

DIOCESE SIGNS MANNA PARK CAMPSITE DEAL



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Earlier this month negotiations with the owner of Manna Park, Mr Rob High, culminated in the signing of a lease with the Diocese of Canberra & Goulburn.

"A very generous arrangement has been offered by Mr High who simply asks that when using the facilities there is an emphasis on engendering community spirit", said Trevor Ament, General Manager of the Diocese of Canberra & Goulburn.

Just under 10km from Merimbula, Manna Park is located off the Sapphire Coast Highway on Red Hills Road. Accommodation buildings are set in a large open field and the remainder of the area is made up of natural forest.

The accommodation consists of two full mud brick buildings sleeping up to 50 people. Each building has bathroom and laundry facilities, as well as kitchens and dining/family rooms with full length verandahs leading to an in-ground swimming pool with a large deck area.

"There is an abundance of hiking and bike tracks throughout the park, giving an opportunity to encounter amazing flora and fauna", Mr Ament said. "For those looking for that true bush experience there is a bush hut located about a kilometre from the main building where you can camp in the wilderness within a timber fully screened 'hammock' hut. A true bush loo is also available at this site."

Mr Ament said the Manna Park site adds value to the Diocese's existing Wambiri campsite just 15 minutes drive away at Tathra.

"As Wambiri provides a beach haven for school and community groups, so Manna Park provides a popular alternative with a bush aspect and facilities."