



The Lake George Land Conservancy's

# ROUND THE LAKE CHALLENGE MISSION LIST

**KEY:**



Hike



Paddle



Educational



Town

## 1. MACIONIS FAMILY CENTER FOR CONSERVATION (MANDATORY)

LGLC Office and Conference Center; Public is welcome during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, 9am to 5pm. Outdoor info kiosk 24/7. Resource for trail guides, maps, local information. **4905 Lake Shore Dr • Bolton Landing, NY 12814** (43.554018,-73.656182) 518-644-9673 • [www.lglc.org](http://www.lglc.org)

## 2. TOWN OF BOLTON — Pick 3:

- **Rogers Memorial Park:** Rogers Memorial Park has a public beach, tennis court, basketball court, docks, picnic table, grills and a pavilion. In the months of July and August, the park hosts free movies and concerts and fireworks on the Fourth of July and Labor Day. Beach hours are from 7am to 10pm; lifeguards on duty 9am – 5pm. \$5 parking fee (free street parking) **Rogers Memorial Park Road • Bolton, NY 12814** (43.554839,-73.653525) Located along Rte 9N about 10 miles north of Lake George Village. 518-644-3831 • [www.boltonchamber.com/bolton-landing-parks.asp](http://www.boltonchamber.com/bolton-landing-parks.asp)
- **Veterans Memorial Park:** Further north along 9N, Veterans Memorial Park offers a public beach, basketball court, docks, picnic tables and grills, a playground, and a pavilion. Beach hours are from 7 am to 10 pm; lifeguards on duty 9am – 5pm. \$5 parking fee. **Rte 9N • Bolton, NY 12814** (43.562555,-73.652575) 9.8 miles north of Canada St in Lake George 518-644-3831 • [www.boltonchamber.com/bolton-landing-parks.asp](http://www.boltonchamber.com/bolton-landing-parks.asp)
- **Marcella Sembrich Opera Museum:** The Opera Museum displays Sembrich memorabilia, paintings, decorative art, period furnishings and more. The 4.5-acre property also includes walking trails and hosts summer concerts. The museum and grounds are open daily from June 15th through September 15th, 10am–12:30pm and 2pm–5:30pm. **4800 Lake Shore Dr (Rte 9N) • Bolton Landing, NY 12814** (43.547351,-73.660531) Museum is located 0.5 mile south of Bolton Landing's traffic light (8.8 miles north of Canada St in Lake George). 518-644-2431 • [www.thesembrich.org](http://www.thesembrich.org)
- **Bolton Historical Museum:** Housed in a former church, the museum is filled with photographs and exhibits which feature hotels, old tools, boats, ice harvesting equipment, local businesses, steamboats, camping, ice boats, vintage clothing, lakeside mansions, farm implements, schools and families. Hours: July 4 - Labor Day 11am - 4pm and 7pm - 9pm. Closed Sunday evenings. **4924 Lake Shore Dr (Rte 9N) • Bolton Landing, NY 12814** (43.555121,-73.655407) On Rte 9N, adjacent to Roger's Memorial Park (see above) 518-644-9960 • [www.boltonhistorical.org](http://www.boltonhistorical.org)
- **Wardboro Road Historical Drive:** A 4.7-mile historical drive touring the historical Northwest Bay area and its early settlers. The hamlet of Wardboro got its name from the Ward family who dominated the region in the early 1800's. This tour describes locations of early industrial sites, homesteads, cemeteries and other community landmarks. Tour guides are available from the Bolton Historical Museum (See above) or at the Bolton Town Hall. Tour begins at the **Northwest Bay State Boat Launch** (see Mission #6)

## 3. UP YONDA FARM ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER

Up Yonda Farm offers 73 acres with woodland trails and a spectacular view overlooking Lake George. Public nature programs on a variety of topics are presented year round. Natural history exhibits featuring a diorama with native mammals and birds are housed in the museum. There are perennial gardens, including a butterfly garden from June to September. \$ Parking **5239 Lake Shore Dr/Rte 9N • Bolton Landing, NY 12814** (43.57544,-73.654257) On Rte 9N, 0.5 mile south of Rte 11; 1.2 miles north of downtown Bolton Landing 518-644-9767 • [upyondafarm.com](http://upyondafarm.com)

## 4. CAT AND THOMAS MOUNTAINS NYS FOREST PRESERVE

NYS land, managed by the LGLC. Open year round, dawn to dusk, for passive recreation. Hunting is also permitted according to NYS regulations. System of 9+ miles of trails lead to two summits (Cat Mt. and Thomas Mt.) and include views of Lake George and Adirondacks to the west. Trails vary from moderate to challenging. **Trailhead: Valley Woods Rd • Bolton Landing, NY 12814** (43.603994,-73.692566) Kiosk and Parking on Valley Woods Rd, approx. 280 feet from turnoff from County Rte 11.

## 5. AMY'S PARK

LGLC Park; Open year round, dawn to dusk, for passive recreation. Family-friendly trail system of 6.5 miles; lead to main beaver pond and wetlands, with two small boat launches (portage necessary). Trails vary from easy to moderately

challenging with some small steep sections. **Trailhead: Padanarum Rd • Bolton Landing, NY 12814** (43.646396,-73.647111) From County Rte 11 take North Bolton Rd 1.7 miles; bear right to continue on Padanarum Rd Kiosk and Parking on Padanarum Rd, approx. 3 miles from North Bolton Rd turnoff.

## 6. NORTHWEST BAY BROOK & MARSH — boat launch

Northwest Bay's free public boat launch offers a calm point of access to Northwest Bay for exploration and fishing by canoe or kayak. The marsh is off-limits to motor boats up until the point where it opens into the larger bay. Hand launch only. **Launch: Rte 9N • Bolton Landing, NY 12814** (43.626382,-73.607935) 3 miles north of junction with County Rte 11 • [www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/23860.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/23860.html)

## 7. TONGUE MOUNTAIN TRAIL SYSTEM — Pick 1

Part of the Lake George Wild Forest, the Tongue Mountain trail system contains over 18 miles of foot trails with four points of access, two by land and two by water. The area is a known area for timber rattlesnakes; though they are not aggressive and generally pose no threat, care must be taken while hiking – wear high boots and watch where you put your hands when climbing and when stepping over logs.

- **Deer Leap:** A heavily used, short spur trail. 1.1-mile family-friendly hike to a rocky overlook with views across Lake George to Hulet's Landing. Trail starts 0.6 miles in from main Tongue Mt Range Trail on the north side of Tongue Mt. **Trailhead: Tongue Mt Range Trailhead • Rte 9N • Hague, NY 12836** (43.661288,-73.545026) From I-87, exit 24 drive 5 miles east on County Rte 11 to Rte 9N. From here drive north 9.5 miles to the DEC parking area on left. Trailhead is on right.
- **Northwest Bay Trail to Montcalm Point:** A beautiful ramble along an old tote road to Montcalm Point, named after the Marquis de Montcalm; two-thirds of the trail is along the Northwest Bay shoreline. 5.4 miles to the Point; moderately easy trail. **Trailhead: Clay Meadow Trailhead • Rte 9N • Bolton Landing, NY 12814** (43.629343,-73.608394) From I-87, exit 24 drive 5 miles east on County Rte 11 to Rte 9N. From here drive north 4.5 miles to a parking area on right; a second/overflow parking area a bit further north. Clay Meadow trailhead is about 100 feet downhill of the parking area along the road.
- **Fifth Peak:** The peak is about 2.5 miles from the parking at Clay Meadow and its summit lean-to offers the possibility of overnight camping on the peak. Views are outstanding and the trail to the top is well-trodden. Moderately challenging trail; steady climb, steep and rocky sections. **Trailhead: Clay Meadow Trailhead (See Northwest Bay Trail, above)**

## 8. HAGUE SCENIC VIEWS AND HISTORICAL MARKERS

This New York State overlook has two car pull-off areas that provide beautiful and expansive views of Lake George and its eastern shore. The site also has Historic New York Lake George markers with an historical inscription. **Rte 9N • Hague, NY 12836** (43.662664,-73.521013) On the north side of Tongue Mountain, 11 miles north from Rte 9N junction with County Rte 11; 6 miles south of the center of Hague.

## 9. JABE POND – hike &/or paddle

A quiet, serene pond perfect for canoes and kayaks. Designated DEC campsites dot the perimeter. The access road into Jabe Pond can be very difficult to navigate and most often requires a vehicle with high clearance and four wheel drive. The road leads to a parking area 300 feet from the pond. A short trail leads from the western short to Little Jabe Pond, 0.3 miles away. **Jabe Pond Rd • Hague, NY 12836** (43.721924,-73.526498) From Rte 9N midway between Hague and Silver Bay, follow Split Rock Rd heads west for 1.8 miles. Jabe Pond Rd starts on the left; a parking area is available here, or follow the road 1 mile to the pond parking area.

## 10. TOWN OF HAGUE — Pick 2:

- **Robert E. Henry Memorial Park:** The Hague public beach and park is a popular hangout for locals and tourists. The park also offers a visitor's center, public restrooms, a boat launch and a playground and hosts town events throughout the year. Park hours: 7am - 11pm Memorial Day through Columbus Day; Beach hours: 10am – 6pm July 1 through Labor Day. **Rte 9N/Lake Shore Dr, Hague, NY 12836** (43.744491,-73.498836) Just south of Rte 8, central Hague. 518-543-6161 • [www.townofhague.org](http://www.townofhague.org)
- **Hague Historical Museum:** Located within the Community Center, this

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historical museum provides information on the communities within the town of Hague such as Graphite, Silver Bay and Sabbath Day Point. Check website or call for current exhibits. Hours: Monday through Friday 9am – 4pm. **9793 Graphite Mountain Road/Rte 8 • Hague, NY 12836** (43.748487, -73.502146) On Rte 8, 0.3 miles north of intersection with Rte 9N/Lake Shore Dr. 518-543-6161 • [www.townofhague.org](http://www.townofhague.org)

- **American Legion Post 1538 Veterans Memorial Park:** Located at the former site of American Legion Post 1538, this memorial park dedicated to those who served in every war since the American Revolution was erected in 2011. Four tablets are inscribed with the names of Hague's veterans and sit atop the banks of Hague Brook. **North corner of Rte 8 and Rte9N/Lake Shore Dr • Hague, NY 12836** (43.745619, -73.498519)

- **Grace Memorial Chapel at Sabbath Day Point:** Grace Memorial Chapel was organized as a nondenominational place of worship on August 11, 1884. In 1984 it was placed on the National Register of Historic Places because of its age, its beauty and the fact that it represented an early work of William B. Tuttle, the designer of Carnegie Hall. Sunday services are at 10 am during the Summer months only. The chapel may also be observed from the outside other days of the week. **Sabbath Day Point Rd, Silver Bay, NY 12874** (43.669589, -73.509809) From junction of Rtes 11 and 9N, head north 11.4 miles on 9N. Turn right onto Carney Pt Dr; after 0.2 miles turn left onto Sabbath Day Pt Rd. Chapel is 0.1 mile on left. 518-543-6448 • [gracememorialchapel.org](http://gracememorialchapel.org)

**11. PEGGY'S POINT** LGLC Park; Open year round, dawn to dusk. Two-acre property includes a walking path and Friendship Garden; easy access to Lake George. Great for picnics and fishing. **Entrance: Rte 9N • Hague NY 12836** (43.745472,-73.497553) 250 feet north of intersection of Rte 9N and Rte 8. Parking is along road or in Town beach lot, if available.

**12. ROGER'S ROCK** Rogers Rock State Campground is a very popular family campground. Campers enjoy swimming, bicycling, fishing, boating, and hiking at this recreation facility. Day-users may also use the property, but there is a fee. The campground provides unofficial hiking access to the top of Roger's Rock, a famous landmark of the French and Indian War. Ask the DEC Rangers for the trailhead location. The trail is about 1.25 miles long, with some steep sections. \$ **9894 Rte 9N • Hague, NY 12836** (43.793158,-73.486804) Campground is 3.8 miles north of Hague (Rte 8), on the right. 518-585-6746 • [www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/24493.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/24493.html)

### 13. TOWN OF TICONDEROGA — Pick 2:

- **Bicentennial Park:** Ticonderoga's Bicentennial Park features baseball and softball fields, tennis courts, basketball courts, bike path, skate boarding park, famous covered bridge, scenic waterfalls, picnic area and playground. Canoes and kayaks launch from Bicentennial Falls on the LaChute River in route to Lake Champlain. The park is also part of the LaChute River Trail (see Mission #14) **Lower Montcalm Street • Ticonderoga, NY 12883** (43.848587, -73.421390) Parking is on Montcalm St, 0.7 miles northwest of the Ti traffic circle/junction with Rte 9N. 518-585-6677 • [www.townofticonderoga.com](http://www.townofticonderoga.com)

- **The Hancock House/Ticonderoga Historical Society:** The "Hancock House," is a reproduction of the original stone Hancock House which stood in Boston, Mass. The Ticonderoga Historical Society which displays books, maps, and memorabilia related to the town is housed here, along with a Research library, museum and artists' gallery. Hours: July and August: 10am-4pm daily. September-June: Wednesday-Saturday 10am-4pm. **6 Moses Circle, Ticonderoga, NY 12883** (43.848571, -73.434606) Located on the northeast side of Ticonderoga's traffic circle; parking is on Rte 9N. 518-585-7868 • [www.thehancockhouse.org](http://www.thehancockhouse.org)

- **Ticonderoga Heritage Museum:** International Paper and American Graphite displays as well as Ticonderoga pencils and Ticonderoga paper are featured in the exhibits of the Ticonderoga Heritage Museum. The paper and pencil industries shaped the nineteenth and twentieth century history of this town. Hours: June 30th through September 1st - 10am to 4pm daily. **Montcalm Street • Ticonderoga, NY 12883** (43.848738,-73.421317) Adjacent to Bicentennial Park (see above) 518-585-2696 • [www.ticonderogaheritagemuseum.org](http://www.ticonderogaheritagemuseum.org)

- **Black Point Public Beach:** Ticonderoga's Public Beach is known for its "million dollar view", offering a spectacular view of historic Rogers Rock and the lake. Its natural sand bottom provides a rock-free swimming and wading opportunity for children and adults. Also available: picnic and playground areas, beach volleyball, public bathrooms and changing rooms and an outdoor shower. **11 Tiroga Beach Lane • Ticonderoga, NY 12883** (43.802424,-73.43618) From the Ti Traffic Circle

head east on Montcalm St 0.4 miles; turn right onto Lake George Ave. Follow for 0.9 miles and turn left onto Alexandria then a quick right onto Water St. Continue onto Black Pt Rd for 2.3 miles. Turn right onto Tiroga Beach Rd; beach is on the left. 518-585-7139 • [www.townofticonderoga.com](http://www.townofticonderoga.com)

**14. LACHUTE RIVER WALK INTERPRETIVE TRAIL** The River Walk Trail is a public path along the historic LaChute River flowing through the heart of Ticonderoga. Beginning at the Ticonderoga Historical Museum, the trail measures nearly 3 miles in its entirety and includes a dozen wayside exhibits illustrating and describing the river's history. Copies of the interpretive guide may be found at the Ticonderoga Historical Museum. (see Mission #13) 518-585-2774 • <http://prideofticonderoga.org>

**15. MOUNT DEFIANCE – drive or walk** The 1-mile paved road to the summit of Mount Defiance rewards visitors with an observation deck and panoramic views of Lake Champlain, Fort Ticonderoga, Mount Independence and the Green Mountains of Vermont. Road to summit follows historic road made by British General "Gentleman Jonny" Burgoyne's army on 1777. Mount Defiance is owned and maintained by Fort Ticonderoga. \$ Tickets required (included with general admission to Fort, or by credit card at the gate) Open daily, May - October, 9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (last admittance at 4:30 pm). Access by foot is permitted year-round. **Mount Defiance St • Ticonderoga, NY 12883** (43.842915,-73.415415) From the center of Ticonderoga on Montcalm St, turn right onto Champlain Ave. After 0.2 miles bear left onto The Portage Rd and take the second left onto Mount Defiance St. Follow signs for the parking area or road (if gate is open). 518-585-2821 • [www.fortticonderoga.org/visit/mount-defiance](http://www.fortticonderoga.org/visit/mount-defiance)

**16. COOK MOUNTAIN PRESERVE** LGLC Preserve; Open year round, dawn to dusk, for passive recreation. Trail system includes two trails totaling 2 miles; upper trail climbs almost 600 feet over one half of a mile to stunning views east into Vermont and south over Lake George. Historic cemetery. Lower trail, moderate; upper trail, challenging. **Trailhead: Baldwin Rd • Ticonderoga NY 12883** (43.816999,-73.438408) From Rte 9N traffic circle in Ti, follow Lord Howe St 0.8 miles to Alexandria Ave, turn left then immediate right onto Baldwin Rd and continue 1.4 miles. Parking is along the road.

**17. LAST GREAT SHORELINE** LGLC Preserve; Open year round, dawn to dusk, for passive recreation. Hunting is also permitted according to NYS regulations. Trail system of 4 miles, with scenic overlooks to Vermont or Lake George. Trails are moderate with some challenging sections. Educational signage along trails enhance experience. Connector trail to Gull Bay Preserve and lakeshore dock for boat access. **Trailhead: Warrick Rd • Putnam NY 12861** (43.76056,-73.45098) From Rte 22 turn west onto Rt. 1/Glenburnie Road, follow for 1.5 miles. Turn left onto Warrick Road, follow for 0.75 mile. Parking is along the road, kiosk is on the left.

**18. GULL BAY PRESERVE** LGLC Preserve; Open year round, dawn to dusk, for passive recreation. Hunting is also permitted according to NYS regulations. Wooded trails include a scenic overlook of Lake George and lead to an active beaver pond and great blue heron rookery. Trail system of 3.5 miles; easy to moderately challenging, with a few steep sections. Connector trail to Last Great Shoreline Preserve. **Trailhead: Sagamore Rd • Putnam, NY 12861** (43.737255,-73.456985) From Rte 22 turn west onto Gull Bay Rd, follow for 1.75 miles. Turn right onto Sagamore Rd, follow for 0.6 miles to preserve entrance and parking area on right.

**19. BLACK MOUNTAIN** The loop trip includes a visit to Round and Lapland ponds and uncrowded views from the summit's south side. Black Mt is the highest mountain in the Lake George area and its summit, at 2300 feet above the lake, has outstanding views in all directions as well as a ranger's cabin and several towers (off-limits to the public). There are several access points, from the east (directions below) or from the shore, the east being the shorter route of 2.5 miles. Moderately challenging with some steep and rocky sections. **Trailhead From the East: Pike Brook Rd • Huletts Landing, NY 12841** (43.611595,-73.493237) From Rte 22, about 18 miles south of Ticonderoga/7 miles north of Whitehall, turn west onto Co Rd 6 towards Huletts Landing. Continue 2.7 miles; turn left onto Pike Brook Rd. Drive 0.8 miles to the parking area and trailhead. • [www.adk.org/Hikes/Black\\_Mtn\\_P.asp](http://www.adk.org/Hikes/Black_Mtn_P.asp)

**20. SLEEPING BEAUTY** Switchbacks ease the ascent up to the summit to make this a moderate walk to a great destination with stunning views of Lake George from

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the open ledges. To return, either use the ascent route or continue north to Bumps Pond and return via the Fishbrook Pond Trail along Bumps Pond to the Hogtown trailhead. Trail is 3.4 miles from the Hogtown trailhead to Sleeping Beauty's summit, an ascent of 1,038 feet to an elevation of 2,347 feet. **Trailhead: Shelving Rock Rd • Fort Ann, NY 12827** (43.5315,-73.565672) • From the intersection of Rtes 9L and 149 drive east 1.6 miles to Buttermilk Falls Rd. Turn left and drive 3.2 miles where the road becomes Sly Pond Rd. Continue straight on Sly Pond Rd 5.7 miles where the road changes again, this time to Shelving Rock Rd. Continue straight on Shelving Rock Rd to the Hogtown trailhead and parking area. • [www.adk.org/Hikes/Sleeping\\_Beauty\\_Mtn\\_P.aspx](http://www.adk.org/Hikes/Sleeping_Beauty_Mtn_P.aspx)

**21. SHELVING ROCK FALLS/LAKESHORE LOOP** The trail to Shelving Rock Falls from the east access (see Trailhead below) is short (0.4 miles to the falls), broad and generally flat except where it crosses a short rock section near the road. To hike the loop, it is recommended to start from the north access and end at the falls. This trail follows the lakeshore for a good while and crosses several bridges, winding through wetlands and dry forests. The full loop is 2 miles, ending at the east access; you will also need to walk the 0.9 miles north on Shelving Rock Rd to the north parking area (see below). **Trailhead: Shelving Rock Rd • Fort Ann, NY 12827** (43.552026,-73.59649) Follow the directions to the Hogtown trailhead (see Mission #20). From this point continue another 2.5 miles to a metal barrier gate (this is the east access point and most direct to get to the falls); continue 0.9 miles to the north trailhead parking area if you want to hike a longer loop. The north trailhead is 0.2 miles further from the parking area on the left. • [www.adk.org/Hikes/Shelving\\_Rock\\_Falls\\_P.aspx](http://www.adk.org/Hikes/Shelving_Rock_Falls_P.aspx)

**22. BUCKMOUNTAIN** A fantastic summit overlooking Lake George, Buck Mountain has two trails, with the most popular one starting on Pilot Knob Rd (described below). The 2,000-foot ascent is spread out over its 3.3 miles, so there are few extra steep sections. The second trail is shorter (an ascent of 1,130 feet over 2.3 miles), but it is arguably less interesting along the way and takes longer to drive to the Hogtown trailhead. **Pilot Knob Trailhead: Pilot Knob Rd • Fort Ann, NY 12827** (43.509246,-73.630973) From Lake George Village/Rte 9/9N take Rte 9L east for 7.2 miles. Turn left onto Pilot Knob Rd and continue to parking lot and trailhead, 3.4 miles on right. • [www.adk.org/Hikes/Buck\\_Mtn\\_P.aspx](http://www.adk.org/Hikes/Buck_Mtn_P.aspx)

**23. LYNN LAMONTAGNE SCHUMANN PRESERVE AT PILOT KNOB** LGLC Preserve; Open year round, dawn to dusk, for passive recreation. Trail system includes two trails totaling 3 miles. Primary trail steadily climbs from the parking area to a gazebo and Lake George view, an elevation gain of 600 feet in just under 0.5 mile. Second trail is a moderate 1.3 mile loop that continues from the gazebo to a seasonal waterfall. **Trailhead: Pilot Knob Rd • Fort Ann, NY 12827** (43.4716,-73.625954) Parking area is on the east side of Pilot Knob Rd, 0.7 miles from junction with Rte 9L/Ridge Rd. \*Parking is limited to lot; no roadside parking permitted.

**24. DUNHAM BAY MARSH** At the south end of Lake George, Dunham Bay Marsh provides a quiet place to explore the water by canoe or kayak. The marsh is home to a great variety of wildlife and wetland flowers and grasses. Though there is a small public launch area on Rte 9L, for a small put-in fee the best place to launch is from Dunham's Bay Marina on Bay Rd. From here you can paddle about 1.5 miles before the water gets weedy and clogged by vegetation. \$ parking **Launch: Corner of Bay Rd/Rte 9L • Lake George, NY 12845** (43.441445,-73.654287) From Lake George Village/Rte 9/9N take Rte 9L east for 4.7 miles. Turn right onto Bay Rd and shortly after left into the Dunham's Bay Marina parking area.

### 25. VILLAGE AND TOWN OF LAKE GEORGE — Pick 3:

- **Lake George Visitor's Center:** Providing you with resources such as 4-season travel guides, group tour planners, and seasonal calendars of events, the visitor's center is located at the southern end of Lake George. Center also houses public restrooms. Open May - October; specific days and hours vary. Check website or call for info. **Corner of Beach Rd & Canada St (Rte 9) • Lake George, NY 12845** (43.422908,-73.713423) Metered roadside or lot parking available. 518-668-5755 • [www.lakegeorgechamber.com](http://www.lakegeorgechamber.com)
- **Lake George Historical Association Museum:** Visitors can catch a glimpse into the past of historical Lake George through the various exhibits, programs and events held here. The museum houses the original Warren County court room and jail cells dating back to 1845. Hours: Tuesday, Friday, Saturday: 1am-4pm; Wednesday, Thursday: 3pm-8pm; closed Sunday & Monday **290 Canada Street • Lake George, NY 12845** (43.425947,-73.711988) Metered roadside or lot parking available. 518-668-5044 • [www.lakegeorgehistorical.org](http://www.lakegeorgehistorical.org) (cont.)

- **Courthouse Gallery:** The Courthouse Gallery presents 6 exhibitions yearly of regional and national contemporary visual artists in all media and is also the site for many literary, musical, and visual art workshops, classes, presentations, readings, meetings, and other events. Hours: Tuesday through Friday 12pm - 5pm, Saturday 12pm - 4 pm (during exhibitions), and all other times by request. **1 Amherst Street • Lake George, NY 12845** (43.425944,-73.711543) Metered roadside or lot parking available. 518-668-2616 • [www.lakegeorgearts.org](http://www.lakegeorgearts.org)

- **Shepard Park:** Shepard Park serves as a public beach by day and a summer concert venue by night as well as a home to the Centennial Fountain and the memorial of the Ethan Allen Tragedy. The Lake George Arts Project boasts a diverse lineup of summer concerts to take place throughout July and August on Wednesday evenings. **Rte 9/9N • Lake George, NY 12845** (43.425427,-73.711793) Center of town; metered roadside or lot parking available. 518-668-2616 • <http://villageoflakegeorge.us/content/Parks/View/3>;

- **Usher Park:** In addition to offering a lovely view of Lake George, Usher Park's facilities include two pavilions, picnic tables, playground equipment, tennis court, basketball court and beach with swimming area. Beach hours are from 10am to 6pm. **Rte 9L/East Shore Dr • Lake George, New York 12845** (43.418605,-73.696724) 1 mile east of intersection of Rte 9N/9 and Rte 9L/East Shore Dr, across from George's Restaurant. 518-668-2616 • <http://town.lakegeorge.ny.us/content/Parks/View/1>;

**26. CHARLES R. WOOD PARK** A joint effort by LGLC, Lake George Association, the Fund for Lake George, and the municipalities of the Town and Village of Lake George and Warren County, the park is the end result of the West Brook Conservation Initiative and at the site of the old Gaslight Village amusement park. The park includes stormwater remediation ponds, natural play areas for children, educational trails and a festival space. **West Brook Rd • Lake George, NY 12845** (43.418905,-73.711558) Metered roadside parking available. • <http://www.festivalcommons.com/the-park>.

**27. FLOATING CLASSROOM** The Rosalia Anna Ashby is a 40 foot catamaran and a floating classroom owned and run by the Lake George Association. Covering everything from earthquakes and glaciers, to stormwater and invasive species, the classroom teaches everything about Lake George ecology, conservation and stewardship for school groups and summer public tours. Weekly public programs are scheduled through July and August; reservations are required. Dates and times may vary. \$ donation requested. **Launch: Amherst St • Lake George, NY 12845** (43.425861,-73.710846) The Floating Classroom is typically docked just north of Shepard Park, at the end of Amherst St, off of Canada St/Rte 9/9N, 1.5 miles north of I-87 exit 21. 518-668-3558 • [www.lakegeorgeassociation.org](http://www.lakegeorgeassociation.org)

**28. PROSPECT MOUNTAIN – drive or hike** The Prospect Mountain trail is near the route of an old funicular railway, once the world's longest cable railway—which served the former summit hotel. The hiking trail is challenging for its steepness and rocky footing but is short, with an ascent of 1,600 feet over 1.7 miles. A scenic toll highway provides vehicle access to the extensive summit views. The summit also has picnic areas. \$ per vehicle. **Trailhead: Smith St • Lake George NY, 12845** (43.425466,-73.720173) From Rte 9/Canada St in Lake George turn left onto Montcalm St, after 6 blocks turn right onto Cooper St, then left onto West St, and left onto Smith St. A small parking area is on Smith St at the base of the stairway leading to the trail bridge over I-87. **To Drive: Prospect Mountain Highway • Lake George NY, 12845** (43.411743,-73.71153) Highway is 0.5 miles north of Rte 9 and 9N junction, near I-87 exit • [www.adk.org/Hikes/Prospect\\_Mtn\\_P.aspx](http://www.adk.org/Hikes/Prospect_Mtn_P.aspx)

**29. BERRY POND NYS FOREST PRESERVE** (Previously owned and managed by the LGLC) Open year round, dawn to dusk, for passive recreation. Hunting is also permitted according to NYS regulations. Preserve access is gained through the Lake George Village Recreation Center trail system. Blue markers identify LGLC's trail, which cuts west from the Rec Center trails after 0.6 miles. Trail system includes two trails totaling 4.5 miles; the more challenging trail has steep climbs to two scenic overlooks while the lower trail loops around a beaver pond with a small great blue heron rookery. **Trailhead: Lake George Village Recreation Center • Transfer Rd • Lake George, NY 12845** (43.401649,-73.733262) From Exit 21 head west on 9N for approx. 0.5 mile; turn right onto Transfer Road. Continue upward to the Recreation Center parking area and trail system kiosk. While you're here, check out the rest of the Lake George Recreation Center trails.

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**30. LAKE GEORGE ISLANDS – day use or camp** The Lake George Islands offer a unique way to experience Lake George. Accessible by boat only, these islands are spread out over the lake and divided into three groups: Glen, Long and Narrow. Picnicking is also permitted in designated day-use areas. Day-use permits and camping registrations are required. You will need to go to a private marina to park and launch or pay to be taken to the island of your choice by the marina. \$ **Locations vary.** • Go to the NYS DEC website for more information: [www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/24474.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/24474.html)

**New Missions since 2012 (not listed geographically):**

**31. HIKE-A-THON – hike, paddle or visit** LGLC exclusive event held each year on July 5. Activities take place simultaneously at LGLC parks and preserves all around Lake George. Most are hikes and offer a variety of trail lengths and difficulty levels. Boating/paddle opportunity may also be available, though may change year-to-year. **Free! Locations vary** • Visit [LakeGeorgeHikeAThon.org](http://LakeGeorgeHikeAThon.org) for information.

**32. TERZIAN WOODLOT** LGLC Preserve; Open year round, dawn to dusk, for passive recreation. Trail system includes two trails totaling 1.5 miles. Primary trail steadily climbs to Uncas Cliff for Lake George view; spur goes to waterfall. Preserve borders NYS land. **Trailhead: inland trailhead reached via NYS land, unofficial parking and access via NYS land, Rte 9N • Hague, NY 12836** (43.669969, -73.512393) Driving north on Rte 9N, 0.7 miles north of first scenic pull-off (See Mission #8).

**33. ANTHONY’S NOSE PRESERVE** LGLC Preserve; Open year round, dawn to dusk, for passive recreation. Single trail of 0.8 miles to summit of Record Hill (elevation 1,265 feet). Trail climbs moderately for 0.30 miles, then turns north to ascend steeply—665 feet over 1/2-mile. **Trailhead: Schwerdfeger Rd, Putnam Station, NY 12861** (43.7683333, -73.4477778) From Rte 22 turn west onto Rte 1/ Glenburnie Rd, follow for 1.8 miles. Turn right onto Schwerdfeger Rd, follow for 0.1 miles to preserve entrance and parking area on left.

**34. THE PINNACLE** Owned by the Town of Bolton, managed by the LGLC; Open year round, dawn to dusk, for passive recreation. Trail system includes single moderate trail of 1.0 mile, steady climb to summit and Lake George view; 1.0-mile connector trail leads from Pinnacle trail to Edgecomb Pond Rd access to Cat Mt. **Trailhead: Edgecomb Pond Rd, Bolton Landing, NY 12814** (43.558139, -73.682167) From Rte 9N, turn west on Mohican Rd; after 0.5 miles bear left onto Potter Hill Rd and continue for 0.7 miles. Turn right onto Edgecomb Pond Rd. Parking and trailhead on right after 0.6 miles.

**35. POLE HILL POND NYS FOREST PRESERVE** NYS land, managed by the LGLC. Open year round, dawn to dusk, for passive recreation. Hunting is also permitted according to NYS regulations. Two trail loops; challenging 5.75-mile loop to summit of Walnut Ridge and Pole Hill Pond, and lower 1-mile loop to Bear Knob. Great views of Lake George from Walnut Ridge. Trails vary from moderate to challenging. **Trailhead: Rte 9N • Bolton Landing, NY 12814** (43.614667, -73.622194) Kiosk and Parking off of Rte 9N, approx. 2.8 miles north of County Rte 11.

**36. ISABEL LA ROCHE GODWIN PRESERVE** LGLC Preserve; Open year round, dawn to dusk, for passive recreation. Moderate trails of about 1.5 miles total, including view High Nopit, Pole Hill and Lake George. Connector trail leads to NYS’s Pole Hill Pond. **Trailhead: Padanarum Rd, Bolton Landing, NY 12814** (43.635682, -73.653918) From County Rte 11 take North Bolton Rd 1.7 miles; bear right to continue on Padanarum Rd. After 1.9 miles bear right to continue on Padanarum Rd. Kiosk and parking, approx. 0.2 miles ahead, on right.

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