

# Oasis Newsletter and Events May and June 2024

The activities and facilities located within the park emphasize wildlife conservation, outdoor education, and natural landscape themes. There is something for everyone here: fishing, boating, hiking, biking and running.



Entry to the park is not included in any event fees and a daily or annual pass is required.

### **2024 BOATING SEASON**

Boaters including kayakers and canoeists, enjoy the lake's calm waters as powerboats are limited to electric trolling or gasoline motors 10 horsepower or less.



Boats are allowed only on the north half of the lake.

Swimming, wading, and diving are prohibited.

## Fishing at Barr Lake

Channel catfish, small and large-mouth bass, rainbow trout, walleye, bluegill, and wiper are among the species that inhabit the waters of Barr Lake. *Valid Colorado Fishing License Required* 

# Aquatic Nuisance Species - ANS Watercraft Inspection and Decontamination

Watercraft Decontamination at Barr Lake is by appointment only.

To set up a date and time for your boat decontamination please call

720-520-1876 or 720-786-1114



Motorboats and sailboats must have an **ANS Stamp** prior to launching in Colorado waters.



#### **Eagle Express and Osprey Shuttle Rides**

Our 8-10 passenger shuttles are perfect for getting out to the Gazebo Boardwalk for those who cannot walk the 2.5 mile round trip. Visitors will not be allowed to hop on to a reserved shuttle. Reservations are required. You do not have to have a party of 8 to reserve. Call the Nature Center for reservations and details at 303-659-6005.



# JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup> BARR LAKE CARP FISHING TOURNAMENT (BOW AND ROD)

#### Registration is open - use QR code to sign up.

30 boat limit with 30 fishing from shore limit. Only carp are weighed and counted. Must have a Colorado fishing license. Prizes: Boat with most carp - \$1,000. Most carp caught from shore - \$500. Largest overall carp - \$250. Youth largest carp - \$250. Smallest overall carp - \$100. All carp will be composted.

Register on-line and pay entry fee at the check-in table by the boat ramp.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/7oAoA4FAEAA2CA7FE3-49314094-carp#/





\$2,000

GOAL IS TO REDUCE INVASIVE SPECIES

30 BOAT LIMIT 30 SHORE LIMIT

REQUIRED PARK PASS & FISHING LICENSE

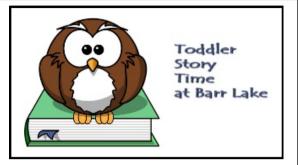
\$10 ADULT ENTRY FEE \$5 YOUTH ENTRY FEE (15 AND UNDER)

#### BARR LAKE STATE PARK

13401 Picadilly Rd. Brighton, CO 80603

June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 (6am to 2pm) Boats Ramp Open at 5am

Barr-milton.org



Toddler Story Time May 23 & 28 June 27 10am - 11am

Bring your preschooler to the Nature Center and listen to stories about the natural world while learning about plants, animals and our planet. Please only register the child.

#### Register:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70 AOA4FAEAA2CA7FE3-48804683toddler#/



# Intro Adult to Fly Fishing 101 June 19



Have you wanted to learn to fly fish? In this hands-on workshop, you will learn about fly fishing equipment, basic casting, knots, and fly selection.

No fishing license required as we will not be on the water.

Register:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0A4FAEAA2CA7FE3-49451557-intro#/



Free Basic Archery May 19 & June 16 11am-1pm



Introduction to archery is limited to 15 students. Learn about safety, proper techniques and then have a try at our archery range! Loaner equipment is available during class. Please don't register for more than ONE class. Multiple class registrations will be removed to allow everyone the opportunity to take this class.

Minimum Age to participate is 10 years old.

Register:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0A4F AEAA2CA7FE3-46893152-beginning#/



LADIES NIGHT OUT FLY FISHING 201 June 14 6pm-8:30pm



Have you wanted to learn to fly fish? In this ladies-only, hands-on workshop, you will learn about fly fishing equipment, basic casting, knots, and fly selection.

No fishing license required as we will not be on the water.

Register:

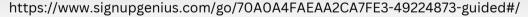
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Guided Bird Walks (Weekend) May 4 & June 15 9am - 10:30am

Join volunteer naturalists Tammy and Ira for a walk in the park! This walk is to introduce park visitors and birders of all levels of experience to the parks birds and anything else you happen to see. Registration is encouraged but if you want to join us last minute, please feel free to do so!







Guided Bird Walks (Weekday) June 5 9 am - 10:30 am



Join volunteer naturalists Candice and Tim for a walk in the park! This walk is to introduce park visitors and birders at all levels of experience to the parks birds and anything else you happen to see. There are over 370 species of birds at Barr Lake. Registration is encouraged but if you want to join us last minute, please feel free to do so!

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0A4FAEAA2CA7FE3-48806494-guided#/

YOGA at the GAZEBO May 5 & May 19 June 9 & June 23 9 am to 10:30 am



Yoga at Barr Lake
This class is free, however
donations to Barr Lake are
appreciated. We'll meet at the
bridge by the Nature Center and
take golf carts to the gazebo. A
valid Colorado State Parks pass
is required.

Register: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0A4FAEAA2CA7FE3-49374967-yoga#/









## **Annual Spring Fishing Clinic**

June 15

Join us for a morning of fishing tips and instructional workshops. FREE kid-sized rods for the first 100 kids to sign up for a workshop. There are four workshops: 9am to 10am, 10am to 11am, 11am to 12pm, and 12pm to 1pm. You must RSVP in advance and be at the workshop you signup for to receive the free equipment.

#### Register:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0A4FAEAA2CA7FE3-49455691-14th#/









#### "Live Life Outside" Mobility Programs



At Barr Lake it is our mission to make the outdoors accessible to all. To achieve that mission we have our two shuttles and two track chairs that are available to anyone who needs them.

The Track Chair program allows wheelchair users and those with varied mobility the opportunity to explore hiking trails and experience the outdoors in an accessible way.

On average, outings range from 2-3 hours depending on the participants desires. Scheduling for the mobility programs is flexible and not limited to weekdays. For more information or to schedule a time please email us at barrlake.withoutboundaries@gmail.com or call us at 720.520.1876.

#### **Leave No Trace Scavenger Hunt**

#### Wanna get out of the house and do something fun?

Come in to the Nature Center and pick up a scavenger hunt sheet at the Self Guided Tours Wall! Complete all the questions and get a special prize!

#### **Volunteers Wanted!**

The Barr Lake Volunteer Program began in 1982. The purpose of the volunteer program at Barr Lake is to enhance the visitor experience by providing quality educational, interpretive, and conversational contacts with park visitors. Well-trained and skilled volunteers enable Barr Lake State Park staff to educate many visitors throughout the year. Volunteers also increase visitor safety by providing more eyes and ears on the park and by providing educational contacts that may prevent unsafe behavior. The Barr Lake volunteer program also provides a fun, supportive, and educational place where adults of all ages, abilities, and experience can come together to learn, grow, and share their love of the natural world with others.

Barr Lake offers a buffet of options for earning volunteer service hours. Volunteers may choose to specialize in just one type of work, or they may choose to do a little of each!

#### Volunteer Qualifications

- At least 13 years old or volunteering with a parent
- Communicates well with a range of people and a variety of situations
- Can provide appropriate pants/shorts and shoes while volunteering
- Available to participate in at least two continuous learning opportunities in a calendar year
- Desire to serve in a variety of roles, such as education and outreach, habitat and trail work, maintenance and construction, wildlife projects and customer service.

#### How to get started

All volunteers are required to register on the CPW database CPWConnect.com

- Sign up to create an account.
- Check all the boxes that apply to you and your interests.
- Select the Get Involved page and under places, type Barr Lake.
- Scroll through the listed opportunities and click on BLSP Volunteer Application.

  Once you are done you can call the park or wait to hear back from us to discuss your interests and scheduling.



Friends of Barr Lake

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#### **Education Recreation Conservation**

Friends of Barr Lake is involved in many activities at Barr Lake State Park. We not only raise funds for special events—we work with Rangers and park volunteers to help maintain the park and its structures.

Please consider donating to this organization so we can continue to offer all the programs and services you and your family have enjoyed for years!

Friends of Barr Lake, 501(c)3 organization with the sole purpose of supporting Barr Lake State Park.



Photo: 2018 Taking Flight Summer camp participants Photo by Stacey Monahan

Registration is required for all Bird Conservancy of the Rockies programs. Go to their website BirdConservancy.org and click on News and Events. Binoculars, field guides, and adaptive equipment will be available to borrow. We believe the world needs birds. Our mission at Bird Conservancy of the Rockies is the conservation of birds and their habitats through an integrated approach of science, education and land stewardship. We envision a future where birds are forever abundant, contributing to healthy landscapes and inspiring human curiosity and love of nature. Our work radiates from the Rockies to the Great Plains, Mexico and beyond. Our efforts are advanced by sound science, achieved through empowering people, realized through stewardship and sustained through partnerships. Together, we are improving native bird populations, the land and the lives of people.



# Bird Conservancy of the Rockies **BIRD CAMPS**

Bird Conservancy of the Rockies connects your camper to birds and the natural world through learning, outdoor play, and exploration!



## Day Camps for ages 4 to 13

Brighton ,CO

Day camp programs run from 9am-4pm, except for Wild Nestlings which runs from 9am-Noon.

Wild Nestlings: July 29-August 2, 2024 | Ages 4-5 | \$120.00 Budding Birders: July 22-July 26, 2024 | Ages 6-7 | \$240.00 Raptor Camp: July 15-19, 2024 | Ages 8-9 | \$240.00 The Big Week: June 10-14, 2024 | Ages 10-11 | \$285.00 Birding Adventure Camp: June 3-7, 2024 | Ages 12-14 | \$340.00



## Overnight Camps for ages 12 to 17

Taking Flight: July 7-12, 2024 | Ages 12-14 | \$950.00 On the Wing: June 20-28, 2024 | Ages 15-17 | \$1400.00

To register, apply for scholarships, or for more information, visit birdconservancy.org/birdcamps

Questions? Contact Camp Manager, Becky Heath at becky.heath@birdconservancy.org or by phone at (303) 659-4348 x 49



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