# Thomas Raddall Provincial Park



## County

Queens

#### Size

614.98 ha

#### Classification

Natural Environment

#### Status

Designated; Operational

#### Location N.S. Atlas:

84 W4

## **Managed As**

Core Park

# Overview

Established to protect a unique variety of natural and cultural history features, this spectacular coastal park offers a range of opportunities for camping, swimming, picnicking and exploring.

82 campsites, open for camping from May to October

## **Protection Values**

Thomas Raddall Park represents moderately to well 4 of 17 ecosections types characteristics of the South Shore Ecodistrict. The park contributes to the Province's goal of protecting 12% of its landbase by 2015. One non-vascular plant species found within the park has been classed as being imperiled. In addition, one species of reptile/amphibian is listed as imperiled and one as vulnerable to extirpation or extinction. Several aboriginal archaeological sites are found in the park.

# **Education Values**

Provincially and regionally significant opportunity to interpret many themes including landscape development, coastal and terrestrial habitats, adjacent National Wildlife Management Area and Adjunct National Park, pre-contact native sites, 19th century inshore fishery. This park has been identified as a significant location for the delivery of aboriginal cultural interpretation programs.

# **Tourism Values**

Regionally significant park opportunity with high quality beach and supporting facilities and services; sand castle competition.

## **Outdoor Recreation Values**

Camping, swimming, picnicking, hiking, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing

# **Annual Visitation**

8698 Campers; Day-use unknown

## **Annual Revenue**

2010: \$82,369

# **Operating Cost**

2010: \$290,877

#### **Site Considerations**

Family cemetery within park; private land inholdings; area used for research by a number of education institutions and science organizations.



