

Island Gazette

Antelope Island State Park

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Park Happenings

April 1, 2012 – May 31, 2012

Art Gallery Exhibit

Visitor Center - 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Charles Uibel will display photographs in the visitor center art gallery. For more information, please visit greatsaltlakephotos.com or call (801) 725-9263.

April 7 - Easter Egg Hunt at Antelope Island. 8:45 am at Bridger Bay Beach. Ages 12 and under. Win candy and awesome prizes. Breakfast with the Easter Bunny at Island Buffalo Grill from 9:30 am to 10:30 am for \$5 per person.

April 14 - Junior Ranger Program: On the Trail of the Chukar. What is that fat little bird on that rock? Children ages 6-12 are invited to come learn about this fun little bird. Meet at the visitor center at 11 am.

April 21

Daddy Stump History Hike: Join the ranch curator at 10:00a.m. at the Fielding Garr Ranch for a moderate 4 mile hike to the Daddy Stump home site. Reservations required at clayshelley@utah.gov.

April 28 - Sea Monkeys, Flies and Algae! Oh My: Life in Great Salt Lake. Join the Park Naturalist at 3 pm in the visitor center as we explore the second saltiest body of water in the world.

April 28 - Star Party: Meet at White Rock Bay Day Use Area before sunset to look at the sun through a Solar Scope. Deep space viewing will take place afterwards. If you bring a flashlight, please make it a red-colored lens. Weather permitting.

If you would like to be on an email list for upcoming park programs, contact the Park Naturalist at **801-721-9569** or email at wendywilson@utah.gov

Trail of the Month

Mountain View Trail – 11 miles one way

This newly improved easy trail follows the East Side Road to Fielding Garr Ranch. Good views of the island's geology, wetlands and wildlife are abundant.

Great for families or mountain bikes.

Wildlife Sightings

Bison and Pronghorn Antelope can be seen on the north end of the island, as well as along the east side road toward the Ranch.

Coyotes are out looking for food so keep a look-out for them day and night.

Large black Ravens are beginning to nest. They can be seen at the visitor center.

Black-tailed Jackrabbits and Cottontail rabbits are often seen along roadsides. Please watch out to avoid hitting them.

Safety Tips

Never approach bison. They may seem calm, but they are extremely large, strong and fast (up to 35 mph), and can get grumpy without notice.

Be prepared for changing weather. Temperatures can drop quickly on the island, with strong winds bringing the temperature down even further. Please be safe while hiking on the trails.

Park Information

Visitor Center – Open Daily

9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Fielding Garr Ranch – Open Daily

9:00 am – 5:00 pm

The park closes 30 minutes after sunset.

Entrance Station	(801) 773-2941
Visitor Center	(801) 725-9263
Fielding Garr Ranch	(801) 649-5742
Park Naturalist	(801) 721-9569

Current Conditions

Average Temperature

60° F High, 40° F Low

Average Precipitation

2.35 inches

Lake Level

4198.7

Water Temperature

45° F

Camping

Unreserved campsites are assigned at 3:00 pm daily. Campers must register and pay at the park entrance station.

Fires are allowed in fire pits only. No fires on the beach. Please be safe and wise with fires.

For camping reservations at Antelope Island State Park or any Utah State Park, please call 1-800-322-3770 or visit stateparks.utah.gov/reservations.

Concessions

Island Buffalo Grill

Open every day from 11:00 am – 6:00 pm. Located at Bridger Bay Beach.

R & G Horse and Wagon

Horseback riding tours depart from the Fielding Garr Ranch.

Reservations are required by calling (801) 782-4946 or visit www.randghorseandwagon.com.