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Polar Party, Spring River Fishing Classes, Ice Safety

River Keepers is again participating in the City of Moorhead's **Polar Party by coordinating ice fishing on the Red River. Polar Party is scheduled for Saturday, February 5 from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. at MB Johnson Park (3601 11th St. N. Moorhead).** Polar Party is FREE and open to the public. Other activities include cross-country skiing, archery, a snow dig for prizes, dog sled rides, snowshoe demos and races, and the Sleigh and Cutter Parade. Concessions will be available.

Ed Carlson is two in-store seminars at Gander Mountain this spring. They include **"Spring River Walleye" on Thursday, March 3 from 7 - 8 p.m. and "Spring Cats on the Red River" on Thursday, April 7th from 7 - 8 p.m.**

Now that the weather has turned consistently colder, most of the river has frozen over. Outdoor enthusiasts are enjoying cross-country skiing, snow shoeing, and fishing on the river. We encourage folks to use the river at all times of the year. However, within the city limits warm water from various sources often keep the river ice dangerously thin. In addition, areas where the river has faster moving water such as under bridges may cause thin ice. The river is no different than an interstate highway....if you do not know the rules, stay off. **If you do use the ice on rivers or lakes, take a few minutes to watch this video on cold water rescue.** <http://www.exn.ca/video/?Video=exn20020325-icewater.aspx>

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