

## Events

NPS AT THE 4TH OF  
JULY PARADE  
DOWNTOWN IFALLS  
12:30 PM  
"CELEBRATING 50  
YEARS OF VOYAGEURS  
NATIONAL PARK"

**TUESDAY, JULY 1ST**  
**RIVERFEST**  
2:00 PM - 10:30 PM  
SPONSORED BY CITIZENS FOR BACKUS  
Live music by: RadioNation  
Beer Gardens hosted by: Rotary Club

JULY 1ST  
RIVERFEST 2-10PM

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 2ND**  
**CONCERTS IN**  
Smokey Bear Park  
SPONSORED BY IFALL

JULY 2  
CONCERT IN SMOKEY  
BEAR PARK



CANADA DAY  
JULY 1  
FIREWORKS ACROSS

## VOYAGEURS NATIONAL PARK

# MOOSE PAPER



## The First Moosepaper

A visitor came by the Rainy Lake Visitor Center the other day, and asked where the NPS newspaper was? What newspaper we replied? You know, the one that lists all the events going on in the park? The newspaper like all the other parks give you when you arrive? OH! we all said, and one zealous Ranger...

.....Ranger  
exhorted "We  
should create the  
Moosepaper" and  
there the story  
begins.

## Animal Highlight: Moose

Since this is the original Moosepaper, let's start with learning a bit about Moose. One is Moose, two or more is still Moose, and a whole park full of them....still Moose! Easy to learn!

Moose like cold, which is why we see them standing in water alot. When the temperatures move up to 80F the moose are heading north to Canada where there may be some cold waters left. In Voyageurs National Park the recent count is 40-50 moose here. They prefer the habitat on the Kabetogama peninsula in the marsh and small lakes and away from boats and cars. However just 3 days ago there was a moose siting in the parking lot of the Chocolate Moose restaurant in iFalls. It was a small young one. And a few weeks ago was a siting of a mother and baby moose crossing the lake sited somewhere near Kabetogama. I think the moose is the most requested animal that visitors want to see in the park, at least on every boat tour everyone is looking out for a moose.

**Fun Facts:** Moose are in the Deer Family.

A female is around 700lbs, and a male 800lbs but both can grow up to 1800lbs.

Their bodies are about 8 ft long, and their antlers 6 ft wide. The males have antlers that grow each spring and when September comes the velvet is dry and the moose often rub it off on trees. By mid November through March, the antlers fall off, it doesn't hurt the moose!

Calves can run faster than humans when they are 5 days old. They are born in the spring and gain 1-2 lbs a day, and then up to 5 lbs a day eating twigs and leaves.

The name "moose" is an Algonquin name is Mooswa or moosu, meaning "eater of twigs"

They have 4 chambers in their stomach, like a cow.

They dive and swim 6 mph.

A moose's hair is hollow with helps them float and keep them warm. Wolves and bears are their predators. Moose live to be about 20 years old.

### Event Dates:

Solar Storms & Cosmic Colors

July 15, July 22, July 29, August 5

9:00-11:30 AM

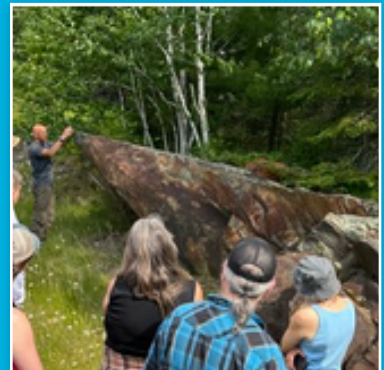
All Visitor Centers



Hike with a Geologist  
Saturday, July 19th

9:00-11:30 AM

Rainy Lake Visitor Center



Leave No Trace

July 26-28th

Voyageurs National Park



Park After Dark  
Programs

Weekly Thurs. & Fri.

July 17th - Sept. 26

Start times vary  
based on sunset

All Visitor Centers