



Outdoor Winter Activities in the Fox Cities

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Winter in the Fox Cities does not always mean staying indoors. Cold temps and winter weather bring opportunity for a variety of outdoor winter activities for residents and visitors alike to enjoy. Whether you enjoy ice skating, cross country skiing, running, or even sturgeon spearing, or are looking to try something new, your next winter adventure opportunities await!

Outdoor Ice Skating Rinks:

- Appleton: Memorial Park, Erb Park, Jones Park, Highview Park, Colony Oaks Park, and Pierce Park
- Neenah: Washington Park, Green Park, Memorial Park, and The Plaza at Gateway Park (Rental skates available)
- Menasha: Hart Park
- Greenville: Jennerjohn Park

Fat Tire Biking Trails

- Grand Chute: Art Lacker Park, Prairie Hill Park
- Appleton: Reid Golf Course
- Little Chute: LC Island Trails
- Appleton: Memorial Park
- Combines Locks: Memorial Park
- Woodland Prairie Park: Fox Crossing

Platform Tennis

- Best Western Premier Bridgewood Resort Hotel has two heated platform tennis courts available. Check availability and make reservations through the Bridgewood Platform Tennis Club.

Trails & Running:

- Winter hiking at High Cliff State Park
- Walk along Loop the Lake and the Fox Trot Trail or check out any of the 100+ miles of trailway here in the Fox Cities
- For those looking to hit walking or running milestones in the new year, check out the Conquer the Frozen Tundra virtual run across Wisconsin coordinated by Fleet Feet Fox Valley. Log your miles and run the equivalent from Beloit to Bayfield!

Cross Country Skiing & Ariens Nordic Center

- Cross country skiing and snowshoeing at Bubolz Nature Center (Rental skis and snowshoes available)
- Ariens Nordic Center is home to 5k of lighted trails for cross country skiing. (Limited ski rental options on-site)

Sturgeon Spearing on Lake Winnebago

Sturgeon spearing has been a long running tradition on Lake Winnebago and utilizes the ice spearing technique to secure large sturgeon fish through the ice. These sturgeon on average are 59 inches (4'11") and roughly 50 pounds but record catches can reach 6-7ft in length and over 200lbs. The sturgeon spearing season begins February 14th and many hit the lake and surrounding area businesses to celebrate. Waverly Beach Bar & Grille often serves as a festive hub for the annual event with a registration station, food, drinks, and music and is the perfect location to experience and spectate for this annual event.

The outdoor winter recreation season will be over before you know it so don't wait and try out some of these activities today! Check out the Outdoor Winter Adventure Guide at foxcitiesgreenways.org to start your next winter activity adventure!