

# The Martin Burns Wildlife Management Area Map

has been prepared by the Greater Newburys Friends Of Our Trails an informal group of local hiking enthusiasts, to encourage wered use of this beautiful state-owned area located in our ood. The land is under the jurisdiction of the Mass. Div. of & Wildlife, and was purchased largely with funds from hunting It is used for hunting in season, but is available for hiking, crossing, birding, mountain biking and similar non-motorized at other times of year, and Always On Sunday, when hunting is in Massachusetts. Motorized trail bikes and ATV's are not at any time. Please report any violations or other abuses of this Environmental Police at 1-800-632-8075. In case of es, call 911.

eater Newburys Friends Of Our Trails is now part of the Coastal lition. http://coastaltrails.org/xoops/

#### **Martin Burns?**

lerful area is named after a man who was born in Newbury on 1897 in an agricultural family living close to this area. He was ortsman, especially a fisherman. He served as Newbury Assessor rs and Selectman for 25 years. He also served on the Fisheries ife Board of Massachusetts for 15 years, when much of the local sition was accomplished.

## ifety and Health

n Burns WMA is used for hunting (except Sundays). Open ry slightly from year to year. Current details are available at 2.ma.us/dfwele/dfw or by calling 1-978-263-4347. They are also sted at the entrance to the WMA off Orchard St. Some small bird (e.g.. squirrel, crow) seasons are nearly always open, but nimal hazard to hikers.. There is also a spring turkey season in and May, but turkey hunting is permitted only before noon each season.

easant and deer seasons, roughly October through December, unter orange is required in this area (except Sundays). It is dvisable at other times as a precaution. Please note that the target icated on the map are often in use, including Sundays, especially eather. It is not advisable to hike off the established roads and the target ranges.

This area has ticks which can carry disease, including Lyme. Avo walking through brush and tall grass, check yourself after hiking, the symptoms. The area also has poison ivy, which often takes the vines with fuzzy stems on trees.

Note that under Massachusetts law you are 100% responsible for y safety in the woods. Landowners are NOT responsible for mainta trails in safe condition as long as they have not charged you for us (Mass. Gen. Laws, Chapt. 21, Sect. 17C.)

# Trail Etiquette

The joy of walking in the woods, using trails and the future expantrails everywhere are dependent on how users respect the land, oth and the rights of landowners. Here are some suggestions:

 $\ddot{Y}$  Park your car in a safe and legal place. Some good parking sposhown on the map.

Ÿ Guard against all risk of fire. Don't smoke in the woods, espec when conditions are dry.

 $\ddot{Y}$  Protect wildlife, plants and trees. Keep the water clean.

Ÿ Keep dogs under close control.

Ÿ Take your litter home with you. Carry a plastic grocery bag an litter you see. One hiker can compensate for several thoughtless p with little effort. Clean trails and woods encourage others to be no landowners to welcome trail users.

Ϋ́ Don't make unnecessary noise. Quiet enhances your own expeand that of others, and increases your chance of seeing wildlife.

 $\ddot{Y}$  A few trails pass over private land. Please be especially respective these landowners rights so that they will be willing to keep the trail

### **Note for Hunters**

Use of firearms is not permitted within 500' of a dwelling or 150' Please note that not all homes are shown on this map and new hon roads are being constructed in adjoining areas.