

Marramarra National Park

Located 50 km north-west of Sydney, Marramarra National Park has scenic bushland, peaceful surroundings and views to the Hawkesbury River. Marramarra Creek offers canoeing and opportunities to see spectacular wildlife. The Marramarra National Park also has a wide assortment of Aboriginal sites to see.

Berowra Valley Regional Park

Situated within the Berowra Creek Valley, this regional park consists of approximately 4,000 hectares of natural bushland. The Park has extensive walking tracks with picnic areas available. Hornsby Shire Council currently manages the Park. Discussions with the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service

regarding future management arrangements are currently being held.

NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service

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NSW NATIONAL PARKS & WILDLIFE SERVICE

The NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service.

Who are They?

The NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) is the government department responsible for maintaining the parks and reserve system in the state of New South Wales, Australia. The NPWS has approximately 1400 staff located throughout New South Wales. Over five percent of all land in New South Wales, including national parks, nature reserves, Aboriginal areas, historic sites, state recreation areas and regional parks, is managed by the NPWS. All these lands are managed, conserved and protected by them for the benefit of all present and future generations.

Bobbin Head Information Centre, located in the historic Bobbin Inn, is 24km north of Sydney Central Business District. A wide range of

quality books, maps, T-shirts, gifts, souvenirs, cards and NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service products are available, all featuring native flora and fauna and Aboriginal heritage.

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A wide range of brochures or guide books on National Parks are available, or if you simply wish to know more about the national parks of New South Wales then contact the NPWS through the numbers provided in this pamphlet.

Many national parks run special programs during school holiday periods. Walks, talks, and tours for the whole family!

You can learn about Aboriginal culture, historical heritage, bush foods and safety in the bush. Just contact NPWS

at the address provided.

Ku-ring-gai Chase National Park, West Head

This Park has many different types of Aboriginal sites to offer. Engravings, shelters, ochre paintings and many more. The Park also has a great scenic vantage point where you can view spectacular vantage points of the Hawksbury River and up to the Central Coast. You can stop and picnic at any of the areas provided throughout the park, or take a stroll along one of the many walking tracks. A Visitors Centre offers wildlife dioramas and the opportunity to see wandering kangaroos and emus.

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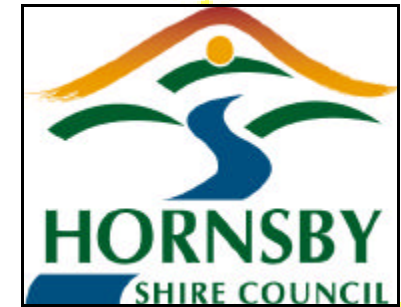
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mother	-wiyanga
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daughter	-duruninang
husband	-mulamang
wife	-dyinmang
married	-mangi,malarra
food	-nggununy
water	-badu
sea	-garrigarrang
sand, beach	-marrang
road	-muru
cave	-ganing
earth	-bamal
star	-birrung
sky	-burra,garrayura

sun	-guwing
moon	-yanada
possum	-burumin
dingo	-dingu
horse	-wanyuwa
wombat	-wumbat
bird	-binyang
egg	-gaban
dolphin	-baruwaluwu
stingray	-daringyan
ant	-mung
sick	-badjal
thirsty	-bali
hot	-gadalung
wet	-marrai
alive	-mudung
day	-gamarruwa
night	-nguwing

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METROPOLITAN LOCAL ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL & ABORIGINAL PEOPLE

The Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council (MLALC) is an organisation set up to help the Aboriginal people within the boundaries. It was established by the New South Wales Government.

The Land Council is run by Aboriginal members of the organisation who are all living in the community of Sydney. The day to day administration of the M.L.A.L.C is performed by paid employees of the Land Council. One of these positions is the Cultural Officer who works to protect the Aboriginal heritage within the boundaries of the Land Council.

THE FLAG

The Aboriginal flag was first flown in Adelaide in July 1971 - National Aboriginal and Islander day. It was designed by Harold Thomas from Central Australia. The black is representative of all Aborigines, the red is for the earth and yellow for the sun.

THE PAST

There is archaeological evidence to prove that the Aborigines have inhabited Australia for at least 60 000 years. Aboriginal law says that Aborigines came from the land. Others believe that the Aborigines originated in Asia and 'found' Australia while looking for food. The estimated pre-European invasion population is estimated at at least 300 000, but could be triple that figure.

THE PRESENT

The 1990's have brought with them a lot more awareness to Aboriginal culture. Due to the hard work put in by the MLALC, Aboriginal Land Councils, NPWS, and Local Councils people have a greater understanding and tolerance towards all Aborigines.

We have danced to Yothu Yundi, hung Aboriginal art on our walls, maybe played a didgeridoo, and we have cheered for Cathy Freeman and Kyle Vander Kuyp.

We now have a Council for Reconciliation, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission (ATSIC), Aboriginal Site awareness courses, Aboriginal Land Rights acts, and from 1998, we have National Sorry Day.

and... **THE FUTURE**

Site protection and looking after the Aboriginal community is a high priority for the M.L.A.L.C as is becoming self sufficient.

If you would like to know more about the M.L.A.L.C, or you are an Aboriginal person living within the Hornsby Shire Council and would like to become a member of the Land Council then contact the address below for further information.

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