

## MORE PLACES TO VISIT

While in East Gippsland there are a variety of places to visit. Some can be a quick picnic stop, while at others you may wish to stay awhile or return to, because several are sites for seasonal migrant birds.

### Guide

No.	Location
1.	BAIRNSDALE
2.	LINDENOW
3.	MITCHELL RIVER NATIONAL PARK
4.	PAYNESVILLE
5.	NICHOLSON
6.	METUNG
7.	LAKES ENTRANCE
8.	LAKE TYERS
9.	BRUTHEN
10.	BUCHAN
11.	NOWA NOWA
12.	MARLO
13.	OMEO
14.	MALLACOOTA

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- Educate the public to become more aware of birds and their habitat requirements.

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## EAST GIPPSLAND BIRDING GUIDE

## NOWA NOWA



Australian King Parrot - Ron Mackenzie

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## BIRDWATCHING AROUND NOWA NOWA

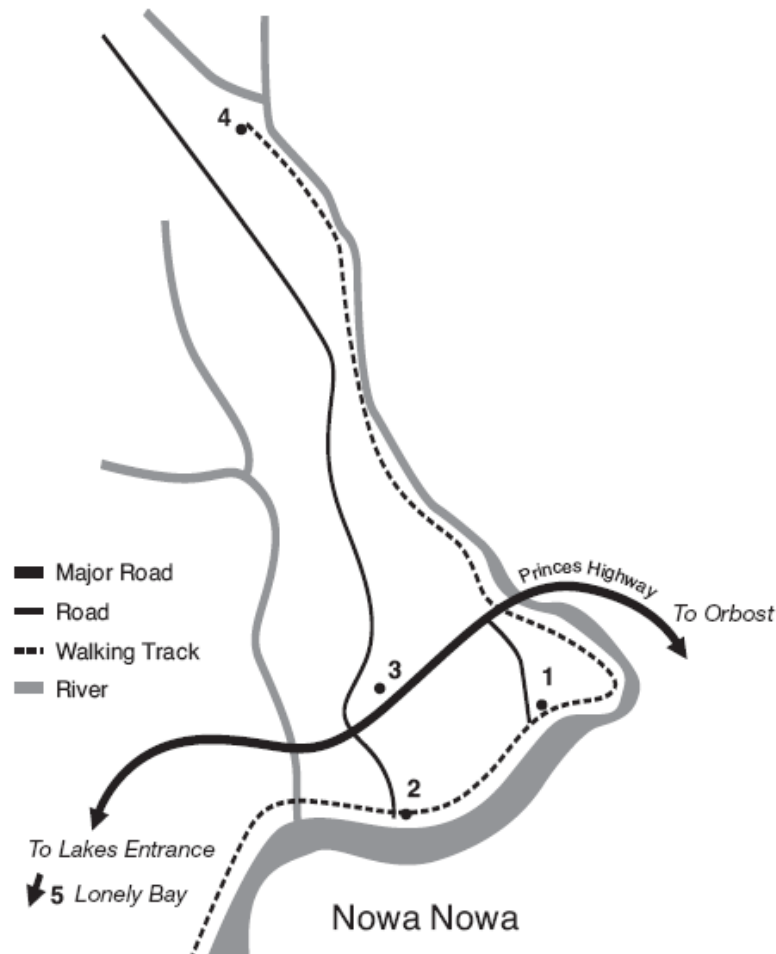
Nowa Nowa, ( two Aboriginal words meaning “the place of mingling waters”) is a quiet little town at the head waters of Lake Tyers and is a short drive from Lakes Entrance. A walking track from the gorge to the wetlands of the lake can be walked in either direction.

### 1. Picnic Area

A track on the right, off the highway before crossing Nowa Nowa Arm takes you down beside the arm, with plenty of room for parking your car. The left fork of the track leads to a picnic area. ( Toilet facilities are back at the General Store – No. 3 on this map). From this mid-point one can access the walking track in both directions: under the bridge and uphill to the gorge, or following the waters edge to the wetlands behind the Mingling Waters Tea Room, and beyond. Cormorant, Duck, Teal, White-bellied Sea-Eagle, Latham’s Snipe, Jacky Winter and Honeyeater are all possible sightings.

### 2. Boat Ramp

The Boat Ramp, which is accessed by a track beside the Mingling Waters Tea room and Caravan Park, also gives you the option of walking in either direction along the walking track. Continuing west behind the caravan park and over a small footbridge brings you into an area of wetland, where Dusky Moorhen, Egret,



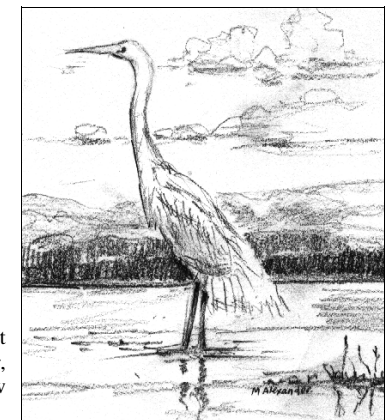
Black-fronted Dotterel and Royal Spoonbill can be seen. In the bushland surrounding the wetland Eastern Yellow Robin, White-browed Scrubwren, Eastern Whipbird, a variety of Cuckoo, Thornbill and Whistler could be seen. Also listen and watch for the Rose Robin.

### 3. General Store & Public Toilets.

### 4. Nowa Nowa Gorge

The gorge is a 400 million year old rock formation and is at the northern end of the walking track. It is accessible by car from Red Knob Road. Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike, a variety of Thornbills, Honeyeaters, Cuckoos and Whistlers are the usual sightings.

\*\* **The Trestle Bridge** over Stony Creek is the longest trestle bridge in the Southern Hemisphere and is 2.9 km in from the highway 2.1 km on the Lakes Entrance side of Nowa Nowa. It is worth a visit if time permits.



Great Egret  
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