Roads and Maritime Services is continuing to deliver this new bridge which will provide a safe crossing for pedestrians and cyclists over the Nepean River and improve connections to existing and future shared paths, including the Great River Walk.

Your chance to name the new bridge

The new bridge is really taking shape as we launch it out over the Nepean River. As the community is now getting to see what the bridge will look like, Roads and Maritime invites the community to submit names for the new bridge.

All suggestions will be considered, and a special local bridge naming committee will be established. The committee will review all submissions and pick one submission be the permanent name for the new bridge.
How can I participate in naming the new bridge?

To help you with ideas for the bridge name, we have provided some categories to help guide you with what may be considered an appropriate name. The categories are consistent with acceptable standards outlined by the Geographical Names Board of NSW.

You may submit as many different names as you like and they can fit into one or more of the following categories:

- **Aboriginal**
  - Recognises local Aboriginal cultural heritage
  - Approved by local Aboriginal groups

- **Characteristics of the new bridge**
  - Identifies the unique characteristics of the bridge
  - Provides a description of historic reasons for the design

- **Commemorative Names**
  - Commemorate a person, event or place
  - Acts of bravery, community service or exceptional accomplishments
  - Contributed significantly to the area around the bridge
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  - Commemorative names should not be used to commemorate victims of, or mark the location of, accidents or tragedies
  - No living person should be used as by their nature subject to partisan perception and changes in community judgement and acceptance

- **Community**
  - Acts of bravery, community service or exceptional accomplishments

- **Geographical**
  - A geographical name shall not include initials
  - Describes the local geographical area
  - Highlights significant geographical formations in the local area

- **Historical**
  - Commemorate a person, event or place
  - Contributed significantly to the area around the bridge

All the names received will be submitted will be delivered to the Nepean River Bridge Naming Committee for consideration. The Committee will pick the new bridge name and announce the name to the community.

Where to submit your suggestions

You can make your suggestions by email nepeanbridge@rms.nsw.gov.au and via rms.nsw.gov.au. Please provide your suggested name, the category that it fits into, and your reasons for why this is an appropriate name.

All submissions need to be provided before Sunday 29 July 2018. So hurry and name the bridge!
Launching the bridge

We are building the bridge safely, and minimising disruption to river users and the local community. The bridge has been assembled and painted within the temporary workshop on the eastern side of the river.

We progressively pulled the bridge out over the river using two 50 tonne jacks. The bridge was supported on temporary piers, before it reached the western river bank in April 2018.

Key
- Movement of truss in stages
- Temporary piers
- Temporary pedestrian hoarding over Great River Walk
Delivery of the bridge decking to the temporary workshop

Fun facts

- Main span length – 200 metres
- Overall bridge deck length – 257 metres
- Overall length of shared path – 455 metres
- Truss width – 8 metres
- Truss height – 13.6 metres
- Number of support structures – two abutments and two piers
- Steel tonnage of truss – 545 tonnes
- Steel tonnage of deck 155 tonnes.

Australian shared path bridge comparisons

Once built, the Nepean River Bridge will have the largest main span for a shared path bridge in Australia. Similar shared path bridges in Australia include:

- Goodwill Bridge over Brisbane River in Queensland – Longest main span: 102 metres, length: 450 metres
- Kurilpa Bridge over Brisbane River Queensland – Longest main span: 128 metres, length: 470 metres
- Pedestrian bridge over Swan River in Western Australia – Longest main span: 160 metres, length: 400 metres

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