



## Investing in the future

The NSW Government supports Crown reserves in many ways, including millions of dollars each year to improve Crown reserve parks, walking tracks, caravan parks and showgrounds on Crown land.

The funding is under the Lands managed public reserves



management fund which allocates grants and loans to maintain and improve Crown land assets around the state.

Highlights of the \$10.6 million 2008/09 budget include:

- \$5.2 million for new cabins, recreational facilities and other improvements at Crown land caravan parks, many of which experience full bookings during the warmer months
- \$1.3 million to develop regional Crown reserves
- \$580,000 for upgrading showgrounds which are such an important part of community life in many towns
- \$571,700 for improvements to local parks, reserves and walking tracks
- \$276,000 for reserves of regional significance or high visitation numbers, including Burrendong Aboretum, Wee Jasper Reserves, Penrose Park at Silverton, Goobarraganda Reserves and Walka Water Works
- \$156,000 for the major walking tracks - the Great North Walk, the Hume and Hovell Walking Track and the Six Foot Track
- Annual funding of around \$1.5 million for state parks.

## Where do I get more information?

Visit [www.lands.nsw.gov.au](http://www.lands.nsw.gov.au) or call 13000 LANDS

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## Crown reserves Clean Up Australia Day

Crown reserves benefit us all and we should take responsibility to protect and care for them.

Unfortunately, this does not always happen and some Crown reserves have issues with illegal dumping or people leaving their rubbish behind.

To combat this problem, Lands has partnered with Clean Up Australia to raise awareness of illegal dumping on New South Wales Crown reserves.

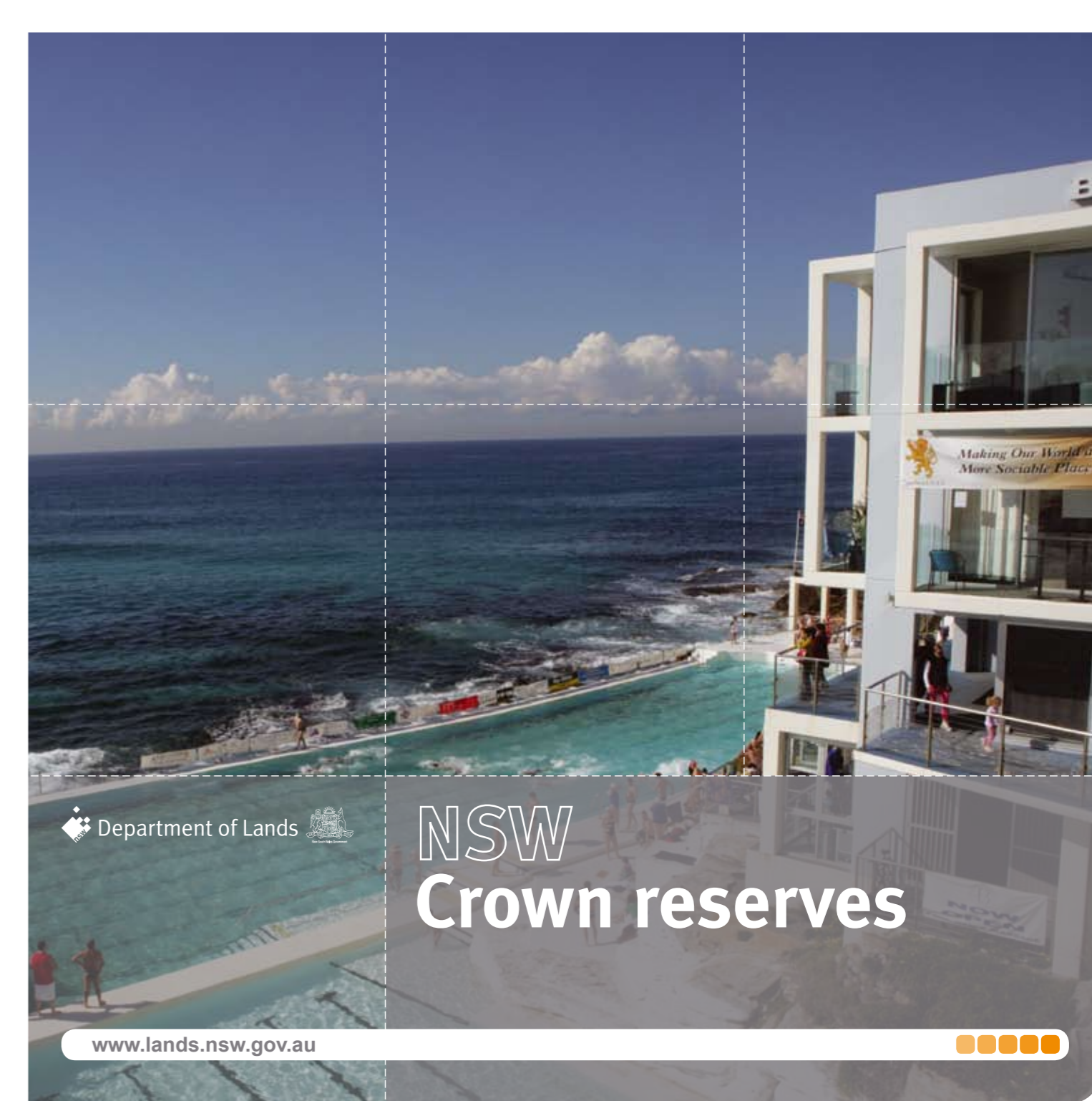
The founder of Clean Up Australia, Ian Kiernan, and the Minister for Lands, Tony Kelly, announced this initiative in February 2009 at Belmont Wetlands State Park, south of Newcastle.

Lands and Clean Up Australia plan to reduce illegal dumping of rubbish on Crown reserves.

Like many reserves, Belmont Wetlands has been plagued with illegal dumping of household rubbish, furniture, construction materials, garden waste and even burnt out vehicles.

Crown reserve trust boards are fighting back on Clean Up Australia Day and throughout the year.

Through this partnership with Clean Up Australia our Crown reserve volunteers will remove rubbish from reserves and draw attention to the problem of illegal dumping.



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## Enjoy and appreciate

NSW Crown reserves are diverse – from state parks, beaches and national surfing reserves, caravan and camping grounds, showgrounds, community halls, sporting fields and parks, walking tracks, canoe and kayak trails, to smaller ports and harbours.

Sydney's Hyde Park and Bondi Beach are two famous iconic examples of our Crown reserves at work.

But it's not just the famous ones that the Department of Lands looks after.

The community halls on Crown reserves that are so often the focal point for rural communities are just as important.

Lands' aim is to realise the potential of Crown reserves in making a difference to people's lives; supporting the social infrastructure of regional communities and their economies now and in the future.

## 'Escape close to home' NSW Crown reserve

Many reserves are popular recreational sites enjoyed by tourists and locals alike.

Lands is promoting its recreational products with a marketing campaign under the banner of 'Escape close to home' NSW Crown reserve.

The 'Escape close to home' campaign is designed to increase awareness of the beauty and varied uses of NSW Crown reserves as well as the excellent work of Crown reserve trusts and their dedicated volunteers and the benefits they provide to our communities.

This campaign covers all the recreational options available on NSW Crown reserves.



## Stake your spot at a Crown caravan park

Escape to a Crown reserve caravan park or camping ground. There are over 260 caravan parks or camping grounds on Crown reserves across New South Wales.

Whether you are passing through or staying for a longer holiday you will find a suitable range of

accommodation from tent sites to onsite cabins and areas for self-contained caravans.

To make bookings easy, Crown land caravan parks are located on one website managed by Lands at [www.caravanandcampingnsw.com.au](http://www.caravanandcampingnsw.com.au).

## State parks for everyone

There are now 17 state parks across New South Wales – with more to come.

State parks are up and down the coast and inland as well.

Most state parks have accommodation, camping, BBQs, picnic facilities and a great range of recreational pursuits.

The state parks website has been enhanced to make it easier for people to check out a fun and affordable holiday or day out.

Visit the website [www.stateparks.nsw.gov.au](http://www.stateparks.nsw.gov.au).



## Surf, walk, paddle

There are many more recreational options at Crown reserves, such as the national surfing reserves that signify the cultural and historical importance of Australian surfing.

There are four surfing reserves at Cronulla, Angourie, Lennox and Crescent Head, and more will be announced in the future.

Or, you can escape to a Crown reserve walking track, including the Great North Walk, the Hume and Hovell Walking Track, the Six Foot Track, the Wiradjuri Walking Track and the Bicentennial National Trail.

All of these are wholly or partly managed by Lands.

Recently added to Lands' recreational portfolio are canoe and kayak trails at Wellington in the central west and in the Murrumbidgee River region.

The trails link a number of public riverside reserves so you can enjoy some of the most attractive parts of our inland waterways.



For information on these great escape options, visit the Lands website

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## Community Crown reserves

Over 700 Crown reserves across the state are managed by community volunteers who devote many unpaid hours in the service of their communities.

Crown reserves can also be managed by local councils or other people appointed by the government.

People look after Crown reserves on behalf of the community, protect reserves for future generations and cater for the community's future needs.

Lands acknowledges these community-minded folk through the annual Crown Reserve Trust Award – part of the Regional Achievement and Community Awards.