



CANBERRA CLIMBERS' ASSOCIATION

The Planner,  
Lord Howe Island Board  
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**SUBMISSION BY THE CANBERRA CLIMBERS ASSOCIATION ON  
THE LORD HOWE ISLAND PERMANENT PARK PRESERVE  
DRAFT PLAN OF MANAGEMENT, JANUARY 2009**

Dear Sir,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Lord Howe Island Permanent Park Preserve Draft Plan of Management.

The Canberra Climbers Association (CCA) represents recreational rock climbers generally based in the ACT. As most rock climbing areas in Australia are located within National Parks, State Forests and Nature Reserves the CCA has a particular interest in the Management of these resources. The CCA has endeavoured to develop open and collaborative relationships with all Land Managers to further the interests of recreational rock climbers as well as providing a venue for Land Managers to raise their concerns about management issues within their jurisdiction. Recently CCA members have assisted Namadgi National Park staff by undertaking risk assessments of climbing areas (cliffs) affected by the Canberra bushfires and by participating in working bees to upgrade and improve access tracks to some of the climbing areas. We have also made written submissions on Draft Plans of Management for the Kosciuszko National Park, Namadgi National Park and Mount Scabby Nature Reserve.

The CCA knows that rock climbers have a deep love and understanding of the aesthetic, environmental and cultural values that underpin the fundamental reasons for establishing a Park or Preserve. Climbers particularly appreciate the adventure and wild beauty that mountains and cliffs evoke and the wonderful pleasure and personal satisfaction that comes from travelling through vertical terrain.

Please find enclosed our submission.

Yours faithfully,

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Enclosure:

1. Lord Howe Island Permanent Park Preserve Draft Plan of Management.  
Submission by the Canberra Climbers' Association

