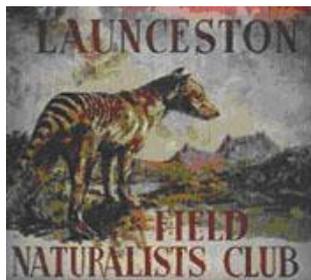


The aim of the Club is to encourage the study of all aspects of natural history and to support the conservation of our natural heritage. Established October 1949.



23 Skemps Road
Myrtle Bank 7259

Visitor information for the John Skemp Field Centre (Updated 11 January 2024)

The Launceston Field Naturalists Club provides accommodation at the John Skemp Field Centre, Myrtle Bank, Tasmania on a casual basis. The Club has Land for Wildlife membership and a Covenant: these legally oblige us to look after the property as though it was a National Park and we ask that visitors honour these values.

The principle for use of the John Skemp Field Centre is that it should always be left as it was found and left neat, clean, rubbish free and undamaged.

The Field Centre: can accommodate 12 people in 2 bunk rooms and 2 bedrooms and has two bathrooms each with toilet, shower and hand basin, a large living area and modest kitchen. Camping is also permitted on the grass area immediately around the Centre. Outside there is a covered entertainment area with tables and seating, and wood and gas barbecues. The property features 5 kilometres of nature trails (brochures and maps in Centre) over its 62 hectares, half of which is forest.

You will need to take these items

- A copy of your booking details
- Hand, tea and bath towels
- All food and drink requirements
- All bedding including pillows, pillow cases, sheets and blankets
- Bring a waterproof mattress cover if you think a visitor may need it
- Key access will be confirmed with your booking
- Toilet rolls
- Toiletries, including soap
- First-aid kit

Please note

- There is NO Wi-Fi or internet connected at the Centre other than your own mobile
- The John Skemp Field Centre has unreliable mobile phone coverage and the Centre landline can only make emergency (000) or free (1800) calls. If you need to make other calls you would be advised to purchase a Phone Away Card before your visit. People can ring the Field Centre on (03) 6399 3361
- The Centre is a non-smoking venue. Please respect that this includes 5 metres around doorways and that keeping the property clean includes removing butts
- No pets are allowed under the Covenant and Land For Wildlife status

How to Book Accommodation

For booking enquiries please contact **Noel Manning** the Club's Booking Officer by email bookings@lfncl.org.au providing your contact information, dates of the nights you wish to stay, number of people expected in your group and the reason for your visit or by telephoning **Noel** on 0458 030 767.

The Committee reserves the right to accept or reject bookings.

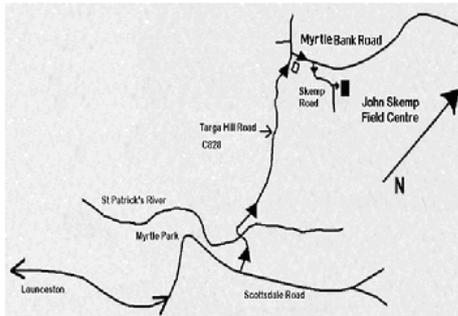
Once your booking is approved a \$200 deposit will be required. The Treasurer will send an invoice with bank details for this deposit. Full payment for your stay is due on

the day of departure from the John Skemp Centre. If your deposit is more than your stay, a refund will be paid to your bank account.

Cancellations

You may cancel your booking at any time, provided that your cancellation is by written correspondence to the **Booking Officer**. To get a full deposit refund you must provide a notice of cancellation at least 21 days prior to your arrival date, cancellations made less than 21 days prior to your arrival will receive a 50% refund. Cancellations received less than 7 days prior to your arrival will lead to loss of your deposit in full.

Getting there



The Club's property is **35 kilometres east** of Launceston just off A3 the Tasman Highway (the road to Scottsdale)

Take the first left just after the hairpin bend at **Myrtle Park Campground, Targa** onto **C828 Targa Hill Road** and travel uphill 2 kms. Turn right onto **Myrtle Bank Road** at the old Fire Shed at the top of the hill. The entrance to **SKEMPS RD** and boom gate is about 50 metres along on your right.

If you would like to visit and familiarise yourself with the facilities, volunteers are working at the property most Tuesdays from 9.30 am, please contact the Property Manager (see below) should you wish to inspect the property.

Shops

After a devastating fire the Nunamara Shop is closed until further notice. The public phone box at the site is still available for calls including emergencies. We are unsure of what is available at the Myrtle Park camp ground.

Other Club Contacts

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