

# BOROONDARA

*Bicycle Users Group*

## Newsletter May 2009

Boroondara BUG meetings are normally held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month. Our next meeting is on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May. It will be held in the function room at the Elgin Inn, cnr Burwood Rd and Elgin St, Hawthorn (Melway 45 B10). Optional dinner at 6.30pm, meeting starts at 7.30pm.

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 Victoria, Bicycle Federation of Australia and other local Bicycle Users Groups. Two of the positions on the 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. We also have two Yahoo Groups:

1. Send a blank email to: [BoroondaraBug-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:BoroondaraBug-subscribe@yahoogroups.com) to receive notification when the latest monthly newsletter and rides supplement have been placed on the web site and very occasional important messages.
2. Send a blank email to: [BoroondaraBugDiscussion-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:BoroondaraBugDiscussion-subscribe@yahoogroups.com) to monitor or join in an ongoing discussion of bike related issues both local and general.

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 this newsletter are embarked upon at your own risk.

## Features

### Bikes in Ballarat

According to the Railtrails Australia newsletter, *Rail Trail Connections*, the erstwhile somewhat rough Ballarat-Skipton Rail Trail had been resurfaced to a standard more suitable for cycling. The mild autumn months were upon us. It seemed like the perfect time to head to Ballarat for a few days of cycling. Enquiries at the Ballarat Visitor Information Centre elicited a booklet and map that promised lots of other suitable rides so we settled on the four days Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> to Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April for our visit.

By the time we headed off to Ballarat, some by car and some by train, the forecast was far from promising. The outward ride to Skipton on the Thursday, as well as trending generally downhill, was greatly assisted by a strong northerly wind. Unfortunately the wind remained in the north for our return ride making for very hard going most of the way. By the time we had reached the outskirts of Ballarat rain had set in. As so often happens when rain follows a long dry, one of our party sustained a puncture almost immediately, shortly followed by another. Fortunately a support vehicle was available to effect a rescue, but many of us reached our accommodation in a somewhat sodden state.

Next morning after a tube replacement session on the footpath outside our guest house, two parties set off to ride in the rain ardently hoping for it to clear before too long. One pair headed off on the road to Clunes and Creswick, straight into the very strong wind. Five of us, weary from the return trip from Skipton, opted for a gentler ride along the Yarrowee River Trail. We were all rewarded with a break in the rain that lasted the best part of the day. However the forecast for Sunday was so extremely dire – rain, high winds, and low temperatures – that we regretfully abandoned plans for a fourth day's riding and settled for tourist activities or the early train home.

The Ballarat – Skipton Rail Trail provides a satisfying ride. For the most part it is wide and smooth with a granitic sand finish. It undulates gently down to Skipton from Ballarat, passing through a mixture of grazing country and forests, both native and pine. A highlight is Nimons Bridge, which unlike many of the old trestle bridges on our rail trails is actually rideable. Signage is excellent with all cross roads named and posts every kilometre giving distances for both the final and next intermediate

destination. There are also a number of information boards providing interesting insights into the history of the rail line and the area in general.

A reasonable range of basic refreshments is available at both Smythesdale and Linton, enabling the trip to be divided into three roughly equal sections. Apart from the toilets at these two towns there are new purpose-built ones right on the trail at Scarsdale. At Pittong the old station has been converted into a bunkhouse that accommodates up to eight people and has a lounge, a kitchen with a fridge and microwave oven, an outdoor barbecue and showers and toilets. The bunkhouse can be used free of charge but must be booked in advance and a key collected from Linton. The toilets and showers are accessible from the trail at all times.

At Skipton most of our group stayed in the hotel. As we had been warned it provides very basic accommodation but it is also very cheap, and it is the only dining option in town. Apparently Friday and Saturday nights are very noisy but on Thursday night we only had a Lions Club dinner to contend with. We dined in the lounge surrounded by our bikes which, to our great satisfaction, we were allowed to bring inside. More gracious and more expensive accommodation is available in three new cottages at the BP Roadhouse.

In Ballarat we stayed at Reids Guest House, which proved to be an interesting experience. The very beautiful heritage building doubles as a rooming house for some of Ballarat's less fortunate citizens. Finding your way around it with the aid of a swipe card is quite a challenge, and all our entrances and departures, and especially our bike repair session, attracted quite an audience which was a bit trying at times. However on the positive side it is right next to the station, very central, and very reasonably priced, and as at Skipton we were allowed to bring our bikes inside. The women's dormitory, in which four of us stayed, was excellent value but had one very serious drawback – the lighting was so poor that we could barely see to perform necessary chores let alone to read!

Ballarat now has a number of other off-road tracks. The Yarrowee River Trail which some of us rode consists of a northern route which ends at Gong Gong Reservoir Park and a southern route which ends at Magpie, which appears to be a very new suburb of Ballarat south of Sebastopol. The trail is quite varied and interesting, but has a few rough sections and some steep pinches so is best suited to mountain bikes and hybrids. On the southern route we crossed the sealed off-road path which apparently goes most of the way from Ballarat to Buninyong and which we would have ridden on the Sunday had the weather been more favourable.

Useful publications available free from the Ballarat Information Centre at <http://www.visitballarat.com.au/> include: *Ballarat Scenic Bike Rides* (booklet) and *Ballarat Commuter and Touring Map*.

The best source of information on the Ballarat – Skipton Rail Trail is the Railtrails Australia publication *Rail Trails of Victoria and South Australia*, now in its 3<sup>rd</sup> edition. For updates check the Railtrails Australia web site at <http://www.railtrails.org.au/index.htm>

*Julia Blunden*

## Trail Notes

### St Georges Roundabout Upgrade

From VicRoads: VicRoads advises that road safety improvement works along St Georges Road/Merri Parade/Charles Street in Northcote will commence by late April 2009. Works are scheduled for completion by end August 2009. These works include the removal of the roundabout at the intersection of St Georges Road/Merri Parade/Charles Street, installation of new traffic signals and installation of an additional lane on St Georges Road and Merri Parade. In addition the existing footpath on St Georges Road will be widened and built as a shared footpath. Further details:

<http://www.vicroads.vic.gov.au/Home/RoadsAndProjects/RoadProjects/InnerCity/StGeorgesRdMerriPrdeIntersection.htm>

*Melbourne Times*: 'Roadworks get green light at notorious roundabout' (April 29, 2009)

Work has started on a \$5.1 million upgrade to a notorious Northcote roundabout. The roundabout, at the intersection of St Georges Road, Merri Parade and Charles Street, will be removed and replaced with traffic lights. Residents have been lobbying for a safety upgrade at the site for years. Northcote MLA Fiona Richardson said the intersection was notorious for congestion and safety problems. Traffic queues on Merri Parade have reached up to 400 metres during peak hour. Bicycle Victoria figures show the St Georges Road roundabout is one of the city's top five crash sites for cyclists, with an average of 1.67 collisions involving cyclists each year. A Bicycle Victoria audit in March found more than 600 cyclists use St Georges Road to travel south-bound to the city each day, an increase of more than 15 per cent since 2008.

Read the rest of the Melb Times article here: <http://www.yarrabug.org/images/MelbTimesB29April09.gif>

*Thanks to Yarra BUG for this item*

# Events

## Common Bike Pilot

Common Bike is a pilot bicycle sharing system, an easy way to rent a bike and enjoy biking around the city. The Common Bike pilot runs from 6 - 26 May in the Melbourne CBD and inner north. For more information and exact locations, please check out [www.commonbike.com](http://www.commonbike.com) If you want to support this initiative, the best thing would be to come down and give it a try! Simply sign up at a rental location (or pre-register at the website <http://www.commonbike.com> ) get your membership tag and you are ready to go. Your first trip is \$5, inclusive of membership. Additional journeys are a gold coin donation. Please let us know how you like it at [www.commonbike.com](http://www.commonbike.com)

Another great way to support us would be to forward this message to anybody that might be interested in this initiative. We want to include as many people as possible in this 3 week pilot.

Common Bike is initiated by RMIT Industrial Design students to raise awareness and spark ideas about a public bicycle system in Melbourne, a new chapter in Melbourne's public transport network. An increasing number of big cities around the world have developed share-bike systems as an additional mode of public transport. Some systems are similar to each other, but there are many differences to suit the needs of the particular city or country. The idea behind Common Bike is to develop a community based system that suits Melbourne as a city and supports local economy. We want to develop it for you and with you.

Thanks for your contribution to Common Bike !!

## CycleSMART Skills Program - New Dates Announced

Are you a recreational cyclist looking to enhance your cycling skills, knowledge and ability? If so then an extensive 4 week CycleSMART Program proudly brought to you by Cyclo Sportif Victoria & Echelon 1 Cycling Coaching is for you. The next 4 week CycleSMART Skills Program will kick off on Saturday 23rd May. For more, look for "CycleSMART Skills Program" at: <http://www.cyclosportifvic.com.au>

## Cycle South South Sulawesi

Join me on the second Indonesian Sulawesi Tour, August 2009. Sulawesi's that spidery shaped island east of Borneo, north of Bali. After 40 years of family, work and recreational travel all over the archipelago I've concluded that Sulawesi is the best place for cycling in Indonesia. I want to share, through cycling, my experience, love and knowledge of Indonesia.

### THE ROUTE

- Makassar (capital of the historic spice trade)
- Malino Highlands (tea plantations, waterfalls, rustic mountain villages)
- Tana Beru (home of Indonesia's wooden sail boat building industry)
- Tanjung Bira (white sands and crystal clear waters)
- Bantaeng (spectacular Bisappu waterfall)
- Jeneponto (Horse, corn and salt making regency)

### TRIP FEATURES

- Leader: Fluent Indonesian speaking Australian
- Timing: 1-9 August 2009
- Cycle days: 6
- Distance: 500 km
- Terrain (days): 4 mountain, 2 coastal, 1 beach relax
- Accommodation: (nights) Hotel (6) beach cottage (2) guesthouse (1)
- Yoga: Every day
- Swimming: 8/9 days
- Cost: US\$ 1099 (all in after touch down in Makassar)
- Options: 6 day option half distance daily rides
- Web: <http://www.cycleindonesia.com.au/> <<http://www.cycleindonesia.com.au>
- Phone +61 2 9983 0205
- Skype: colinstanley
- Happy to have a yarn with you about any aspect of this trip.

Colin Freestone

## More Great Mountain Biking Adventure!

The Southern Exposure Surf Coast 6hr MTB Festival is kicking off for its third year at Eumeralla on the 24th October between 4-10pm.

The race, although only three years old, is maintaining its position on the racing calendar as a sell out event.

New course additions, sections de-bumped for you and your bike's comfort, New vibe!

Buddy up and enter a team from work or the club, Ride it alone, or if you really want to stand out from the crowd, enter the new, kind'a crazy, singlespeed category.

Camping for the weekend proved popular last year, so we've stream-lined the booking process for you. On-site camping and bunkhouse bookings can be made on-line with your entry.

[Click here to enter](#)

We look forward to your support again this year.

The Team at Southern Exposure

## The 5th Small Wheels Big Weekend Out

If you fancy a weekend away and have a set of small wheels to ride, this event is good fun. Small Wheels Big Weekend Out 5, on the weekend of 31st of October & 1<sup>st</sup> of November, 2009. Cycling, socialising, dining and more, out and about in Canberra.

All small wheeled bicycles (with their riders!), and other interested cyclists, are invited.

For more information, contact timbo: 8 [timbo\\_levy@bigpond.com](mailto:timbo_levy@bigpond.com); ' 0411 590263; \* GPO Box 1980, Canberra, ACT, 2601

Airnimal Bickerton Bike Friday Birdy Brompton BSA Dahon Giant Malvern Star Moulton Peugeot Raleigh Speedwell Trek ....and others....

## General News

### New Cycling Web Site

Dear Cycling enthusiast,

We are very excited to announce that the next stage of the Cyclerides Website has now been launched.

This development has been designed by cyclists for cyclists with the aim of connecting the cycling community like never before, its free to join, all you need to do is register and you will get your very own "Cyclebook Page", then fill out your profile and start inviting your cycling friends to be part of your "peloton".

No longer will you need to do the ring around to get a group together for a ride, now all you need to do is post it on your "Cyclebook Page" and it will then show on all your "local peloton" members pages, you even have the option of it going to them as an email too. Cyclebook offers many other ways to connect and communicate with your local and the broader cycling community.

A brief introduction on how it works

The motivation to develop this concept is predominately the desire to connect the Australian cycling community, to make it easier to find people to ride with, easier to find places to ride anywhere in Australia and to share the knowledge and passion of cycling among like minded people. We hope that what we have developed is something that you as a cyclist will derive great benefit from and it gives you the opportunity to broaden your cycling network and knowledge.

Cyclebook, as with all technology, will of course be in a state of constant change and improvement and we welcome your feedback and suggestions as we move forward, no doubt there will also be a few bugs encountered along the way too, so we ask for your patience as we fine tune these.

All you need to do to access your Cyclebook Page is register at [www.cyclerides.com.au](http://www.cyclerides.com.au) – Join the Australian Cycling Community.

We look forward to your involvement in this exciting concept, and we also ask that you invite your friends to join the Cycleries Community, please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours in cycling,

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## Cycling in Adelaide

On a recent visit to Adelaide I availed myself of the free bike hire courtesy of the Adelaide City Council and administered by Bicycle SA. This service was excellent the last time I used it but it is even better now. Bikes are available free all day and not just confined to using them in the CBD. There is a big selection to choose from plus helmets of all sizes. Free Travel Smart maps are provided and I found the staff extremely helpful, even phoning a computer repair place to see if they would check mine out on the spot, then offering me a map to show me how easy it was to ride to. I found the facilities (on and off road lanes etc.) to be pretty good, and the motorists generally courteous to bike riders, though they did seem to use their horns a great deal. Bikes can now be hired from 3 different places in the CBD plus one inner suburban area. It is depressing that the Melbourne City Council is still thinking about providing a similar service. The one in Adelaide (which has been available for some years) appears to be very popular. I saw several other folk there, a number being overseas visitors and back packers.

*Rosemary West*

## Boroondara News

### Boroondara Bicycle Advisory Committee (BBAC)

The BBAC which meets four times a year provides the opportunity for the BUG to learn what work Council is planning to do on cycling infrastructure in the municipality and to provide feedback/input from a cyclist perspective. It also provides an opportunity for Council staff from different teams to better co-ordinate their approach to cycling matters.

Currently meetings are chaired by Cr Heinz Kreutz, and major input at the meetings comes from Team Leader Transport Management Jim Hondrakis. Graeme Stone, Julia Blunden and John Parker represent BBUG at these meetings. Observers are welcome to attend, however if you plan to come please notify Sustainable Transport Officer Yee Huynh, [Yee.Huynh@boroondara.vic.gov.au](mailto:Yee.Huynh@boroondara.vic.gov.au) so that she can ensure that enough seating is provided.

#### Proposed Meeting Dates 2009

Friday 3 April 2009  
9.30-12pm Acacia Room, 8 Inglesby Road Camberwell

Friday 26 June 2009  
9.30-12pm Acacia Room, 8 Inglesby Road Camberwell

Friday 11 Sept 2009  
9.30-12pm Acacia Room, 8 Inglesby Road Camberwell

Friday 27 Nov 2009  
9.30-12pm Acacia Room, 8 Inglesby Road Camberwell

## Minutes of Boroondara BUG Meeting Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2009

**Elgin Inn, Hawthorn**

**Present:** Jason Den Hollander, Julia Blunden, Glennys Jones, Graeme Stone, Don Glasson, John Parker, John Bales, Graham Ellis, Robyn Sloan, Peter Campbell, David Leong, Betty Weeks, Malcolm Faul

**Guests:** Matthew Barry, West Hawthorn Residents Group; Cr Brad Miles, Bellevue Ward

**Apologies:** Alister Huth, Phil Crohn

#### Correspondence:

- Julia B received a number of notices from VCAT regarding the resumption of the Darebin Yarra link hearing.

#### Matters Arising:

1. **Darebin Creek – Main Yarra Trail Link:** Julia B reported that the VCAT hearing will resume on 20<sup>th</sup> July and is scheduled to take four days. Parks Victoria has negotiated a route for the path through Latrobe Golf Club meaning

that the club will withdraw its objection. As part of these negotiations PV have deleted the proposed access path from Farm Rd from the current Planning Permit Application and are investigating various possible alternative access routes from Alphington to be the subject of a separate PPA.

2. **Gardiners Creek Missing Link - Golfers Choice Shared Path:** John P reported that Glennys J is working on a brochure with a map to be used to advocate for the path linking the East Malvern Station Bridge with Argyll St alongside the M1 with the golfers. It was agreed that it is best to wait until works on the M1 are complete before approaching the golfers. **John P** agreed to make contact with Monash Alliance to confirm that the landscape plans allow for, or do not obstruct, a future shared path alongside the M1.
3. **East Malvern Station Bridge:** **Glennys J** will continue to pursue options for a BUG involvement in the re-opening of the bridge. John P reported that there is now a pram ramp from Winton Rd to the footpath on the southeastern side of the bridge thus improving the safety of the current detour route.
4. **Web Site Copyright/Licensing Issues:** **John P** has not yet implemented this. Peter C alerted John P to new developments with Wikipedia.
5. **Trail Names:** **John P** is still to circulate his proposed list to BUG members.
6. **Business Cards:** **Peter C** now has the files he needs to order the cards online. It was agreed that the BUG's gmail email address be added to the card.
7. **Anniversary Trail at High Street:** Glennys J reported that this is still messy but that the building is progressing and the end is in sight.

#### **New Business**

1. **West Hawthorn Residents Group Plan for East-West link:** Matthew B explained his ideas for a link from Glenferrie Station to the Yarra which would serve the needs of children cycling to West Hawthorn PS, and could form part of a more extensive East-West link. It was agreed that Jim H should be alerted to the interest of this group in the link. It was also agreed that those most interested would meet to walk the relevant route with Matthew. These include **John P, Peter C, Don G, and Julia B**. We will meet outside Bacio Dolce cafe, cnr Glenferrie Rd and Grace St, 10am Saturday 2/5.
2. **Cr Brad Miles:** After introductions all round Cr Miles explained the new, very stringent conflict of interest rules for councilors, who cannot align themselves with any interest groups and must keep an open mind until Council debates and votes on issues. Peter C outlined the BUG's campaign for an East-West link. Julia B outlined some of the issues with the Darebin Creek-Yarra link. Cr Miles raised the issue of pedestrian-cyclist conflict on the Koonung Creek Trail, and on the Yarra Trail, especially at Willow Gr. BUG members agreed that separate paths could help in areas of high conflict, especially where steep gradients are concerned. However the best solution to the problem at Willow Gr would be an underpass at Belford Rd using the ledge alongside the freeway, which would eliminate the very steep gradient. VicRoads would need to take on this project.
3. **BAC meetings:** Julia B reported briefly on the first BAC meeting for the year on Friday 3/4. Minutes from this meeting have still not been circulated and dates have not yet been set for further meetings. It was agreed that **Julia B** email Jim Hondrakis to prompt for both of these. Some of the key points from the meeting:

**East-West link:** A consultant, Traffic Works, has been appointed to collect data on four possible routes. This work is expected to be complete by the end of April after which a meeting will be called to look at issues.

**Anniversary Trail at Riversdale Park:** Jim is still working on the missing link

**Signage on off-road paths:** Consultants, Arup, have completed a survey of all signs/intersections on Boroondara's paths. Julia B has a hard copy and John P has an electronic copy of their report, however recommendations are not yet included.

**Leonda Link:** Planning for this should be complete by the end of June, and construction should take place next financial year.

**Council web site:** the whole site is getting a makeover including pages relating to cycling.

**Gardiners Creek Trail:** currently being reconstructed between Brixton Rise and Nettleton Park. The next section to be rebuilt will be from Toorak Rd to the Velodrome. Jim agreed to push again for the bridge at the eastern end of the HA Smith Reserve which is supported by both Boroondara and Stonnington Councils and which would solve a number of problems.

**Yarra Bend Park:** Andrew Mitchell alerted us to plans to decommission the Par 3 golf course. Possible uses of the

land include construction of a mountain biking facility.

4. **New Councilors:** It was agreed that Cr David Bloom representing Cotham Ward will be invited to our next meeting. If he is unavailable Cr Phil Meggs will be invited.
5. **Ten Worst Chicanes:** Graeme S has passed on his list to Jim H. **Julia B** proposed the compilation of a list of the twenty off-road path locations most needing signage.
6. **Stonnington TravelSmart Map:** **Glennys J and John P** will meet with Stonnington's Matt Barbetta next week to provide BUG input into this.
7. **Ideas for involving inactive members:** It was agreed that another Discovery Ride, to showcase Boroondara's best trails, should be held in spring. **Malcolm Faul** agreed to bring plans for such a ride to the next meeting.
8. **Next meeting:** Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May.

*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

Contacts:

Tony Landsell - email: [tony@diacher.com](mailto:tony@diacher.com)

Justin Murphy - email: [murphjj@au1.ibm.com](mailto:murphjj@au1.ibm.com)

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

### Banyule BUG

email: [banyuleBug@yahoo.com.au](mailto: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](mailto:jblunden@bigpond.com)

website: [www.keypoint.com.au/~bbwinc](http://www.keypoint.com.au/~bbwinc)

### Camberwell Downhill Gourmet Bike Riders

contact Elva Parker, phone: 9836 6392

### 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](mailto: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](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)

email: [dougmorf@alphalink.com.au](mailto:dougmorf@alphalink.com.au)

Download the Darebin BUG rides flyer, with details of rides (Word doc)

website: [www.darebinbug.org.au](http://www.darebinbug.org.au)

### Hawthorn Cycle Tours

contact Hawthorn Aquatic and Leisure Centre

phone: 9815 0988

email: [lexbishop@bikerider.com](mailto:lexbishop@bikerider.com)

website: <http://www.geocities.com/perften/Hct.html>

### Knox Bicycle Touring Club Incorporated

email: [Mikeaatleisure@aol.com](mailto:Mikeaatleisure@aol.com)

website: [home.vicnet.net.au/~knoxbike](http://home.vicnet.net.au/~knoxbike)

### Manningham BUG

email: [seball@netlink.com.au](mailto:seball@netlink.com.au) [H.Edwards@bom.gov.au](mailto:H.Edwards@bom.gov.au)

website: [www.vicnet.net.au/~mannbug](http://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/](http://home.vicnet.net.au/~mbush/)

### Melbourne Bicycle Touring Club

contact Touring Secretary, Dave Cash, phone: 9817 3269

or email [info@mbtc.org.au](mailto: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](http://mbtc.org.au)

### Whitehorse Cyclists

email: [ejhopper@vicnet.net.au](mailto: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

**Surrey Hills Neighbourhood Centre**

Phone: 9890 2467

Email: [info@surreyhillshillsc.org.au](mailto:info@surreyhillshillsc.org.au)

Website: [www.surreyhillshillsc.org.au](http://www.surreyhillshillsc.org.au)

**YHA**

contacts: Ride Co-Ordinator Kathy

[rides@yhacycling.org.au](mailto:rides@yhacycling.org.au) or mobile 0425-792 574

or Secretary Voula on [secretary@yhacycling.org.au](mailto:secretary@yhacycling.org.au)

website: [www.yhacycling.org.au](http://www.yhacycling.org.au) has free registration

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**Boroondara Bicycle Users Group**

**Membership Application Form**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address & Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone (H) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (M) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (W) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Member of Bicycle Victoria? Please circle: Yes / No

Membership requires a one-off payment of \$15 per household. There is an additional charge of \$10 per annum for delivery of a hardcopy newsletter. Please send cheque (made out to Boroondara Bicycle Users Group) along with this form to:

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Camberwell

Vic, 3124