Welcome to Lake Hume

This boating guide has been prepared by the Lake Hume Recreation Co-ordinating Committee.

Tourist information
A full list of local and regional Visitor Information Centres can be found on the subsequent side of the map. Contact the appropriate Centre to find out tourism information while visiting the area.

Lake Hume facts
- Area 20,190 hectares.
- Total storage capacity 390,000 megalitres.
- 67,038,000 megalitres of water.
- The main earth dam is 1167 metres long and is an average 190 metres wide at its base.
- The concrete spillway and outlet works structure is 316 metres long, and is 28 metres wide at its base. The crest roadway is 43 metres above the river bed.
- Construction began in 1919 and took 17 years to construct.
- Lake Hume was officially opened by the Governor General, Sir Ronald Munro Ferguson, on 21 November 1936, by the then Premier of Victoria, Sir Stan L. Bruce.
- Reciprocal licencing, registration and compliance requirements apply between both states. Reciprocal licencing, registration and compliance requirements apply whenever you are within the Victorian or NSW waters. All vessels north of the Bethanga Bridge are operating in Victorian waters. All vessels south of the Bethanga Bridge between Victoria and NSW are operating in NSW waters.
- Permission of the water authority is needed to have a boat mooring on the storage.
- Camping is prohibited except in approved camping areas.

Boating regulations
For your safety and that of others all boating is subject to State regulations. Just like the road laws you must know these boating laws and can be fined for breaches. A few key points:
- Registration - all power boats (with some exceptions for low powered vessels in NSW) require registration.
- Safety equipment is compulsory. Even where speed limits are not marked, distance-off regulations apply whenever you are within set distances from the shoreline, other boats, swimmers, anglers, structures and so on.
- Special regulations apply to water skiing - in particular a proper observer is compulsory and skier after dark is prohibited.
- Refer to relevant State boating regulations for more information.

Boating licence requirements
Lake Hume is divided at the Bethanga Bridge between Victoria and NSW for boating only. All vessels south of the Bethanga Bridge are operating in Victorian waters. All vessels north of the south part of the Bethanga Bridge are operating in NSW waters. Reciprocal licensing, registration and safety equipment regulations apply between both states.

NSW waters
If you wish to drive a power boat on NSW waters at a speed of 10 knots or greater you must have a current NSW boating licence. If you wish to drive a Personal Water Craft (PWC) such as a jet ski or Wave Rider you must have a current NSW Personal Water Craft Licence, regardless of the speed of the vessel. A PWC is only admitted between sunrise and sunset.

VICTORIAN WATERS
A boat licence is required for any person operating a powered vessel in Victorian waters regardless of the speed of the vessel. A PWC licence is required to operate a personal water craft in either state. For further information regarding boating regulations/licensing contact either NSW Maritime or Transport Safety Victoria.

Fishing regulations
A Victorian fishing licence is required to fish in Lake Hume. Victorian fishing regulations apply to the entire lake up to Seven Mile Creek at Talmalmo. To report fishing offenses please contact, Victorian Fisheries on 13 FISH (134764).

Boating
NSW Maritime
Transport Safety Victoria
131 256
1800 223 022

Fishing
Dept Primary Industries
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Emergency phone numbers
All services will respond to 000
If you have a GSM digital mobile phone and you are outside your own provider’s GSM network coverage area then dial 112 as an alternative to 000.

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www.aspenparks.com.au
T: 02 6020 6130
14 Hope Rd, Bowna NSW 2644

Boathaven Holiday Park
www.all-seasons-hotels.com
T: 02 6076 2277
50 Hansen St, Corryong Vic 3707

Lake Hume Village
T: 1300 ALBURY (252879)
Cnr Smollett & Young St, Albury NSW 2640

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Boating information phone numbers
- NSW Waterways
- Victoria Waters
- Victorian Fishing
- NSW Maritime
- Transport Safety Victoria
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Boating Safety
- Keep all litter on board and dispose of it in appropriate bins.
- Do not litter by throwing rubbish overboard.
- Only fish during the hours of daylight.
- Do not fish at night.
- No glass containers, including water bottles are allowed.
- Licences and/or a toilet accommodation and/or a toilet is needed to have a boat mooring on the storage.

Signage
- Prohibited Water - No boating
- 5 knot speed restriction zones
- 10% capacity and below - 5 knot speed restriction zones
- Lake Hume is a water storage under control of the State Water Authorities. Their principal requirements for boating on the storage are:
- Boats with sleeping accommodation and/or a toilet is needed to have a boat mooring on the storage.
- NSW waters
- Victorian waters
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- Fishing

Lake Hume facts
Lake Hume supplies water for downstream irrigation and urban use and environmental flows, which generates economic activity ultimately worth billions of dollars annually.

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