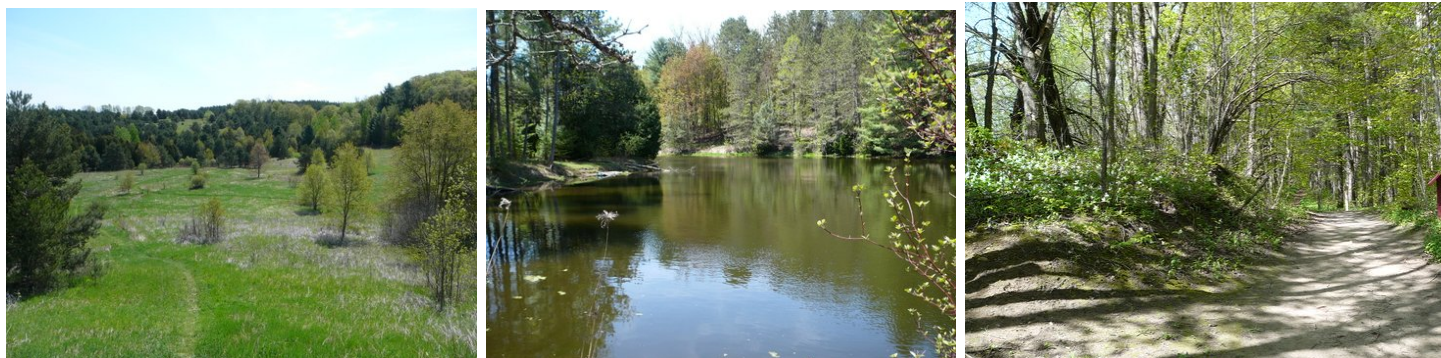


Uxbridge Countryside Preserve

CUHK Alumni Association (Ontario) Hiking Group



The Uxbridge Countryside Preserve covers an area of 57 hectare. It is located on the southern edge of the Town of Uxbridge. This property is in an Oak Ridges Moraine Natural Core Area, near the headwaters of the Uxbridge Brook. It consists of rolling meadowlands, woodlands, wetlands and ponds. It also has a 6-km network of sign-posted trails for bicycling and hiking. From the Preserve we will hike to the Timbers Tract Trails of the Durham Forest via an extension trail.

The trails in the Countryside Preserve are well maintained. Although the trails do traverse some gentle rolling hills, this hike is rated as easy for an average hiker.

The hike will begin promptly at 9:30 a.m. Please arrive at the assembly point 15 minutes before start time.

- Date:** 2 June 2018 (Saturday)
- Starting time:** 9:30 am
- Duration of hike:** approximately 2.5 h
- Assembly point:** Uxbridge Countryside Preserve Parking lot
(Located on the south side of the Walmart Store, the address of the store is 6 Welwood Dr, Uxbridge, Ontario, L9P 1Z7)
- Registration:** Please e-mail Peter Li (李 斌) at cuaaohiking@gmail.com and provide him with the names, e-mail address, and cell phone number of the participant(s).
If you had not done so in previous years, please also submit, electronically, a completed and signed waiver form for each participant.
- What to wear:** hiking boots, hat, comfortable clothes, long pants, rain gears (if necessary).
- What to bring:** sun screen, water, energy bar and snacks, sunglasses, insect repellent, walking stick (optional)

Updates or Trip cancellation

The hike will take place rain or shine. If high winds or thunderstorms are in the forecast, the hiking trip will be cancelled. Please check your email or the CUHKA AO website for any announcement regarding potential hiking trip cancellation or postponement. <https://cuhkaao.wordpress.com/>

Direction to Uxbridge Countryside Preserve

The parking lot of Uxbridge Countryside Preserve is located on the south side of the Walmart Store in Uxbridge. The address of the Walmart store is **6 Welwood Dr, Uxbridge, Ontario, L9P 1Z7**.

The best way to the Uxbridge Walmart store, is via Bloomington Road (Hwy 40). (**Note: Bloomington Road becomes Hwy 47 east of the York Durham Line. In the Uxbridge area Hwy 47 is also called Toronto Street.**)

Please consult the attached map for a convenient north-south route to drive to Bloomington Road. Warden Avenue, Kennedy Road, McCowan Road and Markham Road (Hwy 48) are examples of city roads from Toronto that will intersect Bloomington Road. The directions given below are for those travelling to Bloomington Road using Hwy 404 north.

Directions to Uxbridge Countryside Preserve via Hwy 404 and Bloomington Road

1. Take Hwy 404 north to Bloomington Road (Exit 41). At the exit, turn right.
2. After travelling east on Bloomington Road and on Hwy 47 for a combined distance of 25.8 km, you will arrive at Concession Road 6 at the Town of Uxbridge. From here you should see the Walmart Store ahead of you.
3. Continue on Hwy 47 (Toronto St) for 0.6 km to Welwood Drive. Turn right into Welwood Drive and turn right again into the parking lot of the Walmart store.
4. Drive to the south side of the parking lot. When you reached the south end of the Walmart building you will see a driveway just south of the building. Turn left into the driveway and follow it to a gravel parking lot at the trail head. (**See picture below and follow the directions of the arrows to the Countryside Preserve Parking Lot.**)



Follow the arrows to the parking lot of Uxbridge Countryside Preserve



Parking lot of Countryside Preserve

Road map

The following link has a road map to Uxbridge Countryside Preserve.

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=16KuAzDAHydejyQx10nTkcDzH-qcrPnak&usp=sharing>