



2008 Provincial Park Summer Recreation Report

August 7 – August 12

Special Promotions:

CAA Parks Promotion

CAA Saskatchewan will again be promoting and selling annual park permits to its members. CAA members receive 10% in CAA Dollars into their membership account when they purchase an annual park permit at any CAA Saskatchewan location. (The permit must be purchased at a CAA office to qualify.) The park program receives a half page ad in the summer issue of Westworld magazine along with other promotional avenues ie. CAA website, recognition in CAA Dollars promo material.

Free Park Entry for Saskatchewan Seniors

Saskatchewan seniors 65 years and older will receive a free park entry pass to any provincial park upon providing identification verifying their age and residency to the park attendant. Seniors will be required to pay for other park fees such as camping and swimming pool costs. All people traveling in a passenger vehicle with a senior will also receive a free park entry permit to provincial parks.

Park Guide Contest

Enter to win great prizes! Contest valid from May 24, 2008 to October 1, 2008. Draws will be made November 1, 2008. Winners will be notified by letter. Contest details can be found online at www.saskparks.net

Special Events:

(Visit www.saskparks.net for detailed event listings)

Unique Features: (a selected few)

- Sand dunes at Good Spirit Lake and Douglas Provincial Parks
- White sand beaches at Candle Lake Provincial Park
- Conglomerate cliffs at Cypress Hills Interprovincial Provincial Park
- Lac La Ronge Provincial Park has more water than land base
- Shallow lake and sandy beach at Good Spirit Lake Provincial Park
- Razor back valley ridges at Saskatchewan Landing Provincial Park
- Nicolle Flats Homestead and Bison Compound at Buffalo Pound Provincial Park
- Gardiner Dam, Canada's largest earth-filled dam at Danielson Provincial Park
- Petroglyphs (or rock carvings) at St. Victor Petroglyphs Provincial Park
- Over 25 crystal clear lakes at Meadow Lake Provincial Park
- High glacial esker with terrific views at Narrow Hills Provincial Park
- Stockade and tipi encampment at Fort Carlton Provincial Historic Park

Rates and Fees:

Park Entry Fees (per vehicle)	
1-Day Pass	\$ 7.00
3-Day Pass	\$17.00
Weekly Pass	\$25.00
Transferable Annual Permit	\$50.00

Regular Camping Fees

With service centre*

Full Serviced**	\$24.00
Electrical	\$20.00
Non-electrical	\$15.00

Without service centre

Electrical	\$18.00
Non-electrical	\$13.00
Economy	\$11.00

Campfire Fees

Eliminated for all provincial parks and provincial recreation sites

*Service centre means hot/cold running water, flush toilets, showers

**Full serviced means direct hook up to water, electricity, sewer

Provincial Park Information

Anglin/Emma

Camping Activity: Weekdays – Heavy, Weekends – Full

Reserve-a-Site: Weekday – Heavy, Weekends – Full

Fishing Activity: Good

Park Visitor Notices:

- Roads to park in poor condition
- Horseflies and mosquitoes
- No more boat rentals at nearby MacIntosh Point
- Hotel has been demolished
- No more horse rides at Rothenberg Park

Park Attractions & Points of Interest:

Contacts: Sonnet McGuire – 306-953-3571 or 306-961-4082 cell.

Blackstrap

Camping Activity: Weekdays – Moderate, Weekends – Full

Park Visitor Notices:

- Road in park very rough due to pavement breaks

Park Attractions & Points of Interest:

Contact: Brian Dressler – 306-933-7972

Buffalo Pound

Camping Activity: Weekday – Heavy, Weekends – Full

Reserve-a-Site: Weekdays – Heavy, Weekends – Full

Fishing Activity: Good

- The trout pond is barrier free and is open (limits in effect). Visitors also tell us that the fish (especially pickerel) are really biting.

Scheduled Park Programs: *(all the following activities are held at the Elmview Day*

Use/Beach Area unless otherwise stated)

- **Mondays and Fridays – Animal Tracks – 1 to 2 pm**
- **Monday to Friday – Dawn Discovery Hike – 9 to 11 am** – meet at park entry gate
- **Mondays and Thursdays – Critter Dipping – 3 to 4 pm**
- **Tuesdays and Fridays – Healthy by Nature Games – 3 to 4 pm**
- **Tuesdays and Saturdays – Geocaching Challenge – 1 to 2 pm**
- **Wednesdays – Wild Wildlife – 2 to 3 pm**
- **Fridays – Movie Night – 8:30 to 11 pm** – Maple Vale Store
- **Saturdays – Face Painting – 11 to 1 pm**
- **Saturdays – Sand Castle Contest** – judging begins at 1 pm
- **Saturdays – Crafty Campers – 3 to 4 pm**
- **Sundays – Sunday Morning Mania – 9 to 11 am** – Maple Vale Store
- **Weekday mornings** – Join us for a “Dawn Discovery” Nature Hike. Meet at the Entry Gate at 9 am to convoy to the Nicolle Flats Nature Area.

Special Events:

- **Friday, August 8 -Movie Night -8:30 pm (dusk)** - Bring your blanket and lawn chair to the Maple Vale Store to watch *Open Season* outside on the projection screen.
- **Saturday, August 9 - Smokey the Bear -2 PM** - Smokey the Bear will be stopping by Buffalo Pound to talk about fire prevention, and the effects of fires in the parks. The presentation will begin at 2 pm in the Elm View Day Use area.

Park Visitor Notices: We are still seeing a few ticks out at the park, although the peak season has now passed. Visitors are advised to check themselves, their families and their pets for ticks after outdoor excursions. Mosquitos are becoming more common out at the park due to the recent wet weather.

Park Attractions & Points of Interest:

- Pool is open for the rest of the summer. In the upcoming week, the pool is open from 10 am to 6 pm. The pool offers swimming lessons from July 7 to August 1. Registration is held up to and including the Sunday prior to the week of lessons. Registration is at the pool during regular pool hours or by phone (call park office at 306-694-3329 and your message will be forwarded to the pool staff). The cost is \$25.00 per class/per child.
- All hiking trails are in great condition. There are brochures located at the entry gate and at the start of the trails in the Nicolle flats marsh and homestead area. We also have a nature viewing and critter dipping kits that can be signed out at the entry gate.
- The Maple Vale store is now open. Hours are Thursday, Friday and Saturday 10 am to 9 pm and Sunday to Wednesday 10 am until 6 pm
- Mini golf is open from noon till dusk

Contact: Sara Smith – 306-694-3397

Candle Lake

Camping Activity: Weekdays – Heavy, Weekends – Heavy

Reserve-a-Site: Weekdays – Heavy, Weekends – Heavy

Fishing Activity: Excellent

Park Visitor Notices:

- Mosquitoes, horse flies and blackflies are out in full force. So if you are venturing out to Candle Lake, make sure you have bug spray with you. Baby deer are now out and about so please be careful when driving, as they follow the mother deer wherever she goes.
- If venturing out on the lake, bring a warm jacket as it gets very cool towards evening.
- Walking trails around Candle Lake are in fairly good condition but there are a few boggy spots. Bring good walking shoes!

Park Attractions & Points of Interest:

- **The Mobile Recreation Program** will be visiting Candle Lake for kids ages 5-10 at the Recreation Hall at Candle Lake. Dates: July 28 to Aug.1 and August 11 to 15. Time: 10 am to 3 pm. For more information and registration please contact Stephanie Von Hagen at 306-929-2396.

New places to try in Candle Lake:

- Fisher Creek Store – under new management – they have an Italian Espresso Machine, music on the deck, burgers, fries, etc.
- New Clothing Store – Mica's (beside car wash)
- A Daisy a Day – more shoes, purses and clothes this year, and lots of other interesting good stuff (jewelry, crafts, etc.)

Contact: Sonnet McGuire at 306-953-3571 or 306-961-4082 cell.

Chitek Lake

Camping Activity: Weekdays – Full, Weekends – Full

Fishing Activity: Fair

- There are walleye, northern pike, and perch in Chitek Lake.
- Fifteen surrounding lakes are within short driving distance with fishing as well as picnicking and camping opportunities. Species that can be caught in the surrounding area include walleye, northern pike, perch, brook trout, rainbow trout, lake trout, and splake.

Park Attractions & Points of Interest:

- New ATV trail and bridge leads through the provincial forest

Contact: Keith Hainsel – 306-984-2343

Crooked Lake

Camping Activity: Weekdays – Moderate, Weekends – Heavy

Reserve-a-Site: Weekdays – Moderate, Weekends – Heavy

Fishing Activity: Good

- Fish for walleye and pike. There is a boat launch and fish filleting shelter not too far from the beach.

Park Attractions & Points of Interest:

- Swimming, fishing and boating are popular pastimes in this small and quiet family park. There is a boat launch and fish filleting shelter not too far from the beach.
- Hikers, cyclists and horseback riders can access the Trans Canada Trail that runs right through the valley and into the mixed prairie grassland beyond.

- The large, day-use area of the park features a large irrigated lawn, a creative playground, as well as picnic areas with barbecues under a canopy of Green Ash and Poplar right by the lake
- Just 3 km from the park the Last Oak Golf and Country Club is an 18-hole, fully irrigated grass green facility with a pro shop, restaurant and lounge.
- There are resorts with cabin rentals 2 km east and west of the park. Together they offer groceries, gas, mini-golf, laundry facilities, an arcade, and a flea market every Sunday from June to the Labour Day weekend.

Contact: Sarah Schafer – 306-577-2615

Cypress Hills

Camping Activity: Weekdays – Heavy, Weekends – Full

Reserve-a-Site: Weekdays – Heavy, Weekends – Full

Fishing Activity: Good

- Brook, brown and rainbow trout

Scheduled Park Programs:

- **Mondays – Moose Kissing a Goose – 1:30 to 2:30 pm** – games for kids, meet at the new Visitor Centre
- **Mondays and Thursdays – Tipi Talk – 3:30 to 4:30** – meet at the tipi behind the new Visitor Centre
- **Mondays, Tuesdays and Saturdays – Cypress on Stage – 7:30 to 8:30 pm** – various performers at Amphitheatre
- **Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays – Aqua Fit – 12:15 to 1 pm** – ages 13 – adult, \$1.25/person or pool fees apply
- **Tuesdays – Crafty Kids – 1:30 to 2:30 pm** – make a craft dealing with nature, new Visitor Centre
- **Tuesdays and Thursdays – Lane Swim – 12:15 to 1 pm** – 13 years – adult, \$1.25/person or pool fees apply
- **Wednesdays – Aquatic Activities – 6:30 to 7:30 pm** – family fun around and in the pool, pool fees apply
- **Thursdays and Sundays – Wild About Nature – 1:30 to 2:30 pm** – games for young naturalists – New Visitor Centre
- **Fridays – The Warrior Games – 1:30 to 2:30 pm** – traditional Aboriginal games, meet at the tipi behind the new Visitor Centre
- **Fridays – Moose Kissing a Goose – 4 to 5 pm** – games for kids, meet at the new Visitor Centre
- **Fridays – Evening Embers Campfire – 7:30 to 8:30 pm** – campfire songs, skits, special guest and more, meet beside the Amphitheatre
- **Fridays – Ranger of the Night – 10 to 11:30 pm** – astronomy at Lookout Point
- **Saturdays – Swim Improvement Lessons – 8:45 to 11 am** – \$5, register with pool cashier
- **Saturdays – Aquafit – 11 am to 12 pm** – \$1.25/person or pool fees apply
- **Saturdays – Geocaching – 3 to 4:30 pm** – learn to use a provided GPS unit, meet at new Visitor Centre
- **Sundays – Lane Swim – 11 am to 12 noon** – \$1.25/person or pool fees apply
- **Sundays – Crafty Kids – 3:30 to 4:30 pm** – make a craft dealing with nature, new Visitor Centre

- **Sundays – When Does an Elk Become a Moose? – 7:30 to 9 pm** – interpretive hike, meet at Windfall Trail

Park Attractions & Points of Interest:

- Pool now open for summer hours
- Beautiful panoramic views from Bald Butte and Lookout Point
- Several species of wildflowers blooming along hiking trail
- Fort Walsh National Historic Site – 306-662-3590
- T-Rex Discovery Centre – 306-295-4009

Contact: Nick Paquin – 306-857-5507

Danielson

Camping Activity: Weekdays – Heavy, Weekends – Full

Reserve-a-Site: Weekdays – Full, Weekends – Full

Fishing Activity: Fair

Park Attractions & Points of Interest:

- Gardiner Dam Visitor Centre, located on the top of the dam, is open daily from 9 am to 5 pm with displays about the area and a theatre with interpretive videos.

Contacts: Julie Dukat/Joel Perry – 306-857-5507

Douglas

Camping Activity: Weekdays – Heavy, Weekends – Full

Reserve-a-Site: Weekdays – Full, Weekends – Full

Fishing Activity: Fair - walleye, rainbow trout and northern pike

Park Attractions & Points of Interest:

- **Dunes Nature Centre** – open daily 9 am to 5 pm, located across the highway from campground

Contacts: Julie Dukat/Joel Perry – 306-857-5507

Duck Mountain

Camping Activity: Weekdays – Heavy, Weekends – Heavy

Reserve-a-Site: Weekdays – Heavy, Weekends – Heavy

Fishing Activity: Good

- There are three lakes located in Duck Mountain that are great for fishing: Madge Lake, Batka Lake, and Jackfish Lake. Both Madge and Batka have walleye, northern pike, and yellow perch. Jackfish only has perch. Jackfish Lake does not allow motorized boats.

Park Attractions & Points of Interest:

- Madge Lake Golf Resort
- Duck Mountain Lodge
- Pickerel Point Boat Rentals, Store and Concession
- Madge Lake Riding Stables
- Fore Fun Mini Golf

Contact: Amber McLean – 306-542-5516

Echo Valley

Camping Activity: Weekdays – Heavy, Weekends – Full

Reserve-a-Site: Weekdays – Heavy, Weekends – Full

Fishing Activity: Good

Scheduled Park Programs: (young children must be accompanied by an adult)

- **Mondays – Spruce Crew – 2 to 3 pm** – meet at Valley View Laundromat
- **Tuesdays – Echo Valley Heritage Programs – 2 to 4 pm** – meet at Visitor Centre
- **Wednesdays – Outdoor Cooking – 2 to 3 pm** – meet at Interpretive Campfire Pit
- **Thursdays – Crafty Campers – 2 to 3 pm** – meet at Interpretive Campfire Pit
- **Fridays – Junior Naturalist – 2 to 3 pm** – meet at Interpretive Campfire Pit

Park Visitor Notices:

- Water rising on Pasqua and Echo Lakes but still too low for launching boats.
- Low water levels, one dock at Echo Lake, but no docks at Pasqua Lake.

Park Attractions & Points of Interest:

- New service centre in the upper campground
- 4 caches in park with GPS units available to borrow from the Upper Entry Gate
- 3 km self-guided nature trail

Contact: Brittany Simmons – 306-332-3220

Fort Carlton

Camping Activity: Weekdays – Light, Weekends – Light

Reserve-a-Site: Weekdays – Light, Weekends – Light

Fishing Activity: Good

Scheduled Park Programs:

- Fort Carlton continues its regular guided tours of the Visitors' Centre and Fort seven days a week from 10 am to 6 pm. Regular admission of \$2.50 for adults and \$1.00 for youth applies (\$6.00 for families). If you are a tourist wishing for a guided tour of the Fort in French, Spanish or German, please phone in advance to ensure the correct guides are there on the date you arrive.

Special Events:

- **Sunday, August 17 – Festival at the Fort – 1:30 – 4 pm** – This summer, in appreciation for the support of people living in the Fort Carlton area, we are pleased to announce an afternoon of musical entertainment, performed by local musicians Freddie and Sheila Pelletier and the Carlton Quackgrass Band. Don't forget to bring your lawn chair for this once in a lifetime outdoor concert, which is free of charge with regular admission to the Fort.

Park Visitor Notices:

- Highway 212 from Duck Lake in poor condition
- Visitors should be made aware that there are some mosquitoes to be found on the park trails, and of course picnickers and campers should remember that they are in bear country.

Park Attractions & Points of Interest:

- Besides the guided tours of the Fort, the park has walking trails to the river and to the top of the valley overlooking the Fort. Picnic areas are available to the public at no charge. We have no vehicle entry fees but charge park user fees.

Contact: Allan Friesen – 306-467-5205

Good Spirit Lake

Camping Activity: Weekdays – Heavy, Weekends – Heavy

Reserve-a-Site: Weekdays – Heavy, Weekends – Full

Fishing Activity: Good

Special Events:

- **Thursday -August 7 –Busy Beach Bums-10 am:** Everyone welcome to join in some fun and games. Watch for the lady in green.
- **Friday -August 8 –Pond Wonders-2 pm:** Let's find the weird and amazing critters of the pond. Meet at the Rec. Hall to go and do some net dipping and explore aquatic life.
- **Saturday -August 8 –Fire Starting-7 pm:** Learn how to start your own fire using only natural kindling and tinder. We will ignite the fires with flint and steel.
- **Sunday-August 9 –Sand Castle Sculpting-1 pm:** Come join us on the beach for a fun filled afternoon of sand sculpting. Join us to make a huge sandcastle with everyone! Bring your sand toys and have some fun!
- **Sunday-August 9 –Family Games Night-6 pm:** Come join in non-competitive, family oriented games at the Rec. Hall. Feel free to bring board games and join us to have a night of fun.
- **Monday-August 10 –Crafty Critters-10 am:** Join us at the Rec. Hall for some crafts. Different crafts each week. Come be creative.
- **Monday-August 10 –Smokey Bear-1 pm:** Come meet Smokey Bear! He'll be here to promote fire safety. He loves hugs and hand shakes! He'll be at the Rec. Hall.
- **Tuesday-August 11 –Geo-caching-10 am:** Learn to use a GPS unit and find the caches throughout the park. GPS units are available for use outside the program too! Ask the Interpreters to borrow one today!

Park Visitor Notices:

- Bear spotted in park.
- Jiggers Boat Rentals is no longer operating.

Park Attractions & Points of Interest:

- Sand dunes
- Hiking trails
- Mini golf
- Campgrounds, boat launch, beach area with new beach building and playground, Balsam/poplar forest, beach, sand dunes, shallow swimming lake, and hiking trails. Manitou Concession open for the season (hours 10 am-8 pm) Mini Golf open for the season (Monday – Friday 12 – 8 pm, Saturday/Sunday and Stat. Holidays 10 am – 8 pm)
- Good Spirit Market (Monday to Saturday 7 am to 11 pm, Sunday 9 am to 9 pm)
- Good Spirit Golf (Golf Course 8 am to 6:30 pm weekdays, 7 am to 6:30 pm weekends) Restaurant 8 am to 8 pm daily

Contact: Sara Robichaud – 306-792-4750

Greenwater Lake

Camping Activity: Weekdays – Full, Weekends – Full

Reserve-a-Site: Weekdays – Full, Weekends – Full

Fishing Activity: Fair to Good

- Greenwater Lake has perch, walleye and northern pike. Steiestol Lake is stocked with rainbow trout.

Park Attractions & Points of Interest:

- The Park Store, The Beach Café, The Offshore Marina and The Green Hills Golf and Country Club are all open for business within the park.
- Trails including the High Bush Interpretive Trail and the Birding Interpretive Trail.

Contacts: Shannon Murch/Margaret Shuya – 306-278-3515

Lac La Ronge

Camping Activity: Weekdays – Moderate, Weekends – Moderate

Reserve-a-Site: Weekdays – Moderate, Weekends – Heavy

Fishing Activity: Good

Contact: Natasha Mirreman – 306-787-425-4245

Makwa Lake

Camping Activity: Weekdays – Heavy, Weekends – Full

Reserve-a-Site: Weekdays – Heavy, Weekends – Full

Fishing Activity: Fair

Park Visitor Notices:

- Meewasin Hiking Trails – 1, 2 and 6 km. trails
- A new bridge on Highway 699, 12 km. west of Loon Lake is being constructed. There is a small detour from Steele Narrows leading to Bronson Forest Recreation Site.

Park Attractions & Points of Interest:

- Farmer's Market in Loon Lake every Saturday
- Meewasin 1,2 & 6 KM hiking trails

Contact: John Luker – 306-837-2410

Meadow Lake

Camping Activity: Weekdays – Heavy, Weekends – Heavy

Reserve-a-Site: Weekdays and Weekends – Full

Fishing Activity: Excellent

- Fishing is pretty good in Waterhen if you are looking for walleye. The Mustus lakes are always good for northern pike. Mistohay Lake and Lac Des Isles have both northern pike and walleye. You can go to Pierce Lake for a nice sized lake trout. They have been pulling out splake and brown trout from Little Raspberry.

Scheduled Park Programs:

- Daily events take place at the visitor centre with a different animal theme each day. You can learn about the wildlife in the park through a craft, a story and a hike.

Special Events:

- **Thursday – August 7 – Vivian Nature Hike – 3 to 5 pm – Matheson beach crafty corner and nature games – 3 to 5 pm**
- **Friday – August 8 – Kimball Ice age Hike – 11 am; Fire with bannock, pelicans and beaver show – 1 to 4 pm**
- **Saturday – August 9 – Learn to Canoe – 11 am; Special Guest Red Cross and Buckles – 1 to 4 pm**
- **Sunday – August 10 – Paddle the Waterhen River; all equipment will be provided for a small fee**
- **Monday – August 11 – Study the stars program with a variety of activities**
- **Tuesday – August 12 – Study the stars program with a variety of activities**

Park Visitor Notices:

- Swimmer's Itch is out, so take some precautions while swimming.
- The mosquitoes and black flies are bad. There are bears out, so be careful when hiking on our hiking trails. For more information please feel free to contact any of the interpreters at 306-236-7617.

Park Attractions & Points of Interest:

- Please visit the Visitor Centre, which is located at Greig Lake. The Visitor Centre is open from 9 am to 9 pm daily. The Visitor Centre will be staffed with an interpreter from 11 am to 5 pm daily. So if there are any questions, please feel free to stop in and ask one of our friendly interpreters.
- At the Meadow Lake Stampede grounds on July 25 to 27 there will be Chuckwagon Races. They're sure to be lots of fun.

Contacts: Nancy Carberry/Ernie Schwartz – 306-236-7680

Moose Mountain

Camping Activity: Weekdays – Heavy, Weekends – Full

Reserve-a-Site: Weekdays – Heavy, Weekends – Full

Park Attractions & Points of Interest:

- Visitor Center open everyday 10 am – 5 pm. Call – 306-577-2615 for more details.
- Cannington Manor Provincial Park is an early settlement village from the late 1880s that includes 5 recreated buildings along with the original All Saints Anglican Church built in 1884. Our newly renovated Visitor Centre tells the story of British settlers who tried to recreate Victorian society here on the prairies. Costumed interpreters are available to answer questions, share stories and enhance visitor experience with demonstrations and special presentations daily between 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Closed Tuesdays). Cannington Manor is located just 26 km SE of Moose Mountain Provincial Park or 16 km NE of Manor, SK. The four main access roads are grid roads from Wawota, Manor, White Bear Reserve, and Moose Mountain Provincial Park. Costs are \$5 per family, \$2 per adult, \$1 per child (children under 5 are free). Call (306) 739 – 5251 for further details or go online at www.saskparks.net.
- **Thursday, August 7 and Wednesday, August 20 – Candlelight Tour – 8:30 pm - Cannington Manor** – visit the village to hear stories you would not hear on a regular tour, not intended for young children, arrive at 8:30 to make a lantern, tour runs from 9 to 10:30 pm
- **Saturday, August 16 – Old Tyme Event – 1 – 5 pm – Cannington Manor** – the village comes to life with period activities, all ages welcome

Contacts: Sarah Schaefer – 306-577-2615 or Joan Adams – 306-577-2600

Narrow Hills

Camping Activity: Weekdays – Heavy, Weekends – Heavy

Fishing Activity: Good

- Fishing in Lower Fishing Lake has slowed down but people are still able to catch their limits. Ispuchaw Lake anglers are still limiting out on 2-3 pound walleye.

Park Visitor Notices:

- Swimming lessons at Lower Fishing Lake have been cancelled this year. We apologize for any inconvenience.
- **Sunday, August 3 – Cottage Owners Annual General Meeting – 10 am to 12 noon –** Narrow Hills Place

Park Attractions & Points of Interest:

- **Narrow Hills Scenic Drive** – A push moraine was created 10,000 years ago by an ice sheet resurging forward and scraping frozen till into a pile of hills and ridges. From the highest ridge, you can see miles of lakes and boreal forest. Interpretive signs tell the story. Stop by the park office for more information and a trail map.
- **Gem Lakes** – These are a cluster of deep, sand bottom, lakes reflecting colors of emerald, jade and aqua blue. A hiking trail winds around the outer ledge. There are three wilderness camping sites at Jade, Diamond and Opal Lakes. Stop by the park office for more information and directions to the Gems.

Contact: Tanya White – 306-426-2622

Pike Lake

Camping Activity: Weekdays – Heavy, Weekends – Full

Reserve-a-Site: Weekdays – Heavy, Weekends - Full

Scheduled Park Programs:

- **Saturdays – Crafty Campers – 7 pm** – kids participate in creating works of art out of everyday items; at the museum by the campground office.
- **Sundays – Nature Hike - Amazing Adaptations – 10 am** – come explore the various adaptations of the plants and animals of Pike Lake; at the picnic area beside the campground office.
- **Sundays – The Path to the Darkside – 7 pm** – come and explore the omens and myths surrounding the plants and animals at Pike Lake; at the picnic area beside campground office
- **Tuesdays – Geo-Caching – 10 am** – learn to use GPS systems, units supplied
- **Tuesdays – Crafty Campers – 2 pm** – kids participate in creating works of art out of everyday items; at the museum by the campground office
- **Wednesdays – Snails, Pails, and Cattails – 2 pm** – come and explore the life living in Pike Lake, meet at the observation deck

Special Events:

- **Science Center** – The traveling Science Center will be coming to the park to teach children how bugs and animals relate to humans. This will be held at the between The Huddle and the beach from 1 – 5:30 on August 9.
- **Saturday – August 9 – Cozy Campfire – 7 pm** – Come participate in a campfire with your fellow campmates. We will meet at the cement pad by the beach.
- **Sunday – August 10 – Sandcastles – 3 pm** – Come and participate in creating beautiful castles made entirely out of sand. We will meet on the beach near Irene’s Boat Rental.
- **Monday – August 11 – Wild Games – 2 pm** – Come play games with your fellow campers. We will meet beside the campground office.
- **Monday – August 11 – Geo-Caching – 10 am** – Come learn the basics of the GPS and than take your new found skills on our course. We will meet in the picnic area by the campground office.
- **Tuesday – August 12 – Scavenger Hunt – 10 am** – Go on a scavenger hunt with friends and family around Pike Lake and search for your surprise. We will meet by the campground office.
- **Tuesday – August 12 – Crafty Campers – 2 pm** – Kids participate in creating works of art out of everyday items. This is held at the museum by the campground office.

Park Visitor Notices:

- Poison ivy and ticks

Park Attractions & Points of Interest:

- Mini Golf Course is located near the parking lot at Pike Lake. Every Saturday night at 10:30 pm, Glow Mini-Golfing will be available.
- The Huddle Confectionary – providing hot and cold foods while also carrying out amenities for camping.
- Irene's Boat Rental- Boat Rental – Come and rent a kayak, canoe, water bike, paddle boat and more.
- Gift of Green Nature Trail, 1.5 kms
- Swimming pool and waterslide are open from 12:30 to 7:00 pm Monday – Friday and 10:30 am to 7:30 pm Saturday and Sunday.
- **SHAKESPEARE ON THE SASKATCHEWAN FESTIVAL**
 - Saskatoon's best professional summer theatre in tents on the riverbank "in the heart of Saskatoon" featuring The Tempest and Henry IV.
 - Dates: July 2 to August 10, 2008
 - Location: Red and white tents along the South Saskatchewan River near the Mendel Art Gallery
 - Time: All shows begin at 8 pm, Matinees at 1 pm
 - Cost: Matinee: Adults \$23.00, Seniors/Students \$18.00, Youth \$8.50. Evening: Adults \$28.00, Seniors/Students \$23.00, Youth \$18.00
 - Contact: (306) 652-9100 or visit Shakespeare on the Saskatchewan Festival website

Contacts: Craig Banilevie/Adrienne Begg – 306-933-7973

Rowan's Ravine

Camping Activity: Weekdays – Heavy, Weekends – Full

Reserve-a-Site: Weekdays – Heavy, Weekends - Full

Fishing Activity: Fair

Scheduled Park Programs:

- **Mondays – Games Night – 7 pm** – beach change house
- **Thursdays – Crafty Campers – 7 pm** – beach change house
Games Night – 7:30 pm – beach change house
- **Fridays – Storytime – 7 pm** – Site #297 Campground Hosts
- **Saturdays – Crafty Campers – 2 pm** – if no other events are scheduled

Contact: Verna Lynn Gorrill – 306-725-5200

Saskatchewan Landing

Camping Activity: Weekdays – Heavy, Weekends – Heavy

Reserve-a-Site: Weekdays – Full, Weekends – Full

Fishing Activity: Good

- Fishing is very good, especially north of the Swift Current Creek

Scheduled Park Programs:

- **Continuing** throughout the summer until September 1
- **Thursdays – Campfire – 8 pm** – Join us at Sagebrush Theater on and make yourself a s'more or some delicious bannock. Please bring your own wiener stick.
- **Fridays – Movie Night – 7:30 pm** – Come watch a great movie with us at Sagebrush Theater – movies will be appropriate for all ages but use own discretion.
- **Fridays – Story Time – 5 pm** – Come and join us and listen to an interpreter read a story or two. Bring your imaginations and voices along to the Sagebrush Theater

- **Saturdays – “Out N’ About” – 4 pm** – Come to the Sagebrush Theatre and have a lot of fun playing games, getting active, and doing a variety of activities.
- **Saturdays – Junior Naturalist – 7 pm** - A program led by the park interpreters that teaches kids about something in the park, while having fun! A different program is held every scheduled **Saturdays** at the Sagebrush Theater.
- **Sunday – Crafty Camper – 11 am – Throughout the week** – During each session of Crafty Camper we will learn about something in the park by constructing a craft at the Sagebrush Theater. Look for Crafty Camper on scheduled.

Special Events:

- **Friday -August 8th -Kids on the Block-7PM** -This is an educational and entertaining puppet performance that focuses on acceptance and appreciation of differences. This will be held at the Sagebrush Theater.
- **Saturday- August 9th -Karate Presenter and activities-4 PM**-Come to the Sagebrush theatre for some kung-fu FUN! A karate instructor from Swift Current, Brian Smout of Southwest Best Martial Arts, is doing a karate presentation that involves activities and learning for everyone who comes!

Park Visitor Notices:

- Ticks

Park Attractions & Points of Interest:

- Geocaching program set up along 3 interpretive trails and main beach area with information and GPS units available for use at the Goodwin House

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The Battlefords

Camping Activity: Weekdays – Heavy, Weekends – Heavy

Reserve-a-Site: Weekdays –Heavy, Weekends – Full

Fishing Activity: Good

- Jackfish Lake water level is normal and the boat launch is operational.
- Jackfish and Murray Lakes are stocked with walleye and have naturally reproducing stocks of northern pike, perch and whitefish

Scheduled Park Programs: Interpretative Centre is located in the Administration Office and is open 8 am – 5 pm Monday – Friday. The Interpretative Centre has self-guided displays and reference books. Nature backpacks are available for sign out at the entry gate.

Special Events:

Park Attractions & Points of Interest:

- **Jackfish Lodge Golf and Conference Centre** – first rate hotel accommodations with a fully licensed dining room, lounge and patio overlooking the lake while being situated right on a first class 18 hole golf course
- **Beachside Store** – basic camping sundries, food concession, giftware and ice cream available
- **Lake Shore Mini Golf** – 18 hole mini golf – fun for all ages!
- **Large groomed beach area** with picnic sites, beach volleyball nets, horseshoe pits and playground
- **Self-guided interpretive nature trail** – Cacti and Cranberries Interpretive Trail, 1.1 kms., located across the highway from the South Campground
- **Group Campsites** – for family reunions, weddings and company outings are available
- **Spectacular sunset views**

- **Battlefords Sailing Club Summer Sailing School** – 306-445-4881 (days) – 306-445-4681 (evenings)
 - **Curious Events Tours** – Fort Battleford –306-937-4424
 - **Northwest Territorial Days** – Parade August 11, Exhibition 12-15 – 306- 445-2024
- Contacts:** Angela Heidel/Dawn McBain – 306-386-2212