

Lake Dyer

RECREATION GUIDE





OUR VISION

To manage access to recreation opportunities while protecting natural resources and water quality.

About Lake Dyer

Lake Dyer is located west of Laidley. The lake has a catchment area of 3.0 km² and holds 6,947 megalitres of water at full supply.

Lake Dyer provides water to the Central Lockyer Valley irrigation scheme. The water level in the lake varies depending on rainfall or demand from irrigation customers.

RECREATION REVIEW UPDATE

Seqwater is committed to providing quality recreation facilities that everyone can enjoy. We wanted to know what the community thought of current facilities and what suggestions you had for the future, so in 2013 we started a full Recreation Review across our assets. We appreciate the efforts of everyone who took the time to participate in our workshops and online surveys.

While we want to implement as many ideas as possible, Seqwater must remain committed to protecting our natural environment and minimising the risks to water quality.

Changes will be implemented once funding has been secured and all environmental impact analysis has been completed. Progress updates, along with details of the feedback received is available at seqwater.com.au/recreview.

We value the unique status of the Jagera People as the original owners and custodians of the land and water around Lake Dyer.

Protecting our waterways & the environment

We all need to do our part to ensure we keep our waterways healthy. It's not just our bushland areas that are threatened by weeds, it is also our wetlands, waterways and lakes that are suffering.

Serious aquatic weeds like Water Hyacinth, Salvinia and Cabomba are very invasive and out-compete local species, seriously affecting the local ecology and water quality. Weeds are able to reproduce from even the smallest of fragments or seeds, and trying to control these weeds is time consuming and costly.

You can help protect our waterways from weeds by:

- removing all visible mud and plants from your equipment, boats, trailers, boots, crab pots etc. before leaving
- eliminating water from all equipment before transporting it anywhere, as the water may contain plant fragments or seeds

- cleaning and drying anything that came into contact with the water
- cleaning boats, motors, trailers, floats, anchors etc before leaving. If possible allow the equipment to dry for about five days before entering new waters
- not releasing or putting plants, fish or other animals into a body of water they did not come from. This is an important step to prevent the spread of introduced species of plants and animals into our waterways.

To protect our water supply please:

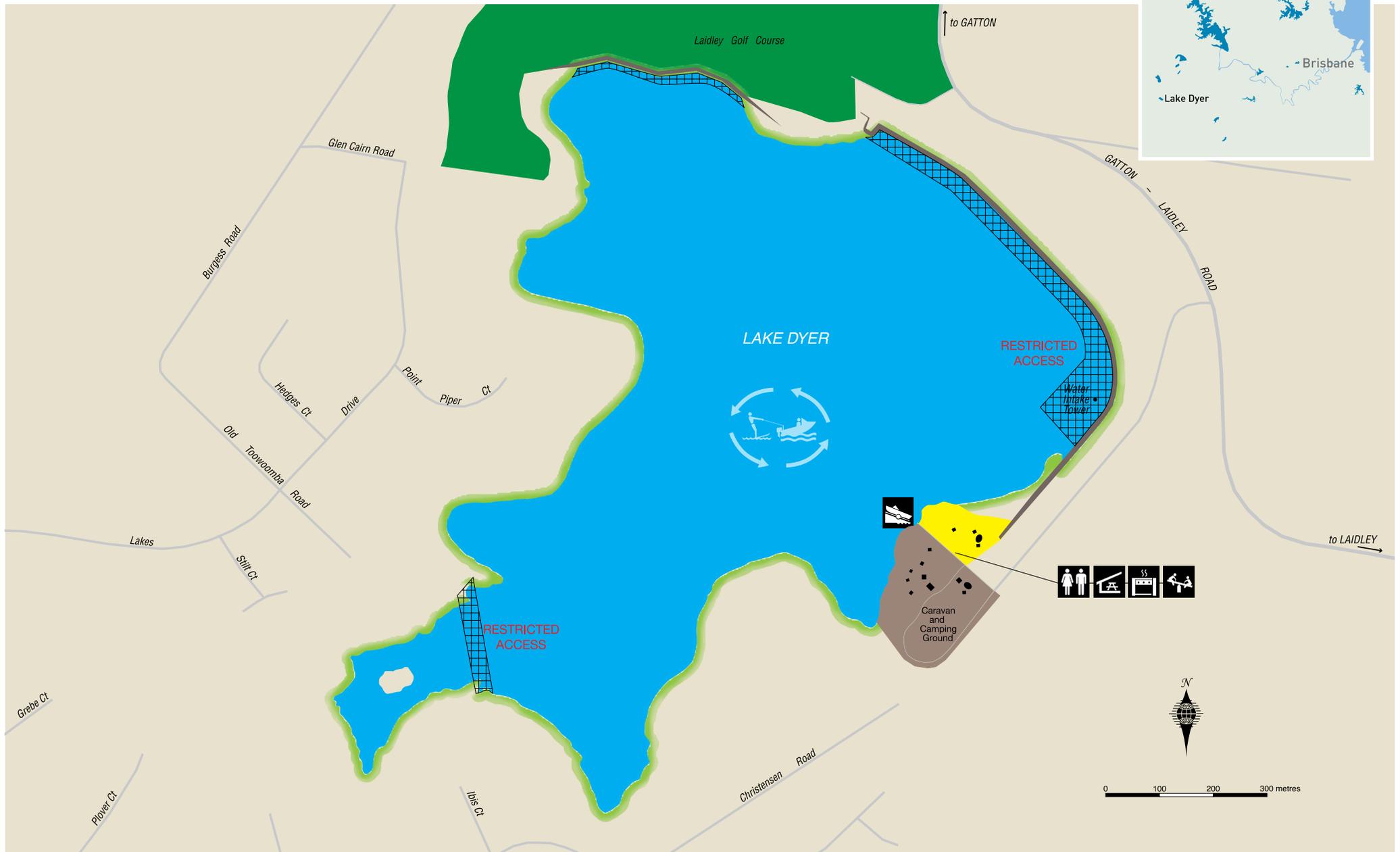
- leave the facilities as you found them. Do not cause damage to any property, flora or fauna
- place litter in the bins provided
- leave your pets at home. Dogs and other domestic animals can disturb the wildlife that lives in our natural areas.

DOMESTIC PETS

The areas around Lake Dyer are used for a variety of recreational activities. For public safety, domestic pets and other animals cannot be brought into any of the catchment, lake or recreation areas at Lake Dyer.



Recreation location map



Picnics and Playgrounds



Picnicking and BBQs

The recreation area at Lake Dyer is located off Gatton-Laidley Road and includes picnic tables, shelters and barbeques.



RECREATION REVIEW UPDATE

Seqwater will improve signage at the recreation area. Progress updates are available at seqwater.com.au/recreview.



Playgrounds

Looking for something to keep the kids amused? A playground is located within the campgrounds at Lake Dyer. The playground is provided and maintained by the Lockyer Valley Regional Council.



Boats, Bait and Bathers



Boating

Boating is a very popular activity at Lake Dyer. Motorised and non-motorised watercraft are both permitted on the lake.

Boats and vessels must only be operated from the designated launch point. This is for your safety and to protect the riparian areas around the lake. A boat ramp is located at the recreation area off Gatton-Laidley Road.

Please be courteous to our neighbours. Much of the land surrounding the lake is private property. Do not launch, retrieve or beach on land around the lake, other than at signed, designated recreation areas.

All activities on Seqwater lakes are covered by the boating regulations set by Maritime Safety Queensland (www.msq.qld.gov.au). Please remember to keep a safe distance from swimmers and paddlers.

Boating permits are not currently required at Lake Dyer.



Water skiing

Water skiing, jet skiing, wakeboarding and tubing are all permitted on Lake Dyer.

When water skiing at Lake Dyer you must comply with all relevant rules, including:

- Vessel operators must be appropriately licensed.
- Boats must be safe and capable of towing skiers.
- At least one responsible observer must be on board.
- Directional signage at each site must be followed.
- Have all the correct safety equipment, and know how to properly use it.



Fishing

Fishing is permitted on Lake Dyer from vessels, as well as from the shoreline of the recreation area.

Please be courteous to our neighbours. Much of the land surrounding the lake is private property. Accessing private land to fish is not permitted.

Remember the lake is also home to wildlife. It's very important to ensure that all rubbish, especially fishing line and hooks, are disposed of properly to avoid serious harm to wildlife.

Fishing Permits

A fishing permit is required at Lake Dyer.

The Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (DAFF) controls the fishing rules and regulations in Queensland and administers the Stocked Impoundment Permit Scheme (SIPS).

Please visit www.daff.qld.gov.au to purchase a SIPS permit or for a list of outlets in SEQ that sells permits.



Swimming

Due to safety reasons, swimming is only permitted at designated swimming areas.

Your safety is important to us. Please remember there are no lifeguards on duty. Ensure children are supervised at all times. Please use common sense and don't swim after drinking alcohol.

RECREATION REVIEW UPDATE

As a result of feedback received from the community, a designated swimming area will be installed at Lake Dyer.

Please note that Lake Dyer is an irrigation dam providing water for agricultural purposes. Water levels will fluctuate frequently. For safety reasons swimming may not be permitted during dry periods when the lake level is low.

Tracks and Trails

A short trail is located on the western side of the lake.

Please be courteous to our neighbours. Much of the land surrounding the lake is private property and should not be accessed.

RECREATION REVIEW UPDATE

Seqwater will investigate a new walking trail adjacent to the dam wall which will allow community members to access the other side of the lake. Progress updates will be available at seqwater.com.au/recreview.





Rest and Relaxation



Camping

The privately run Lake Dyer Camping and Caravan Grounds is located adjacent to the recreation area at Lake Dyer. For all enquiries and bookings please contact the campground managers.

Overnight stays on the water are not permitted.

Please be courteous to our neighbours. Much of the land surrounding the lake is private property. Camping is only permitted in the designated camping areas.



Events and Other Activities

Events

Before you hold an event at any Seqwater site, you will need to apply for a permit through our website. Please submit applications at least four weeks prior to your event to allow sufficient time for your application to be processed.

Commercial Activities

Seqwater is dedicated to providing quality facilities to the public.

We work in conjunction with commercial operators, where suitable, to enhance the public's enjoyment and appreciation of our natural areas. You can find further details about commercial activities, the submission process and our Commercial Activities Policy, on our website.

Site Tours

Seqwater's educational tours are an opportunity to learn about our operations and the link between catchments, storage and treatment as part of the broader water cycle.

Tours are available to primary and secondary schools, TAFE and universities, community groups and professional delegations, across a number of sites.

For bookings or for more information, visit our website and complete the site tour booking form or email education@seqwater.com.au.

Do's and Don'ts

YES

- ✓ bbqs
- ✓ picnicking
- ✓ camping (at private campground)
- ✓ swimming, scuba diving or snorkelling (in designated swimming area)
- ✓ motorised boats, skiing and tubing
- ✓ jet skiing
- ✓ canoeing
- ✓ kayaking
- ✓ sailing
- ✓ rowing
- ✓ fishing
- ✓ bird watching

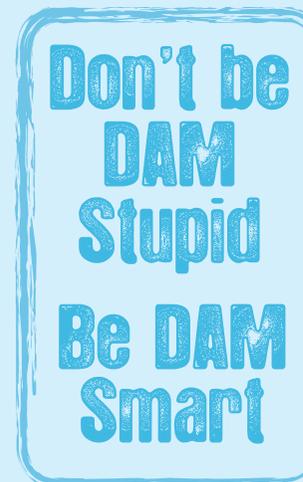
NO

- ✗ dogs
- ✗ 4wd driving and motorbike riding
- ✗ dumping rubbish or littering
- ✗ hunting (of any form)
- ✗ overnight stays on the lake
- ✗ taking off or landing of aircraft (including amphibious aircraft)
- ✗ visiting outside of 6am-6pm

In an emergency call 000 or 112 in poor reception areas

RECREATION REVIEW UPDATE

A change to opening hours is being considered for all Seqwater lakes. Any changes will be announced towards the end of 2014. Progress updates are available at seqwater.com.au/recreview.



Always be DAM smart when you're visiting Lake Dyer to ensure that everyone has a fun and safe day.

- Remember that there are no lifeguards on duty – always watch your children
- Follow instructions around fire safety - if you see a fire call 000 or 112
- Be aware of local fauna, such as snakes, and carry a first aid kit
- Lock your vehicle and don't leave valuables unattended
- Respect other visitors and be mindful of noise and other nuisances
- Exercise caution as water levels are subject to change and there may be submerged obstacles
- Keep in mind that much of the land surrounding the lake is private property which must not be accessed
- Don't swim after drinking alcohol and remain under 0.05 when driving your boat or vehicle

Please respect our neighbours

Some of the land close to the lake is private property. If a Seqwater sign is not displayed, that means the area is not a designated recreation area and you must not enter.



Lake Dyer Opening Hours

Access to all Seqwater sites, including on-water access, is only permitted between 6am – 6pm. The only exception is camping at a designated campground or if a permit expressly provides permission.

Before you visit

Check the public notices section on our website for the latest information on access, closures and conditions before you visit any of our recreational areas.

For any other enquiries contact us at **recreation@seqwater.com.au** or **seqwater.com.au**