

OUTDOORS

DARING MOVE



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Gladys Brown shot this photo Wednesday morning near Woodland Apartments of a bald eagle atop a pine tree looking down at a squirrel, which is looking up at the eagle. Brown said she was shooting photos of the eagle when she noticed movement in the tree branches and the bird looking down. She said she just kept shooting frames and feels lucky to have captured this one. She said she thought the photo captured a moment in nature that few people witness and wanted to share it with Journal readers. The look on the face of the eagle appears curious, she said, while the squirrel was probably concerned about being the eagle's next meal.

VNP TRAIL REPORT

All snowmobile trails, ski trails, and snowshoe trails in the park are still open at this time. Grooming on all trails has finished for the season. The Kab-Ash and Rainy Lake ice roads are no longer open and are not being maintained. Expect trail conditions to deteriorate as temperatures rise. Weekly updates will continue until all trails are closed for the season.

Staked snowmobile trails are in fair condition. Be careful while traveling off trail on the frozen lake surface. Hardened snow drifts from the recent freeze / thaw can often be hidden beneath a blanket of fresh snow, creating an unwelcome surprise. While ice thickness is still good, many slush pockets and areas of slush have been found off of the staked trails.

Cross-country skis and snowshoes can still be rented and borrowed from the Rainy Lake Visitor Center during business hours, Tue - Sat, 10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. The visitor center will be closed Sunday and Monday until summer hours begin in late May.

Below is this week's winter trail conditions report. All reports are available on the park's website at www.nps.gov/voya.

Snowmobile trails

- Snowmobile trails are

in fair condition. Speed limits in the park are 45 mph on lake surfaces and 25 mph on land portages.

- International Falls to Kettle Falls (Purple Trail) - Open and staked
- Rainy Lake/Black Bay to Kabetogama Lake to Ash River (Green Trail) - Open and staked
- Ash River to Crane Lake (Green Trail) - Open and staked
- Chain of Lakes (Dashed Black Trail) - Open and staked
- Ash River to Kettle Falls (Yellow Trail) - Open and staked
- East Namakan Lake to Sand Point Lake (Blue Trail) - Open and staked

Ice roads

- Rainy Lake Ice Road - Not Open
- Kab-Ash Ice Road - Not Open

Ski Trails

- Echo Bay Ski Trail - Open
- Black Bay Ski Trail - Open
- Tilson Connector Trail - Open
- Kab-Ash Trail - Open

Snowshoe trails

- Black Bay Beaver Pond Trail - Open
- Blind Ash Bay Trail - Open
- Oberholtzer Trail - Open
- Sullivan Bay Trail - Open

SPRING FLING



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Kallie Kantos-Fritz shot these photos of swans and geese on the Rainy River March 30. She announced with the photo "spring is finally here."

WARM UP

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24 Pack Cans
\$14⁹⁷

Michelob Golden Draft Light
24 Pack Cans
\$17⁹⁷

Coors Light
24 Pack Bottles
\$18⁹⁷

Rolling Rock & Rock Light
12 Pack Bottles
\$9⁹⁷

Lake Superior Brewing Company
6 Pack Bottles
\$8⁹⁸

Smirnoff Ice
6 Pack Bottles
\$7⁹⁷

Jim Beam
1.0 L
\$16⁹⁶

Ryan's Irish Cream
1.75 L
\$16⁹⁶

Jose Cuervo Tequila Gold & Silver
1.0 L
\$16⁹⁶

Christian Brothers Brandy
1.75 L
\$16⁹⁶

Phillips Vodka
1.75 L
\$10⁹⁷

Tippy Cow Rum Cream 750 ML
Orange Cream, Chocolate, Shamrock Mint, Vanilla
\$15⁹⁵

Wente Cabernet & Chardonnay
750 ML
\$9⁹⁷

Bota Box
3.0 L
\$15⁹⁷

Fetzer Wines
750 ML
\$5⁹⁵

The Naked Grape Wines
750 ML
\$4⁹⁴

Hogue Riesling, Gewurztraminer, Sweet Riesling
750 ML
\$6⁹⁶

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\$4⁹⁴

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