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Adams County



Juneau County



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# LOCAL AREA EVENTS

## **JANUARY**

1st Day Hike | Necedah & Friendship  
Hardwater Freaks Ice Fisheree | Nekoosa  
Annual Rustic Ridge Riders Castle Rock Ribbon Ride | Friendship  
Indoor Ice Fishing Palooza Fisheree | Nekoosa  
Winter Wine Series (Jan-Mar) | Friendship  
Annual Ladies Night Out | Friendship

## **FEBRUARY**

Cabin Fever Days | Necedah  
Lake Arrowhead Snoblast | Nekoosa  
Winter Fest | New Lisbon  
Annual Lake Camelot Ice Fisheree | Nekoosa  
Tri Norse Annual Ski Jump Tournament | Nekoosa  
A Chocolate Affair | Adams

## **MARCH**

St. Patrick's Day Celebration | Wisconsin Dells & Nekoosa  
Walleye Days Catch & Release Fishing Tournament (March-April) | Nekoosa  
Slow & Steady Tour | New Lisbon  
Friends of James Beard Chef Invitational | Nekoosa  
Superhero Races | Nekoosa

## **APRIL**

Junior Duck Stamp Competition | Necedah  
Spring Craft Fair | New Lisbon  
Spring Fever Run | Nekoosa  
Princess Tea Party | Mauston  
New Lisbon Easter Egg Hunt  
Annual Easter Egg Hunt | County Wide  
Work Play Earth Day | Friendship  
Adult Easter Egg Hunt | Friendship & Nekoosa

## **MAY**

Automotion | Wisconsin Dells  
Polka Fest | Wisconsin Dells

## **MAY (CONTD)**

Duck Derby | Friendship  
Spring Wine Walk | New Lisbon  
Annual Wisconsin River Meats Parkfest | Mauston  
North Central Trap Collectors Swap Meet | Friendship  
Annual Dove's Nest Fundraiser | Nekoosa  
Tunes on the Turn (May-Aug) | Nekoosa  
Rome Farmers Market (May-Sept, Fridays)  
Polish Flea & Farmers Market (May-Oct, Saturdays & Sundays) | Adams  
The Adams Flea & Farmers Market (May-Oct, Saturdays & Sundays)  
Annual Dash for the Dogs | Nekoosa

## **JUNE**

Great Annual Bicycling Adventure | Adams  
Elroy Fair  
Summer Smash | Mauston  
Rome Sno Bandits Classic Car, Bike & Snowmobile Show  
Historic Point Basse Pioneer Festival | Nekoosa  
New Lisbon Community Fest  
Annual Junior PG4 Golf Outing | Wisconsin Dells  
Food Truck Festival | Adams County Wide  
Nekoosa Shopping Extravaganza  
Patio Palooza Craft & Vendor Market | Nekoosa  
Bonfire Music Festival | Necedah  
Old Fashioned Days | Wonewoc  
Annual Spring Into Summer | Nekoosa  
Annual Little Bit of Nash | Nekoosa  
Annual Car Cruise | Adams

## **JULY**

Fireworks At Dusk | Adams  
Roche-A-Cri Lions Rec Days | Arkdale  
Annual 4th of July Parade & Picnic | Friendship  
Lake Arrowhead Classic Auto Show | Nekoosa  
Parkfest | Lyndon Station  
4th of July Parade | Adams

## **JULY (CONTD)**

WTA State Shoot | Nekoosa  
The Boogiedown Music Festival | Necedah  
WTA State Shoot | Nekoosa  
Patriotic Days | Friendship  
Annual Petenwell Poker Run | Nekoosa  
Annual Trails & Tails Fundraiser Ride | Nekoosa

## **AUGUST**

Adams County Fair | Friendship  
Mauston Summer Parade  
Juneau County Fair | Mauston  
Lake Camelot Frolic | Nekoosa  
Annual Corn-N-Tater Fest | Grand Marsh  
Da Dells Dirtiest Dash | Wisconsin Dells  
Sidewalk Days | Friendship  
Food Truck Rally | Nekoosa  
Adams County Sidewalk Days  
Big Flats Fire Department Dance  
Ho-Chunk Pow-Wow | Adams  
Annual Lake Arrowhead Craft Show | Nekoosa  
Waterfest on Castle Rock Lake | Area Wide  
Annual Tir-Norse Mini Mudder | Nekoosa

## **SEPTEMBER**

Wo-Zha-Wa Days Fall Festival | Wisconsin Dells  
Dash to the Dells Show | Wisconsin Dells  
Apple Dumpling Day Festival | Elroy  
Fall Wine Walk | New Lisbon  
Art in the Park | Friendship  
Antique Farmers Club Show | Friendship  
Annual Fundraiser for Maj Jones & SSGT Vinney | Wisconsin Dells  
Haunted Halloween Hayrides (Sept-Oct) | Mauston  
Think Snow UTV Fun Ride | Friendship  
Friendship Fall Fest

## **OCTOBER**

Giant Pumpkin Fest | Nekoosa  
Rome Children's Halloween Party & Open House  
Dells on Tap | Wisconsin Dells  
Midwest 21+ Halloween BJJ Retreat & Party | Friendship  
Spirit Walk | Nekoosa  
Colorama | Nekoosa  
Adams County Vintage Shop Hop | Friendship  
Dells Rare Barrel Affair | Wisconsin Dells  
ChiliFest | Nekoosa  
Powersports Show, Swap Meet, & Vintage Show | Friendship  
Fall ATV/UTV Ride | Nekoosa  
Devil's Dash Scavenger Hunt | Adams County Wide  
Halloween Party | Arkdale & Friendship  
Halloween Party & Costume Contest | Adams  
Trunk or Treat | Nekoosa

## **NOVEMBER**

Veteran's Day Celebration | Rome  
Tree of Light (Nov-Jan) | Wisconsin Dells  
Rome Tree Lighting (Nov-Jan)  
Jingle & Mingle Holiday Kickoff | Friendship  
Old Fashioned Holiday Craft Fair | Nekoosa  
Nekoosa Turkey Trot  
Holiday Light Up Parade | Friendship  
Annual Youth, Local & Vets Breakfast Brunch Banquet | Adams

## **DECEMBER**

Lake Arrowhead New Year's Eve Party | Nekoosa  
Tree of Light | Wisconsin Dells  
Christmas in Rome | Nekoosa  
Breakfast with Santa | Nekoosa  
ChristmasMarket & Photos with Santa | Friendship  
Holiday Happening | Friendship

*\*Events are subject to change*



# RESIDENTIAL SERVICES

## ADAMS COUNTY

|  |                |
|--|----------------|
| Administrative Coordinator/County Manager..... | (608) 339-4579 |
| Aging & Disability.....                        | 339-4251       |
| Child Support .....                            | 339-4228       |
| Clerk of Circuit Court .....                   | 339-4208       |
| Corporation Counsel .....                      | 339-4267       |
| County Clerk .....                             | 339-4200       |
| District Attorney .....                        | 339-4217       |
| Emergency Management .....                     | 339-4248       |
| Health & Human Services .....                  | 339-4505       |
| Highway Department .....                       | 339-3355       |
| Land & Water Conservation .....                | 339-4268       |
| Maintenance .....                              | 339-4282       |
| Parks & Recreation .....                       | 339-4230       |
| Planning & Zoning .....                        | 339-4222       |
| Register in Probate .....                      | 339-4213       |
| Register of Deeds .....                        | 339-4206       |
| Sheriff .....                                  | 339-3304       |
| Solid Waste & Recycling .....                  | 339-9178       |
| Treasurer .....                                | 339-4202       |
| UW Extension .....                             | 339-4237       |
| Veterans Services .....                        | 339-4221       |

## JUNEAU COUNTY

|                                 |                 |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| Aging & Disability.....         | (608) 847-9371  |
| Child Support .....             | 847-9475        |
| Clerk of Circuit Court .....    | 847-9356        |
| Corporation Counsel .....       | 847-9321        |
| County Clerk .....              | 847-9300        |
| District Attorney .....         | 847-9314        |
| Emergency Management .....      | 847-9393        |
| Health Department .....         | 847-9373        |
| Housing Authority .....         | 847-7309        |
| Human Services .....            | 847-2400        |
| Land, Forestry & Parks .....    | 847-9389        |
| Land & Water Conservation ..... | 847-7221 Ext. 3 |
| Maintenance.....                | 847-9340        |
| Public Works Department .....   | 847-5874        |
| Register in Probate .....       | 847-9346        |
| Register of Deeds .....         | 847-9325        |
| Sanitation & Zoning .....       | 847-9391        |
| Sheriff .....                   | 847-5649        |
| Solid Waste & Recycling .....   | 562-5233        |
| Surveyor .....                  | 847-9339        |
| Treasurer .....                 | 847-9308        |
| UW Extension .....              | 847-9329        |
| Veterans Services .....         | 847-9385        |

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Originally home to Menominee & Ho Chunk tribes, Adams County was first settled in the 1830s as lumbercamps were established throughout the area. It was named in honor of President John Adams and Quincy was selected as the county seat until it was moved by voters to Friendship in 1858. Early residents raised crops, farmed livestock and harvested timber, and the area grew slowly until the development of the railroad. By 1900 its population had reached 9,141 and the area continued to grow. Today Adams County is home to approximately 20,088 residents.

## **CITIES:**

**ADAMS** – pop. 1,967

## **VILLAGES:**

**FRIENDSHIP (COUNTY SEAT)** – pop. 725

## **TOWNS:**

**ADAMS** – pop. 1,345

**BIG FLATS** – pop. 1,018

**COLBURN** – pop. 223

**DELL PRAIRIE** – pop. 1,590

**EASTON** – pop. 1,130

**JACKSON** – pop. 1,003

**LEOLA** – pop. 308

**LINCOLN** – pop. 296

**MONROE** – pop. 398

**NEW CHESTER** – pop. 2,254

**NEW HAVEN** – pop. 655

**PRESTON** – pop. 1,393

**QUINCY** – pop. 896

**RICHFIELD** – pop. 158

**ROME** – pop. 2,720

**SPRINGVILLE** – pop. 1,318

**STRONGS PRAIRIE** – pop. 1,150

*\*Populations are approximate.*

## **ADAMS**

Adams was organized in 1857 and was once part of Grand Marsh and Lincoln. The fertile soil provided the means necessary for raising grain and harvesting cranberries and many settlers arrived to farm the land. Land speculators offered the railroad company a lower price than nearby Friendship and rail lines were built through Adams, allowing for dramatic growth and development. Today Adams is home to approximately 1,967 residents.

## **DELL PRAIRIE**

Settlers were attracted to the fertile soil, ample timber and access to water of the Dell Prairie area. Its name was a combination of the Dalles found nearby and the lush prairie essential for grazing stock. By 1876, a church and school were established to meet the growing needs of the community. Early businesses included blacksmith shops, a wagon shop, general store, trout pond, dance hall and specialty shops. Today Dell Prairie is home to approximately 1,590 residents.

## **EASTON**

Easton was originally part of New Chester until 1857 when the towns were divided. The nearby stream provided the power necessary for a flour mill as the soil was ideal for raising wheat, oats, grains and also cranberries. By 1880 a dam was constructed to harvest and breed trout, and the community housed a millinery shop, blacksmith shop, lumber mill and general store. Today Easton is home to approximately 1,130 residents.

## **FRIENDSHIP (COUNTY SEAT)**

Friendship was platted by Luther Stowell and William Burbank and named after their hometown in New York. Residents successfully petitioned the relocation of the county seat from Quincy to Friendship in 1858 and the area began to grow. By 1880 Friendship housed a variety of businesses including mills, general stores, grocery stores, hardware stores, feed and farming implements, blacksmith shops, law offices, a printing office and courthouse. Construction of the railroad through nearby Adams affected the area's growth and the community's population was subsequently affected. Today Friendship is home to approximately 725 residents.

## **NEW CHESTER**

New Chester was originally part of Easton until 1857 when the towns were divided. The first church was established in 1858 and early residents harvested timber, farmed crops, raised livestock and quarried limestone. As rail lines were constructed, the area began to grow and schools were established to meet the needs of the community. Today New Chester is home to approximately 2,254 residents.



## **PRESTON**

Preston was organized as settlers were attracted to the fertile farmland, proximity to water and pristine landscape. Mills were established to harvest the water power and the area was known for its excellent cranberry production. It is home to the only state park in Adams County and the Roche-A-Cri Mound, a sandstone formation which attracts many visitors. Today Preston is home to approximately 1,393 residents.

## **QUINCY**

Quincy, one of the oldest towns in Adams County, was originally selected as the county seat. Settlers were attracted to the ample water supply of nearby Castle Rock Lake. Mills and a dam were established to harvest its power. The county seat was moved to Friendship in 1858 and the community continued to thrive. Early industry was dominated by agriculture as residents raised livestock and farmed crops. Today Quincy is home to approximately 896 residents.

## **ROME**

Rome was settled by pioneers who were drawn to the easy access to water, fertile soil and ample timber. Early residents farmed cranberries and harvested grain and many flour and timber mills were established. By 1880 a hotel, general store, grocery store, lumberyard, school and specialty shops were thriving. It is now widely known for its excellent recreational opportunities that attract many visitors each year. Today Rome is home to approximately 2,720 residents.

## **SPRINGVILLE**

Once home to an Indian camping ground known as Indian Spring, Springville was settled in the mid 1800s. Its name was derived from the abundant spring water streams found throughout the area which powered several flour mills and early industry was dominated by agriculture. By 1880 Springville housed a school and grocery store and the area continued to grow. Today Springville is home to approximately 1,318 residents.

## **STRONGS PRAIRIE**

Strongs Prairie, once the most populous community in Adams County, was settled in the 1850s. Pioneers were attracted to the ample water supply and fertile farmland. The area grew dramatically as flour mills were established. By 1876, the area housed several grocery stores, general stores, a wagon shop, blacksmith shop, shoe shop and a church. Today Strongs Prairie is home to approximately 1,150 residents.



Originally home to Ho-Chunk tribes, Juneau County was first settled in the 1830s as trading posts were established throughout the area. It was organized from Adams County in 1857 and Mauston was selected as the county seat. Early residents raised wheat, tobacco, corn and cranberries, and ample timber supplied the sawmills that were established along the local rivers. Development of the railroad allowed for growth and by 1900 its population had reached 20,629. Today Juneau County is home to approximately 26,451 residents.



## **CITIES:**

**ELROY** – pop. 1,463

**MAUSTON (COUNTY SEAT)** – pop. 4,331

**NEW LISBON** – pop. 2,353

**WISCONSIN DELLS** – pop. 2,468

## **VILLAGES:**

**CAMP DOUGLAS** – pop. 557

**HUSTLER** – pop. 115

**LYNDON STATION** – pop. 449

**NECEDAH** – pop. 843

**UNION CENTER** – pop. 214

**WONEWOC** – pop. 758

## **TOWNS:**

**ARMENIA** – pop. 871

**CLEARFIELD** – pop. 760

**CUTLER** – pop. 316

**FINLEY** – pop. 79

**FOUNTAIN** – pop. 629

**GERMANTOWN** – pop. 1,315

**KILDARE** – pop. 580

**KINGSTON** – pop. 54

**LEMONWEIR** – pop. 1,801

**LINDINA** – pop. 715

**LISBON** – pop. 999

**LYNDON** – pop. 1,410

**MARION** – pop. 450

**NECEDAH** – pop. 2,274

**ORANGE** – pop. 556

**PLYMOUTH** – pop. 639

**SEVEN MILE CREEK** – pop. 480

**SUMMIT** – pop. 717

**WONEWOC** – pop. 723

*\*Populations are approximate.*

## **CAMP DOUGLAS**

Camp Douglas was settled as the Milwaukee Road was established through Juneau County in the 1850s. The area was first known as Douglas Camp Junction in honor of James Douglas who founded a fueling camp for the local railroad. In 1889 a rifle range was constructed for the Wisconsin National Guard which is now Volk Field Air National Guard Base that currently employs many of its residents. Today Camp Douglas is home to approximately 557 residents.

## **ELROY**

Elroy was settled in the 1850s and the first post office was established in 1857. Streets were platted the following year and mills and a dam were constructed to harvest the local water power. Railroad development allowed for dramatic growth and in 1879 Elroy was incorporated. The area is now known for the 32 mile Elroy-Sparta Trail which attracts many recreational enthusiasts each year. Today Elroy is home to approximately 1,463 residents.

## **HUSTLER**

Hustler was settled in the 1870s as rail lines were constructed through the area. Streets were platted in 1894 and by 1914 the community housed an opera house, lumberyard, meat market, bank and an array of specialty shops. The area grew slowly but remains a tight-knit community, celebrating its Hustler Fest each year. Today Hustler is home to approximately 115 residents.

## **LYNDON STATION**

Beginning as a logging camp in 1838, Lyndon Station was organized in 1857. The name was suggested by James Cope, after his hometown of Lindon, Vermont. The first school was established in 1877 and John Dixon served as the area's first postmaster. Railroad construction allowed for growth and early industry was dominated by lumbering and agriculture. Today Lyndon Station is home to approximately 449 residents.

## **MAUSTON (COUNTY SEAT)**

Mauston, first known as Maughs Mills, was settled in the 1850s and its name was derived from Milton Maughs who platted streets in 1854. The area grew quickly as settlers were attracted to the fertile soil, ample water supply and heavy timber. Mauston was incorporated in 1860 and by 1869 businesses included harness shops, general stores, a barber shop, shoe shop, pharmacy, bank, lumberyard and specialty shops. Mauston was selected as the county seat and the area continued to develop. In 1876 the Boorman House was constructed which now houses the Juneau County Historical Society Museum. Today Mauston is home to approximately 4,331 residents.

## **NECEDAH**

Necedah, Ho-Chunk Native word for "yellow waters", was organized in 1853. The first post office was established in 1854 with Judge E.S. Miner serving as the area's first postmaster. As the community was once the most densely forested area in Juneau County, lumber mills were constructed and the area grew dramatically. Necedah developed as a commercial and manufacturing center and by 1890 businesses included a livery stable, hotel, hardware store and early residents farmed cherries, apples and pears. Today Necedah is home to approximately 2,274 residents.

## **NEW LISBON**

New Lisbon was first settled in 1845 and its name was derived from Lisbon, Ohio, from where many pioneers originated. The community was organized in 1853 and developed quickly upon construction of the railroad. By 1900 New Lisbon housed a brewery, hotel, shoe shop, general store, flour mill and specialty shops. The Gee's Slough Group of Indian Mounds found in the area attracts many visitors each year and is now on the National Register of Historic Places. Today New Lisbon is home to approximately 2,353 residents.



# Juneau County Communities

## WISCONSIN DELLS

Wisconsin Dells, originally a famous reference point for traders and explorers, was founded in 1857 upon the arrival of the railroad. The community was first known as Kilbourn and is one of the oldest resort areas in all of Wisconsin. The natural beauty of the area attracted tourists from across the country, many of whom became permanent residents. By 1900 businesses were thriving and the community continued to grow. Today Wisconsin Dells is home to approximately 2,468 residents.

## WONEWOC

Originally part of Sauk County, Wonewoc was settled in 1842 as pioneers were attracted to the fertile soil and ample water supply. By 1857 a hotel and post office were established and the area grew dramatically as rail lines were constructed. By 1800 Wonewoc housed a physician's office, law office, church, school and the area continued to thrive. It is now known for its vast recreational opportunities that draw many visitors annually. Today Wonewoc is home to approximately 758 residents.




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Located on 4,500 acres near Castle Rock Lake, Buckhorn State Park features a primitive campground, handicap accessible cabin, boat launch, fishing opportunities, swimming beach, waterfowl hunting blinds, picnic areas and recreational trails.

## JUNEAU COUNTY CASTLE ROCK PARK

22nd Ave. | Mauston | (608) 847-7089

Located on 160 acres in the heart of Mauston, Juneau County Castle Rock Park features a modern campground, boat launch, fishing opportunities, swimming beach, playground equipment, picnic areas, concessions and is open year-round.

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## PETENWELL COUNTY PARK

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## ROCHE-A-CRI STATE PARK

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The park features camping, picnicking, fishing, hiking trails and a 300 ft. high rock outcropping with Native American petroglyphs and pictographs.

## WILDERNESS COUNTY PARK

N14054 N 21st Ave. | Necedah | (608) 565-7285

Located on 80 acres near the Petenwell Dam, Wilderness County Park features a modern campground, boat launch, fishing opportunities, swimming beach, playground equipment, recreational trails, picnic areas, concessions and is open year-round.

*\*For more information on parks throughout Adams County, call (608) 339-4230 or for more information on parks throughout Juneau County, call (608) 847-9389.*

*\*\*Seasonal boat slip reservations are accepted on a first-come basis after January 1st. Monthly, weekly and daily boat slip rentals are only accepted at the time of use.*

*\*\*\*Camping reservations can be made by calling (888) 947-2757 or online at [www.wiparks.net](http://www.wiparks.net).*

# Horicon Marsh



- Horicon Marsh is often referred to as the "jewel of the National Wildlife Refuge System" due to its ecological importance and natural beauty.
- The marsh is a crucial stopover for migratory birds, serving as a resting and refueling point during their long journeys. Over 300 species of birds have been documented in the marsh, making it a paradise for birdwatchers.
- Horicon Marsh is home to one of the largest breeding populations of trumpeter swans in the United States. These majestic birds can often be seen gliding across the marsh's waters.
- The marsh is not just for birds; it also provides habitat for a diverse range of wildlife. Visitors may spot animals such as white-tailed deer, muskrats, beavers, river otters, turtles, and various species of amphibians.
- In 1971, Horicon Marsh was designated as a National Natural Landmark by the U.S. Department of the Interior, recognizing its outstanding natural value.
- The marsh offers several recreational activities, including hiking trails, birdwatching tours, canoeing, kayaking, and fishing. Ice fishing is also popular during the winter months.
- Every year, the Horicon Marsh Education and Visitor Center hosts the Horicon Marsh Bird Festival, which celebrates the abundance of bird species in the area. The festival includes guided birding tours, educational programs, and activities for all ages.
- Horicon Marsh has been a site of cultural significance for centuries. Native American tribes, such as the Potawatomi and Ho-Chunk (Winnebago), historically relied on the marsh for sustenance and considered it a sacred place.
- The marsh underwent significant restoration efforts in the 1980s and 1990s to enhance its habitat and ecological function. These efforts have helped preserve the marsh's unique biodiversity.
- Horicon Marsh is not only a natural treasure but also an economic asset for the surrounding communities. It attracts visitors from near and far, contributing to the local tourism industry.





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## DEER

### Archery and Crossbow

Sept. 14 – Jan. 5, 2025

### Archery and Crossbow \*Metro Sub-units only\*

Sept. 14 – Jan. 31, 2025

**Gun hunt for hunters with disabilities:** This is not a statewide season. ~ Oct. 5 – 13

**Youth deer hunt** ~ Oct. 5 – 6

**Gun** ~ Nov. 23 – Dec. 1

**Muzzleloader** ~ Dec. 2 – 11

**December 4-day antlerless hunt** ~

Dec. 12 – 15

**Antlerless-only Holiday Hunt** ~

Dec. 24 – Jan. 1, 2025\*

\*Only in valid farmland units. Please see deer regulations booklet for valid units.



## BEAR

**Zones A, B, D:** where dogs are permitted

Oct. 2 – 8

with aid of dogs only

Sept. 11 – Oct. 1

with aid of dogs

with aid of bait

with all other legal methods

Sept. 4 – 10

with aid of bait

with all other legal methods not using dogs

**Zones C, E, F:** where dogs are not permitted

Sept. 4 – Oct. 8

with aid of bait

with all other legal methods not using dogs

## SMALL MAMMALS

### Cottontail rabbit

Northern zone ~ Sept. 14 – Feb. 28, 2025

Southern zone ~ Oct. 19 (9 a.m.) – Feb. 28, 2025

Milwaukee County ~ Year-round

### Squirrels (gray and fox)

Statewide ~ Sept. 14 – Feb. 28, 2025

## GAME BIRDS

### Crow

Statewide Nov. 23 – March 26, 2025

### Pheasant

Statewide ~ Oct. 19 (9 a.m.) – Jan. 5, 2025

### Bobwhite quail

Statewide ~ Oct. 19 (9 a.m.) – Dec. 11

### Ruffed grouse

Zone A ~ Sept. 14 – Jan. 5, 2025

Zone Oct. 19 – Dec. 8

**Sharp-tailed grouse** ~ Season is under review.

### Hungarian partridge

Statewide ~ Oct. 19 (9 a.m.) – Jan. 5, 2025

(Closed in Clark, Marathon and Taylor counties)

## FURBEARERS

### Coyote

Hunting ~ Year-round

Trapping ~ Oct. 19 – Feb. 15, 2025

### Fox, red and gray

Hunting & Trapping ~ Oct. 19 – Feb. 15, 2025

### Beaver

Trapping

Zone A (northwest) Nov. 2 – April 30, 2025

Zone B (northeast) Nov. 2 – April 30, 2025

Zone C (south) Nov. 2 – March 31, 2025

Zone D (Mississippi River) Dec. 2 – March 15, 2025

### Muskrat & Mink

Trapping

Northern Zone Oct. 19 – April 15, 2025

Central Zone Oct. 26 – March 22, 2025

Southern Zone Nov. 2 – March 15, 2025

Mississippi River zone Nov. 11 – March 9, 2025

### Bobcat

Trapping

North and South zones, Period 1 Oct. 19 – Dec. 25

North and South zones, Period 2 Dec. 26 – Jan. 31, 2025

## Fisher

Trapping

North and South Zones Oct. 19 – Jan. 5, 2025

## Otter

Trapping

North zone Nov. 2 – April 30, 2025

South zone Nov. 2 – March 31, 2025

## Raccoon

Trapping

Resident Oct. 19 – Feb. 15, 2025

Nonresident Nov. 2 – Feb. 15, 2025

## Opossum, skunk, weasel, snowshoe hare and woodchuck

~ No season limits, bag limits, size limits or possession limits, but a license is required.

## WILD TURKEY

2024 Youth turkey hunt ~ April 13 – 14

Spring 2024

Period A April 17 – 23

Period B April 24 – 30

Period C May 1 – 7

Period D May 8 – 14

Period E May 15 – 21

Period F May 22 – 28

Fall 2024

Statewide Sept. 14 – Nov. 22

Zones 1 - 5 ~ Nov. 23 – Jan. 5, 2025



*\*For the latest season dates. Check the WI DNR website, <https://dnr.wisconsin.gov> or scan the QR code.*





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## 2024-2025

### FISHING SEASON DATES

(Effective Date: April 1, 2024; Dates Inclusive)

### Early Inland Trout (catch & release)

January 6 (5 a.m.) - May 3

### General Inland Trout

May 4 (5 a.m.) - October 15

### General Inland Fishing

May 4 - March 2, 2025

### Largemouth Bass Northern Zone Harvest

May 4 - March 2, 2025

### Smallmouth Bass Northern Zone Harvest

June 15 - March 2, 2025

### Large And Smallmouth Bass Southern Zone Harvest

May 4 - March 2, 2025

### Large And Smallmouth Bass Catch And Release

At all other times of the year.

### Musky Northern Zone Harvest

May 25 - December 31

### Musky Southern Zone Harvest

May 4 - December 31

### Northern Pike

May 4 - March 2, 2025

### Walleye

May 4 - March 2, 2025

### Lake Sturgeon

February 10 - February 25 (spearing)  
September 7 to September 30 (hook-and-line)

### Free Fishing Weekends

Jan. 20-21, 2024  
June 1-2, 2024  
Sept. 2 to Sept. 30 (hook-and-line)

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- RELEASE BAIT INTO THE WATER.

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- **Wear a life jacket:** Always wear a life jacket while boating. Make sure the life jacket is appropriate for your weight and is U.S. Coast Guard approved.
- **Know the weather:** Check the weather forecast before you go boating and keep an eye on changing conditions. If you notice darkening clouds, rough winds or sudden drops in temperature, get off the water.
- **Use navigation aids:** Use navigation aids like buoys and beacons to help you navigate safely.
- **Maintain your boat:** Keep your boat well-maintained and in good working condition. Make sure all safety equipment is in good condition and functioning properly.
- **Avoid alcohol:** Do not drink alcohol while operating a boat. It is illegal and increases the likelihood of accidents.
- **Watch your speed:** Observe speed limits and maintain a safe speed based on conditions. Remember, slower speeds may be necessary in crowded areas or in inclement weather.
- **Be aware of other boats:** Watch for other boats and be aware of their movements. Always assume other boaters may not see you.
- **Know the rules:** Learn and follow boating safety laws and regulations. This includes rules for navigation, safety equipment, and right-of-way.
- **File a float plan:** Always let someone know where you are going and when you plan to return. File a float plan with a trusted person or a marina.
- **Take a boating safety course:** Consider taking a boating safety course to improve your skills and knowledge.



**By following these general boating safety tips, you can reduce the likelihood of accidents and enjoy a safe and enjoyable time on the water.**



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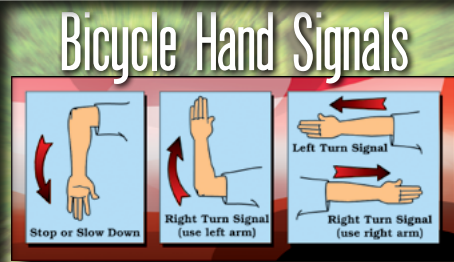


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# Be Aware of your Surroundings

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- Keep your bike in good shape by checking and oiling your chain, making sure your brakes work properly and maintaining your tire pressure.
- Always ride with both hands on the handlebars except when doing turn signals.
- When leaving a driveway, curb or alleyway always stop and check for traffic in both directions.
- Cross only at intersections.
- Use the crosswalk to walk your bike across busy intersections and follow the traffic signals.
- Never ride against traffic. Travel in the same direction as the cars.
- Whenever you can, use bike routes and avoid busy streets.
- Don't ride near parked cars as doors can open and cause accidents.
- Obey all traffic signs and traffic lights.
- When biking with friends, ride in a single file.
- Always pass other bikers or pedestrians on the left and say "On your left!" to make your presence known.
- Always use bicycle hand signals to alert traffic of your changing direction.



## Drink lots of Water!



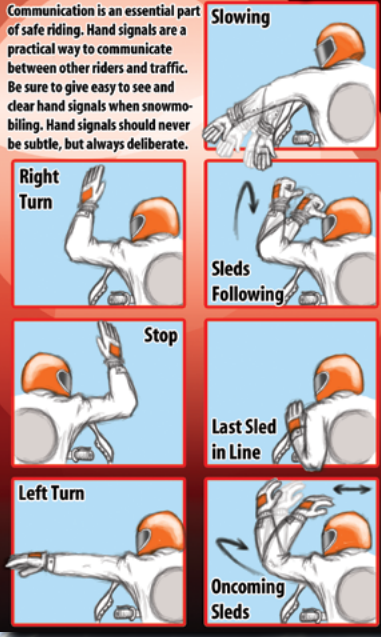
# Know Your ATV

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and know your vehicle thoroughly. • Check your vehicle before you ride. • Wear protective equipment and clothing. • Don't lend your vehicle to unskilled riders. • Supervise young or inexperienced riders. • Never carry a passenger on vehicles meant for one rider. • Do not operate under the influence of drugs or alcohol. • Drive at speeds that are appropriate to trail conditions. • Stay to the right on trails. • Stay away from thin ice, open water and wetlands • Know the weather forecast. • Make sure headlights and taillights work properly. • Maintain safe distances between other riders. • Reduce your speed when riding at night. • Yield to other motor vehicles and trail users. • Young or beginning riders are encouraged to take a safety training course.

## Snowmobile Hand Signals

Communication is an essential part of safe riding. Hand signals are a practical way to communicate between other riders and traffic. Be sure to give easy to see and clear hand signals when snowmobiling. Hand signals should never be subtle, but always deliberate.



- Do not consume alcohol or take drugs prior to or during your snowmobile trip. Doing so increases your chances of injury or death.
- Slow down and don't cut to the inside of the trail corners. It's dangerous and illegal.
- If you snowmobile at night, don't override your lights.
- Always use the buddy system. Never ride off alone.
- Drowning is one of the causes of many snowmobile fatalities. Whenever possible, avoid the ice.
- Wear sensible, protective clothing designed for operating a snowmobile.
- Use a full size helmet, goggles, or visor to prevent injuries from twigs, stones, ice chips and other debris.
- Avoid wearing long scarves. They may get caught in moving parts of the snowmobile.
- Know the terrain you are going to ride. If unfamiliar to you, ask someone who has traveled over it before.
- Know the weather forecast, especially the ice and snow conditions.
- Be sure your snowmobile is in top-notch mechanical condition throughout the months of use.
- Familiarize yourself with the snowmobile you are driving. Thoroughly read the manual that accompanies the snowmobile.
- Do not pursue domestic or wild animals. That is not the conduct of a sportsman. Report such violations to the nearest law enforcement officer.

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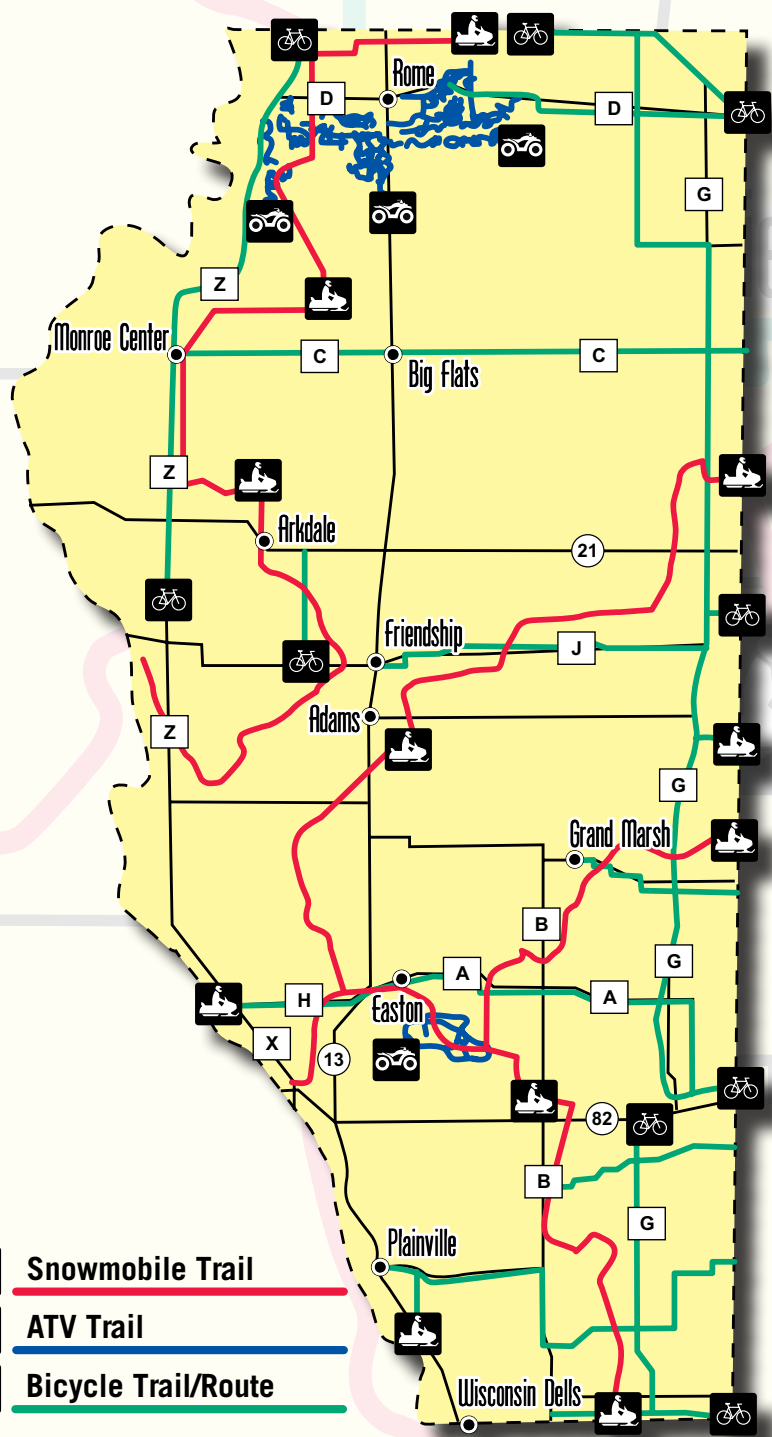





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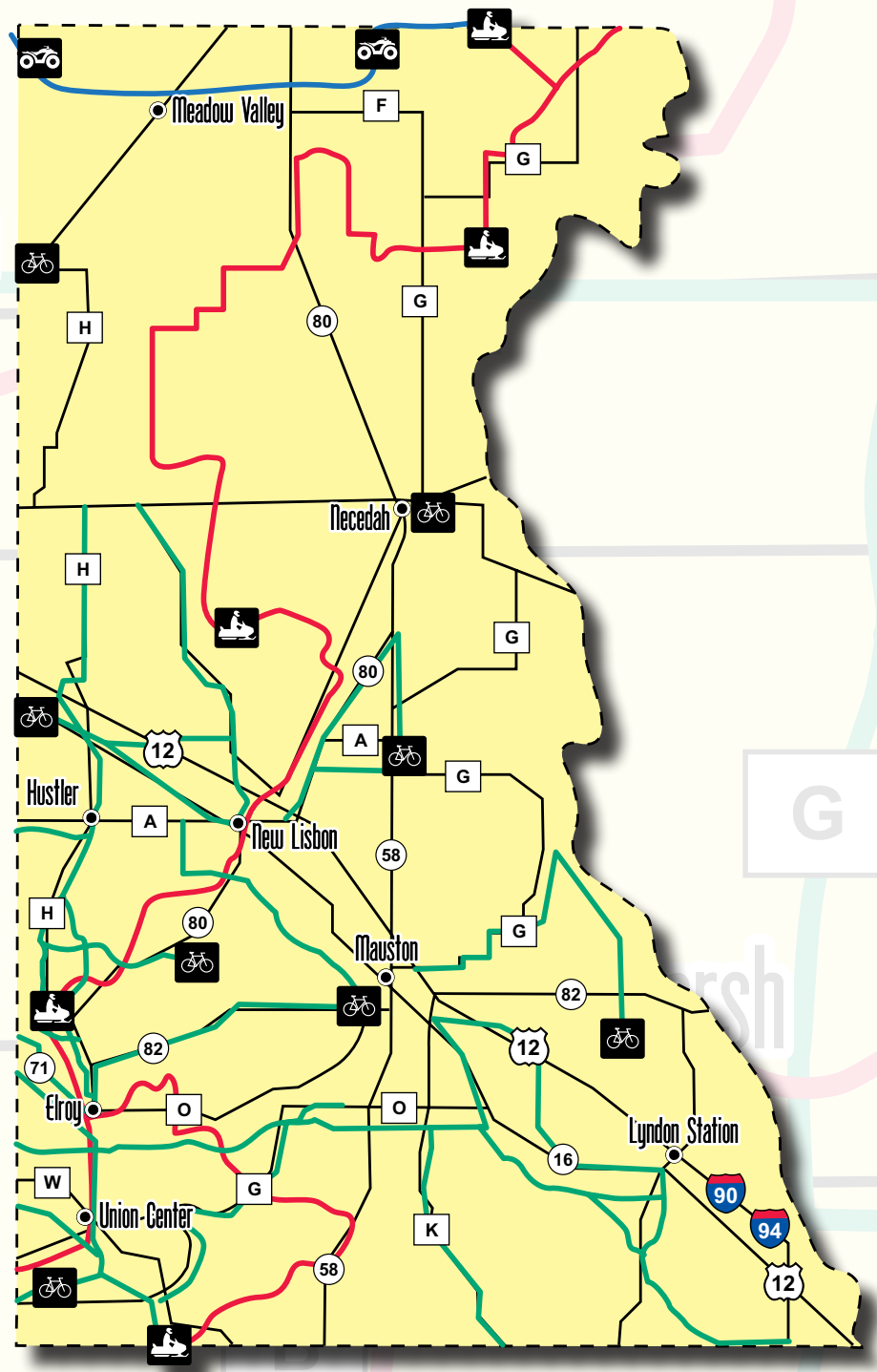


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# Tilapia Baked in Garlic Butter



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## INSTRUCTIONS

- 1 Preheat your oven to 375°F (190°C).
- 2 Pat the tilapia fillets dry with paper towels and place them in a baking dish.
- 3 In a small bowl, mix together the minced garlic and melted butter.
- 4 Pour the garlic butter mixture over the tilapia fillets, making sure they are well coated.
- 5 Season the fillets with salt and pepper to taste.
- 6 Bake the tilapia in the preheated oven for 12-15 minutes or until the fish is cooked through and flakes easily with a fork.
- 7 Sprinkle chopped parsley over the top of the cooked tilapia, if desired.
- 8 Serve the tilapia fillets hot, with your favorite side dishes.

## INGREDIENTS

- 4 tilapia fillets
- 4 cloves garlic, minced
- 4 tablespoons butter, melted
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- Fresh parsley, chopped (optional)

Enjoy your delicious and healthy tilapia baked in garlic butter!

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# So, You have decided to get a pet...

## NOW WHAT??

**Commitment and Time:** Owning a pet is a long-term commitment. Before bringing a pet home, consider your lifestyle and ensure you have enough time to spend with your pet. Dogs, cats, and many other animals require attention, exercise, and mental stimulation.

**Choose the Right Pet for Your Lifestyle:** Different pets have varying needs, temperaments, and activity levels. Research and select a pet that fits well with your lifestyle, living situation, and family dynamics. Whether you choose a dog, cat, bird, fish, or any other animal, make sure you can provide for its specific needs.

**Proper Nutrition:** Feed your pet a balanced and nutritious diet suitable for their species and age. Consult with a veterinarian to determine the best food options for your pet's health and well-being.

**Regular Exercise:** Most pets need regular physical activity to stay healthy and happy. Engage in playtime and exercise with your pet daily, as it helps prevent obesity and provides mental stimulation.

**Routine Veterinary Care:** Schedule regular check-ups with a veterinarian to monitor your pet's health, get necessary vaccinations, and address any concerns. Early detection of health issues can often lead to better outcomes.

**Spaying/Neutering:** Consider spaying or neutering your pet if you don't plan on breeding. This helps control the pet population and can have health benefits for your pet.

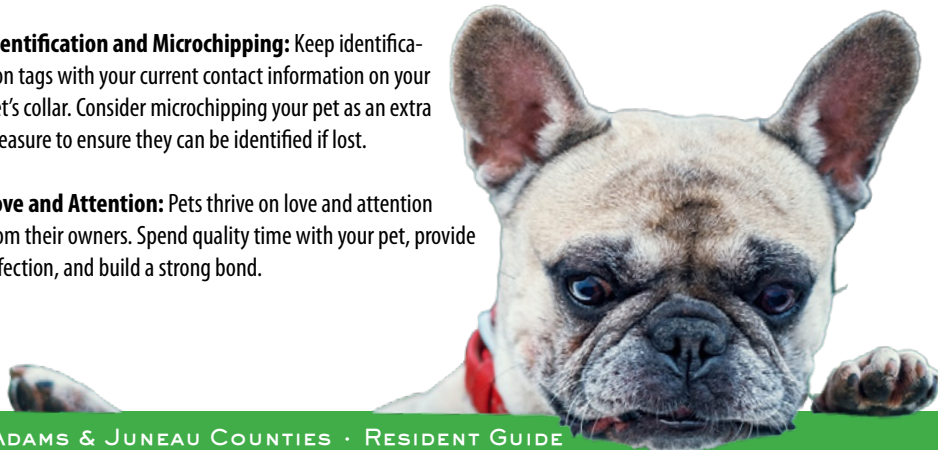
**Training and Socialization:** Properly train your pet to follow basic commands and have good manners. Socialize them with other animals and people from a young age to prevent behavioral issues later on.

**Provide a Safe Environment:** Ensure that your home and yard are safe for your pet. Remove hazards, keep toxic substances out of reach, and provide appropriate shelter from extreme weather conditions.

**Grooming:** Regular grooming is essential for most pets. Brush their fur, trim nails, and clean their ears as needed to keep them comfortable and healthy.

**Identification and Microchipping:** Keep identification tags with your current contact information on your pet's collar. Consider microchipping your pet as an extra measure to ensure they can be identified if lost.

**Love and Attention:** Pets thrive on love and attention from their owners. Spend quality time with your pet, provide affection, and build a strong bond.



**Respect and Understanding:** Learn to understand your pet's body language and behavior. Respect their boundaries and feelings, and avoid forcing them into uncomfortable situations.

**Patience and Forgiveness:** Pets, especially young ones, can be mischievous or have accidents. Be patient with them during the training process and forgive any mistakes they make along the way.

**Emergency Preparedness:** Have a plan in place for emergencies, including natural disasters. Know how to evacuate with your pet safely if needed.

**If you have just rescued / adopted a new fur baby, please it is important to remember the 3-3-3 RULE:**

### 3 Days:

In the first 3 days being in its new home, they will be feeling overwhelmed, scared & unsure of what is going on. They may also be uncomfortable being "themselves", and may not want to eat or drink. They may want to "shut down" or hide under a bed or in a crate, and they will test boundaries.

### 3 Weeks:

At this point, they may be a lot more comfortable & settling in. Learning a new routine can be overwhelming, so please be patient. By now they may have figured out the new environment & accepted that this may be their FURever home. Their personality traits will start to show, as well as any behavior issue that may be present.

### 3 Months:

For most fur babies, 3 months is enough time to finally be comfortable and begin to build trust and a true bond. A sense of security may be present & a set routine will help this process.

Please know that this is not the rule with every rescued or adopted pet, as some may need 6 months to a year to adjust & adapt, depending on MANY factors. Age of animal, what type of an environment did they come from?

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There are two main types of cross country skiing, classic and skate. Classic is more traditional and involves pushing off each ski parallel to one another. Skate skiing requires pushing off each ski in a V pattern like ice-skating.

If you are just learning, you may want to start off on some of the easier trails in your area. These trails tend to be maintained better and have smaller hills.

Before investing money into equipment, check your area for trails with a rental shop. That way you can give it a try to see if it is a winter activity you enjoy.



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