

SCAVENGER HIKE with Your Tyke to Wilson Mill

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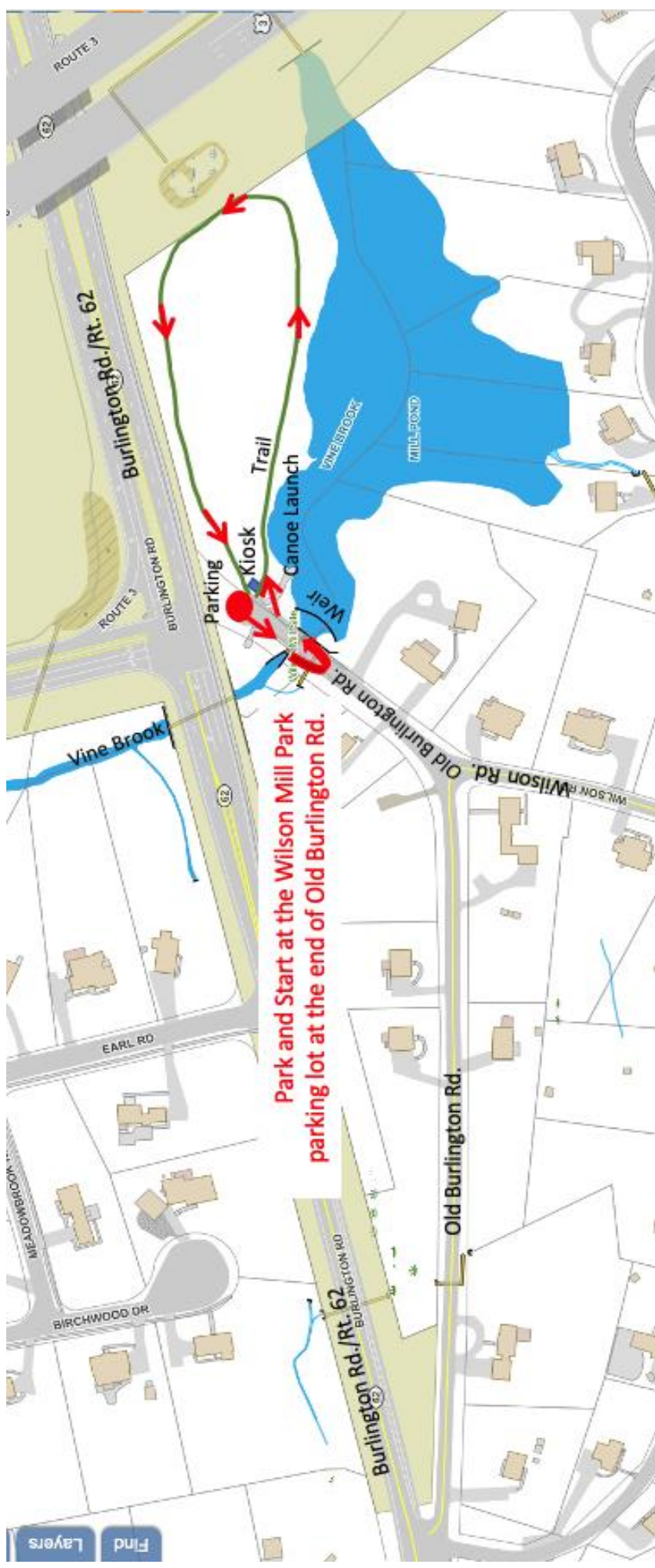
Have you ever heard of the Wilson Mill? The corn it ground was vital to the town three hundred years ago... Alas, it is long gone! But the millpond remains, and the little stream still rushes over the rocks down a shallow gorge. Come and stand beside the water and listen for a few minutes.

This "Scavenger Hike with Your Tyke" is aimed at expanding recreational activities in Bedford for families, parents and grandparents. This activity combines a Scavenger Hunt with an approximately 0.4-mile hike:

- Please printout this map page and the "Scavenger Hike" (on next page) in advance (in color at high resolution), and bring markers or crayons for Tykes
- Tykes (with parents and/or Grandparents) start at the Wilson Mill Park parking lot at the end of Old Burlington Rd. (see map), then follow directions on the map.
- Tykes check off what they find on their Scavenger Hike sheet.

See if you can find 15, 18, or all 20!

Map modified from BedfordMA.Gov Property Finder GIS map at:
<https://www.bedfordma.gov/home/pages/bedford-property-finder>



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Stone wall



Pond



Trail



Canoe launch



Weir (low dam)



Flowers on Tree



Rock



Pinecone



Bushes (lilac)



Grasses in pond



Stream



Wilson Mill Site



Grass w. cattails



Spillway



Rock with Hole



Dead Tree



Birch Bark from Tree



White Pine Needles



Fire Hydrant



Stick

Note: Note that all walks are at your own risk. Depending on the time of the year, ticks may be out, and poison ivy may be active. Please wear comfortable, closed-toe walking shoes or boots that can handle wet or mud, and ice and snow in the winter. Children and dogs on leash are welcome.

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