

Keith Roget Memorial National Parks Award

1. Valid Contacts

- a) To qualify for a basic award or special endorsements a radio amateur must make contact with and/or from a specified number of the 45 National Parks in Victoria. A contact with/from a National Park earns 1 point.
- b) Short Wave Listeners: Earn one point for logging both ends of a valid contact between two radio amateurs with at least one being in a National Park.
- c) Contacts after 1 September 2008 are valid for this award.
- d) Contacts via Repeaters, IRLP or Echolink are not permitted.

In recognition of the award's history dating back to 1971, holders of the initial National Parks Award and the earlier Keith Roget Memorial National Parks Award can claim them as a credit towards the current award. To do so they must satisfy the Award Manager of the validity of their claim by either a copy of an earlier award or relevant log book entries.

The basic award will be issued where the following criteria are satisfied:

- VK3 station achieves 15 points.
- Other VK (ie. Non VK3) achieves 10 points
- DX station achieves 5 points

2. Special Endorsements for:

- 25 points making contact with and/or from 25 Parks
- 45 points making contact with and/or from all 45 Parks.
- CW Only Endorsement
- Activated ALL Parks Endorsement
- Worked ALL Parks Endorsement

There is an opportunity for radio amateurs to chase their own particular interest and seek endorsement upon attainment. Eg. 160m or QRP etcetera. Discuss with the Award Manager before attempting.

4. Submission for Award

- Copy of log showing all claimed contacts and must include:
- o Callsign, date, time, operator name, National Park name, Freq, Mode
- AUD\$5 or 2 IRCs to cover postage and costs.
- Awards Manager has the right to check log validity.

5. Activations

To further the aims of the Award and in support of portable operation, individual radio amateurs or groups will from time to time activate parks, and are encourage to publicise their intentions in advance, through the Amateur Radio Victoria website, plus the existing user group http://au.groups.yahoo.com/group/krmnpa/

6. Reference

For detailed road maps for each park visit http://maps.google.com.au/

Parks Victoria www.parkweb.vic.gov.au has detailed information on each of the National Parks. It is well worth researching each park before visiting to assess local conditions and learn about related activities.

When operating from within National Parks please observe all rules and guidelines as published by Parks Victoria and respect the rights of other parks users.