

**BUNKER HILLS
REGIONAL PARK -
CROSS-COUNTRY SKI GUIDE**



**Anoka County
Parks & Recreation**

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Welcomes you to
BUNKER HILLS
REGIONAL PARK**

The Anoka County Parks and Recreation Department was established in 1963 with a vision of providing recreational opportunities for all those who visit, live, or work in Anoka County. Since that time Anoka County, with the support of local communities, has created an open space system that includes over 8,000 acres of park land in 18 parks across the county. BUNKER HILLS REGIONAL PARK was established in the 1960's and is the most widely used park in the Anoka County Regional Park System. During the summer, park visitors enjoy several miles of hiking and biking trails, equestrian trails, championship golfing, and swimming at Bunker Beach Water Park. The park is also home to a variety of unique animal and plant communities, including oak savanna and tallgrass prairie.

RESTROOMS/WARMING AREAS

The Bunker Hills Activities Center is open Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Restrooms, vending machines, drinking water and ski maps are available.

The Bunker Hills Campground Building is open seven days a week, weather permitting.

TRAIL GROOMING

There are over 40 kilometers of groomed ski trails throughout Anoka County. The trails at this park will be groomed on a regular basis. Generally, the trails will be groomed once a week and after snowfalls of 3" or more.

SNOWSHOEING/HIKING

These activities damage cross-country ski trails, therefore, they are not permitted on groomed ski trails.

SNOWMOBILING

Snowmobile use is not permitted within the park. For more information about snowmobile trails in Anoka County, please call the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources.

SLEIGH RIDES

The Bunker Hills Stables offers sleigh rides throughout the winter. Make your event special by planning a old-fashion sleigh ride this winter.

SKI BY THE LIGHT OF THE MOON

Each winter several family oriented cross-country ski programs are offered at various parks in Anoka County. The most popular of these is Ski by the Light of the Moon at Chomonix Ski Area. Call the Wargo Nature Center at (651) 429-8007 for information about these and other special events.

VOLUNTEER SKI PATROL

Intermediate and advanced cross-country skiers are encouraged to join the ski patrol. The ski patrol advocates the benefits of safe cross-country skiing. Volunteers are given first aid and C.P.R. training.

SKIJORING

A new skijoring trail has been created within Bunker Hills Regional Park. Skijoring is the sport combining cross-country skiing and dogsledding. A dog, or team of dogs, pulls a skier. Over 8 kilometers of groomed trail will meander through the oaks, pines and prairie in the western portion of the park. The trail begins at the outdoor archery range parking lot on 133rd Avenue, east of Hanson Boulevard. Here are a few tips for newcomers to the sport: Dogs must be licensed. Skiers must have a MN Ski Pass. Dogs must be leashed and under the control of the skier. Skiers must clean up after their dogs. Faster teams should be allowed to pass. Keep aggressive dogs at home or muzzled. Travel in a clockwise direction to avoid meeting teams head-on.

CROSS-COUNTRY SKI TRAILS

The groomed ski trails in this park vary from expert to beginner. Generally, the trails on the golf course are beginner level, while the ski trails at the old archery range are expert level. The remaining trails are intermediate level. Please respect all skiing abilities.

SKI RENTAL

Skis, boots, and poles can be rented at the Bunker Hills Campground Building.

HOURS OF OPERATION

The cross-country ski trails are open 6:00 a.m. until 1/2 hour after sunset, seven days a week, weather permitting. Call (763) 450-3162 for trail conditions.

MINNESOTA SKI PASS

All skiers are required to have a current Minnesota State Ski Pass before skiing on these trails. Daily passes can be purchased at the Bunker Hills Clubhouse & Activities Center. Annual passes can **only** be purchased through the state of Minnesota. For information on locations to purchase an annual ski pass, please contact the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources at (651) 296-6157.

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

For up-to-date information about park programs and services call...

INFO LINE

(763) 767-2820

For information about ski trail conditions during the winter season call...

**BUNKER HILLS CAMPGROUND
BUILDING**

(763) 450-3162

PARK AND RECREATION OFFICE

(763) 757-3920

SKI PATROL/PARK RANGERS

(763) 450-3162

BUNKER HILLS STABLES

(763) 757-9445

To purchase your Minnesota State Ski Pass call...

**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL
RESOURCES INFORMATION**

(651) 296-6157

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