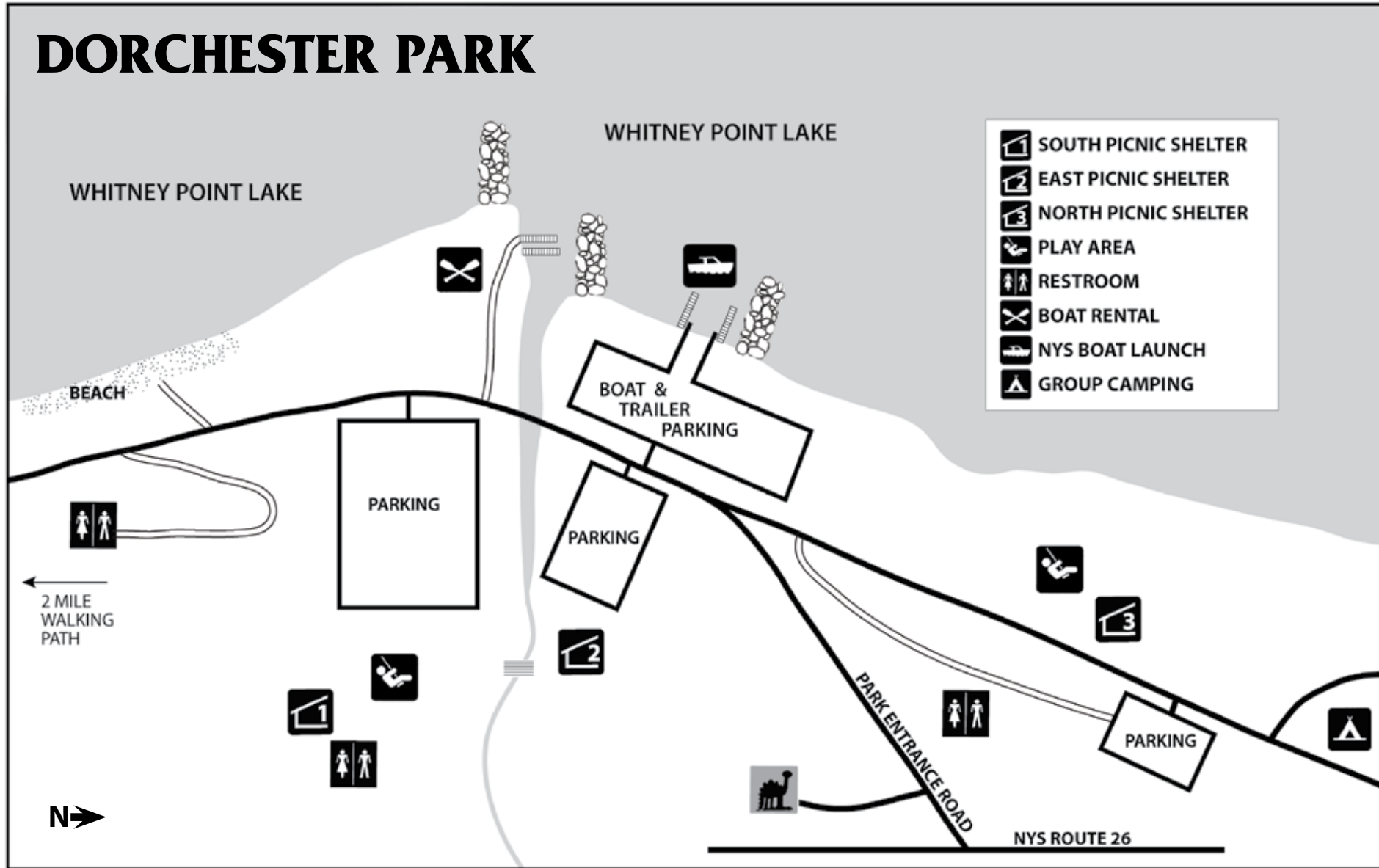


DORCHESTER PARK



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Broome County Parks and Recreation welcomes you to Dorchester Park on Whitney Point Lake. In cooperation with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the State of New York Department of Environmental Conservation, this attractive 1,200 acre lake offers a variety of recreational activities such as fishing, boating, swimming and picnicking. There is also a two mile walking trail that connects you to the Village of Whitney Point.

PARK HOURS

Daily – 8:00 AM to Dark



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SHELTER RENTALS

are available by calling the
Broome County Parks Main Office
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Whitney Point, NY 13862

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WHITNEY POINT LAKE

The Whitney Point Dam construction was started in September 1938 and completed in June 1942. The dam is operated by the Baltimore District of the Corps of Engineers. The purpose of the project is to control flood waters and provide recreational use by the visiting public. The normal lake elevation is 973 feet above sea level. Under severe flood conditions the level could reach 1,010 and pass its flow over the spillway, which acts as a safety valve in preventing a general overtopping of the dam.

Whitney Point Lake is located three quarters of a mile above the Village of Whitney Point, New York. The Otselic River flows into the lake from the north and continues south where it flows into the Tioughnioga River. The Tioughnioga empties into the Chenango River which in turn flows into the Susquehanna River in Binghamton, New York, 20 miles below the damsite.

Dorchester Park is a very popular ice fishing destination of Central New York and is home of the Almost Annual New York State Crappie Derby.

Regulations governing the use of the recreational facilities have been posted within the recreational areas by the State of New York Department of Environmental Conservation and the Broome County Department of Parks and Recreation.

For your convenience, some but not all are listed below.

- A. Jet skis and waterskiing is prohibited.
- B. The use of boat motors in excess of 25 hp is prohibited.
- C. No vessel shall at any time exceed 10 miles per hour.

- D. The overnight mooring or beaching of boats is prohibited.
- E. Vehicles towing boat trailers will park in the boat launch parking lot.
- F. Boats must stay 100 feet from the swimming area at the beach.
- G. Swimming in the lake is prohibited except at the designated beach area.
- H. For your safety, please stay off rock jetties.

Lake Statistics:

Length 4 miles
 Width 3/4 mile
 Depth 20 feet max.
 Surface area 1,200 acres
 Shoreline 10.5 miles
 Dam Length 4,900 feet

