

Directions to Veterans Memorial Park & David Winterman Wildlife Area



Spend your day playing nine holes of golf, playing tennis on the lighted tennis courts, or just enjoying a nice leisurely lunch at the Joe Reed Recreation Center picnic tables. Across the street, you can cool off in the swimming pool, relax under the gazebo, and watch the kids play on the playground. There is something for everyone at Veterans Memorial Park.

Coming from I-10, take exit 699 toward FM 102/Eagle Lake. Turn south onto FM 102 S, go straight for 12.6 miles and turn right on N McCarty Ave. After .2 mile turn left, drive straight across Boothe Dr., turn right in 200 feet. There is a parking lot just past the gazebo and the walking trail is just south of the parking lot.

The City of Eagle Lake is home to the second largest natural lake in Texas. Hundreds of species of birds inhabit the lake throughout the year, and Veterans Memorial Park is one of the few public areas for viewing the lake. While grassland bird species are abundant in the surrounding coastal prairie habitat, Eagle Lake provides more opportunities to see waterfowl and woodland species. The boardwalk takes you through a woodland filled with a variety of birds year round and ends at the viewing platform with the vista of Eagle Lake. In the winter, a variety of migrating waterfowl species are abundant on the lake, and bald eagles are frequently seen. In the spring, visitors can see Ruby-crowned Kinglet, Orange-crowned Warbler, Indigo and Painted Buntings, several vireo species and many other families of birds. Eagle Lake is a stand-alone birding paradise.