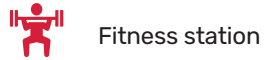


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Psst! This walk can be completed in any direction with any start and finish point.



Fitness station



Water station



Covered seating



Playground



Parking



BBQ



Walk path

RIVER AND STORMWATER FEATURES



Lake



Island



Gross Pollutant Trap (GPT)



This walk is wheelchair and pram friendly



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Waterway walk

Narellan Creek,
Mount Annan

5.2 km
65 minutes

This is the traditional land of the Dharawal people. Council acknowledges the Dharawal people as the traditional custodians and pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

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Mount Annan Drive

Lake Yandel'ora

Wandarrah Reserve

Annan Lake

Welling Drive

Hogue Place

Sheridan Way

Hines Place

Hines Place

Welling Drive

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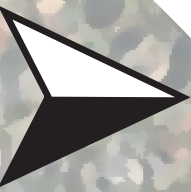
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Hi there, local explorer!

Are you ready to take on this adventure and learn more about your local waterway and the environment that surrounds it?

Before you begin, make sure you:

- Wear sensible shoes;
- Are sun-safe;
- Have water to drink;
- Follow traffic instructions; and
- Stay on the path.

Fact: Narellan Creek is part of the Nepean River catchment that drains into the Hawkesbury-Nepean River.



1 Birdlife

From bush birds to water birds, there are many native bird species found within Lake Yandel'ora and Annan Lake that rely on these waterways for habitat, breeding and food.

What native birds can you spot today?



2 Water quality

Water quality is determined by the physical, chemical and biological characteristics of water. The quality of water affects ecosystem function and the life that depends on the aquatic environment.



3 Riparian areas

Riparian areas are the vegetated areas that surround creeks, rivers, lakes and wetlands. These areas stabilise the creek banks and help to remove nutrients from the water, which can be harmful to the environment. Riparian areas also provide important shade and act to cool the local area.



4 Stormwater harvesting

Stormwater harvesting allows Council to conserve potable water whilst maintaining sports fields for the community. Stormwater harvesting also reduces pollution loads and stormwater flows which can cause flooding and negatively impact our waterways.



5 Gross Pollutant Traps (GPTs)

GPTs remove litter, particles like sand and soil, and oils from stormwater. GPTs can be designed to sit above or below the ground. For below ground GPTs, the lid is often the only giveaway to their location until opened for maintenance.



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Aquatic animals

Lake Yandel'ora and Annan Lake are key aquatic habitat for local native wildlife. From the smallest water bugs, to slimy eels and croaking frogs, have a look and see what animal life surrounds you!



Image of Peron's Tree Frog by Kira Alia Leeon.

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Aquatic plants

Aquatic plants provide many benefits to waterways, the local environment and to the various species that use these waterways. Aquatic plants reduce erosion, add oxygen to the water, and provide food and habitat to native wildlife.



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Floating wetlands

Floating wetlands are buoyant rafts planted with aquatic plants that function to capture particles and sediments, and absorb pollutants from stormwater. They also improve local water quality, while providing habitat for aquatic animals.



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Pollution in the catchment

Pollution and litter in our catchment and waterways can have serious impacts on human health, wildlife and the environment. By placing our waste in the right bins we can all contribute to diverting waste from landfill while keeping litter out of our beautiful creeks, rivers and oceans.



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Swales

Swales and buffer strips are stormwater transfer systems that capture litter, sediment and some nutrients from stormwater before discharging into our waterways.



Interested in learning more about your local waterways? Check out Camden Council's other Waterway Walks at Kolombo Creek, Oran Park and Narellan Creek, Harrington Park, and overall water quality results in the Our Waterway Health report. For more information visit the Camden Council website.