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| Private land or easement. Please stay on trail             | Primary trail   | Contour lines at 20' intervals          |
| Town or Conservation Land. Please obey trail restrictions. | Secondary trail | Parking                                 |
| Lake or Pond. Permanent water.                             | No access       | Photo location                          |
| Swamp, wetlands or area subject to flooding.               | Stone wall      | Point of interest mentioned in the text |
|  | Marsh or swamp  | Bridge                                  |
|  | Wooded area     |   |



**Vinger-Venable Conservation Area:** This parcel, a gift from Paul Vinger and Ann Venable in 1990 includes fields, a large meadow rich in wildlife, and a historic Quaker Cemetery (The Old Fry Burying Ground) that dates from 1770. This area was known as “Fryville”. Although there were Quakers (aka Friends) in Bolton before their arrival the name comes from John and Miriam Fry who moved to Bolton sometime before 1762. The newer burying ground on the west side of Berlin Road <sup>1</sup> was given to the Friends in 1844. A meeting House was erected nearby before 1789. This building was moved to Old Sturbridge Village in 1954 where it still stands. Decedents of the Fry family were very influential in Massachusetts and beyond. There are two benches in and around the Old Fry burying ground that were installed as Eagle Scout projects.

**Rocky Dundee:** This Conservation Area is Town of Bolton open space as a result of the FOSPRD (Farming and Open Space Residential Development) on Rocky Dundee Road. There is extensive land, much of it is swamp and a safe refuge for many forms of wildlife. The trail from Randall Road offers a very pleasant walk through woodland beside a stream, crossing over a brook on a recently constructed bridge and following a meandering series of bog bridges over rocks through a very wet area.



**1** Rocky Dundee sign on Randall Rd.



**3** The Pond off the shared driveway easement.



**4** Monument on Berlin Road.



**2** Crossing the brook in Winter.



**5** Inside the Old Fry Burying Ground. There is another bench outside the stone wall.



**6** Brook flowing in to Rocky Dundee from Gould-White.

**Parking:** The intersection of Randall Road and Rocky Dundee Rd on a grassy verge, at the Quaker Park or on a small area on the east side of Randall Rd (one car only).

**Connections:** Three trails lead in to the Gould-White area where there is an extensive network of paths that meander through varied terrain with vernal pools, a small cave and connections to Sawyer Road and West Berlin Road.

**Suggested walks:**

**Short and easy:** Start at Randall Road and follow the trail to the Old Fry Burying Ground where there are benches, take a break then walk back. Stopping to look at the Pond off the shared driveway <sup>3</sup> which can be a good birdwatching spot.

**Longer:** Start at Quaker Park, follow the trail via the burying ground and continue to Randall Road, then make a loop around the Gould-White area and back. Return to Quaker Park the way you came.



## Bolton Conservation Land Rules and Regulations

The Bolton Conservation Commission welcomes responsible public use and enjoyment of land under its stewardship. Pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws chapter 40, section 8c, the Conservation Commission has adopted these rules and regulations to provide to provide a pleasant experience to users and in order to protect in perpetuity the wildlife, aesthetic, ecological, environmental and conservation values of these properties, which include:

- Protection of surface and groundwater resources
- Protection of unfragmented forest habitat.
- Protection of wildlife habitat
- Protection of open space and the trails system

### Prohibitions

- Hunting, trapping and discharging of firearms, arrows, paintballs and pellets
- Motor vehicles, except for emergency response or municipal vehicles
- Dumping and/or littering
- Alcoholic beverages and glass containers
- Smoking
- Swimming except wading by the Tom Denney Nature Camp

### Advance Permission Needed in Writing from the Bolton Conservation Commission for the following:

- Camping
- Fires
- Memorials or Displays
- Building new trails, extensions and modifications to existing trails
- Cutting removing or damaging vegetation, except for the control of invasive species
- Collecting dead or downed wood, rocks or wildlife.

Any activities or uses not set forth here require the prior written permission of the Bolton Conservation Commission.

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Dogs must be under the direct control of an adult on Conservation Land.



Individuals walking dogs on Conservation Land shall remove all feces.



Please keep dogs out of vernal pools and wetland resource areas.



Do not let dogs or other individuals chase or harass wildlife.

