

# Point Richards Car Park Upgrade

Winter 2021

Better Boating Victoria is funding the delivery of the Point Richards Car park upgrade. 50 additional boat trailer unit parking bays are being added as part of the project. Works are due to commence in early June.

## Construction works are due to commence shortly on the Point Richards Car Park upgrade.

Better Boating Victoria is collaborating with Bellarine Bayside Committee of Management to deliver the upgrade of the Point Richards Car Park upgrade. A contract has been awarded and construction works will begin shortly. Access to the boat ramp will be unaffected for anyone wishing to launch at the ramp during works.



### What's been happening?

The aim of the upgrade is to increase boat trailer unit parking capacity and improve the speed and efficiency at which vessels can be launched and retrieved.

As part of the upgrade the overflow area footprint will be increased and formalised to create 44 new boat trailer unit bays. In addition, six new bays are being added to the existing main car park to provide improved parking capacity and reduced congestion.

A roundabout at the entrance of the existing car park will assist in managing circulation, controlling traffic flow and improving safety.

### Upcoming Construction works

Construction works for the upgrade will commence in early June and are due for completion in early September. Boat Ramp access will be maintained for the duration of upgrade works however this will be at reduced parking capacity of approx. 20 available parking bays.

### What happening next?

The main contractor will commence site establishment and construction activities shortly. For more information and project updates go to our website at <https://betterboating.vic.gov.au/ramp-upgrades/pointrichards/>

### Point Richards Rock Groyne Project

An overlapping rock groyne to the west of the boat ramp will be constructed to reduce the amount of sea grass which accumulates at the boat ramp and minimise impact to boat ramp operations. Planning and design works is continuing and works are due to commence in 2022.



# FAQs - Frequently Asked Questions

## Why is the Point Richards boating facility getting an upgrade?

The Victorian Government identified Point Richards as a priority upgrade as part of its commitment to making recreational boating easier and cheaper. This was based on advice from various stakeholders including the boating community.

The upgrade to the Point Richards boating facility will be in two stages, starting with the carpark in June 2021 followed by the rock groyne in 2022.

## Which contractor has been awarded the works?

Drapers Civil Contracting is the main contractor for the Point Richards car park upgrade. Drapers have been awarded the contract and will be completing works on behalf of Bellarine Bayside Committee of Management.

## When is construction due to start?

Drapers will be mobilizing on site week beginning 31<sup>st</sup> of May and construction works will begin shortly after. Project completion is expected in early September.

## Will I be able to use the boat ramp when construction is taking place?

Yes. Access to the boat ramp will be provided for the duration of the car park upgrade. However, there will be limited parking due to the construction compound and site activities.

You can view the webcam at [www.boatingvic.vic.gov.au](http://www.boatingvic.vic.gov.au) to see how many parking bays are available before leaving home.

## Where can I launch and retrieve my boat if the car park is full?

The nearest boat ramps include

- Clifton Spring Boat Ramp, Bluff Road 23km, 30 parking bays + overflow
- Indented Head Boat Ramp, Half Moon Bay, 26km, 30 parking bays

For more information on local boat ramp please visit: <https://geelongaustralia.com.au/boating>

## Can I still access the sailing club and Miniature railway?

Yes, access to both of these destinations will be provided during construction works.

## Will I still be able to use the bike/foot path?

Once construction has commenced a site fence will be established to limit public access to the works area. However, the bike/foot path will be diverted safely around the site compound and clearly signposted.

## Will we get regular updates to let us know how the project is progressing?

Yes, for more FAQs and updated information please go to: <https://betterboating.vic.gov.au/ramp-upgrades/pointrichards/>

## Need more information?

Find out more about the government's recreational boating initiatives at [www.betterboating.vic.gov.au](http://www.betterboating.vic.gov.au)

