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Barron County



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JANUARY

Badger Women's Lumber Jill Bonspiel | Rice Lake
Annual Rice Lake Curling Club Stein Spiel
Stone Lake Bait & Tackle Fishing Contest
(Jan-Mar)
Chetek Firefighters Ice Fishing Contest

FEBRUARY

Chetek Winterfest
RV & Boat Show | Rice Lake
Rice Lake Geek Con
Barron County Model Railroad Show | Rice Lake
Snow Outlaws Winter Nationals | Rice Lake
Zacho Sports Show | Rice Lake
Northstar Bison Buffalo Festival
Barron County Ride with the Queen

MARCH

Annual Easter Egg Hunt | Birchwood
Easter EGG-STRAVAGANZA | Spooner
Shell Lake Easter Egg Hunt

APRIL

Earth Day Event | Shell Lake
Jacks are Wild Food & Wine Tasting | Spooner
Spring is in the Air Craft & Vendor Market |
Rice Lake
Rice Lake Speedway Stock Car Show
City wide Garage Sale (April-May) | Rice Lake
Chetek Annual Banquet

MAY

Annual Antique Adventures Village & Flea Market
(May-Sept) | Trego
Steel Showdown Car Show | Stone Lake
Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive | Area Wide
Craft & Vendor Show | Trego
Community Wide Garage Sale | Minong

MAY (CONTD)

Canoe & Wooden Boat Show | Spooner
Bluegill Fishing Contest | Chetek
City Wide Garage Sale (May-June) | Chetek

JUNE

Camerama Festival | Cameron
Rice Lake Aquafest
Hungry Hollow Steam Engine Days | Rice Lake
Family Festival | Spooner
Jack's a Hack Golf Tournament | Spooner
Tri-County Dairy Breakfast | Spooner
Hayward Musky Fest
Back the Blue Car Show | Rice Lake
Taste of Chetek
Quilt Show & Strawberry Fest | Cameron
Annual Outdoor Flea Market | Cameron
Kids Fishing Derby | Rice Lake
Music in the Park (June-Aug) | Rice Lake
Summer Solstice Paddle | Sarona
Chetek Wine Walk
Minong Farm and Flea Market (June-Aug)
Safety Fair & Bike Rodeo | Rice Lake

JULY

Bluegill Festival | Birchwood
4th of July Fireworks | Birchwood, Long Lake
Spooner Fireworks & Street Dance
Heritage Days | Cameron
Chetek Hydroflites Water Show
Liberty Fest | Chetek
Barron County Fair | Rice Lake
Heart of the North Spooner Rodeo
Washburn County Fair | Spooner
Shell Lake Street Dance
Shell Lake Art Festival
Inter-County Fair | Turtle Lake
Jamboree Days | New Auburn

JULY (CONTD)

Turtle Lake Turtle Trot
Turtle Lake Parade
Red Cedar River Rendezvous | Cameron
Chetek Brew & Rib Fest

AUGUST

Almena Family Fun Days
Rutabaga Festival | Cumberland
Haugen Fun Days
Jack Pine Savage Days | Spooner
Cars, Crafts & Rock-N-Roll in the Park | Turtle Lake
Northwoods Music Festival | Minong
Annual Minong Summer Days Festival
Annual Northwoods Ukulele Festival | Shell Lake
Annual Shell Lake Lions Triathlon
National Night Out | Area Wide
Haugen Fun Days
Summer Crazy Days | Rice Lake
Northwest Wisconsin Gem & Mineral Show |
Rice Lake
Old Fashioned Fair at Pioneer Village | Cameron
Minong Summer Days
Cakes at the Lake | Sarona
Chetek Crazy Days
Great Wisconsin Campout | Minong
Town & Country Days (Aug-Sept) | Shell Lake
Water Mania Power Boat Racing Chetek

SEPTEMBER

Bluegrass Festival | Cameron
Harvest Fest Days | Chetek
Chocolate Festival | Shell Lake
Septemberfest | Minong
Annual Birchwood Area Garage Sales
Barron County Pro Rodeo | Rice Lake
The Fall Farmers Market at Perlick Distillery |
Sarona

SEPTEMBER (CONTD)

Annual Stone Lake Lions Fish Fry
Prints on the Prairie | Sarona
Oktoberfest at Pioneer Village | Cameron

OCTOBER

Dallas Oktoberfest
Great Pumpkin Train | Spooner
Jack-O-Lantern Festival | Spooner
Annual Cranberry Festival | Stone Lake
Northwoods Trunk or Treat | Minong
5k Zombie Run | Spooner
Barronett Community Center Halloween Party
Witches Brew & Warlocks Too Bar Crawl | Chetek
Kids Halloween Party | Chetek

NOVEMBER

Holiday Arts & Crafts Show (Nov-Dec) |
Rice Lake
Ladies Night Out | Spooner
Santa's Pizza Party Train Ride (Nov-Dec) | Trego
Minong Bake Sale
Small Business Saturday | Area Wide
Chetek "US" Out Shop Hop

DECEMBER

New Year's Eve Dinner & Dance | Spooner
Christmas Fest | Birchwood
Christmas Lights in the Park | Turtle Lake
Turtle Lake Chamber Christmas with Santa
Holiday Craft Sale | Minong
Winter Solstice Luminary Hike | Sarona
Santa's Arrival & Family Fun Day | Chetek

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WASHBURN COUNTY

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County Clerk	468-4600
District Attorney	468-4670
Emergency Management	468-4730
Extension	635-4444
Forestry	635-4490
Highway	635-4480
Health & Human Services	635-4400
Information Technology	468-4660
Land & Water Conservation	468-4654
Maintenance	468-4655
Register of Deeds	468-4616
Sheriff	468-4700
Treasurer	468-4650
Veteran Services	635-4470
Zoning	468-4690

BARRON COUNTY

Administration	(715) 537-6841
Aging/ADRC.....	(888) 538-3031
Child Support	537-6390
Circuit Court	537-6262
County Clerk	537-6200
District Attorney	537-6220
Extension	537-6250
Forestry	537-6296
Highway	637-3755
Health & Human Services	537-5691
Maintenance, Parks & Recreation.....	537-6365
Register of Deeds	537-6210
Soil & Water Conservation	537-6315
Sheriff	537-3106
Treasurer /Real Property Lister.....	537-6280
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Zoning	537-6375

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Washburn County History



Once home to Sioux and Chippewa Indians, Washburn County was settled in the 1860s. Loggers began to arrive to harvest white and Norway pines, and waterway ports, utilized to transport lumber, became communities. Shell Lake was selected as the County Seat and as the industry diversified, the area continued to grow and develop. Between 1900 and 1910, the population of Washburn County grew from 5,521 to 8,196. The many lakes located within Washburn County made the area a popular tourist destination and now is recognized as the Walleye Capital of Wisconsin and home to the largest Muskie hatchery. Today Washburn County is home to approximately 16,712 residents.

VILLAGES:

BIRCHWOOD – pop. 548
MINONG – pop. 565
SPOONER – pop. 686

TOWNS:

BARRONETT – pop. 458
BASHAW – pop. 881
BASS LAKE – pop. 558
BEAVER BROOK – pop. 708
BIRCHWOOD – pop. 495
BROOKLYN – pop. 314
CASEY – pop. 472
CHICOG – pop. 375

EVERGREEN – pop. 1,102
FROG CREEK – pop. 279
GULL LAKE – pop. 169
LONG LAKE – pop. 746
MADGE – pop. 475
MINONG – pop. 877
SARONA – pop. 412
SHELL LAKE (COUNTY SEAT) – pop. 1,347
SPOONER – pop. 2,655
SPRINGBROOK – pop. 529
STINNETT – pop. 251
STONE LAKE – pop. 378
TREGO – pop. 914
**Populations are approximate.*

Washburn County Communities

BIRCHWOOD

Attracted to the ample timber and pristine lakes, Birchwood was first settled in the 1880s. Early industry included logging and farming. As the railroad arrived, Birchwood continued to grow and a variety of businesses were thriving by 1900. Birchwood became a popular tourist destination due to its proximity to a variety of lakes, and is now recognized as the Bluegill Capital of Wisconsin. Today Birchwood is home to approximately 548 residents.

SARONA

Once part of Bashaw, Sarona was established in 1904 and named in honor of the biblical place Sharon, and Sauer after an early settler. As the railroad arrived, Sarona began to thrive. The area has now become a popular area for outdoor enthusiasts and is home to the Hunt Hill Nature Center and Audubon Sanctuary. Today Sarona is home to approximately 412 residents.

SHELL LAKE (COUNTY SEAT)

Shell Lake began as a logging community in the 1880s. As the railroad arrived, Shell Lake began to develop and businesses began to thrive. Selected as the County Seat, Shell Lake continued to grow and the industry began to diversify. It is home to the largest landlocked seepage lake in Wisconsin and draws thousands of visitors annually. Today Shell Lake is home to approximately 1,347 residents.

SPOONER

Spooner began as a railway community named Chandler in 1879. Chandler was renamed in honor of John Coit Spooner, a local railroad advocate, legislator, attorney and politician in 1883. Settlers began to arrive by train and steamboat and Spooner continued to grow. Businesses were established and the area came to be recognized as a tourist destination. Today Spooner is home to approximately 2,655 residents.

TREGO

Trego began as a lumbering community and was once known as the Superior Junction. Trego was founded in 1904 as the town of Mills and in 1906 the name was changed to Trego. The community has since become a haven for recreational activities due to its proximity to lakes and forest. Today Trego is home to approximately 914 residents.

Barron County History



*B*arron County was once home to Sioux and Chippewa Indians. First established in 1859 as Dallas County, in 1869 it was renamed Barron County. The area quickly grew as a logging and lumbering center. Communities were established near railways, waterways and lumber camps, and the city of Barron was selected as the County Seat. Settlers arrived to take part in the lumber industry and others established farms on land cleared by loggers. By 1920 the population of Barron had reached 34,281 and as industry began to diversify, the area continued to grow. Today Barron County is home to approximately 45,590 residents.

CITIES:

BARRON (COUNTY SEAT) – pop. 3,423

CHETEK – pop. 2,140

CUMBERLAND – pop. 2,240

RICE LAKE – pop. 8,257

VILLAGES:

ALMENA – pop. 736

CAMERON – pop. 1,707

DALLAS – pop. 346

HAUGEN – pop. 270

NEW AUBURN – pop. 558

PRAIRIE FARM – pop. 498

TURTLE LAKE – pop. 1,029

TOWNS:

ALMENA – pop. 891

ARLAND – pop. 675

BARRON – pop. 1,008

BEAR LAKE – pop. 624

CEDAR LAKE – pop. 995

CHETEK – pop. 1,703

CLINTON – pop. 967

CRYSTAL LAKE – pop. 809

CUMBERLAND – pop. 916

DALLAS – pop. 582

DOVRE – pop. 726

DOYLE – pop. 594

LAKELAND – pop. 952

MAPLE GROVE – pop. 1,044

MAPLE PLAIN – pop. 904

OAK GROVE – pop. 991

PRAIRIE FARM – pop. 646

PRAIRIE LAKE – pop. 1,408

RICE LAKE – pop. 2,900

SIoux CREEK – pop. 796

STANFOLD – pop. 749

STANLEY – pop. 2,262

SUMNER – pop. 706

TURTLE LAKE – pop. 647

VANCE CREEK – pop. 814

**Populations are approximate.*

Barron County Communities

BARRON (COUNTY SEAT)

The City of Barron was established in 1860 and incorporated in 1887. It was originally named Quaderer's Camp after local lumber foreman John Quaderer. The name was changed to Barron in honor of Henry D. Barron after the location became the county seat of Barron County. The first school was built in 1877 and burnt down in 1881 due to a lightning strike. Today Barron is home to approximately 3,423 residents.

CAMERON

Established in the 1880s, Cameron began as a logging and trading center. It was named in honor of Senator Angus Cameron of Wisconsin, an active member of civic affairs. As the railroad arrived, Cameron continued to develop and businesses, general stores and mills were thriving. Today Cameron is home to approximately 1,707 residents.

CHETEK

Once a trading post, Chetek was first settled in 1866. A school was established in 1871 and the community was platted in 1875. As the railroad arrived in 1882, Chetek began to develop and was then incorporated as a city in 1891. Businesses and mills were thriving, and by 1903 telephone service was established. Today Chetek is home to approximately 2,140 residents.

CUMBERLAND

Cumberland was founded in 1880 as a lumber and logging center. Large mills were built and the area boasted more saw mills than any other area in the country. By 1890 its population reached 1,486 and the area continued to grow. Today Cumberland is home to approximately 2,240 residents.

RICE LAKE

In 1874 Knapp, Stout & Co. platted the community known as Rice Lake. It was named after the abundant rice beds that filled the local lowlands and quickly became lumbering camp. Settlers arrived to take part in the logging business, and by 1885 the population of Rice Lake tripled. In 1890 Rice Lake was home to a variety of mills, a newspaper, brewery, post office, furniture store and specialty shops. As the railroad arrived, Rice Lake continued to develop and the community became a retail trading center. Today Rice Lake is home to approximately 8,257 residents.

TURTLE LAKE

First settled in 1875, Turtle Lake was originally known as Skowhagen. The area began to grow as logging and lumbering camps were established. The community was renamed Turtle Lake after government surveyors noticed an array of turtle eggs along the local shorelines. In 1879 a post office was built with Stephen Richardson serving as its first postmaster. The community was platted in 1898 and Turtle Lake was officially incorporated. Today Turtle Lake is home to approximately 1,029 residents.

BARRON COUNTY FACTS

- **County Seat:** The county seat of Barron County is Barron, a city located in the northwestern part of the county.
- **Name Origin:** Barron County was named after Henry D. Barron, who was a lawyer, judge, and politician in WI.
- **Geography:** The county is situated in northwestern Wisconsin and is known for its mix of forested areas, lakes, rivers, and agricultural land.
- **Rice Lake:** Rice Lake, a city within Barron County, is named after the nearby Rice Lake, which is the largest lake entirely within the county's borders. The lake is popular for fishing, boating, and water sports.
- **Outdoor Recreation:** Barron County offers a wide range of outdoor recreational activities, including hunting, fishing, camping, hiking, and ATV trails.
- **Red Cedar State Trail:** This scenic trail runs through Barron County and connects the cities of Menomonie and Rice Lake. It's popular for biking, walking, and snowmobiling.
- **Cranberry Production:** Barron County is a significant cranberry-producing area in Wisconsin. The county's sandy soils and climate are conducive to cranberry cultivation.
- **Chetek Chain of Lakes:** The Chetek Chain of Lakes consists of six interconnected lakes and is a popular destination for fishing, boating, and water recreation.
- **Beaver Dam Lake:** Beaver Dam Lake, located near the city of Cumberland, is known for its natural beauty and outdoor activities.
- **Blue Hills:** The Blue Hills, a scenic range of hills and forests, is located in the southeastern part of Barron County. It offers hiking, bird-watching, and other outdoor experiences.
- **Farm Technology Days:** Barron County has hosted Wisconsin Farm Technology Days, an annual agricultural event that showcases the latest advancements in farming technology and practices.
- **Pioneer Village Museum:** The Pioneer Village Museum, located in Cameron, features historic buildings and artifacts that provide a glimpse into the area's past.
- **Native American History:** The region that is now Barron County was originally inhabited by various Native American tribes, including the Ojibwe. The area has historical and cultural significance for these communities.
- **Logging & Lumber Industry:** Like many areas in Wisconsin, Barron County was historically involved in the logging and lumber industry, which played a role in its early development.
- **Festivals & Events:** Barron County hosts various festivals and events throughout the year, celebrating its heritage, agriculture, and community spirit.

WASHBURN COUNTY FACTS

- **County Seat:** The county seat of Washburn County is Shell Lake, a small city located in the heart of the county.
- **Name Origin:** Washburn County was named after Cadwallader C. Washburn, a prominent Wisconsin politician and businessman who served as a governor and member of Congress.
- **Lakes & Waterways:** Washburn County is known for its abundance of lakes and waterways. It's often referred to as the "Lakes Region" of Wisconsin, with over 900 lakes in the county, providing ample opportunities for fishing, boating, and water sports.
- **Outdoor Recreation:** The county offers a range of outdoor activities, including camping, hiking, biking, and wildlife viewing. The area's natural beauty attracts outdoor enthusiasts throughout the year.
- **Namekagon River:** The Namekagon River, a tributary of the St. Croix River, flows through Washburn County. It is a designated National Wild and Scenic River, known for its scenic beauty and recreational opportunities.
- **Trego Lake:** Trego Lake, located in the county, is known for its clear waters and is a popular spot for fishing, swimming, and boating.
- **Hunting Destination:** Washburn County is a destination for hunting, with opportunities for deer, bear, turkey, and small game hunting. The area's forests and woodlands provide habitats for various game species.
- **Winter Activities:** During the winter months, Washburn County offers activities such as snowmobiling, cross-country skiing, and ice fishing.
- **Heartwood Conference Center & Retreat:** This center is located in Trego and offers conference facilities, lodging, and outdoor recreational opportunities in a peaceful setting.
- **Stone Lake Cranberry Festival:** The nearby Stone Lake Cranberry Festival, though not in Washburn County itself, is a popular annual event. It celebrates the cranberry harvest with crafts, food, and entertainment.
- **Railroad History:** Washburn County has a history tied to the railroad industry, which played a role in its development and growth.
- **Art & Culture:** The county has a vibrant arts and culture scene, with local galleries, artisan shops, and cultural events that showcase the talents of local artists and craftspeople.
- **Namekagon Barrens Wildlife Area:** This area is known for its unique ecosystems, including pine barrens and oak savannas, providing habitat for various plant and animal species.
- **Historical Sites:** Washburn County has historical sites and museums that offer insights into the area's past, including its early settlement and development.

PIONEER VILLAGE MUSEUM



The Barron County Historical Society's Pioneer Museum has something for everyone. Located between Barron and Cameron on Hwy W, the museum has 35 buildings of historic artifacts and displays to explore.

Visitors can wind their way through "the Village," which includes historic log buildings and shops from days gone by. They will see the historic Ebenezer Lutheran Church, a post office, general store, doctor's office, dentist office, gas station, barbershop, meeting house, town hall, jail, newspaper office, and a blacksmith shop. They can see how early immigrant families in Barron County lived, sit at a desk in a one-room country school, and check out the railroad depot. There is even a complete farmstead.

Many large display buildings house collections of everything from pedal cars and cast iron toys, to outboard motors. Visitors can see restored tractors, antique cars, "rooms" that show a "Depression-era" kitchen, a bank teller's window, office equipment, washing machines, apothecary items, and wood carvings, just to name a few. A climate-controlled exhibition hall houses 40 glass front cases with ever-changing exhibits of life in Barron County. A box factory and creamery, and lots of farm equipment, are also on display. A native plant rain garden, and a vegetable garden with a historical theme provide additional educational opportunities.

During Heritage Days, always held the weekend following 4th-of-July weekend, visitors may be able to see some of the following in action: the blacksmith shop, box factory, wringer washer, butter churn, weavers making hand-loomed rugs, children's games, and many other demonstrations, including live music in the Pavilion.

The Museum is open Thursday, Friday, and Sunday from 1-5pm, and Saturdays 10am-5pm, June through August. There are many rest and picnic areas, modern rest room facilities, and a gift shop filled with museum souvenirs and locally hand crafted items. An old-fashioned Saloon sells sarsaparilla, fresh popcorn, and other treats. Other food is available during special events.

The Cultural Arts Building is climate controlled with inside and outside seating, and can be rented for meetings, reunions, or parties. The Church can also be rented for weddings or services. Check the website at www.barroncountymuseum.com for the 2023 special events calendar, fees, and forms.

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BLUEGILL VILLAGE PARK

Highway 48 | Birchwood | (715) 354-3300

This park offers a small picnic area with tables.

COLLEGE STREET PARK

College Street | Spooner | (715) 635-9696

Located near the Spooner High School, College Street Park features a picnic area, skating rink, basketball court, hiking/cross country ski trail, disc golf, exercise stations, baseball fields, playground equipment and is dog friendly.

DOOLITTLE PARK

Hinman Dr. | Birchwood | (612) 804-3457

Located near Birch Lake, Doolittle Park features a boat launch, campground, picnic area, playground equipment and swimming beach.

DNR HATCHERY PICNIC GROUNDS

951 Maple St. | Spooner | (715) 635-4147

Located near the Yellow River Flowage, DNR Hatchery Picnic Grounds feature a campground, boat launch, fishing pier and picnic area.

HUNT HILL AUDUBON SANCTUARY

N2384 Hunt Hill Rd. | Sarona | (715) 635-6543

Located on 600 acres, this sanctuary features hiking/snowshoe trails, nature playground and a nonprofit nature preserve with learning center.

SAWMILL LAKE PARK

Birchwood

Located near Sawmill Lake, Sawmill Lake Park features a campground, fishing pier and picnic shelter.

SHELL LAKE MEMORIAL PARK

Highway 63 | Shell Lake | (715) 468-7679

This park features a beach, swim rafts, pavilion (band-shell), shelter house, playground, picnic tables, sand volleyball court, benches, fishing pier, docks and an information kiosk.

SHELL LAKE MUNICIPAL CAMPGROUND

114 W Lake Dr. | Shell Lake | (715) 468-7846

Located near Shell Lake, Shell Lake Municipal Campground features a campground, boat launch, picnic area, playground equipment, basketball court and swimming beach.

TIP TOWN PARK

525 W Lake Rd. | Shell Lake | (715) 468-7679

The park offers a little league baseball field, picnic pavilion, sand volleyball courts, basketball courts, and tennis/pickle ball courts.

TOTOGATIC PARK

N13984 Tota Pk. Dr. | Minong | (715) 635-4490

Located near the Totogatic Flowage, Totogatic Park features a campground, boat launch, picnic area, fish cleaning station and swimming beach.

TREGO TOWN PARK & CAMPGROUND

W5665 Trego Park Rd. | Trego | (715) 635-6075

Located near the Namekagon River, Trego Town Park features a campground, picnic area and swimming beach.

TRIANGLE PARK

Cty. Hwy. K | Spooner | (715) 635-8769

The park offers picnic tables and a drinking fountain.

**For more information on Washburn County Parks, visit: <http://www.washburncounty.org>. Campground and picnic shelter reservations can be made on by calling (715) 635-4490, Monday through Friday 8:00AM - 4:30PM.*

BARRON COUNTY

BARRON COUNTY VETERANS PARK

2125 13 - 12 1/2 Ave. | Cameron | (715) 458-4125

Located on 160 acres near Prairie Lake, Veterans Memorial Park features a campground, boat launch, picnic shelter, playground equipment, hiking trails and is dog friendly.

EARL CLANTON MEMORIAL PARK

1204 Hammond Ave. | Rice Lake

The park features 2 lighted slow pitch softball diamonds, flag/touch football field, playstructure, picnic shelter, concession stand, press box and restrooms.

HIAWATHA PARK

2101-2199 Monroe Ave. E | Rice Lake | (715) 234-7402

Located on over 33 acres, the park features hiking trails and a small water access area.

HOLSUM RIVERSIDE PARK

190 S. Main St. | Rice Lake

Located on 4 acres, the park features picnic tables and river bank fishing.

LOON LAKE WILDLIFE AREA

164 22nd Ave. | Comstock

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MOON LAKE PARK

800 East South St. | Rice Lake

Located on 73.0 acres, the park features soccer fields, softball fields, skate park, hiking trail, two shelters, restrooms, concession stand, picnic tables and a boat dock.

ROUX PARK

1211 West Marshall St. | Rice Lake

Located on 7.5 acres, the park includes a softball/baseball field, basketball court, horse shoe pits, shelter, picnic tables, grills, playground and restrooms.

SOUTHWORTH MEMORIAL PARK

650 26 1/2 27th St. | New Auburn

Located on 17 acres near Ten Mile Lake, Southwest Memorial Park features a campground, boat launch, picnic shelter, playground equipment and is dog friendly.

TOURIST PARK

950 1st Ave. | Cumberland | (715) 822-2752

VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK

2126 13-12 1/2 Ave. | Cameron | (May 1 to Sept. 30):

(715) 458-4125 | (Oct. 1 to April 30): (715) 537-6419

Located on 160 acres, the park features a boat ramp, campground, picnic shelter, playground equipment, hiking trails, pit toilets and a dumping station.

VILLAGE PARK

Hwy. 8 & 63 | Turtle Lake | 715-986-2241

The park features playground equipment, basketball court, ball field, winter ice skating rink, RV/tent camping and restrooms during summer months.

WALDO CARLSON PARK

2717 29th Ave. | Birchwood | (715) 354-3353

Located on 17 acres near Red Cedar Lake, Waldo Carlson Park features a boat launch, fishing pier, campground, picnic shelter, swimming beach and playground equipment.

WOLFINGER BIRD SANCTUARY

East Orchard Beach Lane | Rice Lake

Located on just under 8 acres, this non-developed natural resource area is currently a bird sanctuary park.

**For more information on Barron County Parks, visit: <http://www.barroncountywi.gov>. Campground and picnic shelter reservations can be made on by calling (715) 537-6295, Monday through Friday 8:00AM - 4:30PM.*

AREA ATTRACTIONS

BARRON AREA COMMUNITY CENTER

800 Memorial Dr. | Barron | (715) 537-6666

BARRON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY & PIONEER VILLAGE MUSEUM

1866 13 ½ Ave. | Cameron | (715) 458-2080

BARRON COUNTY PUBLIC RANGE

530 29 1/2 Ave. | Barronett

BARRON MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOL

27 West River Ave. | Barron | (715) 637-3097

BIRCHWOOD AREA LOG MUSEUM

101 N. Main St. | Birchwood | (715) 520-0389

CAMERON SPLASH PAD

1300 W Main St. | Cameron | (715) 458-6460

CHETEK AREA MUSEUM

728 2nd St. | Chetek | (715) 255-0482

CHETEK CITY BEACH

228 Lakeview Dr. | Chetek | (715) 924-4838

CLEAR LAKE MUSEUM

450 5th Ave. Box 2 | Clear Lake | (909) 452-2110

CLOVER MEADOW WINERY

23396 Thompson Rd. | Shell Lake | (715) 468-4224

ENDGAME MINI GOLF

2900 S Main St. | Rice Lake | (715) 418-6612

ERIKA QUAM MEMORIAL THEATRE

605 1st St. | Shell Lake | (715) 468-2414

GOV. TOMMY G. THOMPSON STATE FISH HATCHERY

810 W Maple St. | Spooner | (715) 635-4147

HUNT HILL NATURE CENTER & AUDUBON SANCTUARY

N2384 Hunt Hill Rd. | Sarona | (715) 635-6543

HYDROFLITES WATER SKI TEAM

728 Lakeview Dr. | Chetek

JACK LINK'S AQUATIC & ACTIVITY CENTER

714 W Hokah St. | Minong | (715) 972-8320

JAPANESE FRIENDSHIP GARDEN

S Wisconsin Ave. | Rice Lake

LAKE 7 THEATRE

1769 County Hwy. SS | Rice Lake | (715) 234-2691

NAMEKAGON RIVER VISITOR CENTER

W5483 US-63 | Trego | (715) 635-8346

NORTHERN WISCONSIN VETERANS MEMORIAL CEMETERY

N4063 Veterans Way | Spooner | (715) 635-5360

NORTHSTAR BISON RANCH STORE

222 Birch Ave. | Cameron | (715) 458-4300

NORTHERN STAR THEATRE

12 W. Marshall St. | Rice Lake | (715) 736-4444

NORTHWOODS LANES & THE BASS HUNTERS' SALOON

412 River St. | Spooner | (715) 939-1203

QUARTER'S ARCADE

111 Elm St. | Spooner | (715) 635-7529

RAILROAD MEMORIES MUSEUM

424 N Front St. | Spooner | (715) 635-3325

RED BARN THEATER

2247 22nd St. | Rice Lake | (715) 234-8301

RICE LAKE ARCHERY PARK

3 Lindy St. | Rice Lake | (715) 234-9235

RICE LAKE SPEEDWAY

2002 22 ½ Ave. | Rice Lake | (715) 236-2002

RICE LAKE SPLASH PAD

800 E South St. | Rice Lake | (715) 234-7402

RICE LAKE SWIMMING POOL

200 Cameron Rd. | Rice Lake | (715) 234-4279

SHELL LAKE ARTS CENTER

802 1st St. | Shell Lake | (715) 468-2414

SKATE CITY

2057 17 1/4-17 1/2 Ave. | Rice Lake | (715) 234-6070

SPOONER AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH STATION

W6646 WI-70 | Spooner | (715) 635-3735

SPOONER CIVIC CENTER

301 Walnut St. | Spooner | (715) 939-1106

SPOONER RAILROAD PARK

475 Roundhouse Rd. | Spooner | (715) 416-4622

SPOONER TIN CEILING TOUR

122 N. River St. | Spooner | (715) 635-9696

STARDUST DRIVE IN MOVIE THEATER

995 22nd St. | Chetek | (715) 458-4587

ST. CROIX CASINO

777 US-8 | Turtle Lake | 800-846-8946

STONE LAKE AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

6064 Stone Lake Rd. | Stone Lake | (715) 865-4940

TACTICAL ESCAPE 101

2900 S Main St. Cedar Mall | Rice Lake | (715) 418-0012

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260 Industrial Blvd. | Shell Lake | (715) 468-4122

TURTLE LAKE MUSEUM

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VETERANS MEMORIAL

US Highway 63 | Spooner

WASHBURN COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY & MUSEUM

102 W 2nd Ave. | Shell Lake | (715) 468-2982

WILDERNESS WALK ZOO & WESTERN TOWN

9503 Hwy. 27 | Hayward | (715) 699-1442

WISCONSIN CANOE HERITAGE MUSEUM

312 N Front St. | Spooner | (715) 635-5002

WISCONSIN GREAT NORTHERN RAILROAD

N6639 Dilly Lake Rd. | Trego | 715-635-3200

HUNTING SEASONS

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, 2024

Youth deer hunt ~ Oct. 5 – 6, 2024

Gun ~ Nov. 23 – Dec. 1, 2024

Muzzleloader ~ Dec. 2 – 11, 2024

December 4-day antlerless hunt ~

Dec. 12 – 15, 2024

Antlerless-only Holiday Hunt ~

Dec. 24, 2024 – 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

Sept. 2 – 8, 2024

with aid of dogs only

Sept. 11 – Oct. 1, 2024

with aid of dogs

with aid of bait

with all other legal methods

Sept. 4 – 10, 2024

with aid of bait only

with all other legal methods not using dogs

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

Sept. 4 – Oct. 8, 2024

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

Oct. 19 (9 a.m.) – Dec. 11

Ruffed grouse

Zone A ~ Sept. 14 – Jan. 5, 2025

Zone B ~ 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 ~ Continuous open season

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) ~ 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

Hunting & Trapping

Period 1 ~ Oct. 19 – Dec. 25

Period 2 ~ Dec. 26 – Jan. 31, 2025

Fisher

Trapping

North & South Zones ~ Oct. 19 – Jan. 5, 2025

Otter

Trapping

North zone ~ Nov. 2 – April 30, 2025

South zone ~ Nov. 2 – March 31, 2025

FURBEARERS (CONTD)

Raccoon

Hunting & Trapping

Resident ~ Oct. 19 – Feb. 15, 2025

Non-resident ~ 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 ~ Apr. 13 & 14

Spring 2024

Period A ~ Apr. 17-23

Period B ~ Apr. 24-30

Period C ~ May 1-7

Period D ~ May 8-14

WILD TURKEY (CONTD)

Period E ~ May 15-21

Period F ~ May 22-28

Fall 2024

Statewide Sept. 14-Nov. 22

Zones 1 - 5 ~ Nov. 23, 2024-Jan. 5 2025

*Dates are subject to change please contact your local DNR office for specific hunting and trapping zone regulations. For general information on fire-arm safety training call: 1 (888) 936-7463.

Check the WI DNR website for updates

<https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/>

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ALMENA

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241 E Hwy. 8 | Almena | (715) 357-3957

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1710 E Division Ave. | Barron | (715) 537-3658

EXPRESS LANE #2329

530 E Division St. | Barron | (715) 537-5478

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524 E LaSalle Ave. | Barron | (715) 537-5509

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2962 Main St. | Barronett | (715) 822-8979

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203 Main St. N | Birchwood | (715) 354-3535

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2104 Carlone St. | Cumberland | (715) 822-3770

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28 S Main St. | Rice Lake | (715) 719-0072

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220 W Knapp St. | Rice Lake | (715) 736-0797

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2501 West Ave. | Rice Lake | (715) 234-6990

SARONA

K&T ARCHERY AND SPORT SHOP

W6823 Cty. Hwy. D | Sarona | (715) 469-3310

SHELL LAKE

SHELL LAKE CENEX

331 Hwy. 63 | Shell Lake | (715) 468-2302

SPOONER

AAA SPORTSHOP

N5765 Bear Path Lane | Spooner | (715) 635-3011

DNR SPOONER SERVICE CENTER

810 W Maple St. | Spooner | (715) 635-2101

HOLIDAY STATIONSTORE #14

621 River St. N | Spooner | (715) 635-9421

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N8347 Bay Park Rd. | Trego | (715) 635-2840

TREGO TRAVEL CENTER

W5741 County Hwy. E | Trego | (715) 635-4933

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EXPRESS LANE #2307

538 B Hwy. 8 W | Turtle Lake | (715) 986-4401

TURTLE LAKE CENEX

630 Hwy. 8 | Turtle Lake | (715) 986-4750



- ❖ **Wear Blaze Orange!** Being mistaken for a deer, can be deadly
- ❖ **Scout the Area:** Before the hunting season begins, spend time scouting the hunting area. Look for deer signs such as tracks, droppings, rubs, and scrapes
- ❖ **Practice Stealth and Scent Control:** Deer have an excellent sense of smell and can be easily spooked by human scent
- ❖ **Know the Local Regulations and Laws:** Before you head out on your hunting trip, familiarize yourself with the local hunting regulations and laws.



Remember that ethical hunting practices, respect for wildlife, and safety should always be paramount while participating in any hunting activity. Additionally, always make sure to follow local hunting guidelines and regulations to protect the environment and wildlife populations. **HAPPY HUNTING!**



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FISHING SEASONS

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)

**Contact the Wisconsin DNR for more information on specific fishing zones and dates:*

1 (888) 936-7463

<https://dnr.wisconsin.gov>

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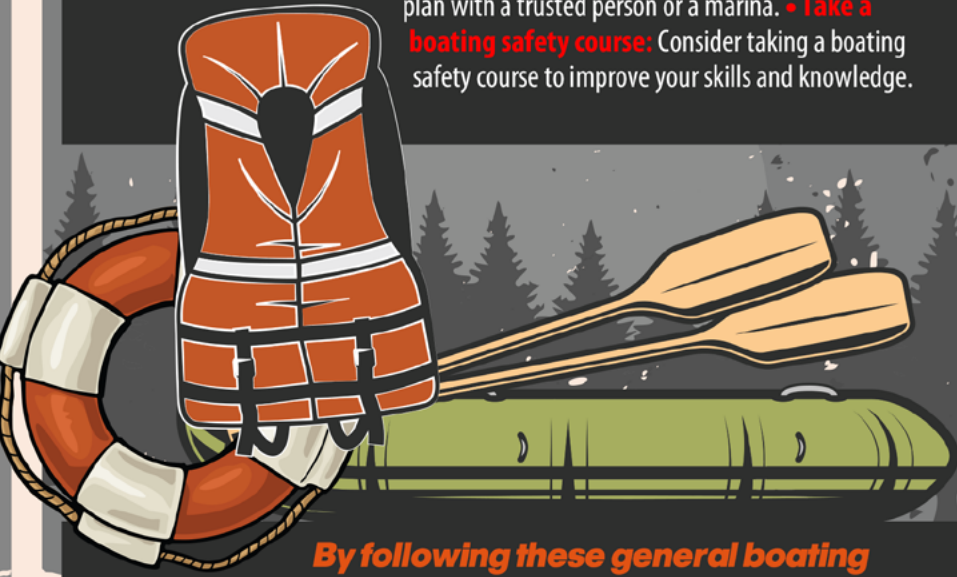
Fishing



Fishing is a good way to get out and relax. It can also be a time to bond with family or friends. Fishing is healthy as well, being outside and active is good for the body and eating fish can be beneficial. There's also the excitement of never knowing what kind of fish is going to take the bait or how big it is going to be. Plus fishing helps support wild life management.

Boating safety is critical for anyone who operates a boat or spends time on the water. Here are some general boating safety tips to keep in mind:

• **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.

YOUR Help is NEEDED!

Do
NOT
Transport
Invasive:
• Fish
• Invertebrates
• Aquatic Plants



CLEAN. DRAIN. DISPOSE.

KNOW THE LAW! YOU MAY NOT...

- TRANSPORT WATERCRAFT WITHOUT REMOVING THE DRAIN PLUG.
- ARRIVE AT LAKE ACCESS WITH DRAIN PLUG IN PLACE.
- TRANSPORT AQUATIC PLANTS, ZEBRA MUSSELS, OR OTHER PROHIBITED SPECIES ON ANY ROADWAY.
- LAUNCH A WATERCRAFT WITH PROHIBITED SPECIES ATTACHED.
- TRANSPORT WATER FROM LAKES OR RIVERS.
- RELEASE BAIT INTO THE WATER.



GO GREEN

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

reduce waste, reuse materials & recycle properly



Cut back on single-use plastics, conserve water, drive less





















EVERY DAY is EARTH DAY

Community/Home Gardens: Really good at absorbing carbon dioxide. Cuts down on pesticides/fertilizers. Also benefits mental health and provides fresh food.

Composting: Decreases the amount of trash in landfills and reduces carbon emissions.

Plant Trees: Planting trees is a classic Earth Day activity.

Local Food: Buy local sustainable food.

Clean-Up Events: Organize or participate in local clean-up efforts.

Upcycle Crafts: Get creative by turning old items into new useful objects.



Healthy & Environmentally Friendly Lawn

Choose a type of grass that thrives in your area. 3" is the optimal height for most grasses, it allows the roots to become strong and healthy. It also helps to absorb more water. Don't bag the lawn clippings, it's a natural fertilizer. Keep your mower blades sharp.



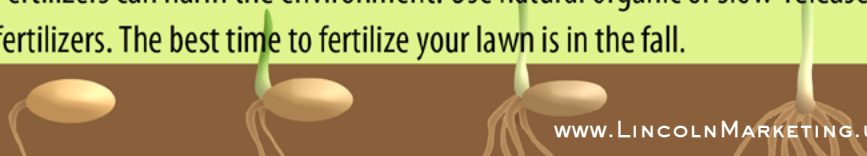
Don't water every day. Give your lawn a good soaking once or twice a week. Your lawn should get about an inch of water each week, whether it be from rain fall or a sprinkler. Water your lawn in the early morning, preferably before 10am. Watering at night time can create fungus growth.



Don't use pesticides. Correctly identify what the problem is and try a non-chemical method first. If you have to use a chemical based pesticide, try spot treating the problem area. All pesticides are toxic to some degree. Make sure to read all labels.



Fertilizers can harm the environment. Use natural organic or slow-release fertilizers. The best time to fertilize your lawn is in the fall.



Be Aware of your Surroundings

- Always wear a properly fitting bike helmet as most serious injuries are to the head.
- Be sure your handlebars, seat and wheels fit snugly.
- 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

Read the owner's manual

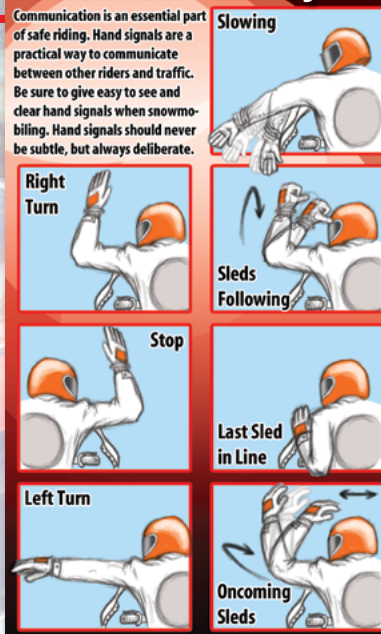
and know your vehicle thoroughly. • Check your vehicle before you ride. • Wear protective equipment and clothing. • Don't lend your vehicle to unskilled riders. • Supervise young or inexperienced riders. • Never carry a passenger on vehicles meant for one rider. • Do not operate under the influence of 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 SAFETY

- 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.

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.



PRIVATE PROPERTY
NO TRESPASSING

Please respect private property and no trespassing signs. Stay on trails. Exercise extreme caution on all lakes and streams. Obey all state and local laws and ordinances. Do not operate snowmobiles/ATVs on county roads or state highways.

WASHBURN COUNTY TRAILS

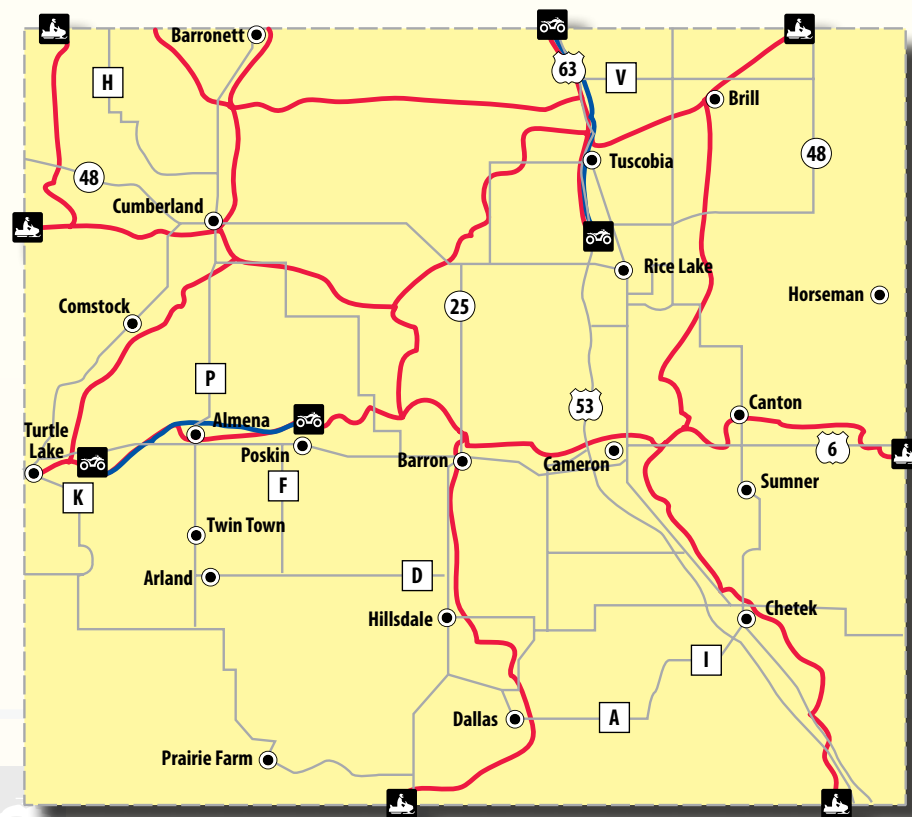


Snowmobile Trail



ATV Trail

BARRON COUNTY TRAILS



Disc golf or frisbee golf is played a lot like traditional ball golf but instead of hitting a ball with a club into a hole the player throws a frisbee into a basket. Disc golf can be played by just about anyone at any age. It's also a cheap sport to get into. Specialized frisbees for disc golf cost around \$10-\$15 and a lot of courses are free. Playing disc golf is a great way to get out for some exercise, enjoy nature and have some fun.

Disc Golf



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?

Auggie Land Dog Park

871 24 1/2 St. | Chetek

Bark Park

15355 Park Ln. | Park Falls

City of Chetek Dog Park

401 City Park Dr. | Chetek |
(715) 924-4838

Rice Lake Dog Park

2601 S Main St. | Rice Lake
(715) 234-9235

Spooner Dog Park

1300 Roundhouse Rd. |
Spooner

Tussock State Trail

(Dogs allowed)
N15400 Park Ln. | Park Falls

DOG PARKS





Barbecue

BARBECUE DO'S:

- use proper barbecue equipment and tools, such as a grill, tongs, and spatulas.
- preheat your grill before placing any food on it.
- marinate your meat before cooking to enhance the flavor.
- keep a close eye on your food while grilling to prevent overcooking or burning.
- use a meat thermometer to ensure that your meat is cooked to the correct internal temperature.
- let your meat rest for a few minutes before slicing or serving to allow the juices to redistribute.
- keep your grill and utensils clean to prevent any foodborne illness.

BARBECUE DON'TS:

- use lighter fluid to start your grill. Instead, use a chimney starter or electric starter.
- overcrowd your grill. Leave enough space between the pieces of meat to ensure even cooking.
- use a fork to flip your meat. Piercing the meat can cause it to lose its juices and become dry.
- baste your meat with sugary sauces too early in the cooking process, as it can burn and create a bitter taste.
- leave cooked meat out in the sun for too long, as it can spoil quickly.
- assume that meat is fully cooked by its color. Always use a meat thermometer to check the internal temperature.
- leave your grill unattended while it's still hot. Always make sure to properly cool it down before leaving it.



HONEY Glazed CHICKEN



Simple meal with a *Gourmet* Feel

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1 Preheat the oven to 375°F (190°C).
- 2 In a small bowl, whisk together the honey, soy sauce, olive oil, apple cider vinegar, garlic, salt, and pepper.
- 3 Place the chicken breasts in a baking dish and pour the honey glaze over the chicken, making sure it's evenly coated.
- 4 Bake in the preheated oven for 25-30 minutes, or until the chicken is cooked through and no longer pink in the center.
- 5 After 15 minutes of baking, remove the chicken from the oven and brush the remaining honey glaze over the chicken. Return the chicken to the oven and continue baking.
- 6 Once done, remove from the oven and let rest for a few minutes before serving.
- 7 You can garnish with sesame seeds and chopped green onions if you like.

INGREDIENTS

- 4 boneless, skinless chicken breasts
- 1/2 cup honey
- 1/4 cup soy sauce
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 2 tablespoons apple cider vinegar
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- Salt and pepper to taste

Enjoy your delicious
honey glazed chicken!

PREP: 10 MIN • TOTAL: 40 MIN



Let Wildlife be Wild

- ✖ Bringing a wild animal home will stress it out. The stress can cause health problems or even death. Most wild animals see people and domestic animals as a threat.
- ✖ Wild animals can carry diseases and parasites that can affect humans and domestic animals.
- ✖ The diet requirements of a wild animal are very hard to replicate in captivity. With out a complete diet wild animals run a high risk of having nutritional deficiencies that can lead to deformations or death. On the other hand for local birds providing supplemental food and water may be beneficial with correct practice.
- ✖ Wild animals raised by humans don't learn their normal behaviors or survival skills and shouldn't be released into the wild.
- ✖ If you come across a injured animal don't try and help it until contacting your local wildlife agency to see what they recommend.
- ✖ It's illegal for an unauthorized citizen to raise wild animals in most states.



- A healthy animal in its natural environment has the best chance of survival.
- A young wild animal by itself does not mean it's an orphan. It is common for adults to leave their young unattended while they forage or hunt.
- Wild animals are not very safe as pets.
- It is false that the human scent on a wild animal will make the parents reject it.

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