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Yanchep National Park Activities Guide



Spring 1996

If you haven't visited Yanchep National Park lately you may notice some improvements.

Since 1905 the park has been an important recreation area for many Western Australians. Visitors enjoy the tranquillity and beauty of the park's setting on the Swan Coastal Plain, the unique flora and fauna, and its historical and natural features.

As custodian of the park, the Department of Conservation and Land Management is determined to continue to provide those facilities and recreational opportunities for which Yanchep National Park is famous, while further enhancing the park's role as a major tourist destination in Western Australia.

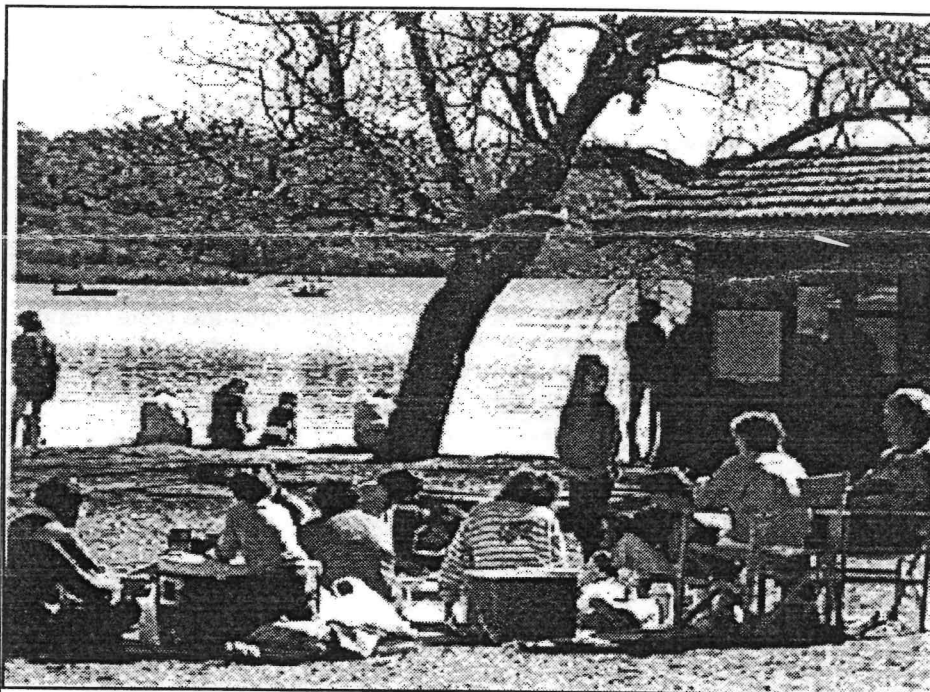
Visitors are encouraged to take park in activities such as bush walking, photography and bird-watching, and to discover many of the park's unique features.

Visitors enjoy the tranquillity and beauty of the park.

Recreation facilities such as the picnic areas and gardens are being upgraded and plans for an adventure playground and small backpack camping area will be developed.

Renovations and refitting of Ness House Visitor Centre is underway as well as repairs and restoration of Yanchep Inn.

Yanchep is a great day out, so bring a picnic lunch and stay for the day and see the improvements we are making to one of Perth's most treasured parks.



Yanchep National Park is the ideal place for a family picnic.

Relax, Encounter, Explore & Discover

Relax in a peaceful setting on the shores of Loch McNess. Free picnic and BBQ facilities are provided throughout the park. Hire a row boat and enjoy the tranquillity of Loch McNess or jump on the MV Kiwanis for a launch ride around the lake.

Encounter some of Australia's unique wildlife with kangaroos roaming freely, friendly waterbirds and colourful bush birds willing to share your lunch or visit the koala compound to see Australia's most popular marsupial.

Explore and Discover all of the features of Yanchep National Park - Wetlands, Woodlands, Heritage and Caves.

Along the walk trails at Yanchep there are many interesting ways to spend an

hour or two. Explore the wetlands, walk inside a collapsed cave or spend the whole day on the Ghost House Trail.

Yanchep is steeped in history, throughout the recreation area are heritage buildings built in the 1930's. One of these, Gloucester Lodge, is now a museum documenting the history of the local area.

Join one of the daily guided tours of Crystal Cave or if your looking for some adventure check to see when our Adventure Caving or Yonderup Cave activities are scheduled.

The park is open during all daylight hours. For further information telephone the park office on (09) 561 1004.

Descriptions of Activities

Adventure Caving

Looking for adventure and something different? Explore and experience the magic of a 'wild cave'. Hard hats and torches supplied.

Duration: 90 minutes
Cost: \$5
Age: 10 yrs +
Limit: 25
Bring: Old clothes - long sleeves, trousers & joggers



Back to Dreamtime

Link the present to the past on a ramble through a collapsed cave system. Hear some dreaming stories of our indigenous people.

Duration: 60 minutes
Cost: \$2
Limit: 25



Koala Viewing

Our park host will be at the koala compound to answer your questions about this most popular Australian animal.

Duration: Host will be in attendance for approx. 90 minutes
Cost: FREE
Limit: Unlimited
NOTE: No booking required



Yonderup Cave

This cave was once one of the tourist caves at Yanchep, it was closed in 1984 at the request of the WA Museum. The cave has been re-opened for semi-adventure caving tours. The pathways are still there but the lights are gone. Hard hats and torches supplied.

Duration: 60 minutes
Cost: \$5
Limit: 25



Wonder Walk

Use your senses to explore the wonders of Boomerang gorge. This truly is a 'Wonder Walk'.

Duration: 60 minutes
Cost: \$3
Limit: 20

Koala Kapers

Make friends with a koala and find out how we can help them. Join in activities and games and say hello to one of Yanchep's special koalas

Duration: 60 minutes
Cost: \$3
Age: 5 - 10 yrs
Limit: 25



Crystal Cave

A guided tour of one of the states most popular caves. Discover Jewel City, Sermon on the Mount, straws, helictites and much more.

Duration: 30 minutes
Cost: \$2 Ad 50c Ch
Limit: 50

NOTE: Cave tours run daily, no booking required, enquire about times on your arrival at the park.



Wetland Walk

Join a guided leisurely stroll around Loch McNess on Yanjidi Trail. Explore and enjoy one of the last pristine wetlands of the Swan Coastal Plain.

Duration: 60 minutes
Cost: \$2
Limit: 30



Meet the Koalas















Meet one of the parks celebrity koalas, learn about their unique physical adaptations, how they eat, move, groom themselves, their life-span and their enemies. See them up close and perhaps touch them.

Duration: 30 minutes
Cost: \$1
Limit: 35

October School Holiday Program

During the school holidays, families can join in many activities designed to enhance their appreciation of the environment and the park's natural values.

Group bookings welcome - contact the park office to discuss your requirements or let us work out a days program for you.

Sun	Mon <i>Queens Birthday</i>	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29 10am Adventure Caving  1pm Back To Dreamtime 2.15pm Koala Viewing	30 10.15am Wetland Walk 1pm Yonderup Cave 2.15pm Koala Viewing 	1  10.30am Wonder Walk 1.30pm Meet the Koalas	2 10.30am Yonderup Cave 1.30pm Back to Dreamtime 	3  10.30 Adventure Caving 1.30pm Yonderup Cave	4 10.30 Koala Kapers  1pm Wetland Walk	5 2.15pm Koala Viewing Bring your golf clubs and enjoy a game of golf on our 9 hole golf course. Watch out for the kangaroos! 
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HOW TO BOOK						Booking for these activities is essential. Places are limited so please book early. Make a note of the activity and the date you wish to book and phone or fax your booking to Yanchep National Park. The friendly staff at the park will answer any questions you may have or help you plan a day full of fun for the whole family.
						Phone: 561 1004 Fax: 561 1185

NOTE: If less than 10 place bookings are received by the day prior activity may be cancelled.

What's On In Spring

Gloucester Lodge Museum Open Day Sunday 15 September 1996

The management committee of the Gloucester Lodge Museum is having an 'Open Day' on the 15 September. The theme with an emphasis on youth. Units from the Cadet Corps of the Nave, Army and Air Force will participate performing a drill parade and culminating in a 'Beat to Quarters'. There will also be representation from the local Volunteer Fire and Rescue Brigade, the St Johns Ambulance and the WA Police. All three will combine in a demonstration of the procedure following a car accident. The Yanchep/Two Rocks Surf Life Saving will display their safety equipment. With this and more the day will be enlivened with music from a Bush Band and Rock Group.

Refreshments will be available from the Army Cadets Units Sausage Sizzle tent, the Salvation Army tea and coffee trailer and an ice-cream van will be standing by.

Come and enjoy a day with us. Bring your family and friends for a picnic in the park.

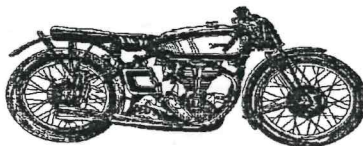
NEERABUP WALKS

Six free guided nature walks will be held in Neerabup National Park this spring. Meet in Hall Road off Wanneroo Road. The walks will start at 1pm on the following Saturdays:

September 14
September 28
October 12
October 26
All Welcome

For further information
Phone 561 1004

Vintage Motorcycle Display Sunday 10 November



Over 80 vintage and post-vintage motorcycles will be on display at the Gloucester Lodge Museum commemorating the races held at Yanchep before and after World War II.

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The Yanchep National Park Volunteer Association has launched its first newsletter.



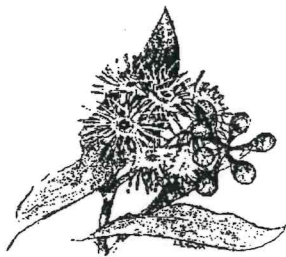
Volunteers and Voly groups affiliated with the Association will now receive a quarterly newsletter outline achievements, current and proposed projects, news of other groups and notification of Busy Bees or special events.

The creation of the newsletter has been an Association initiative designed to keep both our members and the community up to date with volunteer involvement in the park projects.

If you're interested in becoming a volunteer or would like to receive a copy of the newsletter and any further volunteer information call Therese on 405 1222 or the Park Office on 561 1004.



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