

# MERCHANTS MILLPOND

## STATE PARK'S 2024 Paddle-Fest



Rsvp = Reservation required

### 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.

#### Big canoe **Rsvp**

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

### 9:30AM- 10:30AM

#### Canoe with a ranger **Rsvp**

Join a ranger for a leisurely paddle around the millpond.

### 10:30AM- 12PM

#### Bears of the millpond

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

### 1PM- 2PM

#### Bennetts creek shuttle **Rsvp**

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

#### ACA Level 1 – Intro to Kayaking **Rsvp**

Join a ranger to learn the fundamentals of kayaking.

Canoe Rental:

Big Tree & Bennetts Creek shuttle= \$25

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

All canoeing and kayaking programs require reservations

### 2PM- 3PM

#### Big canoe **Rsvp**

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### 2:30PM- 3:30PM

#### Canoe with a ranger **Rsvp**

Join a ranger for a leisurely paddle around the millpond.


### 5PM- 6PM

#### State Park History

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

#### REGISTER NOW

 176 Millpond Rd. Gatesville, NC

 252-357-1191

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# Thursday

# April 11



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## Alligators of the millpond

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



## 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.

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## 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.

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## 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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