



Activities at Ponca State Park July 10-12



Friday, July 10

9–11 am Introduction to Archery; Muzzle-loader; Tomahawks– Introductory archery and tomahawk course for beginners 5 years or older. Introductory muzzle-loader course for beginner 12 years of age and older. Participants will learn basic skills of the event of their choice – all equipment is provided. Meet and pay in the Eric Wiebe Shooting Range. **Cost is \$1/6 arrows \$1/shot and \$1/6 throws.**

1pm Nature Hike – Take a guided hike on one of the park's many trails. Learn about plants, wildlife, and history of the region. We will provide guide books and binoculars during this hike. Meet at the Resource and Education Center. **Free.**

3 pm Bluebird Nest Monitoring – Help us keep track of our bluebirds by visiting several bluebird boxes near the Resource & Education Center. Participants will have a chance to see up close the residences of these little houses. Learn about the nesting, feeding and life cycles of this beautiful bird and how to improve your own bluebird habitat. Meet at the Resource & Education Center. **Free.**

Saturday, July 11

9 am-11am Introduction to Archery; Pellet Rifles— The shooting complex will offer introductory courses on Pellet Rifles and Archery. Choose any or all activities. All equipment is provided. Meet and pay at the Eric Wiebe Shooting Complex. Archery and Pellet Rifle participants must be 5 years of age or older. **Cost \$1/4 clips with pellet gun; \$1/6 arrows for archery.**

11:30 am Sustainable, Native Gardening– Participants will learn about native plants and their benefits as well as simple methods they can use to keep them self-sustaining and easy to maintain. Participants will also be able to plant a native flower using recycled newspaper to take home. Meet and pay at the front desk in the Resource & Education Center. Please pre-register at the front desk. **\$2/Craft.**

2:00 pm Critter Corner – This is a very popular program for all ages. This program provides a snapshot of the different types of fish and wildlife that are found in and along the Missouri River. Participants will be able to see, touch, and sometimes smell live critters, furs, feathers, shells, skulls, etc. Meet at the Resource and Education Center. **Free.**

1-3 pm Introduction to .22's– Shoot a .22 on our range located toward the end of the shooting complex. This is considered the next step above pellet rifles. Must be 10 years of age and older to participate. All equipment and instructors will be provided. Meet and pay at the Eric Wiebe Shooting Complex. **Cost is \$3/10 round.**

6:15pm; 7:30pm Hayrack Park Tour (45min) - Learn everything you wanted to know about Ponca State Park! Meet and pay at the Resource and Education Center. Please pre-register at the front desk. **Cost is \$4.00 for Adults, \$3 for 3-12 years.** Maximum of 25 people allowed per tour, minimum of 12 people.

Sunday, July 12

9-11 am Tomahawk; AtIAtI Throwing Clinic- Learn how to throw a tomahawk at a wood bull's-eye or an atlatl at our mammoth or sabretooth!! The instructor will give a history lesson on the traditions of the sport. Meet and pay at the Archery Range in the Eric Wiebe Shooting Complex. **Cost is \$1/6 throws**

10 am Dutch Oven Cooking – Learn how to cook delicious meals in these timeless cast iron ovens. Meet and pay at the Resource and Education Center. Please pre-register at front desk. **Cost is \$3.00/person and is limited to 20 people.**

1 pm Sneaky Snakes! – Learn about different types of snakes found in Nebraska along with myths vs. facts about this slithery group of reptiles. Participants can touch several different snakes. Meet at the Resource & Education Center. **Free.**

