

8. Trees on the northern flank

Large sugar gums, as well as yellow gums, a Norfolk Island Hibiscus and some Kurrajongs, most planted in the 1920s.

9. Blackfriars Priory College

The College (on Prospect Rd) leases the brick shed and licences the use of the sporting fields. Its arrangements with the City Council were renewed in 2017.



10. Bush Magic Play Park

Built 1988, the first in SA designed for wheelchair access. One of the most popular in the Adelaide Park Lands.

11. Adelaide Aquatic Centre

An outdoor facility from 1969, but enclosed in 1985. It is expected to be demolished during the 2020s. The State Government has announced a new centre on a site immediately south, while APA is advocating for a brownfield site in a nearby suburb.

12. Adelaide Crows battle

After years of secret talks with City Council administration (code-named "Project Blue") the AFL team in 2019 unveiled plans for a new headquarters here, to include swimming facilities. After a community backlash led by 86-year-old Denise Norton, the plan was dropped in April 2020.



13. Western side trees

Around and near the Aquatic Centre car park, a collection of trees more than a century old.

They include Sugar Gums, River Red Gums and pines which provide habitat for possums, cockatoos, falcons and koalas, all found here.

Many are at risk from the proposed new Aquatic Centre.



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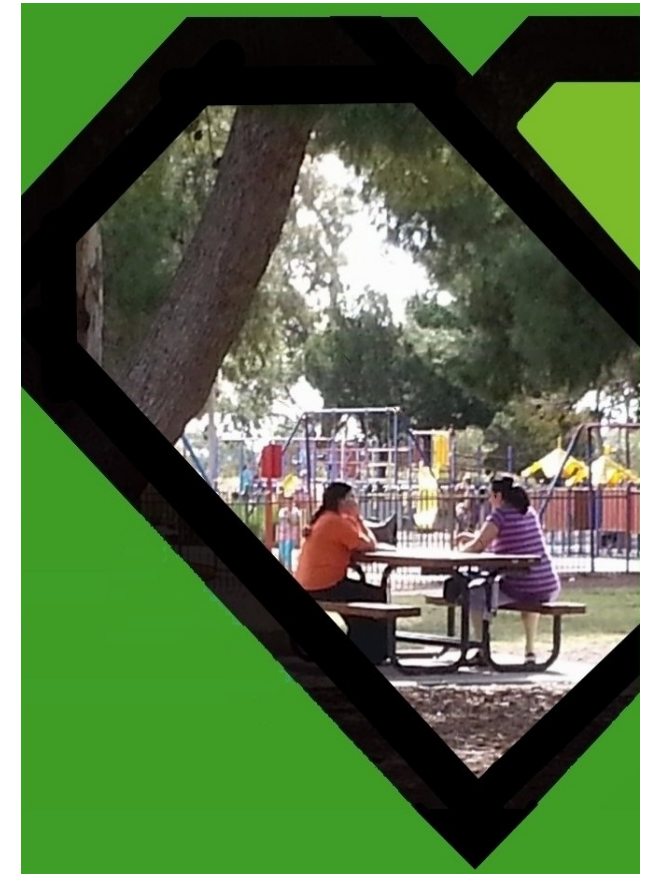


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Denise Norton Park / Pardipardinilla (Park 2)

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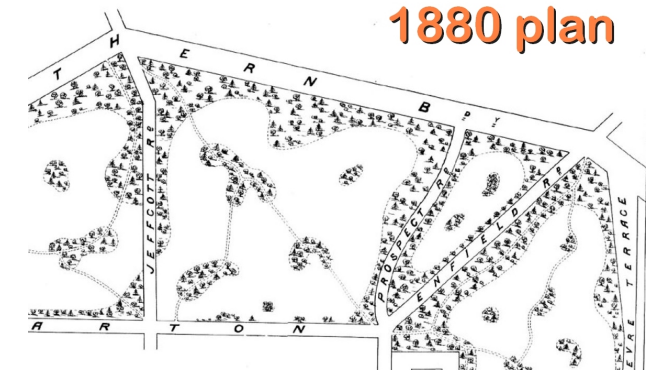
This Trail Guide traverses traditional lands of the Kurna people. We acknowledge and pay respect to the past, present and future traditional custodians and elders of this land.

1. Introduction and naming

Denise Norton was the first South Australian female athlete to represent Australia at the Olympic Games (Helsinki 1952) and has campaigned to protect this Park from development. The Kaurna name means “swimming place.”

3. Heritage buildings and Moreton Bay fig trees

The Caledonian Hotel dates from 1869. Along Barton Terrace West, a line of Moreton Bay Fig trees has survived since planting in the 1880's.



5. Layout of pathways

Diagonal tree-lined pathways, like this one, feature in many parts of the Park Lands. They were proposed by Scottish forestry consultant John Ednie Brown in an 1880 re-vegetation plan.



6. Tennis Courts, exercise facilities

These facilities along with planter beds and wider shared use path were built in 2020. On the northern side of these facilities, a number of native grasses and flowers have been planted.

7. Sporting fields

Two ovals and two rectangular soccer fields – licensed to Blackfriars Priory College but available for community use whenever the College is not using them.

2. Queens College

149 Barton Tce West is a heritage-listed former private college, built 1892. Famous former pupils included Sir William Lawrence Bragg and the pioneering aviation brothers Sir Keith and Ross Smith.

4. South-eastern corner

Near the corner a sole Port Jackson fig tree, which is common near Sydney but not in Adelaide. In 2021, this was the City Council's preferred site for a new Aquatic Centre.