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## **Cawarral boaties get better, safer guiding options**

Boaties in Cawarral Creek will be able to manoeuvre into and out of Cawarral Creek more safely as a result of the installation of new navigational buoys and lights, the Member for Keppel and Assistant Education Minister Brittany Lauga said today.

“Mariners are advised that the best available water in Cawarral Creek from the boat ramp out to the mouth has been buoyed and lights have been installed on the buoys,” she said.

“This is a project I have been working on for some time and will help add to the broader experience for boaties and anglers in our beautiful water ways.”

Mrs Lauga said boaties still needed to exercise caution and local knowledge is still required when entering/exiting Cawarral Creek two hours either side of low tide.

“The new marine buoys are positioned at the Cawarral Creek entrance, 14 points in Cawarral Creek and one at Keppel Sands.”

She said authorities still warn that, depending on draft, there may be insufficient water to safely navigate along all parts of the Cawarral Creek.

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“The entrance to Cawarral Creek may change and conditions can vary rapidly with changes in tide height and direction, ocean swell and prevailing winds, and so mariners are strongly advised to ensure all persons on board wear lifejackets when crossing the bar at the entrance to Cawarral Creek,” said Mrs Lauga.

“Maritime Safety Queensland undertook longitudinal monitoring of the creek to determine the movement of sand bars in the passage.

“From the longitudinal survey results MSQ determined that the navigational markers could be installed to assist in the safe navigation into and out of the mouth of the creek,” said Mrs Lauga.

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