

MERCHANTS MILLPOND STATE PARK'S

Rsvp = Reservation required

2024 PaddleFest



8:30AM- 4PM

Big Tree paddle **Rsvp**

Join a ranger for a paddle to the famous
1400-year-old bald cypress tree.

9AM- 10AM

Bennetts creek shuttle **Rsvp**

Join a shuttle to travel to Gatesville, and paddle
back up Bennetts creek towards the park.

9:30AM- 10:30AM

Canoe with a ranger **Rsvp**

Join a ranger for a leisurely paddle around the
millpond.

10:30AM- 12PM

Alligators of the millpond **Rsvp**

Join a ranger to learn about Alligators of the
millpond, followed by a canoe trip.

1PM- 2PM

Bennetts creek shuttle **Rsvp**

Join a shuttle to travel to Gatesville, and paddle
back up Bennetts creek towards the park.

Millpond History

Join a local expert to learn about extensive
millpond history.

2:30PM- 3:30PM **Rsvp**

Canoe with a ranger

Join a ranger for a leisurely paddle around the
millpond.

Canoe Rental:

Big Tree & Bennetts Creek shuttle= \$25

Canoe with a ranger & Alligators of the Millpond= \$10

All canoeing and kayaking programs require reservations

5PM- 6PM

S'mores- Ask a ranger

Join a ranger to make s'mores and
ask questions.

REGISTER NOW



176 Millpond Rd. Gatesville, NC



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Wednesday

April 10th



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Bennetts creek shuttle

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Big canoe

Join our park staff on our 29-foot canoes that can fit 14 people on a leisurely trip around the millpond.

Alligators of the millpond

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ACA Level 1 –

Introduction to Kayaking

Join a ranger to learn the fundamentals of kayaking.

ACA Level 2 –

Intermediate Kayaking

Designed to teach paddlers how to safety and enjoyably kayak on gentle waterways.

Bears of the millpond

Celebrate year of the bear and learn about their characteristics with a ranger.

What's blooming?

Join a ranger on a hike to learn about wildflowers and plants.

Millpond History

Join a local expert (and retired ranger) to learn about extensive millpond history.

State Park History

Join the state's chief interpreter and educator to make s'mores and learn about NC State parks.

S'mores– Ask a ranger

Join a ranger to make s'mores and ask questions on what its like to be a ranger.

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