

Boughton Park Regulations

- All state and local laws apply.
- Park hours are sunrise to sunset.
- Park use by permit only.
Free permits are issued by town clerk to residents of the towns of East Bloomfield, West Bloomfield and Victor.
All permits must be displayed prominently.
- Groups of 25 or more require special use permits. Special use permits are issued by the Boughton Park Board of Directors. Applications shall be in writing including dates, specific use and insurance coverages where applicable.
- Handicapped individuals may request a daily use permit to enter the park by vehicle. An entry key will be obtained by Board member
- Where special circumstances exist, the Board of Directors may issue a special use permit for a disallowed use (Board meets monthly).
- Horseback riding on designated trails only (see map inside).
- No littering (take it out).
- No motorized vehicles.
- No gasoline power boats.
- No glass containers.
- No swimming.
- No hunting or trapping.
- No camping.
- No fires.
- Any permit can be cancelled immediately by any director of Boughton Park for violation of the above rules or conduct detrimental to the character or use of the park.
- Watercraft must be removed daily except that handicapped individuals and Senior Citizens may request a boat permit to properly store a canoe or boat on a designated rack from April 15 to November 15. Boat permits are available from the East Bloomfield town clerk.

Suggested Uses:

Encouraged uses include (but are not limited to) fishing, hiking, family picnics, boating or canoeing, cross country skiing, (in season), bird watching, dog walking (leash or voice control required), and horseback riding (permitted trails only; see map inside).

History

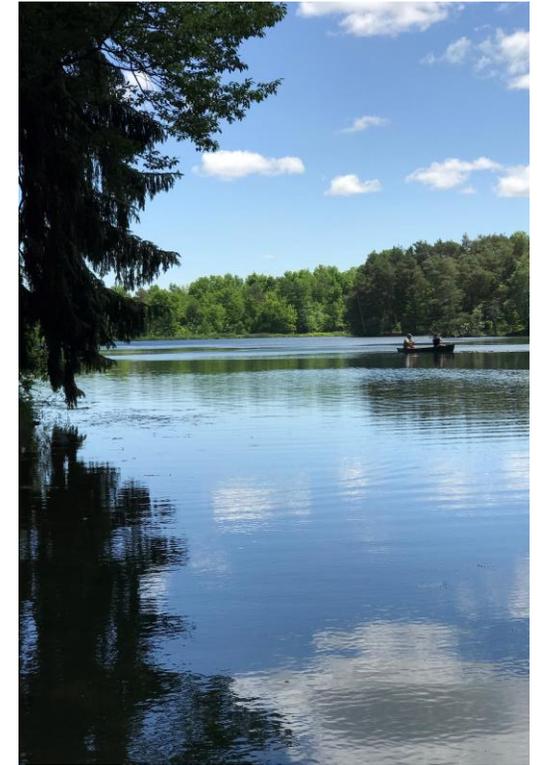
Years ago before there was any water supply or Boughton Park, the area under the West Pond was known as Hog Hollow as pigs were allowed to graze freely there and local creeks drained through the area.

The Village of Fairport purchased land there in 1923 with the intent of damming the creeks to create a reservoir to supply water. An earthen dam with concrete spillway was finished in 1925 and flooded out six farms forming the West Pond.

Fairport then got its construction permit extended and installed an earthen dam and concrete spillway to create the East Pond. Together, both ponds supplied 1.3 million gallons of quality water to Fairport each day. The site's higher elevation also precluded the need for pumping.

By 1989, Fairport's demand for water began to outstrip its reservoirs' ability to supply it. As a result, Fairport decided to get its water from the Monroe County Water Authority making its reservoirs redundant. Fairport put the site up for sale and it was purchased by the towns of Victor, East Bloomfield and West Bloomfield for development as a park.

A few years ago, the park board refused state funding because acceptance of such would have meant extensive development and opening the park to all. The park has been left essentially wild and can only be used by permitted residents and taxpayers of the three towns who own it although permits are free.



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Map

(Trail distances and points of interest shown)

(Horses on dashed trails only)

(Trails not to scale)

