

= Hulets Landing , New York =

Hulets Landing is a hamlet in the town of Dresden in northern Washington County , New York , United States . A lakeside community on the eastern shore of Lake George in the Adirondack Mountains , Hulets Landing is located entirely within the Adirondack Park . There is only one roadway access to the hamlet , County Route 6 and its suffixed routes , which head north @-@ south . Hulets Landing is geographically located at 43 ° 38 ' 21 " N 73 ° 30 ' 25 " W and has approximately two centuries of written history .

The hamlet derives its name from the Hulett family , which resided in the area for several generations after Revolutionary War soldier David Hulett moved near the lakeside and began farming . In 1874 his descendant Philander Hulett built a boat landing , a general store , and a post office . This opened the scenic corner of the lake to steamship traffic and tourism . This suffered a major setback in 1915 when the hamlet 's largest hotel burned to its foundation , but tourism remained an important factor to the local economy . The town ( Dresden ) population , not Hulets Landing , is 695 , according to 2007 U.S. Census Bureau estimates .

= = History = =

The Hulett family appears to have been of French origin and came to North America to avoid religious persecution for their Huguenot beliefs . David Hulett , the founder of Hulets Landing , was born in Killingly , Connecticut c . 1758 ? 1762 and served as a private under General James Wadsworth during the American Revolution . For three years the unit where Pvt. Hulett served fought mainly in upstate New York . Oral history asserts that David Hulett fought heroically at the Battle of Saratoga where he refused to leave the field despite an injury to his neck . The Hulett family settled near Lake George c . 1804 , possibly because of a land grant offered to veterans in lieu of wages for service . Along with Bolton , New York and Putnam , New York , Hulett 's Landing is one of three place names on Lake George relating with Wadsworth 's Connecticut brigade .

Until 1874 the Hulets Landing area was known as Bosom Bay . Successive generations of the Hulett family lived by farming the area until Philander Hulett began to develop the area in the 1870s by building a steamship landing and submitting an application to build a post office . The post office application is the earliest document to use the Hulets Landing name . The existing Lake George Steamboat Company , which delivered mail as well as passengers , probably required either a post office or a tourism facility in order to justify adding a new stop to its schedule . An influential travelogue by Rev. William Henry Harrison Murray was published in 1868 and praised the Adirondacks for the relaxing effects of its picturesque wilderness . The first railroad service into the region was also built in the 1870s . The application received approval and Philander Hulett built the post office shortly afterward , housed in the same building as the community 's first store . He served as postmaster until his death in 1883 , but sold his property .

According to George T. Kapusinski in his history of the area :

Part of Philander Hulett 's property would be sold to businessman John W. Hall , but the bulk of the real estate would pass first to C.W. Wentz , an executive with the Delaware and Hudson Railroad , next to entrepreneur Henry W. Buckell , and finally by the early part of the 20th century to William H. Wyatt , an owner of hotels . All of these successive owners saw their first and primary role as marketing the property as a tourist attraction .

The first Lakeside Inn was constructed for John W. Hall in 1877 ? 1878 on a 1 acre ( 0 @.@ 0040 km<sup>2</sup> ) lot . Although the only direct access to Hulets Landing was by ferry , a combination of train , coach , and ferry was normal for Adirondack vacationers of the period . Hulets Hotel grew from expansions on the original farmhouse until a fire destroyed it on 14 November 1915 . It was hastily rebuilt for the 1916 tourist season , but questions of arson arose , and led to trial . Tourism has continued to be a mainstay of the community 's economy . Adirondack Park was originally established in 1892 . In 1931 an eastward expansion brought Lake George and its communities within park boundaries .

## == Geography ==

Hulett's Landing is located at coordinates 43 ° 38' N 73 ° 30' W / 43 ; -73.30 . It is located on the northern shore of Lake George , which is a 32 mile ( 51 km ) lake in the Adirondacks . Hulett's Landing is entirely situated within the Adirondack Park , which is the largest state park in the United States . Nearly two thirds of the property within the park 's formal range is privately owned with various land use restrictions .

The climate of Hulett's Landing is diverse . On average , the coolest month is January , while the warmest is July . The highest monthly precipitation in the area , on average , occurs in August . The lowest recorded temperature was 38 ° F ( 39 ° C ) in 1979 , while the highest was 103 ° F ( 39 ° C ) in 1953 .

## == Transportation ==

Hulett's Landing is a remote hamlet , accessible by car only via Washington County Route 6 , which branches off of nearby New York State Route 22 . The main road is known as Hulett's Landing Road , and spawns two suffixed routes which reach different parts of Hulett's Landing . The first is County Route 6A , which is better known as Lands End Road , heads southward while the other , County Route 6B , which is better known as Bluff Head Road , brings the traveler northward , to locations such as Washington County Park and Hulett's Landing Marina . Hulett's Landing County Park is also on CR 6B .

The airport at Burlington , Vermont is approximately one hour drive from the eastern section of Adirondack Park , where Hulett's Landing is located . A smaller airport within Adirondack Park is Adirondack Regional Airport in Saranac Lake .

## == Tourism ==

The area sees most of its tourism during the summer and the fall foliage season , virtually shutting down in winter . Nearby attractions include lake cruises , canoeing , golf , and hiking . Historic attractions of Hulett's Landing also included hunting and local proprietors of the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries provided weekly fireworks displays during tourist season .