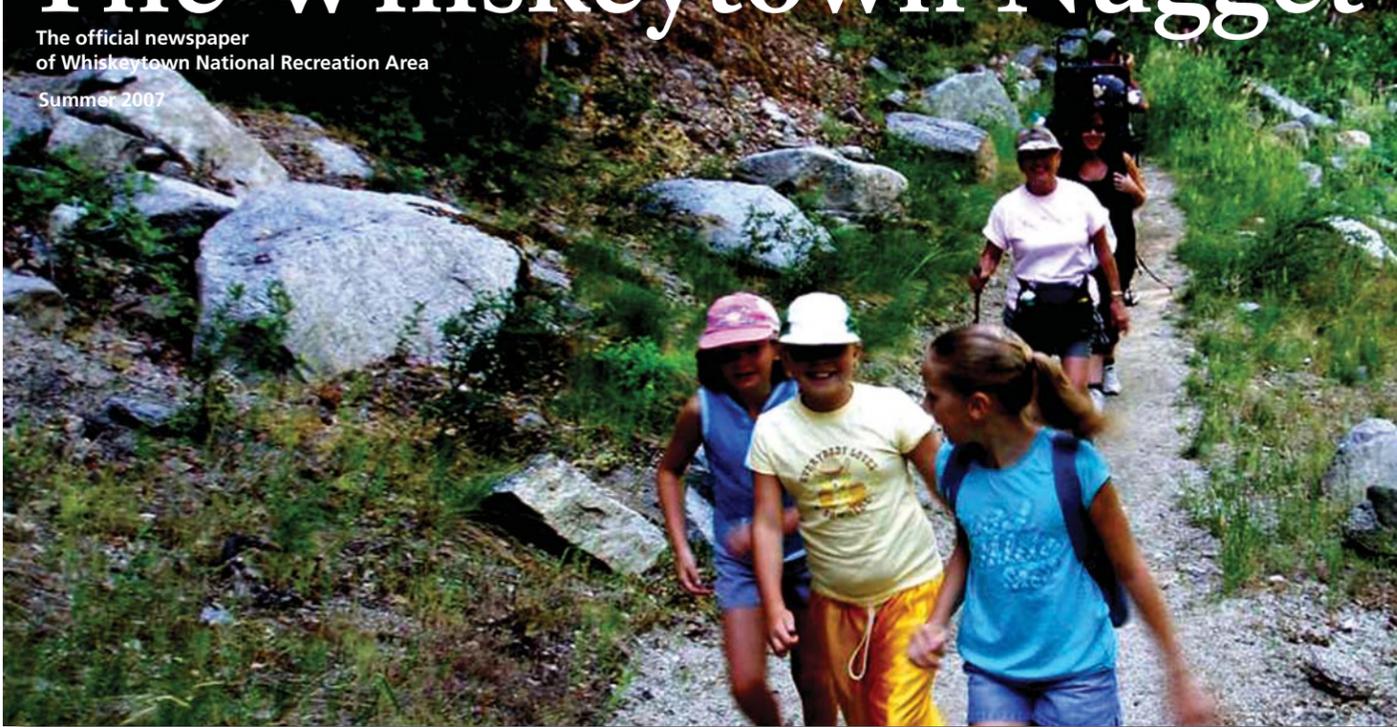




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Be an Action Hero

By Amy Pendergast, MPH, CHES,
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We've all heard alarming reports about increases in childhood obesity and we see it happening right here in our own community. Regardless of weight, kids who eat nutritiously and are physically active are generally healthier, do better in school, sleep better, have better self-esteem, are less likely to be depressed and enjoy a whole host of side benefits. So what can we do about it?

Research shows that the following habits can help you and your family stay healthy, maintain a healthy weight, and feel great.

- Be physically active every day (hiking at Whiskeytown is one great option!)
- Eat a wide variety of fruits and vegetables
- Limit consumption of soda and sugar-sweetened beverages
- Reduce time spent watching TV
- Make healthy choices and limit portion sizes, especially when eating out

We are all influenced by our surroundings

and often too busy to go out of our way to eat healthy and be physically active. Research shows that people are more likely to be active and eat healthy when convenient, enjoyable, affordable options are easily available. Be an action hero - think about things you might be able to do to help others make healthy choices. For example, replace donuts with a healthy snack at staff meet-



ings, keep a bowl of fresh fruit on your kitchen counter, cook healthy meals for your family, coach a sports team, advocate for a playground or bike lanes...it's different for everyone but anyone can play an important role.

Healthy Shasta is a local partnership dedicated to helping families add more physical activity and healthy eating to their lives. We joined forces out of concern for rising rates of childhood obesity and chronic diseases such as type II diabetes. We are committed to long-lasting community changes to help make healthy choices easier. For more information (including local trail maps, family-friendly recipes and farmers market schedules) visit www.healthyshasta.org or call (530) 229-8243.

Superintendent's Corner

Jim Milestone
Park Superintendent



Welcome to Whiskeytown! This summer we are celebrating the natural beauty of the park's four large waterfalls: Brandy Creek, Boulder Creek, Crystal Creek and Whiskeytown Falls. We encourage families and friends to take the time to venture into the forest to experience first hand these special places. The hikes are a good work out and provide the physical fitness that will keep you in shape. The beauty of the falls, the natural sounds, cool mist, and pristine vegetation make these waterfall hikes "soul food" for the mind and spirit. The National Park Service wants you to personally witness and experience these American treasures held in perpetuity for your enjoyment at Whiskeytown. Take the time to share this experience with your children and show them nature through a slow walk in the woods.

The National Park Centennial Challenge

In 2016, the National Park Service will be 100 years old. Many believe that national parks are one of America's best ideas, born from the spirit and values that founded this country. The national park idea didn't come from the European "old world," where many of the best places were reserved or owned by the wealthy and powerful. It came instead from a new country where "Of the people, by the people and for the people," was a founding principle. From its origins in this new nation, the idea has spread throughout the world.

What does it say about the citizens of a country who, through their government, are willing to set aside the most beautiful and significant places for all to enjoy as national park sites? What does it say about all who want to give something back, to support, and share these best places with everyone?

How does setting aside and taking care of our most special places speak to the shaping of our children's current and future values? What message do our actions today send to our children tomorrow?

As the National Park Service approaches the 2016 Centennial, we have an opportunity to consider how our national park sites meet our needs today - and how we want our parks to serve our needs for the next 100 years. To do that, a 10-year National Park Service Centennial Challenge has begun. It started in the spring of 2007 with a series of nationwide listening sessions conducted by the Secretary of the Interior and the Director of the National Park Service. The government will be asking the people what we think and what we want our National Parks to be. Where it goes from here is up to all of us!

Camden House and Outbuildings Being Rehabilitated



This summer the National Park Service and a contractor will be doing work on the historic Camden House, located in the Tower House District of Whiskeytown NRA. The work includes rehabilitating the interior of three outbuildings located behind the Camden House, the oldest known remaining structure in Shasta County. The rehab work will include the renovation of one of the buildings into a kitchen to be used by caterers for special events such as weddings. Another structure will become an accessible public restroom with running water for the toilets and sinks. The Camden House exterior walls will also be repainted to give it a fresh look. Work will be taking place all summer long and is expected to be completed and ready for public use by the fall.



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Whiskeytown Dam was dedicated in 1963 by President John F. Kennedy. Whiskeytown Lake was created as part of the Central Valley Project for the purposes of flood control, irrigation, and power generation. With more than 40,000 acres in a mountain lake setting, Whiskeytown is home to a variety of wildlife.

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Whiskeytown's Native Pigeons

by Tricia Ford, Fee Program Manager

I must admit that even as an enthusiastic birder, I never really appreciated pigeons until I nearly fell off a cliff into Brandy Creek.

A few years ago in late spring, I had to get away from my computer and decided to test our trail guide directions on the lower Brandy Creek Trail. I ended up on a side trail and quickly lost my bearings, finding myself on a steep slope above a sheer rock wall that dropped about thirty feet into a slot canyon where the creek roared through a narrow opening. Suddenly I lost my footing on the wet grass and began to slide toward the cliff, halting my descent only by grabbing the branches in a thicket of poison oak.

A biologist fits a band-tail with a radiotelemetry device to monitor its movements.



The possibility of being dashed on the granite below was not pleasant. I swallowed my pride and used my park radio to call for help. As I waited to be rescued, I took a good look around me. I wasn't alone – Band-tailed Pigeons filled the pine trees above me, placidly observing my predicament. Once they grew accustomed to my presence, they began a low hooting. Their calls and the sound of the water crashing through the chasm gradually replaced the sound of my heartbeat thudding in my ears as I calmed down and actually began to enjoy my precarious perch above the creek.

Within the hour I was found, escorted safely up the slope, with repercussions of only a bruised ego, a wet backside, and a newfound awareness of pigeons. (I'm among the lucky who are immune to poison oak).

When you think about pigeons, what comes to mind? Probably the ever-present birds of the cities, whose presence is usually unwelcome because of the mess that they tend to make at their roosting sites. Did you know that these city birds are not native to North America? They were introduced from Europe in the early 1600s, and eventually spread across the continent. Their official name is "Rock Dove" because they

once nested on the rocky cliffs of England. Now they nest on the ledges of buildings, bridges, towers and barns in all American towns and cities.

North America has only three species of native pigeons. One of these species, the Band-tailed Pigeon, is common at Whiskeytown in all but the coldest months of the year. They can often be seen high in the tops of the numerous species of oaks, pines and firs in the park, feasting on the acorns, pine, and fir nuts.

How do the country-loving Band-tails differ from their city-dwelling cousins, the Rock Doves? The Band-tailed is a little larger than the Rock Dove. Rock Doves vary greatly in color (white, brown, gray, and black), while Band-tails are uniformly gray, and get their name from the large light gray band at the end of their tail. The Band-tailed is the only pigeon with dark eyes, a yellow bill, and yellow legs.

They sound differently, as well. Rock Doves make a gurgly cooing, while Band-tails sound more like an owl hooting. When Band-tails launch into flight, they noisily flap their wings, and when they land, they make a loud swooshing sound that carries into the forest. Rock Doves are much quieter during take-off and landing.

Their foraging strategies vary widely – think of the city pigeons on the ground in parking lots and parks, searching for leftover human food. They also glean the ground for waste grain, seeds, and fruit in more natural areas. The Band-tails spend much of their time in the trees, although they will go to the ground for water. They can often be seen in large groups at mineral springs in Whiskeytown. There you may witness the high drama of a Cooper's Hawk sweeping in on the sipping pigeons at the springs and scooping up a distracted Band-tail.

Unfortunately, Band-tail numbers have been steadily declining for 30 years or so. Many scientists think that an introduced disease called Avian Trichomoniasis, brought to America with the pigeons and doves that came with the European settlers, is to blame. Periodically, a highly virulent strain of the disease develops and kills large numbers of the Band-tails. In the winter of 2005, there was a die-off at Whiskeytown, and the park biologist, Russ Weatherbee, estimates that between 200 to 400 of the birds expired.

Next time that you are hiking one of Whiskeytown's trails, be sure to look high in the oaks and pines for flocks of native pigeons. A loud thunder of wings overhead may mean that you've startled a group of them into flight. But remember the lessons that I learned when I first really noticed them – don't go hiking alone, stray from the trail, or fall off any cliffs!

Your Fee Dollars at Work

Whiskeytown now retains 100% of the fees collected from the sale of its passes to pay for needed repairs and projects to improve visitor services and facilities.

New Docks at Oak Bottom Marina

Oak Bottom Marina will have new docks and slips for boat users this summer. The old wooden docks at will be replaced with new concrete decked docks with encased flotation. This project is being funded by funds collected from the sale of National Park Passes. The docks will



New docks will be similar to the one shown above.

belong to the National Park Service and will be operated and maintained by Forever Resorts, the new concessionaire at Oak Bottom. There will be some inconveniences to boat owners when the new docks are brought in and the old ones

are taken out, but the transition should go smoothly. This should take place sometime in July or August. The docks and slips at Brandy Creek Marina are planned to be replaced in 2008.

Whiskeytown Fees Proposed to Change in 2009

The National Park Service is accepting comments on proposed increases in the costs of the annual, weekly, and daily passes, which may rise to \$30, \$15, and \$7 respectively in 2009.

To comment on the proposed fee changes, please write to Superintendent, Whiskeytown National Recreation Area, PO Box 188, Whiskeytown, California 96095.



Artists in the Park



Cathy Jennings, Artist-in-Residence - 2003

Artists have been drawn to the beauty of the national parks, creating works that have inspired many people to see and experience our shared natural heritage. Whiskeytown National Recreation Area's Artist-in-Residence program was established to generate new works of art that capture the beauty and significance of the park. Professional artists are invited to become part of the well-established tradition of artists working in the parks. Visual artists, musicians, composers, writers and performers may apply.

This year, two artists were selected to participate in a two-week residency at the park. Our professional juror Hearne Pardee, a University of California - Davis Professor, recommended painter Olive Ayhens of Brooklyn, New York

and photographer Marissa Carlisle from Napa, California. In addition, Lynn Cunningham from Davis, California and Debee Holland Olsen from Weaverville, California were selected to participate as "Visiting Artists" for 2007.

At the Whiskeytown Visitor Center, you can find a changing display of art and photography exhibits by local artists. Look for public events showcasing special artist workshops, demonstrations, art exhibits and more.

For information, write to the Artist-in-Residence Coordinator, P.O. Box 188, Whiskeytown, CA 96095. Visit www.nps.gov/whis for more information about Whiskeytown and the Artist-in-Residence program.

Join the Friends of Whiskeytown. The Friends of Whiskeytown is a non-profit organization dedicated to helping the National Park Service restore and protect the magnificent resources and recreational opportunities at Whiskeytown. Your contribution of \$25.00 or more will help the park to complete projects that would be otherwise unfunded.



Yes! I want to become a Friend of Whiskeytown and help protect Whiskeytown National Recreation Area. Enclosed is my tax-deductible gift of: _____

Donors of \$25 or more receive the Friends of Whiskeytown newsletter twice a year. Please make check payable to the "Friends of Whiskeytown, Inc." and mail to P.O. Box 105, Whiskeytown, CA 96095.

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Telephone () _____ Email _____

Interested in volunteering? Yes / No (circle one)

Please call our Volunteer Manager's office at (530) 242-3421 for more information.

The Friends of Whiskeytown was incorporated in December 2002, as an independent private nonprofit organization. The Friends of Whiskeytown operates under a cooperative agreement with the National Park Service to provide private funding for specific programs and projects that further the preservation, protection or enhancement of Whiskeytown National Recreation Area. The Friends of Whiskeytown is not a membership organization, nor does it engage in political activity or other advocacy. The Friends of Whiskeytown does not receive federal funding of any kind. Contributions to the Friends of Whiskeytown are tax-deductible to the extent that the sum exceeds the value of benefits provided to the donor. For further information, call 530-242-3460 or visit www.friendsofwhiskeytown.org

New Concessionaire at Oak Bottom

The National Park Service has awarded a one-year contract to Forever Resorts for the management of Oak Bottom campground and marina. The new concessionaire has established its office in the campground store and has opened a new second store in the parking lot at the marina, where boat rentals will continue.

Forever Resorts has operated properties in national parks, recreation areas, national forests, and other vacation destinations since 1981 and encompasses 63 properties worldwide. The company has significant experience in lodging, food service, retail operations, marinas, houseboat manufacturing and rentals. It has a long history of commitment to a healthy environmental policy. By 2007 twenty five Forever Resorts properties, including its corporate headquarters, were accepted into the EPA National Environmental Performance Track program by demonstrating their environmental excellence.



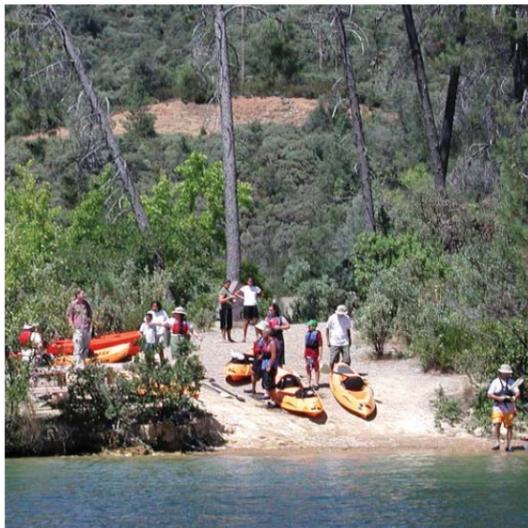
A Perfect Day for Kayaking

by Elizabeth Perry, Data Miner, Inventory & Monitoring Program

“Stop paddling us to the right!” Sometimes I would shout this and sometimes my husband would, as we tried to correct our path and slowly make our way around Whiskeytown Lake on an August afternoon.

After my husband finished his Army service last summer and joined me in Redding, we were constantly looking for fun and cheap things to do to spend time with each other again. Going on a guided (and free) kayak tour of Whiskeytown Lake sounded like a great way to get outside and try something new.

The park ranger was really friendly and helpful. We learned about water and kayak safety before heading out. Then we carefully pushed out and attempted to paddle into deeper water. It was a little challenging at first as we made awkward semi-circles and tried to figure out a good technique. Five minutes into it though, we were laughing and rowing pretty well for a first attempt.



“Float up!” the ranger would yell and the group would bring our kayaks together, grabbing one another’s boats. While we were all together, the ranger told stories of the area’s history. In one of these talks, we were near the long metal buoys. I had seen these from highway 299 and always assumed they were some sort of delineation between swimming and boating areas. I would have never guessed their true purpose. These buoys have long curtains hanging under them, forcing the cold water from the tributaries to the bottom of Whiskeytown Lake and out into the Sacramento River. By keeping this water cold as it enters and leaves the lake, it helps keep the Sacramento River at a temperature suitable for salmon. I was really impressed by these “fish curtains.”

We stopped at various sandy spots and coves along the way for different views and to walk around and take pictures. At one point, we all stopped paddling and silently watched three deer swim from one bank to another, shake off, and stealthily run into the woods. What an amazing experience!

After a wonderful two-hour trip, filled with great discussions, nature observations, and quiet reflections, we paddled back to shore and pulled out. My husband and I returned the kayak and the gear, said thanks, and headed out to a picnic bench for dinner in the shade. Considering how much fun the excursion was, we decided it wasn’t just a trip to get to know each other again, but an adventure that we will definitely repeat.



The National Park Service promotes responsible outdoor recreation. Please take a personal role in preserving the outdoor experience for yourself and future generations while enjoying your visit at Whiskeytown.

1. Plan ahead. Know before you go.
2. Stick to trails.
3. Trash your trash, manage your dog, (pick up poop).
4. Leave it as you find it.
5. Be careful with fire.
6. Keep wildlife wild - don’t feed the wildlife.
7. Respect other visitors, share our trails, yield to others.

Leave No Trace is a national education program which promotes minimum-impact practices for non-motorized recreation. The goal of the Leave No Trace program is to promote responsible use of public lands through education, research and partnerships.

For more information visit the Leave No Trace program website – www.LNT.org

Bridges Over Brandy Creek



A new trail bridge has been completed on the Brandy Creek Trail near the old “A-Frame Dam” by Whiskeytown maintenance crews. The new bridge crosses Brandy Creek and will improve accessibility year round and make it easier for trail use.

The Lemurian, an all-volunteer, not-for-profit organization, provided a \$2,500 donation towards supplies and materials through the Friends of Whiskeytown. Whiskeytown has played host to the organization and its classic cross-country mountain bike race for the last couple of years.

The trail bridge shown at right was completed last October on the trail to Brandy Creek Falls.

The new bridges will help prevent some of the erosion caused by walking and riding through the water and wet areas.



Whiskeytown Volunteers-In-Parks



Are you looking for a cool place to spend your free time? Do you enjoy sharing personal experiences and knowledge, learning new things, developing new friendships? Would you like a chance to serve your community and have fun at the same time? If so, we are offering you an opportunity to become a National Park Service Volunteer at Whiskeytown National Recreation Area.

If you would like more information about volunteering, call the park Volunteer Manager at (530) 242-3421, or check out the park’s website at www.nps.gov/whis. Applications may be obtained at the Visitor Center or by writing Volunteer Manager, Whiskeytown NRA, P.O. Box 188, Whiskeytown, CA 96095.

WHAT IS A ZEBRA MUSSEL?



The Zebra Mussel is an exotic species of bivalve that has caused ecological and economic havoc in many areas of North America. The goal of the Zebra Mussel Prevention Program is to stop this nuisance species from becoming established. Zebra Mussels are inadvertently spread by boaters as they move their boats from one water body to another.

ZEBRA MUSSELS COULD:

- Disrupt the food chain and fishing
- Foul facilities like docks and ramps
- Encrust boats and clog engines
- Litter beaches with sharp smelly shells

WHAT CAN YOU DO TO HELP?

1. Don’t be the Problem:
 - Before Launching...Before Leaving
 - Remove ALL plant and animal material from boat, trailer, and other equipment.
 - Drain ALL water from boat and motor, away from water bodies.
2. Help raise awareness:
 - Find out how many of your friends know about zebra mussels.
 - Read this page, then give it away.
 - Learn more at www.roothMeridian.org



STOP AQUATIC HITCHHIKERS!
Prevent the transport of nuisance species.
Clean all recreational equipment.
www.ProtectYourWaters.net

GENERAL INFORMATION

SERVICES:

Visitor Center:

Located on Hwy 299 and Kennedy Memorial Drive, the Visitor Center is open daily during the summer from 9 am - 6 pm. All permits and passes are available here. A large selection of books and postcards is also available. (530) 246-1225

Park Headquarters:

Open Monday - Friday 8 am - 4:30 pm. Special Use Permits are available here. (530) 242-3400

Radio:

Tune to 1440 on your AM radio for information about Whiskeytown.

Launch Ramps and Fishing Piers:

There are three boat ramps on the lake located at Whiskey Creek, Oak Bottom, and Brandy Creek Marina. There are handicap accessible fishing piers at Whiskey Creek and Oak Bottom.

Marinas and Store:

Oak Bottom Marina provides gas, fishing supplies, souvenirs and other items for sale. Boats may be rented at Oak Bottom Marina.

Accessibility

There are handicap accessible picnic tables and swim beach access platforms at Brandy Creek and Oak Bottom.

Phones:

A pay phone is located at the Visitor Center.

Post Offices:

French Gulch is open 8:00 am - 4:00 pm Monday through Friday; Saturday 8:30 am - 10:30 am.

Shasta is open 8:30 am - 5:00 pm (closed noon - 1:00 pm); Saturdays 7:00 am - 8:30 am.

Nearby Services & Attractions:

Shasta: Post Office, J's Market, Mill House Deli. Visit Shasta State Historic Park. Call (530) 243-8194 for current hours or for more information.

French Gulch: Post Office, French Gulch Hotel and Restaurant, French Gulch Store, E. Franck Bar.

Redding is 8 miles east and has all major services. Visit Turtle Bay Exploration Park, 800 Auditorium Drive. Call (530) 243-8850 for current hours or for more information.

Hospitals & Clinics:

Redding:
Sunset Urgent Care - (530) 247-4211,
Shasta Regional Medical Center - (530) 244-5400,
Mercy Medical Center - (530) 225-6000.

TO REPORT AN EMERGENCY CALL 911

Ranger Guided Programs

Whiskeytown offers a variety of ranger-guided activities and programs for everyone. All programs are subject to change. Please call the Visitor Center at 246-1225 for current information.

Kayak Tours

Daily tours. Reservations required

Hop on a kayak built for two and explore some of the more quiet coves around Whiskeytown Lake while you learn more about the park. You must register in advance by calling (530)242-3462.

Puppet Show

Thursday 8:00 pm-8:45 pm (From June 21 to August 30)

Both adults and kids are invited to join a cast of zany characters in a lively and entertaining program about how to safely enjoy Whiskeytown. Meet at the Oak Bottom Amphitheater.

Evening Programs

Friday and Saturday 9:00 pm-10:00 pm from June 16 to August 4 then 8:30 pm-9:30 pm from August 10 to September 1

Spend the evening with a park ranger and learn more about Whiskeytown NRA through talks, a slide show, or other activity. Various topics include history, wildlife, and current issues related to protecting the park's natural and cultural resources. Meet at the Oak Bottom Amphitheater.

Camden House Tour

Friday, Saturday, Sunday 2:15-3:00 pm

Tour the 1852 home of pioneer/pro prospector Charles Camden and learn how he and his partner Levi Tower reshaped the landscape during the California Gold Rush. Meet across the footbridge at the Tower House Historic District.

Gold Panning

Friday, Saturday & Sunday 3:15 pm

Immediately following the Camden House Tour, try your luck at finding your own gold the old-fashioned way. Pans and shovels are provided. Meet across the footbridge at the Tower House Historic District.

Junior Ranger

Saturday 10:00-11:00 am

Kids ages 7 to 12 years old can make new friends while learning about the special wonders of Whiskeytown. Meet at the Oak Bottom Amphitheater.

Junior Firefighter

Saturday 11:00 am-12 noon

Discover the important role that wildfire plays in our national parks. Learn how firefighters manage fire to ensure forest health and protect property and lives. Meet at the Oak Bottom Amphitheater.

Junior Ranger Kayak

Jump in a tandem kayak to explore the natural wonders of Whiskeytown Lake. Register in advance by calling (530)242-3462.

Take A Hike!

Weekends

Take a hike with a ranger to one of several Whiskeytown's spectacular waterfalls. Waterfall hikes include trips to Whiskeytown, Boulder Creek and Brandy Creek waterfalls. Call (530) 242-3462 to obtain up-to-date information about each weekend hike and to sign up for the tour.

Camping at Whiskeytown

Oak Bottom Campground offers \$18/night lakeside tent sites, \$16/night tent sites, and \$14/night RV sites. During the winter season, all sites are \$10/night. Specific sites may be reserved by calling the campground store at (530) 359-2407.

Primitive Tent Campsites are available only on a first-come-first-served basis. Permits are available at the Visitor Center. Rates are \$10 per night.

Brandy Creek RV Campground offers sites on a first-come-first-served basis. Summer rate is \$14.00/night and winter rate is \$7.00/night.

Dry Creek Group Tent Campground offers two campsites (tents only) at \$75/site/night. Each site holds a maximum of 50 people. The campground is open from April 1 to October 31. You may make reservations up to one year in advance by calling 1-877-444-6777 or by using the website www.recreation.gov.

Whiskey Creek Group Picnic Area offers three group day-use picnic areas at a rate of \$40 or \$50 per site depending on which site is reserved. The picnic area is open from April 1 to October 31. You may make reservations up to one year in advance by calling 1-877-444-6777 or by using the website www.recreation.gov.

Note: Campers must purchase a daily, weekly, or annual pass for their vehicle in addition to their campsite fee.

Keeping Fire Safe at Whiskeytown

Whiskeytown has hot and dry summers and wildfire is always a concern. Enjoy your visit to Whiskeytown but please keep fire safety in mind.

Fires

- Fires at Whiskeytown are only allowed in fire grates in designated areas, such as picnic areas and campgrounds. This may be suspended during high fire danger.
- Check at the Visitor Center for fire restrictions or area closures.
- When building a campfire, keep it small and manageable inside the fire grates. Don't add large or green material that will take hours to burn down.
- Make sure your fire is dead out before leaving the area. It should be cold to the touch.
- Consider alternatives to campfires, such as using lanterns for light, during periods of high fire danger.

BBQ's

- If you are using a portable stove or BBQ, make sure the area is clear of grasses and other fine fuels. Prevent stoves from tipping and starting a fire.
- If you are using coals, make sure they are completely cool before disposing of them in the trash. Do not dump them on the ground or in the lake or creeks.
- Practice Leave No Trace Principals - pack out what you pack in, including cigarette butts.
- If you see smoke, fire or suspicious activities, note the location and report it to a park ranger or call 911.

PARK PASSES

Passes may be purchased at the Whiskeytown Visitor Center or at pay-by-envelope stations located throughout the park. Place your pass on the driver's-side dashboard when you are in the park. By purchasing a pass, you are directly contributing to improvements at Whiskeytown.



Daily - \$5

Valid at Whiskeytown on date of purchase only.

Weekly - \$10

Valid at Whiskeytown for seven days from date of purchase.

Annual - \$25

Valid for one year from month of purchase. Also honored at Lassen Volcanic National Park.



America the Beautiful - \$80

Covers all National Park units and other federal recreation areas with entrance fees. Valid for one year from month of purchase.



Access Pass - Free

Lifetime pass for U.S. citizens and permanent residents who are permanently disabled.



Other passes accepted at Whiskeytown:

Golden Age, Access, and Eagle Passports; National Park Passes; and the Lassen Volcanic National Park Annual Pass.



Senior Pass - \$10

Lifetime pass for U.S. citizens and permanent residents who are 62 years or older.



Be on the lookout!

We all know to be on the lookout for wildlife and dangerous trail conditions when we're out hiking or recreating in the park, but you should also be on the lookout for suspicious and illegal activities.

All residents of the north state know that there is a strong presence of marijuana cultivation on this area's federal lands, and this goes for Whiskeytown as well. If you see anything that you feel is unusual, get a good description of individuals, vehicles, and license plates and report it immediately to Whiskeytown rangers through our Dispatch office at 242-3431.

Help the rangers of Whiskeytown and keep yourself safe by reporting any suspicious activities you see while you are recreating in Whiskeytown.