

# Lake Macquarie State Conservation Area



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## ABOUT LAKE MACQUARIE STATE CONSERVATION AREA

The bushland and open space of Lake Macquarie State Conservation Area line 16 km of Lake Macquarie's foreshore. The seven locations that form the conservation area are an excellent place for fishing and boating, picnicking and bushwalking, and for observing wildlife – the coastal and lake foreshore forest is an important habitat for kangaroos, wallabies, gliders and many birds.

Awaba Bay, the most northerly section of the SCA, has a foreshore walking track that meanders through dry sclerophyll forest, past shell middens and takes you to a tranquil wetland where bird and frog calls can be heard year round.

## WANGI WANGI POINT

Wangi Wangi Point has a network of walking tracks and nearby accommodation is available at the Wangi Point Lakeside Holiday Park, phone (02) 4975 1889.

## MORISSET

Picnic on the lake shore near the quiet hospital grounds and observe the kangaroos (please do not feed the kangaroos as it makes them susceptible to disease and acts of cruelty). Walk to Woods Point through scribbly gum and red gum forest and watch for rare squirrel gliders. Fish in Pourmalong Creek or enjoy a picnic at Woods Point overlooking the lake.

## CHAIN VALLEY BAY

Chain Valley Bay has some great short bushwalks. Go to the edge of the lake where Tiembula Creek feeds into Lake Macquarie and enjoy the bird life in this quiet forested

area. Enjoy the flowering bottlebrush and other flowers in autumn and spring in the Tiembula Creek wetland.

Join one of the walking tracks that takes you to Gwandalan or Summerland Point. A good place to see powerful owls (if you are patient).

## AWABA BAY

Awaba Bay features a short, interesting walk along the shore of the lake between Marmong and Alexanders picnic areas. There's plenty of opportunity to fish and picnic in this area.

## POINT WOLSTONCROFT

Access to Point Wolstoncroft is by boat to the headland or via the Sport and Recreation Centre (you are requested to call the centre on phone 1800 819 244 or 4976 1666 before entry).

On the headland you can fish, picnic, enjoy a short bushwalk, bird watch (watch for whistling kites which sometimes carry out aerial acrobatics over the forest) or keep an eye open for green sea turtles in the lake.

## CRANGAN BAY

Crangan Bay is the newest addition to the park and has some fire trails suitable for bushwalking. A planned lake shore walking track will link Crangan Bay with some other new reserve sections, eventually allowing visitors to travel from Nords Wharf around the lake to Gwandalan.

## CARING FOR YOUR NATIONAL PARKS

- Please respect Aboriginal sites and places, they are protected.

- All native plants and animals and rock formations are protected.
- Fires are not permitted in coastal parks. Free gas barbecues are available at a number of areas.
- Leave dead wood and rocks where you find them, they provide important habitat for many animals.
- Please use rubbish bins where provided, otherwise take your rubbish with you when you leave.
- Please leave your pets at home – they are not permitted in national parks, state conservation areas or nature reserves.
- Please do not feed native animals as this may make them sick.
- Drive carefully. Vehicles, including motorbikes, must keep to formed public roads. Unregistered vehicles, including motorbikes, are not permitted.

## DISCOVERY PROGRAMS

To find out about guided Discovery Activities phone (02) 4320 4205 or visit our website:

[www.nswnationalparks.com.au](http://www.nswnationalparks.com.au)  
or [www.wildwildworld.com.au](http://www.wildwildworld.com.au)

## FURTHER INFORMATION

NPWS Lakes Office: Blue Wren Drive, Munmorah State Conservation Area, phone (02) 4972 9000

## GENERAL INQUIRIES

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