

**2009 U.S. OPEN TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING PLAN  
LOCAL TRAFFIC INFORMATION**

The transportation plan for the 2009 U.S. Open Championship from June 15-21 at Bethpage State Park's Black Course is designed to provide a satellite parking system, while minimizing traffic congestion on the local roads surrounding Bethpage State Park. Local traffic representatives from New York State, the Village of Farmingdale, Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA), Nassau County, Suffolk County and the local townships have been involved in the planning process with the USGA for the past two years.

All general spectators attending the 2009 U.S. Open at Bethpage should utilize free championship parking, located at Jones Beach State Park. Nearly 11,000 parking spaces have been secured at Jones Beach in Parking Fields 3, 4 and 5 to ensure that the anticipated 45,000 daily spectators enjoy trouble-free travel to and from the championship. From Jones Beach, the USGA will provide more than 125 complimentary shuttle buses that will run continuously from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily, dropping spectators off within 100 yards of the championship's main admission gate.

MTA Long Island Rail Road (LIRR) will also provide spectators with a fast, convenient option to get to the U.S. Open. The LIRR will offer regular and extra service to accommodate those attending the U.S. Open. Spectators will travel to the LIRR Farmingdale Station, where they will board buses for a short ride to the Championship. Train service will be provided in both directions on the Ronkonkoma Branch to accommodate customers traveling from either New York City or eastern Long Island. Transfer from other branches is also available. Visit the LIRR U.S. Open webpage at [www.mta.info](http://www.mta.info) for more information on the train service.

Local residents wishing to be dropped off at the championship should utilize the taxi/limo/passenger drop area, located at the Nassau County Fire Service Academy on Winding Road. Vehicles (15-passenger and smaller) should access this area via Interstate 495/Long Island Expressway, taking the Round Swamp Road exit. Vehicles will travel south on Round Swamp Road, turning left (east) onto Bethpage Sweet Hollow Road and then turning right onto Winding Road.

Area residents are asked to be mindful of the following guidelines and road closings during the week of the Championship to ensure a smooth traffic flow:

The following will be completely closed to motorists, 24-hours a day for the duration of the U.S. Open:

- Round Swamp Road, inside Bethpage State Park between Quaker Meeting House Road and Winding Road.
- Entrances to Bethpage State Park at Central Avenue, Quaker Meeting House Road, and east of the Bethpage State Parkway Traffic Circle.

The following will be closed daily from 5:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. for the duration of the Championship:

- The entire Bethpage State Parkway (BSP) from Southern State Parkway (SSP) and Bethpage State Park, (Associated BSP entrance ramps will be closed at Boundary Avenue, NY Route 24, Central Avenue, Powell Avenue/Plainview Road, SSP westbound to BSP northbound, SSP eastbound to BSP northbound, SSP eastbound to Linden Street, and Linden Street to SSP and BSP)
- Powell Avenue/Plainview Road east of Stymsus Avenue
- Quaker Meeting House Road between Round Swamp Road and Merritt Road
- Round Swamp Road between Lois Lane and Winding Road
- Winding Road between Bethpage Sweet Hollow Road and Round Swamp Road (limited to local businesses and traffic accessing the taxi/limo/passenger drop)

Due to increased U.S. Open traffic, several roads will be closed at the following intersections: Local traffic should follow alternate routes. Those intersections include:

- Yoakum Street at the intersection of Bethpage Road
- Lenox Road at the intersection of Bethpage Road
- Anita Place at the intersection of Bethpage Road
- Hill Road at the intersection of Merritt Road
- Holly Avenue at the intersection of Merritt Road



Bethpage 8th Hole

Temporary "No Parking" restrictions will be in place on all major streets near Bethpage State Park. They include the following roads:

- Melville Road between NY State Route 110 and Main Street
- All of Powell Place
- All of Bethpage Road
- Secatogue Avenue between Melville Road to Eastern Parkway
- Winding Road between Bethpage Sweet Hollow Road and Round Swamp Road

The Village of Farmingdale, the Town of Oyster Bay and the Town of Babylon have designated several neighborhood roads as no parking except for local residents. These areas will be posted and strictly enforced.

For all local Dealers, let's get the exercise we all know we need by walking to the Village. For people coming by train, our Main Street is two short blocks west of the station. On Saturday and Sunday we will have 2 full days of trolley rides. If you were lucky enough to win a free parking pass for Howitt MS the trolley will travel down Grant Avenue to Main Street then to the train station for you to be processed through security for your short bus ride to the Golf Course. There will be trolley stops along Main Street for US Open ticket holders to travel back and forth. Our parking lots are open for business. Please follow ALL parking regulations. We will not be tolerant of anyone parking illegally to try to gain access to the US Open. You will receive a summons and your car will be towed if you are not following our simple rules.

Due to increased traffic volume, several local roads should be avoided during peak travel times. They include:

- N.Y. State Route 110 between I-495 and the Southern State Parkway
- N.Y. State Route 135 between I-495 and the Southern State Parkway
- Melville Road west of NY Route 110
- Powell Place/Bethpage Road in the Village of Farmingdale
- Central Avenue east of NY Route 135
- Merritt Road North of NY Route 24
- Plainview Road/Powell Avenue in the vicinity of NY Route 135
- Round Swamp Road south of I495
- Bethpage Sweet Hollow Road between Round Swamp Road and Spagnoli Road
- Spagnoli Road west of NY Route 110

Alternate routes during the week are strongly recommended.

For more information on the 2009 U.S. Open and for regular transportation updates visit [www.USOPEN.com](http://www.USOPEN.com).

**FARMINGDALE VILLAGE REPORT**

**Inc. Village of Farmingdale**  
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**JUNE 15-21**  
**BETHPAGE STATE PARK**  
**FARMINGDALE, NY**

**FARMINGDALE VILLAGE REPORT**

Mayor George "Butch" Starkie  
Deputy Mayor Patricia A. Christiansen  
Trustee Cheryl L. Parisi  
Trustee William Barnett  
Trustee Ralph Ekstrand

Dear Resident,

We are almost there!! In a few short weeks the US OPEN will be back in the Village. I want you to know that your Village Board and our Village staff have worked as a team to ready our Village for this exciting event.

Under the leadership of Deputy Mayor Pat Christiansen, our incredible beautification committee has truly enhanced our Main Street and pocket parks with a beautiful selection of flowers and hanging baskets. Trustee Cheryl Parisi has used her many talents to create the mailings and enhance the website to notify the community of the events and festivities planned during US Open Week. Trustee Bill Barrett and Trustee Ralph Ekstrand have attended countless meetings with the USGA and every government agency known to man to keep the traffic flowing, people moving, and everyone safe.

Village Clerk Dave Smollett and DPW Superintendent Andrew Fisch have stepped to the plate. Our DPW staff has installed new lights on Main Street, built new temporary overflow parking facilities and put a real shine on our Village. I want to personally thank them for the incredible job they are doing now and continue to do year round.

Working with the USGA has been a great pleasure. Their well oiled organization has transformed Bethpage Golf Course into a mini city. They will move 100s of thousands of people during the week to and from the venue, deal with 1000s of employees and volunteers and never have I seen them lose their cool. They have worked tirelessly promoting our Village, Main Street and its merchants. A special thanks to Danny Sink, Hank Thompson, and Robbie Zalneck and our contact people at this huge organization. They make it all look easy.

Thank you Debbie Podolski, President of our Farmingdale Chamber of Commerce, and her team of merchants for putting together a wonderful map of our Village and the greater Farmingdale area. The map highlights all participating members and offers a discount card that can be used at their establishments. 5000 USGA volunteers were given the map in their package when they attended their training.

Lastly and most importantly to me is to thank all our residents for the honor you have bestowed on me by allowing me to represent our Village. Thank you for sharing the Village we all love with the world. Please come to Main Street and enjoy all we have to offer. We urge you to read all the literature we have mailed for parking rules and road closures. Our website will also post all information relating to US Open Week, [www.farmingdalevillage.com](http://www.farmingdalevillage.com). Movie nights are Monday, Wednesday, and Friday with live music and cartoons before the feature film.

I look forward to seeing you around town. I'm sure we will all enjoy a memorable US Open week in our Village of Farmingdale.

Mayor George "Butch" Starkie



*"Come be a Part of History"*



# PARKING

In a few short weeks, the U.S. Open will be played at Bethpage State Park's Black Course. Over the past several months, the Village has been working with the USGA and the MTA to develop a plan which will accommodate the tens of thousands of spectators who will be using the Long Island Rail Road to travel to the Championship. This plan has designated the Farmingdale Station as the transfer point for these spectators. From the Farmingdale Station, the USGA and MTA will provide shuttle bus service to Bethpage State Park. We apologize for any inconvenience you may incur. Please call Village Hall at 249-0093 if you have any questions.

## FOR 12 HOUR PARKING PERMIT HOLDERS

It will be necessary to close some of the parking at the Station as well as provide for additional parking for the commuters that use the railroad. Municipal Lot # 7 (located behind "Wings Over Farmingdale" and the "Inn on Main") will be used for overflow railroad parking from June 11th through June 21st. We are asking all 12 hour permit holders who use this parking lot to utilize the new temporary lot on Jackson Avenue (S. Front Street @ Clinton Street) or any of the other 12 hour parking areas. There will be attendants on hand to help with any parking issues.

## FOR RAILROAD PERMIT HOLDERS

In order to accommodate this activity, we have worked with the USGA and MTA to temporarily modify the parking availability for railroad permit holders. Beginning Thursday, June 11th through Sunday, June 21st, a majority of the south parking lot at the station will be closed. Beginning Saturday, June 13th through Sunday, June 21st, a small portion of the north parking lot will be closed. Arrangements have been made for parking in other lots within the Village. There will be identifiable attendants directing people to the next closest available lot. There is more than adequate parking to accommodate those who must be relocated from these areas. Those affected have been notified with a special mailing.

## VILLAGE RESIDENT PARKING PASSES

The U.S. Open Transportation Plan calls for a few temporary road closures and intersection barricades so that the championship traffic can be confined and controlled.

In addition, the Village will be controlling the parking within a few neighborhoods near Bethpage State Park. Those affected residents have been notified with a special mailing.

## ROAD CLOSINGS

Quaker Meeting House Road at Puritan Lane  
 Quaker Meeting House Road at Round Swamp Road  
 Merritt Road at Hill Road  
 Merritt Road at Holly Road  
 Bethpage Road at Yoakum Avenue  
 Bethpage Road at Lenox Street  
 Bethpage Road at Anita Street

NO PARKING ALONG BUS ROUTE -  
 Melville Road, Scootogue Avenue, Powell Place, Bethpage Road and Eastern Parkway across from the train station

## LOCAL LAW 3

A new law was enacted due to the many complaints received in 2002 re: people parking cars on their front lawn. Not only was this extremely dangerous but it was unsightly. Here is the law: In a residential district, there will be no parking of automobiles, temporarily or otherwise, on lawns except when there is a declared emergency. A violation of this provision shall result in a fine of \$350.00 per vehicle parking on a lawn.



Bethpage State Park (Black Course) Ninth Hole

## Entertainment "On the Green"



June 15th -	7:30 - 8:30 pm -	Saltzman Elementary School Chorus and Band
	8:30 pm -	Cartoon: Donald Duck's Golf Game
		Movie: Greatest Game Ever Played
June 17th -	6:30 - 8:00 pm -	LIU Brass Quintet
	8:00 pm -	Albany Avenue Recorder Group
		FHS Barber Shop Quartet
	8:30 pm -	Cartoon: Tom & Jerry Tee for Two
		Movie: Legend of Bagger Vance

## US OPEN WEEK VILLAGE OF FARMINGDALE JUNE 15 - 21



June 19th -	7:00 pm -	St. Kilian's Players - Beauty and the Beast
	7:30 - 8:30 pm	Doo Wop Group (Gene McCoy, Director)
	8:30 pm -	Cartoon: Kipper Crazy Golf
		Movie: Happy Gilmore
June 20th -	4:00 - 7:00 pm -	Band - Rockslide

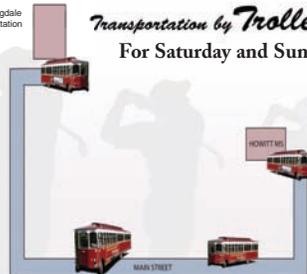
## SPECIAL THANKS TO THE USGA and MTA for:

- \* Banners on Main Street
- \* Assistance with the Trolley and Parking Attendants
- \* Construction of temporary parking on Jackson Avenue
- \* Resident Parking Passes
- \* Printing of the newsletter
- \* MTA/LIRR has repaired potholes, median, and sidewalks
- \* MTA/LIRR has fixed the gaps
- \* MTA/LIRR has resurfaced, painted, installed new handrails and steps in the tunnel connecting the north and south parking lots

Farmingdale Train Station

## Transportation by Trolley!

For Saturday and Sunday Only - June 20th and 21st -



All Farmingdale residents with US Open tickets are encouraged to walk to the train station, go through security and take a short bus ride to the Open. On Saturday and Sunday, we have a free trolley for ticket holders to go from the train to Howitt Middle School and back. The trolleys will run from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm with stops along Main Street.



Bethpage State Park (Black Course) Eighth Hole