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Family trout fishing event this Saturday in Council Bluffs

COUNCIL BLUFFS – A family friendly trout fishing event will be held at Big Lake Saturday, Feb. 9 at 2:30 p.m.

The Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR) will stock 1,000 rainbow trout in Big Lake. Previously scheduled for Jan. 19, the stocking was postponed due to unsafe ice conditions.

Anglers must have a valid fishing license and pay the trout fee to fish for or possess trout. The daily limit is five trout per licensed angler with a possession limit of five trout. Children age 15 or younger can fish for trout with a properly licensed adult, but must limit their catch to one daily limit. The child can buy a trout fee which will allow them to catch their own limit of five trout.

This free event is sponsored by Woods Sporting Goods, Bass Pro Shops, Walcott Council Bluffs Parks and Recreation and the Iowa DNR.

Media Contact: Bryan Hayes, Fisheries Biologist, Iowa Department of Natural Resources, 712-769-2587.

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SIOUX CITY – The trout stocking at Bacon Creek is scheduled for Feb. 16 at 1
Previously scheduled for Jan. 26, the stocking was postponed due to unsafe ic
conditions.

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Resources, 712-657-2638.

2018 hunting, fishing license sales

In 2018, Iowa residents purchased...

Fishing

201,765 annual licenses

7,529 lifetime fishing licenses

7,487 three-year licenses

983 seven-day licenses

2,353 one-day licenses

40,811 trout fees

8,982 third line licenses

342 paddlefish licenses

44,781 fishing, hunting and habitat combination licenses

Hunting

23,371 annual licenses

72,003 hunting and habitat annual combination licenses

2,962 lifetime hunting licenses

2,147 hunting and habitat three-year licenses

779 apprentice (hunting and habitat) licenses

23,396 migratory game bird licenses

Large Game

Deer

9,111 youth general deer, 482 antlerless deer licenses

241 disabled hunter general deer, 41 antlerless deer licenses

53,740 archery general deer, 22,555 antlerless deer licenses

6,909 early muzzleloader general deer, 1,424 antlerless deer licenses

43,959 first shotgun general deer, 15,982 antlerless deer licenses

47,412 second shotgun general deer, 16,805 antlerless deer licenses

22,380 late muzzleloader general deer, 10,449 antlerless deer licenses

Turkey

5,851 spring bow licenses

16,266 spring gun/bow licenses seasons 1-3

14,839 spring gun/bow licenses season 4

4,784 spring youth gun/bow licenses

2,094 fall gun/bow

1,453 fall bow

Landowner-Tenant

Deer

55 youth general deer licenses, 57 antlerless deer licenses

5,242 archery general deer licenses, 5,435 antlerless deer licenses

1,249 early muzzleloader general deer licenses, 916 antlerless deer licenses

22,959 shotgun first and second season general deer licenses, 19,398 antlerless deer licenses

2,630 late muzzleloader general deer licenses, 4,322 antlerless deer licenses

939 fall bow

In 2018, nonresidents purchased...

Fishing

20,410 annual licenses

2,207 seven-day licenses

11,594 three-day licenses

13,124 one-day licenses

5,155 trout fees

46 paddlefish licenses

Hunting

11,989 annual licenses age 18 and older

13,381 hunting and habitat annual combination licenses age 18 and older

14,389 habitat fees

3,155 migratory game bird fees

107 apprentice (hunting and habitat) licenses

67 furharvest annual licenses

105 furharvest and habitat annual combination licenses

May 3-5 Becoming an Outdoors-Woman work now accepting registrations

Registration is open for spring Becoming and Outdoors Woman workshop, Ma originating from the PZAZZ! Convention and Events Center, in Burlington.

While the focus of BOW is primarily for women, the workshop is an opportunity anyone 18 years or older to learn outdoor skills.

“This workshop is all about introducing new participants to the outdoors and by

boater education and more. Attendees taking intro to fishing, kayak fishing or turkey hunt are required to have purchased a valid Iowa license prior to arrival.

A Friday evening auto tour through Heritage Hill National Historic District will highlight many architectural periods and styles in nearly 160 structures in the northern section of downtown Burlington, and its most famous landmark, Snake Alley.

A Friday night reception, sponsored by Aldo Leopold Pheasants Forever Chapter and Parkside Brewing, will connect Iowa's wild pheasant population and bees, and their role in the art of brewing.

The cost of the workshop is \$330 (single occupancy), \$280 (double occupancy) or \$250 (no lodging) before March 29. After March 29, registration is \$300 and will include lodging. The fee includes program materials, equipment, lodging and registration. Enrollment is limited to 115 participants. A limited number of \$140 scholarships are available.

“Make sure to choose one class for each session, each class will show the number of seats still available and once a class has filled, it will be closed. Attendees will know what sessions they are in at the completion of the registration process,” Ladd says.

Early registration is encouraged as enrollment is limited and workshop spaces and lodging fill quickly. Go to www.iowadnr.gov/bow to download a registration form for classes and for more information on applying for a scholarship.

The event is being held in partnership with the Greater Burlington Convention and Visitor's Bureau, the Des Moines County Conservation Board and the Iowa DNR.

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