Pomona State Park

Located on the south shore of the 4,000-acre Pomona Reservoir in Osage County, Pomona State Park is operated by the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism. The park is known for its rural atmosphere and shady campsites. The 490-acre park is developed for a wide range of outdoor pursuits. Elsewhere on the lake property, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) manages 3,600 acres for public hunting and several other park areas.

Recreation opportunities at the state park include camping, picnicking, fishing, boating, hiking, and other activities. A pleasing mixture of plant life is found in prairie grassland, woodland, and lake-side environments, where enthusiasts can enjoy a variety of wildlife. The park is open year-round, but most facilities are fully functional only April 15 to Oct. 15.

FISHING & BOATING

Fishing is good from shore or boat. Pomona Lake offers some of the best crappie and catfish angling in Kansas. Management efforts have also provided good populations of walleye, white bass, and largemouth bass. State record catfish and wiper have been taken from Pomona Lake in recent years. The lake’s generally calm waters are very popular with water skiers. Four boat ramps are available in the park, two with courtesy docks. Lighthouse Bay Marina provides full services to boaters, fishermen, skiers, and campers. Boat slips are rented by the day, month, or season. Fuel, parts, service, and supplies are available at the marina. Ski equipment can be rented. The marina store offers water sports and fishing equipment sales, camper supplies, and food and beverages. These and other services are available seven days a week during the summer season. Call the marina at (785) 828-4777.

CAMPING

The park has 142 utility campites, all having electric, water, and some with sewer hookups. Numerous sites are available for large rigs with 50-amp hookups. There are also approximately 200 primitive campites at the park. Camping is limited to 14 days in each campground. Some utility sites can be reserved, but primitive sites cannot. All other sites are first-come, first-served. Shower and flush toilet facilities are available near the campgrounds. Four modern cabins are available for rent. Cabin reservations can be made at www.kshuntfishcamp.com or by contacting the park office.

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

Southwind Shelter House is a group facility available for picnics and other events. It offers restrooms, a full-kitchen, a large multi-purpose room, and attractive porch area. Call the park office for availability and reservations.

A swim beach is located in the picnic area across the road from the Southwind Shelterhouse and is open only during the summer months. No lifeguards are on duty. Picnic areas and picnic shelters are available in several locations in the park. Horseshoe pits are found.

In most campgrounds in addition to volleyball courts, basketball courts, three playgrounds, and a nine-hole disc golf course. Three trails provide 2.4 miles of hiking and biking through a variety of prairie and wooded areas. The USACE wildlife areas offer upland and waterfowl hunting. Bald eagles visit the lake in the winter, and numerous other wildlife and songbirds are present.

The park facilities and natural resources are here for your enjoyment, but remember, you are a visitor and others will come to enjoy also, so please be considerate of other people and the park’s resources.

A state park vehicle permit is required for every motorized vehicle entering the park. Vehicles are permitted only on maintained roads and parking areas.

Pets must be on a leash at all times. Fires are allowed only in fire rings and grills. Swimming is allowed at the swim beach. For your safety, do not swim around boat ramps and docks.

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