

LAKE DOUGLAS

Lake Douglas:-

The turn-off to Lake Douglas is located 10km west of Kalgoorlie-Boulder, on Great Eastern Highway towards Coolgardie. A blue directional sign indicates the turn-off. Travel 2km on a gravel road to the lake area, which is to the right of the track.

Facilities:- Picnic areas, picnic tables, wood BBQ's, 1km walk trail around the northern side of the lake, two bush toilets as well as several informal trails through the bushland reserve.

- Drinking water is not available - KBULG recommends water be carried into the reserve. The lake water is not suitable for swimming.
- Rubbish bins are limited. Please take all rubbish away with you.

Lake Douglas is a man made lake, in a 600 hectare Council Reserve. KBULG has developed Lake Douglas into a recreation reserve for residents, school children and tourists. KBULG's Work for the Dole participants constructed the 1km walk trail around the northern edge of the lake.

There is a variety of gum trees & shrubs as well as wildlife including birds & lizards to enjoy.



WEEDS PAMPHLET

KBULG is producing a weeds pamphlet with funds from the Natural Heritage Trust. The pamphlet will include information on weeds commonly found around Kalgoorlie-Boulder and surrounding Goldfields. It will also include information on how weeds spread and appropriate measures in eradicating weeds.

The pamphlet will be distributed to every household in Kalgoorlie-Boulder once produced.

Common weeds which may be included in the pamphlet are Ward's Weed, Caltrop, Saffron Thistle, Paterson's Curse & Roly Poly.

TREE PLANTING 2001

Planning is underway for the 2001 Community Tree Planting Day. The planting day will be held on Saturday 9th June - the day after Arbor Day!

For site details look out for KBULG's Winter issue of Kalgoorlie-Boulder Landcare News. Details will also be available in the media closer to the date.



MAINTAINING YOUR LAWN

Good management of lawn areas will result in significant reductions in water use.

- The most water efficient way to manage a lawn is to give it just enough water to survive over the hot months. Only water when grass shows signs of stress. This shows up as a loss of the bright colour and slight wilting.
- Light applications of fertiliser every three mows or three months will enhance the appearance of your lawn.
- If you are frugal with your water you can be frugal with fertiliser; the recommended rates of application shown on the bags should be regarded as the absolute maximum.
- Fertilisers, which have some animal manure content help to maintain the organic matter level of the soil.
- All fertilisers should be applied immediately before a watering.
- Set mowers so that a 10-15mm length of lawn leaf is remaining. This amount of leaf will shadow the soil surface and reduces evaporation.
- Only top dress to even out bumps and hollows and then only use special top up dressing mixes, which contain organic matter.
- A deep watering 20mm (dependant on soil type and depth) twice a week for summer is far more beneficial than a quick water every day. (That's about 30- 40 minutes of watering)

Only water during the evenings and early morning during the permitted times. The use of sprinklers for watering lawns and gardens is not permitted between 9:00am and 6:00pm.