

SKI CAMP INFORMATION BOOKLET

5TH/6TH CENTRAL MOORABBIN SCOUT GROUP



2016 ANNUAL SKI CAMP

JULY 15TH - 17TH, 2016 @ MOUNT BAW BAW

The follow is important information about our up-coming ski camp to Mt. Baw Baw.

We have booked the Mt Baw Baw Ski Club (MBBSC) lodge for 15-17 July and it's important that we start planning now.

This weekend can cost more than our normal camps and take a bit more planning. however it is one of the most exciting.

Scouts have the opportunity to enjoy two full days of skiing and fun in the snow.

Please read this booklet carefully, it includes lots of important information about all the things you need to know.



Costs

Refer to the last page of this booklet for a break down of costs. Total cost varies depending on activities chosen. The base cost for accommodation and camp fee is:

- Scouts	\$175
- Venturers	\$175
- Adults	\$175

Accommodation and camp fees need to be paid up front, whereas all other payments will

be due closer to the camp in July.

We may be able to get a discount when we make the final bookings and will provide refunds where appropriate. Once bookings are made full refunds will not be possible as we will need to pay in full to confirm bookings.



Bookings

Bookings are now open and we are keen to get a quick answer from interested Scouts and parents. The weekend is open to all Scouts and Venturers plus any adults and siblings who would like to come.

Scouts and Venturers will be given first priority. At this early stage we ask you to please book and pay for all family members. We will work out final numbers based on the response and advise you accordingly.

Priority booking for Scouts will close 24th June. From this date, spaces will be filled as bookings come in, regardless if a parent/family member/cub/venturer.

No booking is confirmed until both payment and online registration are received.

Ski? Snowboard? Toboggan?

Scouts may elect to ski, snowboard or toboggan.

Snowboarding is more expensive & the tows at Mt Baw Baw are difficult to ride for an inexperienced snow boarder.

Please ensure you complete the hire, lesson and lift pass form at the end of this booklet to correctly reflect your Scout's choices.

Lessons

If a Scout has not skied/ snowboarded before or has limited experience, they must first have a lesson on the Saturday.

For Scouts with marginal skiing ability, a lesson will help them safely enjoy the rest of the weekend.

The final decision on whether a Scout requires a lesson rests solely with the leaders. Lessons will be pre-booked and the lesson fee is non-refundable once booked.

Advance lessons are available for Scouts and Venturers that wish to enhance there existing skills.



Recommended Gear List

- Sleeping bag (no sleeping mat required)
- Toiletries (include towel)
- Pillow case (can take your own pillow also, if you can carry it)
- Ski Jacket, ski gloves, sunglasses, ski pants, thick socks, beanie, sunscreen
- Polar fleece jumper if possible (cotton does not stay warm when wet)
- Thermals (not compulsory but highly suggested)
- Tracksuit pants & slippers to wear inside lodge
- Helmet (otherwise one must be hired)
- \$10 for dinner on the way home
- Chips/soft drinks can be brought along but must not be consumed in the bedrooms at the lodge.
- A spare pair of shoes for snow play is essential, these could be gum boots or specialist snow boots or walking boots or runners.

The Lodge

Mt Baw Baw Ski Club is the very last lodge on the road to the ticket box in the village. It is the oldest lodge on the mountain and was established in 1945. In its early days members would have a 3 to 4 hour walk up the hills from their vehicles on a Friday night. Up until about 18 years ago all people visiting the mountain had to travel on a chairlift.

Luggage

Luggage space in cars will be at a premium with passengers, luggage & all food for the weekend. Jamboree bags aren't suitable; they're too big and difficult to drag through the snow.

Scouts must walk about 1km from car park to lodge & need to carry in all their own gear, so backpacks are recommended.

Spending Money

Sufficient to buy dinner on the way home on Sunday (eg \$10)

Also there are food outlets at Mt Baw Baw.

'Be Prepared' on Friday night for departure

Travel up on Friday night in comfortable clothes. Upon arrival Scouts need easy access to gloves/jackets/beanies etc. Runners are okay for the 1km walk to the lodge.

As with ALL camps, Scouts must be in uniform (shirt and scarf) for Friday night departure. Scouts are expected to eat tea on Friday night before traveling; nothing too heavy as the trip includes very windy roads.

Don't forget your health form.

Accommodation Cost

The lodge will not refund booking fees once paid. So accommodation costs (required to book a place on the camp) cannot be refunded.

However payments can be transferred between Scouts.

NOTE: Adults and Venturers may be accommodated in a separate lodge as we generally

fill in the MBBSC to capacity with Scouts. All meals are provided for at the MBBSC

Snow or No Snow

We are going regardless of snow conditions.

If there is no snow we will not be hiring equipment or purchasing lift tickets and this money will be returned via EFT once we return from the camp but the camp will go on.

Remember some costs are non-refundable.



Transport

Parents attending will need to assist with transport to and from the camp.

The camp fee covers parking and chain hire cost (you initially pay both and get reimbursed after the camp. Ensure you have money for parking on Friday night). In order to keep the costs to a minimum for Scouts will not have the funds to cover petrol or other costs.

Chain hire is your responsibility to organise, we recommend Mac's Waterski World in South Road, Moorabbin.

We will also need other parents to help provide transport as far as Moe, from here we will travel on chartered four wheel drive vehicles.

Medical

In the unlikely event of injury, Scout will be taken to the ski patrol for treatment, or the ski patrol will come to them. Serious injury may require medical evacuation (as can a suspected leg fracture), either by road or air.

We recommend all attending have full ambulance cover. The cost of medical evacuation can be extremely high.

Be aware that costs associated with medical treatment and the like are the responsibility of parents and guardians and are not covered in anyway by Scout insurance.

Supervision

Mt Baw Baw has six lifts running on a reasonably limited area of ski runs. Scouts will be asked to pair up, based on skiing ability.

Leaders and parents will also be skiing over the weekend. Scouts are free to return to the lodge at any time if cold/tired or in need of a rest.

Direct supervision of each Scout at all times by leaders is not possible. Leaders will do their best to watch out for

Scouts and Scouts will be asked to watch out for each other.

Regular ski patrols operate on the mountain during the day.

Food

All meals from Saturday morning to Sunday lunchtime will be supplied. Scouts need to eat a light tea before departure on Friday night and we will stop

on the way back for dinner on Sunday.

Chips/soft drinks can be brought along; they will be stored in the lodge kitchen for consumption only in kitchen/dining area.

Meals, snacks & refreshments cannot be consumed in bedrooms at the lodge.



Ski Hire

This will be done on the mountain. The costs cover ski hire / snowboard and helmet if required.

Ski Clothes

Jeans or similar are not permitted for skiing as they become very wet & cold. Scouts must wear proper ski gear - waterproof and warm. Ski clothing is available at places like Ray's or Aussie Disposals; or borrow some from a friend.

Payment

Accommodation fees (non-refundable) and camp fees are required when booking. Other costs must be in the Troop bank account latest 10 July via EFT

Monies not used will be refunded after the camp by cheque or EFT.

Lesson fees, once booked, are also non-refundable.

Refer to the table on the left hand side of this page for a break down of all the costs

CAMP FEE (COVERS ACCOMMODATION, FOOD AND EVERYTHING ELSE):

Scouts \$175

Venturers \$175

Adults \$175

LIFT, LESSON AND HIRE COSTS:

Ski hire (ski's, boots and poles) \$47

Snowboard and boots hire \$80

Helmet hire \$15

2 day lift pass (Scout) \$90

2 day lift pass (Venturer) \$110

2 day lift pass (Adult) \$160

Ski Lesson (beginner) \$75

Ski Lesson (adv) \$75

Snowboard Lesson (beginner) \$75

Snowboard Lesson (adv) \$75

Toboggan \$15

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THE ONLINE REGISTRATION MUST BE COMPLETED WITH A YES OR A NO. SO EVEN IF YOU'RE NOT ATTENDING YOU STILL NEED TO REPLY

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