

# Day Road Park

5014 Day Road, Lockport NY 14094

Day Road Park is a 48 acre site at the intersection of Day Road and East High Street. Day Road Park was originally owned by the County of Niagara. Although the park is contiguous to a large tract of County-owned land on the north and east sides of the park, it is otherwise surrounded by a heavily developed residential area to the south and west of the park. The rapidly developing east side of the Town of Lockport accounts for much of the popularity of the Day Road Park since it opened to public use in 2007.

Niagara County owns a tract of over 200 acres located between Davison Road and Day Road, and between NY 31 and East High Street. The County operates the Niagara County Golf Course and a Model Airplane Field on other developed portions of this site. The County and the Town collaborated in the initial development of recreational facilities until the eventual sale of the site in 2006 to the Town of Lockport.

As the above timeline indicates, Day Road Park today is a multi-purpose recreational facility. The park offers a barrier-free playground for young children, Stephanie Moore Verratti Memorial Gazebo with picnic tables to enjoy a picnic lunch, memorial tree walking paths for all age groups, two regulation soccer fields and two practice soccer fields. Day Road Park also serves as the home of Santa's Christmas Cottage which is open during the Christmas Season for the children to visit Santa Claus!

The Town entered into an agreement in 2010 with the Lockport Soccer Club to operate and maintain the soccer fields, which became available for use during the 2010-2011 season. Since that time, the soccer fields have evidenced a tremendous amount of play, hosting both regularly scheduled league play as well as attracting teams from outside areas for tournament play. Currently, the Lockport Soccer Club has over 250 players (12-14 teams) that compete in the Buffalo & Western New York Junior Soccer League. The Day Road Park soccer fields play host to over 48 league games annually; each game typically attracts over 90 spectators per field.

