

A BIRDERS' GUIDE TO MISSOURI PUBLIC LANDS

VANDALIA COMMUNITY LAKE

146 acres Audrain Co. DeLorme 32, F/G-2

MDC owned; for information call 573-884-6861

Directions: From US 54 at the south side of Laddonia, turn east onto Rt. K. Shortly after the junction with Rt. AA (about 4 miles), when Rt. K turns south, stay straight to continue east on CR 524 for approximately 2 miles. The entrance road to the lake forms a loop within the southwest portion of the area, from CR 524 on the south side, to CR 547 running along the west side. Most of the area is reached from this loop; an additional parking and camping area is just off CR 547.

When to Visit/Species to Expect: Anytime. Fishing and camping are popular, so weekdays will be less active. Waterfowl may be found on the lake in cooler months. Migrant and nesting passerines can be seen in good numbers.

Features of interest to birders: Roads and camping areas permit easy access to areas on the south side of the lake and good views of migrating and nesting passerines. Habitat includes grass areas, large trees, and some dense thicket areas.

Toilets: 2 privies

Camping: 3 primitive areas (multiple sites)

Hazards/Limitations: None noted

Nearby Birding Sites: Sears (F.O. & Leda J) Mem. WA, Diggs (Marshall I.) CA