Welcome to New Quarter Park

This 540-acre York County park is alive with opportunities to enjoy history, nature, recreation, and community.

History

IMAGINE THE PAST – Geology reveals the story of Virginia’s Coastal Plain and archaeological deposits of the Woodland Indians. Spain, England, and France all claimed territory by the 17th century. Woodland Indians hunted on this land and Englishmen settled here soon after the 1607 landing at Jamestown, less than 10 miles away.

About 1700, Robert “King” Carter called this the new quarter, one of several outlying farms attached to landholdings he gave to his grandfather, Carter Burwell, who built Carter’s Grove. Slaves lived and toiled outlying farms attached to landholdings he owned in the area.

During the Civil War, Confederate earthworks were built to slow the advance of Union troops during the Peninsula Campaign. Redoubts 12 and 13, part of the Williamsburg defensive line, are visible within the park.

Nature

OUR PARK IS A NATURAL WONDER – The forest grew for 150 years while the forest was lightly used by tenant farmers and the military. York County acquired the property for recreational use in 1976. When the park opened to the public in 2005, hikers, birders, wildlife watchers, and kayakers discovered mature forest and diverse habitat, surrounded by peaceful creeks.

Recreation

ENJOY THE GREAT OUTDOORS – The park has trails for hiking, family biking, and adult and youth mountain biking. There are courts and fields for basketball, sand volleyball, softball, and horseshoes. Kids love our large playground. New Quarter’s renowned disc golf course is host to the annual PGAA fall Colors Tournament. Access to Queen’s Creek for kayaking, canoeing, and fishing (fishing license required) is available. Check in the office for equipment. See fees for more information.

Community

SHARE YOUR LOVE OF NATURE – Bring family, clubs, or other groups to outdoor places to meet, eat, and be inspired. Reserve a picnic shelter or the fire circle with its spectacular view of Queen’s Creek. See fees for more information.

FACILITIES

- Available first come, first served. Hiking & biking trails, playgrounds, picnic shelters, disc golf course, canoe & kayak launch, floating disc fishing pond, basketball & volleyball courts, softball field, horseshoe pits.
- Picnic shelters may be reserved (see fees).
- Public restrooms.

OFFICE

Information, facility reservations, disc golf and canoe/kayak launch for collection.

FEES

- Call YCPR&T at (757) 890-5000 to reserve shelters & fire circle.
- Special programs may require registration and fee; please inquire.
- Segway Tours- Friday-Sunday, 12:30, $65, 757-969-5400
- BYOK (Bring your own kayak or canoe):
  - Third Saturday of the month, Fourth Saturday of each month.
  - Bird Walks:
    - May to September, 9 a.m. to noon.
    - Eco-Art Camp-June: Outdoor camp for ages 8-12
- Movies in the Park:
  - Summer months. Concessions available!
- Special events including Nature Walks, Moonlight & Music Jams, Disc Golf Tournaments, Mountain Bike Trail Rides and more: Calendar available in park office. Call 757-900-5000 or 757-499-5400 to inquire or to add your e-mail address to the weekly e-mailing list.

PARK REGULATIONS

Rules and regulations established in Chapter 17 of the Code of the City of York, Public Parks Ordinance, shall apply. Failure of individuals or groups to abide by these rules and regulations may result denial of use of the park.

Trash:
- Deposit trash in designated receptacles. Report trash-related problems to park staff.

Dogs:
- Must be on leash at all times. Owners must clean up and dispose of waste properly.

Fishing:
- Virginia saltwater fishing license required.

Prohibited:
- Swimming, alcoholic beverages, golfing, horseshoe pitching, motorized watercraft, flying radio or wire controlled airplanes, overnight camping, motorized devices.
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PROGRAMS

- Outdoor programs, educational activities, and events throughout the year
- Special events, including Fall Colors Festival, Disc Golf and Canoe/Kayak tournaments, and more
- Programs for children and families

RECREATION

- Hiking, biking, and nature walks
- Picnic shelters and fire circles
- Multisport fields
- Teaching Garden
- Mountain Bike Trail
- Disc Golf Course
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Activities

- Picnic shelters may be reserved (see fees)
- Kayak Rentals: 2 Hours: $10/Res, $12/Non-Res; Day: $30/Res, $35/Non-Res
- Disc golf rentals and merchandise for sale
- Drinks and snacks for sale
- Family biking and nature walks
- Nature Jams
- Concerts
- Birds

Important Information

- Reservations can be made at the park office or by calling York County Parks & Rec at 757-890-3500
- Parking
- Phone: 757-890-3901
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Attention:

- Pets must be on leash at all times. Owners must clean up and dispose of waste.
- Metal detectors: Pets are not permitted in the park.

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**Youth Mountain Bike Trail Entrance**

**To The Point**

**Floating Pier** (0.23 mi. to parking lot)

**Multi-Purpose Field**

**Fire Circle**

**Practice Tee**

**Disc Golf**

**Amenities**

- Shelter
- Bench & Trash Can
- Trash Can
- Bench
- Lookout / Bench
- Bike Rack
- Teaching Garden
- Horseshoes
- Restroom

**Trails**

- Multi-Purpose Path
- Gravel Road
- Mountain Bike Trail - 5.6 mi.
- Trail Mile Marker
- Trail Emergency Entrance/Exit
- Blueways Trail - 1.3 mi. from The Point to the I-64 Bridge

**Distances**

- From Entrance: Parking Lot/Park Office: 0.92 mi.
- Floating Pier: 1.13 mi.
- From Parking Lot/Park Office: Floating Pier: 0.23 mi.
- Shelter 1: 0.11 mi.
- Shelter 2: 0.13 mi.
- Shelter 3: 0.13 mi.
- Shelter 4: 0.03 mi.
- Fire Circle: 0.22 mi.
- Multi Purpose Trail: From Entrance to Point: 1.71 mi.

**HOURS**

- April Through October: Daily 8 am to dusk
- November Through March: Fri 10 am-dusk; Sat & Sun 8 am-dusk

**DIRECTIONS**

- From I-64 take exit 242A (Rt. 199 West/Jamestown) Exit Rt. 199 at Rt. 143 W. Turn right. Follow Rt. 143 to Penniman Rd. (Magruder Elementary School on corner.) Turn right. Travel 3 block. Turn left on Hubbard Lane. Follow Hubbard for about one mile. After Colonial Parkway overpass, turn right on Lakeshead and follow to park.
- From Colonial Parkway: Exit at Queens Lake. Turn right. Turn onto Lakeshead and follow to New Quarter Park.
- Address: 1000 Lakeshead Drive, Williamsburg, VA 23185

**TELEPHONE**

- New Quarter Park Office: 757-890-3840
- New Quarter Park Cell: 757-812-5589
- York County Parks & Recreation: 757-890-3500
- York County Dispatch (non-emergency): 757-890-3621