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The area abounds with ghost towns, historical landmarks, abandoned mines, camping, fishing, hunting, boating, swimming, golfing, hiking, rock climbing, sight-seeing, wildlife viewing, horseback riding – you name it!

Canada’s only desert region lies just north of the border, in southern British Columbia from Osoyoos to Kelowna. The area is not only Canada’s fruit basket, it also has a booming wine industry. There are wine festivals and tastings and wineries in the Osoyoos and Oliver areas – all welcome visitors.

Back in the United States, North Central Washington is staking out a wine industry as well, with established and new wineries from Chelan to Oroville. The Okanogan Valley has also become one of the largest producers of legal marijuana in the state with growers taking advantage of the area’s moderate climate and warm sunny days.

Although fishing and hunting remain two of the biggest recreational pastimes in the

area, watchable wildlife activities like birding are increasing in popularity. This region offers a variety of flora and fauna for wildlife fans to explore. The Sinlahekin Wildlife Area near Loomis boasts a varying array of wildlife. Among these are a wide variety of butterflies, including some rare species that attract folks from all over the world,

Even though the area is semi-desert, the region offers several fine lakes for swimming, boating, water and jet skiing, paddle boarding and fishing. Water recreation choices range from the international Lake Osoyoos to the internationally famous Lake Chelan, from the mighty Columbia River to the undiscovered Similkameen. Just west of Tonasket, there’s the Many Lakes Recreation Area with Palmer, Whitestone and Spectacle lakes, as well as world-class fly fishing on the fly-only Chopaka Lake.

The Columbia, Methow and Okanogan rivers provide excellent fishing, as do the many local lakes. There’s good water for water skiing or just a relaxing boat ride. With spring and the snowmelt, smaller local rivers provide plenty of good whitewater rafting and kayaking, then calm down in the height of summer, making for fun tubing. The 75-mile-long Okanogan River is a mecca for kayak and flatwater paddling with 20 public access points.

Summer days can hit 100 degrees or more, so one of the rivers, the swimming holes or local pools might be appealing.

How about taking a hike, or a mountain bike ride, maybe even a horseback ride? Okanogan County boasts more miles of recreational trails than anywhere else in the country.

Oroville lies at the midpoint of the 1200-mile Pacific Northwest National Scenic Trail. Distance hikers coming west from Glacier Park, Montana on the PNT come down into the Okanogan Valley through the Whistler Canyon trailhead on Highway 97 just three miles south of Oroville. After rest and replenishment, they leave town on the Similkameen River Trail west to Enloe Dam, following the route of the old Hudson’s Bay Company and Cariboo Trail. Then it’s onward through the Pasayten Wilderness, North Cascades and on to the Pacific. This National Scenic Trail traversing the Northwest from east to west is a modern-day Lewis and Clark Journey to be had on foot or horseback. This is a world-class hiking experience. For more on the trails see www.pnt.org.

Golfers have a plethora of choices, from the Oroville Golf Club to Gamble Sands in Brewster, Alta Lake near Pateros to Omak and Okanogan, as well as fine courses in Osoyoos and Oliver.

Camping and RV facilities are available at numerous locations from Waterville to Oroville.

Again, welcome to North Central Washington and lower British Columbia. We hope you will stay awhile and enjoy all the area has to offer.



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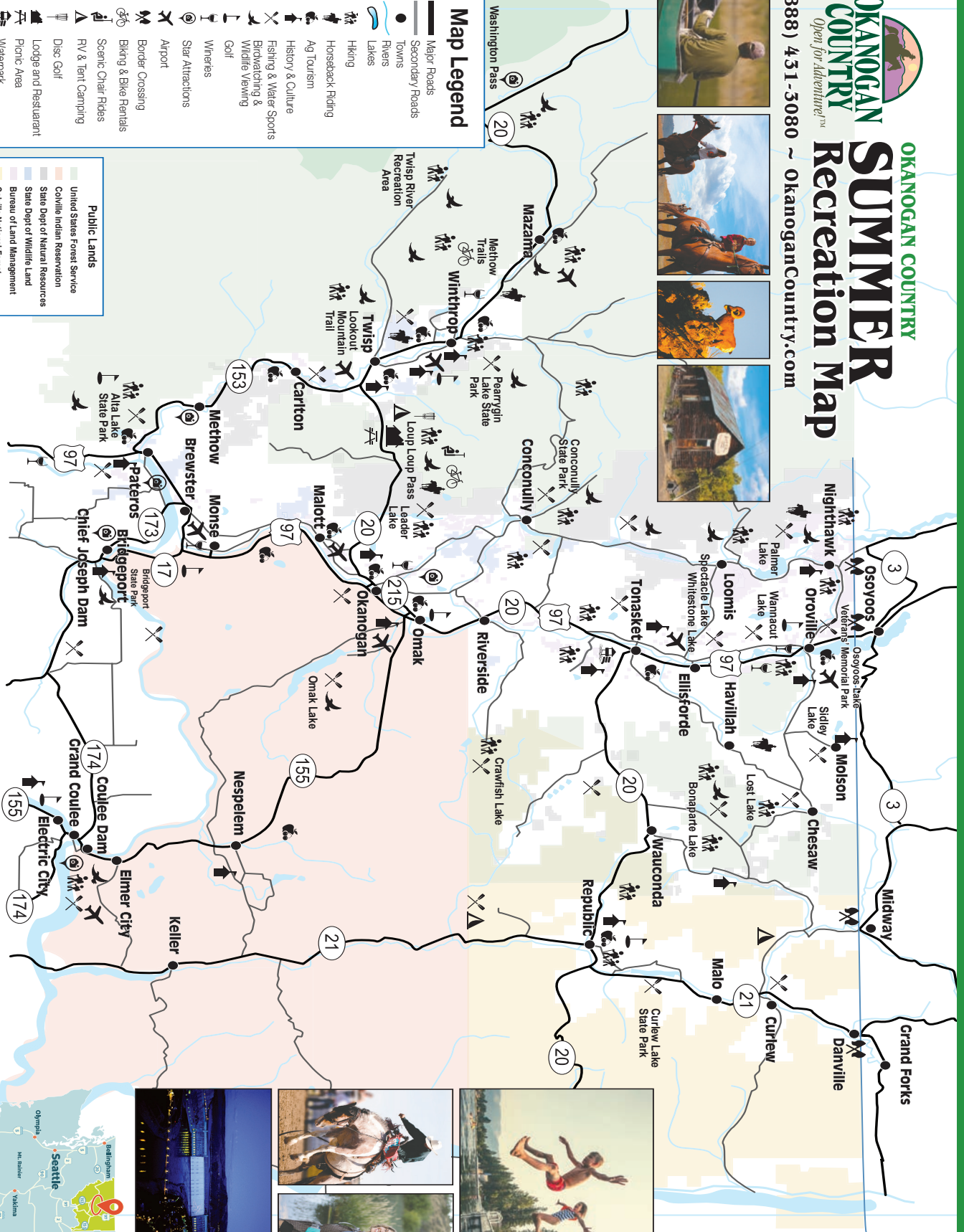
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Events Calendar

May

- 1 Spring Wine Festival, Oliver & Osoyoos, BC
- 2 Spring Flea Market, Downtown Omak
- 2-3 Ogle Chapman, Oroville Golf Club, Oroville
- 1-7 Tim Patrick Memorial Golf Tourney, Okanogan Val. Club, Okanogan
- 8-9 92nd May Festival, Parade, Art & Car Show, Oroville
- 8-10 49er Days Celebration, Winthrop
- 8-10 Colorama Festival, Grand Coulee
- 1-8 92nd May Festival, Parade, Art & Car Show, Oroville
- 15-17 Spring Barter Faire, Fairgrounds, Tonasket
- 16 Run for the Border (Motorcycle Ride), Oroville
- 16 Rotary Kids' Fishing Derby, Conconully
- 16-18 Okanogan Club Run Rodeo, Okanogan
- 22-23 Founders Day Rodeo & Parade, Tonasket
- 23-26 Methow Valley Memorial Day Rodeo, Twisp
- 28-31 Half Corked Marathon, Oliver, BC

June

- 6 Booster Club Scramble, Oroville Golf Club, Oroville
- 6 Okanogan Spring Wine Festival, Osoyoos & Oliver, BC
- 6 Okanogan Days, Okanogan
- 6 Sprint Standard/Triathlon, Oliver, BC
- 7 Triathlon-1/2 Iron-Man-Aquabike, Oliver, BC
- 12-14 Prospector Days, Republic
- 13-14 Father's Day Fly-in, Tonasket
- 14 Wauconda Flag Day Celebration, Okanogan Highlands
- 20 Molson Midsummer Festival, Okanogan Highlands
- 21 V.I.P. Ironman, Oroville Golf Club, Oroville

July

- 1 Cherry Fiesta, Parade & Street Dance, Osoyoos, BC
- 1 Canada Day Fireworks, Osoyoos, BC
- 3 Chesaw Country Music Dance, Okanogan Highlands
- 4 Chesaw 4th of July Rodeo, Okanogan Highlands
- 4 "Boom" Fireworks Display, Deep Bay Park, Oroville
- 4 Festival of America Fireworks, Grand Coulee Dam
- 4 Fourth of July Annual Parade, Twisp
- 4 Fourth of July Festival, Brewster

- 4 Independence Day Celebration, Conconully
- 11 Gathering of 70s Chevy & GMC Trucks, Oroville
- 12 Get Lost Trail Race, Lost Lake, Okanogan Highlands
- 17-19 Rhythm & Blues Festival, Winthrop
- 17-19 Apple Pie Jamboree, Pateros
- 20-24 Junior Golf, Oroville Golf Club, Oroville
- 25 LURE SAFE Open Bass Tournament, Brewster
- 31 King Salmon Derby (start date), Brewster

August

- 1 Lake Osoyoos Family Festival, Oroville
- 1-2 Osoyoos Cup Jet Ski Races, Oroville
- 1-2 King Salmon Derby, Brewster
- 4 National Night Out, Oroville
- 8-16 42nd Mt. Kobau Star Party, Osoyoos, BC
- 13-16 Omak Stampede & Suicide Race, Omak
- 15-16 Oroville Golf Club Groundhog Open, Oroville
- 15-16 Pateros Hydro Classic, Pateros
- 23-24 Tonasket Garlic Festival, Tonasket
- 29-31 Ferry County Fair (thru Sept 1), Republic
- 31 Highland Stitchers Molson Quilt Show, Molson

September

- 5-6 Labor Day Rodeo, Winthrop
- 5 Cars at the Cove Car Show, Brewster
- 6 Comancheros Demolition Derby, Tonasket
- 3-6 Okanogan County Fair, Fairgrounds, Okanogan
- 11 911 Remembrance Day, Brewster
- 12 Vintage Wheels Car Show, Winthrop
- 16 Mexico Independence Day Event, Brewster
- 19 Wings & Wheels Fly-in & Car Show, Omak Airport/Eastside Park
- 19-20 Thunderfest Hydroplane Races, Brewster
- 18-20 Wine Capital Weekend, Oliver, BC
- 20 Festival of the Grape, Oliver, BC
- 21 Three Club Scramble, Oroville Golf Club, Oroville
- 26-27 TwispFest, Twisp
- 26 Conktoberfest, Conconully

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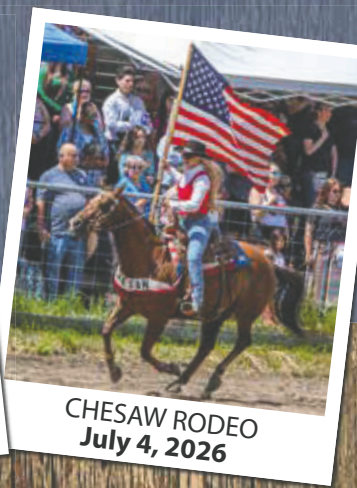
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Lake Osoyoos Jet Ski Races - Aug 1-2, 2026
Fall Sidewalk & Yard Sale - Sept 26, 2026
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Cradled between two rivers, the Okanogan and the Similkameen, lies Okanogan County's most northerly city, Oroville. Oroville is framed on the east by the scenic Okanogan Highlands, a magnet for all persuasions of outdoor enthusiasts, from hikers to birders to bikers (both human-powered and motorized). To the west is a mecca of lakes and rivers with plenty of shoreline camping spots, making Oroville a convenient base for exploring the whole region.

For swimming, fishing and water or jet skiing right in town, there's mammoth Osoyoos Lake, an international lake shared with Canada, where families enjoy long sunny days at the beach and stay at Veteran's Memorial Park's RV/tent camping area. The campground includes 41 standard sites, 39 utility sites with power and water, 12 primitive sites (walk-in only), two ADA sites (one with power and water), a restroom/shower complex, many picnic sites and a trailer dump.

The park consists of a sandy lakeshore, green lawns and shade trees in contrast with the hot, arid conditions that prevail in the area. Available activities include boating (one boat launch ramp), fishing, swimming, watersports, bird watching, horseshoes pit and pickleball courts. Fish of all kinds are abundant in the lake and river. In addition to more picnic areas, some covered, the day-use area has a buoyed swim area and restrooms/changing area. The concession stand is the home of Kevin's Fun Time Rentals, where powerboats,

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kayaks and floats of all kinds can be rented. There are also a few concessions served there to help keep the kids cool. The Oroville area boasts several other day-use parks like Deep Bay Park north of town, which features covered cooking areas and horse-shoe pits. Other parks in town include the wide-open Prince Heritage Park on the south end of town and City Park, in the center of downtown. There is also Henry Kniss Riverfront Park bordering the Okanogan River, a popular fishing and picnicking destination.

The Similkameen River, on the west side of Oroville, offers fishing for steelhead and salmon and rapids for kayakers. The Okanogan River also provides fishing for bass and rainbow trout, as well as swimming, floating and still-water paddling of canoes and kayaks. A popular pastime is taking a lazy float down the river, putting in at the Veterans Memorial Park boat ramp and taking out at Riverfront Park.

Other lakes in the area are Wannacut, a popular fishing spot and Blue Lake, whose crystal blue waters bring visitors from miles around.

On the southern outskirts of Oroville, Whistler Canyon trailhead joins the Pacific Northwest National Scenic Trail that stretches from the Continental Divide to Washington's coast. Oroville is the PNT's official mid-point, between Montana and the Pacific Coast. The Similkameen River Trail, just west of town, makes a pleasant seven-mile day hike following the old Great Northern Railroad route across a steel and concrete bridge toward Enloe

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Just minutes from downtown, Oroville Golf Club is a scenic nine-hole, dual tee course. The front side measures 2926 yards and the back is 2991 yards totaling 5917 yards with a par of 72 and a slope rating of 129. Perched above the Similkameen River, the course offers plenty of interesting elevation changes and spectacular back-ground views. Oroville's arid landscape is rich in agriculture on the valley floor, where 11 varieties of cherries and seven kinds of apples predominate. Here you can pick up provisions right from the orchards, produce stands, wineries and the Saturday farmers' market. Summer is a particularly delicious time to visit.

Enjoy wine tastings from spring to fall at the local wineries, often featuring live music, and restaurants to suit many tastes, from authentic Mexican cuisine to farm-to-table fare and an assortment of American menus, pizza and food for travelers on the go. For almost a century, the May Festival has been drawing former Orovillians home. The festival takes place the second Saturday in May and features a parade through town, a fun run, a three-on-three basketball tournament, Art in the Park, and a car show. Everyone is welcome to join in and experience a true hometown celebration. Other events include the Run for the Border Motorcycle Charity Ride, which takes place each year on Armed Forces Day. The 150-mile event takes riders and their machines from Wenatchee to Oroville. After spending some time enjoying what the town has to offer, the group, which has been as large as 300 in the past, heads back to the Wenatchee area.

The Oroville WA, Chamber of Commerce hosts a spectacular fireworks display at Deep Bay Park on July Fourth. This year expect an even bigger Deep Bay Boom, celebrating the nation's 250th Birthday. Owners of early 1970s-era Chevy and GMC C/K trucks gather at Deep Bay Park the weekend after the Fourth of July. The public is invited to come and check out the various rigs for free. Later in the summer is the Lake Osoyoos Cup, featuring jet ski racing off Deep Bay Park.

The Valley BMW Motorcycle Club also has its Last Chance Camp-N-Ride at Veteran's Memorial in September. This Canadian and American group always welcomes riders and their bikes of all types to come and join them.

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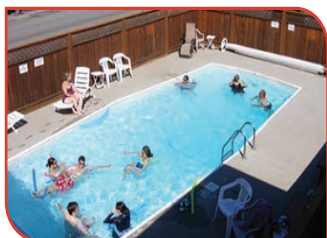
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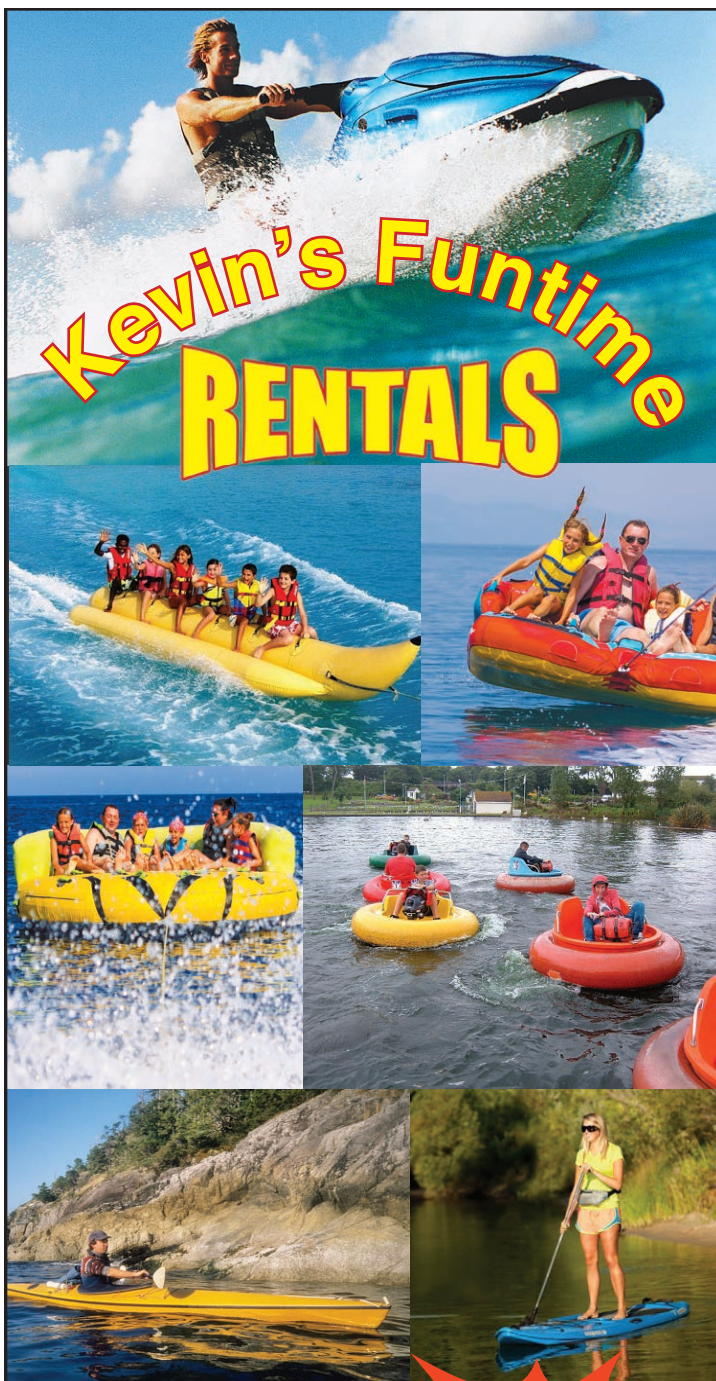


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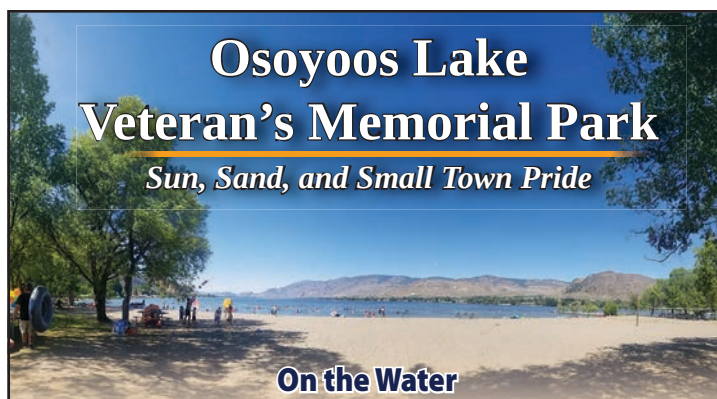




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By Dave Graybill, The “Fishing Magician”



Fishing brings families together in a special way. Whether it's on the opening weekend of the lowland lake trout fishing season, or fishing on the ice in the winter, you can find families enjoying the outdoors throughout Okanogan County.

It isn't unusual to see large groups of families at the State Parks or one of the many resorts in the county every weekend. Some of them have been returning to their favorite place for decades and I have visited with these families that have been coming to the same place for their annual getaway. Sometimes I have seen three or four generations of anglers included. There are the veteran anglers that first established the annual family event, down to the youngsters that may be catching their first fish.

In this day and age, it is difficult to get youngsters away from their gaming controls or other electronic distractions. What is so special about fishing is that it gets the younger generation into the outdoors. Some of these youngsters may be reluctant to participate initially, but when they see other people enjoying reeling in a fish, or get a

fish on their line, they change. The smiles on the faces of these kids excited about their catch always puts a smile on my face as well.

The scenic landscape that surrounds the many lakes and streams in Okanogan County compounds the distraction of being outdoors and enjoying just being close to nature. The sighting of waterfowl, birds and animals instills a sense of wonder in these young people that no other experience can match. To see a doe with fawns or watch an osprey or bald eagle snatch a fish off the top of the water is amazing.

I have also seen evidence that confirms my belief that getting these youngsters outdoors early in their lives means that the joy of fishing sticks with them.

Many years ago, I was ice fishing at Patterson Lake near Winthrop. We met a grandfather with his young grandson, about eight or nine years old, fishing on the ice nearby. We saw the pride on his grandson's face when he pulled a large rainbow trout out of the hole. We ran into the same pair about the same time the following year.

Several years passed, and one day my wife and I were at Leader Lake, when two young men approached us. One of them said, "Remember me? You took a photo of me with a big rainbow on Patterson Lake when I was fishing with my grandpa." He was old enough now to drive himself fishing. He showed off the mixed catch of panfish and bass he and his friend had landed that day. Obviously, the joy of fishing that his grandfather had instilled in him had kept him fishing for many years. It will probably last his lifetime. He may become part of one of the family gatherings I mentioned earlier. It wouldn't surprise me to learn that he is out there now teaching his own children how to fish.

I have met several grandparents that hadn't fished in years, but since their grandkids were of an age that they could take them fishing, they picked up the sport once again. I can just imagine the fun they are having, watching their grandkids catching their first fish. No matter what the reason, it's never too late to start.

Of all the different sports that families can incorporate into their regular activities, fishing still remains one of the most affordable. Kids don't need a fishing license until the age of 16. Rod and reel combo packages can be purchased at about any sporting goods store for a nominal cost. Camping fees, RV hook ups and even cabin rental are still very reasonable.

There is something about being around a campfire in the evening, whether it's to cook a meal, make Smores or just watch the dancing flames. Everyone agrees that a meal cooked over an open fire tastes especially good. I have seen kids that sneered at the idea of eating fish, scarf up a trout fried in butter over a campfire.

When I was young, it didn't matter what I caught. I would spend hours fishing for panfish using bread formed into doughballs. I was often not even using a rod and reel, just using a handline. I was proud to tell my folks how many fish I caught that way. It could have been small chubs or little sunfish; I had a great sense of accomplishment.

Okanogan County is built for fishing as an activity. Whether you are a family that is just starting out to enjoy the sport, or an advanced fishing veteran, there are plenty of lakes and streams that will satisfy the urge to catch a fish. One of the joys of fishing is exploring new waters and Okanogan County has an endless supply.

There are great sources of information available to learn about where to fish this region of the state. If you visit www.okanogan-country.com you can either download a copy of the Fishing Guide or request a copy of the handy pocket size book. You also find instructional fishing videos on the Dave Graybill YouTube channel. There are also very good maps on the county you can pick up at a variety of locations in the area.

So, come on over to Okanogan County and start making memories of your own. You will be glad you did.

Dave Graybill, AKA, the Fishing Magician, has fished the North Central Washington region for over 60 years. He writes five reports a week on fishing and relevant information appearing on his social media pages. His reports are also broadcast on several radio stations in Eastern Washington and on KVI-AM in Seattle. You find a column each week in the Spokane Exchange newspapers.

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#383, The Pipsissewa Trail starts at Bonaparte Lake and ascends up Bonaparte Mountain to a rocky overlook with views of Bonaparte Lake. (2 miles)

#308, Southside Trail travels 3 miles up the east side of Bonaparte Mountain and connects with trails #307 and #306.

#322, Virginia Lilly Trail is a 4 mile loop trail through an old growth stand of timber. Lost Lake Trails #311, Big Tree Trail begins across from the entrance to Lost Lake Campground and travels to the Big Tree Botanical Trailhead an Interpretive Site (1.7 miles).

#309, Strawberry Mountain Trail is a popular hike up Strawberry Mountain and provides a good view of Lost Lake and Bonaparte Mountain.

#316, Beth Lake Trail begins in Beaver Lake Campground and travels 1.9 miles to Beth Lake.

Havillah Road Trails #306, Bonaparte Trail climbs 3 miles to Bonaparte Lookout which is seasonally operational.

#307, 4th of July Ridge Trail is rated more difficult and travels 7 miles around the south side of Bonaparte Mountain. It provides many scenic views.

#303, Cabin Trail begins at the 4th of July Trailhead and traverses 2.5 miles along the western side of Bonaparte Mountain.

#304, Antoine Trail travels the northwest side of Bonaparte Mountain passing by Napal Cabin before passing through an old growth stand of Douglas Fir.

Trails #383, #308, #307 and #303 are part of the Pacific Northwest Trail which travels 1,200 miles from the Continental Divide to the Pacific Ocean. You can pick up a brochure and maps with more information about trails in the Five Lakes Area at the Tonasket Ranger Station located at 1 West Winesap in Tonasket.



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North County Celebrates America's 250th Birthday

WWII Vet Dean Brazle celebrates 100th

By Arnie Marchand, Local Historian



On July 4th, 2026, the sky over Oroville's Deep Bay Park will ignite with a fireworks display larger than any in recent memory. But while the pyrotechnics celebrate America's 250th Birthday, the true heart of the celebration beats in a rare confluence of local, personal, and Indigenous history.

A Century of Service: Dean Junior Brazle

In a remarkable alignment of milestones, North County is home to WWII Centenarian Seabee Dean Junior Brazle. Born on July 4, 1926, Dean's 100th birthday aligns perfectly with the nation's 250th.

Dean isn't just a local veteran; he's a living piece of history. As a Navy Seabee from 1944 to 1946, he was a critical "worker bee" in the Pacific, building the bases that made the "Island Hopping" strategy possible. After moving mountains for the military, he operated a 640-acre ranch near Bonaparte Mountain and remains a pillar of the Oroville community today.

The Silver Jubilee of the Suk^wnaqin Canoe Journey

While the town celebrates the 250th year of the Union, the Syilx Okanagan Nation marks a major milestone of its own: the 25th Anniversary of the Suk^wnaqin July 4th Canoe Journey.

Started in 2001 by Herman Edward (Lower Similkameen Indian Band) and Arnie Marchand, this tradition involves paddling traditional dugout and modern canoes from Osoyoos, B.C., across the international border to Oroville. The journey serves as a powerful reminder that the border has never separated the Syilx people.

- **The Founders:** Herman Edward, who still repairs the canoes and leads the prayers, and Arnie Marchand envision this as a "living prayer" for the land (tmx^wulax^w) and the water.
- **The Rights:** By crossing the water without modern border formalities, the paddlers exercise their ancestral rights under the 1794 Jay Treaty.

- **The Arrival:** Watching the canoes land at Veterans Memorial Park in Oroville has become a July 4th "must-see," blending song and ceremony with the local holiday festivities.

The Wings of Dorothy Scott

The patriotic spirit extends to the Dorothy Scott Memorial International Airport. Dorothy was one of the original WAFS/WASP pilots and one of only 38 women pilots to die in service during WWII. She was posthumously awarded the Congressional Gold Medal in 2010. Visitors to the airport kiosk can explore her history alongside the area's deep ties to aviation, from early gliders to modern helicopters.

Living History: Tonasket and Beyond

For those tracing the footsteps of heroes, the journey continues at the Armed Forces Legacy Park in Tonasket. This "living memorial" features over 1,400 names on granite plaques and serves as a physical hub where veteran service officers assist families on-site.

Other historical highlights for the 250th anniversary include:

- **The Old Oroville Railroad Depot:** Houses WWII artifacts and a visitor center.
- **Molson Ghost Town:** Offers a raw look at early 20th-century "Americana."
- **Fort Okanogan Interpretive Center:** Near Brewster, marking the site where the American flag was first raised in Washington in 1811.

About the Author

Arnie Marchand (Mknups/ Golden Eagle) is a member of the Okanogan and Colville Confederated Tribes and a lifelong Oroville resident. A prominent local historian and author of *The Way I Heard It*, Arnie has spent decades preserving the interconnected history of the U.S., Canada, and the Indigenous nations. He recently chaired the effort to dedicate Highway 20 as the "Washington State Vietnam War Veterans Memorial Highway," continuing his lifelong advocacy for those who serve.



Mallards to mountain bluebirds

Birding WDFW-managed lands in Okanogan county

Birding on WDFW-managed lands in the Okanogan offers a lively introduction to spring. As ice retreats, waterfowl fill the wetlands with sound, followed by songbirds returning to forests, shrubsteppe, and riparian corridors.

WDFW manages a vital network of wildlife areas here—including Sinlahekin, Scotch Creek, Methow, and Big Valley. These areas conserve critical habitats while providing public access to some of the state's most diverse avian populations.

Waterfowl and Wetlands

By early spring, the ponds and river backwaters along the Pacific Flyway draw in massive numbers of ducks. Mallards, American wigeons, and Barrow's goldeneyes are staples of North Central Washington. Their whistles and quacks create a constant backdrop around marshes at dawn and dusk.

Valley bottom lakes and sloughs are particularly productive. Here, birders can spot mixed rafts of dabbling and diving ducks; wigeons graze along the shorelines while goldeneyes plumb deeper waters. WDFW access points often reveal hidden gems, from elegant mergansers to the occasional rare migrant.

Songbirds and Hotspots

As the season warms, the surrounding uplands wake up. The Okanogan is celebrated for its songbird diversity. While jays remain year-round residents, swallows and bluebirds arrive with the insects, hunting over meadows and lake margins.

Key hotspots for this transition include:

- **Cassimer Bar:** A premier spot for wetlands near the Okanogan and Columbia river confluence.
- **Okanogan National Forest:** Vast highlands for spotting forest songbirds and woodpeckers.
- **Conconully State Park:** Easy access to lakes and mature trees hosting migrant ducks and swallows.

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The Okanogan Highlands

The Okanogan Highlands – Chesaw, Molson, Aeneas Valley, Wauconda and Bonaparte

There are many small communities in the Okanogan Highlands enjoyed for their recreation, as well as their history and culture.

Chesaw, an old gold mining town, was named for Chinese miner Joe Che Saw and is 21.5 miles east of Oroville. The town has a general store with gas pumps and a saloon reminiscent of the old West. The tiny town's population has dwindled to just a handful, but each year the family orient-

ed Fourth of July Rodeo is a huge draw. In August, the town invites people to participate in one of the many activities planned around the Hot August Nights car show and celebration.

But there is more to Chesaw. There's beautiful scenery and wildlife, hiking, camping and fishing in the National Forest and at nearby Lost, Bonaparte, Beaver and Beth lakes. There's lodging and recreation at Bonaparte Lake Resort and at the Eden Valley Guest Ranch as well.

Molson was initially financed by John W. Molson of Canadian brewing and banking fame. The three-story brick schoolhouse is now the Molson School Museum. It houses artifacts and a souvenir shop. Many exhibits reflect the area's mining and farming past and other facets of rural life. Today, the original townsite is a ghost town and is the Old Molson Outdoor Museum with various early-day town buildings and agricultural equipment. Both museums are sponsored by the Okanogan County Historical Society and manned and maintained by a local group of dedicated volunteers.

Each June Molson celebrates its Mid-Summer Festival, reflecting the area's Nordic past, with a walk/run, May pole decorating and dancing, music, food, arts and crafts, horseshoe tournament, old-fashioned kids' games, frisbee golf, a car show and much more.

In August, there is the Molson Quilt Show.

Fishing and camping are among the great number of recreation possibilities around the Aeneas Valley area. There are several small lakes located along Aeneas Valley Road – Round, Long and El lakes. El, being flyfishing only. Crawfish and Lyman lakes are not far away either.

The community of Wauconda is 24 miles east of Tonasket on Hwy. 20. Wauconda hosts a Flag Day Celebration each year at the Community Hall, as well as an annual car show and 50's sock hop mid-July.

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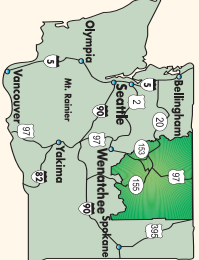


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Many of the community's events reflect this relationship between labor and leisure.

Tonasket, which has a population of just over 1,000, rests in the Okanogan Valley approximately 20 miles south of the U.S.-Canadian border.

Tonasket is the center of a large agricultural area, with apples, pears, cherries, cattle and timber being the most prevalent products.

To the west, the town is surrounded by the Many Lakes Recreation Area, famous for its fishing, hunting and wildlife

viewing. Tonasket hosts several annual events, including the Founder's Day Rodeo and Parade, Father's Day Fly-in, Okanogan River Garlic Festival, Comancheros Demolition Derby and Music in the Park.

Folks enjoy fishing in the Okanogan River, which serves as the town's western border. It is also a popular spot to canoe or kayak.

Nearby, there's the annual Okanogan Family Faire each spring and fall, which grew out of the Barter Faire starting in 1973.

Tonasket has many fine parks, including History Park, featuring a new public swimming pool, as well as the Water

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The Armed Forces Legacy Park, a truly unique park, was built to recognize and memorialize Armed Forces veterans from across the U.S. and was dedicated on Veterans Day, Nov. 11, 2009. The U.S. Armed Forces Legacy Association, a non-profit group, raised money for the memorial and is responsible for the development of the park. The park features a grassy area, large columnar basalt pillars, a wall of veterans' names who gave some or all for their country and a National Rosie the Riveter Memorial Rose Garden.

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Hwy. 20 is an east/west route from the Pacific Coast via the North Cascades Highway to Republic and Spokane. The section of Hwy. 20 in Okanogan County has also been designated the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Highway by the state through the efforts

of the local American Legion Posts in Oroville and Tonasket.

Triangle Park, which is located at the intersection of Hwy. 97 and Western Ave., is a small, grassy park of about one-third of an acre. It features several shade trees and picnic tables. The park hosts a lively Farmers' Market throughout the spring and summer months, often accompanied by live music featuring local musicians. It is in close walking distance of the Tonasket Chamber of Commerce RV Park at the north end of town.

Founders' Park, adjacent to the Tonasket Visitors & Business Resource Center and the Community Library and city hall, was completed in 2010 through significant volunteer efforts. The park provides a history of the founders of the community and includes parking, picnic and small camping areas for bicyclists.

Nearby hiking trails, all east of Tonasket, include the McLaughlin Canyon Trail, Mount Bonaparte Trail and the Highlands Sno-Park Area Trails.

Tonasket features many fine restaurants to satisfy a variety of tastes. There are traditional Western menus, as well as Italian, Mexican and Thai to name a few.

The town also offers a unique shopping experience as well, with everything from sporting goods to second-hand treasures.

The original townsite of this western village was located on the west side of the Okanogan River, about one mile south of its present townsite. The town was once called Parry's Ferry, or Parry's Landing, for Watkins W. Parry, an early pioneer settler who had extensive holdings in the area. The present site of the town was purchased from the Bonaparte Land Company in 1910 and was soon platted. It was named Tonasket after Chief Joseph Tonasket of the Okanogan Tribe.

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In addition, Tonasket is home to the Tonasket Ranger District office of the Colville National Forest. This U.S. Forest Service Office holds a wealth of information on the recreational opportunities to be had in the woodlands in the area.

The city is also increasingly becoming a convenient jumping-off point for visitors coming to the area to enjoy the myriad of opportunities for outdoor recreation in the surrounding areas.

Many descendants of pioneer families still reside in Tonasket and the surrounding areas and are interested in preserving and sharing the history of their heritage.

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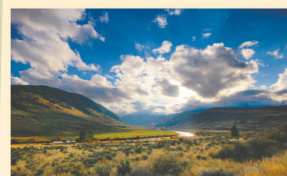
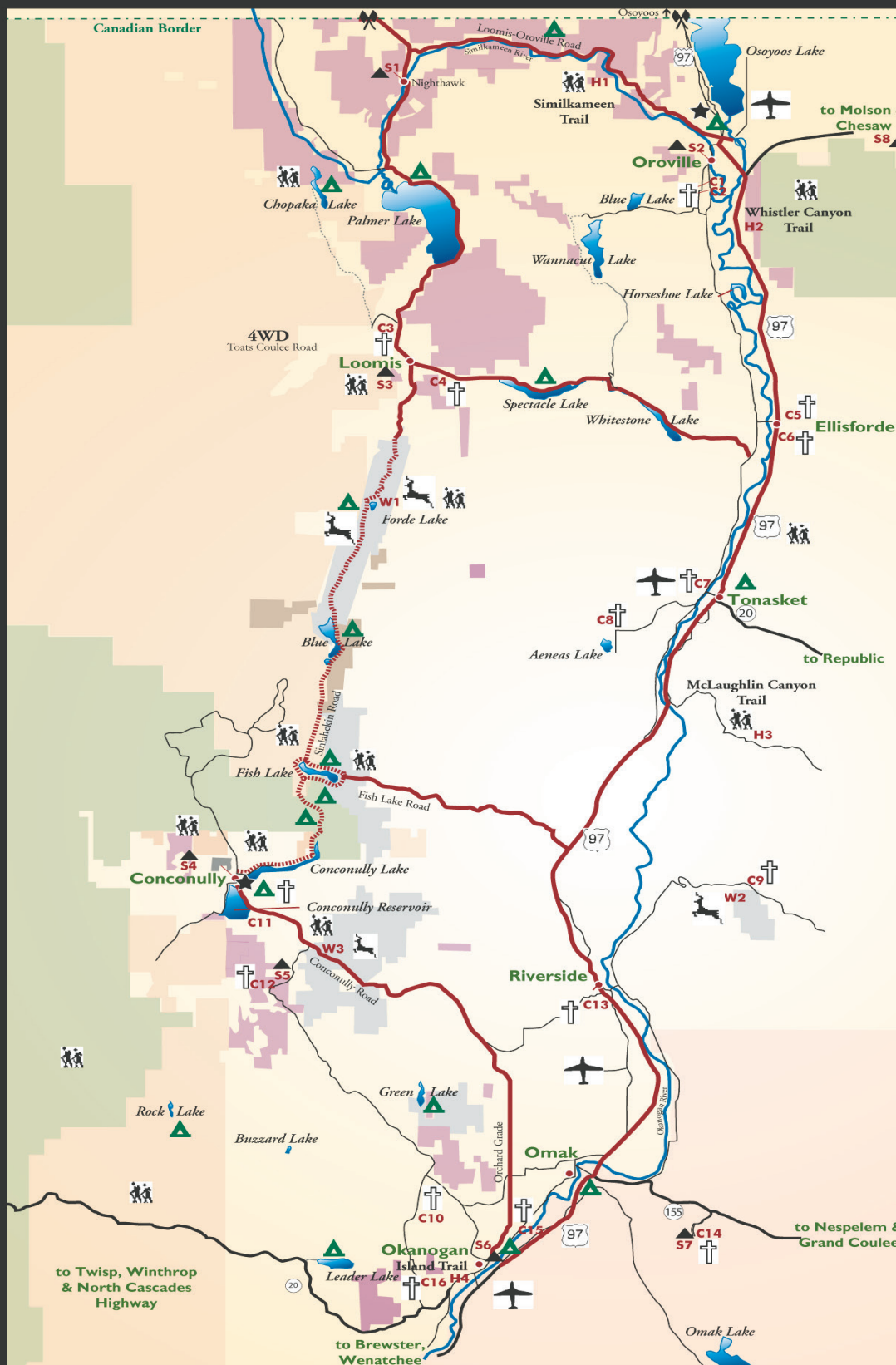
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Loomis is also a natural stop as you “Cruise the Loop,” as it is known to the locals. Start in Oroville and follow the Loomis-Oroville Highway along the Similkameen River, or do it in reverse, starting in Tonasket. No matter which way you do it, The Loop is a great drive and popular ride with motorcyclists. There are many chances to see wildlife and nature along the way and Loomis has fuel for your rig, as well as your body, if you want a snack or a chance to sit down and have a meal.

Throughout the summer, visitors come and enjoy a variety of camping sites along one of the many lakes or even in the coolness of the local mountains along a meandering stream. Loomis is the center of some of the best fishing and hunting in the state. The trout and bass are large and the mule deer plentiful. Nearby lakes include Spectacle, Palmer and Whitestone. Other fishing opportunities abound in the Sinlahekin Wildlife Area (see page 41) and Toats Coulee Creek. Chopaka is a well-known fly-fishing-only mountain lake. The Wildlife Area also has marked trails around Forde and Connors Lake and you can find a wide variety of wildflowers and 92 species of butterflies in the spring and summer. In fact, Okanogan County is host to 124 of the 155 butterfly species recorded in Washington.

Loomis may be small, but many amenities can be found within a few short blocks.

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Nearby wildlife is abundant with bighorn sheep and deer that can sometimes be seen strolling through town. Stick around and you may see black bear or mountain goats as well. In winter, people are drawn to the area for the hundreds of miles of snowmobile trails in the mountains and the ice fishing on Palmer Lake, where people have great success landing exotic burbot, also known as freshwater ling cod. For more information, see www.okanogancountry.com.

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Something is happening almost every week; stock car races every other weekend at Eagle Track Raceway in the summer. Prospectors Days are in July and the Ferry County Fair is at the end of August.

Located next door to the Stonerose Interpretive Center is the Republic Historical Center. Visitors can walk through the Kaufman Cabin, peruse the extensive collection of Republic's historical photos and listen to firsthand accounts of times past

ANSORGE HOTEL MUSEUM

The Ansonge Hotel at Curlew, Washington is the only old hotel still standing in Ferry County. It is a wood frame structure with tin siding made to resemble stone, constructed in 1903 when the Great Northern Railroad was just coming into the country and is located adjacent to the tracks. The ground floor contains a lobby, dining room, kitchen and large billiard or game room. Nine bedrooms, one bathroom, and a sitting room comprise the upstairs. Most of the original furniture is on display, as well as dishes, clothing, pictures and numerous memorabilia.



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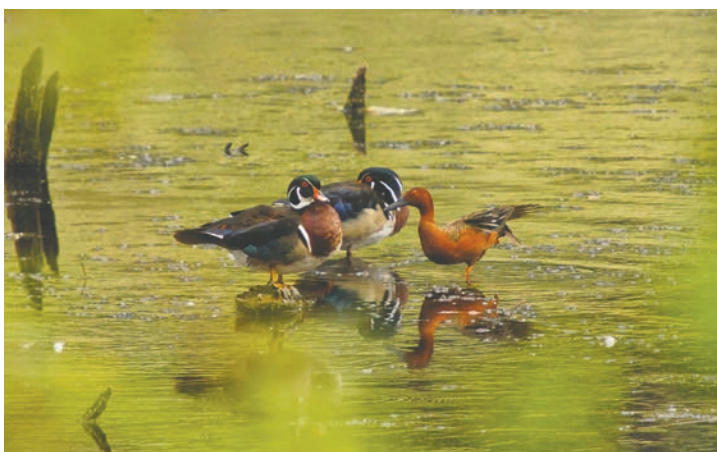
from the volunteers who operate the small museum.

Between Republic and Curlew, alongside Highway 21 North, is the Husky Car & Truck Museum and Steam Powered Sawmill Exhibit. The museum has numerous antique cars, including a 1925 Howard Cooper, one of only four ever built and a 1926 Yellow Knight, one of the last three known to exist. Built-in 1903, the historic Ansorge Hotel in Curlew is a museum. The hotel retains many of its original furnishings and all of its charm.

Nestled in the forested hills of Ferry County is pristine Curlew Lake. Curlew Lake is a favorite destination for fishermen, sporting different varieties of trout. Curlew Lake State Park features 82 campsites, some of which have power, water and sewer hook-ups, a roped-off swimming beach, boat ramp, trailer dump, restroom and hot showers.

There are fishing opportunities in small group of lakes on the Colville National Forest. These include Ferry Lake, Fish Lake, Swan and Long Lake. Ferry Lake is open for fishing all year, the the other lakes open with fishing season on April 30. According to the online fishing magazine, Reader's Cast (www.flyangleronline.com/features/readerscast) "Rainbow trout are planted in Ferry Lake, Fish Lake and Swan Lake. Cutthroat trout can be found in Long Lake, and one can land an occasional Eastern brook trout in Swan Lake. Starting in the late spring, Long Lake, a 14-acre flyfishing-only lake attracts anglers looking for solitude."

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In the summer you can swim, fish, water ski, bicycle, horseback ride, take a nature hike, rock climb or just relax and enjoy the glorious scenery.

Each year the town holds an Independence Day Celebration, usually on the Saturday before July 4. The Conconully Chamber of Commerce hosts a day of activities. The day starts with an assortment of classic and antique cars in the annual judged car show. There is also a silent auction and vendors on the street starting at 9 a.m., then the parade around 12:30 p.m. Following the parade, volunteer firefighters will have their annual water fight. Ducks, which can be purchased locally, will be set to race at 4 p.m.

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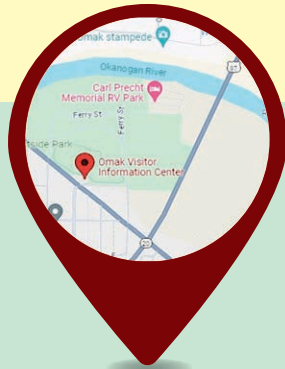



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Sunny Okanogan Days are the first weekend in June, the Okanogan County Fair in

September and Harvest Fest with their famous Pet Parade in October.

Other events include the Food Truck Festival in April which includes lots of good food to eat and a cornhole tournament, the Fly-in to Okanogan in September and Farm Lights Festival and Tractor Parade in early December.

Okanogan is also home to the Okanogan County Museum, which features an extensive history of the county, as well as many "Frank Matsura" photographs from the famous Japanese frontier photographer who

made the Okanogan his home before the turn of the last century.

Outside the museum is a replica of an Old West town of the early 1900s and a replica of the town's original firehouse. Outdoor displays include farm equipment and what is believed to be the Okanogan's oldest standing structure, a log cabin built in 1879. The museum is located adjacent to the Legion Park, which can accommodate overnight RV parking (no hookup) for a small fee.

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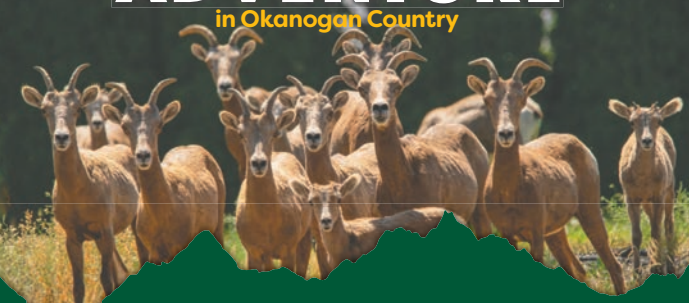
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For those drawn to the water, the opportunities are unmatched. Columbia Cove Park offers an RV park and designated swimming, while the city docks in Pateros provide seamless access to downtown shops and eateries for boaters passing through. The region is home to the Brewster King Salmon Derby—the largest on the Upper Columbia—and the high-speed thrills of the Thunderfest Hydroplane Races in September. Anglers also flock to the deep waters near Chief Joseph Dam and Wells Dam, just below Pateros, which have earned a reputation for hosting the best salmon, walleye, and bass fisheries in Washington State.

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In addition to swimming, boating, jet skiing, paddle boarding, fishing and tanning on the beach, there's shopping downtown, fine restaurants, golf, tennis, water slides, hiking and horseback riding, camping and golfing at one of their top rated golf course – and that's just in the summertime. NK'MIP RV Park alone offers over 350 camping sites next to Lake Osoyoos, ranging from tent camping to full-service RV spots. There's also a clubhouse, indoor pool and hot tub. In addition, Osoyoos features the popular swi s (Haynes Point) Provincial Park located on the west side of the lake.



Other spots to visit include the Osoyoos Art Gallery, the Nk'Mip Desert Cultural Centre and Rattlesnake Canyon amusement park.

On the northeast side of the lake is Canada's only desert area, featuring a variety of flora and fauna only found in this specific environment. Many rare species of birds, bats and cacti survive here. The Desert Interpretive Center is a must-see for anyone traveling to Osoyoos. Spotted Lake is located a short drive northwest of Osoyoos on Highway 3 in the eastern Similkameen Valley. The saline endorheic alkali lake is revered by the First Peoples of the Okanagan Valley.

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By Michael Fagin, travel writer

Kayaking, biking, and hiking, all fueled by great food—Northern Okanogan County delivered an unforgettable experience. While we have often passed through the area on our way to British Columbia, this past summer we decided to stay and truly explore the Highland Historic Loop. For westsiders and urban dwellers, this was a unique, magical ride through the rolling hills in the remote countryside.

Ghost Towns and History

We began our trip by stopping at Lake Curlew in Ferry County to bike a portion of the regional rail trail. From there, we dove into the area's rich history. In the tiny town of Chesaw, we enjoyed a famous bison burger at the local tavern—a fascinating spot where the spirit of the Old West feels alive and well.

The exploration continued in Molson, which features two incredible museums. The outdoor ghost town museum allows you to stroll among vintage equipment and weathered buildings, while the Schoolhouse Museum, built in 1914, is packed with artifacts from pioneer life. If you're lucky, you might even get a tour from a former student who remembers when the school was still in session.

Lakes and Trails

We spent our evenings in Oroville on the shores of Osoyoos Lake. Watching the sunset light up the water and the surrounding hillsides as it sank behind the hills was outstanding. The area offers a perfect blend of relaxation and activity.

The next morning, we hit the Similkameen Trail, accessed near the local depot museum. The highlight of the ride was crossing the old girder bridge, which offers dramatic, sweeping views of the canyon below. Afterward, we spent time at the local farmers' market, soaking up the community atmosphere and sampling fresh, local tamales.

Scenic Drives and Water Adventures

Driving the loop toward Loomis is a must for the stunning views of the river carving its path through the valley. We eventually made our way to Palmer Lake to explore its nine-mile shoreline. While a minor equipment mishap with our inflatable moved our paddling session back to a rental on Osoyoos Lake, the pristine waters of the region remain a major draw for fishers and kayakers alike.

We ended our visit at a local fruit and wine barn, enjoying live music and the community feeling of locals and families enjoying food and wine. Above all, we look forward to reconnecting with the wonderful country atmosphere and the genuine hospitality we felt from everyone we met.

Michael and Elizabeth Fagin have been freelance travel writers since 2005 and have toured much of the US West Coast, enjoying the wine country and covering the fine wines and dining. They also spend considerable time outdoors—hiking, biking, and kayaking. The Fagins also cover British Columbia wine country and explore the rainforests, coastal regions, and mountains.



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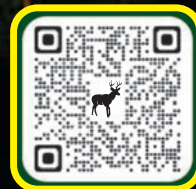
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