



Ponca State Park

April 24, 2021



Ponca State Park is excited to have you! Limited educational and recreational programming is available to help you enjoy your visit. You **MUST** pre-register for programs. Call or visit the park office.

Sign up starts at 8:00 am the day of the program and closes 30 min. prior to the program start time.

Please Recreate Responsibly. Our ability to keep this area open for your continued use is dependent upon your compliance with social spacing and group size recommendations.

Visit outdoornebraska.gov/healthinfo/ for more information.

11:00am-12:00pm Bloodroot Trail Hike - Join a naturalist as we hike along Bloodroot Trail exploring spring woodland flowers like Bloodroot, Dutchman's Breeches, Columbine, and perhaps Jack-in-the-Pulpit. We will also see and hear several species of woodland birds traveling through Ponca State Park on their spring migration. **Approx. 1 mile. Difficulty: Easy to Moderate.** Pre-register at the Resource and Education Center. Limited slots available. **Meet at the parking lot across from the horse corral. Free.**

1:00pm-1:45pm Critter Corner - Today is *Save the Frogs Day* AND *National Go Birding Day*! We'll learn about Nebraska's frogs and some of the common birds you might find at Ponca State Park. Then we'll explore the bird feeders and see who is coming to eat. **Meet behind the Resource and Education Center.** Pre-register at the Resource and Education Center. Limited slots available. **Free.**



8:30pm-9:30pm (Evening Program) Frogwatch - With today being *Save the Frogs Day*! Learn how to identify frog species by sight and sound. We'll head to a wetland area to listen for frogs and record our findings. All data will be sent to Frogwatch USA for research. **Meet at the backwaters parking lot.** Dress for the weather, and the possibility of getting your feet wet. Participants are also encouraged to bring a flashlight or headlamp. Pre-register at the Resource and Education Center. Limited slots available. **Free.**



Take & Go Activity: Search for Tracks — Spring weather is a great time to explore the trails and see what animal tracks you can find. Use this interactive guide and look to the ground to see the clues left behind. Then challenge your friends and family to see who can match their tracks the fastest. Recommended for all ages. **Cost \$1/kit. While supplies last.**

Ponca Bingo, Scavenger Hunts, and Passports — Fun for the whole family! Explore everything Ponca State Park has to offer with these self guided activities. **Available at the Resource and Education Center.**

Self-guided Hike: Old Oak Trail — Celebrate the 100th anniversary of Nebraska's state parks by participating in this self-guided hike. Along the trail you'll find educational stopping points to learn about various plants, history, and restoration work. Before you start, pick up a trail guide at the Resource Center and Education or the trail head at the West Shelter. **Difficulty: Easy to Moderate. 1.2 mile loop.**

Search for Sasquatch — Park staff have noticed signs of this woolly beast. Each week Sasquatch moves to a new location. See if you can find him and take a selfie! Share your photos with us on **Facebook** or at ngpc.ponca@nebraska.gov #SasquatchSelfieChallenge



Visit our [Facebook Page](#), **Ponca State Park NE**, for more activities and information.

Recreate Responsibly. For questions please call **(402)-755-2284**.