

Howard's Path ends at a bench quarried from granite on the property. PHOTO CREDIT - PHIL AUGER



the circular "ring dike" formation which is evidence of a long

The Swain Forest also includes the northern shore of Dead

Pond, a large bog-like fen with floating mats of decomposed

peat moss that support numerous bog plants, black spruce,



always wanted to conserve his family land, which directly abuts the park and shares much of its unique geologic

to John and Sarah Churchill who lived nearby in the early 19th century. Howard was an avid outdoorsman who loved Pawtuckaway State Park and

features. The southern boundary line

extinct volcano.

and tamarack.

runs along the top of Rocky Ridge, part of

Forest was donated to SELT in 2011 by Howard Swain's widow Marguerite and their daughter Deborah Fexis. The property was family land that dates back

### **Geology Meets Genealogy** The 89-acre Howard Swain Memorial

<u>TRAIL GUIDE</u>

**MEMORIAL FOREST** 

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89 acres • 1.5 mile loop of moderate trails

Deerfield Rd. intersection

3.2 miles from Route 156/ Νοttingham Road, Deerfield, NH Trailheads and Parking

## **Trail Descriptions Howard's Path**

then rises up sharply.

include Devil's Den.

**The Quarry Trail** 

care during icy or wet conditions.

of Churchill's quarry, an old granite quarry.

# Enjoy the Trails!

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This trail begins at the kiosk and follows logging trails in

a meandering path out to Dead Pond. The beginning of

this trail is a well-defined woods road. The trail widens

out at a log landing which has been mowed periodically

to maintain the opening for wildlife. From here the trail

descends for a short distance, crosses a stone ford and

At the top of this hill is the first intersection with the

Large boulders and ledge outcrops now dot the landscape.

Quarry Trail. Listen for wood frogs and peepers in season

as this portion of the Swain Forest has an unusually high

incidence of vernal pools. At the next intersection with

the Quarry Trail, bear left to stay on Howard's Path and

at the edge of Dead Pond. Directly across the pond are

This trail leaves Howard's Path a short distance after crossing the stone ford. The first half of this trail follows the edge of a granite ridge line. Note there are very steep drop-offs and small cliffs along this section of trail. Use

The trail crosses two bog bridges and passes by a series of impressive boulders before emerging on a large outcrop

great views of Rocky Ridge, North Peak and the ledges that

The trail begins with a great wildlife viewing spot above an active beaver flowage. Just after the pond overlook the trail ascends sharply and joins an ancient cart path on the edge

From here the path continues northwest along the ridge top before turning west and connecting back to Howard's

continue southwest toward Dead Pond.

- visitation guidelines:
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- prohibitions and use only designated trailhead parking. Stay on marked trails, respect designated trail uses and no cairns, rock art.
- Respect wildlife.

- Hunting is allowed on most SELT lands. Be aware of hunting to be on leash or any areas they may not be allowed.
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The following uses are not permitted:

- Target Shooting
- **Trapping**
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- Horseback riding

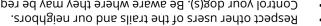
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