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Need a change of scenery?

Why not escape the hustle and bustle of the city, with a weekend visit to Lake Macdonald. Located near Cooroy on the Sunshine Coast, the lake provides visitors with a landscape that is ideal for passive recreation. As a result of the recreation review, we are making some modifications to the parks around the lake, improving what is already a popular destination.

In addition to the new barbeque recently installed and the upgrade of the wash down facility, Mary River Cod Park now has a brand new horse hitching rail. Lake Macdonald Park hasn't been forgotten, with the park receiving some landscaping improvements. Two new seats are also on the way for the park – a perfect spot for some rest and relaxation! Further improvements to the picnic facilities have been identified, with implementation dependent on securing appropriate funding. A review of on-site signage at the lake is currently underway, with updates coming soon.

Looking at visiting the lake? Please remember that only non-motorised and electric boats are permitted on the lake. Please use the wash down facilities at Mary River Cod Park and Lake Macdonald Park to wash down your boat after use, to help stop the spread of Cabomba, a highly invasive weed.

Stop off points established at Lake Wivenhoe

Two designated stop off points have been established at Lake Wivenhoe to enable boaties to take a break when they are out on the water.

The stop off points, which are accessible only from the water, are located at McKeys Hill to the north-east of the lake and McGraths Bay in the south-west. To view the location of the stop off points, download your copy of the [Lake Wivenhoe map](#).

The designated stop off areas have been established in response to feedback received during the recreation review. Visit our [Recreation and Safety Notices](#) for further information.



McGraths Bay



Stop off point buoy



McKeys Hill

New interactive recreation map now live!

Seqwater has launched an interactive recreation map showcasing the activities and facilities available at each lake. Search each region to discover what activities are on offer and read up on the facilities available, along with other helpful information for playing it safe. The new interactive map enables users to scan lake locations to find recreation offerings at each site. Click [here](#) to view the interactive map.

Weir safety – don't get sucked in!

A weir is a large wall that holds back river water so it can be slowly released downstream. They are designed to regulate water flow and are an important part of our water supply network. However, weirs can be dangerous and unpredictable.

Recently, we have seen people post pictures on social media of them fishing or swimming near weirs. For the safety of yourself and those around you, recreational activities are not permitted in or around weirs. If you see anyone accessing one of Seqwater's weirs, please contact us on 1800 737 928.

For further information on weir safety or to download a factsheet, please visit our [website](#).

Don't get sucked in – RETHINK IT!

Protecting life, property and the environment

As a landholder and statutory authority, Seqwater has a responsibility to address fire management across all of its land. We are committed to effective fire management to protect life, property and the environment, as well as reducing the risk of impacts on water quality.

We are currently undertaking a number of planned burns across South East Queensland. Planned burns are a common wildfire reduction method and are conducted primarily as a means to reduce fuel loads. All adjoining landowners and neighbours are notified prior to a planned burn commencing. Occasionally, recreation areas at our lakes may need to be closed during a planned burn to protect the safety of our visitors. Our [Recreation and Safety Notices](#) will advise of planned burn locations and whether any closures are required.

Download our [fire management factsheet](#) for further information.

Until next time, stay safe!

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