

Inventory of Facilities-*New 2011*

Located on Parker Street, the Everett Leonard Complex is Norton's only recreation facility. Information required in the matrix is included in the Public land inventory chart and is highlighted.

Everett Leonard Complex (ELC). Map 31, parcel 52

In 2000 the Recreation Commission conducted a municipal parks needs survey with 270 respondents. As a result Daylor Consultants were contracted to produce a master plan for Everett



Leonard Park in 2001. \$30,000.00 was approved at the Spring Town Meeting after \$6,000.00 was spent for the conceptual plan. The Conservation Commission issued an Order of Conditions in the Spring of 2002 and the work on the master plan is on-going. There is a parking lot on Parker Street.

In 1999 the park was cited for a series of violations of the Americans' with Disabilities Act. Walkways were re-constructed and handicapped parking spaces installed. In 2002, a new concrete deck was installed to replace the frost

heaved asphalt deck. The new deck incorporated access ramps for handicapped and joined with the shower area constructed in 2000. In 2003 a new pool pump and valves were installed.

Inventory of Conservation/Recreation Programs- *Updated 2010*

Private Programs

Land Preservation Society of Norton (private conservation land, open to the public)

<http://www.nortonlandpreservation.org/>

- Trail systems on Woodward Woods, properties for walking & cross-country skiing
- Earth Day nature walk and report card evaluation of the town's progress in land protection.

Norton Historical Society (private group, land open to the public) Ruth Goold (508-285-7070)

Trail systems on land off Great Woods Circle.

Wheaton College (285-7722), Norton

- Use of baseball field on Mansfield Avenue
- Pool (minimal charge)
- Friday night family swim
- Use of fitness course behind gymnasium
- Use of 2.2-mile path off Pine Street for Skiing, walking, mountain bikes, etc.
- Tennis courts (minimal charge)
- Walking in Wheaton-owned woods
- Use of indoor track for formal school meets
- Observatory, concerts, lectures
- 2 pools for public use

Winslow Farm, Norton (An educational farm) Deborah White (508-285-6451)

<http://www.winslowfarm.com/>

- Animal Sanctuary
- Animal rehabilitation projects
- Native American programs

Girl Scout Council of Southeastern Massachusetts, Norton (508) 222-2585

Edith Read Girl Scout Center

- Fuller Lodge (September-mid June) kitchen, bathrooms, fireplace (with space for 30 people)
- Tents and Adirondack Units
- Waterfront, nature trails and adventure trails

Norton Outdoor Center, Camp Finberg, 290 West Main Street, Norton (seasonal) (508) 222-7292

- Home of Camp Finberg
- Field hockey
- Flag football
- 8-lane outdoor pool, showers, dressing rooms
- Open air pavilion and lodge
- Hiking trails
- Open fields
- Basketball courts

Attleboro YMCA (508-222-7422)

- Group Exercise and Cycling Studios
- Racquetball and squash courts
- 3 Gymnasiums, indoor track
- 2 pools, aquatics swim lessons, swim team, lap/fitness/free swim all day long
- Wellness center, cardio and strength equipment, weights
- Licensed child care and nursery school
- After school care, child watch, vacation camps
- Sports leagues.....Adult and youth basketball
- Variety of youth and preschool programs

YMCA Activity Center, Attleboro Corporate Campus (508) 226-7700)

- Group exercise studio and cycling loft
- “Raising the Barre” School of Dance Studio
- Aquatics swim lessons, swim team, lap/fitness/free swim all day long
- Gymnasium
- Indoor track
- Wellness center, cardio and strength equipment, weights
- After school care, child watch, summer and vacation camps
- Variety of youth and preschool programs

Natural Resources Trust of Mansfield, Inc. (private conservation land open to the public) Lou Andrews (508-339-4155) <http://nrtma.org/>

- Hiking, riding trails in Great Woods

Natural Resources Trust of Easton Jen Cummings (508) 238-6049

<http://www.nrtfeaston.org/home.html>

Sheep Pasture *Easton, MA*

- Headquarters at Ames Farm
- Hiking
- Sheep pasture and Carriage house
- Summer camp

Massachusetts Audubon Society State Headquarters (781) 259-9500

Most facilities do not allow dogs, even on a leash, please call first.

- Moose Hill; Sharon (781-784-5691)
- Oak Knoll; Attleboro (508-223-3060)
- Stony Brook; Norfolk (508-528-3140)

Capron Park (774-203-1841)

- Animals
- Educational programs
- Volunteer work
- Memberships
- Scheduled events
- Playground

Public programs

Canoe River Aquifer Advisory Committee (Wayne Southworth, Chairman, Town of Easton Water Department) www.craac.org

- Canoe River Awareness Day (May) in Sharon, Foxborough, Mansfield, Easton or Norton
- Additional programs held during the year

Norton Conservation Commission (285-0275 www.conservation@nortonmaus.com -70 East Main St)

- Trail systems at Leo G. Yelle Conservation Area, Lincoln Woods, Rose Farm, Everett Leonard Conservation Area and Johnson Acres. Booklet of trail guides and educational materials available.
- Hunting on conservation property in season with a proper license. EXCEPT on Johnson Acres.
- Biodiversity Days activities typically are held annually in June. Trail walks and species identification are the focus.
- Additional programs (nature hikes, canoe trips, PowerPoint presentations etc.) held during the year.

Norton Recreation Department -Sheri Cohen/Chairperson-508-285-3145

- Open swimming, evenings and weekends
- Mom and Dad dance
- Halloween parade
- Fishing derby
- Festival of Lights
- Easter egg hunt – Town Forest-Plain Street

Council-on-Aging

Council-on-Aging has been discontinued

Friends of Seniors – Nancy Camford- (508) 431-1389 & Carol Robage (508) 285-6609

- Meals on wheels
- Organized day trips
- Whist
- Toenail care with Dr. Shoemaker
- Bingo

Easton Conservation Commission (508-230-3349)

<http://www.easton.ma.us/Directory/concomm/ConCommFS.htm>

Other Programs

- Public Library (www.nortonlibrary.org - 68 East Main Street)
- School Athletic Teams

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Department of Environmental Management (822-7405)

Massasoit State Park E Taunton, MA

1500 acres

- Ponds (swimming for registered campers, fishing, non-motorized boating)
- Picnic Facilities
- Trails (hiking, cross-country skiing, equestrian)
- Hunting (in season)
- Summer Interpretative Programs
- 123 Campsites
- Restrooms (handicapped accessible)

Borderland State Park-Easton, MA-(508) 238-6566

- Organized trails (hiking, cross-country skiing, equestrian on 1773 acres)
- Horseback riding
- Fishing
- Canoeing
- Ice skating
- Sledding
- Tours of Ames Mansion
- Hiking
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- Annual Fall Festival
- \$2.00 parking fee

Fisheries, Wildlife & Environmental Law Enforcement (759-3406)

- Hunting and Fishing at Irwin Wilder Wildlife Management Area at end of Toad Island Road
- Hockomock Swamp trail system

