

BOROONDARA

Bicycle Users Group

Newsletter February 2014

Boroondara BUG meetings are normally held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month except January. Our next meeting is on Wednesday 12th February. It will be held in the upstairs function room of the Elgin Inn, cnr Burwood Rd and Elgin St Hawthorn (Melway 45 B10). The meeting starts at 7.00pm. Some of us arrive around 6.30pm for a meal at the Elgin Inn before the meeting.

The Boroondara BUG is a voluntary group working to promote the adoption of a safe and practical environment for utility and recreational cyclists in the City of Boroondara. We have close links with the City of Boroondara, Bicycle Network Victoria, and other local Bicycle Users Groups. Two of the positions on Council's Boroondara Bicycle Advisory Committee, which meets quarterly, are assigned to Boroondara BUG members.

Boroondara BUG has a website at <http://www.boroondarabug.org> that contains interesting material related to cycling, links to other cycle groups, recent Boroondara BUG Newsletters and breaking news. Our Facebook page can be found at <https://www.facebook.com/boroondarabug>. Our email address for communications to the BUG is boroondarabug@gmail.com

We also have a Yahoo Group: Send a blank email to: BoroondaraBug-subscribe@yahoogroups.com to receive notification when the latest monthly newsletter and rides supplement have been placed on the web site and details of our next meeting, and very occasional other important messages.

All articles in this newsletter are the views and opinions of the authors and do not necessarily represent the views of any other members of Boroondara BUG. All rides publicised in the Rides Supplement are embarked upon at your own risk.

Features

Great Vic Rail Trail Bike Tour

Introduction

The Great Vic Rail Trail (GVRT), formerly the Goulburn River High Country Rail Trail, is the longest and one of the most scenic rail trails in Victoria, extending from Tallarook to Mansfield with a spur trail to Alexandra. Many of the signs along the trail haven't yet been updated to the new name, however the trail's surface has recently been improved, and additional picnic facilities and toilets built. One of the best features of the GVRT is the frequency of settlements and towns with cafes and pubs providing delicious food about every 20 – 25 kms along the trail. There's also plenty of accommodation along the trail including B&B's, motels, pub rooms, cabins, or BYO tent. We booked motel accommodation.

You can get to the start of the GVRT using the relatively frequent V/Line train service (Seymour and Albury lines). Five of us caught the Albury train that departs Southern Cross Station at 7.10am on a Thursday in mid-December. Albury trains have a Power Van that's useful for carrying bikes. However Albury trains don't stop in Tallarook, so we had to start our bike tour in Seymour instead and ride on the Goulburn Valley Highway (B340), a well-made sealed road with good shoulders that intersects with the GVRT a few kilometres before the small settlement of Trawool. We were most fortunate to get perfect, fine weather for the five days of our tour.

Day 1 - Seymour to Molesworth (52km)

Two other cyclists were on the 7.10am train in addition to us five. With bikes safely stored in the Power Van, we had a comfortable train journey to Seymour. We rode from Seymour Station on the Goulburn Valley Highway until it intersected with the GVRT near Trawool. A few kilometres further along the trail we stopped for morning tea at a motel cafe handily located beside the trail at Trawool. The cafe's picture windows overlooked a lush, green valley with black cows grazing.

The countryside looked beautiful after the spring rains. The Goulburn River was full, tea trees were in flower, and Monarch Butterflies fluttered about. Masses of Redeye Cicadas, black cicadas with bright red eyes, shrilled in the drier areas of the trail, their pulsing calls so strident that at times the bush throbbed with sound.

By lunchtime we were in Yea, eating our BYO lunches in a well-designed picnic area built on the site of the old Yea Railway Station. This picnic area provides undercover picnic tables, BBQ's, drinking fountain and public toilets.

In the afternoon the trail steadily climbed to the Cheviot Tunnel, an atmospheric old, dark railway tunnel the trail goes through. A member of our group called out a timely warning: "Don't forget to take off your sunglasses before entering the tunnel!" From the tunnel there's a wonderful descent into the small settlement of Molesworth where we'd booked accommodation for two nights at the Molesworth Hotel/Motel.

That evening we ate a tasty pub dinner on the deck at the back of the Molesworth Hotel overlooking native bushland and lagoon. It was a calm, warm evening so pleasant being outdoors. After dinner we strolled around the bushy, scenic Molesworth Recreation Reserve Camping Ground located beside the Goulburn River. We saw many abandoned, split cicada shells on a big old Elm Tree. Holes where the cicadas had emerged after years underground sucking sap were seen in the soil at the base of the Elm.

Day 2 – Molesworth to Alexandra return (39km)

Molesworth Motel provides continental breakfast kits which we ate whilst sitting in the sun on the motel's verandah overlooking fields with cows and hills beyond.

Instead of riding "there-and-back" on the trail, we decided to do a loop ride to Alexandra on the Whanregarwen Rd (18km) and Maroondah Hwy (3km), then back to Molesworth on the GVRT. Whanregarwen Road is quiet, sealed, and has excellent views. Although the Maroondah Hwy is busier, it has an adequate shoulder for riding.

Alexandra is a lovely old town with many historic buildings, parks, and museums. After morning tea sitting in the sun outside a local café, we explored the grounds of historic Dove Cottage and the Railway Museum. Unfortunately neither was open on the day we were there, but it was possible to explore their gardens and grounds.

After lunch we rode on the GVRT back to Molesworth. There's a steady climb out of Alexandra to the top of the hill that gives wonderful views over the surrounding landscape. On the ride back we noticed several new toilets along the trail and the well-designed, recently built Cathkin picnic area with an information board outlining the history of the construction of the railway and bridges.

We arrived back in Molesworth in plenty of time for a relaxing afternoon tea on the verandah of the motel and a rest before dinner at the pub.

Day 3 – Molesworth to Mansfield (65km)

Today we stopped for morning tea in Yarck at the Giddy Goat where we enjoyed home-baked vanilla slices and cakes with our coffees. Yarck is becoming quite a centre for food, and whilst there we noticed several other good food options including a general store and Yarck Hotel.

The trail ascended steadily to the Merton Gap, then was mostly flat to undulating for the rest of today's ride. We stopped for lunch at a café in Bonnie Doon, and after an afternoon rest in a shady local park, we rode on to Mansfield.

Our motel in Mansfield had a lovely garden setting which provided a peaceful and attractive place have afternoon tea. Tonight's dinner was at a local pub where it was warm enough to sit outdoors in the beer garden.

Day 4 – Mansfield to Yea (85km)

An early start at 7.30am meant we had time for frequent refreshment and rest breaks. Some of us decided to ride on the sealed Goulburn Valley Highway for part of the distance rather than riding the whole way on the unsealed GVRT. There isn't a continuous shoulder on the Highway, but it was quiet early in the day so traffic wasn't a problem.

After a short morning tea break at Bonnie Doon and a second brief rest stop at Merton, we rode on to Yarck for lunch. There is an exhilarating downhill ride into Yarck which is especially enjoyable. Those of us riding on the Highway returned to the GVRT just before the Cheviot Tunnel to avoid the steep, aptly-named Cottons Pinch.

By mid-afternoon we were in Yea Motel, our overnight accommodation, enjoying the delights of their solar heated swimming pool and pleasant, shady garden. Later that afternoon we explored Yea township and Yea Wetlands Reserve where well-constructed boardwalks and signs for identifying birds, reptiles and insects made for informative and interesting walking.

Day 5 – Yea to Tallarook (39km)

We were aiming at catching the 12.20pm train from Tallarook back to Melbourne, so this morning's ride didn't require an early start and was at a leisurely pace with time to take in the views and beautiful scenery beside the Goulburn River.

After buying our lunches in various bakeries in Yea, we rode on the GVRT, arriving in Trawool in time for morning tea.

We arrived in Tallarook with plenty of time to sit in the town park near the station to eat lunch. After exploring the quaint town of Tallarook with its historic, well restored buildings, it was time to catch the train back to Southern Cross Station. The 12.20pm train that originated in Seymour was almost full by the time it arrived in Tallarook and it was a tight squeeze to fit us and our bikes onto the train!

Total distance (return) 280km

Thanks to Cathy Taylor for this account of her tour

A Bike for Penny

Penny (not her real name) has decided that more cycling with the 'Dons Party' cycling friends might not be such a bad thing particularly when cycling weekends away include some very enjoyable locations. Also being on her old not-so-comfortable mixte bike meant that doing the car shuttle was a better alternative but only up to a point. So let's start thinking about what bike might be best. Her husband Geoff (not his real name) had been talking about electric bikes given some of his friends have benefited from the 'little extra assistance'. Pen was keen to get a bike with a relaxed riding position not unlike the Dutch bike she rode in Holland on a Bike Barge holiday.

First Pen opted to get a taste of a good hybrid bike in case that is all that is needed. So with the help of Box Hill's *Cycle World* Pen test rode a *Trek Verve 2* but failed to get excited about that one. A good bike and fairly comfortable but maybe there is a better one somewhere?

Need to test some electric bikes for comparison so off to Spokes. *Spokes* (now in Abbotsford not Mooroolbark) provided 3 test bikes without hesitation – first an electric folder – this was a consideration for transporting in the caravan but we subsequently dropped that idea. With only 3 speeds it needs power a lot of the time. This brings up the concern we had – should Pen aim to have a bike that rides well without power or expect to always have power on tap and enjoy assisted riding most of the time?

Second was *Gazelle Fuente* electric which measured up to the good wrap given in *Ride On* (E-Bike Buyers guide, June-July 2013). It comes with either 7 speed hub or 24 speed derailleur. Last was an *Ordica*, also with a good score in *Ride On* but with only 8 speed hub Pen found it was a bit of a struggle going up the incline from Gipps st bridge to the Boulevard path.

On our way home one Sunday we popped in to *St Kilda Cycles* and test rode a *BH Emotion* electric but only in the flat car park. Plenty of power and good configuration and comfort. Battery in the middle on the frame. We wondered if, being a specialised shape, the replacement would cost be higher. The model was not available until next month and maybe at a higher price. 1 year warranty but some doubt was cast on warranty by another retailer who had problems getting a charger replaced for a customer.

Next test was of a non- electric *Gazelle* courtesy of our good friend Julia (that is her real name) who loaned Penny her *Gazelle Medeo Lite*. Now that is a bike worthy of the very good report Pen gave it. Comfortable and with many extras as standard.

A little put off by the electric *Gazelle Fuente* price tag of \$3300 we took the advice of fellow electric owners and visited *Teeco* (The Electric Bike company) in Cheltenham. After a couple of test rides on the *Challenger* and one on the *Nomad* with rear wheel drive, Pen opted for a nice red *Challenger* with 15 aH Lithium battery. We have had some discussion about rear wheel versus front wheel drive but opted to go with the trend to front wheel. The *Challenger* has a 7 speed derailleur and both pedal assist and throttle – the best of both worlds.

After a couple of short local rides to the Op shop and local shopping Pen has yet to develop full confidence in the machine and become more familiar with road riding on local streets. It is likely that she will change to a more comfortable seat and maybe slightly curved handlebars. However tinkering and modifying is what we all like to do.

So it has been a long ride. Maybe converting a favoured conventional bike may have been a better way to go and we will keep you informed on that matter but what the heck Pen can now keep up with, and overtake, her cycling friends from Don's Party. Also the family has an extra choice for sustainable transport.

Pen and Geoff Healing

Trail Notes

Gardiners Creek Trail - Detour

The Gardiners Creek trail will detour through the Coles car park, between Tooronga Rd and Burke Rd, from Wednesday 8 January and remain until May 2014.

This detour is in place to allow for Melbourne Water to complete creek widening works on a section of Gardiners Creek that will reduce flooding of local properties.

For more information:

http://www.melbournewater.com.au/content/current_projects/rivers_creeks_and_wetlands/gardiners_creek_widening/gardiners_creek_widening.asp



Yarra Trail Detour

From **February 12, 2014** detours will be in place on the Main Yarra Trail, between Dights Falls and Turner Street, Abbotsford. The detours will be in place while path reconstruction works are carried out. The works are expected to take six weeks to complete. Pedestrians and cyclists will be required to detour around the site via Trenerry Crescent—see map below.



The project involves widening the path to improve amenity for users and will cost approximately \$150,000, fully funded through Yarra City Council's Open Space Capital Works Program.

<http://www.yarracity.vic.gov.au/hot-topics/detours-on-main-yarra-train-in-mid-february/>

Further information please contact: **Mark Donnellan**, Capital Works Officer - Open Space, 9205 5724, mark.donnellan@yarracity.vic.gov.au

Trails in Craigieburn

The name 'Craigieburn' doesn't conjure up particularly scenic images for most of us, but in fact this rapidly developing area has some very charming spots, and more than its fair share of beautiful old river red gums which can be enjoyed while riding a surprising number of excellent off-road paths. In particular the fairly new path along Malcolm Creek is an absolute delight, and on our last visit had been extended well to the west of the section shown on the excellent Broadmeadows TravelSmart Map, and in fact beyond the streets shown on the map. This path is easily accessed from Craigieburn Station via a path that runs north along the Hume Hwy, starting just to the north of the big roundabout at Craigieburn Rd.

When you get to the end of the Malcolm Creek Trail you can head south and pick up Waterview Bvd to reach Highlands Lake where there's a community centre with a coffee shop that has both indoor and outdoor seating overlooking the lake. From here you can return to Craigieburn Station via the path along Aitken Creek which has a bit of a missing link but now runs right through the Craigieburn Public Golf Course. Or if you want a longer ride you can wend your way south to pick up the route through Roxburgh Park, under Somerton Rd, and through the Broadmeadows Valley Park to the Moonee Ponds Creek Path and back to the CBD.

Julia Blunden

My Favourite Shimmy

If you Google the term 'shimmy' its primary cycling-related meaning appears to be a high speed wobble on a bike. However it has now been co-opted by utility cyclists to designate an informal route, using backstreets, cut-throughs and parks etc, to get from A to B in the safest and most convenient way, preferably dodging the biggest hills.

I'm sure that many of our readers know of such routes, or have even invented some themselves, in their local neighbourhood or on their commute route, and will be willing to share them with others. To set the ball rolling here's one I use.

West Hawthorn to the Gardiners Creek Path

The most straightforward way to get from West Hawthorn to the Gardiners Creek Path is via the Yarra Trail. However depending on your starting point there's another option which may be more direct, if a little more complicated.

From Burwood Rd I head down Morang Rd, turn right into Glan Avon Rd, then left into a driveway. Keeping right this takes me alongside the river and onto a boardwalk that passes under the Wallen Rd Bridge (Wallen Rd is the link between Riversdale Rd and Swan St), and thence to the beautiful new shared path that skirts around the Leonda reception centre. This in turn leads to the Wallen Rd Reserve and on to Fairview Park. Here there are two options: the low road is flat but unsealed and the high road is sealed but has ups and downs. At the far end of Fairview Park I ride up to Fairview St, turn right into this and follow it to its end. Then I turn left into an unsealed lane which turns right and takes me through to Hambleton Rd. A left and a right take me into Callantina Rd and up the Scotch College Hill. Using the back lane avoids the rather more taxing climb up Hawthorn Glen. Once at Glenferrie Rd you can turn right and either ride down the shared path on the western side, or cross and ride on road, before picking up the shared path on the south side of Gardiner Rd to reach the Gardiners Creek Path.

Julia Blunden

Events

MS Melbourne Cycle Sunday 23 February

30km or 50km ride to raise funds for Australians suffering from Multiple Sclerosis. One of only two rides where you get to ride over the Westgate Bridge.

For more details see <http://www.msmelbournecycle.org.au/>

Transport for 6 Million?

Sustainable Living Festival and Metropolitan Transport Forum presents 'Transport for 6 million? :Melbourne at the crossroads' With the population of Melbourne set to exceed 6 million, how can we plan for better transport?

With Professor Roz Hansen, Professor Graham Currie and others.

Saturday 15 February 2014, 11.00 am - 12.30 pm, Deakin Edge, Federation Square

Free, [RSVP recommended - use our online form](#)

[Part of the SLF Big Weekend at Fed Square](#)

Book Reviews

***The New Zealand Cycle Trails: Nga Haeranga: a Guide to New Zealand's 23 Great Rides*, by Jonathan Kennett, Random House New Zealand, 2013.**

If like me, you were under the impression that the Central Otago Rail Trail was New Zealand's one and only cycling trail, this book will come as a revelation. Most of the trails detailed in this guide have been constructed in the last few years as the result of a project for a national cycleway, Nga Haeranga, which emerged from a job summit in 2009 in response to the global financial crisis.

However before you get too excited it's important to point out that, of the 23 great rides described in this guide, many involve quite rugged and narrow mountain trails, requiring mountain bikes and advanced riding skills. In addition some of the trails were still under construction at the time of writing and significant improvements were planned for others. Nevertheless it seems that New Zealand now has much more to offer cyclists of all standards than the justly famed Otago Central Rail Trail.

This very comprehensive guide begins with an account of the Nga Haeranga project, including full page maps of the North and South Island cycle networks. At the beginning of the book there's also an explanation of the format used for describing each trail, and a section of 'Practical advice' on preparation and planning for your ride, including: 'Choosing a bike', 'Gear', 'In emergencies', 'Training and preparation', 'Transporting your bike', 'Weather', 'Tour guides' and 'Environmental care code'. At the back of the book there are further useful sections including: 'Extra information on grades', 'Gear lists' and an index.

The bulk of the guide comprises detailed accounts of each of the 23 great rides providing for each a descriptive 'Introduction'; 'Summary' in point form; 'Route description', broken into sections; 'Trail tales', providing historic background; and 'Food and accommodation'; and 'Shortcuts and detours' sections.

The book is a high quality publication with lavish use of very attractive photos to support the text. It will certainly whet any readers's appetite for a cycling holiday in New Zealand. If I have a criticism it is that the guide lacks a table or key to enable the quick and easy identification of extended rides suitable for cycle tourists wanting to avoid mountain biking terrain. However a quick Google search ascertained that there are already a number of tour companies offering organised tours that make use of many of the trails detailed in this guide.

Julia Blunden

General News

Finding Groups to Ride With - Meetup

Some readers will be aware that in addition to this newsletter the updated *Rides Supplement* is uploaded to the BBUG web site each month. This lists contact details, and in some case calendars, for various riding clubs and groups in Boroondara and neighbouring areas.

Your editor has only recently been made aware of another very promising avenue for locating riding groups. This is via Meetup. Meetup is an online social networking portal that facilitates offline group meetings in various localities around the world.

Meetup has a Melbourne branch at <https://www.google.com.au/webhp?sourceid=navclient&ie=UTF-8#q=meetup+melbourne> Whatever your area of interest, whether it's the French language, Chihuahuas or the paleo diet, whether you're a Baby Boomer, an African Australian or a lesbian dog-walker, it's likely there's a Meetup group for you. A quick scan of the Melbourne Meetup site reveals numerous riding groups based in different parts of Melbourne and conducting rides of various types and standards. If you're looking for a group to ride with it's definitely worth checking out. Or it may be a great way to start your own.

Boroondara News

Minutes of Boroondara BUG Meeting, Wednesday 11th December 2013

Elgin Inn, Hawthorn

Attendance and Apologies

Present: David Leong, Gordon Macmillan, John Parker, David Farrow, Julia Blunden, Glennys Jones (Chair), Jill Young, Peter Campbell, David Hall (Whitehorse Cyclists), Hedley Finger

Apologies: Alister Huth, Ken Parker, Hank van Apeldoorn, Mal Faul, Graeme Stone

Correspondence:

In

- Email from Chris Hui asking for suggestions for an on-road route in Boroondara to trial wayfinding signage (It was agreed that a section of the Hawthorn to Box Hill Trail would be the best candidate.)
- Email from Chris Hui asking for a loan of a bike trailer for a Council run ride (Hank V has offered to give his trailer, and Glennys J has offered a loan of her trailer.)
- Email from Ausindo re bike tours in Indonesia

Out

- Nil

Matters Arising:

1. **Hawthorn to Box Hill Trail:** Peter C agreed to contact Chris with a view to signing part of this. John P reported that Cookson St is not currently a shared path. It can be converted to one but this involves some further work including moving power poles. The HTBHT is an agenda item for the December BAC meeting.
2. **Golfers Choice and Urban Bush Path:** Nil to report.
3. **Darebin-Yarra Link:** Julia B reported that Community Coalition members met with the VicRoads team again on Wednesday 4/12 at the La Trobe Golf Course and Alphington Grammar for a walk through of the proposed trail route. David H and David F were also present. VR are proposing some minor changes to the route designed by Thompson Berrill for Parks Victoria, and these will have to be negotiated with the golf club and the school. They hope to call for tenders for the northern section of the trail in January. Melbourne Water intend replacing a major sewer through the golf club over the next three years which will necessitate a detour being put in place if the trail is to open at the end of 2015 as proposed.
4. **Belford Rd Underpass:** Council's submission to the Linking Melbourne Authority makes mention of this.
5. **Dights Falls Trail:** Council's submission to the LMA also mentions this. David F was almost ready to send the LMA a submission on behalf of the BUG.
6. **Stonnington Matters:** Nil to report.
7. **Domestic Animals Management Plan:** Glennys J reported that Council has introduced new restrictions on the asking of questions at Council meetings, in part due to this issue.
8. **Outer Circle Trail at Harp Junction:** Alister H reported via email that Mick N had as yet had no response from MLA Andrew Macintosh on this. This will be an item on the agenda of the BAC meeting. David F has ascertained that the VR section responsible is Kew Property Services.
9. **Jacka Trail/North Balwyn Leisure Trail:** There was some uncertainty about the closing date for the petition. Julia B agreed to email Lou to check whether the petition is still going and whether she has a Facebook page.
10. **Invitations to Councillors to Attend BBUG Meetings:** Jill Y reported that Cr Steve Hurd has not responded to her emails inviting him to one of our meetings. Glennys J suggested offering a meeting at a venue of his choosing. Another suggestion was to leave a message at his Council phone number. Cr Jane Addis may attend a meeting next year.
11. **Bicycle Wayfinding Group:** It appears that this is currently at a standstill given that there is no government agency responsible for implementing the group's plans.

12. **East-West Link:** Those present were somewhat divided as to whether the BUG should take any action on this, even though we are opposed to the project, at the very least because the funds could be better spent elsewhere. Council was to consider their submission to the LMA on this at a meeting the following evening.

13. **Treasurer's Report:** Mal F was not present.

New Business

1. **Facebook Presentation:** Jill Y provided a live presentation on the Facebook page she has set up for BBUG. Most others present had either stayed away from FB, or only dabbled slightly so we had plenty to learn. Jill made the point strongly that FB offers connectivity with other like-minded people and organisations that is extremely quick and easy once you get the hang of it. She discussed fears relating to security or being inundated with unwanted communications. You don't have to provide true personal information when you set up a FB page, and you can set up an email address specifically for this purpose rather than providing your main one. It isn't necessary to understand all the features of FB to use it. The main components are the Wall and Newsfeed. It was suggested that we get a sticker made with the FB address to stick on our remaining BUG business cards. **Peter C and Glennys J** agreed to become additional administrators.
2. **BAC Meeting Friday 13th December:** **Julia B** and **John P** confirmed that they would attend as BBUG reps, and **Glennys J** would attend as an observer.
3. **Lennox St between Power and Elgin Sts:** Work has recently been done in this area and unfortunately cyclists using this link, which forms part of the HTBHT, have not been well provided for. All that is needed is a small extra section of bitumen and a pram ramp. This is an item on the BAC agenda. **Julia B** agreed to send photos to Chris Hui.

Other Business:

1. **Gardiners Creek Trail Audit:** Glennys J reported that GTA's draft report of this is now available. She was very critical of the images included which are out of date, eg not showing all the recent work in Markham Reserve.
2. **Glenferrie Rd Bike Lanes:** **Peter C** agreed to draft a letter of support to Council.
3. **Bicycle Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes:** Jill Y queried how these may be accessed. They are posted to the Council web site at <http://www.boroondara.vic.gov.au/our-city/cycling-walking/cycling/bicycle-advisory-committee>

Next meeting: Wednesday 12th February 2014

Notes by Julia Blunden

Contacts for Rides

There are many BUGs, clubs and other organisations, several of them local, which organise rides. Below are some of their contact details. A separate supplement contains details of many of their forthcoming rides.

Ashburton Riders Club

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Tony Landsell - email: tony@diacher.com

Justin Murphy - email: murphjj@au1.ibm.com

website: <http://www.ashburtonridersclub.asn.au/>

Banyule BUG

email: banyuleBug@yahoo.com.au

website: <http://home.vicnet.net.au/~banylbug/>

contacts: Richard phone: 9459 8648, or Les phone: 9459 2701

Boroondara Bushwalkers

contact Julia Blunden

phone: 9853 5095

email: jblunden@bigpond.com

website: www.keypoint.com.au/~bbwinc

Kew Neighbourhood Learning Centre Bike Riding Group

Contact: Robin Kendrick, phone: 9853 3126

Council on the Ageing (COTA) Cycling Group

contact Janet Bennett

email: janpeter@bigpond.net.au or COTA,

phone: 9654 4443

website:

http://www.cotavic.org.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/1006/cota_cycling_brochure_jul-dec_2007.pdf

Darebin BUG

Rides and Events Coordinator

Doug Morffew, phone: 9499 7325 (AH)

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website: www.darebinbug.org.au

Surrey Hills Neighbourhood Centre

Phone: 9890 2467

Email: info@surreyhillsnc.org.au

Website: www.surreyhillsnc.org.au

Knox Bicycle Touring Club Incorporated

email: Mikeaatleisure@aol.com

website: home.vicnet.net.au/~knoxbike

Manningham BUG

email: seball@netlink.com.au, H.Edwards@bom.gov.au

website: www.vicnet.net.au/~mannbug

Maroondah Bushwalking Club

To obtain details of how to book on a walk and a copy of the current walks and activities program Contact information officers:

Sandra, phone: 9728 3833, Aileen, phone: 9876 1104

website: home.vicnet.net.au/~mbush/

Melbourne Bicycle Touring Club

email info@mbtc.org.au (Note that this email address doesn't get checked every day - so don't expect an immediate response!) website: mbtc.org.au

Whitehorse Cyclists

email: ejhopper@vicnet.net.au

website: <http://www.whitehorsecyclists.org.au/>

Finbar Neighbourhood House Rides

Contact Deb in the office on 9428 7668 or 0403 028 200

YHA

contacts: Ride Co-Ordinator Kathy

rides@yhacycling.org.au or mobile 0425-792 574

or Secretary Voula on secretary@yhacycling.org.au

website: www.yhacycling.org.au has free registration

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Membership Application Form

Name _____

Address & Postcode _____

Phone (H) _____

Phone (M) _____

Phone (W) _____

Email _____

Member of Bicycle Victoria? Please circle: Yes / No

Membership requires a payment of \$15 per household which covers 3 years. Please send cheque (made out to Boroondara Bicycle Users Group) along with this form to:

Malcolm Faul
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Address: 38 Grove Rd, Hawthorn, 3122