

10. Tram line and embankment

The tram from the City to Kensington ran through the Park until the late 1950s. Originally horse-drawn, it was electrified in 1908.



11. Playground

First constructed 1959, it was re-born in 2021 as the Quentin Kenihan Inclusive Playspace.



12. Events and festivals

Many festivals use this Park – among them the Fringe (“Gluttony”) and equestrian cross-country.

13. O-Bahn tunnel

Dozens of trees, many near 100 years old were felled in 2016 to dig a trench (later covered) which reduced bus travelling time by 3 minutes.

14. Upgrades 2024

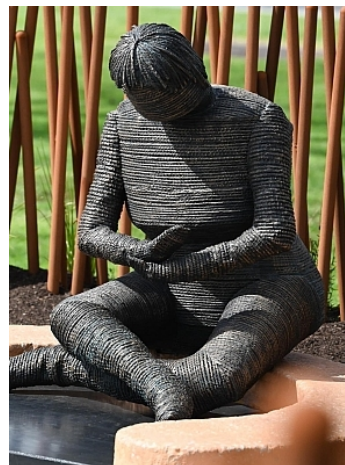
Work over 2023-24 led to improved water quality in the lake, better pathways, lighting, and an outdoor amphitheatre event space.

15. Holm Oak and fountain

The tree is well over 100 years old. The fountain was moved here in 2017, relocated from the other side of East Terrace.

16. ‘Place of Reflection’ across East Terrace

This ‘pocket park’ includes a memorial to the Stolen Generations, and a place for survivors to heal and connect with each other. The statue “Empty Arms” is by Auntie Yvonne Koolmatrie.



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EXPLORE

Rymill Park / Murlawirrapurka (Park 14)

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1.7 km
Allow 90 mins

This Trail Guide traverses traditional lands of the Kaurna people. We acknowledge and pay respect to the past, present and future traditional custodians and elders of this land.



1. Introduction and naming

Two names: (1) Sir Arthur Rymill, Lord Mayor 1950-54; and (2) an elder who taught the Kaurua language to Lutheran missionaries at the time of European settlement (invasion).

2. Former rubbish dump

This site was known as "Bartels rubbish dump" for more than 100 years up until the early 1960s.

3. "Alice" statue"

By John Dowie, erected 1962 "for the children".

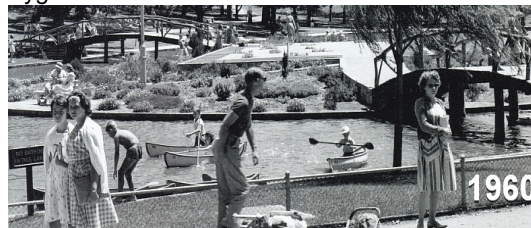


4. Botanic Creek

Flows under Bartels Rd and into the lake. It was used by Kaurua people before & after European settlement.

5. Remaking the Park 1958-61

Huge earthworks created the lake, to replace a boggy area. Rose gardens, pathways, kiosk and a playground were installed.



6. The kiosk

Known for decades as "Arnie's" but after 2018 the City Council had trouble retaining a long-term tenant, prompting a re-development in 2024.

7. Diagonal tree-lined avenues

This one lined with Oriental plane trees. Another, in the NW sector, is lined with white cedar trees from the 1880s.

8. Rose gardens and timber arbor

Started from 1959, by the Rose Society of SA, with circular rose beds. The arbor and rectangular beds came in 1997.

9. Adelaide Bowling Club

Moved here, in 1958, from its previous site off Kintore Ave in Park 12. It advertises as a venue for corporate functions – in effect a privatised part of your Park Lands.

