

Going out of the way: *Outdoor Recreation is here for you*

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The 49th Services Squadron's Outdoor Recreation is one-stop shopping for Team Holloman's recreation, tickets and tours.

Outdoor recreation offers high-adventure activities, equipment rental, camper vehicle rental space and more.

According to the ODR website, whitewater rafting trips, hiking, rock climbing, hunting, fishing and skiing are all offered through outdoor recreation. The facility also has a retail store for camping supplies, and offers a variety of equipment for rent, including aluminum boats with 15 horsepower motors, 15-foot camping trail-

ers, tents, canoes, sleeping bags, lanterns, heaters, ice chests, softball equipment, footballs, basketballs, snow skis, boots and poles, bicycles, lawnmowers, weed eaters and roto-tillers.

The Apache Sports Range is also part of outdoor recreation. The facility features a skeet range, trap range, sporting clay range, archery range, snack bar and retail sales store. The range is open to all active duty and retired military personnel.

"Holloman's outdoor rec has it all," said customer Joshua Nielson, who has been at Holloman for 13 years. "What ever your need is, they have it. The staff completes the store. They will help you with everything from trips to parties to just weekend plans."

Elizabeth Strother, ODR information, tickets and tour representative, helps Team Holloman plan and purchase tickets to amusement parks, weekend getaways and tours at a discounted price.

"We know a lot of people have small budgets," she said, "so we have weekend getaways to Albuquerque, Santa Fe and Juraez. Last year we had tours to Disneyland, Grand Canyon trips and Carlsbad Cavern trips."

The ODR team works hard for Team Holloman and gives members an outlet to get away. The hours of operation are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday to Friday and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday and Sunday. For more information, call 572-5369.



Adam Eitniewski, Outdoor Recreation specialist sizes a ski boot for German air force customer, Senior Master Sgt. Henry Holl. Customers can rent ski equipment at a discount rate.



Elizabeth Strother, Outdoor Recreation tickets and tours representative, prepares for a paintball war. ODR sells and sponsors paintball equipment and events.



Elizabeth Strother, Outdoor Recreation tickets and tours information representative, offers discounted tickets to amusement parks, tours and other getaway packages to a customer.



Joshua Nielson, 17, climbs the wall at Outdoor Recreation in preparation for a rock-climbing trip.

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