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ICY CREEK BUSH CAMP



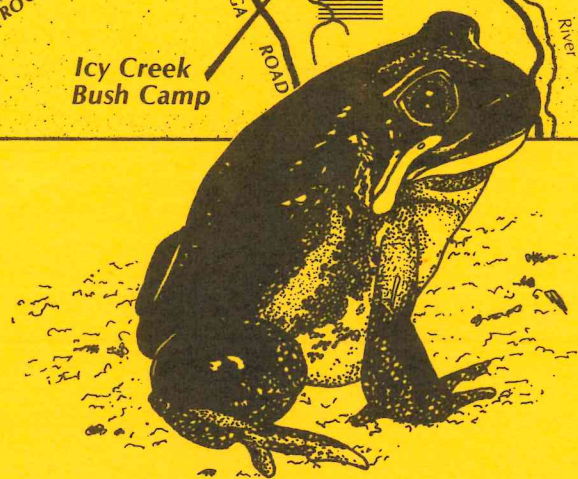
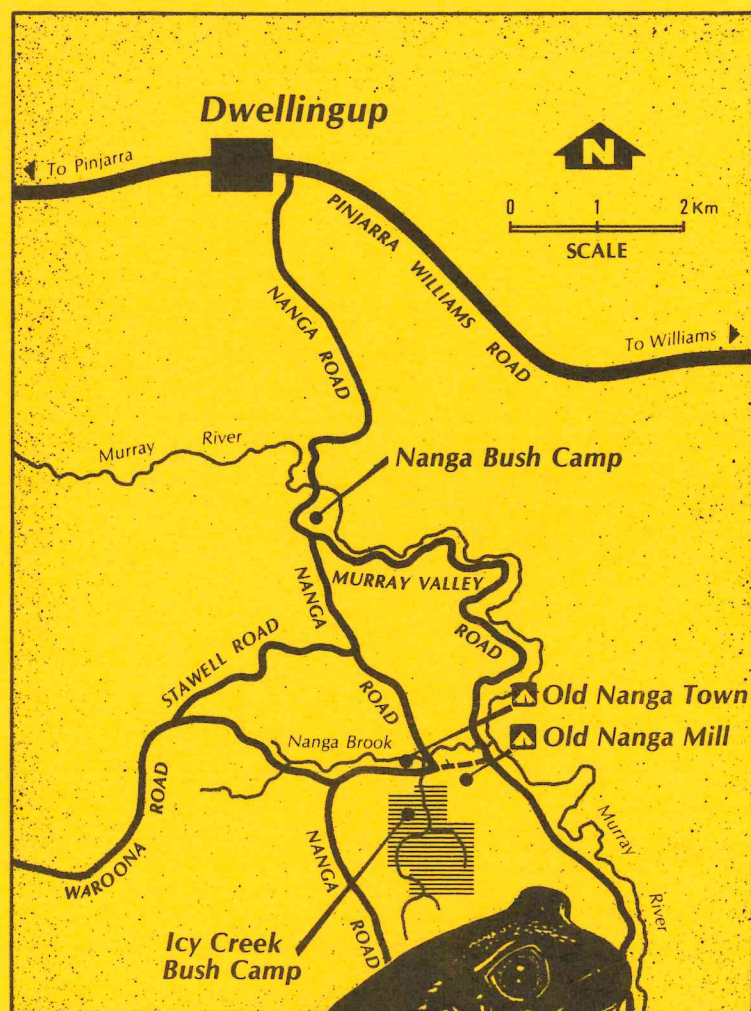
Visitor Information Guide



Department of Conservation
and Land Management



In co-operation with
Morley Senior High School



Icy Creek Bush Camp

Icy Creek Bush Camp for environmental studies is situated within a clearing surrounded by tall jarrah forest of the 54 000ha Land Poole Reserve, Dwellingup.

Icy Creek is a tributary of Nanga Brook which flows into the Murray River.

The entrance to Icy Creek Bush Camp is opposite the old Nanga townsite and close to the present Nanga Mill Camping Area. For security it is not signposted. Look for the white posts either side of the driveway. It is 12km from Dwellingup along the Nanga Road and 90km from Perth.

Things To Do

Icy Creek Bush Camp provides the opportunity to explore our most significant jarrah forest reserve.

Here, tall jarrah with an understory including banksia, casuarina and many attractive wildflowers are amongst the 500 plant species found within the Lane Poole Reserve.

The various plant communities throughout the reserve provide habitats for a diverse range of fauna that the observant and adventurous may be fortunate enough to encounter while at Icy Creek. Fauna listed for the reserve includes 29 species of mammals, 21 reptiles and amphibians, 10 fish species and 78 birds.

As well as providing an excellent opportunity to practice camping skills, the area is well suited to environmental awareness activities and scientific ecological studies.

The forest environment surrounding Icy Creek Camp is an ideal context from which to consider forest management issues such as conservation, recreation, fire protection, dieback disease control, catchment area water quality and the timber and bauxite mining industries.

Proximity to the 16km King Jarrah Walktrail circuit, the old Nanga Mill, Nanga Brook, and two dams at the bush camp, provide easy access to a range of outdoor activities.

Facilities

Icy Creek has been established as a place for community and school groups to tent camp away from public camping areas.

Campsites: Icy Creek has several camping areas ranging from semi-developed sites with toilets, fire-rings, tables, tent pads and close proximity to vehicles; to more primitive walk-in sites with only toilets and fire-rings. Camping areas cater for both large and small groups and visitors may choose to camp either in the forest or on an open, grassed area.

Parking: Limited parking is provided separate from the camping areas. To maintain the bush setting, all vehicles must be parked in the designated areas after unloading at campsites.

Swimming: There are two small dams on Icy Creek. The top one may be used for supervised swimming. The other will remain natural. We insist that no soap be used in the creek or the dams.

Rubbish: Visitors should keep all rubbish in strong plastic rubbish bags to be removed on departure. Groups take out what they bring in.

Firewood: To avoid depletion of the forest, firewood is provided.



Fires are only permitted in fireplaces provided. All fires are banned when fire danger is 'very high' or 'extreme'. Take care with fire and use firewood sparingly.

Water: A rainwater tank supplies a single tap outlet for communal use. Visitors will need to bring buckets.

Activity Areas: A forest-canopied amphitheatre has been constructed for group meetings and performances. There is also a large open area for recreational activities.

Resource Centre: A house has been converted to a Resource Centre for use by educational groups involved in field studies. Groups are encouraged to contribute to the collection of resource materials and activities on display. A first aid area is available in the Centre.

Safety: Your enjoyment and safety is our concern but the users responsibility. Take particular care while swimming or bushwalking.



Planning

You are responsible for all activities while at the camp. Be well prepared for your programmed activities, provision of meals, coping with emergencies and wet weather. The camp is not staffed or catered for, and resources provided are limited. Leaders must visit the camp before the group camp date.

Things to Bring

You will need to bring all camping equipment: tents; sleeping bags; adequate clothing and footwear for all weather conditions; first aid equipment; rubbish bags; buckets, and axe; and lights (there is no electricity).

You also will need to bring all educational materials and equipment for proposed activities.

After Your Visit

A post visit inspection is conducted by CALM. So we can better provide for the needs of camp visitors, we would appreciate your feedback on the camp in the form of written and verbal evaluation of your visit and any response from the student or groups.

Teachers are asked to provide samples of their programs to build up an Ideas Folder for all teachers using the centre. In addition, groups are welcome to contribute creative work, projects, natural discoveries and other resources which will enhance the centre and provide stimulus for other groups. Such materials and information can be forwarded to Alternative Upper School Program, Morley Senior High School, Bramwell Road, Noranda, W A 6062.

General Information

1. Keys for Icy Creek are to be picked up and returned to CALM at Dwellingup.
2. Resource Centre is not to be used for accommodation or the preparation and serving of meals.
3. The First Aid area in the Resource Centre is available for use.
4. A generator is available on request from Morley Senior High school to provide power for the Resource Centre.
5. No footwear is to be worn in the Resource Centre.
6. Storm sheets are available for bad weather and are located in the Supervisor's room in the Resource Centre.
7. The Resource Centre is to be left clean and tidy.
8. Fires are restricted to fire rings and wood is to be used sparingly. All fires are to be extinguished when not supervised.
Trenches must not be dug around tent pads.
9. Combustible rubbish is to be consumed in fires and the remainder is to be placed into black garbage bags (in Resource Centre) and left next to the generator hut in the top car park.
10. The outdoor areas are to be left clean and tidy.
11. All vegetation, whether living or dead, is an important part of the forest environment. Please leave it undisturbed.

Booking

Book well ahead.

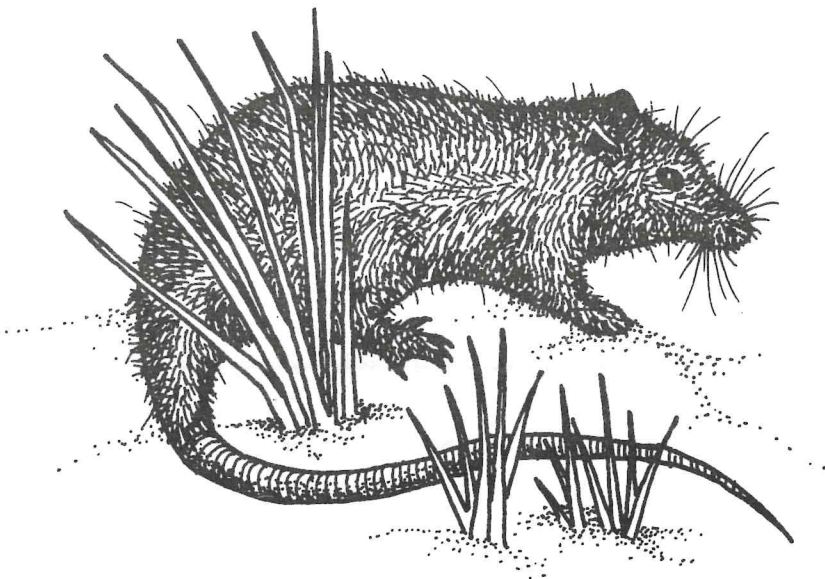
There is a charge of \$3 per adult per day and \$2 per day for school-aged children.

For educational groups, the charge is \$2 per day for teachers. These funds are used to improve the facilities and resources at the camp. It is preferable that a leader coming on the camp makes the booking and arranges a pre visit to become familiar with the operations of the centre.

A non-refundable deposit of \$30 is required.

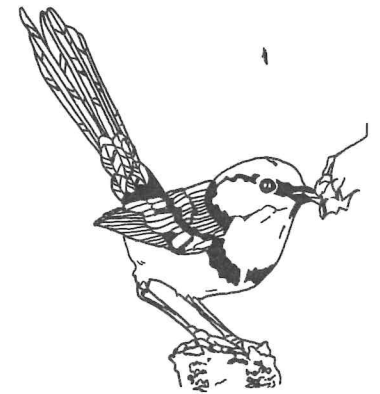
For further information and bookings, contact

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Bramwell Road
Noranda W A 6062
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NORANDA W A 6062
Telephone: 276 5766



Name of Group/Organisation: _____

Address: _____

Person in Charge (Contact): _____

Phone No. _____ After hours No. _____

Proposed dates from: _____ to: _____

A non-refundable \$30 deposit is to be forwarded with this sheet. Any cheques are to be made payable to the YEO at Morley High School. All monies are to be received at this office 14 days prior to occupation.

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Pre-visit Inspection	
Booking Confirmed	
Total Rental	
Less Deposit	
Amount Owng	
Receipted	
Forwarded to CALM	

Participants

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