



2018 Program Schedule

For more information on any of Lone Pine State Park's programs, please call

Park Ranger: Derrick Rathe at 406-755-2706 ext. #2.

For more information and to pre-register for events check our Facebook Page @ <https://www.facebook.com/LonePineStatePark/>

***** Out of State Vehicle Fees apply to all programs**

<p>Friday March 2nd</p>	<p>Full Moon Snowshoe Hike- Come snowshoe Lone Pine State Park under the moon-light. This ranger led hike is geared for beginners and offers a new way to experience snowshoeing. The program is weather dependent and if clouds or fog block the moon the program will continue; in this case, remember to bring your headlamp. If enough snow is present we encourage you to bring your snowshoes; there will also be snowshoes available to rent in adult and child sizes.</p>	<p>7:30-8:30 PM</p>	<p>Eventbrite \$6/Individual or \$12/family \$5/Snowshoe Rental</p>	<p>Visitor Center</p>
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<p>Saturday March 17th</p>	<p>St. Patrick's Day Hike- As the grass starts to show at Lone Pine State Park, the flowers are also starting to bloom. This will be a short 1.5 mile hike to identify the early blooming flowers. Remember to dress for the weather and wear green! If snow is still present this is will become a snowshoe hike. Snowshoes will be available at the park at a first come, first serve basis.</p>	<p>1:00- 2:30 PM</p>	<p>Eventbrite \$6/Individual or \$12/family \$5/Snowshoe Rental</p>	<p>Picnic Shelter</p>
<p>Friday March 23rd</p>	<p>Friends of Lone Pine Open House Come meet the Lone Pine staff, volunteers, and partners, have some refreshments, and see a short presentation on what Lone Pine State Park is all about! Call our office at 406-755-2706 ext. 4 for more information.</p>	<p>5:00 – 8:00 PM</p>	<p>FREE</p>	<p>Visitor Center</p>
<p>Saturday March 24th</p>	<p>Map & Compass – The Basics No matter what you like to do outside, this workshop is for you! Hiking, hunting, adventure racing, geocaching, kayaking, bird watching; any outdoors person can find this class useful. This is a navigation workshop geared toward beginners. Bring a compass if you have one, otherwise you are welcome to use one of ours. Please wear sturdy shoes and bring waterproof and insulating layers, as we will spend at least half of the workshop outside.</p>	<p>10:00 AM – 12:00 PM</p>	<p>Eventbrite \$6/Individual or \$12/family</p>	<p>Visitor Center</p>
<p>Saturday March 31st</p>	<p>Hop into Spring Easter Egg Hunt- Join Lone Pine State Park for the return of our popular spring Easter event! Event includes egg hunt & hike, face painting, crafts, storybook reading, and games. Egg hunt and hike will begin at the top of every hour, and kids must have a ticket to participate. Each child will complete the hike while collecting one of each color egg hidden along the trail! BYOB (Bring your own basket)! You can purchase tickets at the Lone Pine Visitors Center, but we recommend online preregistration for the event. To secure the time you would like to do the egg hunt we recommend preregistering through the link which will be provided on Facebook the third weekend of February. Tickets may be purchased at the Visitor Center if there are open slots in each session.</p>	<p>11:00-3:00 PM</p>	<p>Eventbrite \$6/Egg Hunter</p>	<p>Picnic Shelter</p>

<p>Friday April 6th</p>	<p>Backpacking Workshop 1 The first of three backpacking workshops is geared to help you organize and plan a trip, so that you are knowledgeable and relaxed while out on the trail. Along with being comfortable before you go, you should be comfortable throughout; this workshop will also hit on proper ways to pack so that you are carrying your essentials comfortably on your back.</p>	<p>5:30 -6:30 PM</p>	<p>Eventbrite \$6/Individual or \$12/family</p>	<p>Picnic Shelter</p>
<p>Saturday April 7th</p>	<p>Owl Prowl Spring is a wonderful time; flowers are beginning to bloom, grass starting to show, and migratory birds are starting to fly North. This time of year also offers a great chance to go out and find the nocturnal hunters of the sky. The ranger guided hike will be roughly 2 miles around Lone Pine at night to find what owl species are lurking in the trees. Please bring headlamps, water, snacks, and warm clothes (camera is optional).</p>	<p>8:00 - 9:30 PM</p>	<p>Eventbrite \$6/Individual or \$12/family</p>	<p>Picnic Shelter</p>
<p>Friday April 13th</p>	<p>Backpacking Workshop 2 It's imperative that we learn how to maintain wild land, as well as the gear that we use to travel through it. The second workshop in our Backpacking 101 series will cover Leave No Trace practices & gear repair techniques. We'll also go over items that you should have in your own gear repair kit for the field!</p>	<p>5:30 - 6:30 PM</p>	<p>Eventbrite \$6/Individual or \$12/family</p>	<p>Picnic Shelter</p>
<p>Saturday April 14th</p>	<p>Native Plant Celebration NW Montana is full of vibrant and healthy plants. This ranger program will help you identify what native flowers would be great on your property. You will have a better understanding of timing of blooms, what's around you and what you can possibly eat.</p>	<p>9:30 - 11:30 AM</p>	<p>Eventbrite \$6/Individual or \$12/family</p>	<p>Picnic Shelter</p>
	<p>Space Saturday The night will start with an interpretive talk at the Lone Pine Visitor Center, followed by stargazing and telescope viewing. Please do not use white lights (flashlights or cell phones) during the program. Red lights are allowed. Do not smoke, drink alcohol, or bring any pets to the program. Bring a camp chair for comfort. Wear layers - nights get cold.</p>	<p>8:00-9:30 PM</p>		
<p>Friday April 20th</p>	<p>Backpacking Workshop 3 Now that you have planned your trip and hiked into the backcountry while leaving no trace, your next step is to set up camp and refuel yourself. This workshop will give you the tools to set up camp in a way that leaves minimal impact on the resource and lowers your chances of bear interaction. Also, we will give you basic wilderness survival techniques. Then everyone's favorite, food! In this section, we will go over recipes and basic cooking methods for backcountry cooking.</p>	<p>5:30 – 7:30 PM</p>	<p>Eventbrite \$6/Individual or \$12/family</p>	<p>Picnic Shelter</p>

<p>Saturday April 21st</p>	<p>Scavenger Hunt Come hunt for cones, leaves, parasites, diseases, noxious weeds, birds, wildflowers, fungus, and lichen on Earth Day. Scavenger Hunt check-off sheets will be available at the Visitor Center, and prizes will be given out to anyone who completes the scavenger hunt.</p>	<p>10:00 AM – 5:00 PM</p>	<p>FREE</p>	<p>Visitor Center</p>
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<p>Saturday April 28th – Sunday April 29th</p>	<p>3D Archery Event The Flathead Valley Archery Club will be hosting the 33rd annual Lone Pine 3D Archery Shoot. There will be 40 3D targets around Lone Pine State Park. Registration will be held Saturday from 8 AM to 2 PM and Sunday from 8 AM to 12 PM. For more information please call (406) 212-5090 and speak with Sarah Yerkes.</p>	<p>All Day</p>	<p>Varies</p>	<p>Picnic Shelter</p>
<p>Wednesday May 2nd</p>	<p>Wildflower Walk We encourage you to stop, smell, and celebrate wildflowers with us on National Wildflower Week by coming on our first Wildflower Walk of the year. Meet at the Lone Pine Picnic Shelter for a 1.5-mile hike. Space is limited, so online registration is required.</p>	<p>5:30 – 6:30 PM</p>	<p>Eventbrite \$6/Individual or \$12/family</p>	<p>Picnic Shelter</p>
<p>Saturday May 5th</p>	<p>Can I Eat This? There will be 2 ranger-led hikes. Both will give you tools to identify what plants are safe to eat, and each hike will be roughly 2 miles around Lone Pine foraging for edible plants. Please bring water, snacks, good hiking shoes and clothes appropriate for the weather.</p>	<p>10:00 – 11:30 AM & 3:00 – 4:30 PM</p>	<p>Eventbrite \$6/Individual or \$12/family</p>	<p>Picnic Shelter</p>

Saturday May 12 th	Wanted Dead: Noxious Weeds This ranger hike will help you identify what noxious weeds are on your property as well as control measures. The hike will be roughly 2 miles; please bring weather dependent clothing, water, snacks and gloves if you have them.	10:00 AM – 12:00 PM	FREE	Visitor Center
	Space Saturday - Galaxies The night will start with an interpretive talk at the Lone Pine Visitor Center, followed by stargazing and telescope viewing. Please do not use white lights (flashlights or cell phones) during the program. Red lights are allowed. Do not smoke, drink alcohol, or bring any pets to the program. Bring a camp chair for comfort. Wear layers - nights get cold.	9:30 – 11:00 PM	Eventbrite \$6/Individual or \$12/family	
Wednesday May 16 th	Geology Walk Join us on a 1-mile, 1-hour stroll to observe the great forces that have been manipulating northwest Montana long before humans were ever here. Uncover evidence of the hard-to-see forces that shape the Flathead Valley and gain a perspective of Montana’s geological future. Space is limited, so online pre-registration is required.	5:30 – 6:30 PM	Eventbrite \$6/Individual or \$12/family	Picnic Shelter
Wednesday May 30 th	Wildflower Walk Join park staff for a guided walk to view and learn about the early summer wildflowers. Meet at the Lone Pine Picnic Shelter for a 1.5 mile hike. Online pre-registration is required.	5:30 – 6:30 PM	Eventbrite \$6/Individual or \$12/family	Picnic Shelter
Saturday June 2 nd	National Trails Day Come out to discover your local trails, learn how to handle some trail building tools, and gain hands-on experience in trail conservation and noxious weed control. This national event is a great way to get out and help protect the trails you love to use. Tools will be provided (if you have your own please bring them), bring gloves and water. Afterwards stick around and enjoy the BBQ and meet other trail enthusiast.	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM	FREE	Picnic Shelter
Friday June 8 th	Where are the Wolverines? Wolverines were nearly extinct in Montana during the early 1900's and have been increasing in numbers and range since. Come to our program to learn about these fierce, elusive long-distance hunters and scavengers. Meet in the Lone Pine Visitor Center.	5:30 – 6:30 PM	Eventbrite \$6/Individual or \$12/family	Visitor Center

Saturday June 9 th	National Get Outdoors Day Birding for Beginners This ranger-led hike around Lone Pine will show you the world of birds. This program is right at the end of peak bird migration and will be a wonderful time to see a variety of species. The hike will be 2.5 miles long, with plenty of breaks throughout. Please bring water, snacks, good hiking shoes, and binoculars (camera is optional).	8:00 – 10:00 AM	FREE	Picnic Shelter
	Leave No Trace Bonanza! Come learn how to build a leave-no-trace campfire, hang a bear bag, and how to properly dispose of waste in the woods! At this hands-on awareness workshop, we introduce the seven Leave No Trace principles of outdoor ethics, demonstrate good practices for backcountry travel, and conduct a Camp craft Olympics.	1:00 – 3:30 PM		
Friday June 15 th	Space Friday The night will start with an interpretive talk at the Lone Pine Visitor Center, followed by stargazing and telescope viewing. Please do not use white lights (flashlights or cell phones) during the program. Red lights are allowed. Do not smoke, drink alcohol, or bring any pets to the program. Bring a camp chair for comfort.	10:00 – 11:30 PM	Eventbrite \$6/Individual or \$12/family	Visitor Center
Thursday June 21 st	Summer Solstice Hike Celebrate the longest day of the year and the official beginning of summer with a 3-mile evening hike through the park! We will talk about how the park’s ecosystems respond to seasonal changes in sunlight as we walk. Pre-registration is required.	6:00 – 8:00 PM	Eventbrite \$6/Individual or \$12/family	Picnic Shelter
Thursday June 28 th	Full Moon Hike – Strawberry Moon On a night when the moon is too bright for telescope viewing, join us for a ranger-led Full Moon Hike! These highly popular hikes start just after sunset and traverse Lone Pine under a moonlit sky. Pre-registration is required. The program is weather dependent and if clouds or fog block the moon the program will continue; in this case, remember to bring your headlamp.	9:00 – 10:00 PM	Eventbrite \$6/Individual or \$12/family	Picnic Shelter