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Yorta Yorta Youth Journey visits Lake Moodemere

Lake Moodemere, within the Murray River Reserve west of Rutherglen, will play host to an important cultural event this October.

Yorta Yorta youth will undertake a four day journey of camping on Country and engaging in cultural activities and knowledge beginning at Lake Moodemere on Monday 20th October.

The camp is part of the annual Yorta Yorta Youth Journey that will travel to locations in Victoria including Mt Pilot National Park, Ulupna Island, Barmah National Park and Boat Rock in NSW.

Yorta Yorta Nation Aboriginal Corporation & Goulburn Broken CMA have hosted the Yorta Yorta Youth Journey for four years now, funded by a Federal Government Caring for our Country Grant. Neville Atkinson says the program is the perfect way to pass on ancient knowledge and demonstrate traditional ways to the younger generation of the community.

“This is traditional process, a rite of passage for Aboriginal children to move from childhood into adulthood, learning of their responsibilities to their people & Country” said Neville Atkinson, Indigenous Facilitator, Goulburn Broken CMA.

The camp at Lake Moodemere is part of a four day program running from Monday 20 until Thursday 23 October.

Parks Victoria advise that camping and campfire activities are not permitted at Lake Moodemere, and that this activity is an exception to the general rules of the area. Ranger in Charge, Chris Mercier said “Lake Moodemere holds special significance to the Yorta Yorta people and the event will be an important part of this year’s Youth Journey. This activity has the full support of Parks Victoria”.

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