



Boort is known as the oasis of the north owing to the numerous lakes and waterways, the lush gardens of the township and the expansive irrigated agricultural land surrounding the town.

The area's first station established in 1843 by Henry Godfrey was named 'Boort' and reputedly means 'smoke from the hill' in the local Dja Dja Wurrung dialect and referred to their means of communication from nearby Bald Hill. The town developed in the 1870's and was originally located on the southern shore of Little Lake Boort and was moved to the north in 1883 when the railway arrived. The little lake, annexed from the larger Lake Boort in the early 1920's, provides opportunities for water-skiing, sailing, walking, cycling, fishing, photography, bird-watching and other sports. The trail around the little lake is a 3.7km loop and will take around 1 hour to walk.



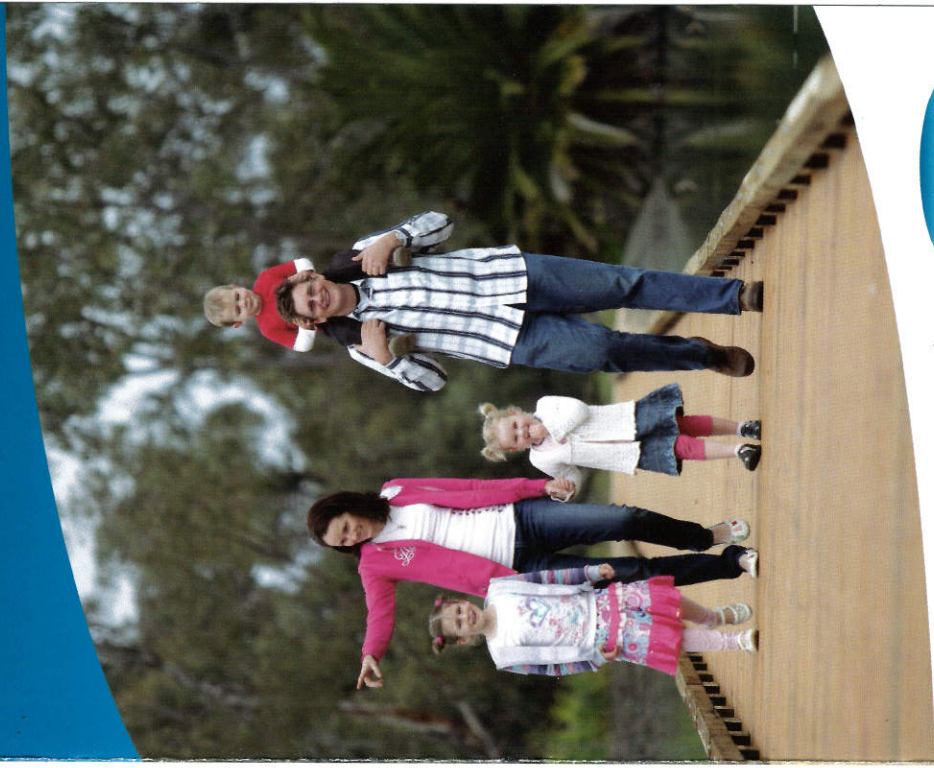
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Boort Tracks & Trails

LITTLE LAKE BOORT TRAIL





Things to see

The trail commences at the northern foreshore of the lake in the landscaped parkland that offers a playground and merry-go-round for the kids. Heading west, the trail will take you past some of the town's excellent sports facilities including the tennis, lawn bowls and croquet clubs as well as the local swimming pool. A little further on is the Coliban Water storage and treatment plant. At the southern end of the lake you will pass the Angling Club to enter Jajoweroung Park and then come to Myrmong Beach, where you can pause for a quick dip to cool off. The area around the lakes was a regular camping spot of the Dja Dja Wurrung and some well preserved middens and scar trees are still evident. The boardwalk running parallel to the causeway was completed in 2012 and offers a wonderful opportunity to view the bird and animal life in this natural reed section of the lake. This wetland area hosts many species including Fairy Martins, Black Swans, Dusky Moorhens, turtles, water rats and at least 6 types of frogs including the Peron's Tree Frog and the Barking Marsh Frog. Cross the bridge over the irrigation channel then stroll back through the shady native plantation near the caravan park to head back to Nolen's Park.



Advice for walkers

This is a Grade 1 track; no bushwalking experience is required. All sections of the trail are located on formed trails, boardwalk or road shoulders. Please take care crossing the bridge over the channel as there is no path and vehicles may cross at the same time. You may encounter snakes, insects, fallen tree limbs, boggy ground and glass.

Temperatures can be very high in the summer: be sure to carry water, wear a hat and apply sunscreen. It can also get very windy across the lake and quite chilly at the northern end. Toilets and water are available at Nolen's Park on Godfrey St and a second toilet block is located near the Angling Club at the southern end of the lake.

National Standards

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Cyclists



Little Lake Boort Trail

