

# Webster County Conservation 2013 Public Outdoor Events

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## Cross Country Skiing

Jan. 12 9 — 11 am Dolliver Park  
Jan. 19 9 — 11 am Dolliver Park  
Feb. 2 9 — 11 am Brushy Creek  
Enjoy winter's crisp air and great way to exercise in Iowa's outdoor parks. Equipment use is free these days.

## Twilight Skiing & Snowshoeing

Kennedy Park Reception Center

Jan. 25 5—7 pm

Feb. 8 5—7 pm

Wind down from work or school, bring family or friends, and ski with the stars around Kennedy Park. Bring a headlamp or borrow one of WCCB's.

## Cross County Ski & Snowshoe Rental (summarized)

Cross-country skis sets or snowshoes may be rented and used throughout the county at your leisure. Equipment must be picked up by 4:00 pm Friday and returned to the by 4:00 pm Monday. For Sat. ski dates listed above, equipment may be rented immediately following.

**Rental fees**, paid at the time of check-out, are as follows:

Kids under 18 with a parent **FREE**  
ski pkg (skis, boots, poles) / snowshoes **\$10/weekend**

A **deposit of \$100 per set** of skis or snowshoes must also be paid at the time of reservation.

## Jan. 25 Full Moon Hike

7:30—8:30 pm Kennedy Park Rec. Ctr.

Meet at the Reception Center and hike with Karen around Badger Lake. Witness how night vision works, search for animal tracks, and savor the beautiful stars against the night sky.

## April 10 Hunter Safety

6—9 pm on-line field day Kennedy Park

Must take class on-line and bring certificate of completion to field day class. Register online at [www.iowadnr.gov/](http://www.iowadnr.gov/) training. Pre-registration is required.

## April 15 Campground OPENS

Per night rates are: \$20 for full hook-up; \$18 for electric site; \$12 for primitive site.

## April 20 Cache-In Trash-Out

9—11 am meet at Brushy's Prairie Center  
Cache In Trash Out is a way of finding "treasures" using GPS units and taking out the trash as you go. Kids can find Easter eggs or other special surprises. Some GPSs will be available to use. Wear old shoes and work gloves.

## April 21 Hy-Vee Half Marathon

FD to Kennedy Park

Challenge yourself to a half marathon from FD to Kennedy Park or run a 5K at the park.

## April 21 Spring Park Festival

(Earth Day Celeb.)

Maple syrup making, prairie burning, and archeology learning session are planned. Join the family-oriented fun. Details TBA

## May 4 Paddle the Lizard or DM River

1:00 pm *route to be determined*

Call Karen for reservations or more information.

## May 11 Duane Bills Fishing Derby

1:00 — 4:00 pm Badger Lake, Kennedy Park

Bring the family for fishing fun and prizes.

## May 9 Plant Some Shade

3—6 pm Kennedy Park

Pick up day for pre-ordered trees for Mid-American Energy customers. See [www.midamericanenergy.com](http://www.midamericanenergy.com)

## May 24 Moonlight Paddling

9:00 pm Brushy Creek, south boat ramp

Canoes with lights will be provided on a first come, first serve basis. Lights required on vessels you bring.

## May 25 Paddle the Lizard or DM River

1:00 pm *route to be determined*

Call Karen for reservations or more information.

## June 7, 8, 9 Free Fishing Weekend

## June 8 Fishing Derby

10 am — Noon Brushy Creek fish pier

For beginners with a parent. Meet at fish pier point. Equipment, bait, and lunch provided.

## June 1 & 2 3-D Archery Shoot

8 am — 3 pm Kennedy Park

Join the Webster Co. Bowhunters & Archery Assoc. for 3-D marksmanship on the Badger Lake Trail. \$12/shooter.

### June 15 Women in the Outdoors

8 am — 4:30 pm Brushy Creek PRC  
For women wanting to learn outdoor skills. Fee covers meals, drinks, & supplies. Cost is \$ 30

### June 22 Moonlight Paddling

9:00 pm Brushy Creek, south boat ramp  
Canoes with lights will be provided on a first come, first serve basis. Lights required on vessels you bring.

### June 29 Prairie Hike

10:00 am Brushy Creek PRC  
Meet at Root Cellar Prairie and join prairie biologist, Bill Johnson, for a bit of prairie history and plant ID.

### July 6–13 Project AWARE river clean-up

July 11 & 12 in Webster County  
Project AWARE is a watershed awareness river expedition that includes a week-long volunteer clean-up effort. The last few days of this event will be in Webster County.  
[www.iowadnr.gov/Recreation/CanoeingKayaking/ProjectAWARE](http://www.iowadnr.gov/Recreation/CanoeingKayaking/ProjectAWARE)

### July 19 Moonlight Paddling

9:00 pm Brushy Creek, south boat ramp  
Canoes with lights will be provided on a first come, first serve basis. Lights required on vessels you bring.

### July 13 & 14 3-D Archery Shoot

8 am — 3 pm Kennedy Park  
Join the Webster Co. Bow hunters & Archery Assoc. for 3-D marksmanship on the Badger Lake Trail. \$12 / shooter

### Aug. 1 Prairie Hike

6:00 pm Liska-Stanek Prairie  
Meet at Liska-Stanek Prairie located 2.5 miles south of Hwy 20 on P51 or Johnson Ave.

### Aug. 2 & 3 Dragon Boat Bash

Time TBA Badger Lake, Kennedy Park  
Sponsored by Badger Lake Dragon Boat Association.

### Aug. 5, 6, 8 Hunter Safety

5:30–9 pm Kennedy Park's Heun shelter  
Register online at [www.iowadnr.gov/training](http://www.iowadnr.gov/training); then stop at Keith's Outdoors in Fort Dodge to get the HS manual.

### Aug. 10 & 11 3-D Archery Shoot

8 am–3 pm Kennedy Park  
Join the Webster Co. Bowhunters & Archery Assoc. for 3-D marksmanship on Badger Lake Trail. \$12 / shooter

### Aug. 17 Adventure Race

8:00 am Fort Dodge area  
Join a friendly "eco-challenge" as participants bike to Kennedy Park, run and kayak around Badger Lake

### Aug. 20 Moonlight Paddling

8:00 pm Brushy Creek, south boat ramp  
Canoes with lights will be provided on a first come, first serve basis. Lights required on vessels you bring.

### Aug. 24 or Sept. 7 Butterfly Tagging

1:00 pm Brushy Creek PRC  
Join wildlife biologists for an afternoon of fun tagging monarch butterflies and learning about winged beauties.

### Sept. 21 Fun Run

evening Kennedy Park

### Sept. 22 Fall Park Festival

Time TBA Kennedy Park  
Join us and practice outdoor skills such as bb gun shooting, archery, atlatl throwing, animal calls, canoeing, kayaking, geo-caching, etc.

### Oct. 15 Campground CLOSES

Kennedy Park

### Oct. 20 Friends Banquet

5:00 pm Kennedy Park's Heun shelter  
Enjoy the food, fellowship, and program at the annual banquet for the Friends of Webster County Conservation. Guest speaker will be adventure seeker, \_\_\_\_\_, who is culminating the 2013 Adventure Series.

### Oct. 23 Hunter Safety

6 – 9 pm on-line field day Kennedy Park  
Must take class on-line and bring certificate of completion to field day class. Register online at [www.iowadnr.gov/training](http://www.iowadnr.gov/training). Pre-registration is required.

### Nov. 9 Night Hike

7:00 pm Skillet Creek Ind. Mds.  
The wonders of an ancient burial site and the excitement of walking in the dark make for an interesting evening.

### Dec. TBA Lights At Kennedy

Kennedy Park campground  
Drive thru the Kennedy Park campground and enjoy Ser-toma-sponsored lighting displays.