

Letter: Hempstead is better for its new dog park

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Many of my dog-owning friends and I applaud Town of Hempstead Supervisor Anthony Santino for providing a long-awaited dog park ["Newbridge Park gets town's first dog park," News, Sept. 21].

This park is a giant step toward ending antiquated laws that segregate dogs from society. Providing a safe place for dogs to interact with other dogs and people will make sure our canine companions are happy, healthy members of our communities.

The park is clean and well-equipped. On the day I visited, dogs of all sizes and temperaments were enjoying the park and interacting positively. Thank you to Anthony Santino for following through on his commitment to bring our town parks into a new era.

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Editor's note: The writer is chair of the Long Island Dog Owners Group, an advocacy organization.