

Liberty Bell Wanderers

Welcome You to Walk

The Pennypack Trail in Huntingdon Valley, PA

The Pennypack Trail and adjacent Newtown Rail Trail are part of a former commuter rail line between Philadelphia and Newtown.

The Pennypack Trail provides scenic views of the Pennypack Creek Valley, the surrounding cliffs and woodlands. Highlights along the trail include the Pennypack Ecological Restoration Trust located at the northern end of the trail near the Byberry Road Trailhead. This conservation organization is dedicated to preserving the natural landscape of the Pennypack watershed. The southern portion of the trail connects to Lorimer Park with miles of trails to explore featuring meadows and forests with huge trees. For more information on the Pennypack Trail and to print out a copy of the brochure, go to www.montcopa.org/pennypacktrail

Nearby is the Historic District of Bryn Athyn which can be easily accessed from the trail. There are three National Historic Sites recognized for their remarkable architecture, craftsmanship and gardens: Bryn Athyn Cathedral, Glencairn Museum, and Cairnwood Estate. There is also an historic train station. For more information, go to www.bahistoricdistrict.org

The Newtown Rail Trail is a continuation of the Pennypack Trail in Bucks County. It begins at County Line Road and continues through the town of Southampton for about 4 km. It currently ends at Bristol Road but will eventually go another 9 km to Newtown PA.

Start Points. You can start your walk at four places:

Byberry Road Lot, 1750 Byberry Road, Huntingdon Valley, PA

Lorimer Park Lot, 183 Moredon Road, Huntingdon Valley, PA

Welsh Road Lot, 800 Welsh Road, Huntingdon Valley, PA

Second Street Pike Lot, 613 Second Street Pike Southampton, PA

Directions to the Byberry Road Lot: From the PA Turnpike (I-276), take Exit 343 for Willow Grove. Go through the toll booth and keep right at the fork. Merge onto PA-611 N. Go 0.3 mile and turn a sharp right onto Mill Rd. (Sonic Drive-In). Mill Rd. then becomes N. Warminster Rd. Continue for 1 mile on N. Warminster Rd. and turn right onto Byberry Road. Go 1.8 miles to the trailhead on the right. Parking is free at the trailhead.

Distance and Trail Rating: The combined trail length from Rockledge Park to Bristol Road is about 14 km. So out-and-back routes of up to 28 km are possible. The AVA trail rating is 1B. The Pennypack Trail is mostly level with a crushed stone surface. The Newtown Rail Trail is an asphalt surface.

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Walk Information: There is no specific walk route and walk instructions are not provided. But a map of the two adjacent trails is on the following page. Port-a-potties are available along the trail. Restroom facilities and water are available in Lorimer Park when open. Pets are allowed on the trail but must be leashed and picked up after.

Walk Registration: Must be done online using the AVA Online Start Box, on www.my.ava.org. **The POC does not provide event directions or accept alternate payment methods.**

Walk Completion and Walk Credit: Once you have physically completed the walk, login to your Online Start Box account and click on the “My Start Box” tab, then the “Finish Table” tab, then click on “Go to Finish Table” button for the event you have completed. Use the displayed entry form to submit the date and distance of your walk to generate stamped “virtual” insert cards that you may choose to print.

In case of and Emergency: Dial 911

Event related assistance:

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These walk directions and maps may only be used in conjunction with a signed American Volkssport Association athletic waiver. All other uses are prohibited.

Pennypack Trail and Newtown Rail Trail Map



