

OTTER LAKE PARK

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Newsletter



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Hello Summer

I hope everyone is getting the chance to get out and enjoy your lake lot.

Our staff works hard to keep the campground and its facilities looking great. If you see a need for improvement please don't hesitate to call me or the bait shop and let us know about it. I appreciate your input.

I look forward to a great camping season. If anyone needs anything from me, please feel free to text or call me. My number is 217-370-4221.

Shannon Collins, Park Manager



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- July 5** Fireworks at dusk
- July 6** Cardboard boat & Kayak races at 10:00 am
- Aug 16** Camper Appreciation Party
Dinner at 6pm and live music until 11pm
- Sept 2** Bait Shop will return to Low Season Hours
(Thursday - Monday 7am to 3 pm)
(Closed on Tuesday & Wednesday)
- Oct 15** Water Off - weather dependent
- Nov 1** First Installment of the 2026 Camping Season due
(Don't forget to sign your new lease and update your
drivers licenses)
- Nov 24** Last day Bait Shop is open for the season
- Dec 1** The end of the 2025 Camping Season all gates to the
campgrounds will be closed by 4:30 pm

ENTERTAINMENT



OTTER OLYMPICS

I have had several people ask me about this. I wanted to kick around the idea of maybe forming a committee for this event.

Maybe a few people from each side can come together to formulate the event. If anyone is interested please let me know.



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ENTERTAINMENT

We are trying something new this year. Keep a look out for different food trucks. The trucks will be set up over at the boat parking lot. I am hoping to get a few different kinds here and there.

Keep a look out on our Facebook page for more information.



There is a weekly 50/50 drawing for campers every week until Labor Day.



We have a basket which have the numbers of each campsite. If the number we draw is in the drawing they are the winners for that week, if not the money rolls over to the next week. When the pot reaches \$600 we will draw until there is a winner.



Stop by today!
\$2 per week
(cash only)

TAKE NOTE

RELINQUISHMENT OF LOT LEASE POLICY

The Commission realizes that from time to time a lease holder of a campsite may desire to no longer camp at the Otter Lake Campground. Therefore the Commission allows a lease holder to relinquish their lease, without refund of any payments made.

- The lease holder must sign a non-renewal and turn it in to the Manager. Leases are not assignable, nor may a tenant sublet. And in no event shall a tenant transfer title of a permitted camping vehicle while it is on the campsite.
- Upon the expiration or non-renewal of a lease, the tenant shall remove all structures or personal property, unless the Manager allows such structures and property to remain.
- Any and all items left at campsite or dock spot at the expiration of a lease shall be considered abandoned and will become the property of the Commission.

BE AWARE

- Camping vehicles must leave the campground once sold. Any camping vehicle being brought into the campground must be approved and permitted before going on any lot.
- Docks/Dock spots cannot be transferred without Manager's approval. If you purchase a dock from someone it does not guarantee you that spot and it might need removed before the seller's lease expired. And as stated in the above policy, if the dock was not removed prior to the expiration of the sellers lease, then it may no longer be the seller's property.
- Contact the Park Manager and know the rules before selling or purchasing.

Each year golf carts and boats are required to have an Otter Lake sticker purchased and displayed on your golf cart or boat. If your sticker is at your camper or in your truck, it is the same as not buying one. If you are not displaying a current sticker you risk being removed from the lake or losing your golf cart privileges. Please don't make us ask you where your sticker is, display it with pride!



Golf Cart Rules



- ◆ Permitted vehicles shall not be operated by anyone without a current state issued drivers' license.
- ◆ Please use extreme caution while operating your cart especially after dusk and on Emmerson Airline
- ◆ Failure to comply with any of the rules may result in the loss of the use of your golf cart for the remaining season or one full year.

All boats, canoes, peddle boats, kayaks and paddle boards are required to have a current sticker on them. This includes any stored at your campsite. Please stop by the bait shop and get your stickers.



TAKE NOTE



Be A Good Citizen

- ◆ Keep your dogs on a leash at all times. A training collar is not a leash. Do not tie up a dog and leave it unattended. Urge your guests to leave their pets at home. Do they really need to bring Rover for a visit?
- ◆ Don't throw fish guts and disgusting trash into the dumpsters without securing it in air tight trash bags.
- ◆ All garbage must be put in plastic bags and placed in area dumpsters. Dumpsters are for campground household garbage only – no leaves, limbs, grass clippings, wood, tvs, appliances, mattresses, rugs, springs, furniture, grills, metal objects, etc. You must dispose of those items yourself. No items are to be placed outside of dumpster.
- ◆ Respect and honor your neighbor's space. Do not park your car or leave any of your "stuff" on your neighbor's lot.
- ◆ Obey the 11:00 P.M. Quiet Hours. Some people are here for R(est) & R(elaxation).