# MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAIL NETWORKS

Warren County offers a variety of trail networks and bike parks for all ability levels of mountain bikers. There is no charge to ride any of the four trail networks listed below. Groomed trails for winter fat biking are offered at Gurney Lane Mountain Bike Park.

#### **Gurney Lane Mountain** Bike Park

This 155-acre park lies within the Gurney Lane Recreation Area. It offers:

- Eighteen single track trails (12 miles)
- Many flow trails, with two expert one-way flow trails with berms and tabletops A skills park for all levels of
- riders
- A climbing trail, Escalator, next to the one-way, downhill Coaster.
- 4 miles of double track, multi-use trails
- A picnic pavilion, 6,200 square foot outdoor pool, and playground.
- In the winter, volunteers groom most of the single-track trails for fat biking.

## **Brant Lake Mountain Bike Park**

This 207-acre bike park single track trail system has five miles of single track for intermediate and advanced riders, with trails reaching a lovely scenic overlook at the summit of Bartonville Mountain. The Hub, at the base of the mountain, is a bike repair shop with café that serves lunch and dinner, as well as a wide assortment of local craft beers, from May through October.

## North Creek Ski Bowl Mountain Bike Park

At 998' base elevation, the North Creek Ski Bowl offers more than 12 miles of professionally built single track trail winding throughout Little Gore Mountain, just a stone's throw from the village of North Creek. The signature trail here is the 3 mile Long Trail which climbs a switchback filled, winding route to near the top of the Hudson Chairlift at 1900' with 1000' of elevation gain. Lower down on Little Gore are the remainder of the trails, including a new trail connecting the main system to Beck's Tavern, a favorite watering hole for sweaty riders. The Carol Thomas trail connects the main Ski Bowl trails to "downtown" North Creek, and winds for just under a mile along the scenic Hudson River. North Creek is home to state-owned Gore Mountain Ski Area. Dogs must be leashed.

## **Garnet Hill Lodge Mountain Bike Trails, North River**

Just 10 miles northwest of North Creek, Garnet Hill Lodge, known for its vast cross country ski trail system, offers 6 miles of single track flow trails and 6 miles of double track trails that are dry enough for mountain biking (the double track serves as the winter ski trails). Garnet Hill Lodge offers overnight lodging in a rustic setting overlooking pristine Thirteenth Lake, Full-service dining is also available. Garnet Hill offers mountain bike rentals as well, with no charge to use the trails. Dogs are welcome.



# Ride - On!

Warren County MTB Trail Guide describes the various mountain bike parks and trail systems in Warren County and includes many stories and profiles of local folks involved in mountain biking.

For an on-line copy see ADKCyclingAdvocates.org/resources.

# **BICYCLES ... CARS MOTORCYCLES PEDESTRIANS**

So let's ALL give just a little more room to those around us as we enjoy the many roads, streets and highways that traverse the County. Remember, it takes two to share.

# **SAFETY TIPS**

• Wear a properly fitted bicycle helmet and bright colors. Be visible.

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- Always use a headlight and taillight when riding with traffic.
- Follow the same laws/rules as motorists. Ride on the RIGHT.
- Yield to pedestrians.
- Use a bell to signal pedestrians when passing.
- Stay about a car door's width away from parked vehicles.
- NEVER wear headphones while riding.
- Ride SINGLE FILE on roads with traffic.
- Be predictable: avoid sudden swerves.
- Use appropriate hand signals; make eve contact.
- When stopped move off the road or bike path.

#### **RIDE DEFENSIVELY.** EXPECT THE UNEXPECTED.



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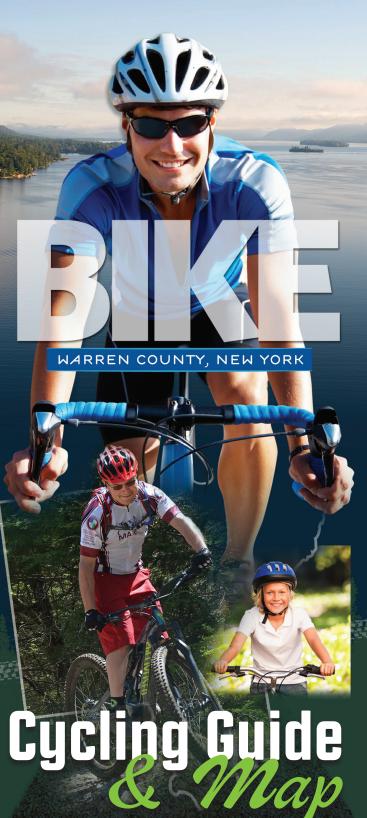
# PROMOTING BICYCLE ACCESS, AWARENESS, & SAFETY

### Our mission is to is to advocate for the expansion of first-rate cycling opportunities in Warren County, NY and the surrounding area.

Bicycling friendly communities offer excellent commuter options, reduce traffic congestion, improve air quality, expand economic development, reduce health related costs, and enhance recreational opportunities. Visit us online at ADKCyclingAdvocates.org to learn more about our organization, goals, and ongoing projects.







# Bikeways & Multi-Use Paths

These paths are popular with cyclists, joggers, and walkers alike, featuring frequent rest stops with signage highlighting the many historical attractions present along the way.

# Warren County Bikeway

The Warren County Bikeway is without question the most popular cycling destination in the area. The bikeway provides 10 miles one-way of family-friendly paved roadway shoulder and dedicated bike path, extending from Glens Falls to the shore of Lake George. The southern end provides access to the Feeder Canal Trail. The route closely follows the former Delaware & Hudson railway line that once connected Fort Edward with the Village of Lake George.

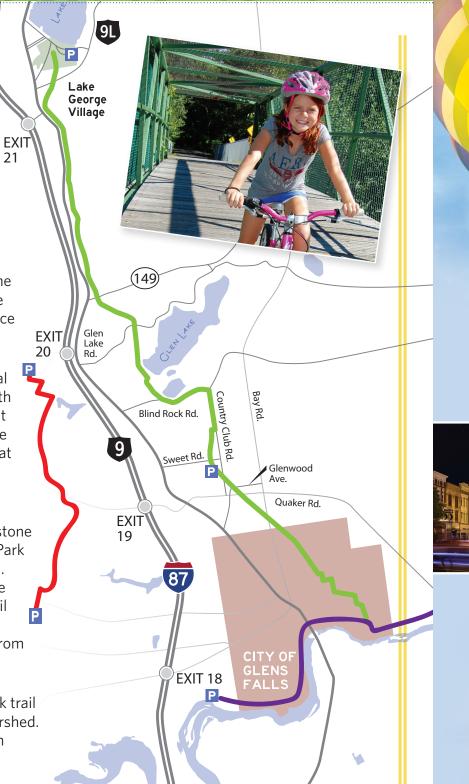
Not surprisingly, the "bike path" features several long stretches of flat or gently rolling terrain with an occasional short climb and a gradual descent into the Lake George Village. Parking is available at the Million Dollar Beach in Lake George and at the Bikeway lot along Country Club Road in Queensbury.

# **Feeder Canal Trail**

This popular cycling trail has sections that are stone dust or paved. The western end is at Overlook Park where there is parking and a Hudson River dam. The eastern end connects with the Empire State Champlain Canalway Trail. This trail has tranquil park like sections juxtaposed with a section of currently active industry, along with the relics from the commercial use of the canal.

# **Rush Pond & Halfway Brook Trails**

Almost 4 miles of unpaved trails. Halfway Brook trail traverses the beautiful Glens Falls' Lower Watershed. There is parking at the trail heads on Peggy Ann Road and Gurney Lane.



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#### & THE SURROUNDING AREAS

We're happy you're here! And while you may have come to experience some of the most varied and scenic cycling terrain in the country, there's even more to do when the day's ride is through.

Warren County is one of the most beautiful, versatile, and popular destinations in the state. Framed by the Queen of American Lakes, Lake George, to the east; the Adirondack foothills to the west; and the historic Hudson River longitudinally bisecting the county before flowing east to be the southern border, Warren County is the perfect setting for your vacation adventure no matter the season.

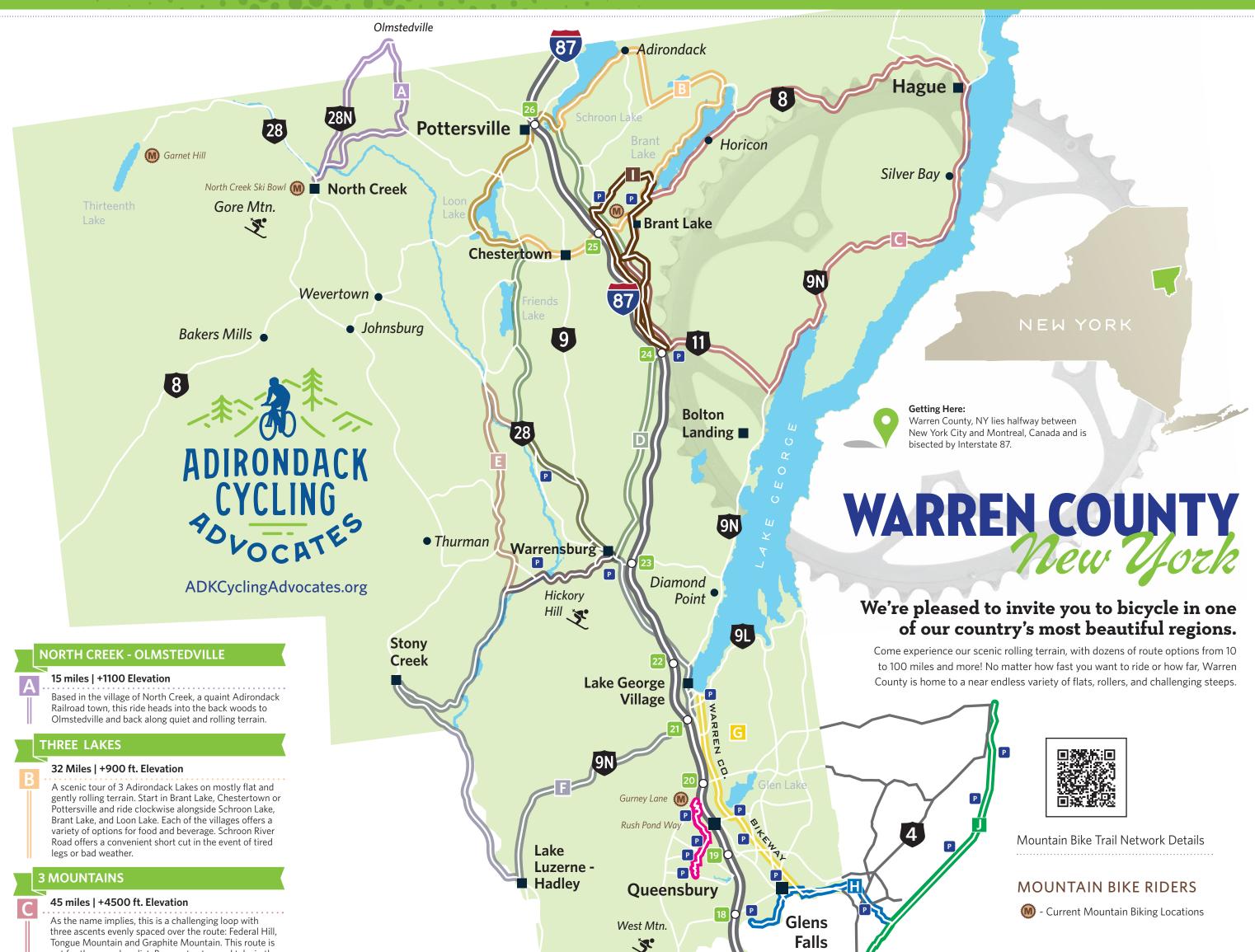
Our bicycle friendly communities and businesses feature a wide variety of lodging options, restaurants, cultural and sporting events, attractions, and shopping opportunities to help you relax and recharge.

#### Log on to VisitLakeGeorge.com to learn more!

For the casual rider, enthusiast, triathlete or racer, Warren County plays host to several established events each year including the Churney Gurney, Lake George Triathlon Festival, Ididaride!, Harry Elkes Ride, plus a long list of benefit rides.



# Warren County, New York Bicycle Routes



not for the casual cyclist. Be sure to stop and take in the views. It's worth the effort!

# **RIVERS & LAKES**

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#### 41 miles | +1500 ft. Elevation

A classic Adirondack route along the Hudson and Schroon Rivers and several lakes. A few hills near Friends Lake, but otherwise flat or gently rolling terrain. Take advantage of the many places to picnic along the way.

### **GLEN ATHOL**

#### 22 miles | +1000 ft. Elevation

This route features a real Adirondack experience with rolling hills, views of the surrounding mountains, and gentle stretches along the Hudson & Schroon Rivers. There are great views of the Hudson's Ice Meadows.

#### **STONY CREEK LOOP**

#### 46 miles | +2500 ft. Elevation

This route includes the communities of Lake George Village, Warrensburg, Stony Creek, Hadley, and Lake Luzerne with the views of Million Dollar Beach, Hudson & Schroon Rivers, and Stony Creek. There is a stretch along Route 9 where the shoulders are wide and quiet roads through Stony Creek. There is a climb on Glens Falls Mountain Road which rewards one with great views of Queensbury.

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## Route Details with cue sheets and parking

# WARREN CO. BIKEWAY

#### 20 miles | +400 ft. Elevation

This beautifully paved bikeway stretches from the City of Glens Falls to the southern shore of incredible Lake George. The southern end of the trail easily connects with the Feeder Canal Trail and then the Empire State Trail. This is an out & back route that can be shortened by turning around anywhere.

# FEEDER CANAL TRAIL

#### 18 Miles | +300 ft. Elevation

This route is predominatly a stone dust riding surface. The route follows the original 1820's canal system, most of which is off road. This is an out & back route that can be shortened by turning around anywhere.



# SCHROON RIVER - BEAN RD. GRAVEL LOOP

#### 18 miles | +1000 ft. Elevation

This loop contains dirt roads and seasonally maintained roads. East Schroon River Road and portions of Bean Road are town-maintained dirt roads. Burnt Hill Road and portions of Bean Road are seasonally maintained.

## CHAMPLAIN CANAL

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#### 24 Miles | between Fort Edward & Fort Ann

Paved and unpaved trail along both the historic and modern Champlain Canals, passing by canal locks, woods, wetlands, farmlands, and scenic vistas. This is an out & back route that can be shortened by turning around anywhere.

# **BRANT LAKE BIKE PARK**

# 5 miles

Professionally built single track mountain bike trail network on the 207 acres of Bartonville Mountain. A new flow trail has been added for 2021.

# **GURNEY LANE RECREATION AREA**

# 10 miles

A combination of single and double track trails on 152 acres on Red Bull's list the Best of the Northeast. Trail Forks lists Gurney Lane as one of the busiest trail networks in NY State. Gurney Lane South trails were built in 2020, and offer an additional 2 miles of single track.

# **GARNET HILL**

#### 3 miles

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Single track trails with striking views of the Adirondack's high peaks.

## NORTH CREEK SKI BOWL



A combination of multi-use and dedicated single track mountain bike trails with switchbacks and some challenging climbs.

For more information, new & updated maps, plus the latest bicycling news & events, visit ADKCyclingAdvocates.org