

JOE'S POND

This natural pond is located in the Town of Morristown. It is named after two original natives who periodically occupied this area. In the 1790 census there were ten people in Morristown, two of whom were Indian Joe and his wife Molly.

The pond water is brackish as a result of decaying vegetation but for the original settlers, it was a source of ice and recreation.

Numerous species of birds use the pond for nesting and as a stopover on the flight south. Fish that survive in the pond are Bull Pout, Suckers and Grass Pickerel. Snapping turtles also live here.

A smaller body of water, called Molly's Pond, lays Westerly of Vermont route 100 and is owned by UVM and includes the land (34 acres) around it.

Trail Data

The **Yellow** trail starts and returns back to the meadow. This is a nice trail that follows along the outlet stream of Joe's Pond. Part of this trail is side hill and not recommended for weak ankles. This trail will overlook the Pond. In 1956, the remains of a dugout canoe was removed from the outlet and taken to the Noyes Museum.

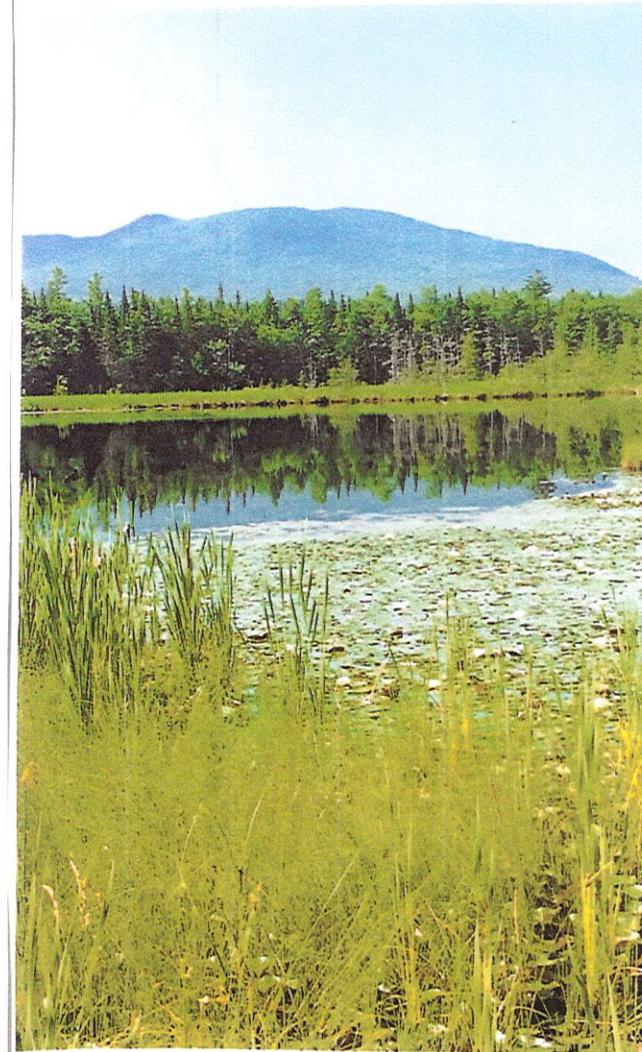
The **Orange** trail is a short, direct route to the **Yellow** trail for overlooking the Pond.

The **Red** trail intersects the **Yellow** trail at two places. This trail overlooks the Pond at a different site than the yellow. It is easy going, nice woodsy walk.

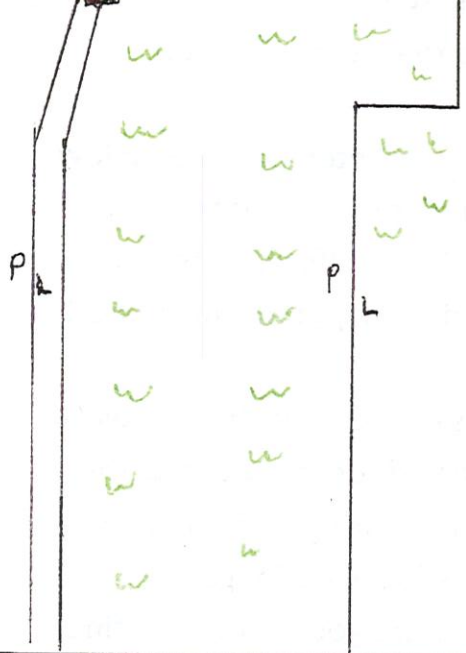
Portions of the trails that are wide have existed for many years. They were the sugaring lanes that a team of horses followed for gathering sap. Now they are good for harvesting wood.

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Trail Map and History



Purchased by Arthur Stancliff in 1912
Ron & Judy Stancliff conserved in 2005



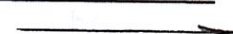
LEGEND

- Joe's Pond (blue) 
- Forested (dark Green) 
- Meadow (light green) 
- Swamp (black tuffs) 
- Pond Outlet Trail (yellow) 
- Maple Sugar Trail (orange) 
- Forest Trail (red) 
- Parking & Driveway (black) 

To Randolph
Road



Stancliff Road



To
VT. RTE. 100