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Top gong awarded in family holidays

THE Blue Dolphin Holiday Resort at Yamba on the far north New South Wales coast has been named Australia's Best Holiday Park by *Holidays With Kids* magazine.

More than 8000 readers responded to the annual survey, in which five NSW parks were ranked among the nation's Top 10.

The magazine says the most popular holiday parks in Australia

are the ones that "go the extra mile for families, offering resort-style facilities and child-friendly activities as well as first-rate service".

Readers were asked to nominate their favourite holiday parks in Australia, scoring each property on the standard of accommodation and service, activities for children, babysitting and child care, the location, value for money and overall experience.

"All properties have been voted by families that have enjoyed their experiences at these holidays parks," said Cathy Wagstaff, the magazine's editor.

"The dominance of beach-side properties shows that families still love the simple pleasures, but with the added value of family-friendly facilities."

The Top 10

- 1 Blue Dolphin Holiday Resort,** Yamba, NSW
- 2 Treasure Island Holiday Park,** Gold Coast, Qld
- 3 EcoPoint Murramarang Resort,** South Durras, NSW
- 4 Ashmore Palms Holiday Village,** Gold Coast, Qld
- 5 Ocean Beach Holiday Park,** Umina, NSW
- 6 Mandalay Holiday Resort and Tourist Park,** Busselton, WA
- 7 Darlington Beach Holiday Park,** Ararawarra, NSW
- 8 Adelaide Shores Caravan Park,** West Beach, SA
- 9 BIG4 Adventure Whitsunday Resort,** Airlie Beach, Qld
- 10 Happy Hallidays Holiday Park,** Forster, NSW