

AT A GLANCE

HABITAT

Mature upland oak forest with a 1.5 acre pond.

BIRDS TO FIND

Resident birds include common upland forest species such as Tufted Titmouse, Carolina Chickadee, Carolina Wren, Northern Cardinal, Blue Jay, Eastern Towhee, and most, if not all, of the woodpeckers. During the summer months birds include Eastern Phoebe, Eastern Wood Pewee, American Robin, Wood Thrush, Northern Parula, Indigo Bunting, Blue-gray Gnatcatcher, Acadian and Great Crested Flycatchers, and Common Yellowthroat (around the pond). The number of warblers, vireos, tanagers, and thrushes passing through during migration, especially in the spring, makes this park worth the trip. Examples are: Yellow-Throated, Redstart, Black-throated Green, Magnolia, Tennessee, and Pine Warblers, White-eyed, Red-eyed, and Warbling Vireos, Summer and Scarlet Tanager, and most of the migratory thrushes. You will find Great Blue Herons, Mallards, and Wood Ducks around the pond.

WHEN TO GO

Any season is worthwhile for a visit.

AMENITIES

Restrooms, picnic area, shelter house, pavilion, playground, parking.

ACCESS

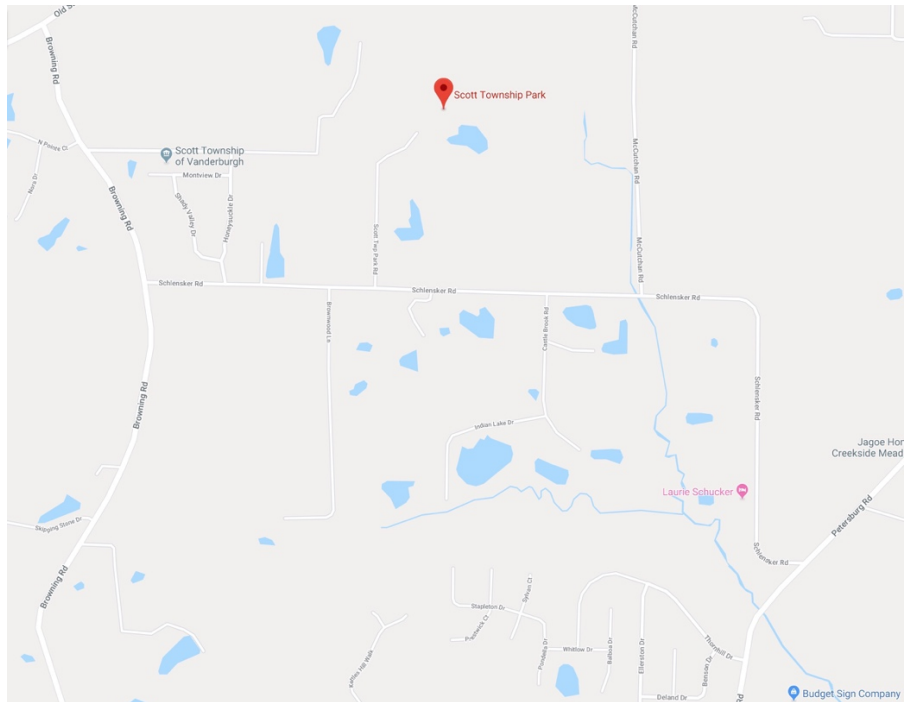
Open March through October from 8 am-7 pm. Closed November through February, although you can park by the gate and walk in from 8 am-4pm. Do not block the gate.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Additional information can be found on the Scott Township Park 2017 Facebook page.

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Driving Directions: Take the Booneville/New Harmony Road exit from IN-57 and go west until Petersburg Road. Turn north on Petersburg and follow to Schlenker Road and turn left and continue until the park entrance. Alternatively, from Hwy 41 take the Booneville/New Harmony exit and go east until Bronning Road. Turn north on Bronning Road and follow to Schlenker Road and turn right and continue to the park entrance.

Scott Township Park was established in 2003 to help preserve a safe and protected place for outdoor activities and to promote a healthier and more active lifestyle for residents in a rapidly growing part of Vanderburgh county. The park comprises about 37 acres of upland forest and also has a stocked 1.5-acre pond. According to eBird, 136 species of birds have been identified in the park. A visit to the park is worthwhile anytime of the year, but the spring migration is a great time to find warblers, vireos, thrushes, tanagers, and flycatchers. The mature upland forests that cover most of the park are home to typical resident birds, such as chickadees, cardinals, and woodpeckers.

In 2017 the Little Husky World pre-school class, which is associated with Scott School, and their families established the Scott Township Park Bee Project. The project is designed to provide habitat for carpenter bees which are important native pollinators. Carpenter bees are solitary bees that nest in tunnels in wood. You will see the nesting tunnels as you enter the park. Once you pass the bee nesting habitat, continue down Scott Township road to any of the parking areas. In addition to restrooms, pavilions and shelter houses you will find 5 trails that will take you throughout the park and a chance to enjoy the birds.