

Yanina Walk

(Darkinjung & Guringai Country)











Yanina Walk is a gentle walk, exploring one of the ridges at the top of Kincumber Mountain. The walk follows a wide management trail from the main Honemans Picnic area, leading to the good views of Colin Watters Lookout. The notes describe a side trip to Nyari Lookout, but the views are very limited. The view from Colin Watters Lookout is arguably the best in the park, extending down Picketts Valley to Avoca Lake and Beach. There is a picnic table at the lookout, encouraging a snack before returning to the start. Let us begin by acknowledging the Darkinjung & Guringai people, Traditional Custodians of the land on which we travel today, and pay our respects to their Elders past and present.









Getting to the start: From Avoca Drive

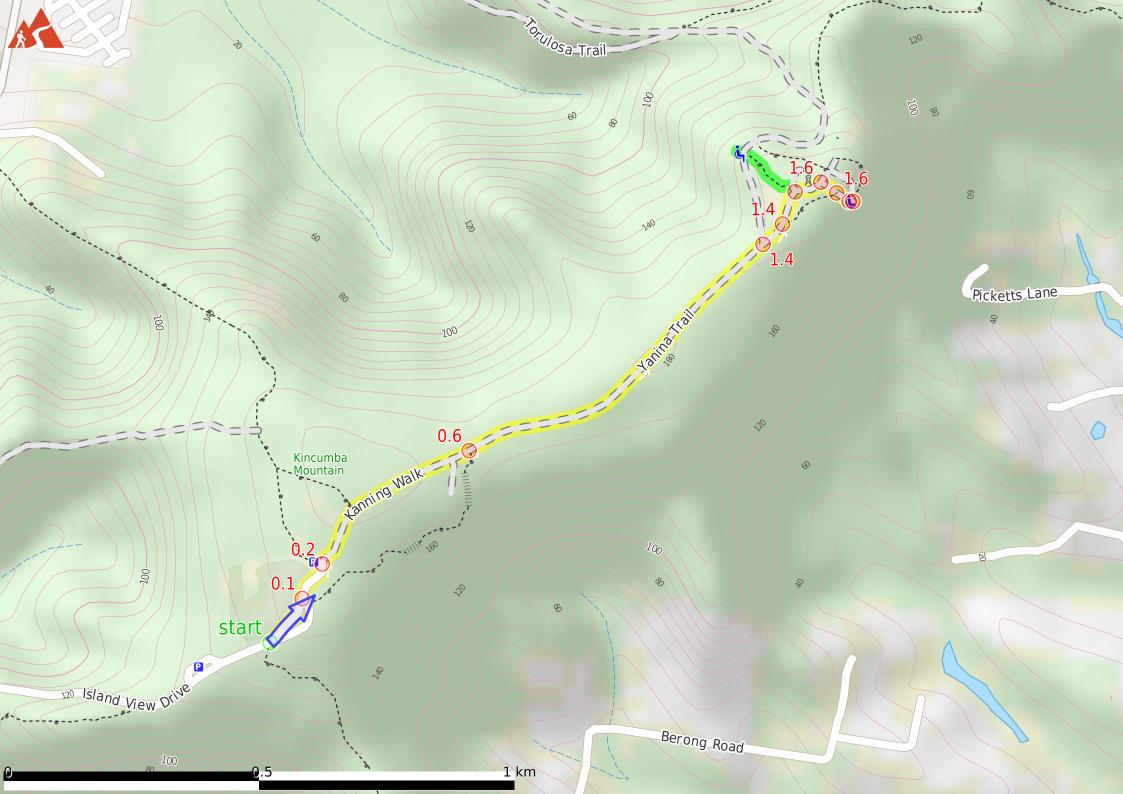
- Turn on to Avoca Drive then drive for 50 m
- At roundabout, take exit 2 onto Avoca Drive and drive for another 300 m
- At roundabout, take exit 2 onto Avoca Drive and drive for another 840 m
- At roundabout, take exit 3 onto Bungoona Road and drive for another 255 m
- Turn left onto Kincumber Street and drive for another 2.1 km

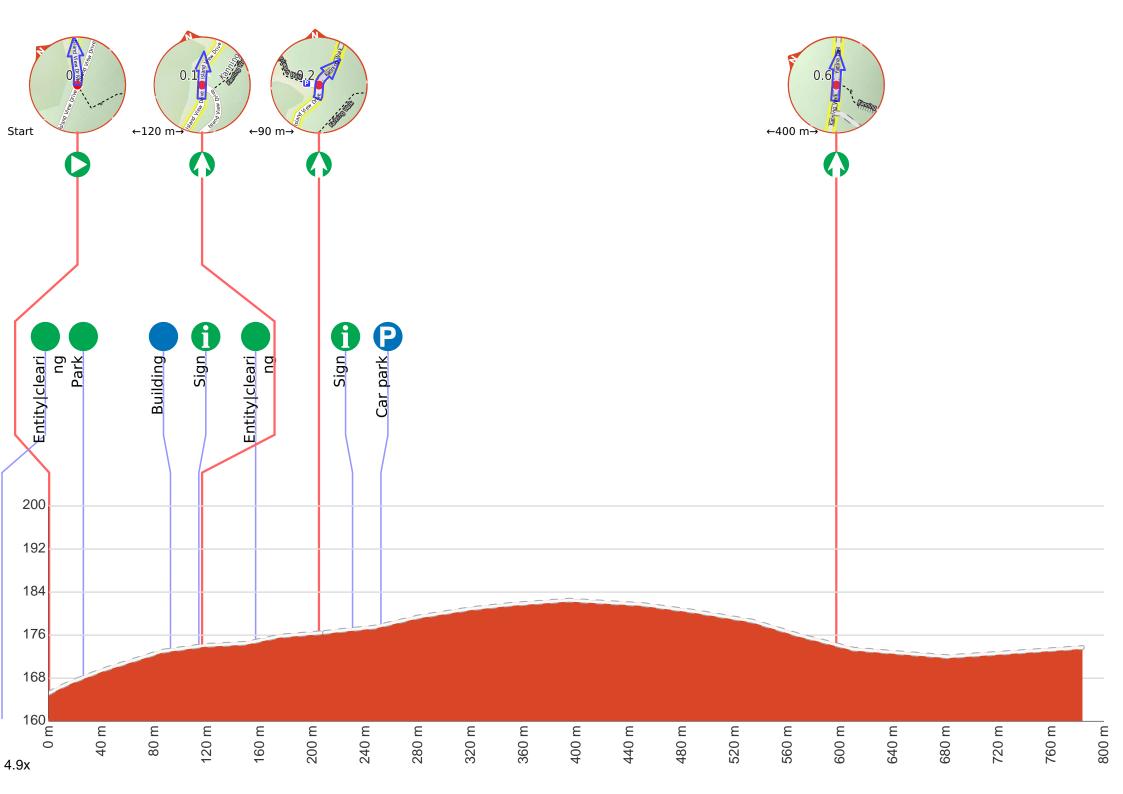
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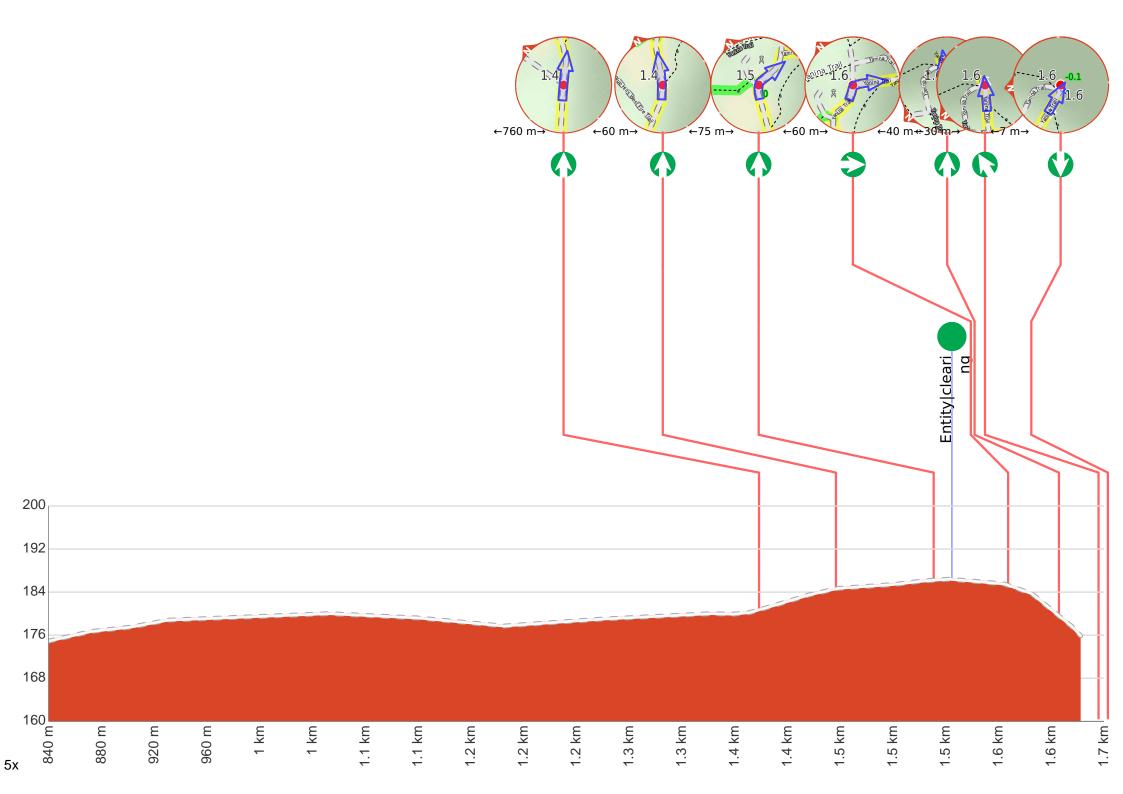
- Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- · Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
- Are healthy and fit enough for this journey

If not, change plans and stay safe. It is okay to delay and ask people for help.









Getting started: From the car park, this walk heads up the road, initially keeping the mud brick building to the left. Soon the road leads to an intersection (next to an information board and fence on the left). From the intersection, this walk follows the road up the hill, keeping the picnic area to the left and passing more car parks. The road bends a little, then comes to a large car park (on the left), a locked gate and a 'Yanina Walk' sign.



Start heading along Island View Drive.



Honeman's Rock (about 45 m back from the



Honeman's Rock (aka Honeyman's Rock) is a large rock outcrop in front of the mud brick building, in the Honeman's Rock Picnic area. The exposed section of rock is 60m long and about 30m wide, with the western side having a significant unfenced drop. The rock is named after Cecil Lyle Honeman who became a lease holder on the mountain in 1962. The rock has a large depression that once filled with water, and a drain has been dug to keep the pool empty and clear of rubbish.

Find the park at the start.

After another 70 m find the "Mud Brick Building" (10 m on your left).



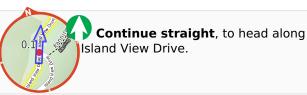
The mud brick building is a landmark in the main picnic area at Kincumber Mountain, and is a popular spot to gather. Also known as 'Kincumber Mountain Information Centre', 'The Kiosk', 'Kincumber Kiosk' and 'Kincumber Mountain Kiosk', the building was constructed in 1986 with funding from Community Employment Programme. The building is generally locked but can be booked through the local Lions Club for special events. The building has a rain water tank, small kitchen and one main large room. The verandah also provides good shelter. After another 20 m pass the "Kincumba

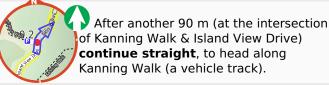


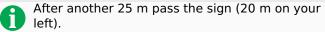
Mountain Kiosk" (30 m on your left). After another 45 m find the "Honeman's Rock picnic area" (45 m on your left).

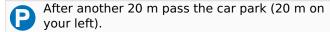


Honeman's Rock picnic area is a large picnic area at the top end of Island View Drive. This picnic area has a couple of large grassy areas, composting toilets, free electric BBQs, picnic tables, shelters, garbage bins, drinking water and information signs. The picnic area is home to a mud brick building (available for hire) and Honeman's Rock, from which the area derives its name. There is a fair amount of parking available next the picnic area, and some extra spaces a few hundred meters down the road.





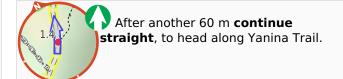




After another 315 m continue straight, to head along Kanning Walk.

After another 40 m (at the intersection of Kanning Walk & Yanina Trail) continue straight, to head along Yanina Trail.

After another 760 m (at the intersection of Yanina Trail & Blue Hills West Fire Trail) continue straight, to head along Yanina Trail.



Start of an optional side trip: An optional side trip to Nyari Lookout.



After another 15 m turn left.

After another 20 m find the "Tower Clearing" (on your right).



This clearing is found between Nyari and Colin Watters Lookouts. The clearing is next to a large communication repeater tower. There is some natural shade and a solitary picnic table on the northern side.

After another 105 m continue straight.

Continue another 15 m to find Nyari Lookout at the end.



The signposted and unfenced Nyari Lookout is found beside the Sandringham Trail and is also know as Nyari Point. The views from this point are filtered through the trees and extend northwest over Erina and a small section of the Brisbane Water to Rumbalara Reserve. Not the greatest views around.

A seat., has a backrest.

Turn around and retrace your steps back the 155 m to the main route.

Back at the main route turn sharp left and follow on from the 1.5 km waypoint.

After another 75 m **continue**straight, to head along Yanina Trail.

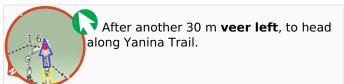
After another 15 m find the "Tower Clearing" (10 m on your left).



This clearing is found between Nyari and Colin Watters Lookouts. The clearing is next to a large communication repeater tower. There is some natural shade and a solitary picnic table on the northern side.



After another 40 m continue straight, to head along Yanina Trail.



After another 7 m come to a sign.

Turn around here and retrace the main route for 1.6 km to get back to the start.

A seat., has a backrest.



About 10 m past the end is "Colin Watters Lookout".



A plaque explains that this lookout was named in 1992 in honour of the Colin D Watters, who was Senior Parks Supervisor with Gosford Council. The fenced lookout provides great view south-east, down Picketts Valley to Avoca Lake and Beach. The lookout is also home to an information board, bench seat, picnic table and garbage bin. This lookout offers one of the best views in the park and makes a great spot to stop and rest.