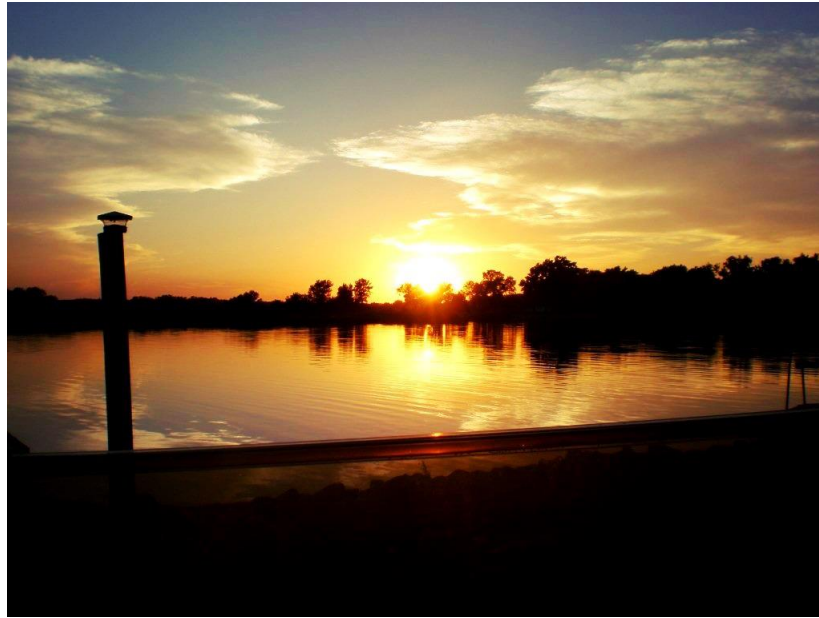


September 2022



Ericson Lake News & Updates

The year is quickly winding down. Leaves will be changing colors, kids will be back in school and the nights will be getting a little bit cooler, but there is still so much to do at Lake Ericson. Fall fishing is great, hunting seasons will be opening soon, worker bees will be transforming the back trail into winter wonderland for the 2nd Annual Trail of Lights and lets not forget just relaxing next to a cracking bon fire.

[Visit our website](#)

Labor Day Weekend Winners

Football season is upon us. Saturday, Sept. 3rd we held our 2nd Annual Husker Tailgate Party at the carousel and cheered the Huskers on to a victory. We want to give a special thanks to Ben & Cindy Edwards for the fish fry during the tailgate party. Thank you to Tony & Nicole Levander for providing the bounce houses for the kids to enjoy. Thank you for everybody who showed up and brought food. There were a lot of new



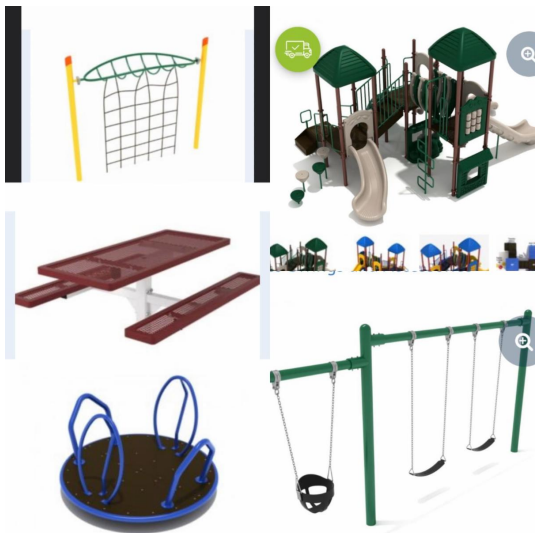
faces this year and we look forward to growing the event each year.

Sunday, Sept. 4th was our 2nd Annual Duck Races. Ducks sold out quickly again this year. Make sure to get your tickets early next year. We had a wonderful turn out to watch the ducks come in and enjoyed the festivities under the carousel following the race. After the five winners came across the finish line it was fun watching the kids race to gather up all the ducks.

Duck Race Winners were:

- 1st Place: Chris Niefeld (#540)
- 2nd Place: Bob Gregorski (#165)
- 3rd Place: Beth Wagner (#078)
- 4th Place: Luke Carlson (#288)
- 5th Place: Jerrid McKay (#581)

Congratulations to our winners and thank you to everyone who purchased ducks and came out to support this weekend's events. Proceeds from this weekend are going towards the new computer system for the dam. We look forward to next year's race!



Playground Equipment Update

We have reached our goal! The playground equipment has been ordered and will be arriving after the first of the year. This could not have been accomplished without your generous donations. Kids of all ages will enjoy this for years and years to come. If anybody would like to help install it this coming spring please let us know.

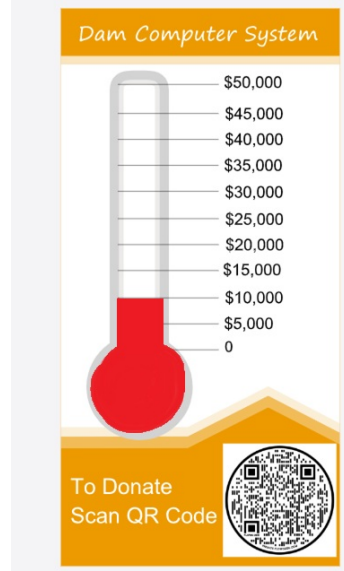
Dam Computer System

The next big project at the lake is replacing the computer / SCADA

system that operates that operates the dam. This computer is the heart & controls of the dam and vital for operating it. As the dam reaches 20 years old this system is now obsolete and we are unable to get replacement parts for it any longer. Without the dam, we don't have a lake and with that we are moving forward with the purchase of a new system that will hopefully be here within the next 6 months. The cost for the new system is just under \$50,000. Just as we raised funds for the playground we are looking to do the same for the dam that is the key component to our lake.

Please help us reach our goal by clicking on the link below to donate.

[Donate Here!](#)



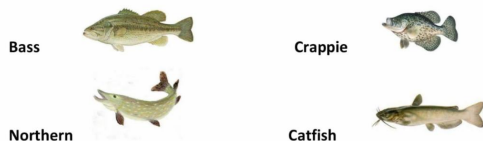
FISHING DERBY

September 24, 2022

9th annual Ericson Lake Catch and Release Fishing Derby

Raffle prizes! (This is a handicapped and Veteran friendly event) Great fishing!

4 classes of the largest of these species:



A total of \$300.00 cash and prizes available (\$75.00 worth for each large fish class)

- > Registration will begin at 7:15.
- > Derby will start promptly at 8:30a.m. and runs to 12:30 p.m.
- > Entry fee is \$50.00 per entrant. Kids under 12, Handicapped and Veterans get a 10% discount. Each entrant will need a digital camera or ability to take a picture (Smart Phone, etc.)
- > Pictures must be taken with the fish lying flat on a measuring device to be provided by the Derby.

Thanks to: Scheels All Sports, Farmers and Merchants Bank, Hungry Horse, M&M Convenience Store, Wagon Wheel Steak House and Saloon, and KNLV Radio.

9th Annual Ericson Lake Fishing Derby

The Ericson Lake Corporation (501c3) continues working with the NRD, Nebraska Environmental Trust and others to restore the wonderful fishing and wetlands habitat.

Our lake is open to the public and is one of few that hosts two large handicap fishing docks that allow fishing in both Ericson Lake and the Cedar River, which feeds the lake.

Thank your for your help in either sponsorship and/or participation. We encourage all of our participants to patronize those who sponsor and support our efforts to improve the environment for all who enjoy the great outdoors.

Sincerely,

Ericson Lake Corporation is a 501c3 organization

Fishing Derby

September 24th will be the 9th Annual Catch & Release fishing derby hosted by Fred Gerber.

Registration will be at 7:15 am
Derby will be from 8:30 - 12:30

\$50 Per Person
(10% discount for Veterans, handicapped and kids under 12)

Great Prizes & a fun filled day at the lake.

For more information contact Fred Gerber: 402-301-6059

2nd Annual Trail of Lights

Ericson Lake Events Committee is gearing up for the 2nd annual Trail of Lights ride through Christmas light display on the back trail. This year's dates will be Friday & Saturday, December 2nd & 3rd from 6-9 pm. You won't want to miss it.

Please like and check out the Ericson Lake Events Facebook page for updates.

Wild Hay Café will be serving Hot CoCo, Hot Cider and Funnel Cakes.

If you would like to help decorate or volunteer the days of the event or if you have any of the following items to donate or that we can borrow please let us know.

Generators, Electric Fence Posts, Extension Cords
ericsonlakeevents@gmail.com



Spotlights

Safety

The speed limit around the entire lake and dam is 15 mph. We have had an influx of speeding and careless driving with vehicles and ATV's already this year. There are a lot of young kids playing and riding bicycles around the lake along with adults and pets walking. Please obey the 15 mph speed limit and have a discussion with your kids and guest to obey the posted speed.



Red Flag Warnings - No Fires

Please take note around the lake and campsites. If you see these signs posted please no campfires or fires of any kind.

This year has been hot and dry in our area so please use caution anytime you have a fire or riding ATV's the smallest spark or ember can cause a catastrophic fire.

Please do not leave any fires unattended and make sure they are completely out before you leave.

Camping Reservations



Minimum stay of 2 nights for electrical reservations - \$30 per night

(Maximum stay of 14 days)

There are 30-amp campsites for \$30 per night and 50-amp campsites that are also \$30 per night (50-amp sites: Campsites #2, #6, #7 and #8 at the Dam Campground and Campsites G, H and J at the River Campground)

All camp sites are back in ONLY....there are no drive through sites.

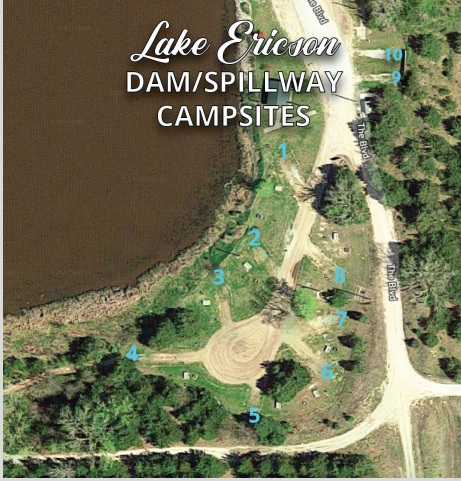
Tent camping is also available at two locations. No reservations required - first come first serve. Cost is \$10 per night per tent. (no minimum stay)

Camping Payments

Payment must be received within five (5) days, if paying by a check or immediately if paying by a credit card, after camping reservation is made to guarantee your site. If payment is not paid within this time, you will lose your spot.

Please mail payment to:
Ericson Lake Corporation

Lake Ericson
DAM/SPILLWAY
CAMPSITES



P.O. Box 27
Ord, NE 68862

Make checks payable to Ericson Lake Corporation. Checks, cash, money orders or credit card via PayPal invoice only. We will take your credit card over the phone, however will run it through PayPal and will be an extra \$5 service fee.

You can reach us in the office between the hours of 8:00 and 5:00 at (308) 728-3132

Lake Ericson
RIVER CAMPSITES

