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Things To Bring

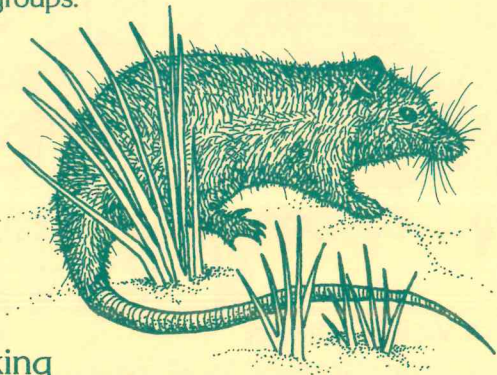
You will need to bring all camping equipment – tents; sleeping bags, mats and pillows; cooking utensils and food; adequate clothing and footwear for all weather conditions; first aid equipment; rubbish bags; buckets; an axe; and lights (there is no electricity).

Additionally you will need to bring all educational materials and equipment for proposed activities.

Post Visit Procedures

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 responses from the students 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.



Booking

If planning a visit book well ahead.

There is a charge of \$2 per head per day for adults and \$1 per day for school aged children.

For educational groups the charge is \$1 per head per day for teachers and students. These funds are used to improve the facilities and resources at the camp. There is an additional charge for firewood.

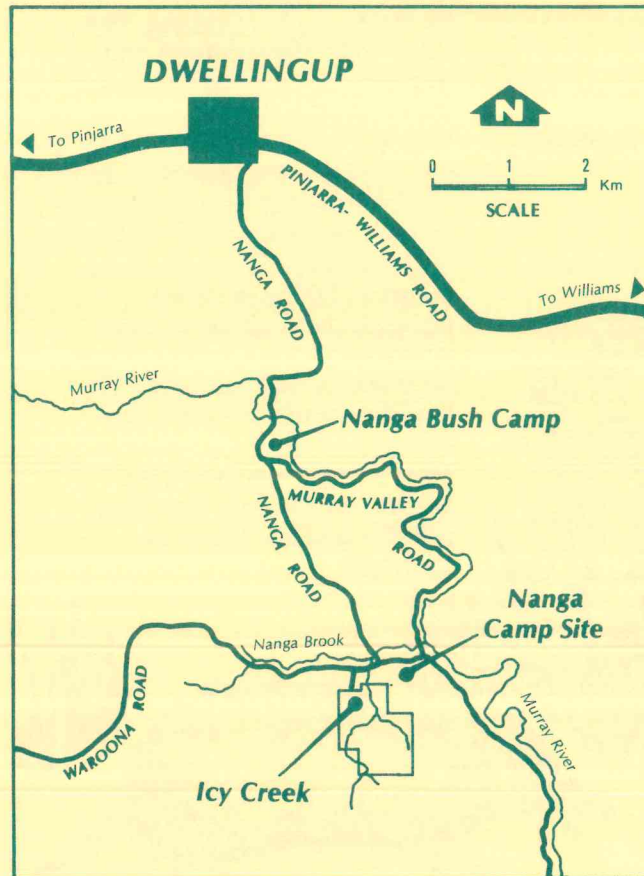
It is preferable that a leader coming on the camp makes the booking and arranges a pre visit to be familiarized with the operations of the centre.

Further Information And Bookings

Dwellingup District Office
Banksiadale Road,
Dwellingup WA 6213
(095)38 1078

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Education Officer
Department of Conservation
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Icy Creek Bush Camp



Visitors Information Guide

Department of Conservation
and Land Management



Icy Creek Bush Camp for environmental studies is situated within a clearing surrounded by tall jarrah forest of the 54000 ha Lane Poole Reserve.

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

The Icy Creek Camp is situated opposite the original Nanga townsite and close to the present Nanga camping area.

The Icy Creek Camp is 12km from Dwellingup and 90km from Perth.



Things To Do

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

Here tall jarrah with an understorey 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 use of environmental awareness activities, and to more 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 extractive industries of timber and bauxite mining.

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

Facilities

Icy Creek has been established as a place for community and school groups to camp, under canvas, away from the public camping area.

Campsites: Icy Creek has several campsites 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. Sites cater for both large and small groups and visitors may choose to camp either in the forest or on an open, grassed area.

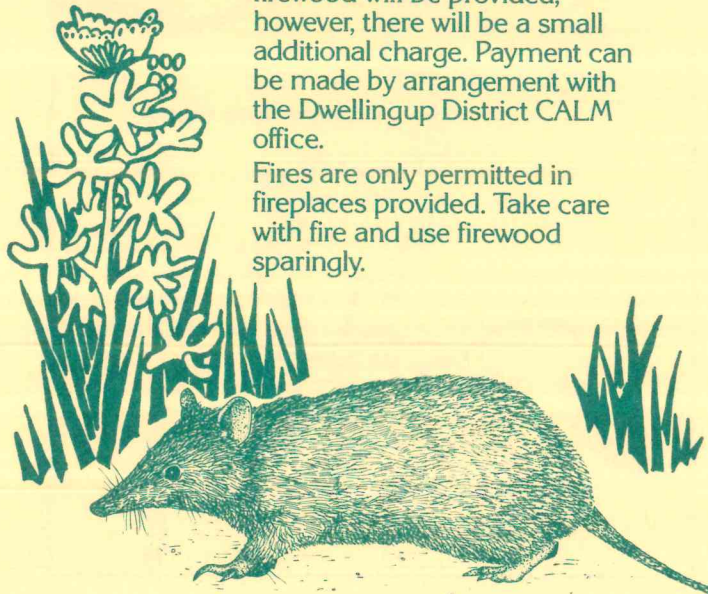
Parking: Limited parking is provided and it is separate from the camping areas. To maintain the bush setting all vehicles should be parked in the designated area after unloading at the campsite.

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

Rubbish: Visitors should keep all rubbish in strong plastic rubbish bags and it will be collected from camp sites by arrangement with CALM staff.

Firewood: To avoid depletion of the forest, firewood will be provided, however, there will be a small additional charge. Payment can be made by arrangement with the Dwellingup District CALM office.

Fires are only permitted in fireplaces provided. 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.

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

Resource Centre: The one building will eventually be converted to a Resource Centre for use by educational groups involved in field studies.

Safety: Please take care to ensure the safety of all visitors, particularly while swimming and bushwalking. Group leaders are responsible for the safety of their group, and no liability is accepted. by the Department of Conservation and Land Management.



Pre Visit Planning

You will be responsible for all activities while at the camp. You need to be well prepared for programme activities, provision of meals, and coping with emergencies and wet weather. The camp is not staffed or catered for, and resources provided are limited.

Teachers should be familiar with Education Department and school regulations concerning school camps and make appropriate arrangements.

It is necessary for leaders to visit the camp before the group camp date.