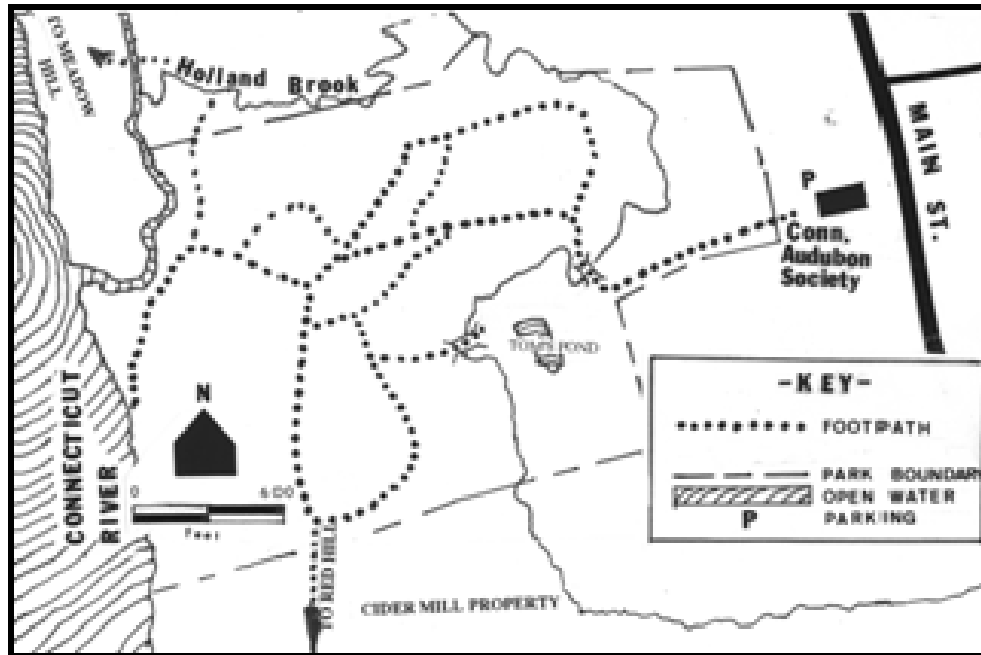


## Earle Park, Cider Mill, Red Hill



Park at the Connecticut Audubon Center at Glastonbury, 1361 Main Street. The park entrance is behind their building.

Earle Park consists of 38 acres extending to the Connecticut River. It is named in memory of Dr. B. Baylis Earle (1903-1972) and his family, the previous owners. He was a beloved physician to generations of Glastonbury families. The terrain is uneven and hilly. The trails, though short, are moderately difficult. Earle Park trails are available for horseback riding. The town has also acquired the historic Cider Mill property to the south, and a right-of-way for walkers to the Red Hill Open Space west of Riverview Road. These three parcels are connected by a publicly accessible pathway. One might combine a walk with a visit to the Connecticut Audubon Society Nature Center where you will find a wide variety of educational exhibits including small live animals and hands-on activities for children. A shaded outdoor seating area is available for picnicking.

Because of its defensive position, Red Hill was used as a place of refuge for the Wongunk Indians. At times of war with the Mohawks, Pequots, or other hostile tribes, the Wongunks would build a stockade fort there and heave great boulders and tree trunks down the bank at attackers coming by river.