



Media Release

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HAVE A SAY ON NAMES OF 13 RESERVES IN CAMDEN

The Geographical Names Board is calling for public comment on a proposal by Camden Council to name 13 reserves in the Camden Local Government Area.

Eight of the reserves Bridge Park, Champions Park, Family Hill Park, Grand Prix Park, Grandstand Park, Angus Park and Hollywood Park are each located in the suburb of Oran Park on the site of the former racing circuit.

Chair of the Geographical Names Board Narelle Underwood said feedback is being sought on the proposal to name these reserves and a further six: Morton Reserve, Thomas Meehan Reserve, Greenhills Reserve, Nugget Beames Reserve, Roden Cutler Reserve and Ron Dine Reserve.

“It is important that place names reflect the character and history of the local area and community,” Mrs Underwood said.

“We want to make sure everyone has an opportunity to provide their feedback on the proposed names before the board considers them.”

Bridge Park is bound by Ambrose Street and Wedd Street and named for the 1973 North Circuit extension which included building a bridge and resulted in the track becoming the only circuit in Australia to include a bridge.

Champions Park is located adjacent to The Northern Road from Holden Drive extending south to Dan Cleary Drive and is named for its tradition of hosting the final round of the Australian Touring Car series where winners would be presented with trophies.

Family Hill Park is encompassed by Evans and Carden Streets and was commonly referred to as the Family hill during raceway days.

Grand Prix Park is bound by Peter Brock Drive and Leffler Street and is named for its historic role as the host of the Australian Grand Prix in 1974.

Grandstand Park is bound by Grandstand Loop and was the site of two grandstands within the Oran Park Raceway.

Angus Park is bound by Charbray Loops, Dexter Street and Brahman Street and is named after the Angus breed of cattle introduced in 1840's and reflects the longstanding farming heritage of the Oran Park area.

Hollywood Park is bound by Lillywhite Circuit, Richmond Road and Stratton Road Street and is the site of the 'Oran Park Town' sign which the local community refers to as its version of the 'Hollywood' sign.

Morton Reserve and Thomas Meehan Reserve are both located in the suburb of Harrington Park.

Morton Reserve is located between Morton Terrace and Meehan Terrace and commemorates John Morton, an early owner of the 'Orielson' a heritage listed pastoral property representative of a gentleman's farming estate of the 1840's.

Thomas Meehan Reserve is located between Meehan Terrace and Halycon Court and commemorates Thomas Meehan, a former postmaster at Campbelltown and campaigner for the Bow Bowing Creek dam tributary.

Greenhills Reserve is located at the junction of Queen Street and Hillview Street in the suburb of Narellan. The name recognises the original subdivision name.

Nugget Beames Reserve is located on Waterworth Drive in the suburb of Narellan Vale and commemorates Gordon 'Nugget' Beames who was an active member of the community, raising awareness for required amenities and representing residents with local issues.

Beames was a great supporter of Narellan Vale Public School, regularly involved in raising funds to support the education of the suburb's children. Gordon "Nugget" Beames passed away on 14 November 1997.

Roden Cutler Reserve is located at the intersection of Camden Bypass and Belgenny Avenue in the suburb of Camden. The name commemorates Sir Roden Cutler who opened the Macarthur Bridge which spans the Nepean River in 1973.

Ron Dine Reserve is located adjacent to Matahill Creek and accessed via McCrae Drive and south of Burragorang Road in the suburb of Camden South.

The late Ron Dine was a founding member of the Camden Tigers Soccer Club, serving as secretary for 22 years, Ron was instrumental in relocating the club to the current grounds. Ron Dine passed away in 1986.

Details of the proposal can be viewed and submissions lodged on the Geographical Names Board's website at www.gnb.nsw.gov.au.

Alternatively, email submissions can be sent to ss-gnb@customerservice.nsw.gov.au or written submissions may be lodged with the Secretary Geographical Names Board 346 Panorama Avenue Bathurst NSW 2795.

The closing date for submissions is Saturday 25 January 2020.

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