

Park Activities

The map on the reverse shows the park layout, and locations of park facilities.

Visitors can hike the scenic 3.5 kilometre Otter Marsh trail that meanders along the edge of attractive wetlands. Children can enjoy the playground located in the day-use area.

Visitors can also enjoy a scenic drive along the Jesmond Loop. Points of interest include the historic townsite of Jesmond, where the OK Corral – one of the oldest ranches in the area – is situated, and the Jesmond fire lookout with its panoramic views of the surrounding landscape.

Visitor Ethics

Only registered campers are allowed in the campground after 11:00 p.m. Quiet time is between 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.

Park regulations can be enforced through fines of up to \$100 for each infraction and/or immediate eviction from the park.

Boating regulations – Watercraft must stay outside marker buoys. Water-skiing is not permitted on the lake and maximum boat speed is 10 kilometres per hour. Lifeguards are not in attendance.

Pets must be kept on a leash while in the park. Pets are not permitted on the swimming beaches at any time.

Parking is permitted only in designated lots and on the gravel portion of campsites.

Excessive noise is not permitted. Do not operate noisy equipment or generators during quiet time.

Alcohol is permitted only within the boundaries of campsites with registered occupants.

Tents and equipment must be confined to the gravel portion of your site or to the tent pad where provided. Aluminum foil under your stove or hibachi will help protect tables.

Campfires must not exceed 0.5 metres in size. Leaving a fire unattended is a serious offence. Reduce firewood consumption and help preserve both our forests and our clean air.

Wash water must be disposed of in pit toilets, not in streams and lakes or on land. Do not wash or use soap in any lake or stream. The nearest sani-station for sewage disposal is in Clinton.

Small trees and shrubs should not be used for wiener sticks or supporting clothes-lines. These are your shade trees for the future.

Safety

Bears – To avoid problems with bears and other wildlife, lock your food in your vehicle at night. Be sure to use the garbage containers provided, maintain a clean campsite and observe and obey all signs. Keep pets on a leash at all times and keep children near and in sight at all times. Never feed or approach bears or other wildlife.

Wind – Due to the potential for windfall, it is recommended that trails not be used in windy or stormy conditions.

For More Information

BC Parks

<http://wlapwww.gov.bc.ca/bcparks>



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PROVINCIAL PARK



Welcome. Set against a mountainous backdrop in Cariboo ranching country and surrounded by forest and wetland, scenic three-mile-long Big Bar Lake is a beautiful site to visit. Situated approximately 42 kilometres northwest of Clinton, the lake offers clear waters inviting to the avid angler. The park is a popular family camping destination, offering 46 campsites, 25 of which are lakeside sites, and a large lakeside picnic area. Park visitors often see wildlife on the four-kilometre hiking trail, where abundant waterfowl reward the patient photographer. The park also offers swimming, boating and paddling opportunities, while nearby guest ranches offer horseback excursions into the surrounding area.

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