



McKell Park Loop

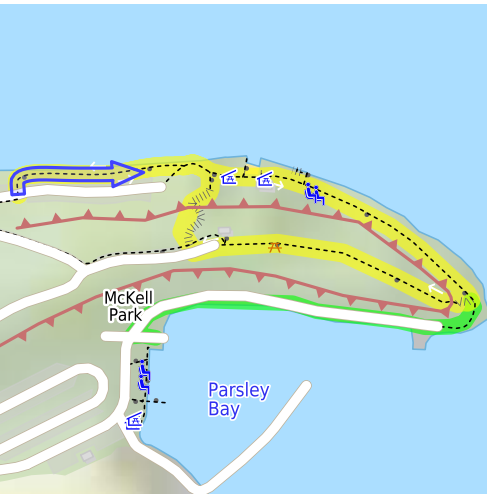
(Dharug & Gundungurra Country)

20 min to 30 min

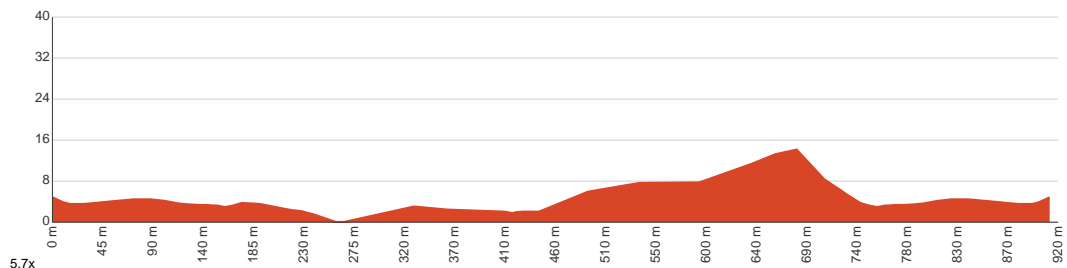
910 m
Circuit

↑ 20 m
↓ 20 m

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Moderate track



This is a great walk to take the kids on, with a fenced playground, a swimming area and pelicans. For mum and dad, there is parking, a Federation interpretive display, picnic and toilet facilities and views over the Hawkesbury River from Flat Rock Point above. This short walk complements a fresh seafood lunch in Brooklyn, making for a great summer treat. Let us begin by acknowledging the Dharug & Gundungurra people, Traditional Custodians of the land on which we travel today, and pay our respects to their Elders past and present.



Class 3 of 6
Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles

Quality of track	Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles (3/6)
Gradient	Short steep hills (3/6)
Signage	Directional signs along the way (3/6)
Infrastructure	Generally useful facilities (such as fenced cliffs and seats) (1/6)
Experience Required	No experience required (1/6)
Weather	Weather generally has little impact on safety (1/6)

Getting to the start: From Pacific Highway, B83

- Turn on to Brooklyn Road then drive for 3.5 km
- Turn left onto Dangar Road and drive for another 120 m
- Turn right onto Dangar Road and drive for another 215 m

Before you start any journey ensure you;

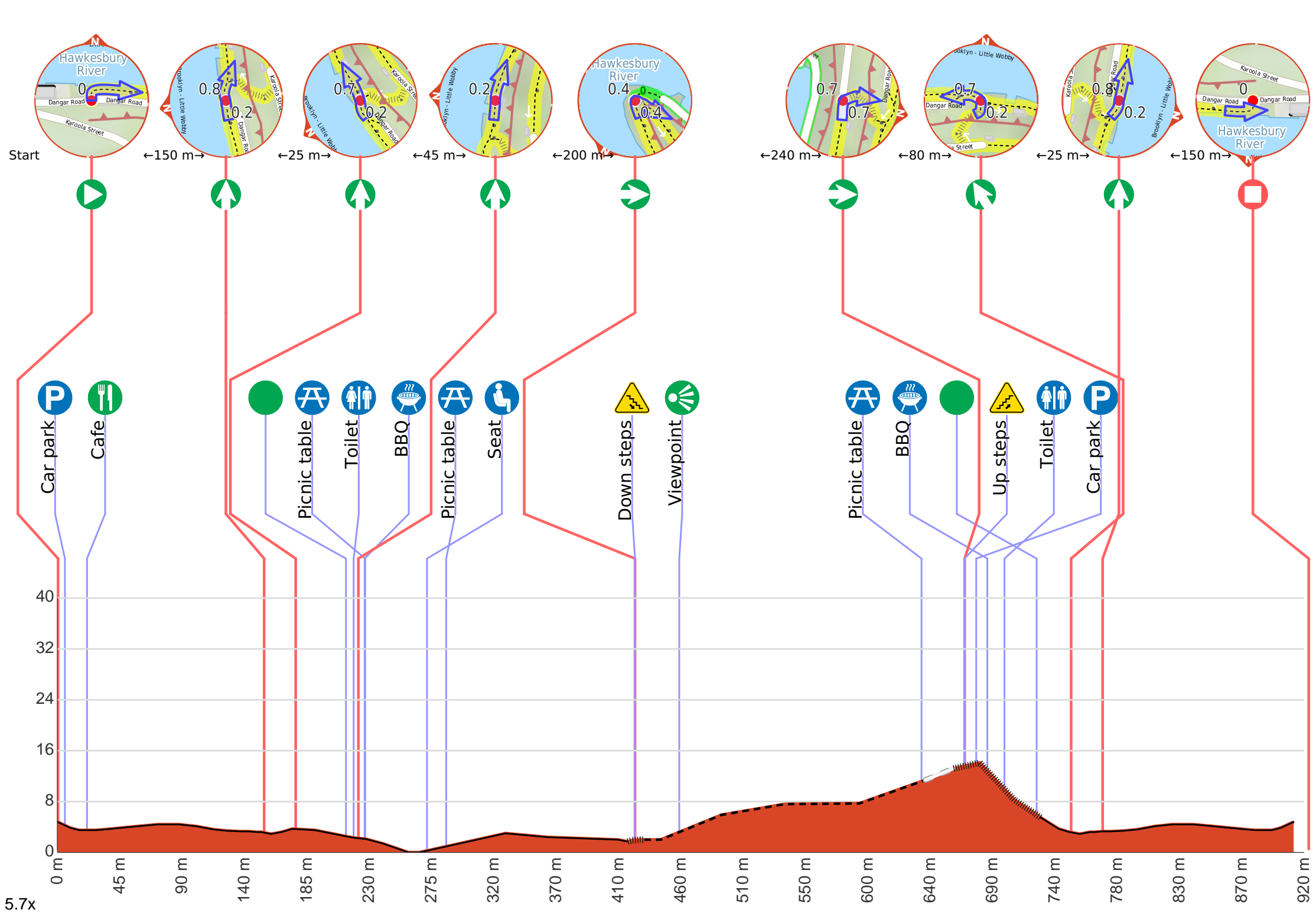
- Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
- Are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

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

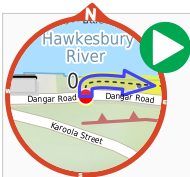
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Getting started: From the car park, this walk follows the gravel path along the foreshore (keeping the car park to your right). After about 100m, the walk heads along the concrete footpath and past the metal and glass 'Federation' interpretive signs, coming to an intersection on the other side of the fenced children's playground.



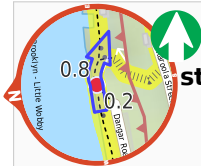
Start.



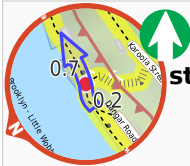
Find the car park at the start.



Find the King Tide Cafe at the start.



After another 130 m **continue straight**.



After another 25 m **continue straight**.



After another 35 m come to the "McKell Park". McKell Park is an excellent spot for an afternoon with the kids. It has a large fenced playground, interpretive display about Australia's federation, a swimming area, electric BBQ's, seating, toilets and change room facilities. The park overlooks the boats in the Hawkesbury River and is very close to the car park at the end of Dangar Rd.



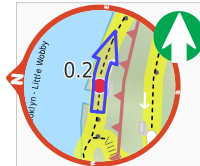
After another 15 m pass the picnic table (10 m on your left).



Then pass the toilet (on your right).



After another 8 m pass the BBQ (10 m on your left).



Continue straight.

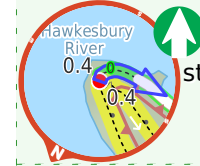


After another 65 m pass the picnic table (5 m on your right).



Then pass a seat (6 m on your right), has a backrest.

Start of an optional side trip: An optional side trip to Parsley Bay Boat Ramp.



To start this optional side trip continue straight here. **Start.**



After 320 m head through/around the gate.



Turn sharp left.



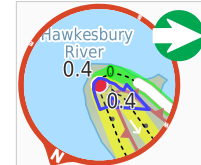
Continue another 20 m to find Parsley Bay Boat Ramp at the end.



Turn around and retrace your steps back the 330 m to the main route.



Back at the main route turn left and follow on from the 420 m waypoint.



After another 150 m **turn right**.



Then head down the steps (about 10 m long)



After another 20 m come to the viewpoint (on your left).



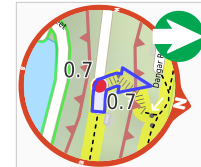
After another 175 m pass the picnic table (10 m on your left).



After another 50 m pass the BBQ (9 m on your left).



After another 35 m find the "Upper McKell Park Picnic Area" (on your right). McKell Park Picnic Area is perched on the headland above Parsley Bay. The picnic area provides a pleasant grassy area with picnic shelters, electric BBQ's and toilets. The picnic area also has a lookout over the Hawkesbury River.



Turn right.



Then head up the steps (about 65 m long)



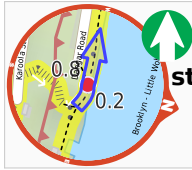
Then pass the toilet (30 m on your right).



Then pass the car park (on your left).



After another 70 m **turn left**.



After another 25 m **continue straight**.



After another 150 m come to the end.