



MORNINGTON
PENINSULA
Shire



COMMITTED TO A
SUSTAINABLE
PENINSULA

WHERE TO EXERCISE YOUR DOG

It's good for you and good for your dog

**LEASH-FREE
AREA**



**DOGS MAY BE
EXERCISED OFF LEASH**

Effective as at September 2011



Leash-Free All the Time All Year

Ref. No.	Reserve	Melways Ref	Comments
4	John Butler Reserve Mt. Eliza	105 F2	Large grassed area off Mt. Eliza Way (opposite Betty Avenue)
6	Butler Reserve, Mornington	104 G11	Between Herbert St & Lucerne Ave
8	Royal Beach, Mornington	104 C10	Down stairs to pebble and sand beach, opposite Royal Hotel
9	Pine Ave Reserve, Mornington	145 D2	Pine Avenue
10	Mornington Civic Reserve	145 H3	A fenced off grass section on the western side of the Oak Hill Gallery plus fenced area on south side of Oak Hill Gallery. Parking available in front of Peninsula Regional Gallery
11	Summerfield Reserve, Mornington	146 B6	South of Lakeview Way, lower reserve only (below pond)
12	Fosters Beach, Mornington	145 B4	Access via walking track, opposite #630 The Esplanade
15	Harrap Rd Reserve, Mt. Martha	145 J8	Intersection of Racecourse Road & Harrap Road
16a	Dunns Road Reserve, Mt. Martha	145 E8	Fully fenced enclosure at northern end
17	Hawker Beach, Mt. Martha	145 A9	Enter via steep fire access track down to beach
18	Century Drive Reserve, Mt. Martha	146 A8	7 Century Drive
19	Citation Reserve Mt. Martha	145 C10	Off Helena Street, restricted to area on west side of dirt access road
20	Uralla Reserve Mt. Martha	145 D11	A secluded reserve with some on-site parking available (cnr. Uralla Road & Nepean Highway)
21	Community Forrest Mt. Martha	145 D12	Parking outside Briars Park Gate - Uphill side - and walk up hill 350 metres to 'leash-free' entrance
22	Safety Beach / Tassells Cove	150 E10	Sandy beach between Marina & Bruce Rd on north side of Moll
23	Brasser Reserve Dromana	160 C6 - C7	Grassed and lightly wooded area with roadside & off street parking, Rainer Ave (opposite The Right)
25	Bass Reserve McCrae	171 A1	Located at the corner of Bass Street and Matthew Street
27	Woodvale Reserve Rosebud	158 H12 - J12	Access from Woodvale Grove and Wattle Road, road side parking
28	Lawson Park Rosebud	170 F1	Leon Avenue, Rosebud. Large grassed area with roadside parking
30	Murrowong Reserve, Rosebud	170 B3	Murrowong Ave
31	Shire Offices Reserve, Rosebud	170 B4	Rear of Council Chamber, off Besgrove Street
32	Vern Wright Reserve Rosebud West	169 G5	Southwest corner of reserve, off Shearwater Place
33	Truemans Road Reserve Rosebud West	169 D6 - E6	Leash-Free area at rear of back oval
34	Tootgarook Recreational Reserve Tootgarook	169 A6	Grassed area between Leonard Street and Marshall Street (opposite Yaringa Court)
36	Stringer Road Reserve, Blairgowrie	167 C1 - C2	A grassed area to the north of the pavilion and tennis courts, plus Roy Tapson oval when not being used for organised matches
40	Portsea Recreational Reserve	156 E3- E4	Public oval with off street parking available, access via Back Beach Road
43	B. A. Cairns Recreation Reserve Flinders	261 J7	Medium sized area north of the oval and pavillion, access via Stokes Street

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44	Flinders Beach	262 B7 - D3	Between Dodds Creek & Manton Creek
45	Tucks Ridge Winery	256 B2	Near lake at bottom of vineyard
46a	Somers Beach	194 F1 I	200 metres of sandy beach, east from bottom of 'hundred steps'
47	R.W. Stone Reserve Somers	194 B9	Medium sized grassed area at the far western end - beyond the oval, access via Camp Hill Rd
48	Bittern Recreation Reserve	193 K1	Large grassed area on the south-east side of the street, access via Recreation Street
49	Crib Point Recreation Reserve	164 G1 I	Large grassed area (hilly) with roadside parking, access via Lille Street & Bullecourt Road
51	Hastings Foreshore Reserve	154 J9	Large areas of grassed land available access via Marine Parade and between Hodgins Road & Cool Store Road
52	Villawood Reserve, Hastings	154 F10	Villawood Drive, northern end of reserve only
53	Cypress-Samuel Reserve, Hastings	154 E10	Access via Cypress Crt, Samuel Crt, & Brydon Crt
54	Tara Reserve, Hastings	154 D10	Intersection of Lantons Way & Tara Drive
55	West Park Reserve, Hastings	154 E8	Access via Warrego Crt, Ovens Crt, Aitape Crt, Vampire Crt, Ardent Crt, & Madang Crt
56	Kings Creek Reserve, Hastings	154 F7	Access via Junee Crt, Curlew Crt, Drake Crt, Onslow Crt, Duchess Crt, & Moresby Crt
57	Bunguan Reserve Tyabb	148 K9	Eastern (Top) Oval only, except when matches are being played. Access via Frankston-Flinders Road
58	Clarendon Reserve Somerville	148 B2 - B3	A large grassed reserve with parking available via Clarendon Drive
59	Grant Reserve Somerville	107 E10	Grant Rd (opp. Speedwell St.) Large grassed area walking access only - parking available



Dog Prohibited Area During 8am to 10am and 3pm to 5pm on school days only



Leash-Free at all other times

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16b	Dunns Road Reserve, Mt. Martha	145 E8	Southern end of Reserve



Dog Prohibited Areas During Daylight Savings, All Day and Night



'On Leash' Dogs are Permitted at other Times of the Year.

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7	Mothers Beach, Mornington	104 D9	Popular beach for mothers with small children
38	Sorrento Beach	157 B6-B7	Between Coppins Jetty & St Aubins Way Boat Ramp
41	Portsea Beach	156 E2-F2	Beach areas within 100 metres of Pier

Refer to Leash Free Map on reverse side of brochure.



Leash-Free from 7pm to 9am the Next Day During Daylight Savings and Leash-Free at All Other Times of the Year



Dogs are Prohibited from 9am to 7pm During Daylight Savings

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1	Daveys Bay, Mt. Eliza	101 F7	Accessed from end of Daveys Bay Road
2	Mt. Eliza Beach	101E8	Between Freemans Rd & Williams Rd
3	Half Moon Bay, Mt. Eliza	101 D10	Accessed from Canadian Bay Road car park
13	Dava Beach, Mt Martha	145 B6	Access via steep stairway, opposite #584 The Esplanade
14	Birdrock Beach, Mt Martha	145 B7	Access via Dava Beach
24	Safety Beach / Dromana	160 A4	Opposite B.P. petrol station, cnr Nepean Hwy
29	Rosebud Beach	158 F11	Sandy beach from 100 metres west and 200 metres east of car park opposite Murray Anderson Drive
35	Rye Beach	168 J4 - K4	Between Daly Avenue & Shirlow Ave
38	Sorrento Beach	157 E9	100 metres east of Sorrento Sailing Club to the 'Western Sister'
41	Shelley Beach, Portsea	156 G2 - J3	Between Franklin Road & Hempston Avenue
46b	Somers Beach	194 F11	300 metres of sandy beach, west from bottom of 'hundred steps'



Leash-Free - Except when being used for Matches, Organised Training, or other Organised Activities

Ref. No.	Reserve	Melways Ref	Comments
50	Graham Myers Reserve, Bittern	164 D8	Dogs prohibited within 20 metres of playground



Leash-Free from 7pm to 12 noon the next day from 26 December to 1 March. Leash-Free at all other times of the year.



Dogs on leash between 12 noon and 7pm, from 26 December to 1 March.

Ref. No.	Reserve	Melways Ref	Comments
37	Camerons Bight Sorrento & Blairgowrie	157 G11	Beach area between Stringer Road and Monument to the 1803 first settlers



Leash-Free from 7pm to 9am the Next Day During Daylight Savings Period. Leash-Free from 5pm to 9am the Next Day at Times Outside the Daylight Savings Period



Dogs Prohibited from 9am to 7pm During Daylight Savings Period



Dogs On Leash from 9am to 5pm at Times Outside the Daylight Savings Period

Ref. No.	Reserve	Melways Ref	Comments
26	McCrae Beach	159 A9	300 metres of sandy beach to the east of a point 25 metres east of the car park opposite Margaret St



DOGS must always be under the effective control of a chain, cord or leash whilst in a public place except in a designated LEASH-FREE area. However, dogs are not permitted in DOG PROHIBITED areas, whether on a leash or not.



DOGS are prohibited from entering or remaining in any DOG PROHIBITED AREA in the Mornington Peninsula. The prohibition applies in the specified prohibited areas whether on a leash or not.



LEASH-FREE activities may be restricted to specific areas and/or times in some reserves (where there are such restrictions, they will be included in the table of notes on this brochure). Please read the signs carefully on entering the reserve.

PLEASE NOTE:

Many Mornington Peninsula beaches are NOT managed by Council.

Many people mistakenly believe Council administers all the beaches, when it actually only has control over a proportion of the Peninsula coastline.

Many of the Peninsula's beaches are under the control of State Government through Parks Victoria, the Department of Sustainable Environment and volunteer foreshore committees (who report to the Department of Sustainable Environment).

Council does NOT manage the following beaches:

- Dromana 5981 0933
- Blairgowrie 5985 3288
- Portsea Surf Beaches 5986 9100
- Blairgowrie Ocean Beaches 5986 9100
- St. Andrews Beach 5986 9100
- Fingal Beach 5986 9100
- Shoreham 5989 8325
- Merricks 13 61 86
- Somers 13 61 86
- Crib Point 13 61 86
- Tootgarook 5986 4382
- Point Nepean 5986 9100
- Sorrento Back Beaches 5986 9100
- Rye Ocean Beaches 5986 9100
- Gunnamatta Surf Beach 5986 9100
- Cape Schanck 5986 9100
- Point Leo 5989 8333
- Balnarring 5983 5582
- Stony Point 13 61 86

If you have concerns about management issues at any of the above beaches, please contact Parks Victoria, the Department of Sustainable Environment or the local volunteer foreshore committees directly.

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK

'Leash-Free' dog exercise areas have been progressively introduced, over several years, in all parts of the Mornington Peninsula. The Shire is interested in improving the existing areas and would also consider suggestions for establishing other sites in the future. Community feedback is welcomed and you are invited to write with your comments and suggestions to:

Mornington Peninsula Shire,
Private Bag 1000, Rosebud Vic 3939
Tel: 1300 850 600

Council encourages responsible dog owners to have 'Leash-Free' fun with their dogs, at Council's many designated 'Leash-Free' areas which are located around the Mornington Peninsula. Exercising your dog contributes towards a more healthy, active lifestyle for you and your dog.

Dogs give pleasure, they teach responsibility, they give affection to humans and receive it in return, and their owners are healthier and happier than non-owners.

Dogs play an important and positive role in our community, especially with the elderly and with people who live alone. In many cases dogs provide an important means of 'contact' for these people with other members of the community.

'Leash-Free' areas have an important part to play in reducing dog nuisance problems for the community:

- socialised dogs are less likely to be aggressive
- dogs that get regular exercise and positive stimulation are less likely to be bored and cause nuisance by barking

Don't forget a little beach courtesy

- *Put your dog back on-leash near small children.
- *Be careful when introducing dogs to each other. They should be kept on-leash until the dogs get to know each other.

Please clean up after your pet

This will ensure dogs retain their rights to access the beach and other public places.

Many Mornington Peninsula beaches are **NOT** leash-free, and at most non-surf beaches the following controls apply

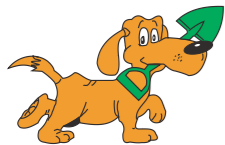


During the Daylight Saving period: Dogs are not permitted on the foreshore between 9.00am and 7.00pm



Dogs **on leads** are permitted on the foreshore except between 9.00am and 7.00pm during Daylight Saving Period

**FOR DOGS SAKE!
PICK UP THE POO!**



**PROTECT YOUR DOGS ACCESS
TO BEACHES & PUBLIC PLACES**

Mornington Peninsula National Park

Dogs are prohibited

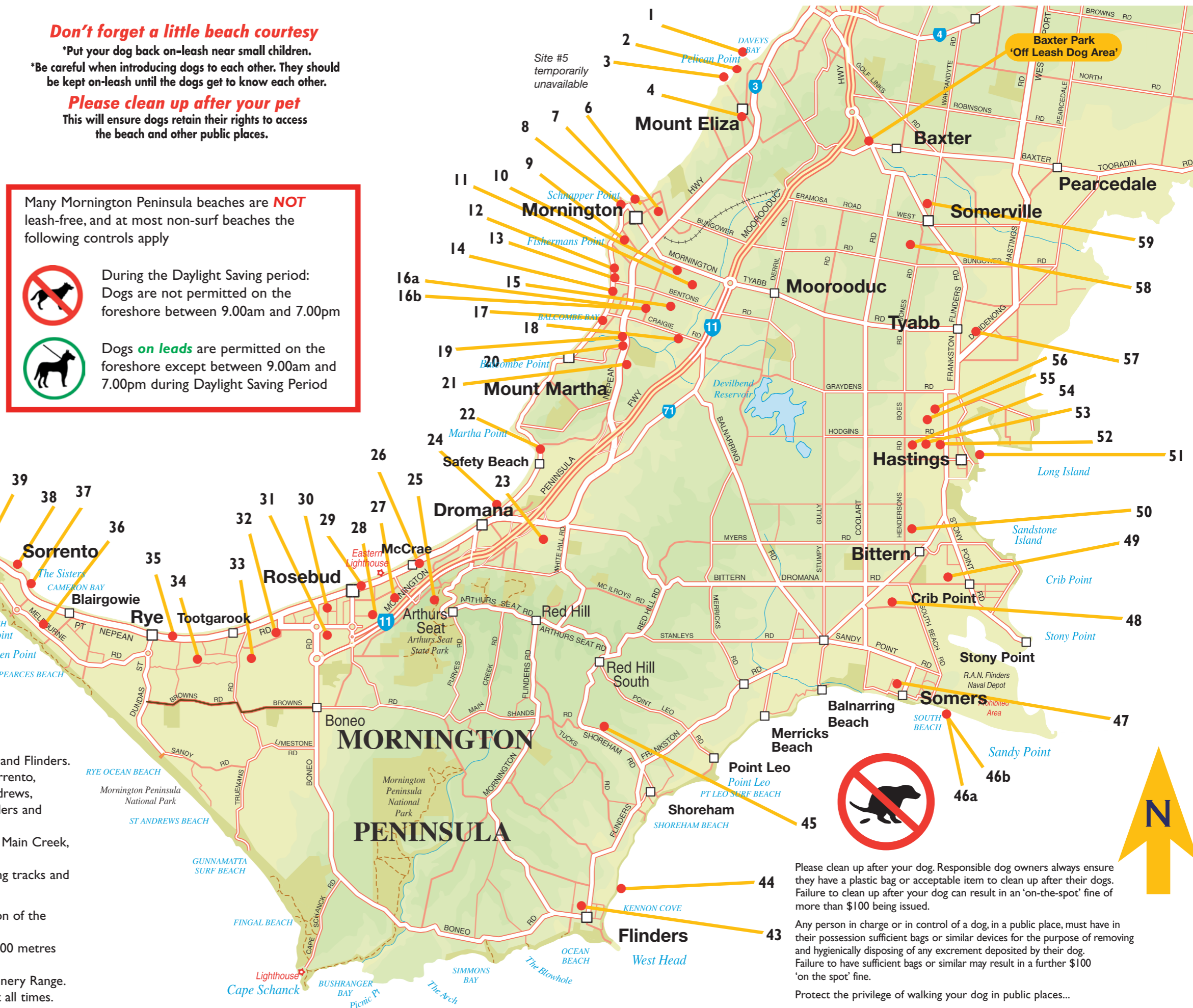
- within Point Nepean area including Visitor Centre carparks.
- after 9.00am, along the total coastline between London Bridge and Flinders. This includes the ocean beaches of London Bridge, Portsea, Sorrento, Diamond Bay, Koonya, Dimmicks, Montforts, No 16, Rye, St Andrews, Boag Rocks, Gunnamatta, Stockyard Creek, The Blowhole, Flinders and West Head.
- Pines Picnic Area, Fingal Beach, Cape Schanck, Bushrangers Bay, Main Creek, Highfield and Greens Bush areas.

The prohibition includes vehicles carrying a dog, all beaches, walking tracks and carparks within the above areas.

Dogs on a leash are currently permitted along the coastal portion of the National Park as follows:

- between sunrise and 9.00am from London Bridge through to 300 metres south of Gunnamatta Surf Life-Saving Club House.
- from Stockyard Creek through to the Flinders West Head Gunnery Range.

When dogs are permitted in the park, they **MUST** be on a leash at all times.



Please clean up after your dog. Responsible dog owners always ensure they have a plastic bag or acceptable item to clean up after their dogs. Failure to clean up after your dog can result in an 'on-the-spot' fine of more than \$100 being issued.

Any person in charge or in control of a dog, in a public place, must have in their possession sufficient bags or similar devices for the purpose of removing and hygienically disposing of any excrement deposited by their dog. Failure to have sufficient bags or similar may result in a further \$100 'on the spot' fine.

Protect the privilege of walking your dog in public places... Please don't make **your** dog's mess everybody's problem!