

Pelican Watch



NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Coaches are the life blood of the Park and we could not offer youth sports without our volunteer coaches! These dedicated men and women truly have a huge impact on the children that they coach. We have been very fortunate over the years to have great and caring coaches. We have never had a problem with an inappropriate coach, but in today's world you can't take a chance. For the safety of our children, Pelican Park started conducting mandatory background checks on all head coaches and they are issued a Park shirt. The Park pays for the background check and uses a criteria established by the National Recreation and Park Association. Coaches are issued an ID card and lanyard that they wear at games and practices. By the Park instituting mandatory background checks, parents will be able to know that to the best of our ability, their child is being coached by an upstanding member of the community.

We thank each and every person who volunteers to coach...they truly are making a difference in childrens' lives. The positive impact of a coach lasts for years to come. Most adults can tell you years after the fact, the best youth coach they had in their life. Please take a moment to thank your coach for their time and efforts given to the children, their community and the Park!

Ms. Kathy Foley
Director

NEW YELLOW PLAYGROUND

Thanks to the generous donation by the Friends of Pelican Park, users of the Park now have a new playground at the Yellow Complex. The playground features a Global Motion® from Landscape Structures appropriate for ages 5-12. Kids can climb, rotate, and explore two levels of climbing ropes on the inside or outside of this fun-filled globe shaped play equipment. We have a bobble apparatus for 2-5 year olds as well as 2 benches for parents to sit and watch their children play. The complete area is covered by ASTM safety surfacing to protect children in the event of a fall. Thanks to our Friends of Pelican Park for teaming up with the Park to purchase this much needed equipment.



PARK HIGHLIGHT

Winter Basketball
Registration
Sept. 24th-
Oct. 9th

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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 business 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.

GREEN 5 REPURPOSE

The excitement and planning continues on the redevelopment of the old green 5 field and surrounding area. The architects and engineers are scheduled to have plans finished and put out to bid in late September. The project which includes the construction of a pond, walking paths, 8 pickleball courts, horseshoes, bocce ball and shuffleboard courts and a parking lot, will be publicly advertised and bid according to public bid law. If bids are within budget, the project will begin late this year and scheduled to be completed by summer 2019.



FRIENDS OF PELICAN PARK

What are the Friends of Pelican Park? This 501C3 is dedicated to raising funds for the improvement of Pelican Park and Recreation in the Greater Mandeville area. You can donate several different ways. Donations can be done while registering a child to play at Pelican Park. Donations can be done if your company has a matching program, charity program or yearly donations. You can also donate directly to the Friends of Pelican Park by contacting Heath Jones at hjoensy@yahoo.com. Donations are tax deductible.

PELICAN'S NEST SKATE PARK



Our skate park is located at the north end of Pelican Park and is **OPEN from 7AM – 9PM every day.**

The skate park is called The Pelican's Nest Skate Park and is recommended for all ages with several types of jumps, ramps and riding rails for beginner and intermediate skaters.

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

- Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7-9 p.m.
- Saturdays, 7-9 a.m.

Pelican's Nest features restrooms, vending machines and lights for riding at night, too!



LOWER TAX

Recreation District #1 Board of Commissioners voted unanimously at their May board meeting to lower the tax millage rate assessed to property owners. This is the 14th straight year that the District Board has lowered the millage. For the 2018 tax roll, the District will be assessing a total of 7.30 mills, down .30 mil from last year. These millages pay for both operational cost of the Recreation District / Pelican Park / Castine Center, as well as the debt service on the loan taken to build the facilities.

DOG PARKS

Did you know that Recreation District #1 operates two dog parks? We have one in Pelican Park called The Bark Park that is a 4 acre complex that has both a large dog and small dog area.

Our second location is located just north of I-12 on Andrew Drive, near Home Depot in Covington. It is called Pretty Acres Dog Park and is a 1 acre dog park with a human walking trail around the outside. Bring your favorite furry friend and socialize with other dogs and other dog lovers.



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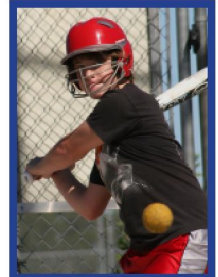
Have you ever played disc golf before? Disc golf is a great family sport that's fun for all ages and abilities. Disc golf is played much like traditional golf, but instead of a ball and clubs, players use a flying disc, or Frisbee®.



DON'T HAVE DISCS...NO PROBLEM! PelicanParkhasdiscsavailableforloanto District Residents. We would love for you and your family to come out and play a round and have fun together at The Pines Disc Golf Course at Pelican Park. The first tee is located on the west side of the gold/purple parking lot.

We have nine individual stations, and the automated pitching machines are designed for everyone ages 9 and older. Tokens are \$1 for 15 swings, and you receive bonus tokens when you spend \$10 or \$20.

Batting cage hours depend upon weather and season:
Friday - 5PM-8PM
Saturdays - 10AM-7PM
Sundays - 12PM-7PM



You can call the hotline at **985-626-1444** for batting cage hours.

SILVER PRACTICE FEILDS



We have six silver practice fields at the north end of the Park that are designed for first-come, first-served usage. The three pie shape fields and the three rectangular shaped fields all have lights for evening usage. The District does rent out the silver fields on a quarterly basis to travel teams for practice. One field of each type is always left open for first-come, first-served usage. The silver fields are perfect for pick-up games, family games, flying kites, remote control cars, one on one practice with your kids, etc. For the public's convenience, the silver fields have a pavilion with shade, bathrooms and vending machines.

The silver fields also have two sand volleyball courts for use by the public. Since this is a public Park, the fields cannot be used for commercial use without renting the fields. To rent a field, call Kia Knight @ 985-626-7997

COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR WITH MANDEVILLE SOCCER CLUB



The soccer needs of this community are met by a cooperative endeavor between the Recreation District and Mandeville Soccer Club. The District provides the fields, painting of the game lines, goals and turf care at no cost to Mandeville Soccer Club. MSC handles all aspects of the administration of the soccer programs which includes registration, team formation, coaches, schedules, training and much more. MSC and the Recreation District work together to provide this community with one of the best soccer programs in the South. MSC offers two seasons of soccer for ages 4-18. If you are interested in playing soccer, call MSC at 985-624-8080.



PELICAN PARK FOOTBALL PROGRAM



We are excited for the 2018 football season as Pelican Park football has joined the Bayou State Football League! This move will give the Pelican Park teams an opportunity to play teams in the surrounding area such as Coquille, Independence and Ponchatoula. Some weekends, the gold fields will be full of games and other weekends our teams will have to travel to other surrounding parks for their games. Pelican Park & BSFA's goal is to teach safety, football skills, sportsmanship, teamwork, leadership and increase youth activity levels.



WINTER BASKETBALL REGISTRATION

REGISTRATION DATES: SEPT 24TH - OCT 9TH

BOYS AND GIRLS AGES 6-12

Returning Players—Can register on-line 24 hours a day at www.pelicanpark.com.
New Players— Must register in the office and bring a copy of child’s birth certificate and a current electric bill.

OFFICE HOURS:
MONDAY-THURSDAY 8am—6pm , FRIDAY 8am – 5pm SATURDAY 10am—2pm
(Saturdays during registration only.)

****Reminder**—All play-up requests must be done in the office. Play ups will only be granted for single age group leagues. If two age groups are combined, a play up into the combined age group will NOT be granted**

GIRLS 7-12 YR OLD BASKETBALL

Have your daughter come out this winter to participate in the girls 7-12 basketball league! Our girl’s basketball league helps girls learn the game of basketball, develop basketball skills, work on hand-eye coordination, communication, balance, teamwork, fitness and it’s fun!

- Age groups are 7/8, 9/10 and 11/12. Must be 7 by 9/1/2018
- Practices begin the week of October 29th.
- 12 game season will begin the weekend of November 10th.
- Two games per week, one weekday game and one Saturday game and one practice per week
- Games will not be scheduled on 11/19 – 11/24th (Thanksgiving holiday) and 12/22 – 1/4 (Christmas/new year’s)
- Reversible uniform tank jerseys are included in the registration fee.



Registration fees

7/8 yr old -	District: \$58	Non-district: \$108
9/10 yr old -	District: \$80	Non-district: \$130
11/12 yr old -	District: \$80	Non-district: \$130

GIRLS 6 YR OLD BASKETBALL



Introduce your six-year old daughter to basketball by registering her for our Saturday morning clinic. There will be 6 session on Saturdays in November and December. The clinic will be conducted by John Neill, a Girls Basketball Advisory Board Member, who makes learning fun! John has a pure love of basketball and he will show the girls the fundamentals of basketball and will have them ready for the next level!

Age range for this clinic would be if your daughter was born between 9/2/2011-9/1/2012.

Registration Fees- District \$34 Non-District \$84



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BOYS 7-12 YR OLD BASKETBALL

Are you looking for a sport to help boost your child's confidence, give them physical exercise, in addition to teaching self-discipline, team work and making new friends? Well Pelican Park Youth Basketball program will do all this and more. Our basketball program will teach dribbling, passing and shooting techniques which will increase your child's basketball fundamentals at all levels of play. Basketball is a team sport which will also help your child make friends and work together with their peers. Don't miss out, Pelican Parks basketball program is a great opportunity for your child to learn the love of basketball!!!



- Ages 7-12, single age groups for all boys teams
- Age as of 9/1/2018
- Evaluation schedule for ages 7- 12 will be available during registration.
- Practices begin week of October 29th 2018
- Games begin the weekend of November 10th 2018
- Boys 7 - 12 will play a 12-game season with a single elimination tournament. There will be one game during the week and one game on the weekend with one practice during the week.

- Ages 7 and above will use two officials
- If an age group has enough players in one age group, that age group may possibly be divided into two leagues.

Registration Fees:

Boys 7, 9, 10 & 11 years old-	District \$81.00	Non-District \$131.00
Boys 12 years old-	District \$85.00	Non-District \$135.00

****Reminder: play-up requests can only be done for single age groups and at the time of registration. If any age group combines play ups will not be granted. You will have to come into the office and fill out a play-up request form.****



BOYS 6 YR OLD BASKETBALL

- Age as of 9/1/2018 – Must be 6 by 9/1/2018 NO EXCEPTIONS!
- No evaluations for 6-year-olds.
- Practices begin week of October 29th 2018
- Games begin the weekend of November 10th 2018
- Boys 6 will play an 8-game season with no tournament.
- Games will be on weekends only with one practice during the week.
- 6-year-old games will be officiated by coaches



Registration Fees: District \$28 Non-District \$78

Pelican Play-up Policy

The Park no longer allows play-ups for leagues with combined age groups. This change is to keep with the philosophy that was set years ago by the Board of Commissioners that restricts three age groups, with the exception of high school age players, from playing together in the same league. The philosophy was established for player safety and development. This means that parents will not have the option to play their child up if the age group they are moving into already has two ages combined. (Example, a 10-year-old player could not move into the 11-12 age groups.) Play-ups to single age groups will remain a parent's choice. Play-up requests to single age groups will be pending until leagues are formed.

Debit/Credit Card Information

Please note that when using a debit or credit card for youth sports registration, your card will be pre-authorized and your bank may place a hold on your account for the registration amount for 72 hours or longer for each registration you attempt. The Park has no control over how long your bank places a hold on the funds.

Refund Policy

Until team formation, refunds are given upon request, less a \$5 handling fee. Between the draft and the second game, a refund request is not guaranteed. However, a refund will be issued during this time if a child from the waiting list accepts the open spot. When the waiting list child registered, we will issue a refund to the child dropping from the league less the \$5 handling fee when the uniform, if already issued, is returned. After the second game of the season is played, we do not issue refunds for ANY reason.

Scholarships Available

The Park believes that all District children should be able to play sports regardless of their ability to pay. Should you need financial assistance with youth sports registration, please come in to our office and complete an application. Scholarships are available to District residents only and you must come in to our office to apply.

Secondary Medical Insurance

As part of your registration fee, Pelican Park purchases secondary insurance for your child for injuries sustained while playing in our programs. In the event of an accident or injury, you must contact the Park's office and complete an incident report. For more information, call the Pelican Park office at: 985-626-7997

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Breakfast With Santa!

Santa is stopping by Pelican Park for breakfast on Saturday, December 15th from 9:00am - 11:00am!

Your child can make lasting memories by visiting with Santa, playing games, having fun photo-ops and making holiday crafts! This FREE event will fill up fast, so don't get put on the naughty list and reserve your child's seat today! This event is so popular, registration is open to the District residents first beginning on Thursday, September 20th. Non-District residents may register for any remaining spots beginning Monday, October 22nd. Our Santa breakfast will be held in the Castine Center for children 2-10 years of age. Call 985-626-7997 as soon as possible to make your reservation.

Don't miss out on this FREE magical morning with Santa!

Our yummy breakfast is provided by the elves from Liz's Where Y'At Diner from 9am - 10am only. Parents or older children may purchase a breakfast for only \$5.00

Register early to reserve your seat @ 985-626-7997



VOLUNTEERS WANTED!

If you need service hours for school or would just like to be part of our magical event, please contact: Erika Lehrmann at (985) 626-7997 or erikalehrmann@pelicanpark.com

OUTSIDE ADVENTURE PROGRAMS

NEW Partnerships for Pelican Park's Outdoor Adventures

We have partnered with two great local companies to try to bring more outdoor family adventures to our residents. Both companies will guide you down the river, teach you about the local environment and take you to perfect spots to enjoy the beautiful local views!

Canoe & Trail Adventures of Lacombe, LA will bring you "Canoeing down the Cane," a 2.5 hour canoe or kayak tour with your family and friends.

Bayou Adventures in Lacombe, LA is our second partnership that offer beautiful sunset paddles on kayaks and also comes to the Castine Center and teaches great fishing classes too. Their fishing experts will educate you on all of the fishing dos and don'ts and you will be ready for some fun friends and family fishing trips of your own! Reserve your spot today at: www.Pelicanpark.com or call 985-626-7997 for more information.

FEE BASED LEISURE PROGRAMS

Class	Date(s)	Time	Day	Ages:	Location	\$	Description
Monday Evening Pilates	Oct. 15th - Dec. 3rd	6-7pm	Mon	15 & older	Mandeville Trail-head Depot	\$45	8 CLASSES to build a strong core, specifically in those areas supporting the spine and abdomen.
Tuesday AM Yoga	Oct. 2nd - Nov. 20th	9:30-10:30am	Tues	15 & older	Castine Center	\$45	8 CLASSES for Beginner and Intermediate levels to help you feel physically strong and mentally replenished.
Thursday AM Yoga	Oct. 4th - Nov. 29th	9:30-10:30am	Thur	15 & older	Castine Center	\$45	8 CLASSES for Beginner and Intermediate levels to help you feel physically strong and mentally replenished.
Gone Crabbing	October 20th	9:30am-11am	Sat	10 & older	Bayou Adventure	\$25	Join us for the ins & outs of local crabbing. Ages 16 & older are required to have a valid LA Fishing License.

FREE LEISURE PROGRAMS

Recreation District #1 offers a variety of free and fee-based leisure programs to the community, including arts and crafts, health and wellness, and personal development classes. Pre-registration is required!! Call 985-626-7997 for upcoming free classes, see below and for a complete list of classes, required supplies, and more detailed descriptions, visit www.pelicanpark.com.

Crafty Cards	9/24/18	10am	Make personalized greeting cards.
Painting with Michelle: Hummingbird	9/24/18	1pm & 6pm	Learn the basics of acrylic painting.
Crochet Pot Holders	9/25/18	10am	Learn the basic stitches for creating a pot holder.
Fence Board Painting: Ghosts	9/25/18	1pm & 6pm	Paint the perfect Halloween decoration.
One of a Kind Cards	9/26/18	1pm	Make unique handmade cards for any occasion.
Sand Dollar Fish	9/26/18	1pm & 6pm	Paint whimsical fish on Florida coast sand dollars.
Watercolor Background Cards	9/27/18	10am	Handcrafted cards using vibrant watercolors.
Stamping Cards	9/27/18	1pm	Create cards w/scrapbooking tools and techniques.
Intro to Photo Editing w/ Photoshop	9/27/18	6pm	Beginner level photo editing course using CC
Drawing Techniques: Landscapes	10/1/18	10am	Entry level techniques for landscape drawing.
Crochet Infinity Scarf	10/1/18	1pm	Learn the basic stitches for creating a scarf.
White Truffle Oil Shepherd's Pie	10/1/18	6pm	Learn a quick and easy recipe.
Painting with Michelle: Jellyfish	10/2/18	1pm & 6pm	Learn the basics of acrylic painting
Crochet Fall Sweater	10/3/18	10am	Learn the basic stitches for creating a sweater.
Intro to Fishing	10/3/18	6pm	Learn the basics: how to bait a hook, string a pole etc.
Halloween Treat Bags	10/4/18	10am	Create cute gift bags for Halloween treats.
Stamping Cards	10/4/18	1pm	Create cards with scrapbook tools and techniques.
Polymer Clay Creations	10/9/18 10/30/18	10am	Create charms, jewelry, key chains, magnets, and more using polymer clay.
Wood & Photo Crafts	10/9/18 10/30/18	1pm	Creating signs & designs using reclaimed wood.
NOLA Acrylic: Boat	10/9/2018 10/10/18	6pm 10am	New Orleans themed acrylic painting.
Fishing Lake Pontchartrain	10/10/18	6pm	Learn where and when to fish while on the lake.
Graphite Drawing	10/11/18	1pm & 6pm	Gear up for football season with glass art.
Art History: Picasso	10/15/18	10am	Have fun learning art history and matching painting
Crochet Granny Blanket	10/15/18	1pm	Learn the basic stitches for creating a blanket.
Cocoa Fluff Pie	10/15/18	6pm	Learn a quick and easy recipe.
Fall Canvas Art	10/16/18	10am	Learn to make a decorative interior fall banner.
Thanksgiving Mason Jars	10/16/18	1pm & 6pm	Create a holiday decoration using mason jars.
Crochet Baseball Cap Ear Warmers	10/17/18	10am	Learn to create ear warmers for your favorite cap.
One of a Kind Cards	10/17/18	1pm	Make unique handmade cards for any occasion.
Herbal Medicine	10/18/18	10am & 6pm	Discover the benefits of using all-natural herbs to support your health.
Stamping Cards	10/18/18	1pm	Create cards with scrapbook tools and techniques.
Halloween Wall Hanger	10/22/18	10am	Create a holiday wall hanger using up coasters.
Intro to Jewelry Making	10/22/18	1pm	An introduction to jewelry tools and skills.
Curried Carrot & Butternut Soup	10/22/18	6pm	Learn a quick and easy recipe.
Painting w/ Michelle: Thanksgiving	10/23/18	1pm & 6pm	Learn the basics of acrylic painting .
Drawing Techniques: Sunsets	10/29/18	10am	Entry level course featuring painting techniques
One of a Kind Cards	10/31/18	1pm	Make unique handmade cards for any occasion.

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