

## WHERE TO EXERCISE YOUR DOG

It's good for you and good for your dog

# LEASH-FREE AREA



**DOGS MAY BE  
EXERCISED OFF LEASH**

Effective as at January 2013



## Leash-Free All the Time All Year

Ref. No.	Reserve	Melways Ref	Comments
4	John Butler Reserve Mt. Eliza	I05 F2	Large grassed area off Mt. Eliza Way (opposite Betty Avenue) - <b>fenced</b>
5	Cobb Road Reserve, Mt. Eliza	I05 D8	<b>Fenced</b>
6	Butler Reserve, Mornington	I04 G11	Between Herbert St & Lucerne Ave - <b>fenced</b>
8	Royal Beach, Mornington	I04 C10	Down steep stairs to pebble and sand beach, opposite Royal Hotel
9	Pine Ave Reserve, Mornington	I45 D2	Access via Pine Avenue, Pitt Street, Downward Street and Adelaide Street - <b>fenced</b>
10	Mornington Civic Reserve	I45 H3	Grass section on the western side of the Oak Hill Gallery and on south side of Peninsula Regional Gallery. Parking available in front of Regional Gallery - <b>fenced</b>
11	Summerfield Reserve, Mornington	I46 B6	South of Lakeview Way, lower reserve only (below pond) - <b>fenced</b>
12	Fosters Beach, Mornington	I45 B4	Access via walking track, opposite #630 The Esplanade, limited off street parking
15	Harrap Rd Reserve, Mt. Martha	I45 J8	Intersection of Racecourse Road & Harrap Road - <b>fenced</b>
16a	Dunns Road Reserve, Mt. Martha	I45 E8	Northern end of reserve - off street parking - <b>fenced</b>
17	Hawker Beach, Mt. Martha	I45 A9	Enter via steep fire access track down to beach opposite Helena St
18	Century Drive Reserve, Mt. Martha	I46 A8	7 Century Drive, backs onto Balcombe Creek
19	Citation Reserve Mt. Martha	I45 C10	Off Helena Street, restricted to area on west side of access road - off street parking - <b>fenced</b>
20	Uralla Reserve Mt. Martha	I45 D11	Secluded reserve with limited on-site parking available (cnr. Uralla Road & Nepean Highway)
21	Community Forrest Mt. Martha	I45 D12	Parking outside Briars Park entry gate - Uphill side - and then walk up hill 350 metres to 'leash-free' entrance - off street parking and gate at top of reserve, opposite Balcombe Grammar School - <b>fenced</b>
22	Safety Beach / Tassells Cove	I50 E10	Small Sandy beach between Marina Cove & Bruce Rd on north side of Moll - limited parking
23	Brasser Reserve Dromana	I60 C6 - C7	Grassed and lightly wooded area, Rainer Ave (opposite The Righi)
25	Pier St. Reserve, Dromana	I59 J7	Area next to pedestrian bridge across freeway - <b>fenced</b>
26	Hillview Community Reserve, Dromana	I60 A9	Western end of Reserve - off road parking
27	Bass Reserve, McCrae	I71 A1	Corner of Bass Street and Matthew Street
29	Woodvale Reserve Rosebud	I58 H12 - J12	Access from Woodvale Grove and Wattle Road, - <b>fenced</b>
30	Lawson Park Rosebud	I70 F1	Leon Avenue, Rosebud. Large grassed area with off street parking - <b>fenced</b>
32	Murrowong Reserve, Rosebud	I70 B3	Murrowong Ave - <b>fenced</b>
33	Shire Offices Reserve, Rosebud	I70 B4	Rear of Council Chamber, off Besgrove Street
34	Vern Wright Reserve Rosebud West	I69 G5	Southwest corner of reserve, off Shearwater Place - <b>fenced</b>
35	Truemans Road Reserve Rosebud West	I69 D6 - E6	Leash-Free area at rear of back oval
36	Tootgarook Recreational Reserve Tootgarook	I69 A6	Grassed area between Leonard Street and Marshall Street (opposite Yaringa Court) - <b>fenced</b>
38	Stringer Road Reserve, Blairgowrie	I67 C1 - C2	A grassed area to the north of the pavilion and tennis courts, plus Roy Tapson oval when not being used for organised matches - off street parking
42	Portsea Recreational Reserve	I56 E3- E4	Public oval with off street parking available, access via Back Beach Road - off street parking
45	B.A. Cairns Recreation Reserve Flinders	261 J7	Medium sized area north of the oval and pavillion, access via Stokes Street - off street parking



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46	Flinders Beach	262 B7 - D3	Long Sandy beach between Dodds Creek & Manton Creek - steep access track
47	Hanns Creek Reserve	192 K7	North East end of Reserve, off road parking - <b>fenced</b>
48a	Somers Beach	194 F11	200 metres of sandy beach, east from bottom of 'hundred steps' - off street parking at top of 100 steps
49	R.W. Stone Reserve Somers	194 B9	Medium sized grassed area at the far western end - beyond the oval, access via Camp Hill Rd - off street parking
50	Bittern Recreation Reserve	193 K1	Large grassed area on the south-east side of the street, access via Recreation Street
51	Crib Point Recreation Reserve	164 G11	Large grassed area (hilly) with roadside parking, access via Lille Street & Bullecourt Road - steep access paths
53	Hastings Foreshore Reserve	154 J9 - K9	Large areas of grassed land, access via Marine Parade, between Hodgins Road & Cool Store Road - off street parking
54	Villawood Reserve, Hastings	154 F10	Villawood Drive, northern end of reserve only - <b>fenced</b>
55	Cypress-Samuel Reserve, Hastings	154 E10	Access via Cypress Crt, Samuel Crt, & Brydon Crt - <b>fenced</b>
56	Tara Reserve, Hastings	154 D10	Intersection of Lantons Way & Tara Drive
57	West Park Reserve, Hastings	154 E8	Access via Warrego Crt, Ovens Crt, Aitape Crt, Vampire Crt, Ardent Crt, & Madang Crt
58	Kings Creek Reserve, Hastings	154 F7	Access via Junea Crt, Curlew Crt, Drake Crt, On slow Crt, Duchess Crt, & Moresby Crt
59	Bunguyan Reserve Tyabb	148 K9	Eastern (Top) Oval only, except when matches are being played. Access via Frankston-Flinders Road
60	Clarendon Reserve Somerville	148 B2 - B3	A large grassed reserve with roadside parking available via Clarendon Drive
61	Grant Reserve Somerville	107 E10	Grant Rd (opp. Speedwell St.) Large grassed area - off street parking - <b>fenced</b>
62	Stornoway Drive Reserve	107 A3	North End of Stornoway Drive - <b>fenced</b>



**Dog Prohibited Area During 8am to 10am and 3pm to 5pm on school days only**



**Leash-Free at all other times**

Ref. No.	Reserve	Melways Ref	Comments
16b	Dunns Road Reserve, Mt. Martha	145 E8	Southern end of Reserve - off street parking



**Dog Prohibited Areas During Daylight Savings, All Day and Night**



**'On Leash' Dogs are Permitted at other Times of the Year.**

Ref. No.	Reserve	Melways Ref	Comments
7	Mothers Beach, Mornington	104 D9	Popular beach for mothers with small children
41	Sorrento Beach	157 B6-B7	Between Coppins Jetty & St Aubins Way Boat Ramp
44	Portsea Beach	156 E2-F2	Beach areas within 100 metres of Pier

**Refer to Leash Free Map on reverse side of brochure.**



**Leash-Free from 7pm to 9am the Next Day During Daylight Savings and Leash-Free at All Other Times of the Year**



**Dogs are Prohibited from 9am to 7pm During Daylight Savings**

Ref. No.	Reserve	Melways Ref	Comments
1	Daveys Bay, Mt. Eliza	101 F7	Sandy beach accessed from end of Daveys Bay Road
2	Mt. Eliza Beach	101 E8 - E9	Sandy beach between Freemans Rd & Williams Rd
3	Half Moon Bay, Mt. Eliza	101 D10	Sandy beach accessed from Canadian Bay Road car park
13	Dava Beach, Mt Martha	145 B6	Sandy beach access via steep stairway, opposite #584 The Esplanade
14	Birdrock Beach, Mt Martha	145 B7	Access via Dava Beach and steep stairway
24	Safety Beach / Dromana	160 A4	Sandy beach opposite B.P. petrol station, cnr Nepean Hwy - limited parking
31	Rosebud Beach	158 F11	Sandy beach from 100 metres west and 200 metres east of car park opposite Murray Anderson Drive
37	Rye Beach	168 J4 - K4	Sandy beach between Daly Avenue & Shirlow Ave
40	Sorrento Beach	157 E9	Sandy beach 100 metres east of Sorrento Sailing Club to the 'Western Sister'
43	Shelley Beach, Portsea	156 G2 - J3	Sandy beach between Franklin Road & Hempston Avenue
48b	Somers Beach	194 F11	Sandy beach 300 metres of sandy beach, west from bottom of 'hundred steps'



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52	Graham Myers Reserve, Bittern	164 D8	Dogs prohibited within 20 metres of playground - off street parking



**Leash-Free from 7pm to 12 noon the next day from 26 December to 1 March. Leash-Free at all other times of the year.**



**Dogs on leash between 12 noon and 7pm, from 26 December to 1 March.**

Ref. No.	Reserve	Melways Ref	Comments
39	Camerons Bight Sorrento & Blairgowrie	157 G11	Sandy beach between Stringer Road and Monument to the 1803 first settlers



**Leash-Free from 7pm to 9am the Next Day During Daylight Savings Period. Leash-Free from 5pm to 9am the Next Day at Times Outside the Daylight Savings Period**



**Dogs Prohibited from 9am to 7pm During Daylight Savings Period**



**Dogs On Leash from 9am to 5pm at Times Outside the Daylight Savings Period**

Ref. No.	Reserve	Melways Ref	Comments
28	McCrae Beach	159 A9	300 metres of sandy beach to the east of a point 25 metres east of the car park opposite Margaret St



DOGS must always be under the effective control of a chain, cord or leash whilst in a public place except in a designated LEASH-FREE area. However, dogs are not permitted in DOG PROHIBITED areas, whether on a leash or not.



DOGS are prohibited from entering or remaining in any DOG PROHIBITED AREA in the Mornington Peninsula. The prohibition applies in the specified prohibited areas whether on a leash or not.



LEASH-FREE activities may be restricted to specific areas and/or times in some reserves (where there are such restrictions, they will be included in the table of notes on this brochure). Please read the signs carefully on entering the reserve.



## PLEASE NOTE:

**Many Mornington Peninsula beaches are NOT managed by Council.**

Many people mistakenly believe Council manages all the beaches, when it actually only has control over a proportion of the Peninsula coastline.

Many of the Peninsula's beaches are under the control of State Government through Parks Victoria, the Department of Sustainable Environment and volunteer foreshore committees (who report to the Department of Sustainable Environment).

Council does NOT manage the following beaches:

- Dromana 5981 0933
- Blairgowrie 5985 3288
- Portsea Surf Beaches 5986 9100
- Blairgowrie Ocean Beaches 5986 9100
- St.Andrews Beach 5986 9100
- Fingal Beach 5986 9100
- Shoreham 5989 8325
- Merricks 13 61 86
- Somers 13 61 86
- Crib Point 13 61 86
- Tootgarook 5986 4382
- Point Nepean 5986 9100
- Sorrento Back Beaches 5986 9100
- Rye Ocean Beaches 5986 9100
- Gunnamatta Surf Beach 5986 9100
- Cape Schanck 5986 9100
- Point Leo 5989 8333
- Balnarring 5983 5582
- Stony Point 13 61 86


If you have concerns about management issues at any of the above beaches, please contact Parks Victoria, the Department of Sustainable Environment or the local volunteer D.S.E. foreshore committees directly.

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## COMMUNITY FEEDBACK

'Leash-Free' dog exercise areas are being progressively introduced, in all parts of the Mornington Peninsula. The Shire is interested in improving the existing areas and would also consider suggestions for establishing other sites in the future. Community feedback is welcomed and you are invited to write with your comments and suggestions to:

Mornington Peninsula Shire,  
Private Bag 1000, Rosebud Vic 3939  
Tel: 1300 850 600





The Mornington Peninsula encourages responsible dog owners to have 'Leash-Free' fun with their dogs, at the Shire's many designated 'Leash-Free' areas which are located around the Mornington Peninsula. Exercising your dog contributes towards a more healthy, active lifestyle for you and your dog.

Dogs give pleasure, they teach responsibility, they give affection to humans and receive it in return, and their owners are healthier and happier than non-owners.

Dogs play an important and positive role in our community, especially with the elderly and with people who live alone. In many cases dogs provide an important means of 'contact' for these people with other members of the community.

'Leash-Free' areas have an important part to play in reducing dog nuisance problems for the community:

- socialised dogs are less likely to be aggressive
- dogs that get regular exercise and positive stimulation are less likely to be bored and cause nuisance by barking

**Don't forget a little beach courtesy**

\*Put your dog back on-leash near small children.

\*Be careful when introducing dogs to each other. They should be kept on-leash until the dogs get to know each other.

**Please clean up after your pet**

This will ensure dogs retain their rights to access the beach and other public places.

Many Mornington Peninsula beaches are **NOT** leash-free, and at most non-surf beaches the following controls apply

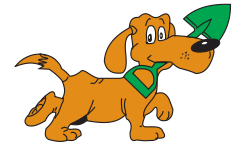


During the Daylight Saving period:  
Dogs are not permitted on the foreshore between 9.00am and 7.00pm



Dogs **on leads** are permitted on the foreshore except between 9.00am and 7.00pm during Daylight Saving Period

**FOR DOGS SAKE!  
PICK UP THE POO!**



**PROTECT YOUR DOGS ACCESS  
TO BEACHES & PUBLIC PLACES**

**Mornington Peninsula National Park**

**Dogs are prohibited**

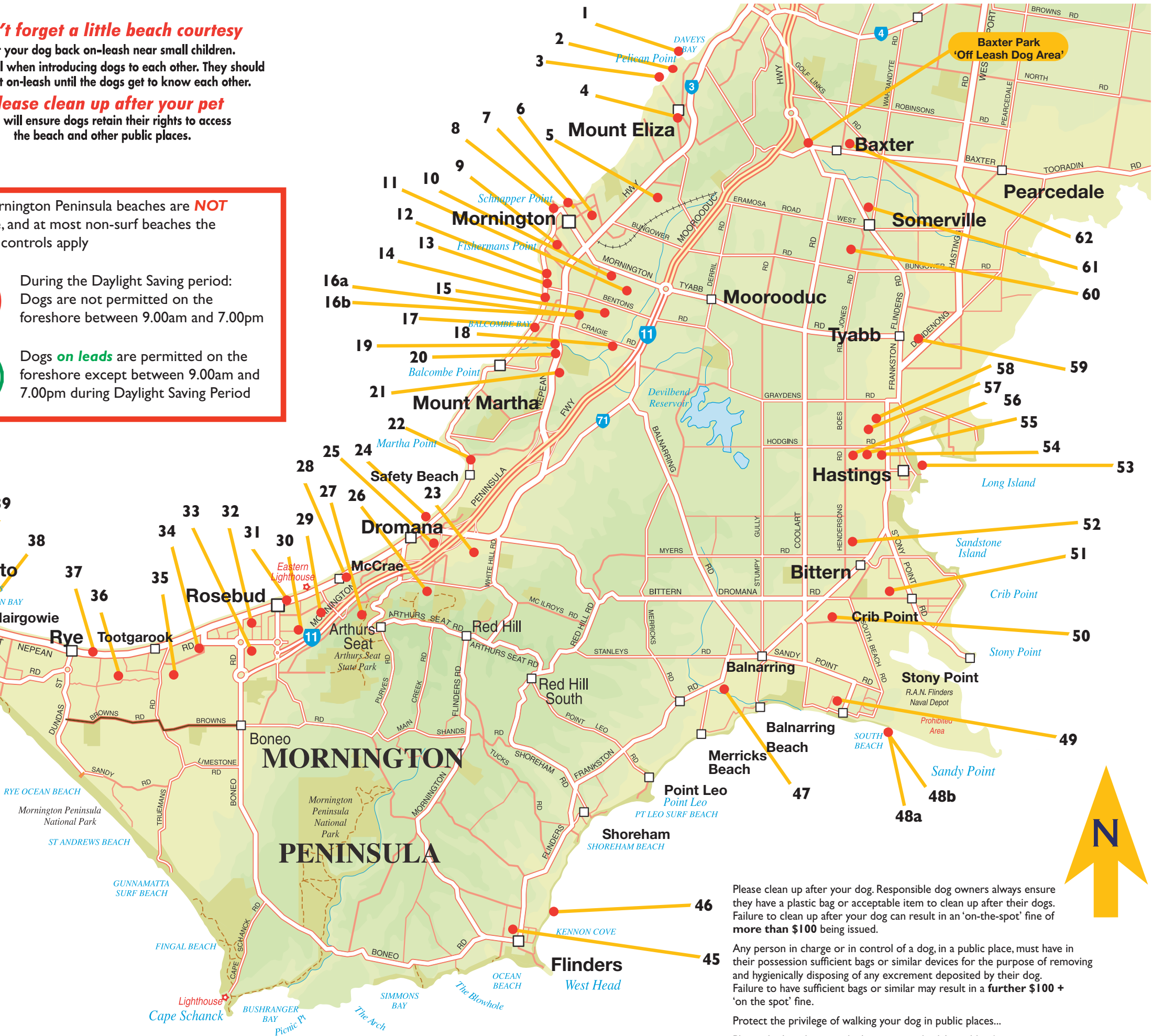
- within Point Nepean area including Visitor Centre car parks.
- after 9.00am, along the total coastline between London Bridge and Flinders. This includes the ocean beaches of London Bridge, Portsea, Sorrento, Diamond Bay, Koonya, Dimmicks, Montforts, No 16, Rye, St Andrews, Boag Rocks, Gunnamatta, Stockyard Creek, The Blowhole, Flinders and West Head.
- Pines Picnic Area, Fingal Beach, Cape Schanck, Bushrangers Bay, Main Creek, Highfield and Greens Bush areas.

The prohibition includes vehicles carrying a dog, all beaches, walking tracks and car parks within the above areas.

**Dogs on a leash** are currently permitted along the coastal portion of the National Park as follows:

- between sunrise and 9.00am from London Bridge through to 300 metres south of Gunnamatta Surf Life-Saving Club House.
- from Stockyard Creek through to the Flinders West Head Gunnery Range.

When dogs are permitted in the park, they **MUST** be on a leash at all times.



Please clean up after your dog. Responsible dog owners always ensure they have a plastic bag or acceptable item to clean up after their dogs. Failure to clean up after your dog can result in an 'on-the-spot' fine of **more than \$100** being issued.

Any person in charge or in control of a dog, in a public place, must have in their possession sufficient bags or similar devices for the purpose of removing and hygienically disposing of any excrement deposited by their dog. Failure to have sufficient bags or similar may result in a **further \$100 +** 'on the spot' fine.

Protect the privilege of walking your dog in public places...

Please don't make **your** dog's mess everybody's problem!