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2008 Recreation Season at West Point Lake

Mobile, Ala. – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Mobile District, West Point Project releases the 2008 Recreation Season Schedule. The Corps manages five campgrounds and thirty-one day use parks located around the project.

Provided below is a list of opening dates and telephone numbers at West Point Lake recreation areas.

Campgrounds

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| • R. Shaefer Heard | Open All Year | 706-645-2404 |
| • Holiday | Feb. 29 – Sept. 21 | 706-884-6818 |
| • Amity | Mar. 21 – Sept. 7 | 334-499-2404 |
| • Whitetail Ridge | Mar. 21 – Nov. 23 | 706-884-8972 |
| • Ringer | Open All Year | 706-645-2937 |
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Recreation Areas

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| • Yellowjacket | May 3 – Sept. 1 | 706-882-1805 |
| • Earl Cook | May 3 – Sept. 1 | 706-885-0314 |
| • Rocky Point | May 3 – Sept. 1 | 334-499-2420 |

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Use fees for single campsites with utility hook-ups are \$22 per night and \$44 per night for double campsites, and fees for primitive campsites without hook-ups are \$16 per night.

Individual campsites may be reserved up to 240 days in advance of the arrival date by calling the National Recreation Reservation System at 1-887-444-6777 or www.Recreation.gov.

Swimming areas are located at Yellowjacket, Earl Cook and Rocky Point Recreation Areas. The fee for the use of facilities in these areas is \$4 per vehicle. Twenty-five parks at West Point Lake offer boat-launching ramps and only seven of these parks require payment of a \$3 boat-launching fee.

Nine picnic shelters around the lake may be reserved for fees ranging from \$50 - \$150 per day. Shelters may be reserved at anytime during the entire 2008 calendar year by contacting the Project Management Office.

Frequent users of recreation areas and/or boat launching ramps may wish to purchase an Annual Day Use Pass. These passes, which are good for one year from the date of purchase, allow the purchaser to use any park where a day use fee is charged at no additional cost. Passes are available at the Project Management Office for \$30 each, and may be purchased in person or by telephone using a major credit card. Golden Passport and America the Beautiful passport holders are entitled to a 50 percent reduction in user fees for camping and day use, including the purchase of the annual pass. This discount does not apply to picnic shelter reservation fees.

“Several parks at the project will remain closed this year because of insufficient funding” stated Steve Logan, Operations Manager at West Point

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Project. In order to effectively manage the facilities that are open, the decision was made to keep areas with limited use closed for this recreation season. This closure is only temporary and we do not expect to close additional areas this year. The following parks will remain closed this year.

- Alligator Creek Park
- Evansville Park (boat ramp will remain open)
- Wehadkee Parks
- Dewberry (southern portion)
- Ringer Campground (north loop)

For more information contact the West Point Project Management Office at 706-645-2937 or <http://westpt.sam.usace.army.mil/>