

SUNSET LAKES RESORT



LOCATION: Hillsdale, Illinois

RESORT TYPE: Coast Deluxe

SEASON: April 15-October 15

WEBSITE: sunsetlakesresort.com

GOOD SAM RATING: 9.5/9.5/10

Watch the sunset on one of five lakes dotting the resort

Guests are immediately attracted to Sunset Lakes Resort's paved roadway that meanders beneath oaks, maples, and willows. Originally designed in the 1920s, the property is very, very mature. The new owner redesigned the property and kept the mature trees," says Operations Manager Jay Maier.

But that's not all visitors will notice. Views of the five lakes are tantalizing with options to secure one of the sites alongside—20 more have recently been added. Pull into one of the spacious concrete and grass full-service campsites. If you choose not to bring your rig, reserve one of the camping cabins. Take advantage of the many amenities and activities including tennis, volleyball, mini-golf, basketball, horseshoes, rolle bolle, shuffleboard, workout room, paddle boats, canoes and playground. "We really focus on the kids," says Maier.

If you're not acquainted with rolle bolle (which rhymes with roly-poly), it's a Belgium lawn game that's a mix of bowling and bocce ball. According to one player, "It's like horseshoes on wheels."

Swim with confidence in the outdoor pool complete with lifeguard. The activities director is busy planning something for everyone: Safari Adventure, Science Weekend, Christmas in July, Happy New Year in August, Dinosaur Weekend and Hawaiian Paradise.

Bring along your fishing equipment and try your skill or luck in one of the five stocked lakes. Launch your boat at the Rock River Access that also includes kayak access. Of course, sitting alongside the lapping water is a wonderfully relaxing activity. Take a lunch and a good book and relax.

If you've already visited Sunset Lakes Resort, you'll need to go again to keep up with all the improvements and upgrades that the management has in mind.



Reservations: CoastResorts.com