

Evans Head is Getting Summer Ready Community Precinct Completed in time for Holidays

The Evans Head Community Precinct and holiday park redevelopment are going full steam ahead with the much-anticipated community space and waterfront camping area to be ready in time for the holidays.

Reflections Holiday Parks CEO Nick Baker said the team was excited to be able to finish the enhanced community space before Christmas and provide an all-abilities access from the town centre through to the foreshore for the first time.

"One of the most integral aspects of the redevelopment of our Holiday Park here at Evans Head has always been to create an inclusive community space for the entire township to enjoy," Mr Baker said.

"Thanks to NSW Government Funding through the Regional Growth – Environment and Tourism Fund, we can herald the holiday season in with an amazing outdoor area for the community and our guests to enjoy once school holidays kick in."

The Central Precinct will be completed by 24 December 2021 and include:

- New Picnic Shelters, BBQ facilities and a shower and water station
- An ecological playground adjacent to a littoral rainforest to utilise natural shade and maintain ecology. The playground acknowledges the river town history with play features including boardwalk, jetty and crab balls.
- Shared pedestrian and bicycle paths
- An all-abilities path from the town centre to the foreshore shaped to reflect the winding streams throughout Dirawong Reserve
- Improved parking off Park Street with 92 parking spots, including disability parks
- Extensive native plant gardens throughout the park contributing to local biodiversity

Reflections Evans Head Managers Scott and Katie Barnes said it was shaping up to be a great summer with 50 new premium powered riverside sites also ready for booking from mid-December.

"Connecting our guests to amazing regional communities like Evans Head is important to Reflections, and our new waterfront camping precinct allows more capacity for people to enjoy that great outdoor holiday lifestyle," they said.

Member for Clarence, Chris Gulaptis MP congratulated Reflections for its commitment in providing much-needed facilities and a true community space for everyone.

"Over the past few years, the Nationals in the NSW Government and Reflections have made a significant investment in upgrading the Evans Head Park, which will total \$15.407 million once this second stage of development is completed," Mr Gulaptis said.

"The uncertainty around travel due to COVID has impacted heavily on regional tourism and the local economy, so this upgrade will be a terrific drawcard and boost visitation to the popular coastal town."

"I thank Reflections for their vision in continuing to invest in the local community."

Considered a Travellers Choice by online travel platform TripAdvisor, the Reflections Holiday Park at Evans Head has earned an 'Excellent Rating' of 4.5 out of 5 for its consistently positive guest reviews. To book online, visit www.reflectionsholidayparks.com.au or call the park direct on (02) 6682 4212.

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The 'all-abilities' access road from the township to the foreshore is a major feature of the Evans Head Community Precinct. It provides a link from the town through to the foreshore for the very first time!

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A new Shower and Water Station has been added for guests and visitors to the foreshore

About *Reflections Holiday Parks*

Reflections manages the operations of 37 holiday parks and 43 community reserves on Crown land throughout NSW. Formed in 2013 to consolidate the operations of 28 coastal and nine inland holiday parks and reserves located on Crown land throughout NSW, the Group incorporated three holiday park brands, (*North Coast Holiday Parks, South Coast Holiday Parks and Inland Waters Holiday Parks*), under its corporate banner, *Crown Holiday Parks*.

Rebranded to *Reflections Holiday Parks* in February 2018, the Group brings its 37 holiday and community parks on Crown land under the one unified banner. The group reinvests its surplus funds across all its holiday and community parks, so visitors and regional communities can keep enjoying these pristine locations. The vision of *Reflections Holiday Parks* is to inspire all who visit.