

## GOAL #5

### More Recreation & Evening Activities for People to Do

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- A multi-functional Sportplex is built in town.
  - Indoor Archery Tournaments become huge draw for Cadiz.
  - Basketball camps and tournaments in the winter keep hotels filled.
    - Flyers & brochures distributed at sports events for downtown businesses & restaurants to encourage people to visit between games.
  - Tournaments become so popular, more hotels must be built to accommodate them.
  - Community Swimming pool is part of the complex and attracts both locals and tourists.
  - Complex includes indoor walking track and fitness center with possible YMCA affiliation.
  - Sportsplex can host boat shows, Hunting and outdoor shows, gun & knife shows etc.
  - Aerobic and yoga classes offered.



*Ideas for proposed Sportsplex*

**ACTION TAKEN:**

- **A Sportsplex Committee was created with city, county & tourism represented.**
- **A grant has been written and submitted.**
- **Numerous Sportsplex facilities across the U.S. were visited.**

*See ACTION 5A and APPENDIX G for more on this.*

- More things for Kids to do.  
Ideas included:
  - Disk Golf
  - Skate Park
  - 4-H Shooting Area
  - Archery
  - Mini Golf



*Potential for Disc Golf Range*

DISC GOLF:

**RECOMMENDATION:** Lower Town of Cadiz or at Lake Barkley State Resort Park would be two good locations for a disc golf course.

SKATE PARK:

Skate Parks are inexpensive to construct, require minimum equipment, and is very low maintenance once built.



Low maintenance Skate Park

**ACTION TAKEN:**

- A Skate Park Company was contacted and plans drawn for the site next door to the IGA Building in downtown Cadiz.

**See ACTION 5B for more on skate park initiative.**

**Cost Estimate for seven obstacles provided in APPENDIX H.**

EXISTING OFFERINGS

People in the community suggested a need for both archery & shooting ranges and yet Land Between the Lakes offers both. Once again, creating a greater awareness of all the county has to offer is needed.

ARCHERY:

- There are two 3-target outdoor archery ranges located at the Piney and Hillman Campgrounds in Land Between the Lakes. They are for campers use only.
- Golden Pond\* offers a 14-station field archery trail plus a two-target practice range.



Archery at Golden Pond

SHOOTING RANGE:

Golden Pond\* includes two ranges for simultaneous shooting:

- 175 yard Rifle Range containing six shooting benches\*\*
- 50 yard Pistol Range with four shooting benches\*\*

*\*Golden Pond Target Range is open to the public year-round 7 days a week from dawn to dusk except from 8am-11am on Wed for cleaning. Free to use.*

*\*\*ADA compliant paths to shooting benches*



*Shooting Range in Land Between the Lakes is open year-round and FREE to the public.*

**RIVER RECREATION**

- Improved recreation on Little River
  - A blueways (similar to a greenway except on water) is established on the Little River
  - Canoe & Kayak rentals available on the river
  - Guided Canoe Trips
    - Birding and Ecotourism emphasized
  - More Kids fishing programs at the park
  - “West Cadiz Park” renamed to “Cadiz River Park”



*More River Recreation*

**ACTION TAKEN:**

- **A couple is considering expanding their existing business to include canoe rentals.**
- **The park is now being referred to as the Cadiz River Park on maps, publications and by some of the residents. Cadiz-Trigg County Tourist Commission is working on obtaining permission to install a new sign at the park reflecting this name change.**

*See ACTION 5C for more on river recreation opportunities.*

**NIGHT TIME OFFERINGS**

- Evening Activities and Offerings expanded.

A few ideas:

- Destination Fine Dining Dinner Restaurant in one of the buildings downtown
- Evening Concerts
- Planetarium promoted
- Work with Lakeland Jamboree to expand music venue.
- Movie Nights
- Movies in the Park, Downtown and/or Drive-in.
- Dinner Theater in old theater
  - Could also feature plays, indoor concert
  - Rented for weddings, reunions, proms, meetings, etc.



*Fine Dining Restaurants*

**ACTION TAKEN:**

- **Lakeland Jamboree offers music on both Friday and Saturday nights and has been working directly with the Tourist Commission Staff to expand the music venues downtown.**

- **The Blue Heron has been featuring music on Thursday nights as part of a military appreciation and involvement initiative with the Tourist Commission.**
- **A conceptual plan has been developed for a dinner theater in the old theater or another building downtown. See ACTION 5D for more on this.**
- **Information on a conceptual idea for Outdoor Movie Night at Cadiz River Park is provided in ACTION 5E. Cost estimate provided in APPENDIX I.**

**NOTE: Might also contact Lake Barkley State Park who may already own a screen and sound system.**



*Outdoor Movie Night*

**IMMEDIATE ACTION:** There needs to be an **ACTIVE CAMPAIGN** to better inform both residents and visitors of all the things there are to do in Trigg County. A wayfinding signage plan is an excellent start. See **GOAL #3** and **APPENDIX D** for more on this.

**APPENDIX A** provides a list of existing attractions and tourism-related offerings within Trigg County.