## **Dog News**

October 2025



### **COMMUNITY UPDATE**

## Big news for paws and people

### HOLD ONTO YOUR LEASHES, CAMBRIDGE OVAL IS GETTING A TAIL-WAGGING UPGRADE.

Construction has begun on a state-of-the-art off-lead dog park, the very first project in the Cambridge Oval Master Plan.

This won't be just any park. This will be a 1.5-hectare pup paradise. Think fenced areas for safe zoomies, nature play zones for curious noses, training areas for clever canines, walking paths for leisurely strolls and even water refill stations so you and your pooch can stay hydrated after all that play.

But that's not all...

The new dog park is just one exciting feature in the Cambridge Oval Master Plan – an exciting vision for a multi-purpose community hub that blends sport, nature, education and recreation. Here's a sneak peek of what's to come:

- Two full-sized soccer pitches for future football stars
- A modern sports pavilion with change rooms and amenities
- Safer, smoother access with improved roads, walking trails and parking
- Shared facilities with Cambridge Primary School, including a brand-new indoor gym
- Open spaces designed for fun, fitness and family time for all ages
- And of course, our favourite addition... the dog park!



Believe it or not, the future site of this four-legged haven has a fascinating past.

From 1985 to 2008, the area was home to wastewater treatment lagoons. But those were decommissioned and restored in 2013, and since then, the site has undergone a major transformation.

Between 2017 and 2019, sustainable stormwater infrastructure was installed. Now, the water

collected on-site will be reused to keep the dog park's grass and gardens green and lush – pawsome for the planet and for playing fetch!

Initial works include land reshaping for easy access and reusing existing dams to create a welcoming, functional, and fun space for everyone, whether you have two legs or four.

Stay tuned on our website and socials for more updates.

### **POLICY UPDATE**

### Planning for paws and people

Dogs are a part of life in Clarence – from wagging tails on the foreshore trail to lazy afternoons in the park. While not everyone is a dog-person, for many they bring colour and character to our city.

In early 2026, we'll be inviting the community to share ideas about how dogs are managed across Clarence.

This first round of engagement will be about understanding what matters most when it comes to things like protecting the environment, supporting responsible dog ownership and making sure shared spaces work well for everyone – humans and pooches alike.

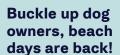
Your feedback will guide the development of a new draft Dog Management Policy that sets out how we manage dogs across our city in a way that reflects community values.

Engagement will kick off in early 2026 with plenty of ways to get involved. You'll be able to share your thoughts online or join us at community pop-ups to chat with the team.

This is our chance to create a plan together that celebrates Clarence's love for open spaces, active lifestyles and strong community spirit. Keep an eye on our website and social media early next year for details on how to have your say.









Information about this year's Dogs' Day Out.

### Dogs of Clarence!

Get to know some locals.



### Looking after your dog this spring

Information about maintaining healthy dog habits this spring.

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Sunday 11am-2pm 9 November

### **EVENTS**

## Dogs' Day Out 2025

From staffies to sausage dogs, poodles to pugs, and from shepherds to shih-tzus – all dogs (and their humans!) are invited to Dogs' Day Out at Simmons Park in Lindisfarne on 9 November.

This tail-waggingly popular event is packed with fun for the whole family, with four-legged members included! Expect a day of dogfriendly activities, lively competitions, market stalls and plenty of entertainment.

Hungry? The Lions Club will be serving up veggie burgers, beef burgers, snags and soft drinks to keep everyone fuelled for the fun. Coffee lovers can grab their caffeine fix and this year there'll be a sweet treat on offer too from some favourite local food trucks.

Be sure to catch the high-energy agility demonstrations from the Canine Performance Association of Tasmania, and cheer on the tiny but mighty competitors in the crowd-favourite Dachshund Dash.

Whether your dog is a star athlete, a fashion icon, or just full of personality, there's something for everyone.

The fun starts at 11am and wraps up at 2pm on 9 November 2025. For more information head to: rosnyfarm.com.au/dogs-day-out/

And remember you can visit the Poochibald™ Art Prize 2025 exhibition at Rosny Farm 25 Oct – 21 Nov 2025 – check out rosnyfarm.com.au for the details.



## Have you registered your pup?

If you haven't already, don't forget to register your dog. It's quick and easy, and it helps keep our furry friends safe and accounted for

You can head over to <a href="mailto:ccc.tas.gov.au/dogs">ccc.tas.gov.au/dogs</a> anytime to:

- Register your dog
- Pay a dog fine
- Cancel a registration
- Discover fun, off-lead dog exercise areas

Whether you're a new dog owner or renewing for another year, everything you need is just a click away.

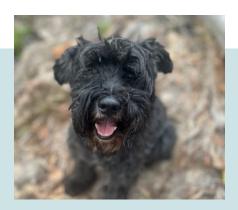
### **BE PREPARED**

# Summer beach rules for dogs

SUMMER DOG RESTRICTIONS ON LOCAL BEACHES WILL BE IN EFFECT FROM 1 DECEMBER 2025 TO 1 MARCH 2026.

During this period, dogs are only permitted on certain beaches before 10am and after 6pm each day:

- Bellerive Beach (east of Beach Street access)
- Howrah Beach
- Cremorne Beach
- South Arm Beach
- Roches Beach, Lauderdale (from Bambra Street south to Mays Point Road)
- **Seven Mile Beach** (council-managed area, west of Day Use Area 2)



Dogs are not permitted at any time on the following beaches:

- **Bellerive Beach** (west of Beach Street access)
- Little Howrah Beach

Please follow all restrictions to help keep our beaches safe and enjoyable for all.

Always check signage before visiting a beach with your dog, as rules may vary between locations.



### **RANGER Q&A**

HERE ARE SOME COMMON
DOG-RELATED QUESTIONS WE'VE
RECEIVED LATELY, HOPE THEY
HELP YOU TOO!

I'm thinking about getting another dog. What do I need to know?

Before adding a new pup to your pack, check out our Dog Policy on our website, which includes important pre-purchase guidelines to help you make the right choice.

I've got two dogs and I'm thinking of getting another. Do I need a kennel licence?

Yes. If you have more than two dogs, you'll need to get in touch with us to apply for a kennel licence.

I live in a small unit. What sort of dog is right for me?

Choosing the right dog for your space is crucial. Really weigh up the options; size, energy levels, and temperament all matter in smaller homes.

Do you have any questions for our Rangers?

Email your question to <u>marketing@ccc.tas.gov.au</u> or head to <u>ccc.tas.gov.au/dogs</u>

### **Dogs of Clarence**



**BREED:** Japanese Spitz

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**LOVES:** Loves eating pumpkin and beef and walking on the beach.

**FAVOURITE PLACE IN CLARENCE**: Simmons Park and the walking trail along the beach.

**TALE/TAIL/TRAIT:** Snuggly, sweet, playful and gentle.



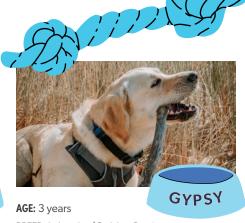
AGE: 11 months

**BREED:** Cavoodle

**LOVES:** Loves chasing balls, eating raspberries from the garden and curling up by the fire.

**FAVOURITE PLACE IN CLARENCE**: There's always something new to explore and discover at Bellerive Beach.

**TALE/TAIL/TRAIT:** Loving and always up for a cuddle, but with a cheeky habit of stealing socks, shoes, pots and shells.



**BREED:** Labrador/Golden Retriever

LOVES: Balls, sticks and the beach.

**FAVOURITE PLACE IN CLARENCE**: Taking a stroll on Kangaroo Bay Walking Track.

**TALE/TAIL/TRAIT:** Kind, loving, forever hungry and a great vacuum cleaner!

#### **DOG HEALTH**

### The hay fever blues affects fur babies too

### SPRING IS THAT TIME OF THE YEAR WHEN THE WEATHER WARMS UP. THE **GRASSES START TO GROW AND THE** PARASITES DIG IN.

There are some key things to look out for during this time of seasonal change to make sure your furry friends are at their optimal best.

#### What to look out for:

#### Parasites

Flea, intestinal worm and tick activity begins to increase during spring and summer. Parasite prevention treatments are a good idea. Southern Paralysis Tick bites are especially risky and can be fatal. Look out for lethargy, weak hind legs and vomiting, paralysis and difficulty breathing.

HOT TIP: It is best to avoid walking in long grass or dense bushland, especially after rain. After walks, always check your dog's fur including the head, ears, chest and between the toes.

#### Allergies

Be on the lookout for excessive scratching, licking, chewing and skin inflammation as this might signal seasonal allergies. Dogs are affected by grass pollens just like humans.

HOT TIP: Early morning and late evening walks are best to avoid pollen. After walks, wipe your dog's paws and fur with a damp cloth to remove pollens.

#### Grooming

Dogs tend to blow their winter coats in spring, leading to the dreaded shed. Regular brushing becomes crucial to prevent matting. Always include ear checks during the grooming process and remove any grass seeds and dirt from the ears to prevent infections.







### **DOG HYGIENE**

## Poo happens... but please pick it up!



### **NOBODY ENJOYS STEPPING IN AN** UNPLEASANT SURPRISE LEFT BEHIND ON THE FOOTPATH OR AT THE PARK.

Being a responsible dog owner means always carrying a bag and cleaning up after your pooch, then using the bins provided.

It only takes a moment but makes a big difference to keeping our community clean, safe and enjoyable for everyone. Be a tidy human. Your neighbours (and their shoes) will thank you for it.



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