

## SHEPPARTON VICTORIA PARK LAKE

This short walk is of the tranquil Victoria Park Lake precinct.

Start / Finish: Victoria Park Lake, northern car park.

**Distance:** 1.8km circuit. Follow the path outlined on the map around the lake.

Surface / Access: The entire walk is on designated footpaths and gravel pathways. Terrain is flat with a few very small undulations. The walk is considered accessible but help may be required over the gravel pathways.

## **Points of Interest:**

- Construction of the lake began in 1929 on the site of an old swamp and private properties purchased by Council for £1100.
- 2 Raymond West Swimming Pool, opened in 1955, named after Raymond West, Shepparton Town Clerk in 1927. Cost was £23,000 and at the time it was the largest chlorinated, free entry swimming pool in the southern hemisphere.
- 3 Newly established buildings include Aquamoves, which consists of gymnasium, indoor / outdoor pools and splashpark.
- 4 All abilities playaround provides a variety of play opportunities for children and families of all abilities.
- 6 Lake Sculpture by artist Peter Cole uses universal symbols to describe the contemporary and historic landscapes of Shepparton.
- 6 Wetlands: Water passes slowly through the wetland where the plants help to filter out many contaminants before passing in to the lake near the "Still" bridge.
- Visitor Information Centre. Discover all the region has to offer.
- 1 Island: once hosted dances for the young people of Shepparton, now home to wildlife including Barking Marsh Frogs, Long necked turtles and birdlife, whilst the water is home to Yabbies and Yellowbellv.
- **9** S-Cape Skate Park, opened in 2001, proves to be popular with families.

Walk Note: This walk provides access to geocaches.

**Hazards:** Be aware of cyclists who also share this pathway.

