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Recreation District #1 OF ST. TAMMANY PARISH

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Recreation District #1 is a free-standing governmental agency. The District is supported by a property tax paid by the residents and businesses within the Recreation District. The general boundaries of the Recreation District are Lake Pontchartrain on the south side, the Tchefuncte River on the west side, Big Branch on the east side and Three Rivers Road on the north side. The District, which operates Pelican Park, is under the Direction of a 7-member Administrative Board and staff.

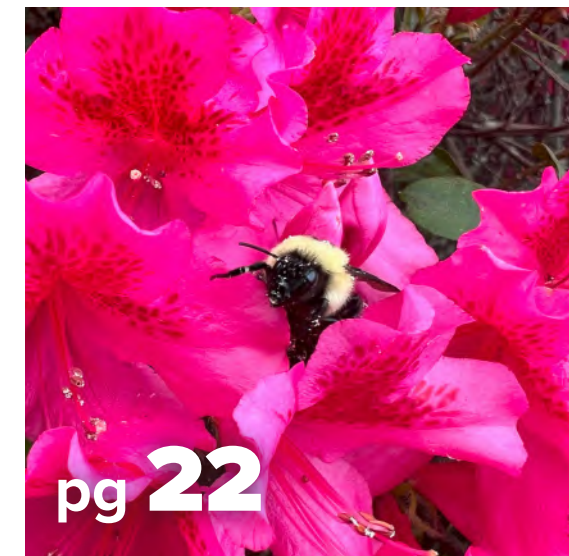
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Save the Dates for Upcoming Events in 2023

Pickled Pink Pickleball Tournament – October 7-8, 2023

Barktober Fall Fest – October 28, 2023

Jeep Jamboree – November 11, 2023

Breakfast with Santa – December 9, 2023

Santa Paws Pics – December 9, 2023

Director's Message

Despite being a resident of St. Tammany Parish for most of my life, I never fully grasped both the enormous size of Recreation District #1 / Pelican Park or the wide array of offerings to the community—besides sports—until these past few months. When I applied for the position in 2019, I believed my vision and qualifications aligned with the District in terms of my experience in administration; budgets and finance; facility maintenance; and relationships within the community cultivated over the past few decades. One qualification I did not possess at the time was national certification as a Certified Park and Recreation Professional (CPRP). Subsequently, I became licensed in 2020 as a CPRP with the hope that the opportunity at Pelican Park would arise again. And, thankfully it did!

It is difficult to convey just how excited I am about this opportunity and how incredibly thankful I am to my predecessors. Kathy Foley and Margie Lewis' vision, hard work, and dedication helped bring Recreation District #1 to where we are today. I am also extremely grateful to inherit such a fantastic team of individuals with diverse talent and passion for Pelican Park.

With the successful sale of the \$7,000,000 of bonds authorized by the voters at the end of last year, we can now move forward with a number of capital improvement projects. Because of a low interest rate on the bonds (partly due to a AA bond rating by Standard & Poor's), we are able to provide an even greater value for our taxpayers! These proceeds will enable us to explore and/or move forward with a number of projects, including constructing an Event Stage at the Groves; adding more Sand Volleyball and Pickleball Courts; expanding the Skatepark (but also adding a Pump Track); creating more bridges and trails; planning for a Planetarium; and a number of other projects - both small and large!

I am often asked about my goals or vision as it relates to the new position. I have to say that it is hard to narrow it to just one or two; however, if I had to, it would be that my focus as we move into the future of the Park is on inclusiveness and customer service to ALL our residents and visitors.

I look forward to seeing you at Park!

Jenny Dexter

Jenny Dexter
Executive Director



Finance Director



Scott Goodwill

Scott Goodwill has always lived in St. Tammany Parish and was hired at the beginning of March to become the new Finance Director of Recreation District #1 / Pelican Park. His responsibilities are to maintain and analyze financial records, manage park investments and fund balances, assisting with long-range budgets and planning as well as producing monthly financial reports for the staff and Board members. Scott's favorite part of his job is working with great coworkers in a stable environment. He is an avid reader—especially of the sci-fi genre. He has a fascination with the study of economics and political science. In fact, he can fairly accurately predict outcomes in both areas! Scott also has a love of technology and computer programming. Scott lives in Madisonville and enjoys spending time with family and supporting local restaurants.

Employee Spotlights



Cindy Jackson

Cindy Jackson has been a true asset for Recreation District #1/Pelican Park for the past 23 years! She began as a contracted Certified Public Accountant in December of 2000 and operated this way for 16 years until she became a full-time employee and received the title of Business Manager. During this time she was responsible for preparing financial reports, budgets, audits and anything that was related to finances for the Park. This April she had worked for Recreation District #1/Pelican Park for over 23 years and has decided to retire.

When asked, what was your favorite part about your job? She responded, "Supporting my community to help it become a better place to live." Her proudest moments working for Pelican Park is that she has obtained 22 clean audit reports. Cindy has lived in Mandeville with her husband for the past 35 years and looks forward to traveling and visiting with her friends and

spending more time with her son and daughter that both live in Texas. Now that Cindy is retired, she has a whole list of projects and things she wants to accomplish, but her first 2 missions are to take a nap every day, and do as many DIY projects as possible to keep herself busy! She enjoys sewing, embroidering, gardening, painting, dancing with the Louisiana Ladies, playing the guitar and she can't wait to not have to work 40 hours a week where she can be creative, have fun and have lunch dates with her friends.

The Recreation District #1 / Pelican Park Board of Commissioners and staff would like to send out a BIG THANK YOU to Cindy Jackson, for all 23 years of service to Pelican Park, where you truly Made a Difference!



Lacey Gill

Lacey Gill is a one-of-a-kind employee here at Pelican Park. She began as an accounting specialist, but has now added new responsibilities in her role as Event Operations Supervisor that include all aspects of planning and coordinating events, rentals, programs, and camps; developing contracts, deposits, petty cash, overseeing the credit card purchases and preparing a reconciliation for the boards to review. Her favorite part about her job is the atmosphere of this wonderful growing park and the crew that she gets to work with. Lacey has been on the payroll here since this January, but she has spent countless hours volunteering her time out here with her boys on the baseball fields and courts. Lacey has coached baseball, soccer, and basketball since 2014 and has been coaching here at Pelican Park since 2018.

When asked what her favorite moment has been at Pelican Park so far? Her response was, "When

I was coaching 11/12 baseball, I had the privilege of having a player with Autism on my team. He struggled at the plate so I tried everything possible to teach him how to hit the ball successfully. During tournament week as the season was coming to a close, he approached the plate and nailed the ball into the outfield. Once he made it to first base, we were both so excited that we gave each other a big high five and huge hug. Tears were rolling down my face as I was filled with joy while I witnessed the excitement on his face."

Lacey grew up in Tangipahoa parish and moved to Mandeville in 2018 with her two kids and fiancé. She doesn't watch TV unless it's a game or sporting event. Baseball is obviously her favorite sport so when she's not at work, you can find her at local games, cheering on her favorite teams. When asked, what inspires you and what quote would you like to share about your future at Pelican Park? She responded, "I am inspired by a lot but honestly, to be inspired is great but to inspire others is incredible."

"The future is created by what we do today, so I am passionate about empowering the youth and our future generations. I look forward to continuing to coach, volunteering at events, helping co-workers, and being a voice for the community when it comes to growing our recreation district. Self-belief & hard work will always earn you success and I am excited for my future at Pelican Park."

Employment Opportunities

We have both full and part-time positions available. For full details about the following positions or to fill out an employment application, please visit our website at: pelicanpark.com under [About/Employment/HR](#). Please apply at the Pelican Park office, inside of the Castine Center at: 63350 Pelican Drive, Mandeville, LA. Monday - Friday, 8am - 5pm.

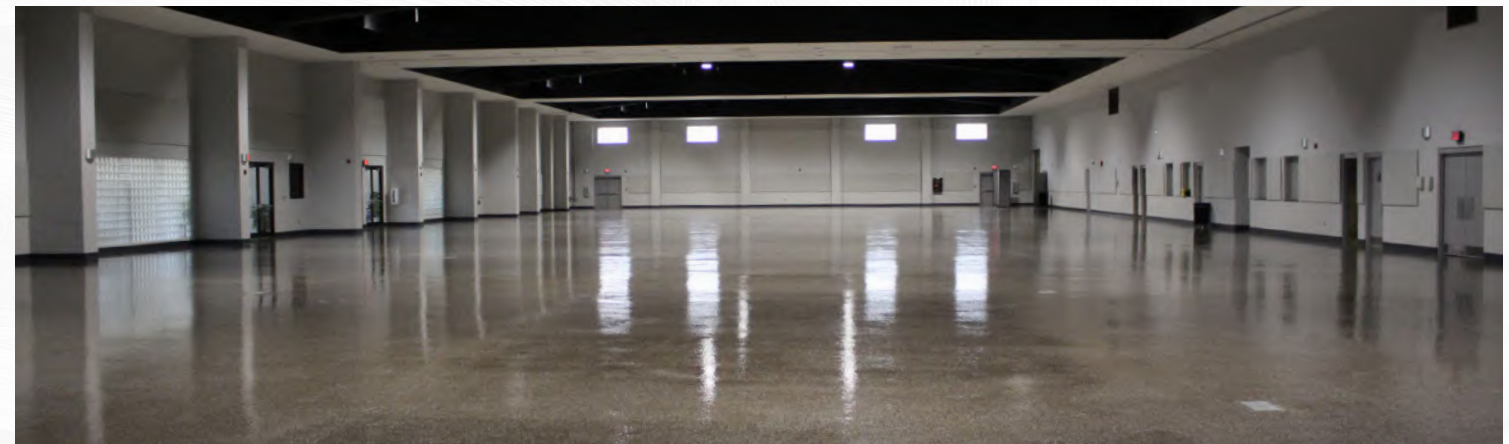
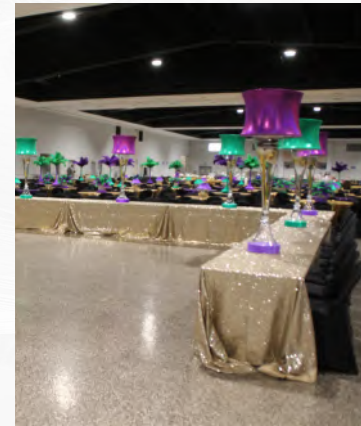
Your New Castine Center!

Call us to schedule a tour! 985-626-7997



After 16 months of construction, much needed renovations of the 24 year old Castine Center and expansion of the offices are complete. With your support, the project, which cost \$2.7 million, was paid for in full due to foresight and responsible fiscal planning by the District's Board of Commissioners.

Call us to schedule a tour! 985-626-7997



The Castine Center is ideal for any size event including: Mardi Gras balls, award ceremonies, dance recitals, fundraisers, holiday events, board meetings, educational classes, conventions, festivals, and even dance, cheer or gymnastic competitions. The options are endless and our staff is ready to book your next great event here at the Castine Center. The arena offers 28,000 square feet of clear span area that can be subdivided. The Castine Center also offers a 3,400 square foot concourse, 1,250 square foot conference room and 3,000 square foot outdoor courtyard which can all be used as additional space for events for registration, additional seating, preparation rooms, ceremonies and much more.

Pelican Park Facilities



Our 2 Dog Parks

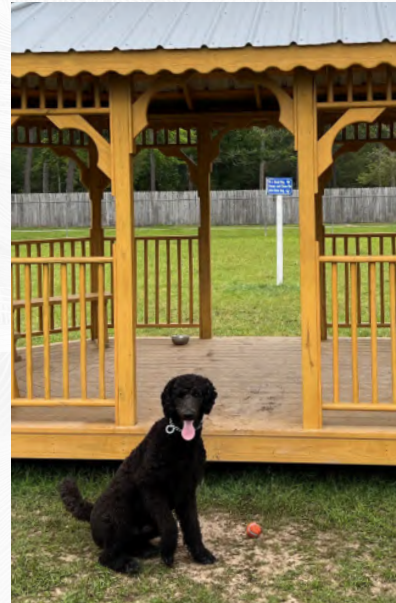
Pelican Park Bark Park

Dogs are truly man's (and woman's) best friends, and many local families love their dogs and treat them like they are a child in the family. Our furry family members need exercise and socialization just like their owners do. Pelican Park would like to be a part of that healthy family lifestyle and has several dog parks to help you do just that! In the back of Pelican Park, we have the Pelican Park Bark Park, which has two fenced in exercise areas, one for small dogs and one for large dogs. Both areas have gazebos, benches, pools, water fountains for dogs and patrons and plenty of green space for your dogs to play. There is a dog washing station outside of the fences for everyone's use and the larger dog area has agility equipment for the dogs to play in and on. Parking for the Bark Park is located across the street next to the Pelican's Nest Skate Park.

Please make sure **TO READ ALL** of the posted rules before entering the dog parks. Owners are responsible for their dog's behavior.

Pretty Acres Dog Park in Covington

Recreation District #1 also has an additional dog park located in Covington. It's called Pretty Acres Dog Park, located on Andrew Drive, off of Hwy 190 in Covington. Pretty Acres is a one-acre green space for you and your dogs to enjoy. Recently, Recreation District #1 received donations from an amazing local family that lives next door to Pretty Acres. We want to give a big shout out and THANK YOU to Dorothy Harman, or Dot as she likes to be called, for donating our gorgeous new gazebo and three beautiful live oak trees. Dot moved here from Baton Rouge to be closer to her daughter Dea Harman O'Rourke who retired and moved to Covington with her husband in April of 2021. Dea is so happy that her mom is close so she can assist her very spry 93-year-old mother and Dot is happy to be living at the Restoration Senior Living in a room overlooking the Pretty Acres Dog Park. They soon began to notice that no one lingered too long, because there was minimal shade and minimal seating. Dea asked her if she would like to offer the Park some enhancements, and she quickly agreed. It has been a source of endless enjoyment for her as she watches the dogs and families enjoy the new gazebo and shade trees.



Skate Park

The Pelican's Nest Skate Park is located at the north end of Pelican Park and is recommended for all ages and abilities. Lights are provided for night riding as well.

DAILY HOURS: 7 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Bikes are permitted at the skate park during the following times:

Tuesday & Thursday from 5 – 7 p.m.

Saturday from 7 – 9 a.m.

During these times, the skate park is for bikes only (no skateboards or scooters). Helmets, knee pads and elbow pads are strongly encouraged. Stay tuned for future plans for the skate park's growth!

Disc Golf

Find some time to learn a new sport like Disc Golf. It's a very relaxing sport for all ages and it's growing in popularity because it's a lot of fun too! You can play a quiet round of disc golf by yourself, with the family or a group of friends to de-stress, enjoy the scenery and get some exercise in our beautiful park. The sport is played using discs (frisbees®) and is similar to golf, however one throws a disc instead of hitting a ball. Players complete a hole by throwing a disc from the tee area toward a target which is called the basket. The player with the lowest number of total throws at the last hole wins. Go to our website for more information at: pelicanpark.com/Pelican Park/Facilities.



Sand Volleyball Courts

Summer is on its way and sand volleyball is a great way to exercise and have fun with your friends and family and enjoy some fun in the sun too! Sand volleyball has so many health benefits including enhancing your endurance by moving through the sand, improves hand-eye coordination, burns calories and enhances muscle tone and strength. It's also a great way to bring people together, make new friends and socialize while enjoying the camaraderie of being on a team and the friendly competition while relaxing and playing in the sand. Pelican Park recently upgraded our two sand volleyball courts in the Silver Complex with new standards, nets, sand and ball stop walls. The sand courts are open on a first-come, first-served basis and has a washing station for your hands and feet when you are done. Grab a volleyball and head out for some fun in the sun or spend some time practicing your serves and skills.



The Groves at Pelican Park

The Groves is one of our newest additions to Pelican Park that includes an outdoor pavilion called Pelican's Landing, eight outdoor pickleball courts, a boardwalk for walking and running, outdoor fitness equipment, a relaxing pond, green space and a family fun game area which consists of horseshoes, bocce ball, cornhole and shuffleboard. The Groves is a wonderful area to hang out with your family and relax and have some competitive fun together, a way to exercise together or enjoy a nice breezy lunch. If you are interested in renting any areas of The Groves for your next event, you can contact Lacey at laceygill@pelicanpark.com.



Pelicans Landing

Pelicans Landing is a perfect area to stop by and relax during your workout, or eat between games. It is a 2,400 square foot building with 55ft of counterspace, electricity, running water, phone charging area, large BBQ pit, and a family restroom. If you are having an event you can also rent this space for day time or night events. If you are interested in finding out more information or would like to book a birthday party, office get together or team party etc. you can email laceygill@pelicanpark.com or call the office at 985-626-7997.



Pickleball

Have you seen the large crowds at the Pelican Park Pickleball courts lately? Have you wanted to figure out what the hype is all about? Then definitely take the time to try a round of pickleball with your friends and family. Pickleball is still the fastest growing sport in America and it is highly contagious for all ages. If you are strong enough to swing a paddle at any age from 4-100 years old, you are ready to play and you are going to love it! Pickleball has so many health benefits for you and your whole family! It's a great way to exercise, improve mental health, flexibility and muscle strength. Pickleball also has the added benefit of being gentle on the joints, a great way to socialize and build teamwork skills. Don't forget, it's very affordable, convenient and most of all, FUN! Pelican Park has eight pickleball courts that are open from 7am-9pm daily, including Saturdays and Sundays with lights for night time games too. The courts are available on a first-come, first-served basis, seven days a week, excluding the times scheduled for park programming, facility rentals, and tournaments. Definitely come by and join our pickleball community at the Pelican Park Pickleball Facility located in The Groves at Pelican Park. For more information visit our website at pelicanpark.com Pelican Park / Facilities / The Groves.

Adult Exercise Equipment

The Groves has added a new piece of equipment to the adult exercise area, a bicep curling machine to finish your whole-body workout. The area now houses 10 machines that develop stamina and work on your arms and upper body, legs and lower body as well as overall conditioning. The machines use your body weight for resistance. Combine the equipment circuit training with our walking trail for a great overall workout! The outdoor exercise area now has a new shade structure where you can work out during the heat of the day with a nice breeze and enjoy the views of the pond and green space.

Green Space and Future Stage

The open lawn of The Groves is used for many of our events such as festivals and the Castine Family Campout. Recreation District #1/Pelican Park is working on our master plan for the future. On the top of the list is a beautiful event stage that will be added to The Groves green space to hold concerts and events.

Recreation

The Groves at Pelican Park is a great facility to provide a fun picnic or gathering for your family. The pavilion has several tables to sit and mingle with friends. We even offer yard and party games such as Bocce Ball, Cornhole, Shuffleboard, and Giant Chess and Checkers. Pelican Park asks that you treat the equipment as your own and safely use the items in order to allow future users to have the same enjoyment. Please reach out to laceygill@pelicanpark.com with any questions.



RECREATION DISTRICT #1



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Safety

Pelican Park strives itself on providing fun experiences to our public. In order to create a secure environment, Pelican Park provides a St. Tammany Parish Sheriff Detail during evening programming and weekend events. Please contact Facility Staff if you feel a Sheriff is needed at your facility inside the park. The District asks that you please protect your belongings and leave valuables at home.

First Aid/ CPR Training



On January 2nd, 2023 Demar Hamlin, NFL safety for the Buffalo Bills, suffered a cardiovascular injury that almost cost him his life. However, many people do not realize the work of the Buffalo Bills Athletic Trainer Staff that saved Hamlin's life. Denny Kellington quickly recognized the situation and jumped immediately to perform CPR on Hamlin for over 7 minutes. He used the same CPR technique that is taught and certified to countless people. While 65% of people are knowledgeable in CPR, only 18% of people are currently certified in the technique. Pelican Park plans to change that number in hopes to save more people like Demar Hamlin.

Pelican Park will be offering American Red Cross Adult & Pediatric CPR/AED/First Aid to the public in order to provide the necessary skills and confidence to respond to medical emergencies. Recreation Superintendent Steven Knecht, who is a certified CPR/AED/First Aid instructor, will be leading the classes. If you are interested in more information, please contact stevenknecht@pelicanpark.com.

AED
 Automated External Defibrillator
ON SITE

Recreation District #1 Pelican Park has 18 AED's (Automated External Defibrillators) on campus.

⚡ This symbol shows where each one is located along with NARCAN for emergencies.



Frequently Asked Questions

Can players request to be placed on a team with a friend or neighbor for carpooling?

No special requests such as these are honored for age groups 7 and above; however, we do honor these requests for ages 5 and 6 since they do not evaluate. Team distribution is made according to the ability of players to ensure that the teams are evenly distributed.

- ▶ Brothers/Sisters or step-brothers/sisters who are in the same age group can be placed on the same team.
- ▶ This request **MUST** be completed on the original registration form, prior to the end of registration. This process will be the **ONLY WAY** special requests will be honored. No requests will be taken after registration ends.

What night will the games be played?

Game and practice days and times are determined after registration is over and will depend on the number of teams per age group. 5's & 6's will be playing only on Saturday until the school session ends, at which time they will also begin playing on weekdays. Age groups 7 & up will play one weekday game and one weekend game throughout the season.

Concessions at the Park are now accepting Credit Cards!!

You can get all your favorite refreshments with just a simple Tap, Swipe, or Insert. We accept all Major Credit Cards (Visa, Mastercard, American Express, and Discover). Please be sure to visit one of our 12 Concessions and check out our New system Toast and use your Credit Card for easy pay.

Sheriff Detail:

Sheriff Detail may be found on premise during all Pelican Park Youth games and for most events on site. Sheriff Detail may be contacted through the St. Tammany Parish Sheriff's Office non-emergency number, the Facility Staff at (985) 966-6645 or 911 (emergency use only). While there is a detail on premise during these events, we ask that valuables not be left in your vehicles to prevent crimes from happening.

Lost & Found:

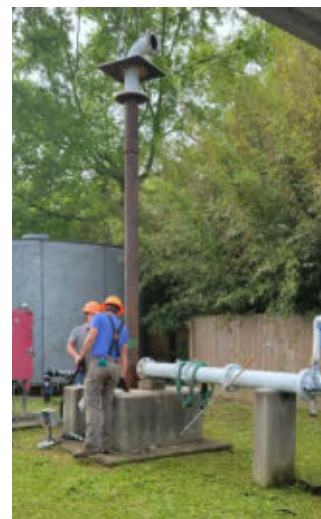
All Lost & Found items with the exception of items of high value (phones, jewelry, purses, wallets, etc.) may be found at the Brown Gym office. All high value items will be turned into the front office. Park staff collects items daily and brings them to the lost and found. Facility Staff will attempt to call the owners if a number is on the item for pickup. After an item is left in the lost & found for 30 days, they will be dropped off at a local donation site. For any questions on lost & found you may call the Pelican Park Front Office at **(985) 626-7997**.

Can my child play up/down an age group?

Play ups are **ONLY** allowed for age groups that are not combined. To request that a child play up, the parent or guardian of that child **MUST** visit the office and fill out a play up form prior to the end of registration. Play downs are rarely granted and are for medical reasons only. Staff approval is required for any play down request. No play ups are allowed into the 5-year-old age group.

What are Scholarships?

Scholarships are offered to In-District residents. They can be a partial scholarship or a full, whichever fits your needs. Scholarships are to allow children whose family need financial assistance to be able to participate in our sports. To qualify for a scholarship, you will need to visit the front office and fill out the scholarship form. You will also need your driver's license and your approval letter from the state (ex. Food Stamps, Medicaid).



Pelican Parks Water System

Did you know that Pelican Park has two water wells on our property and they supply water to the whole Park? There is a 10-horsepower submersible pump installed 180' deep with a 1,000 gallon above ground storage tank located at the Brown gym that generates 125 gallons of water per minute. This well supplies the Brown gym, Green Triplex, Pelicans Landing pavilion, and irrigation for the Green, Orange, and Gray fields and supplies over two million gallons of water per year just at

these facilities. There is also a 50-horsepower submersible installed 300' deep with a 12,000 gallon above ground storage tank located behind the Castine Center that generates 500 gallons of water per minute. This well supplies the Castine Center, Blue Baseball Complex, Red Softball Complex, as well as the Yellow, Purple, Gold, Silver complexes, the Skate / Dog Parks, and generates over 9 million gallons of water per year throughout the park. The park utilizes both hypochlorite (gas) and Sodium chloride (liquid) to treat and ensure that our drinking water is safe year-round for all of our patrons. Pelican Park has two licensed Staff through the LRWA for overseeing both water and sewerage. Licensed Staff attend annual training and conferences to stay up to date with all Federal and State regulations.



Pelican Park Master Plan

Pelican Park – A Great Past, An Amazing Future!

While much has changed about Recreation District #1's (RD#1) Pelican Park since it opened, one thing has remained constant over the years: a vision of, and a commitment to making a positive, significant difference in community life. Initially, the focus was on providing critically needed facilities and programs for youth sports. This focus was then expanded to include adult sports, and an expansive array of leisure and learning activities for all segments of a fast-growing population. These efforts have largely been successful and have brought us to where we are today. Pelican Park is widely recognized as an outstanding regional facility for sports and other leisure activities.

As we have grown and learned, however, it has become apparent that we are no longer just a ballpark, not just a collection of athletic fields with gyms and an auditorium. Making a real difference in the future can mean much, much more than that. It will, of course, mean providing facilities for the increased demand for our existing services from a growing population. It will mean accommodating new, different sports and activities as they become popular, and it will also give RD#1 an opportunity to focus more on the "Parks" side of "Parks and Recreation."

This type of park is a magical place, a memory maker. It's a vast open space for picnics and concerts, throwing footballs or frisbees with the family, looking at the nighttime sky, walking or biking along trails shaded by trees, being closer to, and learning more about, nature. And they're only a few miles from your home, adventure islands seemingly light years away from the traffic and other annoyances of city life. They are fun places that you remember going to as a child for the rest of your life. This is what we see that our almost 500 acres at Pelican Park can become. We envision it becoming an amazing memory maker and a huge "difference in the lives of children and adults."

Also, a new St. Tammany Parish by-pass road will finally connect U.S. Highway 190 and Louisiana Highway 1088, thereby providing an additional ingress and egress for Pelican Park. This will provide much-needed access to the Park, but will also bisect it, creating both operational challenges and opportunities. Ultimately, however, it will allow many new roadway interconnections that provide more efficient access to and throughout the site.

The 2023 Master Plan effort aims to integrate and expand the Park's diverse offerings, capabilities, and opportunities into a cohesive framework for future development. The RD#1 aims to maximize the potential of Pelican Park to best serve all recreational needs of its constituents.



Youth Sports & Leisure Programs

SUMMER SPORTS

Summer Basketball & Volleyball

Registration: May 22nd – June 6th
 Evaluations: June 10th, 12th, & 13th
 Team Formations: June 19th – 22nd
 Practices Start: June 24th
 Games Start: July 8th
 Tournaments Start: August 5th – 12th



Boys Summer Basketball

Age as of date September 1st, 2023
 Ages 7-18 District Fee \$88 Non-District Fee \$138

Girls Summer Basketball

Age as of date September 1st, 2023
 Ages 7-12 District Fee \$88 Non-District Fee \$138

Girls Summer Volleyball

Age as of date September 1st, 2023
 Ages 13-18 District Fee \$50 Non-District Fee \$100



FALL SPORTS

Fall Baseball, Volleyball & Softball

Registration: July 17th – August 1st
 Evaluations: August 3rd, 5th, 7th & 8th
 Team Formations: August 14th – 17th
 Practices Start: August 21st
 Games Start: September 5th
 Tournaments Start: October 16th – 21st



Girls Fall Softball

Age as of date December 31st, 2023
 Ages 7-15

Fall Football

Age as of date April 30th, 2023
 Ages 5-12

Registration: June 26th – July 18th

Evaluations: July 24th & 25th

Team Formations: August 31st

Practices Start: August 5th

Games Start: September 9th

Tournaments Start: October 28th – November 4th

Boys Fall Baseball

Age as of date April 30th, 2023
 Ages 6-15

Girls Fall Volleyball

Age as of date September 1st, 2023
 Ages 7/8 **Bounce Ball**
 Ages 9-18



Soccer

Recreation District #1 has partnered with Mandeville Soccer Club (MSC) to provide this community with one of the best soccer programs in the South. The District provides the fields, painting of the game lines, goals and turf care and MSC handles all aspects of the administration of the soccer programs which includes registration, team formation, coaches and schedules. If your child is interested in playing soccer, call MSC at: 985-624-8080 or visit their website at mscsoccer.org.

Upcoming Sports Clinics



- ◆ Softball Pitching Clinic (TBD)
- ◆ Boys Volleyball Clinic (TBD)
- ◆ Girls Volleyball Clinic (TBD)
- ◆ Basketball Lil Dribblers Clinic - July 8th-August 5th (Saturday Mornings)
- ◆ Basketball 6 Years old Clinic - July 8th-August 5th (Saturday Mornings)

For more information on our upcoming Sport Clinics, please visit our website PelicanPark.com and make sure to follow us on Facebook and Instagram.

Certifications & Seminars

Babysitting Certification

Saturdays, 6/3, 7/15, 8/5, 9/9
 8-12yrs @ 10:00am
 13-18yrs @ 1:00pm

Reach Swim Seminar

Wednesdays, 6/14, 6/21, 7/12, 7/26, 8/9, 8/23
 7:00pm-8:00pm

Thank You

for

Participating in Our Pelican Park Programs!



Boys Sand Volleyball had a great season with Coach Dakota and ended it with a Sand Volleyball Tournament at Coconut Beach!



Boys Back to the Basics Volleyball Clinics taught by Coach Niki and Coach Elvie was a perfect way to work on the players' volleyball skills, confidence and using the correct form to help prepare them for their Jr High Volleyball tryouts.



Fast-Pitch Softball Pitching Clinic- Softball players that were interested in pitching this season, came to an informative pitching clinic by Kenzie Roark.



Adult Sports & Leisure Programs

Session 2

Captain's Only Registration:

May 1st – 5th
 Players Registration: May 8th – 12th
 Games Start: May 21st

Session 3

Captain's Only Registration:

July 24th – August 4th
 Players Registration: July 31st – August 4th
 Games Start: August 13th



ARTS & CRAFTS

Fence Board Painting

Tuesdays: 5/30, 6/20, 8/8
 Thursdays: 7/20
 10:00am-12noon

One of a Kind Cards

Wednesdays, 5/3-8/30
 1:00pm-3:00pm

Painting With Michelle

10:00am: 5/1, 5/15, 5/22, 6/5, 6/12, 6/26, 7/10, 7/17, 7/24, 8/7, 8/14, 8/28
 1:00pm and/or 6:00pm dates with *:
 *5/9, *6/15, *6/20, *7/27, *8/17, *8/22,

Stamping Cards

Mondays, 5/1-6/12, 6/26, 7/10-8/28
 Thursday, 6/22, 7/6
 1:00pm-3:00pm

Techniques With Robin

Wednesdays 5/10, 5/24, 6/7, 6/21, 7/12, 7/26, 8/9, 8/23
 10:00am-12noon

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

Starting & Marketing a Business

Mondays, 6/26 or 8/7
 6:00pm-8:00pm

DANCE

Line Dancing

Mondays, 6/5-7/10, & 7/24-8/28
 7:00pm-8:00pm

Hip Hop Fitness

Tuesdays, 6/6-7/18, & 7/25-8/29
 7:00pm-8:00pm



Dance Fitness

Thursdays, 6/8-7/13, & 7/27-8/31
 7:00pm-8:00pm

HEALTH & WELLNESS

Pilates

Mondays: 6/5-8/14 (Skip: 6/19, 7/3, & 8/7)
 Wednesdays: 6/7-8/23
 (Skip: 6/21, 7/5, 7/19, & 8/16)
 6:00pm-7:00pm

Yoga

Tuesdays: 6/6-8/8 (Skip: 6/20 & 7/4)
 Thursdays: 7/13-9/14 (Skip: 7/20 & 8/17)
 6:00pm-7:00pm

SOCIALS

Canasta

Every Wednesday
 9:00am-12noon



Special Populations BINGO

Every Wednesday
 3:30pm-4:30pm

Special Populations



Thank you to all of our Special Population Participants and Coaches for being part of such an amazing program! Being associated with Special Olympics has given us the opportunity to offer many different sports and programs to our families with exceptionalities! Currently at Pelican Park, we offer Special Populations softball, basketball, volleyball and bingo! We cannot wait to see what this year will bring!



Upcoming Events

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Projects with Pops

Saturday, June 10 2023 | 1:00pm-3:00pm | Pelicans Landing

Join us on Saturday, June 10th for Pelican Park's inaugural Projects with Pops event! Celebrate the male figure in your life by creating the perfect Father's Day Gift while having the opportunity to spend time together. Enjoy an afternoon with Dad, Grandpa, Uncles, Family & Friends to create your project of choice, a Tie-riffic Tie Rack or a Totally Awesome Toolbox, that you can then personalize with add decorations.



Dink'n in the Dark

Saturday, July 15, 2023 | 6:00pm-9:00pm

Drop in and Dink with Pelican Park Neon Pickleball Social. This fun and competitive free evening of play will feature indoor play times with glow in the dark fun!

SAVE THE DATE Events at a Glance

Pickled Pink Pickleball Tournament

Saturday & Sunday, October 7-8, 2023 | 8:00am-6:00pm

Barktober Fall Fest

Saturday, October 28, 2023 | 2:00am-4:00pm

Jeep Jamboree

Saturday, November 11, 2023 | 10:00am-3:00pm

Breakfast with Santa

Saturday, December 9, 2023 | 8:00am-11:00am

Santa Paws Pics

Saturday, December 9, 2023 | 1:00pm-3:00pm



Vendor Opportunities

Are you interested in being a vendor for one of our upcoming events? Great! Please see the opportunities listed below to assess which might be the best fit for you. Vendors are determined by a first come, first serve basis and will only be considered for an event once all necessary paperwork, payment and applications have been received.

Pelican Park does its best to limit competing vendors and/or conflicts with its own concessions sales. Due to this effort, all vendors will be required to list all sale items on their event application forms. No other items will be permitted, and all items are subject to Pelican Park approval. Vendor fees may vary by event, requested space and/or sale type.

Dink'n in the Dark

July 15, 2023 – 6:00pm-9:00pm

- Food Vendors
- Equipment Vendors

Pickled Pink Pickleball Tournament

October 7 & 8, 2023

- Food Vendors
- Equipment Vendors

Barktober Fall Fest

October 28, 2023

- Food Vendors
- Pet Vendors
- Pet Accessory Vendors

Jeep Jamboree

November 11, 2023

- Food Vendors
- Car Accessory Vendors
- Craft Vendors

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If you are interested, send us your name, contact number, and a working email address to laceygill@pelicanpark.com or call Pelican Park at (985) 626-7997.

Thank you for your help and we look forward to seeing you for our event!



Volunteer Opportunities

Want to make a difference? Are you interested in volunteering at Pelican Park? Volunteers certainly make a difference in our community and are great additions to our events and programs. We have a variety of upcoming opportunities in need of volunteers of all ages. These opportunities are quickly approaching and we are looking for volunteers like you to be a fundamental part during these events and programs. We do provide service hour forms for any of those who may need them for academics, school or community groups, such as Boy or Girl Scouts. Visit our website www.pelicanpark.com for more information.

If you are interested, visit our [website to register](#) or call Pelican Park Main Office at (985) 626-7997 for assistance.

Thank you for your help and we look forward to seeing you for our event!

Environmental Education



Pelican Park has
6 Fun-Filled Weeks of
NATURE EXPLORERS
Summer Camp

Registration is **NOW OPEN**
at PelicanPark.com

Ages (6-12 year)
Hours: 8am-3pm
(Extended Care Available 3:00pm-5:30pm)
~Weekly Programming~
~Field-Trips ~ Special Visitors~
~Hands-on-Learning~



Week 1 – Soil Detectives - (June 5-9th)

✿ Come and get your hands dirty as we explore the plants, animals and fungi that live in our soil. Investigate soil samples, rocks and minerals that are found here and the rest of the United States.

Week 2 – Signs in Nature - (June 12-16th)

🦇 Become a nature detective by learning to identify signs found in nature such as animal scat, skins, prints, nests and sounds of native animals. Use your detective skills to track down animals that call Louisiana home.

Week 3 – The Bs of Nature - (June 19-23rd)

🐝 Learn about Louisiana wading birds and their habitats, bees and beehives, bugs and bats as we explore the “B”s of Louisiana.

Week 4 – Swamp Critters - (July 10-14th)

🐸 Learn about animals that call our marshes and swamps their home. Get close up and personal with alligators, crawfish, crabs, turtles and frogs living in Louisiana.

Week 5 – The Wonders of Water - (July 17-21st)

🌊 Connect with the nature found in our local waterbodies as we explore the plants, bugs, birds and fish found in ponds, rivers and lakes nearby. Investigate the awesome properties of water and where we get our drinking water from while learning how to protect this most valuable resource.

Week 6 – Secret World of Plants - (July 24-28th)

🌿 Discover some of the special plants that are native to Louisiana. Learn about plants that host butterflies, invasive plants, carnivorous plants and plant adaptations that make it possible for so many plants to live in water. Learn how local animals use plants in their habitats.

Louisiana Iris Conservation Initiative (LICI) Update

Have you seen the Louisiana native irises blooming at Pelican Park? There have been about 1000 irises planted over the last year in Pelican Park by the Louisiana Iris Conservation Initiative (LICI). LICI is a Louisiana non-profit formed by individuals interested in preserving and restoring the Louisiana iris in habitats where it once grew in abundance. The group relocates wild, native irises threatened with destruction to area refuges and nature preserves, typically in locations where they can be viewed by the public when they bloom. Pelican Park is lucky enough to benefit by being one of their planting sites.

The weather pattern we had this Spring - extended hot periods and then cold periods - had the irises all confused but we ended up with a solid extended bloom instead of a mass peak bloom at Pelican Park.

“Thank You!” goes out to the volunteers that helped LICI get Louisiana irises planted at Pelican Park/Recreation District #1.

More information about LICI can be found on their Facebook page or website: <https://www.licisaveirises.com/news>.



The Wild Ones Pontchartrain Basin Chapter had a native plant celebration on April 16th! Over 60 patrons joined us at Pelican Park to have a Native Seeds/Plant Swap and learned from our local plant specialists. Patty Zebrick talked about invasive species, Andrew Doyle talked about landscape design and Wendy Rihner talked about the I-Naturalist Apps that can be used to identify plants from your phone. Please follow Pelican Park/Recreation District #1 on Facebook to learn more about our Wild Ones Chapter and come by and meet our amazing group at our next Wild Ones meeting. You can also visit and become a member of the Wild Ones Pontchartrain Basin Chapter on their website at: <https://pontchartrainbasin.wildones.org>. You will find local contacts, a calendar of events and meeting dates and times.





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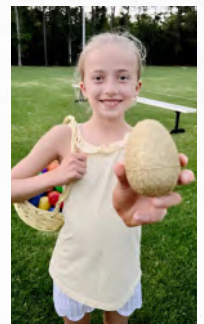
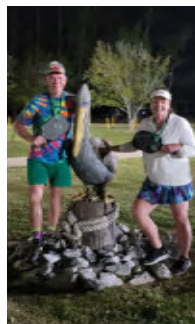
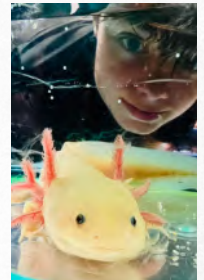
Thanks for Coming...

Pelican Park sends a **BIG THANK YOU** out to all those who have joined us at one of our recent events. To those who attended and volunteered for our Castine Family Campout, Paddles on Paddy's Day Pickleball Tournament, and Twilight Eggstravaganza events, thank you for joining in on our fun! We hope you thoroughly enjoyed your time with us and we look forward to seeing you at some of our future events. To see all the fun, visit our website www.pelicanpark.com and click the Event Tab or visit our Facebook Page.

Castine Family Campout was held for the second time on Friday, February 24th through Saturday, Saturday, February 25th at Pelican Park's Groves. We welcomed over 70 participants who enjoyed an overnight stay featuring scout demonstrations by Troops 310, Dinner, Smores, Wildlife Meet N' Greets, Astronomy, and Breakfast the next morning.

Paddles on Paddy's Day was a stroke of luck as pickleball players competed in a one-day round robin tournament held on Saturday, March 11th! The tournament hosted 164 players from as far as Florida, Georgia, and Texas participating in Men's, Women's & Mixed Doubles. First, second, and third place award medals were given to the top contenders in each category.

Twilight Eggstravaganza hosted approximately 200 children and their families for an evening egg hunt on Saturday, March 25th. Attendees enjoyed four age specific egg hunts, activities, games, and prizes. Four lucky winners from each age, found the golden egg with a redeemable ticket resulting in a large prize basket.



The First National Bank & CocaCola are the official bank & drink supplier of Pelican Park.

Pelican Park Sponsorships

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