



## FIRE IN THE FOREST

While many visitors to Lake James State Park come during the summer for the swimming, sunbathing and picnicking, winter season hikers are sure to have already noticed a drastic change to the landscape across much of the Catawba River Area.

For the first time in its 27-year history, Lake James State Park burned. The series of fires that took place between Feb. 25 and April 1 were not wildfires caused by lightning or errant embers from a campfire; they were deliberately set by forest managers with the North Carolina Forestry Service to help the park staff achieve its natural resources management goals.

In total, 252 acres within the park (and another 90 acres of adjacent private land) were subjected to low-intensity prescribed burns. The results of these are a reduced likelihood of catastrophic wildfires consuming park forests during periods

of extreme hazard and the beginning of a rejuvenation of the natural ecosystem back to its pre-colonization cycle of periodic fires across the landscape.

“Before this area was settled by European colonists, fire was a very regular visitor to these forests,” said Park Ranger Jamie Cameron, lead natural resources officer at Lake James State Park. “Wildfires started with lightning strikes and burned themselves out naturally. Native Americans also intentionally set fires in the forest because they understood the benefits to wildlife, which they relied upon for food, clothing and a host of other assets that were critical to their survival.”

The recently charred landscape is already showing signs of a robust recovery, and Cameron and others will be on the lookout for plant species that may return after being absent many decades in conjunction with fire

suppression. “During a recent survey in one of the burn units before we set it off, our regional biologist located a single Table Mountain pine tree, along with several remnant short-leaf pines,” said Cameron. “These tree species can only grow where fire exists because the seed cones require the heat from fire to open and disperse. The fact that we found them here at Lake James is proof of what these forests once consisted of and is very exciting considering the possibilities of what it might become once again.”

Lake James now joins South Mountains, Pilot Mountain and Crowders Mountain state parks in the N.C. Division of Parks and Recreation’s West District in the use of prescribed fire as a resource management tool and catastrophic wildfire mitigation. Prescribed burns are conducted at a number of other locations across the N.C. parks system, as well as within many N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission gamelands.

If you would like to receive our monthly events list, contact Nora Coffey at [nora.coffey@ncparks.gov](mailto:nora.coffey@ncparks.gov). Please note: In an effort to reduce idle time, please make a reasonable effort to arrive a few minutes before the times set for programs.

## **WALKING THE WETLANDS - Saturday, May 3**

Is it a swamp, a marsh, a bog or a wetland? Discover what it takes to be a wetland and the types of plants and animals that thrive in this critical habitat. Join Park Ranger Earl Weaver as he leads a hike through some of the wetlands within Lake James State Park. The hike begins in front of the park office at the Catawba River Area. Bring appropriate clothing and be prepared to start at 10 a.m.

## **SPRING BOAT TOUR - Sunday, May 4**

The fresh, new growth of spring is popping out all along the lakeshore and there's no better way to welcome the season than by a leisurely boat tour led by an expert naturalist. Park Ranger Earl Weaver will be your captain and guide as you glide across the waters of Lake James in search of wildlife and scenic beauty. There are only seven spaces available aboard the park's patrol vessel, so pre-registration for this popular program is required. Bring appropriate clothing for an afternoon on the water, keeping in mind that it will be cooler offshore than it is at the dock. Life jackets will be provided. This program departs from the law enforcement boat dock, at the east end of the Paddy's Creek Area parking lot, promptly at 2 p.m. Meet Ranger Weaver underneath the East Picnic Shelter several minutes prior to setting sail. Call 828-584-7728 to register.

## **AFTER THE BURN - Saturday, May 10**

This February marked the first time in the history of Lake James State Park that controlled burns have been utilized to reduce dangerous fuel levels and restore the forest to its natural state. Join Park Ranger Jamie Cameron for a tour of the burn units at the Catawba River Area and see how the fires in recent months have already sparked a rejuvenation of fire-dependent plant and animals species that have been stifled by decades of ill-advised wildfire suppression. Meet at the Catawba River Area breezeway at 11 a.m.

## **HOLLY DISCOVERY HIKE - Saturday, May 10**

The Holly Discovery Trail is an award-winning trail which offers 18 interactive stations, fun for hikers young and old. Meet Park Ranger Kevin Bischof as he leads a hike along this .75-mile trail and introduces Lake James State Park through a different view than any other trail located within the park. The hike starts at 10 a.m. from the Holly Discovery Trailhead, located in the Paddy's Creek Area of the park. Bring your imagination and some sturdy footwear and be prepared to discover the Holly Discovery.

## **BEAUTIFUL BUTTERFLIES - Sunday, May 11**

In celebration of the North Carolina State Park's annual theme, this program will explore the intricate world of butterflies. This program continues as we hike along the Mill Creek Trail in hopes of seeing some of Lake James' early season butterflies, like the mourning cloak, the tiger swallowtail and the summer azure. The program starts at the east shelter in the Paddy's Creek Area of the park. Please meet Park Ranger Kevin Bischof at 3 p.m. and be prepared to walk approximately 1.5 miles.



*Morning Cloak Butterfly*

## **LAKE JAMES BIOBLITZ - Tuesday, May 13**

Lake James State Park will host the 2014 N.C. Division of Parks and Recreation BioBlitz Team as they scour the park's 3,514 acres for living creatures both great and small. Experts from a wide range of universities and state agencies will spend 24 hours surveying the park for its tremendous biodiversity and sharing their findings with the public. There will be a schedule of talks and field trips available at the Paddy's Creek Area picnic shelters where you can learn more than you ever thought you would about snails, crayfish, trees, ants and every other critter that exists in this part of the world.

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**CANOE EXCURSION - Wednesday, May 14**

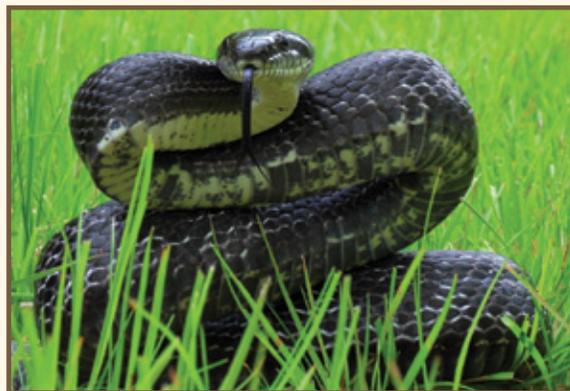
The tranquility of paddling a canoe on a quiet morning is one of life's simple pleasures. Discover the beauty of Lake James State Park from the water with Park Ranger Jamie Cameron. Whether you're an expert paddler or you don't know the difference between starboard and port, we'll provide the equipment and instruction to make it a memorable morning. Six park canoes are set aside for this free program and each is capable of carrying two adults and one child. Meet at the Paddy's Creek Area bathhouse breezeway at 9 a.m. to be fitted for your PFD and paddle. You must pre-register with a head-count of how many people will be in each boat (sorry, no singles). Please call 828-584-7728 and sign-up today.

**CANOE EXCURSION - Saturday, May 24**

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**SNAKES! - Sunday, May 25**

"The only good snake is a dead snake ..." or so the saying goes. One of the most feared, hated and misunderstood animals in nature, snakes are found throughout Lake James State Park. While there are two venomous, potentially dangerous species, most snakes here are harmless. Meet Park Ranger Kevin Bischof at the Holly Discovery Trail parking area for a hike along the Overmountain Victory Trail. Along the way we'll go through prime snake habitat, discuss the natural history of these legless park residents and, with any luck, see one for ourselves. Please wear sturdy hiking shoes, bring water and be prepared to walk for about an hour. The program starts at 10 a.m.



*Black Rat Snake*

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**NIGHT SOUNDS - Saturday, May 31**

As the sun slowly sets in the west, nocturnal animals start to stir. Insects, amphibians, birds and bats come out from hiding and let their voices be heard. Park Ranger Jamie Cameron will lead this evening program in search of some of the critters that think the night time is the right time. Meet at the Paddy's Creek Area bathhouse breezeway at 7:30 p.m. We'll be driving by caravan to several stops where we'll get out and walk around a bit.

**LEAF HIKE - Sunday, June 1**

Leaves come in all shapes and sizes and, depending on the time of year, colors. As the summer season kicks into full gear, the trees in Lake James State Park are loaded with their greenest foliage. Join Park Ranger Kevin Bischof as he leads a hike along the Paddy's Creek Trail to discover the different types of leaves and the different type of trees that can be found in the park. The hike will start from the Holly Discovery Trail Parking Lot at 10 a.m. and will last for about an hour.

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**PHOTO SAFARI - Saturday, June 6**

The breeding season is in full swing and there are lots of bird and animal babies around. Park Ranger Jamie Cameron, an award-winning photographer and former newspaper editor, will have camera in hand as we search for great photos at Lake James State Park. Wear clothing that is appropriate for the weather and bring whatever photography equipment you think you'll need to help you in your quest. Meet at the Catawba River Area office breezeway at 9:30 a.m.

**BIRDING HIKE - Sunday, June 7**

June is a time when bird nesting activity is at its peak at Lake James State Park, so let's take a hike and try to find some of the beautiful breeding species found here, like blue-gray gnatcatcher, yellow-throated warbler and broad-winged hawk. Park Ranger Jamie Cameron will be your guide on this easy, 2-mile hike along the Overmountain Victory Trail. Wear clothing that is appropriate for the weather, bring binoculars and a field guide if you have them. Meet at the Holly Discovery Trail parking area at 9 a.m.

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**WONDERFUL WORLD OF MOTHS - Saturday, June 14**

That's right, moths. Inevitably you have ducked quickly into a house, past the front porch light, and ... shoot ... it got in anyway! Moths are closely related to butterflies and are very similar to their daytime cousins, so why the negative connotation? Like butterflies, if you take the time to admire them, moths are beautiful. Join Park Ranger Kevin Bischof as we discover the wonderful world of moths. There will be a short program indoors to discuss the general natural history of moths, followed by some moth viewing as the night darkens. Bring an open-mind and a sharp eye and meet at the Catawba River Area Office at 8 p.m.

**NOCTURNAL ANIMALS - Sunday, June 15**

Late evening is one of the best times to see animals. Diurnal animals can be seen just before they bed down for the night and nocturnal animals can be seen as they start to emerge from their daily slumber. Join Park Ranger Kevin Bischof on a hike to the Lake Channel Overlook to discover what animals can be seen and heard as the day leads to night. Meet at the Catawba River Area Office at 8 p.m. and be ready to walk approximately 1.5 miles.

**CANOE EXCURSION - Saturday, June 21**

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**FISHING - Sunday, June 22**

One of the main attractions to Lake James State Park is the quality fishing opportunities that can be found in the lake. Have you ever wanted to fish, but didn't know where to start? Here is a great opportunity. Meet Park Ranger Kevin Bischof at the Paddy's Creek Area Office and be prepared to wet a line! All of the fishing gear will be supplied so all you need to do is show up. Since gear will be provided, participation is limited to the first eight to register. Please call 828-584-7728 to sign-up for this program.

**INTERPRETING OLD HOME SITES - Saturday, June 28**

As the summer season heats up, most park visitors are focused on the water. But Lake James wasn't always a place to cool down. In fact, there wasn't always a lake. Many families have lived in and around the lake long before the lake was here. Join Park Ranger Clay Veasey at the Paddy's Creek Area Office as he leads an exploration of old home sites that are located within the boundaries of Lake James State Park. The hike starts at 9 a.m.

**PREDATORS OF THE PARK - Saturday, June 28**

Every ecosystem needs predators to keep populations in balance with the resources and Lake James State Park is no exception. Foxes, bobcats, coyotes, snakes, owls, eagles and turtles prowl the land, skies and waters of the park in search of prey. Most of the time, these predators are extremely shy and difficult to observe, so Park Ranger Earl Weaver has designed a static display of specimens to become better acquainted with these critters. He will be manning his booth in the Paddy's Creek Area bathhouse breezeway starting at 11 a.m.

**DRAGONFLIES OF LAKE JAMES - Saturday, June 28**

Dragonflies are an ancient tribe that evolved millions of years ago and were around when dinosaurs roamed the Earth. They are also one of the most efficient mosquito control agents know to man. Join Park Ranger Jamie Cameron as we explore the shoreline of Lake James to uncover the life-cycle of these amazing insects and try to identify some of the 30 or so species that inhabit our area. Meet at the Paddy's Creek Area bathhouse breezeway at 4 p.m.

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**MORNING BOAT TOUR - Sunday, June 29**

Before the summer sun gets too high in there's no better way to welcome the day than by a leisurely boat tour led by an expert naturalist. Park Ranger Earl Weaver will be your captain and guide as you glide across the waters of Lake James in search of wildlife and scenic beauty. There are only seven spaces available aboard the park's patrol vessel, so pre-registration for this popular program is required. Bring appropriate clothing for and afternoon on the water, keeping in mind that it will be cooler offshore than it is at the dock. Life jackets will be provided. This program departs from the law enforcement boat dock, at the east end of the Paddy's Creek Area parking lot, promptly at 2 p.m. Meet Ranger Weaver underneath the East Picnic Shelter several minutes prior to setting sail. Call 828-584-7728 to register.



## FRIENDS FEED VOLUNTEER BRIDGE BUILDERS



An army fights on its stomach and so does a construction crew.

With an eye towards opening the new mountain bike trails at Lake James State Park as quickly as possible, the staff enlisted the help of Eric Hurley, an instructor at Western Piedmont Community College in Morganton, and his Building Construction and Sustainability Technologies class.

The students, many of whom are veterans of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, put in more than 280 volunteer hours and, under the guidance of Hurley, built two bridges where the intermediate-level bike trail crosses small creeks along its 11-mile meander through undeveloped parts of the Paddy's Creek Area, March 21 and 22.

Not ones to let a good deed go unsung, the Friends of Lake James State Park put up the cash to cater two lunches and two dinners for the crew of more than a dozen workers.

With the construction sites deep in the woods and away from service roads, getting the food to the volunteers was logistically tough, but Friends board member Alan Scholl rose to the occasion and ferried the meals to-and-from the catering service at Camp Lake James.

With good food and cold refreshments to fuel them, the WPCC students were able to complete their bridges half a day early and by doing so, freed up the park staff to work on other top priority projects that will make 2014 a year to remember for regular visitors and first-timers alike.

## NATURE NOTES

Well, thank goodness that's over with! Of course, living in the western half of North Carolina, we love all of the different seasons and the unique experiences they bring to our lives, but sheesh, what a winter it was.



Amidst all the cold, wind and snow, the plants and animals managed to do just fine at Lake James State Park and winter has its own special visitors. Of note, a wave of unusual waterfowl descended upon the piedmont lakes this year, including Lake James. White-winged scoters, canvasbacks and long-tailed ducks were found along with the usual

cast of mallards, bufflehead and greater scaup. A few common loons stayed on the lake this winter and were joined by many more as the spring migration got underway in late March and early April.

The white-tailed deer herd was especially visible to park visitors as the animals were forced to graze along the roadside when winter lingered into spring. Now the animals have moved back into the forest to take advantage of the new growth springing up everywhere. The does are having their fawns now so be careful as you drive in and out of the park.

As in years past, the N.C. Division of Parks and recreation has selected a subject for this year's educational theme and the 2014 winners are butterflies and moths. The first butterflies of the season started to show themselves during the earliest warm spells. Forest interior species like mourning cloaks, duskywings and question marks were flitting about, followed by tiger swallowtails and tiny azures. Now the rest of the colorful clan is emerging and, along with their nocturnal cousins, will be the guests of honor at many nature programs throughout the year at Lake James State Park.

The weather is warm enough now for reptiles and amphibians to be on the move. Watch for black rat snakes, Fowler's toads and fence lizards during you hikes and don't forget to keep your eyes peeled for a glimpse of a sly old red fox or the spotted blur of a vanishing bobcat.

Spring is here! Spring is here! Come on out to the park and soak in the beauty.

### WHO WE ARE

A group formed in 2010, made up of dedicated people work together to help Lake James State Park meet its mission of providing opportunities for public enjoyment and education while still protecting the natural beauty and historic integrity of the State Park.

### BOARD MEMBERS

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To contact the Friends of Lake James State Park Group please email [info@lakejamesstatepark.org](mailto:info@lakejamesstatepark.org)

## LAKE JAMES LOOP TRAIL UPDATE (Part 3)

Last month's newsletter gave some basic information on the proposed design of the Lake James Loop Trail. Each month we will continue to provide information on this project. Burke County will work in partnership with stakeholders, volunteers, land managers and landowners on the construction, management and maintenance of the Lake James Loop Trail. This will ideally increase support for the trail and promote perceived feelings of ownership of the trail for all involved. There will be many different forms of involvement and participation in the project.

Memorandums of Understanding between Burke County and trail partners will specifically outline tasks, responsibilities, commitments, deadlines and general management. The landowner/manager of the lands over which the trail passes will guide general management of each section of the trail. Rules and regulations in effect for these lands will extend to those areas of the loop trail.

Members of the Professional Trailbuilders Association will be considered for construction of the loop trail with mechanized equipment. These contractors have a thorough understanding of trail design and construction. Volunteers will work in partnership with the trailbuilders to complete finishing work on the trails. Burke County will be responsible for securing all necessary local, state, and federal permits as required.

For more information contact the Burke County Community Development Department at 828-764-9030. Look for more information and updates in future Friends of Lake James State Park Newsletters.



## FAMILIAR FACE: Mike Carriker



Since early 2007, Lake James State Park has been fortunate to have the vast experience and knowledge of Mike Carriker to head its maintenance department.

On any given day, Mike can be found building bridges, upgrading facilities, maintaining parks vehicles or cutting fallen trees out of trails ... or any combination of these and more. North Carolina State Parks maintenance mechanics must be proficient in a wide variety of fields, including carpentry, operating heavy equipment, trail-building and auto mechanics; but they must also be prepared to deliver first responder aid,

participate in search and rescue operations and fight wildfires if and when the situation arises. To say Mike and the rest of the Lake James maintenance mechanics are Jacks-of-all-trades would be an understatement.

Recently, Mike received a special recognition award from the division for his inspired carpentry work on the Holly Discovery Trail. He headed up the construction phase of that project and was responsible for many of the unique attributes that adorn the interactive stations and have state and federal agencies from around the country calling to ask how he did it.

“I enjoy being creative and building things that people who visit the park will look at and say, ‘That’s really neat. I wonder how they did that,’” said Carriker. “Working here allows me to use all of the skills I have picked up from my earlier careers as a contractor, construction worker and truck driver and that’s what makes the days go by pretty quick.”

One former profession Mike doesn’t get much practice on here at the park is rodeo bronc rider. If you see him the next time you visit, ask him about it.

## CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

RALEIGH – Lake James State Park is actively seeking volunteers to help protect the park’s rich natural resources and serve its thousands of visitors in 2014, according to the N.C. Division of Parks and Recreation.

Throughout North Carolina’s system of 40 state parks and state recreation areas, volunteers serve in many capacities including campground hosts, visitor center aids, trail workers and special events coordinators, and they provide manpower for special projects involving tree planting, habitat improvement, inventory of rare species and environmental education.

“A successful state park is the result of partnership between the park and its neighbors, friends and volunteers, said Park Superintendent Nora Coffey. “It’s our shared responsibility to protect the area’s natural resources, develop a sense of stewardship and build a community with a strong conservation ethic.”

Anyone interested in volunteering can find contact information for Lake James State Park through the division’s Website, [www.ncparks.gov](http://www.ncparks.gov).

*Lake James Area Wildlife & Nature Society*



## LJSP TRAILS



### CATAWBA RIVER AREA:

Fishing Pier Trail (0.3 mile, easy)

Fox Den Loop Trail (2.25 miles, moderate)

Lake Channel Overlook Trail (1.5 miles, moderate)

Sandy Cliff Overlook Trail (0.5 mile, easy)

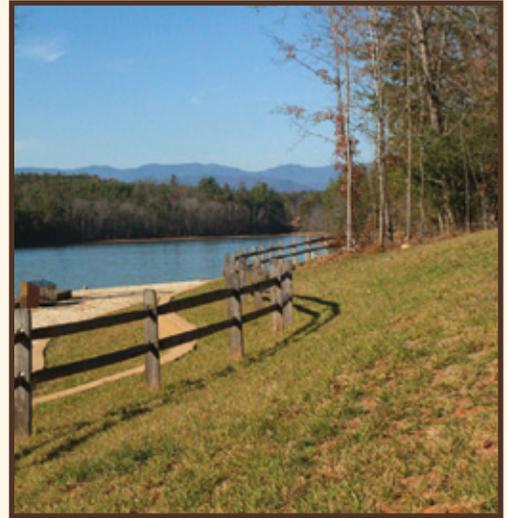
### PADDY'S CREEK AREA:

Holly Discovery Trail (0.75 mile, easy)

Mill's Creek Trail (3.6 miles, moderate)

Overmountain Victory Trail (2.0 mile, moderate)

Paddy's Creek Trail (2.0 miles, moderate)



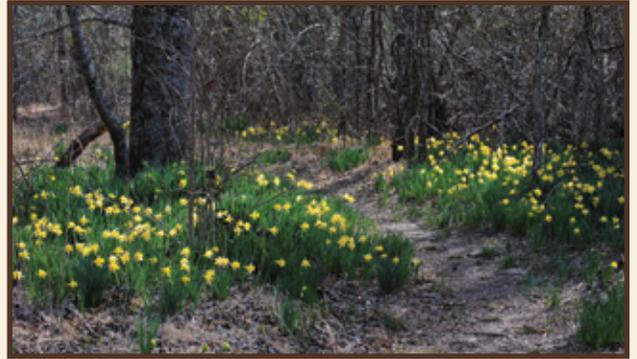
# FRIENDS OF LAKE JAMES STATE PARK

## HOW TO GET INVOLVED

Do you have an interest in Lake James State Park? Whether you enjoy hiking the trails, swimming at the beach or just picnicking with your family, there is some part of the park for everyone.

Join the Friends of Lake James State Park group and learn about all the opportunities to help make the park a better place for everyone to enjoy. The Friends of Lake James State Park focus on working together to help Lake James State Park meet its mission of providing opportunities for public enjoyment and education while still protecting the natural beauty and historic integrity of the State Park.

There are a variety of opportunities to get involved from trail work days, to volunteering at RiverFest and other festivals. Become a member of Friends of Lake James State Park, and know that you are helping to preserve the natural beauty and historic resources of Lake James for generations to come.



## PARK GENERAL INFO

- May and June gate hours are 8 a.m. until 9 p.m.
- The campground is open through November 30
- The swimming area is open
- The concession stand will be open on select weekends in May and seven days a week starting June 1.
- Hidden Cove and Canal bridge boat access areas are open

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## FRIENDS OF LAKE JAMES STATE PARK - MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Be a Friend of Lake James State Park

Select class of annual membership:

- Individual      \$10  
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I would like to be contacted about volunteer opportunities with the Friends of Lake James State Park

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