

Alamance Parks Annual Report 2015-2016

QUICK FACTS



1200 Acres
Managed



367 Programs
and Events



\$271,213 in
Grants, Donations,
& Sponsorships



282
Facility Rentals



Special Olympics
Alamance County:
9 sports
400 athletes



Youth Athletics:
834 games



488,940
People Visited
Alamance Parks
in 2015-2016

HIGHLIGHTS

■ HAW RIVER PADDLE TRAIL COMPLETED

The Haw River Paddle Trail is now complete through Alamance County with the opening of Union Bridge Paddle Access, the 14th Paddle Access in the County. There are now 40 miles of Haw River accessible to the public for paddling, fishing, picnicking, and more.

■ NEW SECTION OF HAW RIVER LAND TRAIL

The Haw River Trail opened Sellers Falls, 4 new miles of land trail that complete the longest continuous stretch of HRT. You can now hike the whole 8 miles from Indian Valley to Red Slide Park!

■ NEW PLAYGROUND AT ELI WHITNEY

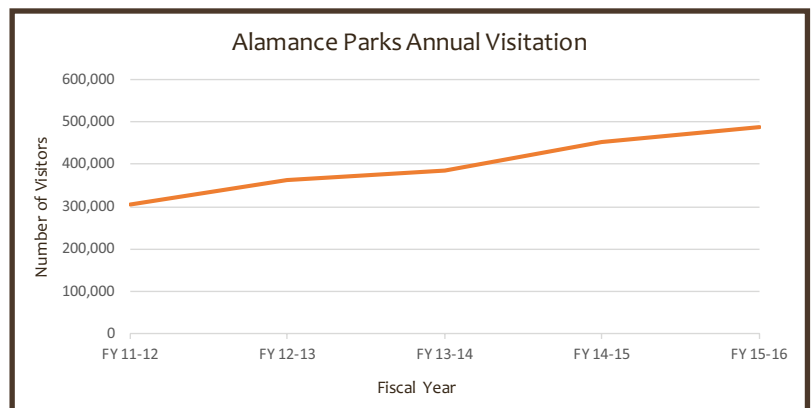
Alamance Parks installed a new playground at Eli Whitney Community Center that reflects the culture and history of the community. New landscaping adds a finishing touch to the grounds.

■ TROUT FISHING AT CEDAROCK PARK

Alamance Parks stocked the main fishing pond at Cedarrock Park with trout to provide cold weather fishing. The program was very popular and trout fishing will be offered again this year.

■ COMMUNITY CENTER FITNESS CENTERS

Alamance Parks staff renovated the fitness centers at both Pleasant Grove Community Center and Eli Whitney Community Center. New equipment offers these communities a great place to work out.



Looking Ahead



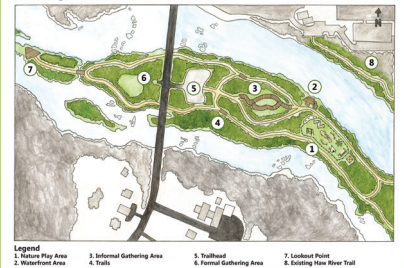
CEDAROCK PARK EQUESTRIAN CENTER

Cedarrock Park will open an Equestrian Center with a dedicated equestrian entrance, equestrian camping, restrooms, a trailhead and trail connecting to the existing bridle trail, stables, and a riding ring. The dedicated entrance, camping pads, and restrooms will open in 2017. The future stables will allow Cedarrock Park to offer guided trail rides to the public.

SAXAPAHAW ISLAND PARK

In 2017, Alamance Parks will open a new park in the heart of Saxapahaw as part of the Haw River Trail network. Saxapahaw Island Park will offer hiking trails, a waterfront deck, gathering spaces, and feature an innovative Nature Play Area with multiple play nodes.

Saxapahaw Island Park

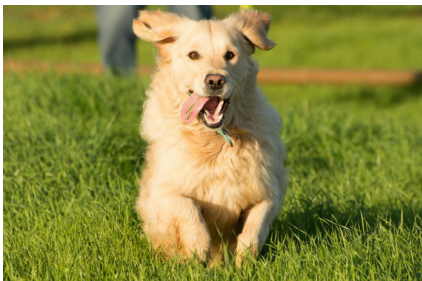


CANE CREEK MOUNTAINS NATURAL AREA

Plans are in motion for Cane Creek Mountains Natural Area, a new passive use nature park that will provide public access to the County's largest state-significant natural heritage area. Hikers will enjoy rolling Piedmont hills, abundant creeks, and some of the best views in the County.

NEW SECTION OF HAW RIVER TRAIL

In partnership with the City of Graham, a new trailhead and 1.5 miles of new Haw River Trail will be developed near I-40/85 in Graham. The trailhead will provide parking and informational signage, allowing access to the new stretch of riverfront trail.



DOG PARK

Alamance Parks will open its first Dog Park at Eli Whitney Community Center in 2017. The Dog Park will give the Alamance community a place to safely enjoy off-leash play and exercise with their canine companions.