

INTRODUCTION

Parks Victoria is responsible for recreational activities on the Yarra and Maribyrnong rivers and seeks to provide for a wide range of environmentally sustainable opportunities to enjoy its waters.

This waterproof guide has been produced to encourage recreational boaters to explore the lower reaches of both rivers whilst recognising the need to protect their natural values.

There are a number of regulations that must be observed to protect the river environment and ensure the safety of all users. There are local conditions you need to be aware of to ensure your trip is enjoyable and trouble free. This guide will help you ensure your boating expedition is safe and enjoyable.

THINGS TO SEE AND DO

There are many ways to enjoy the Yarra and Maribyrng Rivers. You can walk, cycle or even drive along different sections, however the best way is by boat. A river cruise is a great way to see and experience Melbourne.

There's so much to see and do on the Yarra and Maribyrng Rivers and the banks feature a number of barbecue and picnic facilities, fishing platforms and jetties.

Here's just a few of the many attractions and experiences you can enjoy on the rivers:

On the Yarra

- Westgate Bridge
- Docklands
- Docklands Stadium
- The Polly Woodside Maritime Museum
- Melbourne Exhibition Centre
- Crown Entertainment Complex
- Southgate Precinct
- Melbourne Aquarium
- Flinders Street Station
- Federation Square
- Victorian Arts Centre
- Melbourne Park
- Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG)
- Melbourne Botanical Gardens including Government House
- Herring Island Environmental Sculpture Park

On the Maribyrnong

- Historic Footscray Wharf
- Newells Paddock Wetlands Reserve
- Flemington Racecourse
- Footscray Park
- Pipemakers Park (BBQ)
- Maribyrnong Park
- Riverside Park
- Avondale Heights Parklands
- Anglers Tavern Landing

NOTE: THIS IS NOT A NAVIGATION CHART
This map is not for navigation use. Navigation aids are shown for information only. For navigation of the Yarra and Maribyrnong Rivers, chart AUS 154 and AUS 155 should be consulted. Notices to mariners issued by Parks Victoria are published on www.parkvic.vic.gov.au

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Boating on the Rivers

A guide to recreational boating on the Yarra and Maribyrng Rivers

DEPARTMENT OF PRIMARY INDUSTRIES

Report Illegal fishing - call 13 FISH anytime

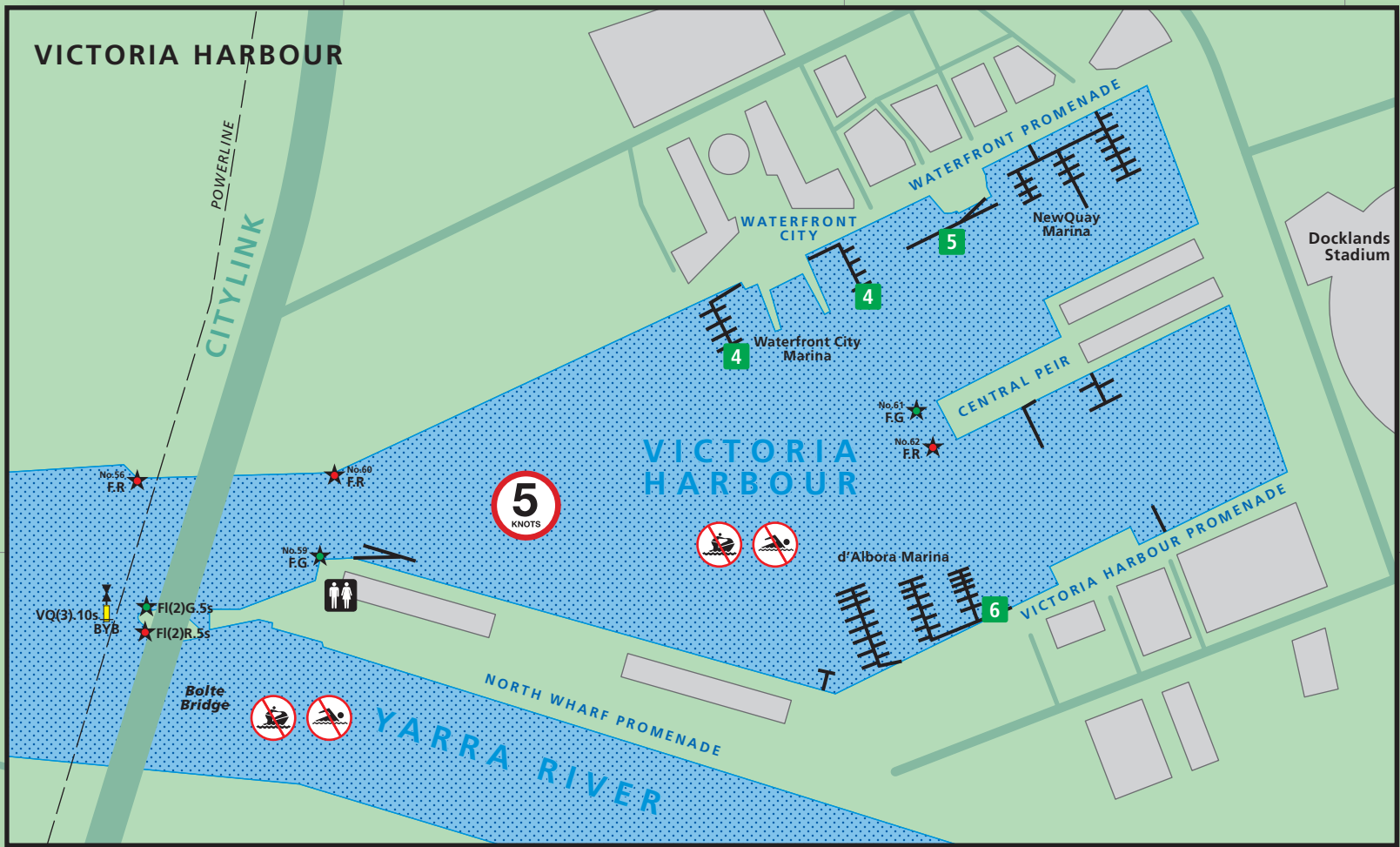
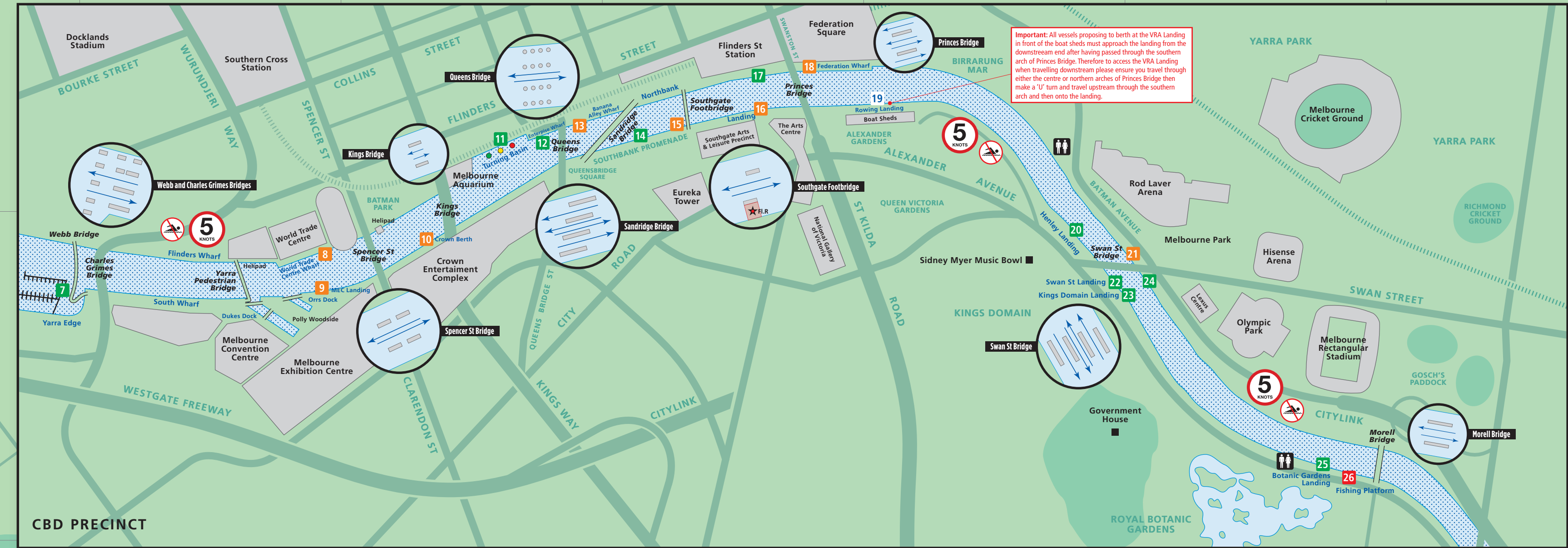
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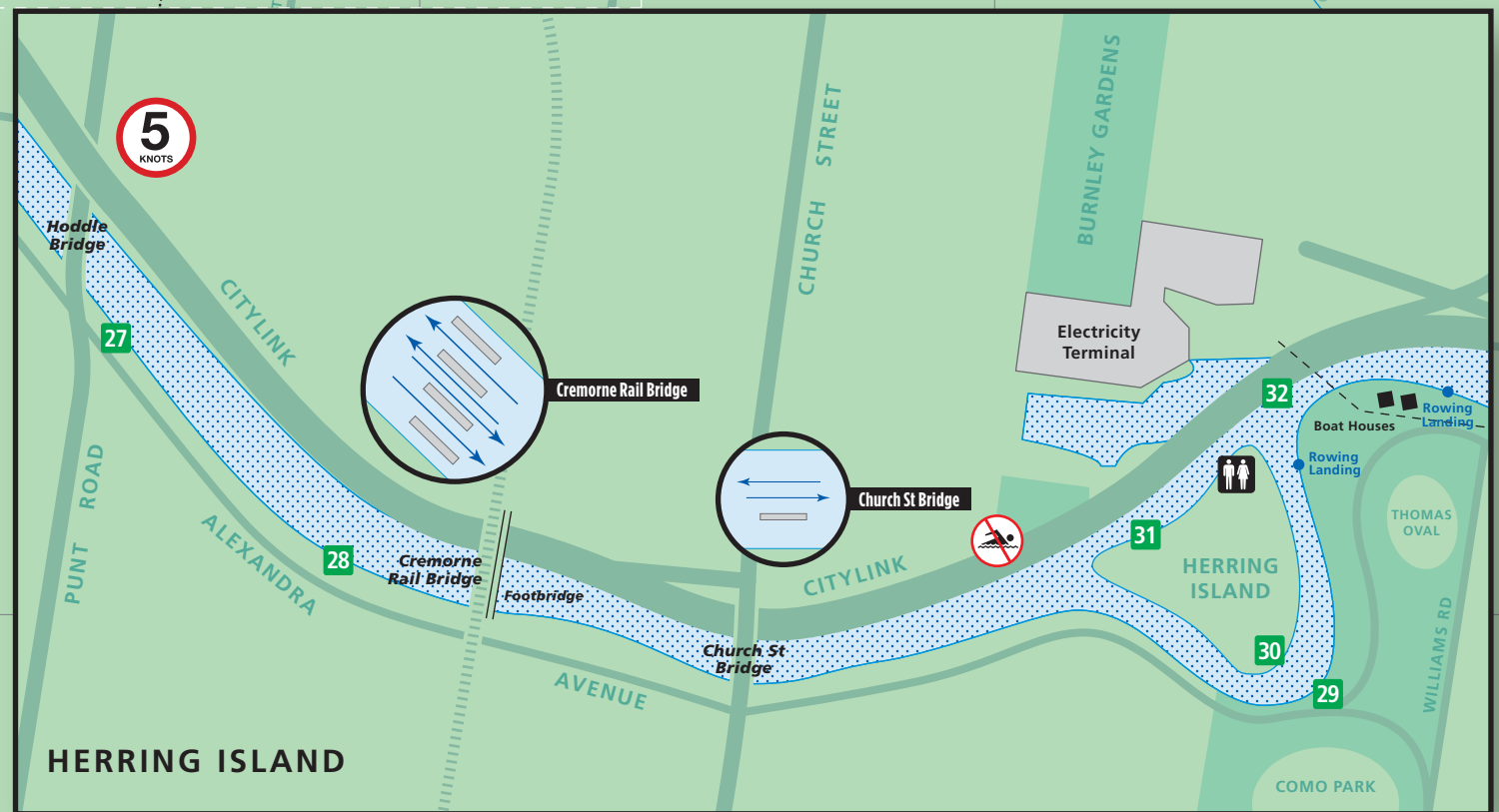
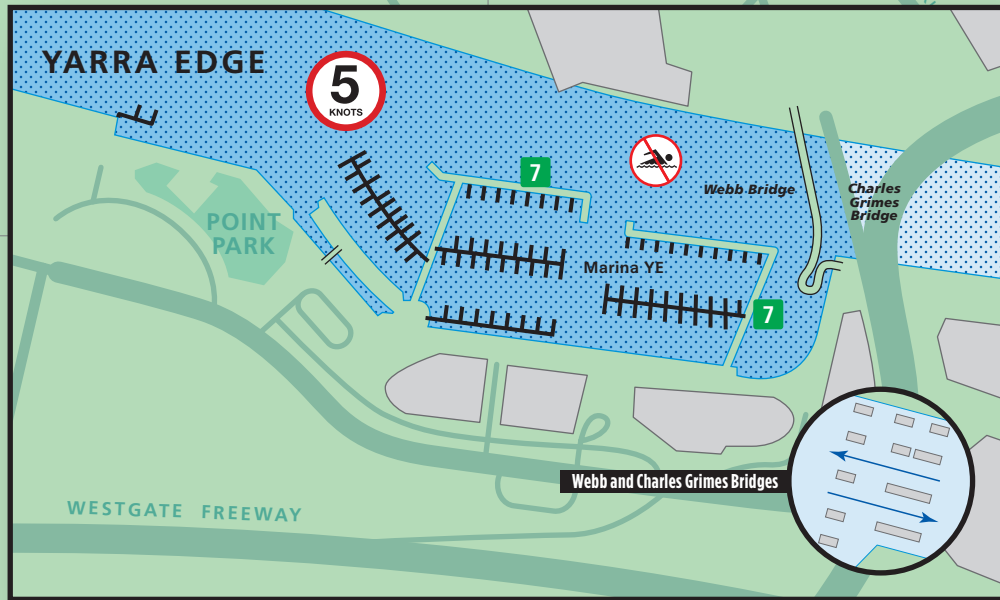
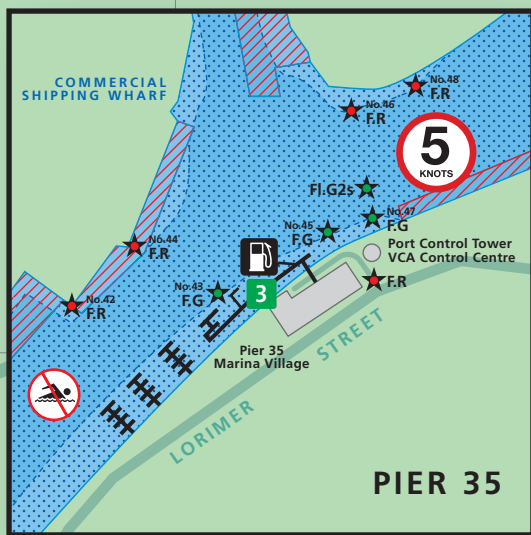
- Time and date
- Place
- Number of people involved
- Vehicle/boat registration
- Activity
- Equipment

For information about Fisheries Victoria call the 24h Customer Service Centre on 136 188 or visit www.dpi.vic.gov.au/fishing

Important: All vessels proposing to berth at the YRA Landing in front of the boat sheds must approach the landing from the downstream end after having passed through the southern arch of Princes Bridge. Therefore to access the YRA Landing when travelling downstream please ensure you travel through either the centre or northern arches of Princes Bridge then make a U turn and travel upstream through the southern arch and then onto the landing.



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BRIDGE CLEARANCES				
	Recommended navigation of channel	Max. clearance low tide [m]	Max. clearance high tide [m]	Min. width between piers [m]
YARRA RIVER				
Westgate Bridge (Road)	Centre	51.02	48.78	200.00
Bolite Bridge (Road)	Centre	26.22	25.58	100.00
Webb Bridge (Pedestrian)	Centre	3.82	3.18	32.00
Charles Grimes Bridge (Road)	Southern	3.53	2.89	32.00
Yarra Pedestrian Bridge (Pedestrian)	Centre	4.67	4.03	60.00
Spencer St Bridge (Road)	Centre	2.69	2.05	31.00
Kings Bridge (Road)	Centre	2.76	2.12	37.50
Queens Bridge (Road)	Centre	2.81	2.17	17.00
Sandridge Bridge (Pedestrian)	Centre	4.32	3.68	18.00
Southgate Footbridge (Pedestrian)	Centre	5.92	5.28	40.00
Princes Bridge (Road)	Centre	8.15	7.51	29.00
Swan St Bridge (Road)	Centre	5.05	4.41	18.00
Morell Bridge (Pedestrian)	Centre	6.90	6.26	28.00
Hoddle Bridge (Road)	Centre	5.22	4.58	17.50
Cremorne Rail Bridge (Railway)	Centre	5.95	5.31	26.50
Church St Bridge (Road)	Centre	8.66	7.92	30.00
MacRobertson Bridge (Road)	Centre	7.37	6.73	32.00
Heyington Rail Bridge (Railway)	Centre	10.65	10.01	23.50
Monash Freeway Bridge (Road)	Centre	9.88	9.24	30.00
Wallen Rd Bridge (Road)	Centre	10.37	9.73	10.00
Hawthorn Rail Bridge (Railway)	Centre	10.68	10.04	25.00
Hawthorn Bridge (Road)	Centre	11.54	10.90	25.00
Victoria Bridge (Road)	Centre	15.61	14.97	14.50
Walmer St Bridge (Pedestrian)	Centre	12.37	11.73	20.00
Gipps (Collins) St Bridge (Pedestrian)	Centre	13.32	12.68	20.00
Johnston St Bridge (Road)	Centre	17.24	16.64	20.00
MARIBYRNONG RIVER				
Shepherd Bridge (Road)	Centre	5.52	4.88	24.00
Maribyrnong River Goods Line Bridge (Railway)	Centre	6.63	5.99	44.00
Hopetoun Bridge (Road)	Centre	6.50	5.86	21.00
(Old) Railway Bridge (Railway)	Centre	6.61	5.97	43.00
New Maribyrnong River Rail Bridge (Railway)	Right	4.60	3.96	28.00
Stockbridge (Pedestrian)	Left	4.77	4.13	30.00
Lynchs Bridge (Road)	Centre	3.79	3.15	15.50
Farnsworth Ave Bridge (Road)	Centre	4.88	4.04	15.50
Pipemakers Park Footbridge (Pedestrian)	Centre	7.12	6.48	50.00
Raleigh Rd Bridge (Road)	Centre	4.19	3.55	15.00
Afton St Pedestrian Bridge (Pedestrian)	Centre	6.12	5.48	50.00
Canning St Bridge (Road)	Centre	9.98	9.34	23.00

Note: Low Tide = -0.38 m AHD (0.14 m Chart Datum)
High Tide = 0.42 m AHD (0.94 m Chart Datum)

The data for the above bridges has been derived from a range of historical plans and other sources and should therefore be used as a guide only to aid navigation.

LEGEND

Exposed at Low Water

Water between 0m and 2m deep

Water between 2m and 5m deep

Water between 5m and 10m deep

Water between 10m and 15m deep

Water 15m and above

Rocks

5 Knot Zone

10 Knot Zone

No Boating

Restricted Water and limited access

Boat Ramp

Fuel

Toilets

Beacon or Conspicuous Mark

Public Jetty, Landing or Berth

Commercial Berth

Non powered vessels only

Fishing Platform (no mooring)

LIGHTS

☆ Indicates a light structure or a lit beacon

Iso. Isophase FL Flashing

Oc. Occulating Q. Quick Flashing

F. Fixed VQ. Very Quick Flashing

eg. FL(2)8s A group of 2 flashes every 8 seconds

G Green R Red W White Y Yellow BI Blue

Mo Morse Code

MARKS

Y Y Special

R R Port hand – even numbers

G G Starboard hand – odd numbers

BY BY North South

YB YB East West

YB YB West

Cardinal – Pile or Pillar Buoy (Yellow and Black) with appropriate black top mark

BBB Isolated Danger (Black and Red)

