

# Langi Kal Kal

1965 – 1993

**Other Names:**

- Langi Kal Kal Youth Training Centre
- LKK

## Details

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Langi Kal Kal was established by the Victorian state government in 1951. Located at Trawalla, near Beaufort, it was initially a prison for adult offenders, but it also received people under 17 years of age. Langi Kal Kal became a 'training centre' in 1958. In 1965, Langi Kal Kal became a Youth Training Centre specifically for young offenders with custodial orders. In June 1993, it became an adult prison again.

In addition to the standard Youth Training Centre Program, including community service projects and weekend camping, the Centre operated a general purpose farm on its 2700 acre property and supplied farm products to other Departmental institutions. The farm activities and other education and social programs were used to simulate community employment conditions that could provide positive, realistic experiences in the areas of skills training, education and employment.

At any one time, Langi Kal Kal housed between 50 and 120 young people. In its more than 45-year history, a total of about 5500 young people passed through.

In March 1993, when the Langi Kal Kal Youth Training Centre closed, Malmsbury became Victoria's main youth training centre for 17 to 20-year-old people.

## Gallery

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**Trawalla "Langi-Kal-Kal"**

**Description:** This photograph shows the front of the Langi Kal Kal Youth Training Centre Homestead.

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## More info

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### Related Entries

**Run by**

- [Social Welfare Branch, State Government of Victoria \(1960 - 1970\)](#)

Date: 1965 - 1970

- [Social Welfare Department, State Government of Victoria \(1970 - 1978\)](#)  
Date: 1970 - 1978
- [Department of Community Welfare Services, State Government of Victoria \(1978 - 1985\)](#)  
Date: 1978 - 1985
- [Community Services Victoria, State Government of Victoria \(1985 - 1992\)](#)  
Date: 1985 - 1992
- [Health and Community Services, State Government of Victoria \(1992 - 1995\)](#)  
Date: 1992 - 1993

### Related Organisations

- [Victorian Children's Aid Society Home \(1901 - c. 1966\)](#)  
During World War Two, children from the Parkville Home were evacuated to Langi Kal Kal.  
Date: 1942 -
- [Malmsbury Youth Training Centre \(1965 - 2023\)](#)  
When the Langi Kal Kal youth training centre was closed in March 1993, Malmsbury became Victoria's main Youth Training Centre for 17 to 20 year old offenders.

## Resources

- Atkinson, Lynn, [An overview of juvenile detention in Australia](#), National Conference on Juvenile Detention: Proceedings of a conference held 10-13 August 1993, 1994
- Petraitis, Vikki, *Salvation*, 2009
- Menzies, D.W., *The grey people : a study of the criminal mind*, 1965
- *The Bad Boy Recipe at Langi Kal Kal*, The Argus, 3 October 1956

## Records

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For more information and to access your records, follow the links below:

### Records

- [Child Information and Departmental Administration records, Turana, Baltara Reception Centre, Langi Kal Kal and Malmsbury Youth Training Centres, Melbourne Youth Justice Centre \(c. 1950 - c. 2005\)](#)
  - [Langi Kal Kal records \(c. 1956 - 1993\)](#)
  - [Victorian Government Wardship and/or Out of Home Care Records \(1864 - current\)](#)
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