

Lake Clarendon



Lake Clarendon is currently closed to all water based activities due to low water levels and water quality issues. We will open the lake as soon as it is safe to do so. Check our recreation and safety notices at seqwater.com.au/recreation/recreation-and-safety-notices for updates.



Play it safe

Our rangers regularly patrol our lakes, parks and recreation areas. However, they can't be everywhere to help you so it is important to plan ahead and play it safe when visiting.

Before your visit, please:

- check our recreation and safety notices at seqwater.com.au
- know what activities are permitted and where
- carry the right safety equipment and first aid kit
- familiarise yourself with our access rules and policies.

Protect our water supply

Our lakes are also our water supply. To protect our drinking water please:

- leave the facilities as you found them and do not damage any property, wildlife or plants
- place litter in the bins provided
- leave your pets at home (dogs on leash areas excepted) – dogs and other domestic animals can disturb the wildlife that live in our natural areas.

Serious aquatic weeds like water hyacinth, salvinia and cabomba are very invasive and are able to reproduce from even the smallest of fragments or seeds. Help protect our waterways from damaging weeds by:

- cleaning and drying anything that came into contact with the water, especially any visible mud or plants
- eliminating water from all equipment before transporting it anywhere, as the water may contain plant fragments or seeds
- not placing plants, fish or other animals into a body of water they did not come from.



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Visit Lake Clarendon

What to do at Lake Clarendon

Clarendon Dam is located east of Gatton and is an off stream storage that supplies water to the Central Lockyer Irrigation Scheme, supporting local producers.

The water level in the lake varies depending on rainfall or demand from irrigation customers. There are frequent closures when the dam levels become unsuitable for recreation.

The dam and recreation facilities are open to the public seven days a week, from 5:30am to 6:30pm (September – April) and 6:00am to 5:30pm (May – August).

We respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the lands and waters around Lake Clarendon and Elders both past and present

At Lake Clarendon you can enjoy:

- picnicking
- canoeing
- kayaking
- fishing
- bird watching

There is a walking trail adjacent to the dam wall for bird watching.

There is no swimming, motorised boating or camping at Lake Clarendon.

Picnicking

There is a small picnic area provided by the Lockyer Valley Regional Council located off Main Green Swamp Road. The site has basic facilities including picnic tables and toilets. No BBQ facilities are available at Lake Clarendon.

Boating

Paddling is permitted on Lake Clarendon.

For your safety and to protect the riparian areas around the lake, paddlecraft are only to be operated from the designated launch point.

Please be courteous to our neighbours. Much of the land surrounding the lake is private property. Do not launch, retrieve or beach on land around the lake, other than at signed, designated recreation areas.

Please be aware that Lake Clarendon is an irrigation dam and provides water for agricultural purposes. Lake levels will fluctuate frequently. Always exercise care when launching and retrieving paddle craft.

Fishing

Fishing is permitted on Lake Clarendon from paddle craft and from the shoreline at the designated paddle craft launch point. The lake is not currently stocked with fish and no fishing permit is required.

Please be courteous to our neighbours. Much of the land surrounding the lake is private property. Accessing private land to fish is not permitted.

Remember the lake is home to an abundance of wildlife. It's very important to ensure that all rubbish, especially fishing line and hooks, are disposed of properly to avoid serious harm to wildlife.

Blue-green algae and recreation

Cyanobacteria (commonly known as blue-green algae) are naturally occurring bacteria that live in lakes and waterways.

Most of the time algae exist in low numbers, however, under certain conditions algae can grow rapidly, called an algal bloom, and sometimes produce toxins that can harm your health if you swim, boat or fish in algae-affected lakes.

Play it safe when visiting any of our lakes. Be aware of blue-green algae levels at our lakes, and the health risks associated with swimming, boating or fishing when algae levels are high. While your safety is important to us, it is your responsibility.

You can check blue-green algae levels on our website at seqwater.com.au/recreation/blue-green-algae-and-recreation

Download our public safety app

Our public safety app combines dam release notifications, dam levels information, recreation, safety and lake closure updates and weather alerts. Search 'Seqwater' on the App Store or Google Play.

