Bird Walk Series

Join an experienced birder as he guides you through Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park. Enjoy seeing and/or hearing 30-60 species of birds on each walk. A checklist of Minnesota birds and a

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map of the area are provided. All ages and birding abilities are welcome. For more information, please call 612-209-5405. Pre-registration is required. Register online at www.anokacountyparks.com.

Fee: \$5/person (plus tax)

Saturday, June 11, 9-11 a.m.

Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park, Coon Rapids

Saturday, June 25, 9 p.m.

Rum River Central, Ramsey

Breeding Birds in Anoka County

June is a great month to find evidence of breeding birds. Clues will be finding nests, seeing adults carrying food, and hearing baby birds and finding fledglings (birds that recently left the nest). Ages 10 and up are welcome with a maximum of 12 participants. Pre-registration is required. Register online at www.anokacountyparks.com or call 651-429-8007 for more information.

Fee: \$5/person (plus tax)

Saturday, June 11, 7:30-10:30 a.m.

Meet at the Wargo Nature Center Parking Lot, Lino Lakes

Nature Walk

We will be looking for birds, flowers, insects, and trees. For this program we will explore Bunker Hills Regional Park, one of the jewels in the Anoka County Park system. Ages 10 and up are welcome with a maximum of 15 participants. Pre-registration is required. Register online at www.anokacountyparks.com or call 651-429-8007 for more information.

Fee: \$5/person (plus tax).

Tuesday, June 21, 8-10 a.m.

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Special Bunker Beach Events and Discount Days

Summer Kick-off! Thursday, June 9, 3-7 p.m. – \$3 off Twilight Admission! Bunker Beach is a great place to celebrate the start of summer. Bring your friends for an afternoon of fun. Try out the new playground. Meet Puddles, the new Bunker Beach mascot.

Free Day in the Park - Sunday, June 12, 4-7 p.m.

Enjoy free entry into Bunker Beach Water Park for the evening. Live music will be provided by the George Maurer Group (sponsored by Anoka County Library). Added bonus: No parking fee on June 12 in all Anoka County Parks!

College Discount Day Wednesday, June 22 – All Day

Gather all your old high school friends and invite your new college friends to visit! Spend the day getting some sun at Bunker Beach. Show a College ID to receive entry for half price!

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