

Most Frequently Asked Questions for 4th of July Celebration

Q: What day will the event be held?

A: Saturday, July 4, 2009

Q: What if it rains?

A: The festivities will go on as scheduled unless there is lightening in the area. In the event of inclement weather and unsafe conditions, any rescheduling would be announced on our partner radio stations: B106.7FM or Magic 98.5FM. Notices would also be sent to the local TV stations and posted on www.lakemurraycountry.com . The Fireworks would be rescheduled one time only, to be held on Sunday, July 5th, following the same schedule, all other events (Parade and Concert at Dreher) would not be rescheduled.

Q: What time will the Parade begin?

A: The Parade line will leave Bomb Island at 12:30pm and make its way to the Lake Murray Dam. It will pass the Park Sites at the Dam and just past the Irmo Side the Lead Boat, The Southern Patriot, will allow the entries to pass for judging.

Q: How do I find out if I won the Boat Parade? And what do I win?

A: Tune into 98.5 FM for a radio call in announcing the winners after the judging. It will also be announced by loud speaker from the Southern Patriot. 1st Place will be awarded \$100 and 2nd and 3rd place will each receive \$50.

Q: What is the deadline to register for the Boat Parade?

A: To receive your registration packet via mail, register before June 29th. You may register in person at the Visitor Center until NOON on July 3rd.

Q: How much does it cost to participate in the Boat Parade?

A: Nothing, it's FREE!

Q: Where is the best spot to view the Parade?

A: From the Park Sites at the Dam (normal park fees apply - \$3 car/truck and \$2 motorcycles) or by boat.

Q: What does it cost to attend the patriotic concert at Dreher Island?

A: Normal Park admissions apply. (\$2.00/adults; \$1.25/SC Seniors; Ages 15-under, free) Entry to the Park will stop at 8pm, plan to arrive early to view the concert and fireworks!

Q: Can I bring something to sit on at Dreher Island for the concert and the fireworks?

A: Sure, lawn chairs and blankets are allowed. Picnics are also welcome, however, alcohol is strictly prohibited at any of the SC State Parks and will be confiscated.

Q: Can I view the fireworks from Dreher Island following the concert?

A: Yes! You are ideally placed for optimal viewing!

Q: What time do the fireworks launch?

A: At dusk, approximately 9:15 pm. Tune into Citadel Broadcasting stations, B106.7FM or Magic 98.5FM for the Choreographed Patriotic Music Show. This will indicate to you the beginning of the show.

Q: Where will the fireworks launch from?

A: Dreher Island and Spence Island

Q: Where can I see the show from?

A: Both parks at the Lake Murray Dam and Dreher Island State Park are the best sites for viewing the shows. Bare in mind, they are all limited on parking and will be open to first come, to capacity parking. All normal park fees apply. (Dreher: \$2/ adults; \$1.25 SC Seniors/ Ages 15-under Free | Parks at the Dam: \$3/ cars & trucks; \$2/motorcycles and \$5 buses)

Q: Will the Park Sites at the Lake Murray Dam be open for the Fireworks?

A: Yes! However they are open to a first come to capacity basis. Spectators are encouraged to come early and be patient, there will be traffic delays. Normal park fees will apply - \$3 car/truck and \$2 motorcycles)

Q: Will the walking path at the Lake Murray Dam be open for the Parade and Fireworks?

A: Yes, but parking is limited for the walking path so be mindful of that when you arrive and expect traffic delays.