FISHING

The fishery consists of largemouth bass, channel catfish, bluegill, green sunfish, walleye, bullhead, and carp. The clear water and structure make a good largemouth bass lake. Spinner baits are popular in the spring, and as the water warms into summer, plastic worms become more productive. Channel catfish are stocked annually.

Five fishing piers are available around the lake to increase fishing access. Three fish feeders are used to improve growth and condition of the fish.

Catch and Release
A major factor affecting fish populations is angler harvest. Fishing success continues to improve with better knowledge and equipment. As a result, more restrictive regulations are needed. Voluntary catch and release also extends a limited fish resource.

Reduced harvest of small fish allows more fish to reach a larger, more desirable size. Releasing larger fish increases their recreational use and keeps them in the water to help control undesirable fish by predation. A fish released properly is an investment in future fishing opportunities.

Standard Length Limits
* Largemouth bass - minimum of 15” in length. Walleye - minimum 15”. Bass and walleye under 15” must be released immediately.

BOATING

Motorized boats are allowed at no wake speeds, for fishing and hunting only. Small one and two person bass boats with a trolling motor are very effective at fishing the cover areas on the lake. A boat ramp with parking lot is located on the west side. Always be extra careful when boating on small waters.

WILDLIFE

Native grasses found are little bluestem, Indian grass, switch grass, sideoats, gram a, western wheat grass and buffalo grass.

The trees and shrubs around the lake and in the drainages above the lake and below the dam are primarily cottonwood, hackberry, green ash, willow, black walnut, eastern red cedar, mulberry, osage orange, black locust, dogwood, and American plum.

Public hunting is allowed, but due to the small land area, opportunities are limited. Pheasant, quail, turkey, dove, fox squirrel, rabbit, mule and whitetail deer, waterfowl, fur bearers and many song birds and non-game wildlife inhabit or pass through and use the area.

THINGS TO REMEMBER

* Vehicles on maintained roads only.
  * Primitive camping only in designated sites.
  * Fires in existing fire rings only.
  * Pack out the trash you pack in.
  * Unauthorized stockings of fish are illegal.

Fishing, camping, picnicking, hunting, nature study, hiking and simply appreciating the native Kansas resources are available. Camping is available in designated sites. Seven picnic shelters with tables and grills as well as three pit toilets are conveniently located around the lake. Camping is not permitted at the reservable Group Shelter, except by special permit. Swimming is not permitted. Tying to and climbing on fish feeders will not be tolerated.

See the information shelters at each entrance for more information about the area, or contact the Glen Elder Area Office.
LEGEND

Property Boundary
Dam
Marsh
Paved Road
Gravel Road
Parking Area
Information Center
Vault Toilet
Boat Ramp
Camping Area
Group Shelter
Earthen Fishing Pier
Fish Attractor
Fish Feeder
Standing Timber

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