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**To:**

**Eno's Pond  
County Park**

**East Lacey Road, Lacey Township, NJ**



*...history and fun rolled into one!*

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**W**elcome to Eno's Pond County Park! Here, tucked away just a half-mile from the shoreline of the Barnegat Bay, you will discover a world filled with nature and history - and plenty of fun for everyone!



“Wood Ducks at Eno's Ice Pond”  
by Artist Rob Leslie

**T**he property on which Eno's Pond County Park is now situated has a fascinating history dating back to the colonial period which is documented in a publication titled “Eno's Riverside Hotel and Eno's Pond”, compiled by Mahala Landrum, a local historian. However, the Enos got involved in 1889 when Byron E. Eno purchased what was then “The Riverside House”, a hotel from which guests had access to the “best hunting and fishing grounds of Barnegat Bay”. Eno also acquired adjoining parcels of land to add to his empire. The hotel became a vacation spot for the wealthy and famous.

**A**lthough no buildings remain on the tract, the pond here has special historical interest. It was used as a source of ice for the large resort. Ice was cut into blocks, and hauled across the pond on horse-drawn skids, where the blocks were lifted by crane for storage in nearby icehouses.

**E**no's Pond County Park contains 28 acres and abuts the Edwin B. Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge, Lacey Twp. Extension. In cooperation with Federal officials, Ocean County Park Naturalists developed nature trails which traverse both properties. One of these trails is specially designed to be wheelchair accessible. Leaflets detailing the trail are available at the “Park Information” sign.

**O**n these trails, many specimen flora and fauna can be sighted, as well as a variety of birds and mammals such as wood ducks, mallards, egrets, great blue herons, raccoons, deer and if you're lucky, you'll catch a glimpse of an osprey!

**P**ack a lunch and picnic trail-side at one of many tables nestled along the path, or opt for a water view at one of two observation decks on Eno's Pond.

## **FACILITIES:**

Large Open Playing Field  
Tot Lot  
Picnic Tables & Grills  
Nature Trails  
Two Pond-side Observation Decks  
Conservation Areas  
Restrooms  
Parking  
Handicapped Accessible



### **Directions:**

Garden State Parkway to Exit 74 (Lacey Twp.); East on Lacey Road; continue across Route 9 onto E. Lacey Road. Park entrance is about 1/4 mile beyond “Captain's Inn” on the left.

For more information on Eno's Pond County Park or other Ocean County Park facilities, call the Ocean County Parks Administrative Office toll-free at 1-877-OC PARKS (1-877-627-2757)