

With the excess of electronic distractions, such as online activities and video games, it's easy for children and adults to lose touch with the great outdoors. The city of McMinnville has just the solution with parks, walking trails, and a Jungle Jym.

**RAMSEY PARK** is located on Bernard Drive. The park includes picnic tables, a picnic pavilion, a playground, outdoor basketball court, and large open spaces. Its pavilion seats approximately 60. The park has no restrooms.

**RIVER TRAIL** is a walking trail along the Barren Fork River that connects Ramsey Park to Sally's Alley and Rocket Park. Spearheading the creation of the trail are Greenway Council members who received permission from the city in 2014 to install it. The council receives help from local volunteers and businesses.

**SALLY'S ALLEY** is located just off Beersheba Street on the street named after it. The park opened in April 2013. It includes a gravelled parking lot and access to the Barren Fork River for fishing or launching a canoe, tubes or kayak. It has no access to restrooms and has no paved ramp access for a boat.

**ROCKET PARK** is located off Beersheba Street and Cope Street. The park includes a ball field, clubhouse/ meeting room, covered picnic tables, restrooms, playground, basketball court, tennis court and a boat ramp with access to the Barren Fork River. It's a very popular spot for putting in and taking out canoes and kayaks. The clubhouse seats approximately 48 people with restrooms and limited kitchen access.

**RIVERFRONT PARK** is located on West Lawn Street at Westwood Bridge. The park includes fishing piers, picnic areas and a pavilion, restrooms, boat docks and ramp access, a playground and volleyball court. The park is also a trail head for the Barren Fork River Greenway, which now has some exercise features on the side. The pavilion seats approximately 80 people and is equipped with restrooms and charcoal grills.

**PEPPER BRANCH PARK** is located at the Frank G. Clement Bridge and Barren Fork River Dam just off Morrison Street. The park includes picnic tables and benches, great fishing sites, canoe and kayak launch, a six-hole

Frisbee golf course and a gazebo.

**PISTOLE PARK** is located on Laws Road. The park includes four lighted soccer fields, three unlit soccer fields, restrooms, a picnic pavilion and over 15 acres of open space. The complex also features the Banerjee Play Station for children ages 2-5 years old and a concession stand. Its pavilion seats approximately 40 and has restroom access.

**THE JUNGLE JYM** is located beside Gilley Pool and behind McMinnville Civic Center. The Jungle Jym is a playground area for all ages. It features several slides, swings, bridges and climbing opportunities. A pavilion is available.

While most parks are open year round from dawn to dusk, Pistole Park is only open during certain times of the year. For more information about the parks or to rent one of the pavilions or fields, contact McMinnville Parks and Recreation at 473-1212.



**ROCKET PARK**



**JUNGLE JYM**