

Trails & Maps

The EAC has established and oversees several lovely trails within the township that allow residents to savor the beauty of our natural surroundings. Special events are scheduled several times a season to expand upon our knowledge and appreciation of their unique features. Check the EAC Calendar for more information.

[See Wildflowers along the Trails!](#)

EAC Special Events

Special events are scheduled several times a year on Saturday mornings to showcase our wonderful trail system and all residents are welcome to participate.

On several separate occasions, we have hosted a **Scavenger Hunt** on the Luckenbach Trail for our younger residents. Stream ecologists from the Ashland Nature Center have come equipped with fishnets, field microscopes and water testing kits. Participants learned to identify a variety of microinvertebrates inhabiting Chester Creek and to learn about their life cycle. Local arborists led informative tours along the trail as youngsters searched for hidden treats.

Bird Watching Events

Begun in 2016 and to be repeated this fall, “Introduction to Birding” is led by local resident John Mercer who leads bird walks for West Chester Bird Club, Longwood Gardens and The Friends of Exton park. This is a wonderful way to learn the basics of bird identification and bird calls. Check the website calendar for dates and times.

Historical Hike



For several years, the EAC has sponsored hikes along the Luckenbach Trail and in Bonner Park led by local historians Sam Neumann and Walter Cressler. The 2017 Historical Hike along the Luckenbach Trail took place on May 6 and highlighted the industrial heritage of our township as exemplified by the extensive ruins of mill operations along Chester Creek and the stone crusher plants related to the John T. Dyer Quarry.



Township Trails

[Luckenbach Trail](#)

[Extending along the East Branch of Chester Creek, this wooded trail provides a scenic waterfront hike that passes numerous historic ruins attesting to this region as a vibrant center of industry during the 18 th and 19 th centuries. Remnants of](#)

[foundations from former sawmill and...](#)

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[Patterson Woods Trail](#)

[A scenic trail that meanders through a very attractive mature woodland to summit at the crest of a ridge with a seasonal broad overlook. Access is adjacent to the entrance of the Tall Trees development at the intersection of Creek Rd and Station Rd.](#)

[Trail Length : From Creek Rd...](#)

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[Barrett's Meadows](#)

30 acres at Creek and Tanguy Rds, currently undergoing PennDot wetlands remediation and when completed will revert to Township ownership; Existing trails have been somewhat obscured or obliterated during this remediation but will be re-established upon its completion.

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[Palmer Trail](#)

Trail begins at the back of the Palmer Arboretum, passes through a beautiful mature woodland and exits to Westtown-Thornton Rd via an easement through the Blantyre Development . Parking is available at the entrance to the Palmer Arboretum. Efforts will be underway this spring to more...

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Barretts Meadows Trail Map 15.48 MB
Bonner Park Trail Map 13.52 MB
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