



# Ponca State Park

## July 18– 24, 2016



### Monday, July 18

**9:00 am—11:00 am Introduction to Archery and Shotguns**— Introductory courses on archery and shotguns will be offered at the shooting complex with all equipment provided at the shooting range. Archery participants must be 5 years old or older and shotgun participants must be 12 years old or older. **Meet and pay at the Eric Wiebe Shooting Complex. Cost \$1/6 arrows for archery; \$7 / box of shotgun ammunition.**

**1:00 pm –3:00 pm Beginning Fishing Clinic** — Tying knots, safety concerns, fish ID, casting and other hands-on demonstrations will be presented. Bait and equipment provided. **Meet at the Resource & Education Center. Free.**

**3:00 pm Bird Hike**—Take a bird hike with a naturalist. Learn the basics of birding and the common birds found at Ponca State Park. We will hike Old Oak Trail (1 mile) and check out the new bird viewing blind along the trail. **Meet at the West Shelter. Free.**



### Tuesday, July 19

**9:00 am —11:00 am Introduction to Pellet Rifles** — Join us for an introductory course on pellet rifles. Participants must be 8 years of age or older to participate. All equipment is provided. **Meet and pay at Eric Wiebe Shooting Complex. Cost is \$1/4 clips.**

**11:00 am; 1:30 pm Kayaking** — Learn the basic skills of kayaking in an “off-river” backwater area. Fine-tune your kayaking skills while touring our backwater area and viewing wildlife. Pre-register at the Resource and Education Center. **Meet and pay at the Resource and Education Center. Must be 12 years of age or older and the cost is \$12.00/person.**

**1:00 pm Campfire Cooking with Kids** — Learn how to cook over an open fire including pudgy pies, popcorn, and much more. Participants will also learn how to build a campfire and a few fire starting tips. **Please pre-register at the Resource and Education Center. Meet at the West Shelter House. Cost is \$3.00/person and limited to 20 people.**



**3:00 pm A Grave Mistake**— The town of Mayberry’s water supply has been contaminated! Become a detective and track down the source of this water problem in an interactive game. **Meet at the Resource and Education Center. Free.**

## Wednesday, July 20

**9:00 am—11:00 am Introduction to Archery and Muzzleloaders**— Introductory courses on archery and muzzleloaders will be offered with all equipment provided. Archery participants must be 5 years or older and muzzleloader participants must be 12 years or older. **Meet and pay at the Eric Wiebe Shooting Complex. Cost \$1/6 arrows for archery; \$1/ shot.**

**1:00 pm Outdoor Survivor** — Learn how to survive in the outdoors – just in case! Learn skills related to providing food, water and shelter in the outdoors. Participants will be able to try a variety of fire starting methods. **Meet at the Turkey Ridge Campground. Free.**



**3:00 pm Bird Hurdles** — Do you think birds have an easy life? All they do is fly, sing, and build nests, right? Think again. Come play bird hurdles and see if you can survive the day as a bird. **Meet at the Resource and Education Center. Free.**

## Thursday, July 21

**9:00 am —11:00 am Introduction to Pellet Rifles and .22 Rifles** — Join us for an introductory course on pellet rifles and .22 rifles. Pellet rifle participants must be at least 8 years of age, and .22 rifle participants must be at least 10 years of age to participate. All equipment is provided. **Meet and pay at each range located in the shooting complex. Cost is \$1/4 pellet rifle clips and \$3/ 10 rounds of .22 ammunition.**



**1:00 pm To Be or Not To Be a Turkey** — Benjamin Franklin wanted to make the wild turkey, not the Bald Eagle, our national bird. Come and find out about this amazing bird and see if you agree with Mr. Franklin. Participants will also be playing an interactive game. **Meet at the Resource and Education Center. Free.**

**3:00 pm Beginners Bass Fishing Clinic** — Bass is the most sought after fish in the United States. Learn how to catch this intelligent fish. Participants will view a live bass and try their hand at fishing. **Meet at the Resource and Education Center. Free.**

## Friday, July 22

**9:00 am —11:00 am Introduction to Archery** — Introductory courses on archery will be offered at the shooting complex with all equipment provided. Archery participants must be 5 years or older. **Meet and pay at the Eric Wiebe Shooting Complex. Cost \$1/6 arrows for archery.**



**1:00 pm Heroes vs. Foes** — Sometimes the “disgusting” animals are the most interesting! Learn about some good guys who get a bad name. The facts might surprise you. You will even get to touch a live snake! **Meet at the Resource and Education Center. Free.**

**3:00 pm Happy Hoppers** — Frogs and Toads oh my! Figure out who is who while participating in a fun craft. Participants will also get the opportunity to head down to the pond for some happy hopper catching excitement. **Meet at the Resource and Education Center. \$1 per craft.**

## Saturday, July 23

**9:00 am-11:00 am Introduction to Archery and Shotguns**—Introductory course for beginners in archery and shotguns will be provided with all equipment at the shooting range. Archery participants must be 5 years or older and shotgun participants must be 12 years or older. Meet and pay at the archery range in the Eric Wiebe Shooting Complex. **Cost \$1/6 arrows; \$7/ box of shotgun ammunition.**



**11:00 am; 1:30 pm; 3:30 pm Backwater Kayaking**— Learn the basic skills of kayaking in the Missouri's backwaters. This a great place to fine-tune your kayaking skills while touring our backwater area and viewing wildlife. **Meet and pay at the Resource and Education Center. Must be 12 years of age or older. Cost is \$12.00/person.**

**11:30 am Critter Corner**— Critter Corner is very popular with all ages. This program provides a snapshot of wildlife found along the Missouri River. Participants will see, touch, and sometimes smell live critters, furs, feathers, shells, skulls, etc. **Meet at the Resource & Education Center. Free.**

**1:00 pm– 3:00 pm Introduction to .22 Rifles** — Join us for an introductory course on .22 rifles. Participants must be at least 10 years to participate. All equipment is provided. **Meet and pay at Eric Wiebe Shooting Complex. Cost is \$3/ 10 rounds of .22 ammunition.**

**1:00 pm Weather Watcher**— Weather is determined by temperature, moisture, and wind. Learn about these 3 factors through hands-on weather experiments. **Meet Resource and Education Center. Free.**

**3:00 pm Animal Charades** — Animals are full of various behaviors. Discover what makes an animal wild or domestic. At this program, we will compete in animal charades for prizes. **Meet at Turkey Ridge Campground. Free.**



**5:00 pm; 6:15 pm; 7:30 pm Hayrack Park Tour (45min)**— Learn everything you wanted to know about Ponca State Park. *Please pre-register at the front desk. Maximum of 25 people allowed per tour, minimum of 12 people.* **Meet and pay at the Resource and Education Center. Cost is \$4for Adults, \$2 for Children ages 3-12 years.**

## Sunday, July 24

**9:00 am– 11:00 am Introduction to Atlatl** — Atlatl Participants will learn how to use the ancient Paleo-Indian spear throwing tool, called an atlatl. Participants will understand how it works and how this weapon helped our ancient ancestors survive. All equipment will be provided. **Meet at the Atlatl range in the Eric Wiebe Shooting Complex. \$1/6 throws.**

**1:00 pm Finding your Way**— Have you ever been lost in a forest or a mall? Discover how to find your way with landmarks and a compass. X marks the spot. We will use a compass to find the hidden treasure. **Meet Resource and Education Center. Free.**

**3:00 pm Fish of the Missouri** — Learn about the different types of fish found in the Missouri River. Depending upon the availability of fish and weather, we will be seining for fishing and viewing our catch. Be prepared to get wet. Older shoes or water shoes are recommended. **Meet at Riverfront.**



Visit our Facebook Page, [Nebraska Northeast Park](#) to view our upcoming events at Ponca State Park. All programs subject to change due to staffing/weather. For questions please call at (402)-755-2284.