

MEDIA RELEASE

Saltwater Crocodile Spotted At Dinah Beach

A member of the public allegedly spotted a saltwater crocodile at Darwin's Dinah Beach yesterday.

Parks and Wildlife Senior Ranger Tommy Nichols said he would search the beach tonight as well as the nearby Sadgroves Creek crocodile trap.

Mr Nichols said more than 160 crocodiles had so far been removed from Darwin Harbour this year as part of the Parks and Wildlife Crocodile Management Plan.

"I urge people not to go into the water at Dinah Beach in case there is a crocodile there," Mr Nichols said.

"It is not uncommon for crocodiles to be removed from the nearby Sadgroves Creek crocodile trap with roughly one crocodile removed each month from this trap."

Mr Nichols asked the public to call the Crocodile Sightings number on 0419822859 that is available 24 hours a day as soon as they spotted crocodiles.

"The sooner Parks and Wildlife Rangers are notified the greater chance we have of locating and removing the crocodile," Mr Nichols said.

"Crocodiles often move a long way in any 24 hour period and public help is always appreciated."

Media Note _ For more information contact Tommy Nichols on 0419822859

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