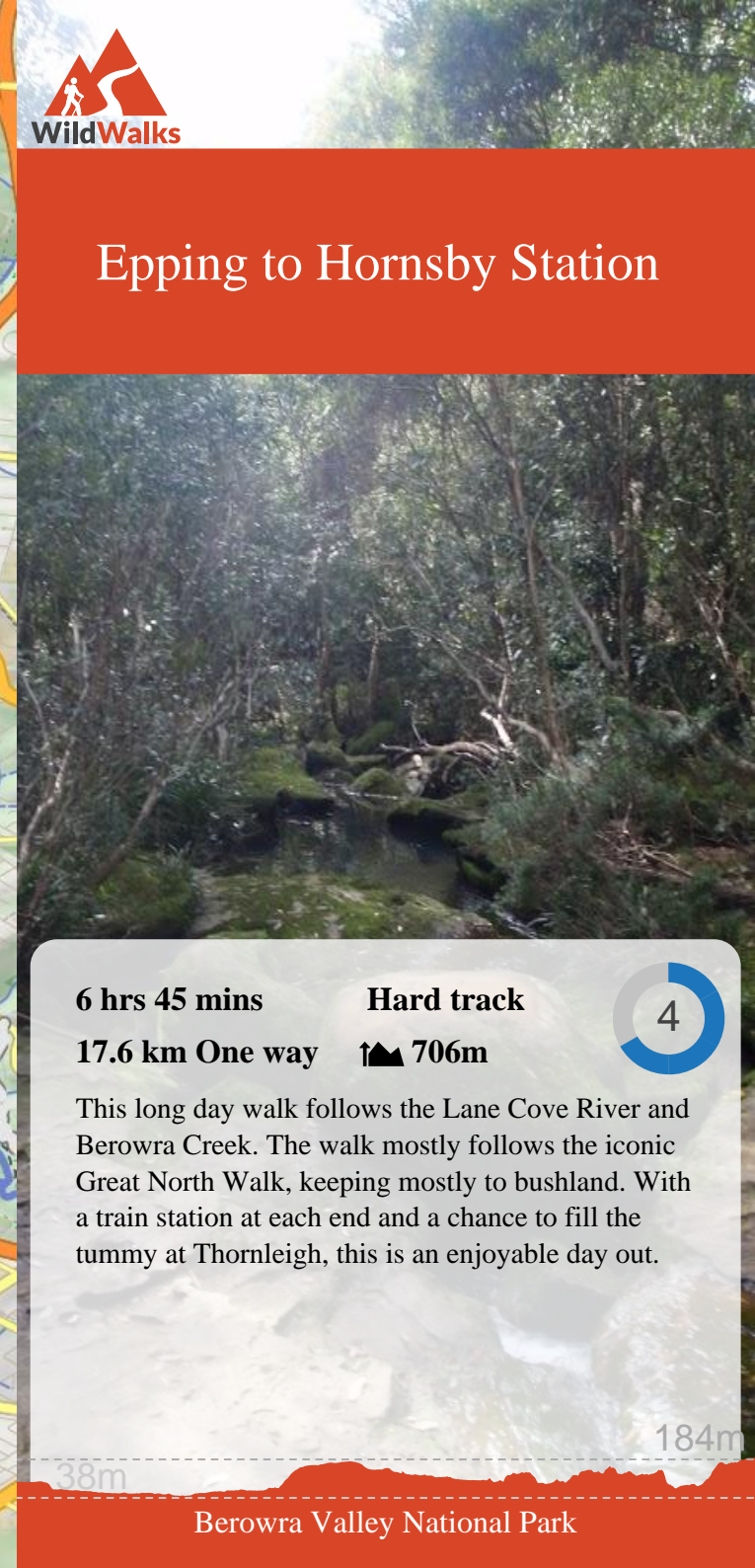
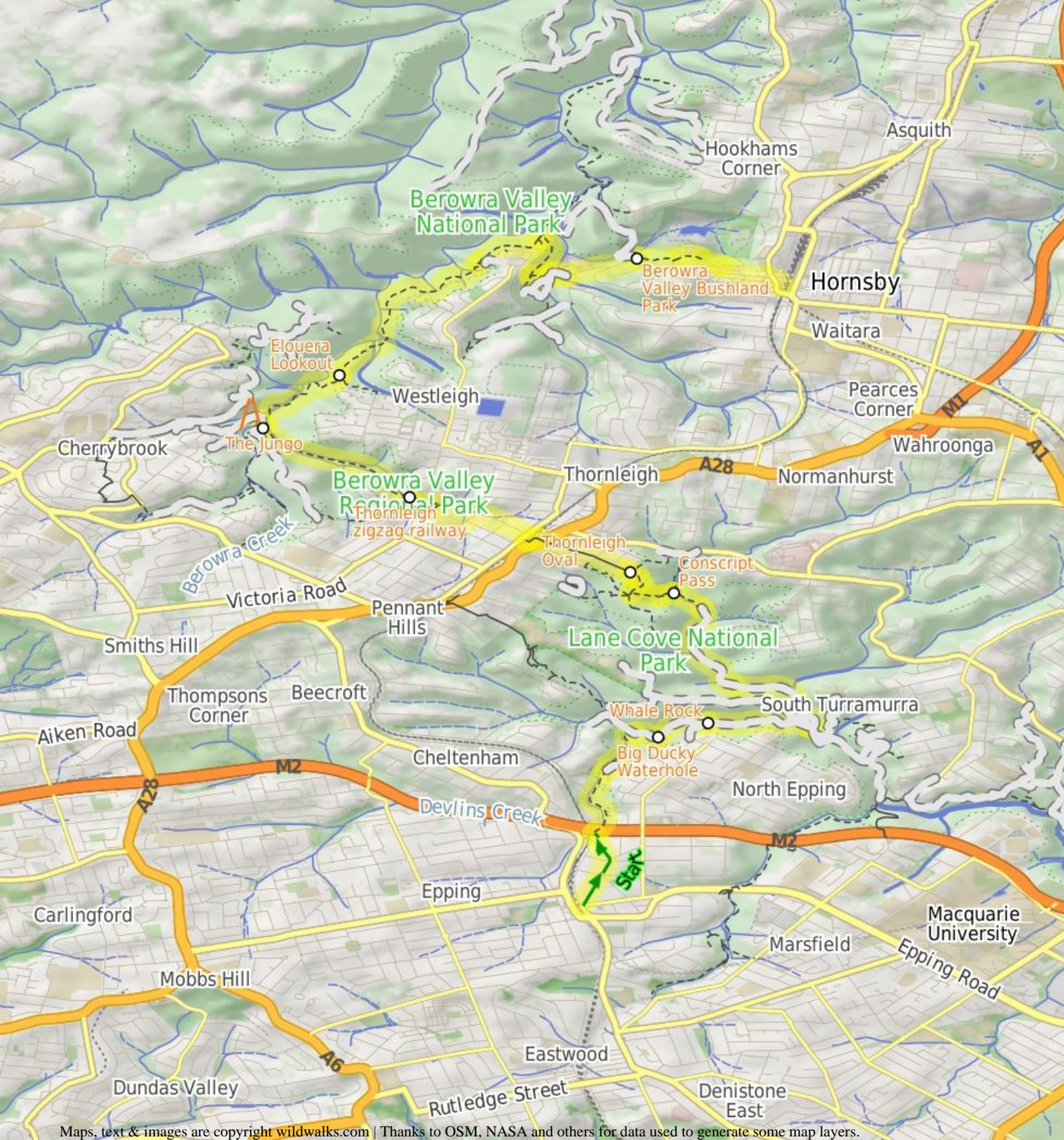
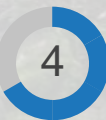


Epping to Hornsby Station



6 hrs 45 mins

Hard track



17.6 km One way

706m

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38m

184m

Berowra Valley National Park

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Before You walk

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- 1) Weather Forecast ([BOM Metropolitan District](#))
- 2) Fire Dangers ([Greater Sydney Region](#))
- 3) Park Alerts ([Berowra Valley National Park](#), [Lane Cove National Park](#))
- 4) Research the walk to check your party has the skills, fitness and equipment required
- 5) Agree to stay as a group and not leave anyone to walk solo

Think before you TREK

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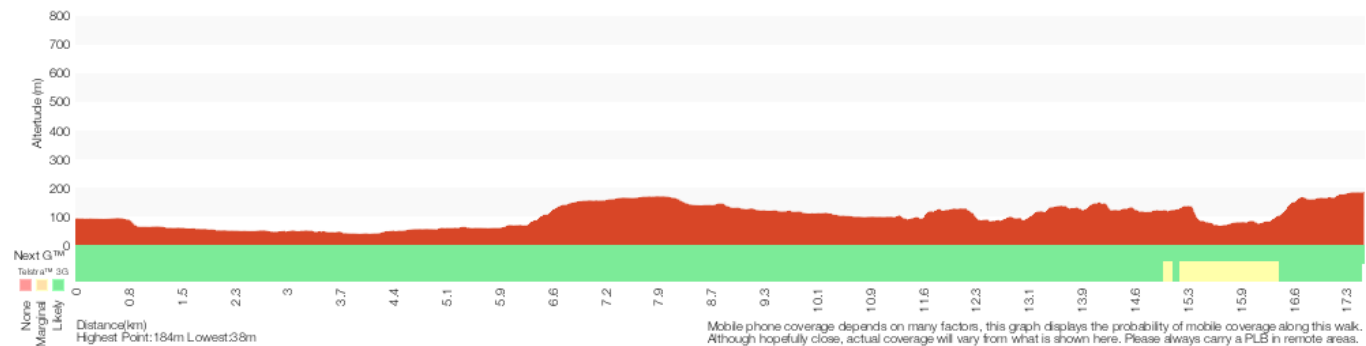
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- R** Register your planned route and tell friends and family when you expect to return.
- E** Emergency beacon (PLB's) should be carried on walks with significant gaps in mobile coverage (check terrain profile).
- K** Keep to your planned route and follow the map and walking trails.

Topo Maps

The maps provided on wildwalks are helpful, but there are times where you may need maps covering a broader area. Maps that cover this walk include;

1:25 000 Map Series:91304S HORNSBY, 91303N PARRAMATTA RIVER

1:100 000 Map Series:9130 SYDNEY



Mobile phone coverage depends on many factors, this graph displays the probability of mobile coverage along this walk. Although hopefully close, actual coverage will vary from what is shown here. Please always carry a PLB in remote areas.

Grade

This walk has been graded using the AS 2156.1-2001. The overall grade of the walk is determined by the highest classification along the whole track.



Grade 4/6
Hard track

Length	17.6 km One way
Time	6 hrs 45 mins
Quality of track	Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles (3/6)
Signs	Directional signs along the way (3/6)
Experience Required	Some bushwalking experience recommended (3/6)
Weather	Storms may impact on navigation and safety (3/6)
Infrastructure	Limited facilities, not all cliffs are fenced (3/6)

Are you ready to have fun?

Please ensure you and your group are well prepared and equipped for all possible hazards and delays. Check park closures, weather information and Fire Danger Rating before setting out. Optional side trips and alternate routes noted are not included in this walk overall grade, length or time estimate. Please allow extra time for resting and exploring areas of interest. The authors, staff and owners of wildwalks take care in preparing this information but will not accept responsibility for any inconvenience, loss or injury you may experience. Please take care, have fun - Happy Walking.

Getting there You can get to Epping Station (gps: -33.7725, 151.0824) by car, train or bus. Car: There is free parking available.

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0 | Epping Station

(940 m 18 mins) The walk exits Epping Station on the Oxford St side. The walk then crosses Cambridge St and continues down Oxford St. The walk follows the footpath past the shops down Oxford St passing Chester St, Surrey St. Just after Surry St the walk turns left onto Derby St to the end. Nearing the end of Derby St the walk tends left around the yellow gate and onto the concrete driveway which veers left off the road. The walk continues towards the tunnel to come to an intersection just before the tunnel entrance.

0.94 | Int of Derby street service trail

(1.5 km 25 mins) Veer right: From the intersection this walk follows the Great North Walk arrow up the couple of steps then down along the footpath through the tunnel under the M2 (keeping the creek and wider management trail to your left). Out of the tunnel this walk follows the track as it winds up and around the fenced sewage vent and then continues through the dense bushland in the gully passing a sign marking the entrance to Lane Cove National Park. A little while later the track leads to a signposted intersection with the 'Belinda Crs' management trail.

Turn left: From the intersection the track follows the Whale Rock sign down the service trail which narrows into a bushtrack and follows Devlin creek through the gully all the way along until it widens out into a rocky service trail again and comes to the intersection of the Cheltenham service trail.

2.43 | Int of Epping Trk and Malton Rd Trail

(190 m 3 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection the track follows the Lane Cove River arrow along the servicetrail for a while before it loops around the top of Big Ducky Waterhole.

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(480 m 8 mins) Continue straight: From the top of Big Ducky Waterhole the continues through the valley keeping Devlins Creek below on the left of the track all the way to Whale Rock.

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(3.3 km 1 hr 3 mins) Continue straight: From Whale Rock the track follows the Penant Hills Park arrow along the service trail as it winds through the valley, crossing several small concrete creek crossings until it comes to the signposted intersection of the Pennant Hills ovals service trail.

Continue straight: From the intersection the track follows the Thornleigh via Great North Walk arrow down the short but steep hill and across the river at the causeway. On the other side of the river the track comes up to the intersection of the Great North Walk service trail.

Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Thornleigh Station' sign past the 'Lane Cove Valley' map, initially keeping the other trail and river to your left. The trail follows the valley floor, keeping the river just to your left, for a bit over 500m, to then cross the Lane Cove River at a rocky ford. This crossing may become impassable after heavy or prolonged rain. On the other side of the river, this walk continues along the trail for about 400m (with the river now close by on your right) to come to an intersection with a faint track (on your left, that leads up towards Pennant Hills Park).

Continue straight: From the intersection, the walk follows the management trail, keeping the river just to your right. After about 60m, the trail bends right and crosses the Lane Cove River at a rocky ford, then continues along the valley floor among the fern trees (and concrete pipe access points) for about 900m to cross the Lane Cove River again at another rocky ford. (These crossings may become impassable after heavy or prolonged rain). The trail then continues along the valley floor (with the river now on your left) for just over 150m to come to an intersection at the bottom of the sealed Morona Ave trail (on your right), marked with a 'Lane Cove Valley' map/sign and a GNW arrow post.

Veer left: From the intersection, this walk follows the GNW arrow post along the valley floor, away from the two trails, keeping the river just to your left. The track soon narrows, leading past a water depth indicator, and becomes rocky for about 150m before coming to a faint intersection, where GNW arrow post points left. Here, the walk turns left and crosses the Lane Cove River using the concrete stepping stones (this crossing may become impassable after heavy or prolonged rain) to follow the 'Thornleigh Station' sign up the timber steps for about 40m and find a GNW registration box (damaged at time of writing). The track bends sharply right and zigzags up the rocky hill for another 30m, before bending sharply left to find the 'Conscript Pass' and 'B Stevens' engravings (at the third metal hand rail).

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6.39 | Conscript Pass

(100 m 3 mins) Continue straight: From 'Conscript Pass', this walk heads up the stone steps through the cleft in the rock to follow the track and more stone steps uphill for about 100m, coming to a T-intersection with Lorna Pass track, marked with a GNW arrow post.

6.49 | Int of the GNW and Lorna Pass tracks

(580 m 14 mins) Veer left: From the intersection, the walk follows the 'Thornleigh' sign uphill along the rocky track, keeping the valley to your left. The track leads up a series of timber steps for about 230m, becoming steeper

as they go, to come to a clear T-intersection signposted with a large 'The Great North Walk' sign, and a stone 'Lorna Pass' arrow pointing back down the track.

Veer right: From the intersection, this walk follows the GNW arrow post and 'Thornleigh Station' sign uphill along the wide rocky track. After just over 150m, the track bends left (ignoring a faint track on your right) and heads uphill for another 40m to come to the back (south-east corner) of Thornleigh Oval, marked with a 'Lane Cove National Park' signpost.

Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the GNW arrow post along the fence line around the oval, keeping the oval to your left. After about 100m, this walk passes in front of the clubhouse (there are toilets and a water tap on your right) to pass a 'Great North Walk' sign and come to the corner of 'Handley' and 'Ferguson' Avenues in front of the 'Thornleigh Oval' sign.

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7.07 | Int of Handley and Ferguson Avenues

(810 m 14 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Thornleigh Station' sign across the road to follow the footpath beside 'Handley Ave'. After about 130m, the walk crosses Clifford Ave then after about 250m, crosses 'Orchard St' to follow 'Station St' almost directly ahead. About 190m along 'Station St', this walk continues straight across 'Wood St' (you can get to Parkway Plaza if you turn right here) and continues for just over 200m to find a footbridge beside Pennant Hills Rd. Here the walk heads up the ramp and crosses over the busy road then down the ramp (or steps) to find the intersection with Railway Parade.

7.88 | Zacs Great Food

(0 m) This restaurant can be found on Pennant Hills road just a stones throw from the station. They are open for breakfast, lunch and dinner with a continental menu ranging from about \$20. for a meal. The opening hours are from 6.00 am to 10.00 pm from Tuesdays to Saturdays, and closed Sundays and Mondays. For more information on bookings call (02) 9484 6799.

7.88 | Subway

(0 m) This branch of the popular sandwich chain Subway, who make a variety of subs and sandwiches as you order them. For more details contact the store on (02) 9481 4200 or visit at Shop 2, 291 Pennant Hills Rd, Thornleigh, NSW 2120. [More info.](#)

7.88 | Int of Railway Parade and Pennant Hills Road overp

(110 m 2 mins) Veer left: From the base of the steps, this walk follows the GNW arrow across 'Railway Pde', heading towards the train line. At the fence, this walk veers left and leads along the pedestrian alley for about 60m before turning right and climbing up the railway bridge steps, coming to the 'Thornleigh' Train Station.

7.99 | Thornleigh Train Station

(990 m 18 mins) Continue straight: From the western (north bound) side of Thornleigh Station, this walk follows the 'Jungo Rest Area' sign along the footpath towards the car park and The Esplanade. The walk then heads down a short distance further to turn left and cross 'The Esplanade' at the traffic lights, then continue straight along the footpath down along Eddy Rd. Following a couple of GNW arrows down Eddy Rd as it then bends left, turning into Tilock St, and shortly later this walk then turns right into Morgan St. Continuing down till just before the end of this street, this walk comes to an intersection marked with a GNW arrow and the 'Elouera Bushland Natural

Park' sign (on the right).

8.98 | Morgan Rd

(230 m 4 mins) Turn right: From the end of Morgan Street, the walk follows the GNW arrow and the 'Elouera Bushland Natural Park' sign between houses no. 28 and 26. Once behind the houses at a small clearing, the track turns left and follows down the rocky side of Zig Zag Creek. Soon after passing behind the third house, the track comes to an intersection with a wide concrete trail, where a sign points back along the track to 'Sydney Cove'.

9.21 | Int of Bike Trail and Morgan Rd tracks

(140 m 2 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'The Jungo' sign downhill along the wide concreted trail, and soon crosses over the culverted creek (with green side rails). The walk continues down into the valley, coming to a signposted intersection marked with a 'Great North Walk' sign (on your left), just before Zig Zag Creek and the long bridge.

9.35 | Thornleigh zigzag railway

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9.35 | Zig Zag Creek Bridge intersection

(1.4 km 25 mins) Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Great North Walk' sign along the narrower track, keeping the gully to your right. The pleasant track leads into, then through, the ferny forest with tall trees for about 700m, before crossing a side creek on a timber bridge. The track then continues in a similar manner for another 700m, coming to a large clearing and campsite, The Jungo. On the far side of this clearing is a well-signposted intersection with a 'Bellamy Street' sign pointing back through the campsite.

10.78 | The Jungo

The Jungo is a relatively small clearing and campsite near the junction of Berowra and ZigZag Creeks at a well signposted intersection. There is often water in the creeks (treat well before drinking) but there are no facilities. Speculation on the source of the name 'Jungo' includes the Aussie tendency to abbreviate words ('Junction' gets corrupted to 'jung-o' etc) as well as a possible derivation from one of a few similar sounding aboriginal words.

10.78 | Jungo campsite

(100 m 2 mins) Veer right: From the campsite, this walk follows the 'Fishponds' sign down across the concrete ford, over the usually small creek. Here, the concrete management trail leads uphill, becoming dirt as it starts to flatten out. This walk then comes to a signposted intersection of the 'Great North Walk' and the Stringybark Ridge management trail (signposted 'Cherrybrook Lakes' trail).

10.88 | Int of GNW and Stringybark Ridge trail

(1 km 27 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Great North Walk' sign down the narrower track. The track leads downhill for about 70m, getting steeper as it goes, and then crosses Berowra Creek - this creek may become impassable after rain. On the other side, the walk comes to an intersection on a small sandy beach. Here, the walk turns left, following the GNW arrows downstream for about 250m among the grass trees and crossing a flat timber bridge. The rocky track then continues for just shy of 250m and crosses a mossy gully on a large flat rock. The track then continues, staying fairly flat for another 170m before bending right and

heading steeply uphill. At the top of this climb, the track soon leads to a section of fenced cliff. At the end of the fence, the walk passes through casuarina forest for a short distance before passing alongside another (longer) fenced cliff and coming to the Elouera Lookout, where there is an intersection with the 'Westleigh' track (on your right).

11.93 | Elouera Lookout

This fenced lookout is on the Benowie Track close to Westleigh. There are uninterrupted views from the clifftop across the Berowra Creek valley, which is rare for the area. As well as being on the Great North Walk, this lookout can be accessed by a short walk from Elouera Rd, Westleigh. This section of fenced rock platform is about 100m long, and there is some limited shade from the casuarina near the lookout if you want to take a rest.

11.93 | Elouera Lookout

(2.8 km 1 hr 12 mins) Continue straight: From Elouera Lookout, this walk follows the 'Great North Walk' sign along the track, keeping the fence and valley to your left. At the end of the fence, the walk bends left following the rocky flat track for about 200m, where the track then becomes progressively steeper for about 250m, winding steeply down then across a flat timber bridge. From here, the track leads beside Berowra Creek for a short time before crossing another flat timber bridge. The track then passes among the pleasant grass trees for about 200m (crossing a couple of small creeks with timber plank spans) to then climb a few sets of timber steps and cross a small (often dry) creek. From here, the track gently winds up along the side of the hill for about 800m, passing through a pleasant casuarina forest then heading across a rocky creek on another small, flat, timber bridge. Just over 100m later, the track crosses a smaller (often dry) creek to then wind uphill for about 100m to a three-way intersection with the signposted 'Quarter Sessions Rd' track (on your right).

Veer left: From the intersection, this walk heads north along the main rocky track, keeping the valley down to your left. The track leads along beside a rock wall (which is on your right) and through a rock outcrop, where the track soon heads quite steeply uphill along the eroded track for a short time. At the top of this steep section, the rocky track continues to meander much more gently up along the side of the hill for about 300m, then crosses a small, rocky gully, just below some houses. The track then continues gently uphill for about 100m to an intersection with the unsignposted Blackfellows Head track (on your right).

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk heads north along the clear track, keeping the valley down to your left for about 100m, where the walk comes to a three-way intersection and 'The Jungo' sign points back along the track.

14.77 | Int of the GNW and the Blue Gum Walk (SW)

(710 m 17 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the Blue Gum Walk marker along the bush track, leaving 'The Great North Walk' track behind. The track winds through the blue gum forest, keeping the valley down to the left and houses above on the right as it winds along the side of the hill. The walk comes to an intersection with a bush track, just below some overhead power lines.

Turn left : From the intersection the track winds down the steep bushtrack heading straight down the side of the ridge through thick bracken fern all the way down to the bottom of the valley where it flattens out and comes to some bike jumps. From here the track continues past the jumps to the intersection at the open clearing.

15.48 | Clearing

(240 m 5 mins) Turn left: From the middle of the clearing the service trail heads north east down the hill and past some out of place, oak trees. The track soon comes to an intersection with another service trail just above

waitra creek, which is marked with a blue gum walk post.

Veer left: From the intersection, this walk heads north, down the hill with the creek on the right, to the intersection just before the causeway over Waitara Creek. There are usually ducks and brush turkeys in this area.

Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the management trail across Waitara Creek and up the hill, passing around the gate before arriving on Valley Road, at the lower corner of Ginger Meggs Park.

15.72 | Ginger Meggs Park

(580 m 12 mins) Veer left: From Ginger Meggs Park, this walk follows Valley Road (past Lochness Pl on the right), keeping the children's playground on the left. Note that water is available from the park. The walk passes 'West Hornsby STP' before coming up to the intersection with Rosemead Road and turning left. The walk follows Rosemead Rd down the hill to the end and heads into Berowra Valley Bushland Park.

16.29 | Berowra Valley Bushland Park

'Berowra Valley Bushland Park' is also known as Rosemead Rd Park and is found at the bottom end of Rosemead Rd, Hornsby. This is an open area park surrounded by shady eucalyptus trees, making a pleasant spot to rest on a walk. It has a picnic table with bench seats, and a sheltered free electric BBQ. There is a water tap in the park, near the road. There is also a 'Welcome to Old Mans Valley' information sign with information about the traditional country of the Darug and Guringai peoples.

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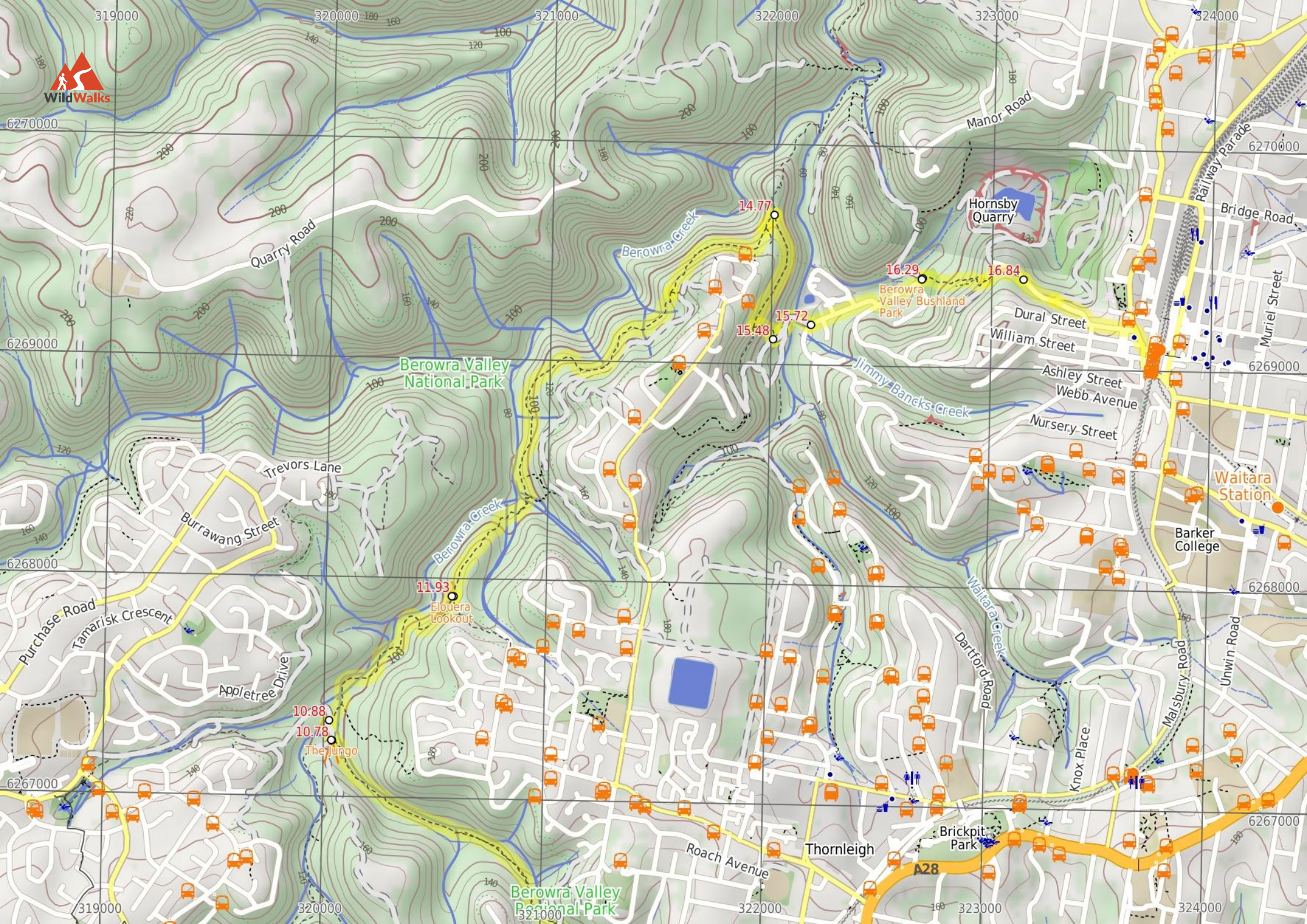
(540 m 14 mins) Veer right: From the lower side of 'Berowra Valley Bushland Park', this walk follows the 'Hornsby Station' sign across the park, then follows the GNW arrow up the stone steps, keeping the houses to your right. The walk winds steeply up the steps, leaving the view of the house and finding a welcome flat section of track midway up. The steps then lead more steeply up the side of the valley, along the sheer rock walls for about 100m, and come to an intersection with the Quarry Road management trail, where a 'Great North Walk' sign points back down the the hill.

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the GNW arrow post up a couple of timber steps and then follows the track as it winds up over the gentle rise. Once over the rise, the track then leads down to the intersection with Quarry Rd, where a 'Great North Walk' sign points back up the track.

16.84 | Int of Quarry Road and GNW

(720 m 14 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows Quarry Road gently uphill away from the face of the 'Great North Walk' sign until just past a couple of house, this walk comes to an intersection with the gated 'Old Mans Valley' management trail (on your left).

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows Quarry Rd up the gentle hill for about 180m, then follows the GNW arrow left onto Dural St. The footpath leads past the unit block, then past a few shops to come to an intersection with the Pacific Hwy. Following the GNW arrow, this walk turns right across 'Dural St', passes a few more shops, then crosses 'Dural Lane' before turning left across the Pacific Hwy at the traffic lights. Here the walk continues straight across the 'Station St' pedestrian crossing, past the large 'Great North Walk' sign and across the bus lane to the western entrance of Hornsby Station.



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Waitara Creek
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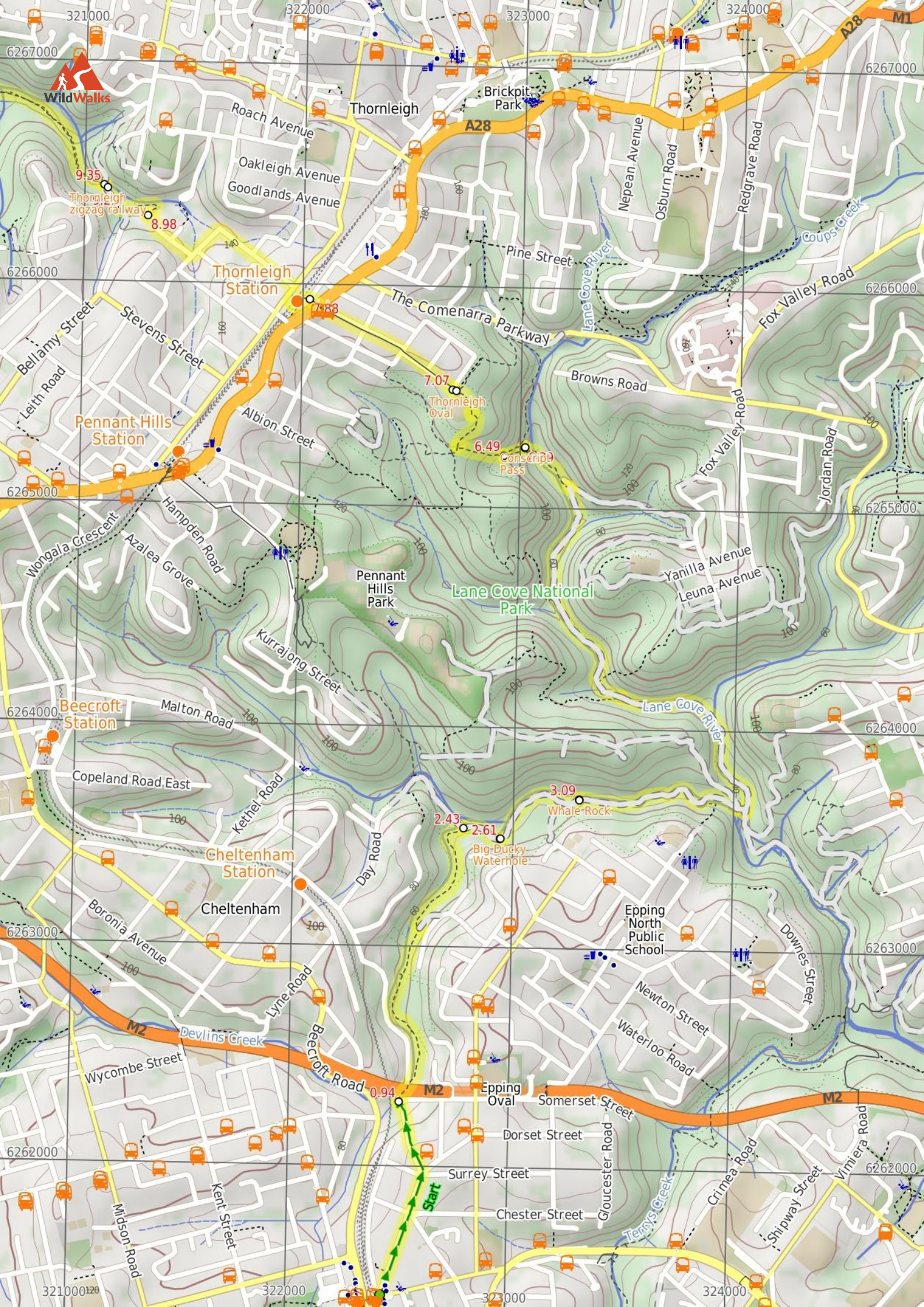
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Summary navigation sheet for the Epping to Hornsby Station



km	From	Up/Dwn	Length	Initial directions (Use full tracknotes and maps for more detail)
Start	Epping Station -33.7725,151.0824 (GR Parramatta River, 224614)	3 -33	940 m 18 mins	The walk exits Epping Station on the Oxford St side.
0.94	Int of Derby street service trail -33.7646,151.0834 (GR Parramatta River, 225623)	7 -21	1.5 km 25 mins	Veer right: From the intersection this walk follows the Great North Walk arrow up the couple of steps then down along the footpath through the tunnel under the M2 (keeping the creek and wider management trail to you...
2.43	Int of Epping Trk and Malton Rd Trail -33.7534,151.0865 (GR Parramatta River, 228635)	3 -1	190 m 3 mins	Continue straight: From the intersection the track follows the Lane Cove River arrow along the servicetrail for a while before it loops around the top of Big Ducky Waterhole.
2.61	Big Ducky Waterhole -33.7539,151.0883 (GR Parramatta River, 229635)	6 -9	480 m 8 mins	Continue straight: From the top of Big Ducky Waterhole the continues through the valley keeping Devlins Creek below on the left of the track all the way to Whale Rock.
3.09	Whale Rock -33.7522,151.0922 (GR Parramatta River, 233637)	102 -65	3.3 km 1 hr 3 mins	Continue straight: From Whale Rock the track follows the Penant Hills Park arrow along the service trail as it winds through the valley, crossing several small concrete creek crossings until it comes to the signpost...
6.39	Conscript Pass -33.7378,151.0896 (GR Hornsby, 230653)	19 0	100 m 3 mins	Continue straight: From 'Conscript Pass', this walk heads up the stone steps through the cleft in the rock to follow the track and more stone steps uphill for about 100m, coming to a T-intersection with Lorna Pass t...
6.49	Int of the GNW and Lorna Pass tracks -33.7382,151.0885 (GR Hornsby, 229652)	50 0	580 m 14 mins	Veer left: From the intersection, the walk follows the 'Thornleigh' sign uphill along the rocky track, keeping the valley to your left.
7.07	Int of Handley and Ferguson Avenues -33.7354,151.086 (GR Hornsby, 227655)	18 -4	810 m 14 mins	Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Thornleigh Station' sign across the road to follow the footpath beside 'Handley Ave'.
7.88	Int of Railway Parade and Pennant Hills Road overpass steps -33.7317,151.079 (GR Hornsby, 220659)	1 -1	110 m 2 mins	Veer left: From the base of the steps, this walk follows the GNW arrow across 'Railway Pde', heading towards the train line.
7.99	Thornleigh Train Station -33.7319,151.0781 (GR Hornsby, 220659)	7 -47	990 m 18 mins	Continue straight: From the western (north bound) side of Thornleigh Station, this walk follows the 'Jungo Rest Area' sign along the footpath towards the car park and The Esplanade.
8.98	Morgan Rd -33.7283,151.0711 (GR Hornsby, 213663)	4 -6	230 m 4 mins	Turn right: From the end of Morgan Street, the walk follows the GNW arrow and the 'Elouera Bushland Natural Park' sign between houses no.
9.21	Int of Bike Trail and Morgan Rd tracks -33.7281,151.0697 (GR Hornsby, 212663)	0 -7	140 m 2 mins	Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'The Jungo' sign downhill along the wide concreted trail, and soon crosses over the culverted creek (with green side rails).
9.35	Zig Zag Creek Bridge intersection -33.727,151.0689 (GR Hornsby, 211664)	16 -38	1.4 km 25 mins	Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Great North Walk' sign along the narrower track, keeping the gully to your right.
10.78	Jungo campsite -33.7195,151.0578 (GR Hornsby, 200673)	1 0	100 m 2 mins	Veer right: From the campsite, this walk follows the 'Fishponds' sign down across the concrete ford, over the usually small creek.
10.88	Int of GNW and Stringybark Ridge trail -33.7186,151.0576 (GR Hornsby, 200673)	81 -58	1 km 27 mins	Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Great North Walk' sign down the narrower track.
11.93	Elouera Lookout -33.7136,151.0637 (GR Hornsby, 206679)	195 -203	2.8 km 1 hr 12 mins	Continue straight: From Elouera Lookout, this walk follows the 'Great North Walk' sign along the track, keeping the fence and valley to your left.
14.77	Int of the Great North Walk and the Blue Gum Walk (SW) -33.6979,151.0795 (GR Hornsby, 220697)	39 -70	710 m 17 mins	Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the Blue Gum Walk marker along the bush track, leaving 'The Great North Walk' track behind.
15.48	Clearing -33.703,151.0794 (GR Hornsby, 220691)	5 -19	240 m 5 mins	Turn left: From the middle of the clearing the service trail heads north east down the hill and past some out of place, oak trees.

Summary navigation sheet for the Epping to Hornsby Station



km	From	Up/Dwn	Length	Initial directions (Use full tracknotes and maps for more detail)
15.72	Ginger Meggs Park -33.7024,151.0813 (GR Hornsby, 222692)	26 -15	580 m 12 mins	Veer left: From Ginger Meggs Park, this walk follows Valley Road (past Lochness Pl on the right), keeping the children's playground on the left.
16.29	Berowra Valley Bushland Park -33.7005,151.0868 (GR Hornsby, 227694)	89 -12	540 m 14 mins	Veer right: From the lower side of 'Berowra Valley Bushland Park', this walk follows the 'Hornsby Station' sign across the park, then follows the GNW arrow up the stone steps, keeping the houses to your right.
16.84	Int of Quarry Road and Great North Walk -33.7006,151.0917 (GR Hornsby, 231694)	34 -8	720 m 14 mins	Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows Quarry Road gently uphill away from the face of the 'Great North Walk' sign until just past a couple of house, this walk comes to an intersection with the gated '...