



**Stanborough  
Park**

# *A Day Out*

*Your Guide to Stanborough Park*



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# Welcome to Stanborough Park

Located on the outskirts of Welwyn Garden City in Hertfordshire, Stanborough Park offers 126 acres of award winning picturesque parklands, two lakes, the River Lee, Watersports Centre, children's play areas, café, restaurant and two car parks. Enjoy the tranquillity of the nature reserve, learn a new skill at the watersports centre, take to the water in a hired rowing boat or simply spend time with the family in the children's play area - Stanborough Park is a great day out for all.

## Park Reception Opening Times

### Summer Season 1st April - 30th Sep

Monday to Sunday	9am - 5pm
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### Winter Season 1st Oct - 31st March

Monday to Sunday	9am - 3pm (weather dependant)
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Monday to Friday	Closed
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## Walks

Follow the circular Nature Trail route around the lakes and the reed beds, or burn some calories on one of the Healthy Living walks - Stanborough Park has many way-marked trails for you to explore.

Maps and trail guides can be purchased at reception, or downloaded free from our website [www.finesseleisure.com](http://www.finesseleisure.com).

The Lee Valley Walk, which finishes at the Thames in London, also runs through the park if you are looking for a much longer route.

## Flora & Fauna

- Stanborough Park provides a popular haven for a variety of bird life. Waterfowl gather on the banks of the lakes, while Grey Heron and Kingfishers can be seen searching for fish on the lake and River Lee.

- Stanborough Reed Marsh Reserve, at the southern tip of the Sailing Lake, is a rich haven for wildlife and as the third largest reed bed in Hertfordshire, it represents a unique example of a wetland habitat providing an important refuge for plants, animals, insects and nesting birds.

- Interpretative boards featuring the wildlife of Stanborough can be found by both the North and South Lakes, and a downloadable factsheet can be found on our website [www.finesseleisure.com](http://www.finesseleisure.com).

- Remember if you are feeding the birds at Stanborough Park, please feed them seeds or grains on the banks, as many foodstuffs (such as bread) can cause a range of water quality problems.



## Fishing

The South Lake and River Lee provide attractive sites for a day by the water's edge. You can catch carp, perch, rudd, bream, tench and roach at Stanborough Park. Fishing operates on a day ticket basis and the rates are below. Permits can be purchased from fishing bailiff.

Adult	£6.00
Junior/Concession	£3.00



## Fun Activities

For traditional summer fun, why not hire one of our rowing boats and take to the water on the North Lake. Alternatively bring along your model boat and race them around the Model Boating Lake.

### Rowing Boat Hire

Summer Season 1st April - 31st August  
Weekends & School Holidays 11am - 4pm

Rowing boat (1/2 hour hire)	£6.53
Canoe (1/2 hour hire)	£3.00
Deposit per boat	£10.00



## Children's Play Area & Toilets

On the North Side of Stanborough Park, there is also a children's play area with swings, slides, climbing frames and much more. There are toilets adjacent to the play area.

## Events

Stanborough Park hosts many events throughout the year - visit our website at [www.finesseleisure.com](http://www.finesseleisure.com) to see a Calendar of Upcoming Events. If you are interested in hiring Stanborough Park for an event or fund-raising activity, please contact us on **01707 327655**.

## Watersports Centre

Stanborough Park is the ideal place to learn to sail, windsurf, kayak or canoe. Accredited by the Royal Yachting Association, the centre has a friendly and experienced team of instructors on hand to deliver taster sessions, weekend and school holiday sessions as well as team-building activities.

Don't forget to pick up your copy of the 2010 watersports programme, filled with activities for all ages. Available at reception or download from our website at: [www.finesseleisure.com](http://www.finesseleisure.com)



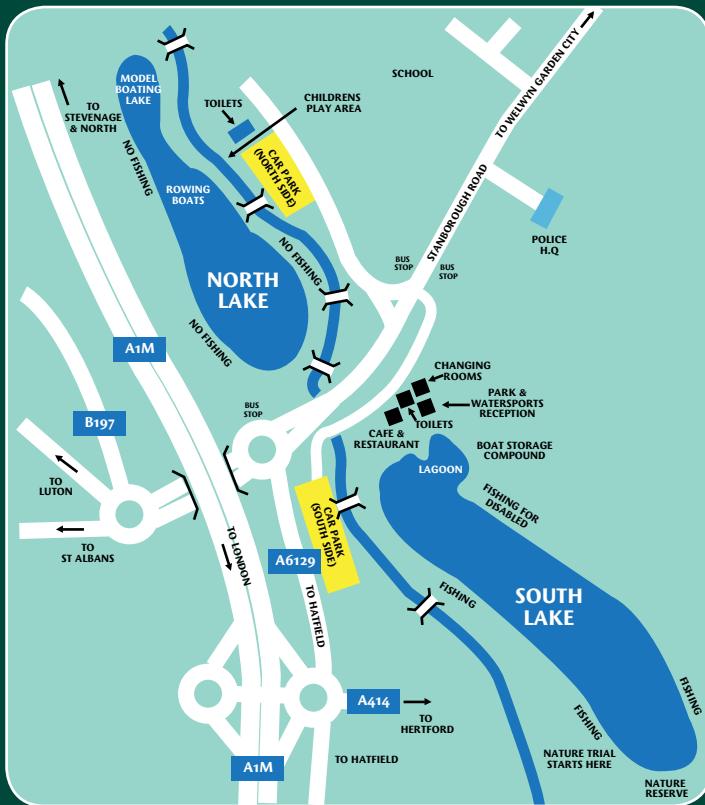
## Car Parking

There are car parks located within both the North and South sides of Stanborough Park. Car parking operates on a pay & display basis:

Resident/Pass Holder (Mon - Sun)	70p
Windscreen Disco Holder	£1.00
Non Pass Holder (Mon-Fri)	£1.70
Non Pass Holder (weekends & bank holidays)	£2.70
Blue Badge Holder	Free
Motor Cycles	Free

## Miscellaneous

Orienteering maps	£1.00
For sale adverts per week	50p



**By Car:** Leave the A1(M) at junction 4 and follow the signs to Stanborough Park

**By Train:** Stanborough Park is 1/2 mile from Welwyn Garden City Station

**By Bus:** There is a bus stop on Stanborough Road. Sovereign Central Line 300 and several restricted routes stop outside the park. 340, 365, 366 & 695. Telephone Herts Traveline on 0871 200 22 33 for details.

### Stanborough Park

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