

Willett Pond Trail

In the 1870's a dam was built at the Mosskettuash Brook to create Willett Pond. Its original purpose was to harvest ice for the growing resorts in Riverside. The ice harvesting ceased and the pond was used primarily for recreation. Today the pond is stocked with trout in early spring and is used for fishing in the spring and summer. There is also a boat launch here for kayaks and canoes. A short half mile orange blazed trail loops the lower portion of the pond. The trail begins at a parking area between a small shopping strip and the pond itself. The trail then follows the edge of the pond behind a residential area before turning to the left and crossing the water on a small wooden bridge. The trail then curves to left again following the shore of the pond. The trail then comes out to the grass area along Willett Avenue. From here you can walk past the small spillway and back to the parking area. Swans are common sight and tend to nest here. Please do not disturb them. Otters have been seen here in the winter months. Willett Pond is a city owned property. It lies in the Riverside section of town along Willett Avenue.

ALL TRAILS TO BE USED AT YOUR OWN RISK.

