

## WALKING TRACKS NORTHERN REGION

Entry from Anson Avenue

### Lighthouse track to Joggly Point



Traverses Laurie Wilson Walk, through the 5-ways to the highest point of the Reserve next to the automatic lighthouse, passes above the Gorge and crosses the endangered Themeda grassland on the headland to reach Joggly Point. Return the same way or continue on the circuit track. (2 km return)

### Half Tide track

Traverses Laurie Wilson Walk, through the 5-ways and dips steeply to the northern shoreline at Half Tide rock. Return by the same route (1km return)

### Piano Rock track

Traverses Laurie Wilson Walk, through the 5-ways to northern rock point. Be aware of steep cliffs. Return via the same route (1.5km return) or follow the rough track to connect with the Lighthouse track (a further 300m).

### Laurie Wilson Circuit Track

Take the Lighthouse Track to Joggly Point. Follow the track south via the beaches to Red Hill, where the track climbs to the top of the ridge. Take care here! At the top, turn right to return along a ridge route (3.3 km return)

*A note of caution. These tracks are unsealed and unsuitable for disabled or wheelchair access. Some tracks access steep cliffs or rocky points near the ocean.*



## WALKS FROM CHINAMENS BEACH CAR PARK

### Beach walk

From the boardwalk entry onto the beach at the northern picnic area, walk south along the beach to the rocks at the Bluff. If the tide is sufficiently low, it is possible to access the next beach (New Zealand Beach). The route past the rocks changes as sea conditions change, and it usually necessary to traverse the slippery rock ledges. Be mindful to the tide for your return. If the tide in too high, it is possible to scramble from the pandani up to the high track over the bluff and re-join at NZ beach.

Continue to Snapper Point. Note that at this point, you are in part of the National Park. Be aware that the beach to the south is part of the RAAF Weapons Range and access is prohibited by Commonwealth legislation.

### Ridge Track

Entry is via track at southern side of picnic area. Walk south along the ridge, with views over the beach. Return from the high point (1.2km return), or continue to the southern end of New Zealand Beach (800m further). This track offers high tide access to Snapper Point.



## The Dirawong



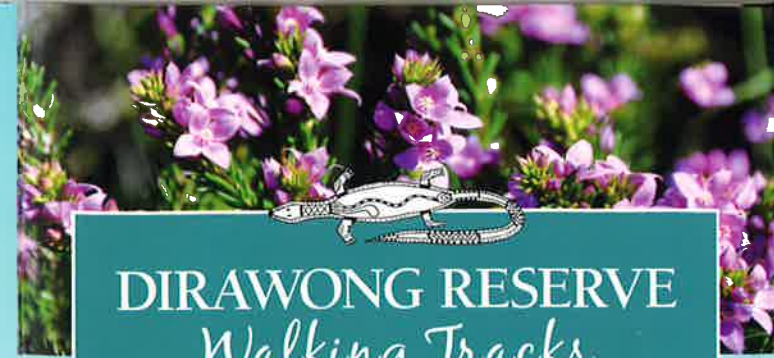
Dirawong Reserve comprises approximately 300 hectares of sanctuary. A dominant feature is Goanna Headland on the northern boundary. In the mythology of the Bundjalung Nation, the Dirawong is an unseen spiritual creature also known as the goanna spirit.

The Reserve holds great spiritual significance for the Traditional Owners. It also contains the site of a horrific massacre perpetrated during the early European settlement. Please tread carefully.

In the late 19th century, gold miners, including Chinese and New Zealand nationals, were attracted to the beaches to ply their trade, as indicated by the names of the beaches.

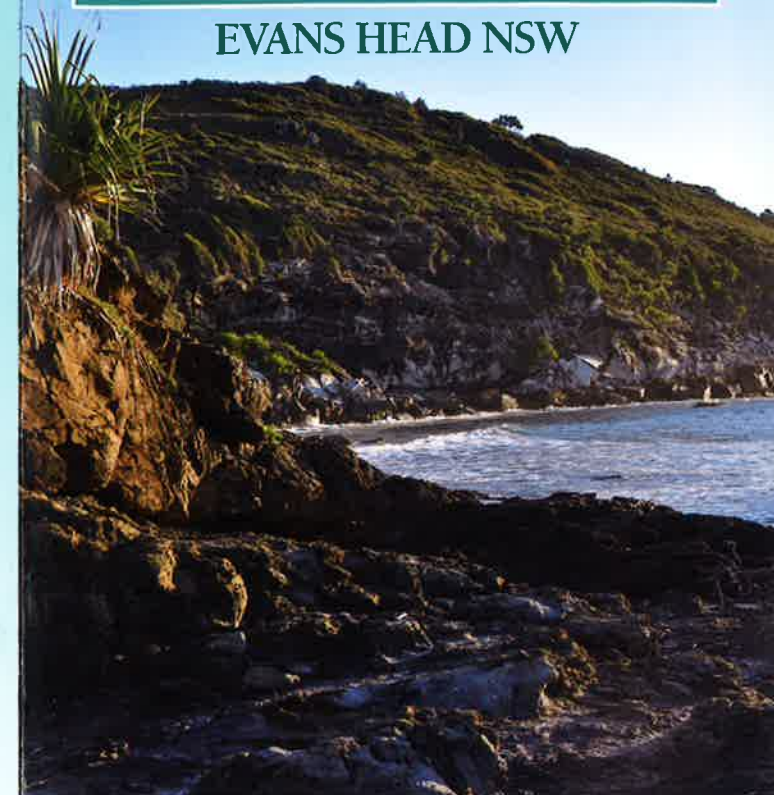
The Dirawong was declared as a reserve of State significance in 1987, as a result of a determined campaign by the local community. It is a sanctuary for birds and animals.

***Dogs, fires and camping are prohibited.***



# DIRAWONG RESERVE *Walking Tracks*

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Dirawong Reserve is managed by a Trust Board of community volunteers appointed by the Minister for the protection of flora and fauna, the preservation of Indigenous and European heritage and the provision of public passive recreation.

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