

Photo: Feeding ducks at Burra Creek, Josh Geelen

## FAMILY FUN

The Clare Valley is much more than a wine region!. A rich diverse history allows young imaginations to go wild whilst exploring mines and mansions. Make memories with a hike through a Conservation Park or ride along the Riesling Trail. Challenge children with a puzzle or two, or creatively making a piece of art. Splash in the pool (summer months) or find your way out of a maze, perhaps a round of mini golf.? Even a winery can be interesting for children, some with a vast array of activities available entertainment.

### ACTIVITIES

#### BIKE RIDING

**Riesling Trail** - a 35km cycling and walking trail extending from Barinia, north of Clare, to Auburn in the south.

**Rattler Trail** 19km cycling and walking trail from Auburn continuing south to Riverton Oval

#### Bike Hire

Clare Valley Cycle Hire, Clare	0475 733 747
Cogwebs Main North Road, Auburn	0400 290 687
Riesling Trail Bike Hire	0418 777 318
Scoot the Valley	0456 670 820

#### MODEL TRAINS — Clare Valley Model Engineers

**Inchiquin Lake, Clare** 8842 3407 / 0417 859 659  
 Children of all ages can enjoy rides on the model trains every 2nd and 4th weekend at the Inchiquin Lake Park. Call for actual times and days. Available to hire for private parties and fundraising events.

#### WINE & WILDERNESS TRAILS

Clare, Armagh, Sevenhill, Leasingham, Penwortham, Auburn and Watervale 408826349 / 0400230766  
 Over 100kms of wilderness trails passing by wineries, woodlots, farming crops within rural and natural landscapes. There are six stages to choose from. Can be done in sections and over several days.

#### RICES CREEK MINI GOLF - Auburn

0461 524 917  
 Mini golf, café and giftwares in a beautiful bush setting. Telephone or check their Facebook page, mostly open weekends

#### SWIMMING POOLS Open for summer season

**Valley's Lifestyle Centre Main North Road, Clare**  
 8 lane x 25 metre outdoor and toddler pool  
 88423999

Riverton Swimming Pool	8847 2251
Burra Swimming Pool	8892 2255

Other public swimming pools can be found at Balaklava, Owen, Hamley Bridge, Snowtown and Brinkworth

### MUSEUMS / HISTORY

<b>Bungaree Station 12kms north of Clare</b>	8842 2677
Heritage Merino sheep station offering self-guided tours, private functions and school camps. Licensed Café Bookings essential.	
<b>Burra Heritage Passport Trail, Burra</b>	8892 2154
A self-guided trail taking in historical sites around the old copper mining town.	
<b>Old Police Station Museum, Clare</b>	0400 010 079
Open Saturdays 1pm-3pm, Sundays 10am—3pm or by arrangement.	
<b>Sevenhill Cellars, Sevenhill</b>	8843 4222
Underground crypt below St Aloysius Church and the tasting room has an underground cellar and museum.	
<b>Martindale Hall, Mintaro</b>	8843 9088
Step back in time and visit this historic mansion Wed – Mon 10am to 4pm, self guided tour	
<b>Scholz Park Museum</b>	8847 2220
Blacksmiths shops, wheelwrights shop and the Scholz Cottage	

### ARTS / CINEMA

<b>Mainly Music</b>	
<b>Clare Uniting Church &amp; Vine Christian Centre</b>	8842 1191
Young children and their parents/caregivers join together for a fun, 30-minute music session, then afterwards enjoy morning tea in a relaxed setting. Monday of school term.	
<b>Blyth Cinema Moore Street, Blyth</b>	8844 5175
Shows children's movies during school holidays with Matinees and Friday and Saturday night screenings. Available to hire for private parties	
<b>HATS Inc. Auburn – Regular Live Performances</b>	
<b>Clare District Library Old North Road</b>	8842 3817
Open Tues to Friday & Saturday morning 'Toddler Tales' Tuesdays 10.30 – 11.00am. Regular school holiday activities and story-telling for pre-schoolers. Parenting facilities, coffee, drinks & free internet. & parenting facilities. Coffee & drinks available.	
<b>Saddleworth District Library, Saddleworth</b>	8847 4096
Parenting facilities, coffee, drinks & free internet. Also regular story-telling for pre-schoolers & school holiday activities.	
<b>Clare Toy Library Clare</b>	8842 2483
Open Tuesday 9-12pm and Wednesday 10-12pm Fees apply	



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### Riesling Trail Sculptures, Clare

#### WINERIES

##### Greg Cooley Wines

0421 055 799

The dog CHINO is ready to chase the ball all day, a 3 legged cat PUSS PUSS ready for cuddles. Lawn area and a variety of games/colouring in books/lego/jenga etc on-site. Plus soft-drinks, chips and a bakery next door for the fussy eaters with plenty of Lamingtons, Donuts etc.

##### Pikes, Sevenhill

8843 4370

Large lawn area where children can play

##### Jeanneret Wines/Clare Valley Brewing

8843 4308

Cheese platters, Mega Jenga, lawned area, rocks for climbing/a great property for nature play.

##### Sevenhill Cellars, Sevenhill.

8842 4222

Kids corner with paper, pencils and a blackboard/white board. Outside on the massive lawns they have totem tennis, cricket, football, soccer balls and picnic area.

##### Taylor's Wines, Auburn.

88491118

Books, jigsaw puzzles and a large play area outside

**Knappstein Wines, Clare 8841 2100.** Toy box and snacks playground within walking distance

**Paulett Wines, Sevenhill**, blackboard & chalk **8843 4328**

**Mr Mick, Clare 8842 2555** Colouring sheets and games

**O'Leary Walker Wines, Leasingham 8843 0022**

Children's menu, outdoor lawn area, sporting equipment toy box, colouring in, lawn games for kids and adults

##### Eldredge Wines, Clare

8842 3086

Large outdoor lawn area and kidz zone

##### Hill River Wines, Clare

8843 4100

Family friendly and outdoor games for all

##### Sussex Squire, Clare

0438 366 635

Pat the sheep, colouring in materials, toy box, bush walk

##### Tim McNeil Wines

0488 711 887

Lawned area and outdoor games, Finska, toy box, balls

#### PARKS / PLAYGROUNDS

**Catford Gardens, Clare** Playground, BBQs, toilets

**Nat Dunstan Memorial Playground, Clare**

Undercover outdoor playground located at the Clare Oval, between the netball and tennis courts, toilets

**Maynard Pioneer Park, Clare**

Playground, Electric BBQs, seating, toilets. Historic grounds in Clare under the Old Gum Tree

**Melrose Park (adjacent Inchiquin Lane)**

Playground, Climbing Frame and Pump track

**Apex Park Clare**, skate park, fenced playground, BBQs, toilets

**Lions Park Playgrounds, Clare**

Very secure, good seating, Electric BBQ facilities, toilets

**Thomas Pickett Reserve, Burra**

Children can feed the ducks with bread bought from the Burra Bakery. There are BBQs, picnic tables and playground.

#### Richardson Park Playspace, Sevenhill

Adventure playground, plenty of space to park and room to run around. Public Toilets. Adjacent to the Riesling Trail

**Community Parks are also in Auburn, Watervale, Blyth, Balaklava and Mintaro.**

#### WALKS / TRAILS

##### The Riesling Trail

Walk or cycle between Clare and Auburn along the old railway corridor in safety without traffic. See the vineyards, farming country, wineries, wildflowers and birdlife.

**Historical Town Walks in Clare, Auburn, Mintaro, Penwortham, Watervale, Saddleworth, Balaklava & Riverton**

##### Clare Board Walk

Walk from playground to playground under the bridge to the other side of the street. (currently closed)

##### Gleeson Wetlands

Take a stroll around the wetlands and check out the birdlife from a hide.. See the plantings of vegetation and birdlife.

##### Inchiquin Lake / Melrose Park

Stroll around the lake, view the birdlife, ride bikes at the BMX Park.

##### Pinks Reserve

Short bush walks within the town area. Starts by old Clare railway station site

##### Spring Gully Conservation Park

Short bush walks. Wildflowers in the spring, wildlife and birds.

##### Neagles Rock Reserve

Bush walking and steep walking trail to top of rocky outcrop with views over the valley.

##### Lomandra Trail, Blyth

2.5km round trip walking/cycling trail commencing on the western side of golf course through named vegetation

**The Dean Nicolle Eucalypt Walk, Blyth** is part of the Wool/Rail trail and follows the old railway line north of Blyth to Poysden Road.. This 4.4km return walk is a Blyth Progress Association initiative

**Clare Valley Short Walks** - a selection of short experiences

**Clare Valley Wine and Wilderness Trail** refer

[www.clarevalley.com.au/explore](http://www.clarevalley.com.au/explore). Six sections including a spur line.

#### DISCOVERY

##### GEOCACHING / MUNZEES

Geocaching is the free high-tech treasure hunt where you use your smart phone or GPS to find caches hidden by other players. It's a great way to be outdoors, enjoy the environment and revel in the thrill of the hunt! <https://www.geocaching.com/sites/education/en/> & <https://www.playmunzee.com/>