

HISTORIC SITE

Jackson Park

In 1893 the Nicholls Park Trust purchased this park from the Dixon family who had operated a logging and milling business near this site. In the 1830s, a nearby quarry provided stone for the County Court House, Hutchison House and St John's Church. The Park was the keystone for a system of parks, including Nicholls Oval and Inverlea Park, to provide the area with "urban lungs" and recreation. The park was named for B. Jackson a nephew of philanthropist Charlotte Jane Jackson Nicholls. In the early 1900s the street railway that served it offered its riders free park recreational activities such as skating, tobogganing, band concerts, a merry-go-round, and outdoor motion pictures. Jackson Creek, flowing from the Cavan Swamp to downtown Peterborough, dominates this park's 49 hectares of natural woods, waters, roadways and trails, and a unique pogoda Bridge.

In memory of Bertram Douglas Boyce
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