

About This Property

This 62-acre reservation was left to SVT in 1980 by Lawrence Walkup, a farmer and lifelong resident of Westborough. It is a memorial to his parents and to the four generations of his family who farmed the land.

The property includes mixed hardwood and conifers and old pasture uplands, an open field with wet meadow, a wooded wetland with vernal pools, and a small pond.

Features of Note

- Due to development in the surrounding industrial district, the reservation is now an island of open space. The lack of connection to other conserved areas somewhat diminishes its value as wildlife habitat but increases its importance as a quiet oasis.
- The remains of the Boston-Worcester trolley line, which opened in 1903 and was abandoned in 1931, bisects the property. This trolley line featured electric cars that were better able to manage the steeper grades of Newton's Hill than were steam railroads.
- A gap was left in the embankment of the trolley line, presumably because farmer Walkup's father wanted a cattle pass that would let his herd move safely under the right-of-way.
- Trails are color-coded and include a red loop, known as "The Jogging Trail," that winds its way around the perimeter of the reservation.
- Look for signs of recent large wind storms, evidenced by the many downed trees in the forest, especially on the hill tops.

Learn more:

www.svtweb.org/Walkup

Trail Policies and Regulations

These policies apply to SVT properties on the map. Properties owned by other entities have their own posted policies.

The following are prohibited:

- Motorized vehicles
- Hunting or trapping
- Camping
- Bicycling
- Fires
- Disposing of trash or yard waste
- Cutting or removing plants



Dog walkers:

- Pick up and dispose of dog waste.
- Keep dogs on trails.
- Keep dogs out of ponds/streams/vernal pools.
- Put dogs on a leash when other hikers approach.

See our full dog-walking policy on the trail head kiosk.

Directions

With mapping software, search for this address:
Walkup & Robinson Drive, Westborough, MA

From Route 9W take the exit for Computer Drive. Turn left at the light onto Computer Drive and follow the right lane as it crosses over Route 9. At the next light, go straight for 0.5 mile. Turn left on Friberg Parkway and go 0.25 mile to the Walkup Reservation driveway entrance on the right. After turning, bear left to the parking area.

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Walkup & Robinson Memorial Reservation Trail Map



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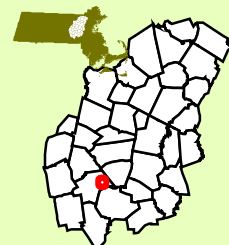
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| Bridge | Private | Wetland | SVT | Other Owner |



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