

Hire a park



Many of the beautiful parks, reserves and foreshores in the Mackay region can be booked for weddings, naming ceremonies, birthday parties, family reunions or social events.

Most popular venues for hire:

Weddings/naming ceremonies

- Bluewater Quay
- Pioneer Promenade
- New Mulherin Park, East Point Dve
- Ram Chandra Park, Slade Point
- MECC grounds and fountain
- Eimeo Beach Park
- Ocean Ave Park, Slade Point
- Mackay Regional Botanic Gardens and Queens Park
- Greenmount Homestead

Kids parties/family gatherings

- John Breen Park, North Mackay
- Quota Park, South Mackay
- Queen's Park, East Mackay
- Caneland Park, Mackay
- Iluka Park, East Mackay
- Old Mulherin Park, Mackay Harbour

Larger events

- John Breen Park, North Mackay
- Queen's Park, East Mackay
- Muller Park, Ooralea
- Col Story Park, West Mackay
- Bluewater Quay
- MECC grounds
- Old Mulherin Park, Mackay Harbour

Please take into account the following information when considering a council park, reserve or foreshore for your function/event:

- not all activities are permitted in a park
- a hire fee may apply
- consumption of alcohol in public parks without council approval is prohibited under State Government Legislation
- glass containers are not permitted to be used
- no additional bins will be provided to the area for the function. The hirer is responsible for the removal of

all rubbish and leaving the area clean and tidy

- parking around the park, reserve or foreshore may be limited. Please consider this in the planning stage
- only limited areas have power available
- many parks have restricted vehicle access but may be negotiated at council's discretion
- amusements and rides (jumping castles and ponies) are not suitable for all parks. Please consider vehicle access, available power and if anything is required to be staked into the ground
- please do not throw/use confetti, rice, rose petals, balloons streamers or other similar materials in the park, reserve or foreshore. The use of bubbles on wooden decks or walkways is also prohibited
- larger events will be required to lodge separate permit applications with Health and Regulatory Services (e.g. Temporary Entertainment Event Approval).
- council encourages event organisers to consider sun safety when planning their event. Please visit the council policy here > [074 - SunSmart - Council Events](#) for further details.

Price Listing

Weddings

- Council parks, reserves and foreshores are \$195.80
- Greenmount Homestead is \$300.20 (includes a \$135 refundable bond).

Social and community events

- less than 51 people with no alcohol or amusements is free, application form required.
- up to 200 people with or without alcohol or amusements (eg: jumping castles) is \$95.30
- more than 200 people and less than 500 with or without alcohol approval or amusements is \$310.60
- more than 500 and less than 1500 with or without alcohol approval or amusements is \$742.10 with \$742.10 bond
- over 1500 people with or without alcohol approval or amusements is \$1692.30 with \$1692.30 bond
- charitable functions (must show proof of registry as a charitable organisation) NIL event fee with up to \$700 bond.

Commercial Events

- with no admission fee being charged is \$1692.30 with \$1692.30 bond
- with admission fee being charged is \$3382.50 with \$3382.50 bond.

Extra charges

- key usage - Social Event eg: bridal car access is \$50 bond

**Prices are valid until June 30, 2023 .*



How to book a park

Complete the relevant online application a minimum of 30 days prior to the event. If available, you will be advised of any fees that apply to your function.

Payment can be lodged at any of our Client Service Centres in Mackay, Mirani or Sarina; or phone Client Service on 1300 622 529 for credit card over the phone.

Council's parks and open spaces are public areas, making a booking will not give you exclusive use of an area.

For further information please refer to terms and conditions of park hire.

Approval for bookings are subject to site conditions as well as the conditions of the event you are holding.

Submission of an application does not constitute approval for park usage.

If your application is approved, confirmation of booking will be provided in writing and forwarded to the nominated postal address listed on the application.

If your application is declined a refund of any fees paid will be provided.

**For more information
phone council on
1300 MACKAY
(1300 622 529)
or visit the website
mackay.qld.gov.au or
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all booking enquiries.**