

## **Goose Creek State Park**

### **Kayak/Canoe/Fish/Camp/Hike & or Bike**

**March 24 - 26, 2017**

*Join us outside for the weekend or a day of paddling, camping, hiking, biking, fishing or just relaxing at this peaceful & beautiful state park. We plan to arrive on Friday early afternoon to set up camp and settle in for our Saturday of exploring the park.*

*On Saturday morning we will lead a paddle trip up Goose Creek and around some of its side creeks . We will be departing from the park launch (located at the end of the campsite area on the right) at 10:00 am and return around 1:00 pm. There are lots of options to paddle shorter or longer distances. This would be an excellent area for our PACK BOAT / Canoe paddlers!*

*Sunday is yours to sleep in or just do your own thing (no guided paddle activity but Dave might lead some hiking ). You may want to hike to the beach or hike one of the parks several trail options.*

*If you plan to camp be sure to reserve a site in advance by going online to Goose Creek State Park at [www.ncparks.gov/goose-creek-state-park](http://www.ncparks.gov/goose-creek-state-park) or calling 1 (877) 722-6762. ( sharing & reserving a site is advised ) .*

***We will be staying at site #11.** Check in time for the sites is 4:00pm & check out is 11:00 am. If the site is vacant you can set up early. There is a maximum of 2 cars & 6 people @ site.*

*The park has water and toilets but no electricity. Some camp sights closer to the water require carrying your gear so pack accordingly or be prepared to lug gear.*

*You can check out the visitor center for some great interpretive displays and walk the mystical boardwalk if you like for some bird watching.*

***DIRECTIONS:** From New Bern (approximately 50 miles and an hour drive) take US 17N to Washington N.C. and turn right on US 264E East. Continue 9.1 miles to Camp Leach Rd. The park entrance is on the right and our campsites are at the end of the side road designating camping.*

**TRIP DIFFICULTY:** *This is a great trip for beginners and advanced paddlers (canoe or kayak) w/ sheltered waters or an option to paddle open waters in the Pamlico River. The hiking trails are very nice for easy hiking.*

**SAFETY NOTES:** PFDs must be worn while on the water.

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