

Hattah Desert Race 2026 – check signage and access

Parks Victoria welcomes the running of the Hattah Desert Race 2026 and recognises its long history in the region and importance to the local community and visitors.

To ensure the event is conducted safely and with minimal impact on the Park and River Reserve, temporary access changes and conditions are in place across parts of Hattah-Kulkyne National Park before, during and after the event period.

Visitors are advised to:

- Check for **track closures and restricted access areas** before travelling
- Follow all **event signage and directions from officials and rangers**
- Respect **environmental protections**, including staying on designated tracks
- Take extra care due to **increased traffic and activity** in and around the park
- **Never leave a lit campfire unattended**, if it's cold to touch it's safe to leave

Protecting the park's unique landscapes, cultural heritage, and wildlife is a shared responsibility.

At last year's event, 44 lit campfires were left unattended, putting the park and community at risk.

Parks Victoria works closely with event organisers to ensure appropriate safeguards are in place and that the park is protected during the event.

If you are not attending the race, consider visiting other areas of the park outside the event zone during this time.

For the latest updates and park conditions, visit the Parks Victoria website.

<https://www.parks.vic.gov.au/>