## VERNON GREENWAYS VOLUNTEERS

An organization dedicated to the maintenance, enhancement, expansion and proper use of Vernon's 30+ miles of trails.

# **Volunteer Participation Levels:**

**Trail Manager** – Overall responsibility for a trail segment (usually 0.8 to 1.5 miles).

**Member** – Minimum is agreement to use the trails properly as outlined on our web page.

(www.vernongreenways.org)

### **Sponsors:**

Donation of \$200 annually in either tax deductible cash or in-kind materials. A sign is posted on a trail segment recognizing Sponsors participation.

To learn more about the organization or to join contact Don Bellingham at 872-6061 or BellinghamDL@ATT.NET

Report trail problems or vandalism to Vernon Parks and Recreation 860-870-3520

Maps of the entire Vernon trail system (17 pages) available at Parks and Recreation Office, Lottie Fisk Building 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Henry Park.

#### **Blazes**

A blaze or marker is a 2" x 6" colored rectangle used to designate a specific trail and the direction of that trail.

[] Straight Ahead
[] [] Left Turn

Rely on the blazes!

Right Turn

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## VERNON PARKS AND RECREATION

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## Hillside Loop Trail

Blue Markers; 1.2 Miles; Direction of travel is South to North

Note: Moderately steep from 0.45 to .07 Mi

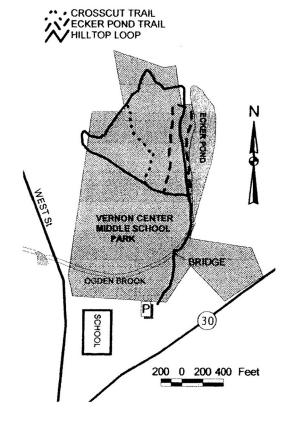
#### Miles Description

- 0.0 Go North from the Northeast corner of school parking lot.
- 0.1 Cross wooden bridge over Ogden Brook and turn R (East) on woods road
- 0.2 Follow U shaped woods road until you reach Ecker Pond (Yellow marked trail goes right) (Blue trail that goes L is your return trail). Continue straight.
- 0.45 Turn L uphill on foot trail.
- 0.6 Continue uphill past red trail on L.
- 0.7 Turn L downhill. Continue down on woods road past Red and Yellow trails.
- $\begin{array}{c} 0.95 \ Turn \ R \ (South) \ on \ woods \ roads. \\ (Ecker \ Pond \ now \ on \ L). \end{array}$
- 1.1 Turn L (South) and cross bridge. Reenter parking lot.

## Getting There

Enter Vernon Center Middle School parking lot from either Hartford Turnpike (Route 30) or West Street. Park in the extreme Northeast corner of the parking lot.

## Vernon Center Middle School



#### **Ecker Pond View Trail**

Yellow Markers; 0.5 Miles; round trip distance from parking lot is 0.9 miles. Direction of travel is South to North.

#### Miles Description

- 0.0 Go North from the Northeast corner of school parking lot on the Hillside Loop Trail (blue).
- 0.1 Cross wooden bridge and turn R (East) on woods road.
- 0.2 Follow U shaped woods road until you reach Ecker Pond. Go R on yellow Ecker Pond View Trail and North along shore.
- 0.3 Go L, crossing blue trail, on woods road which soon turns L (South).
- 0.6 Turn L on woods road, joining the Hillside Loop Trail (Blue).
- 0.65 Turn R (South) on woods road (Ecker Pond now on L) and go South on Hillside Loop Trail (Blue) to return to parking lot.

### **Crosscut Trail**

Red markers; 0.15 miles and provides a shortened loop walk when used in conjunction with the blue Hilltop Loop Trail.