



Site facilities



- Paid car parking**
- Toilets**
- Picnic areas**
- Ranger's office**
- Assault course**
- Adventure trail**
- Play area for toddlers and juniors**
- Network of footpaths and cycle paths (wheelchair accessible)**
- Fishing (only on the designated fishing lakes)**
- Dogs on leads are welcome (off leads on the railway line outside the main site – see map)**

Motorcycles and other vehicles are not allowed beyond the car park

Membership scheme

For an annual fee of £20.00 per household you can enjoy unlimited car parking access into Stanwick Lakes during the site's opening hours, free members-only events, and specific members offers that can be used at participating retailers.

For further information please contact Rockingham Forest Trust on 01832 274278.



How to find us

Stanwick Lakes is situated off the Stanwick roundabout on the A45 in East Northamptonshire between Wellingborough (eight miles away) and Thrapston (seven miles away).



Times of opening

Summer (April to September)	7am - 9pm
Winter (October to March)	7am - 5pm

Car parking charges apply

Summer	£2
Winter	£1

(Barrier system – pay on exit)

Stanwick Lakes Rangers contact tel. no. 01933 625522.

Rockingham Forest Trust

Rockingham Forest Trust is an environmental charity which works to keep Rockingham Forest a beautiful, distinctive and thriving area. If you would like to know more about the Trust and its work, please contact:

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Stanwick Lakes

...a breath of fresh air



A recreational and wildlife facility for all...

- Fishing lakes
- Over 7 miles of footpaths / cycle paths
- Nature conservation areas
- Birdwatching
- Picnic areas
- Imaginative play area with sand and water play
- Adventure trail
- Assault course



Stanwick Lakes...

...from quarry to country park

Welcome to Stanwick Lakes, a site with something for everyone. Leisure opportunities, access to attractive countryside, wildlife conservation... you'll find them all here.

A brief history

This site in the heart of the Nene Valley has seen significant changes over the years – from agricultural use, to quarrying activity, and finally its evolution into a recreational and wildlife haven.

East Northamptonshire Council purchased the land from Hansons Aggregates, and when Hanson quarried their last load of gravel in 2004, work could begin on the ground to transform Stanwick Lakes into a place for both people and wildlife to enjoy.

Rockingham Forest Trust has developed the project on the Council's behalf. Phase 1 is now complete, providing a range of facilities (see overleaf), and phase 2 is underway.

Future attractions

Over the next few years Stanwick Lakes will develop further, providing something to appeal to all visitors, from families and young people to keep fit enthusiasts and keen birdwatchers.

This second phase of development will run through to 2009 and aims to provide the following:

- Watersports (non motorised)
- Bicycle hire
- Visitor facilities
- Outdoor 'living willow' theatre
- Bird hides
- Toddler trail
- Educational facilities
- Variety of events



Birdlife

Stanwick Lakes is internationally recognised for its birdlife, in particular its over-wintering bird population. Rare species such as the golden plover gather here in great numbers in winter, and birds such as reed warblers and water rail have benefited from the project's improvements to their reed bed habitat.



How many species can you spot on your visit?

