



Bogong Bulletin

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The Alpine Rovers and Venturers Newsletter



Mountain Bike Weekend 2010



Mountain Bike Weekend this year ran from Thursday 8th April until Sunday 11th April and was a (mostly) fantastic weekend for all those involved. Venturers came from Blackburn (in Melbourne), Colac and even Canberra to experience the natural beauty of the Chalet while hooning around on bikes! The first day of action was Friday when we went for a ride around the huts (Cope Hut and Wallace's Hut) before heading off in the direction of Raspberry Hill

along the aqueduct. This was also to make sure that everyone's bikes were in good nick and would cope with the 'big trip' to Shannonvale the next day. All the bikes did well- so far, so good!

The next day was the big ride. Anticipation was building up in the morning as we got ready. We left the Chalet and rode along the aqueduct, this time in the opposite direction towards Kelly's and Fitzgerald's huts. The track was 'relatively' smooth up until this point when we started descending down the 4x4 track towards Shannonvale. This was when things started to get interesting. The track was really bumpy and as a result, everyone's wrists were sore, but that doesn't even compare to the 4 flat tyres and even a buckled rim that wouldn't turn though the frame! During the car shuffle back up to the Chalet, the trailer bearings failed – even the RACV couldn't fix it.



On the Sunday, after packing up the Chalet, we watched some of the qualifying races of the Mt. Beauty Downhill Race (bike riding). To even attempt this race you have to be crazy- 8km of downhill in extremely muddy conditions completed in 15 minutes or less!!! Due to the broken trailer, we managed to squeeze 7 people, 7 bikes and 7 packs into 1 car (a Pajero) for the long trip back to Colac. They made it okay, but I don't think they're in a hurry to repeat that experience!

Chris Gunther

Visit

www.bogongroverchalet.org.au

For more information on the Bogong Rover Chalet

What's On?

April

Apr 24-26

Food Weekend
Summer Season Closes

June

June 9

Ski Expo @ EMC Deepdene

June 12-14

Queens Birthday W/end
Ski season Opens

June 26-July 3

Week 1 Vic/Qld Snow
Venture

July

July 3-10

Week 2 Winter Party

July 10-17

Week 3 SA Snow Venture
Chalet booked out!

July 17-24

Week 4 Steiner School
Chalet booked out!

July 18

Ski Fun Day

July 24-31

Week 5 Winter Party

July 31-Aug 7

Week 6 Winter Party

August

Aug 7-14

Week 7 Winter Party

Aug 14-21

Week 8 Winter Party

Aug 21-28

Week 9 Winter Party

Aug 28-Sept 4

Week 10 Winter Party

September

Sept 4-11

Week 11 Spring Skiing

Sept 11-18

Week 12 Spring Skiing

Sept 18-25

Week 13 Vic/Qld Snow
Venture

Sept 25-Oct 2

Week 14 NSW/ACT/WA
Snow Venture

October

Oct 13

ARC & BCMG AGM

Oct 30-Nov 2

Melbourne Cup Working Bee
Summer Season Opens

*The BCMG meets on the third
Wednesday of each month at the
Victorian Rover Centre (Highland
Ave, Mt. Waverley).*

Bogong Bulletin Data Base:

We are currently working through our mailing list to make sure we have a comprehensive contact list of Alpine Rover Crew and Bogong Rover Crew. If you get the bulletin by mail, could you please forward us an email address to bulletin@bogongroverchalet.org.au Also, if you know of anyone who does not get the bulletin and should, email their details to the above address too.

Bogong Rover Crew Nominations

While the season is still fresh in your mind, please consider Bogong Rover Crew nominations.

All Bogong Rovers can nominate, so if you have someone you think should be considered, nominate them now!

Nomination forms, along with eligibility are on our website at:

www.bogongroverchalet.org.au/aboutUsBogongRC



BCMG Chairman's Report

This year has been really busy for the whole management group what with all the maintenance going on at the Bogong Rover Chalet. Maintenance that has been carried out so far this year includes the cladding, completing half of the sand filter and resurfacing the bathroom floor. My thanks go out to everyone who has devoted time and manpower to complete these major tasks.

Don't forget that early bird prices end this week. You could save up to \$50 if you get your application form in before 30th April. Even if you don't get it in this week, the earlier you get your form in, the better, as it helps us determine whether the week will run or not.

Lynette Bailey, BCMG Chairman

Committee Positions

In October 2009, the Alpine Rover Crew elected the following people to the Bogong Chalet Management Group (BCMG):

Rover Positions (7):

Lynette Bailey - Chairman

Kathleen Pearce – Bookings Officer

Will Chrisfield

Bryce Gibson

Three rover positions are still vacant

26-30y/o Positions (2):

Tony Brooks

John Linnell

30+ y/o Positions (2):

Peter Rossborough

David Bossen

The Venturer positions (2) remain unfilled.

At the AGM in October, Luke Moore stepped down as ARC Chairperson, and Stuart Bailey was elected as Alpine Rover Crew Chairperson, with Mick Simpson staying on as Secretary.

The Treasurer and Historian positions are up for review at the 2010 AGM.

If you, or someone you know, are interested in coming on the committee and are between 18-26, tell them about the BCMG. We rely on having rovers on the committee so you can have a say about how the chalet is run. Come and see what Bogong is all about- join the committee! If you are interested, call or email me- 0439 381 398 / bogongchalet@vicscouts.asn.au

Bathroom Floor

Over the summer the bathroom floor was resurfaced by rovers who regularly attend Week 5 at the Chalet. Grit was added to the resurfacing mixture because of safety constraints, and as a result, the floor is more difficult to clean. A Pressure wash at the conclusion of your week will assist you in the cleaning of the floor. The BCMG thanks you for your patience regarding this matter.

Sand Filter

Over the summer holidays winter party participants from Week 9 came in and did some fantastic work on the Sand filter. We look forward to their return to complete the job with the foreman!

Money Job up for Grabs

The Bogong Management Group has been extremely lucky to have Jody Freeman standing as treasurer for the last 9 ½ years. Jody has informed the Management group that when the treasurer position comes up for review at the 2010 AGM, he does not intend to stand for re-election. This of course means that there is an opportunity for you to gain experience in managing the finances for the Bogong Rover Chalet - a million dollar asset (most impressive on a resume) in an environment that is both supportive & non- threatening. This position can be filled by any adult scouting member who has enthusiasm, dedication and an interest in managing finance.

The role of treasurer would require attendance at the monthly Management Group meetings (3rd Wed of the month), monthly written financial reports including income, expenditure, balance and bank rec, the banking of all income, paying of all accounts and the management of the chalet insurance and group records.

The chalet has a June reporting date, and is required to prepare a balance sheet and revenue statement on an accruals basis for consolidation with Victorian Rovers and Victorian Branch. This along with a cash receipts/payments summary and written report forms the report presented to the AGM in October each year.

The Role of Treasurer is appointed by the Branch Commissioner Rovers on recommendation of the BCMG AGM, and is expected to be for a minimum of three years.

To discuss this position further, or for any additional information, please contact Jody Freeman, Chalet and Branch Rover Council Treasurer on 0417 340 717 or email brc.treasurer@vicscouts.asn.au or Matt Anderson, Chalet Warden on 0407 681 340 or email mdando@optusnet.com.au

Congratulations!

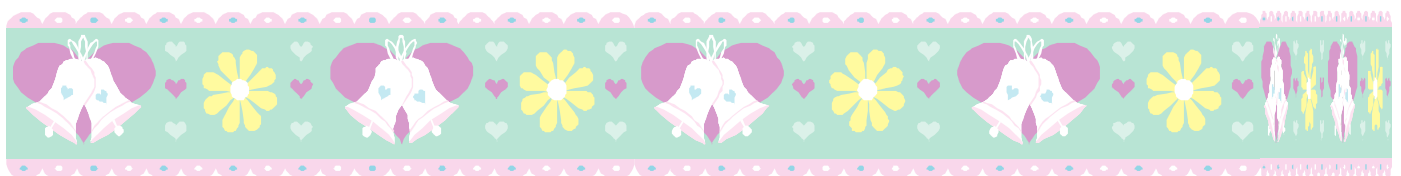
Congratulations to Chris (Alpine Rover) and Helen Gunther on the birth of their first child- a beautiful girl called Kate!

Congratulations to Dave and Nic Livingstone on their marriage!



Congratulations also to Tim and Catie Doyle on the birth of a baby girl called Lucy!

Congratulations to Andy and Ruth Dugan on their marriage!



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Alpine Rover Crew Ski and Outdoors Expo

Wednesday 9th June from 7pm

EMC @ Snow Ski

68 Whitehorse Rd, Deepdene

Melways 46 A7

Come along- catch up, stock up, or grab a bargain!