

NORFOLK AREA NEBRASKA



# STARS STROLLS AND SMORES

2025

## WHAT IS A MOON WALK?

The Moon Walks purpose is to provide a family-oriented activity that introduces community to cultural and natural history of our area trails and lakes.

Through this introduction, we hope to foster an understanding and appreciation for these resources that will lead others toward stewardship of public lands.

## A TYPICAL MOON WALK PROGRAM

Moon Walks are held on Wednesday evenings close to the official full moon and begin at 7:30 p.m.

Most Moon Walks last from 1-2 hours.

We usually walk an average of 1 mile round trip. Each Moon Walk starts with a short introduction to the night's program, then we hike to a designated area where we enjoy presentations. Presenters are experts in their field and are from our local community. The evening wraps up with FREE smores!



## BE PREPARED

The Moon Walk evening experience includes traveling to the site. There is limited restroom availability. Dress in layers because the weather at the location may be different than it is in town. Pack water and snacks for the return trip. Bring a flashlight for cloudy nights and don't forget the bug spray!

All Moon Walk times and places are subject to change due to the weather or other unforeseen circumstances.

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Free Nature Walks  
During a Full Moon



WEDNESDAY  
**JUNE 11, 2025**

7:30pm  
**COWBOY RECREATION  
AND NATURE TRAIL**  
Broken Bridge

Cowboy Trail Parking Lot, 2G6C+R4, Norfolk



Cody Dillon & Hannah Jones  
Nebraska Game & Parks Commission

## **COWBOY RECREATION AND NATURE TRAIL**

Come help celebrate 30 years of Cowboy Trail with a stroll to Broken Bridge near Norfolk. Learn about plants and animals that live along the corridor and ways to spot them.

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## **KIDS SCAVENGER HUNT**

Enjoy a fun scavenger hunt on the way to Broken Bridge. Materials will be provided to participants.

WEDNESDAY  
**JULY 9, 2025**

7:30pm  
**WILLOW CREEK  
STATE RECREATION AREA**  
54876 852 Rd., Pierce

Use the South Main Entrance to the park on 548th Rd, about 3 miles south of Pierce. Follow signs in the park that will take you to the Swimming Beach.

**A park permit or day pass is required.**



Wayne Ohnesorg, Extension Educator and Entomologist  
Nebraska Extension in Madison County

## **POLLINATOR PALOOZA**

Join us for a buzzing session to explore the world of native bees! Perfect for nature lovers, we'll dive into the essential role these tiny pollinators play in our ecosystems and food supply. With over 20,000 bee species worldwide, you'll be amazed by their diversity and impact. Learn how we can all help protect them and make a difference for our pollinators' future!

## **HAYRACK RIDE**

Join us for a hayrack ride to a pollinator plot at Willow Creek to learn about the various species that call the plot home. Afterward, the hayrack will return to the campground and smores will be made and enjoyed by all.

WEDNESDAY  
**AUGUST 6, 2025**

7:30pm  
**JOHNSON PARK  
& NORTH FORK  
WHITEWATER PARK**  
Norfolk  
101 E. Nebraska Avenue



Nathan Powell, Director  
City of Norfolk Parks & Recreation

## **SURFING DEMO & SAFETY**

Enjoy a surfing demonstration on Nebraska's FIRST river wave at North Fork Whitewater Park. Nate will demonstrate the how-tos and discuss safety protocols for our area's newest sport.

PJ Evans, Assistant Director  
City of Norfolk Parks & Recreation

## **KAYAKING DEMO & SAFETY**

Enjoy a kayaking demonstration at North Fork Whitewater Park. PJ will demonstrate the ins and outs and discuss safety guidelines.

Sarah Polacek, 4-H and Youth Extension Educator  
Nebraska Extension – Madison County

## **URBAN GARDENING**

Discover the joys of urban gardening! Learn how to transform small spaces into thriving green spaces. Get tips on growing plants, herbs, and veggies in the city and small areas, and make the most of your urban environment!