

Media Release

HAVE YOUR SAY ON A PLACE NAME IN LAKE MACQUARIE LGA

Tuesday, 23 May 2023

The Geographical Names Board (GNB) is seeking community feedback on a proposal by Lake Macquarie City Council to name a reserve in the suburb of Murrays Beach as Karakai Park.

Council consulted with the Awabakal Descendants Traditional Owners Corporation who provided the Aboriginal name Karakai (pronounced kah/ra/k/eye) which means 'to be active'.

The proposed name reflects the development plan for the park which includes a bushland reserve and clearing being developed with the construction of a playground, half basketball court and double bat ball court.

The GNB encourages community comment before it considers the proposal.

Details of the proposal can be viewed, and submissions lodged on the Geographical Names Board's website.

Alternatively, written submissions may be mailed to the Secretary, Geographical Names Board, 346 Panorama Ave, Bathurst, NSW 2795.

The closing date for submissions is 24 June 2023.

Quotes to be attributed to Chair of the Geographical Names Board Narelle Underwood

"It is important that place names reflect the character and history of the local area and community."

"We want to make sure everyone has an opportunity to provide their feedback on the proposed name."

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