



RECREATION & CULTURE POLICY COMMITTEE

AGENDA

2 JUNE 2026

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1993 that a **RECREATION & CULTURE POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING of ORANGE CITY COUNCIL** will be held in the **COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC CENTRE, BYNG STREET, ORANGE** on **Tuesday, 2 June 2026**.

Scott Maunder
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

For apologies please contact Executive Support on 6393 8391.

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EVACUATION PROCEDURE

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1 INTRODUCTION

MEMBERS

Cr T Greenhalgh (Deputy Mayor)(Chairperson), Cr T Mileto (Mayor), Cr K Duffy, Cr G Judge, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr M McDonell, Cr S Peterson, Cr G Power, Cr M Ruddy, Cr J Stedman, Cr J Whitton

1.1 Apologies and Leave of Absence

1.2 Declaration of pecuniary interests, significant non-pecuniary interests and less than significant non-pecuniary interests

The provisions of Chapter 14 of the Local Government Act, 1993 (the Act) regulate the way in which Councillors and designated staff of Council conduct themselves to ensure that there is no conflict between their private interests and their public role.

The Act prescribes that where a member of Council (or a Committee of Council) has a direct or indirect financial (pecuniary) interest in a matter to be considered at a meeting of the Council (or Committee), that interest must be disclosed as soon as practicable after the start of the meeting and the reasons given for declaring such interest.

As members are aware, the provisions of the Local Government Act restrict any member who has declared a pecuniary interest in any matter from participating in the discussion or voting on that matter, and requires that member to vacate the Chamber.

Council's Code of Conduct provides that if members have a non-pecuniary conflict of interest, the nature of the conflict must be disclosed. The Code of Conduct also provides for a number of ways in which a member may manage non pecuniary conflicts of interest.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Committee Members now disclose any conflicts of interest in matters under consideration by the Recreation & Culture Policy Committee at this meeting.

2 COMMITTEE MINUTES

2.1 Minutes of the Sport & Recreation Community Committee - 6 May 2026

RECORD NUMBER: 2026/946

AUTHOR: Ben Keegan, Sport and Recreation Coordinator

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Sport & Recreation Community Committee met on 6 May 2026 and the recommendations for this meeting are provided to the Recreation & Culture Policy Committee for adoption.

LINK TO DELIVERY/OPERATIONAL PLAN

The recommendation in this report relates to the Delivery/Operational Plan strategy “13.3 Provide opportunities for widespread and quality engagement and, where appropriate, shared decision making”.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

POLICY AND GOVERNANCE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

- 1 That Council acknowledge the reports presented to the Sport & Recreation Community Committee at its meeting held on 6 May 2026.
- 2 That the minutes of the Sport & Recreation Community Committee from its meeting held on 6 May 2026 be adopted.

FURTHER CONSIDERATIONS

The recommendation of this report has been assessed against Council’s key risk categories and the following comments are provided:

Service/Project Delivery	There is minimal service or project delivery risk associated with noting and adopting the minutes, as no new actions or recommendations are being raised through this report.
Financial	There are no direct financial risks arising from noting and adopting the minutes of the community committee.
Reputation/Political	There is a reputational risk if the minutes are perceived as inaccurate or incomplete, potentially impacting community confidence in Council’s governance processes.
Environment	There are no environmental risks associated with noting and adopting the minutes.
Compliance	There is a compliance risk if the minutes are not an accurate record of proceedings or are not adopted in accordance with Council’s Code of Meeting Practice.
People & WHS	There are no people or work health safety risks associated with this item.
Information Technology/ Cyber Security	There is minimal information technology or cyber security risk, noting the minutes are managed in accordance with Council’s standard record-keeping and publication processes.

2.1 Minutes of the Sport & Recreation Community Committee - 6 May 2026

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

The Minutes and Agenda from the meeting are attached for the information of Council.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 Minutes of the Meeting of the Sport & Recreation Community Committee held on 6 May 2026, 2026/945 [↓](#)
- 2 Agenda of the Meeting of the Sport & Recreation Community Committee held on 6 May 2026, 2026/852 [↓](#)

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**MINUTES OF THE SPORT & RECREATION COMMUNITY COMMITTEE**

HELD IN COUNCILLORS WORKROOM, CIVIC CENTRE, BYNG STREET, ORANGE

ON 6 MAY 2026

COMMENCING AT 5:30 PM

1 INTRODUCTION**ATTENDANCE**

Cr Tammy Greenhalgh (Chairperson) (Deputy Mayor), Cr Graeme Judge, Cr Melanie McDonell, Jodie Kelly, Liam Dillon, Shahreen Alford, Judy Tarleton, Kate Pulbrook, Sports and Recreation Coordinator.

1.1 APOLOGIES**RESOLVED****Member L Dillon/Member K Pulbrook**

That the apologies be accepted from Cr Gerald Power, Cr Marea Ruddy, Cr Jamie Stedman, Cynthia Jarratt, Chris Doucas, Brendan Stuart, Ken McCarron, Mark Thomas, Adam Horton and Peter Solomon for the Sport & Recreation Community Committee meeting on 6 May 2026.

1.2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Chairperson conducted an Acknowledgement of Country.

1.3 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS, SIGNIFICANT NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Nil.

2 PREVIOUS MINUTES**RESOLVED****Member K Pulbrook/Cr M McDonell**

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Sport & Recreation Community Committee held on 18 February 2026 (copies of which were circulated to all members) be and are hereby confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings of the Sport & Recreation Community Committee meeting held on 18 February 2026.

Attachment 1 Minutes of the Meeting of the Sport & Recreation Community Committee held on 6 May 2026

3 PRESENTATIONS**3.1 CHAIRPERSON PRESENTATION - RECREATION AND CULTURE POLICY COMMITTEE - 3 MARCH 2026**

TRIM REFERENCE: 2026/802

RECOMMENDATION**Member L Dillon/Cr G Judge**

That the Sport and Recreation Community Committee members acknowledge the verbal report by the Chairperson, Cr Tammy Greenhalgh on the Recreation & Culture Policy Committee meeting of 3 March 2026.

4 GENERAL REPORTS**4.1 SPORT AND RECREATION COMMUNITY COMMITTEE ACTION PLAN - 6 MAY 2026**

TRIM REFERENCE: 2026/792

RECOMMENDATION**Member S Alford/Member L Dillon**

That the Sport and Recreation Community Committee Action Plan be reviewed and updated.

4.2 UPDATE ON ORANGE SPORTS PRECINCT AND ORANGE CONSERVATORIUM AND PLANETARIUM

TRIM REFERENCE: 2026/801

RECOMMENDATION**Cr M McDonell/Member S Alford**

That the Committee acknowledge the report on the update for the Orange Sports Precinct and Orange Conservatorium and Planetarium.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 6.13PM.



SPORT & RECREATION COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

AGENDA

6 MAY 2026

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1993 that a **SPORT & RECREATION COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING** of **ORANGE CITY COUNCIL** will be held in the **COUNCILLORS WORKROOM, CIVIC CENTRE, BYNG STREET, ORANGE** on **Wednesday, 6 May 2026** commencing at **5:30 PM**.

Scott Maunder
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

For apologies, please contact Ben Keegan on 6393 8535.

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1 INTRODUCTION**MEMBERS**

Cr Tammy Greenhalgh (Chairperson) (Deputy Mayor), Cr Graeme Judge, Cr Melanie McDonnell, Cr Gerald Power, Cr M Ruddy, Cr Jamie Stedman, Gary Norton, Cynthia Jarratt, Chris Doucas, Jodie Kelly, Brendan Stuart, Ken McCarron, Liam Dilon, Shahreen Alford, Judy Tarleton, Mark Thomas, Adam Horton, Kate Pulbrook, Peter Solomon, Matthew Chisholm, Director Community, Recreation and Cultural Services, Manager City Presentation, Recreation Planner, Sports and Recreation Coordinator, Community Project Officer

1.1 Apologies**1.2 Acknowledgement of Country**

I would like to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we meet today, the people of the Wiradjuri Nation. I pay my respects to Elders past and present, and extend those respects to Aboriginal Peoples of Orange and surrounds, and Aboriginal people here with us today.

1.3 Declaration of pecuniary interests, significant non-pecuniary interests and less than significant non-pecuniary interests

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Council's Code of Conduct provides that if members have a non-pecuniary conflict of interest, the nature of the conflict must be disclosed. The Code of Conduct also provides for a number of ways in which a member may manage non pecuniary conflicts of interest.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Committee Members now disclose any conflicts of interest in matters under consideration by the Sport & Recreation Community Committee at this meeting.

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on 6 May 2026**

2 PREVIOUS MINUTES

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Sport & Recreation Community Committee held on 18 February 2026 (copies of which were circulated to all members) be and are hereby confirmed as a true and accurate records of the proceedings of the Sport & Recreation Community Committee meeting held on 18 February 2026.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 Minutes of the Meeting of the Sport & Recreation Community Committee held on 18 February 2026

**MINUTES OF THE SPORT & RECREATION COMMUNITY COMMITTEE**

HELD IN COUNCILLORS WORKROOM, CIVIC CENTRE, BYNG STREET, ORANGE

ON 18 FEBRUARY 2026

COMMENCING AT 5:30 PM

1 INTRODUCTION**ATTENDANCE**

Cr Tammy Greenhalgh (Chairperson) (Deputy Mayor), Cr Graeme Judge, Cr Gerald Power, Cr M Ruddy, Cynthia Jarratt, Chris Doucas, Jodie Kelly, Liam Dillon, Shahreen Alford, Judy Tarleton, Mark Thomas, Kate Pulbrook, Peter Solomon, Acting Director Community, Recreation and Cultural Services, Sports and Recreation Coordinator.

1.1 APOLOGIES**RESOLVED****Cr G Power/Cr G Judge**

That the apologies be accepted from Cr Melanie McDonell, Cr Jamie Stedman and Ken McCarron for the Sport & Recreation Community Committee meeting on 18 February 2026.

1.2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Chairperson conducted an Acknowledgement of Country.

1.3 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS, SIGNIFICANT NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Nil.

2 PREVIOUS MINUTES**RESOLVED****Mr C Doucas/Cr M Ruddy**

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Sport & Recreation Community Committee held on 15 October 2025 (copies of which were circulated to all members) be and are hereby confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings of the Sport & Recreation Community Committee meeting held on 15 October 2025.

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3 GENERAL REPORTS**3.1 SPORT AND RECREATION COMMUNITY COMMITTEE ACTION PLAN - 18 FEBRUARY 2026**

TRIM REFERENCE: 2026/203

RECOMMENDATION**Cr G Power/Mr L Dillon**

That the Sport and Recreation Community Committee Action Plan be updated as required.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 6.34PM.

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on 6 May 2026**

3 PRESENTATIONS**3.1 Chairperson Presentation - Recreation and Culture Policy Committee - 3 March 2026**

The Chairperson, Cr Tammy Greenhalgh will provide an update to the Committee on the Recreation and Culture Policy Committee meeting of 3 March 2026 when the last Community Committee minutes were presented to Council for adoption.

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4 GENERAL REPORTS
4.1 Sport and Recreation Community Committee Action Plan - 6 May 2026

RECORD NUMBER: 2026/792

AUTHOR: Ben Keegan, Sport and Recreation Coordinator

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Attached for information and discussion is the Sport and Recreation Community Committee Action Plan

LINK TO DELIVERY/OPERATIONAL PLAN

The recommendation in this report relates to the Delivery/Operational Plan strategy “13.1 Deliver communication that is open, accessible, meaningful and regular across a range of media”.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

POLICY AND GOVERNANCE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

That the Sport and Recreation Community Committee Action Plan be reviewed and updated.

FURTHER CONSIDERATIONS

The recommendation of this report has been assessed against Council’s key risk categories and the following comments are provided:

Service/Project Delivery	Changes to the Action Plan may affect timelines or delivery of existing community initiatives.
Financial	New or updated actions may require additional funding or reallocation of existing resources.
Reputation/Political	Community expectations may be impacted if priorities shift or previously endorsed actions are removed.
Environment	Revised actions should consider environmental impacts and alignment with sustainability goals.
Compliance	Updates must align with Council policies, committee terms of reference and relevant legislation.
People & WHS	New or revised actions may introduce workload or safety considerations for volunteers and staff.
Information Technology/ Cyber Security	Digital updates to the Action Plan must ensure secure access and accurate version control.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

An update to the Committee’s Action Plan will be a standard item on every agenda for discussion and review.

The Committee Clerk will ensure the Action Plan identifies possible budget and resourcing implications, and also how an item links to Council’s Delivery/Operational Plan or could be proposed for future Delivery/Operational Plans.

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4.1 Sport and Recreation Community Committee Action Plan - 6 May 2026

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- 1 Sport & Recreation Community Committee Action Plan - 2025, D25/64745


COMMUNITY COMMITTEE ACTION PLAN
SPORT & RECREATION

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Current Actions							
ACTION OR PROJECT	COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN REFERENCE	TASKS	RESPONSIBILITY OF	COST IMPLICATIONS	START DATE	END DATE	COMMENTS/PROGRESS
Installation of Bike Maintenance Stations	1.1 9.1		Ben Keegan	\$1,500		March 2026	<p>Bicycle maintenance stations were installed at the Lake Canobolas Mountain Bike Park and Moulder Park Velodrome.</p> <p>The Moulder Park Velodrome station was removed due to continued vandalism.</p> <p>Replacement bike maintenance stand and pump have been installed at the Orange Aquatic Centre.</p>
Explore opportunities to provide additional indoor sports courts	2.1 6.3		City Presentation	Clubs Grant application submitted seeking funding for multi-sport surfacing for the Orange Showground Naylor Pavilion	To be determined and subject to funding		<p>Orange District Basketball Association has recently established two basic basketball courts within the Naylor Pavilion at the Orange Showground, increasing the availability of indoor sporting spaces.</p> <p>Council has also submitted a Clubs Grant application to purchase a modular, trafficable, cushioned sports</p>

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						<p>surface for the Pavilion, which would enable a broader range of sporting organisations to utilise the venue more effectively. The proposed multi-sport surface features high-performance cushioning, slip resistance and line-marking for a range of sports.</p> <p>Importantly, the surface can be removed when required, maintaining the Pavilion's flexibility to host a wide range of community and commercial events.</p> <p>Still awaiting outcome of grant application</p>	
Develop Open Space and Recreation Strategy	1.1 2.1 13.3		Open Space and Recreation Strategy Project Team		March 2025	June 2026	<p>The Strategy is to provide the evidence base to support the ongoing planning of Orange's public open space and recreation network. The Strategy is to support Council by providing strategies and actions that can support Council in developing contributions plans, negotiating planning agreements, and provide an implementation plan that can support Council's Delivery and Operational Plans.</p> <p>Following two rounds of community consultation, the draft Strategy and</p>

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							<p>Implementation Plan is currently being finalised.</p> <p>The Strategy was scheduled to be reported to Council in April; however, a minor delay in finalising mapping and design means it is now expected to be presented in May. If endorsed, it will be placed on public exhibition for 28 days.</p>
<p>Review and update Active Travel Plan including the continued development of the City's shared path network</p>	<p>9.1 13.3</p>		<p>Active Travel Plan Project Team</p>		<p>May 2025</p>	<p>June 2026</p>	<p>Council has engaged The Institute for Sensible Transport to develop Council's new Active Transport Strategy and Implementation Plan. The Active Transport Strategy provides a strategic blueprint to guide investment and policy decisions to increase people's access to walking and cycling.</p> <p>Following two rounds of community consultation, the draft Strategy and Implementation Plan has been finalised.</p> <p>As with the Open Space and Recreation Strategy, the Active Travel Plan was scheduled to be reported to Council in April; however, a minor delay in finalising design means it is now expected to be presented in May. If endorsed, it will be placed on public exhibition for 28 days.</p>

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Orange Regional Sporting Precinct	2.1		Sports Precinct Project Team	State Government has allocated \$59.5M to the project with a further \$15M from the Federal Government			Refer to CEO's report provided to the Sport and Recreation Community Committee meeting on 6 May 2026.
Playground projects 2025/2026	1.1 1.2 2.1		Ben Keegan	\$80,000	December 2025	June 2026	<p>Planned playground projects for 2025/2026:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upgrade to Sir Jack Brabham Park to be completed, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Installation of shade structure over existing play equipment ○ Fencing around playground ○ Additional park furniture • Stirling Reserve - install a shade structure over the existing play equipment <p>Poles for shade structures at Sir Jack Brabham Park and Stirling Reserve have been installed. Shade sails are currently being manufactured and will be installed in May.</p> <p>Contract has been awarded for the Sir Brabham Park fence with works to be completed at the end of May. Additional furniture for Brabham Playground has also been ordered.</p>

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Indoor playground	2.1 6.3			To be determined	To BC		<p>In November 2025, Council called for expressions of interest to establish and operate a permanent indoor playground in Orange.</p> <p>Orange Indoor Tennis Centre hosting Inflatable World (inflatable jumping castles, slides and obstacle courses) on weekends and Thursday to Sundays during the school holidays.</p>
Parkour Park	2.1			\$300,000 estimated. Currently unbudgeted.	To be determined		<p>At the Council Meeting on 2 September 2025, Council resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider allocating \$7,500 in the next quarterly budget review to engage a designer for the proposed Parkour Park in Orange. • Note the estimated total project cost of \$300,000, including soft-fall requirements. • Consider including the \$300,000 project cost in the next quarterly budget review to support delivery within the current Council term and strengthen eligibility for external grant funding. <p>Council staff are finalising a grant application to fund the construction of a parkour park and pump track through the NSW Government's Active Regional Communities Package (Community Participation).</p>

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Pump Track	2.1						<p>At the Council Meeting on 17 February 2026, Council resolved to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Request staff to engage with community member Mr Mark Britt to explore opportunities for the Pump Track project to be progressed as a community-led and community-funded initiative, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> potential for in-kind contributions; volunteer and trade support; fundraising and sponsorship opportunities; and appropriate governance, risk, and compliance considerations. Request staff to report back to Council on feasible delivery models and estimated costs that would enable the project to proceed earlier than would otherwise be possible through grant-funded delivery alone. <p>Council staff are finalising a grant application to fund the construction of a parkour park and pump track through the NSW Government's Active Regional Communities Package (Community Participation).</p>
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Medium to Long Term Actions

ACTION OR PROJECT	COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN REFERENCE	TASKS	RESPONSIBILITY OF	COST IMPLICATIONS	START DATE	END DATE	COMMENTS/PROGRESS
Pedestrian/Cycle connection between Machin Park north and south (Franklin Road and Gardiner Rd)	9.1		Council Property and Legal Team	To be determined if/when the property is sold.			A flag has been placed on the property file of 79 Gardiner Road so when the property is placed on the market for sale, Council will have the opportunity to consider purchasing.
Installation of half/quarter basketball court at various locations throughout the City	2.1			To be determined			Consideration to be given to installing half or full basketball courts in the north and western areas of the City. Open Space and Recreation Strategy currently being developed will provide direction on needs and potential locations.
Expansion of the Orange Hockey Centre to include an additional artificial turf field (water based) on the existing cricket field.	2.1			To be determined			Orange Hockey completing a major upgrade to the Smith Field with financial support from Council and the State Government. Given the Association's financial commitment to the upgrade of the Smith Field, construction of an

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							additional synthetic field would only be possible with significant funding from external sources.
Extension of Sir Neville Howse Stadium (PCYC) to accommodate continued growth of user groups	2.1			To be determined			<p>Concept plan completed in 2020.</p> <p>Next phase will be the preparation of DA documentation for the project.</p> <p>Open Space and Recreation Plan to provide commentary on current demand and future needs for additional indoor courts.</p>
Investigate the implementation of an exercise trail for the elderly.	1.1 2.1			To be determined			Project to be considered as part of the Orange Space and Recreation Strategy.
Additional amenities at Brendon Sturgeon Oval	2.1			To be determined			Council to investigate options for possible expansion of the existing amenities building or constructing a separate building at the venue.
Mt Canobolas Mountain Bike Trail Centre	2.1						<p>Council submitted an independent environmental assessment to the State Government and has been advised of the detailed requirements that need to be supplied for further consideration.</p> <p>Council to consider options as part of future budget discussions.</p>

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Future squash court provision in Orange	2.1						The Orange Squash Club continues to use 3 squash courts that have been retained by the owners of One Strength (gym) in Moulder St, however it is unclear if this facility will remain a long-term option for the Club.
Indoor Learn to Swim Centre	2.1 6.3						Concept plan developed for a purpose-built facility to be constructed within the grounds of the Orange Aquatic Centre. Awaiting a suitable grant program for funding opportunities.

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4.2 Update on Orange Sports Precinct and Orange Conservatorium and Planetarium

RECORD NUMBER: 2026/801

AUTHOR: Ben Keegan, Sport and Recreation Coordinator

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report is provided to inform the Sport and Recreation Community Committee of an update presented to Council at its Ordinary Meeting on 21 April 2026 regarding progress on the Orange Sports Precinct and the Orange Conservatorium and Planetarium. The update was prepared by the Chief Executive Officer and presented to Council as a high-level status report on these major capital projects.

The purpose of this report is to ensure Committee members are aware of the current project status and key timing considerations. A copy of the Council report is attached for reference.

LINK TO DELIVERY/OPERATIONAL PLAN

The recommendation in this report relates to the Delivery/Operational Plan strategy “15.3 Ensure financial stability and support efficient ongoing operation”.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

POLICY AND GOVERNANCE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee acknowledge the report.

FURTHER CONSIDERATIONS

The recommendation of this report has been assessed against Council’s key risk categories and the following comments are provided:

Service/Project Delivery	Council continue to deliver these projects under the guidance of the Project Management Office which is augmented by external project management experts where required.
Financial	Both projects have a finite external (grant) funding program with any project overruns to be met by Council.
Reputation/Political	Both projects are high value and high-profile projects which have the potential to impact positively and negatively on Council’s reputation.
Environment	Nil
Compliance	Nil
People & WHS	Nil
Information Technology/ Cyber Security	Nil

An update report on the Orange Sports Precinct and the Orange Conservatorium & Planetarium was provided to Council at its 21 April 2026 meeting and is attached for the information of the committee.

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4.2 Update on Orange Sports Precinct and Orange Conservatorium and Planetarium

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- 1 CCL 21 April 2026 Update Orange Sports Precinct and Orange Conservatorium and Planetarium, D26/53841

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Attachment 1 CCL 21 April 2026 Update Orange Sports Precinct and Orange Conservatorium and Planetarium
5.10 Update Orange Sports Precinct and Orange Conservatorium and Planetarium
RECORD NUMBER: 2026/702

AUTHOR: Scott Maunder, Chief Executive Officer

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides an update on the progress on the two major capital works projects, Orange Sports Precinct and Orange Conservatorium and Planetarium.

LINK TO DELIVERY/OPERATIONAL PLAN

The recommendation in this report relates to the Delivery/Operational Plan strategy "15.3 Ensure financial stability and support efficient ongoing operation".

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

POLICY AND GOVERNANCE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

That Council acknowledge the report.

FURTHER CONSIDERATIONS

The recommendation of this report has been assessed against Council's key risk categories and the following comments are provided:

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Reputation/Political	Both projects are high value and high-profile projects which have the potential to impact positively and negatively on Council's reputation.
Environment	Nil
Compliance	Nil
People & WHS	Nil
Information Technology/ Cyber Security	Nil

SUPPORTING INFORMATION
ORANGE CONSERVATORIUM AND PLANETARIUM

The project team continues to work closely with the construction company and, where necessary, the design team to manage requests for information from Renascent.

There are no material changes to report in respect to the budget however we have been provided with an updated timeline which indicates a practical completion date of 4 September 2026.

The major change being a projected delay in the installation of the internal dome for the Planetarium which is reliant on installers based in Europe attending the site and fitting in with their international program.

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5.10 Update Orange Sports Precinct and Orange Conservatorium and Planetarium

This date is subject to review by the project team and contractual parameters, however this is the likely date for completion of construction.

Council staff are also progressing with investigations on the installation of the projection equipment for the Planetarium.

ORANGE SPORTS PRECINCT

Works continue on site with the commencement of the construction of the John Davis Stadium, completion of Carpark 4, trunk drainage that services that carpark and the athletics precinct, landscaping and electrical works. Works by the contractor to install additional drainage of fields 5 and 6, together with the northern end of fields 7 and 8 have been completed.

The project has 12 main elements that are in progress. The majority of these elements have been tendered (shaded green) or commenced. These are:

DESCRIPTION	COMMENCEMENT DATE	PROGRAM COMPLETION DATE
1. Level 1 electrical works	Commenced	June 2026
2. Field lighting	May 2026	November 2026
3. John Davis Stadium	Commenced	March 2027
4. Athletics phase 1 (Amenities, change rooms, official's rooms, canteen)	June 2026	December 2026
5. Athletics phase 2 (Grandstand, official's box, storage)	July 2027	January 2027
6. Carpark 4 construction	Commenced	April 2026
7. Forest Road Upgrade	June 2026	January 2027
8. Athletics track and field construction	July 2026	April 2027
9. John Davis Field establishment (grow in period prior to use)	October 2026	April 2027
10. Carpark 1 (near main stadium)	October 2026	January 2027
11. Carpark 3 (near athletics precinct)	November 2026	February 2027
12. Landscaping - Ongoing	Commenced	April 2027

The budget remains tight with some unknown costs yet to be finalised. The last of the major costs relates to the Athletics Phase 2, Forest Road Upgrade and carpark construction. Athletics Phase 2 has been tendered and is under consideration / review by the project team.

The lighting tender has been finalised and is recommended for approval at this Council meeting.

Attachment 2 Agenda of the Meeting of the Sport & Recreation Community Committee held on 6 May 2026

Attachment 1 CCL 21 April 2026 Update Orange Sports Precinct and Orange Conservatorium and Planetarium

5.10 Update Orange Sports Precinct and Orange Conservatorium and Planetarium

We anticipate cost pressure from the increase in petroleum and petroleum-based products. This will likely impact the supply cost of products through increased input costs, transport costs and an increase in costs for the products themselves. The major exposure is concrete products, bitumen and PVC pipes.

At end March 2026 we have actual and committed costs (costs we have committed to through tenders or contracts awarded but not yet incurred) of \$48M.

We have estimated the remainder of the costs for the project which also includes some contingency amounts. Estimates cover elements such as carparks, scoreboard, Forest Road upgrade and additional hard landscaping features. Some of these elements are scalable if we experience an increase in costs for other elements of the project.

There is a possibility that costs exceeding the budget \$74.5M will be incurred. In that event, this will be reported to Council together with options to manage and meet those costs.

2.2 Minutes of the Bicycle Community Committee - 13 May 2026

RECORD NUMBER: 2026/1012

AUTHOR: Kate Shepherd, Executive Officer

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Bicycle Community Committee met on 13 May 2026. The recommendations from the Committee are provided to the Recreation & Culture Policy Committee for adoption.

LINK TO DELIVERY/OPERATIONAL PLAN

The recommendation in this report relates to the Delivery/Operational Plan strategy “15.1 Provide representative, responsible and accountable community governance”.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

\$500.

POLICY AND GOVERNANCE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

- 1 That Council acknowledge the reports presented to the Bicycle Committee at its meeting held on 13 May 2026.
- 2 That Council determine recommendations 4.1 and 4.4 from the minutes of the Bicycle Committee meeting of 13 May 2026.
 - 4.1 *That the Bicycle Community Committee recommend Council continue ongoing membership with Bicycle NSW.*
 - 4.4 *That the Bicycle Community Committee acknowledge the report and recommend Council undertake a road safety audit and survey, to inform preliminary road design work related to improving sections of road along Banjo Paterson loop.*
- 3 That the remainder of the minutes of the Bicycle Committee from its meeting held on 13 May 2026 be adopted.

FURTHER CONSIDERATIONS

The recommendation of this report has been assessed against Council’s key risk categories and the following comments are provided:

Service/Project Delivery	There is minimal risk to service delivery as the report is for noting and does not propose operational changes.
Financial	There is minimal risk to Council’s financial position, noting there is a cost of \$500 associated with the recommendation to retain an organisational membership with Bicycle NSW.
Reputation/Political	Adoption of the minutes supports transparency and community engagement, reducing reputational risk.
Environment	No environmental risks are identified in relation to this report. Consideration would need to be given to any future plans associated with the road safety audit on Banjo Paterson Loop.
Compliance	The report aligns with governance requirements for committee reporting to Council.
People & WHS	There are no direct people or WHS risks arising from this report.

2.2 Minutes of the Bicycle Community Committee - 13 May 2026**Information Technology/
Cyber Security**

No IT or cyber security risks are associated with this report.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

The minutes, agenda and action plan from this meeting are attached for the information of Council.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 Minutes of the Meeting of the Bicycle Committee held on 13 May 2026, 2026/976 [↓](#)
- 2 Agenda of the Meeting of the Bicycle Committee held on 13 May 2026, 2026/915 [↓](#)

**MINUTES OF THE BICYCLE COMMITTEE**

HELD IN COUNCILLORS WORKROOM, CIVIC BUILDING AND ONLINE MEETING PLATFORM
TEAMS

ON 13 MAY 2026

COMMENCING AT 12:04 PM

1 INTRODUCTION**ATTENDANCE**

Cr David Mallard (Chairperson), Cr Steven Peterson, Stephen Nugent, Carolynne James, Helmut Berndt, Phil Oates, Shahreen Alford, Director Community, Recreation and Cultural Services, Works Manager, Executive Administration Officer

1.1 APOLOGIES**RESOLVED****Member S Nugent/Member H Berndt**

That the apologies be accepted from Alan Giumelli and Virginia Flanagan for the Bicycle Committee meeting on 13 May 2026.

1.2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Chairperson conducted an Acknowledgement of Country.

1.3 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS, SIGNIFICANT NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Cr Mallard declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Item 4.1 – Membership with Bicycle NSW as he is an individual member of the organisation.

Member Carolynne James declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Item 4.1 – Membership with Bicycle NSW as she is a member of the BNSW Advocacy sub-committee in 2026.

2 PREVIOUS MINUTES**RESOLVED****Member S Nugent/Member H Berndt**

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Bicycle Committee held on 25 February 2026 (copies of which were circulated to all members) be and are hereby confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings of the Bicycle Committee meeting held on 25 February 2026.

3 PRESENTATIONS**3.1 CHAIRPERSON PRESENTATION - RECREATION & CULTURE POLICY COMMITTEE - 4 MAY 2026**

TRIM REFERENCE: 2026/905

RECOMMENDATION**Member S Alford/Member H Berndt**

That the Bicycle Community Committee acknowledge this report.

4 GENERAL REPORTS**4.1 MEMBERSHIP WITH BICYCLE NSW**

TRIM REFERENCE: 2026/892

The Committee unanimously agreed being a member is worth the membership fee. It was discussed that Orange is mentioned on the Bicycle NSW website, we can utilise being a member when the Active Transport strategy goes on public exhibition for being sent to Bicycle NSW members in the Local Government area and it was additionally noted that they are also looking at e-bike situations and worth being involved in discussions/outcomes.

RECOMMENDATION**Member P Oates / Member S Nugent**

That the Bicycle Community Committee recommend Council continue ongoing membership with Bicycle NSW.

4.2 BUG SUBMISSION TO DRAFT STRATEGIC REGIONAL INTEGRATED TRANSPORT PLAN

TRIM REFERENCE: 2026/893

RECOMMENDATION**Member P Oates / Member H Berndt**

That the Bicycle Community Committee acknowledge the Orange Bicycle User Group submission made to NSW Government on the draft Central West and Orana Strategic Regional Integrated Transport plan.

4.3 REQUEST FOR SAFETY UPGRADES BANJO PATERSON LOOP

TRIM REFERENCE: 2026/894

Discussion held over identified loop and Members' safety concerns. Question raised if Phillip Street connection over creek line is still within Council mapping as it was understood to be designed to minimise time spent on Ophir road. Staff advised they were unsure if in draft active transport plan and would have to check, but did note there is provision under distributor road to cross under and get to Phillip Street. Since this provision under Northern Distributor is where rainwater harvesting is about to be built, Staff to check path network does connect and can potentially be used and not be blocked off.

Western side of road/section with guardrail combined with the cutting and the bend further up the road are within standards that are permissible though are closer to road due to

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significant water mains. Investigations required to determine the scope of what we're looking at and potential designs for safety improvement. A Road Safety Audit may be a way to apply for funding (e.g. National Blackspot and NSW Safer Roads – proactive funding opportunities).

It was also noted that at Bulgas road concern about little to no shoulder left. Staff discussed there are some maintenance possibilities that can be done there.

RECOMMENDATION**Member H Berndt/Member S Alford**

That the Bicycle Community Committee acknowledge this report and recommend Council undertake a road safety audit and survey, to inform preliminary road design work related to improving sections of road along Banjo Paterson loop.

4.4 BICYCLE COMMUNITY COMMITTEE ACTION PLAN

TRIM REFERENCE: 2026/904

Items added to Action Plan:

1. Additional locations for bike repair stations.
2. Ophir Road safety concern as in report above.
3. Proposed pump track project.

A Committee Member brought up another road safety concern at Woodward Street railway crossing. Staff reminded all members if they identify any concerns/issues that require urgent maintenance to use the Council customer request management (CRM) system for reporting. This can be done by calling customer service or using the 'Snap Send Solve' app.

RECOMMENDATION**Cr S Peterson / P Oates**

That the Bicycle Community Committee review, add and discuss the items on the Action Plan.

4.5 BICYCLE COMMUNITY COMMITTEE - 2026 MEETING DATES

TRIM REFERENCE: 2026/906

Committee encouraged to invite others to submit EOI to join committee.

RECOMMENDATION**Member S Alford/Member H Berndt**

That the Bicycle Community Committee confirm the meeting dates and time for 2026 as 12pm on:

- Wednesday 12 August
- Wednesday 11 November

4.6 RIDE GUIDE DISCUSSION

TRIM REFERENCE: 2026/907

Carolynne on behalf of BUG shared draft survey on ride guide. Survey seeks feedback on current guide and asks for ideas on what 'could' be included. Orange BUG happy to host it rather than Council, and help consolidate data ready to be designed for updated guide.

Discussion followed about the aim of survey to revise the ride guide to replace a printed version, improve an online option or remove the guide.

Current version includes some rides no longer appropriate – not safe and should be removed. Discussed this could be achieved for online version, but won't amend printed copies held in stock.

Committee agreed guide is outdated and needs an update, but is a helpful document and updating would be best.

Committee agreed more information required from user groups, Council and O360 as well as the general community. Suggestion to cross reference village rides, Ben's other guides and mountain bike guides.

RECOMMENDATION**Member S Nugent/Member S Alford**

That the Bicycle Committee acknowledge the report and discussion on the Ride Guide with the following actions to be undertaken and reported back to the next Committee meeting:

1. Obtain data from Visitors Information Centre on how often the guide is requested or handed out
2. Obtain website data hits on ride guide
3. Ascertain how other Local Councils promote their ride guides and in what formats.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 1:07PM.



BICYCLE COMMITTEE

AGENDA

13 MAY 2026

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1993 that a **BICYCLE COMMITTEE MEETING of ORANGE CITY COUNCIL** will be held in the **COUNCILLORS WORKROOM, CIVIC BUILDING AND ONLINE MEETING PLATFORM TEAMS** on **Wednesday, 13 May 2026** commencing at **12:00 PM**.

Scott Maunder
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

For apologies, please contact Kate Shepherd on 6393 8392.

AGENDA

EVACUATION PROCEDURE

In the event of an emergency, the building may be evacuated. You will be required to vacate the building. The Committee Clerk will now identify the emergency muster point.

Under no circumstances is anyone permitted to re-enter the building until the all clear has been given and the area deemed safe by authorised personnel.

In the event of an evacuation, a member of Council staff will assist any member of the public with a disability to vacate the building.

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1 INTRODUCTION

MEMBERS

Cr David Mallard (Chairperson), Cr Steven Peterson, Stephen Nugent,Carolynne James, Helmut Berndt, Shahreen Alford, Anthony Kirkwood, Brendan Stuart, Virginia Flanagan, Chief Executive Officer, Director Community, Recreation and Cultural Services, Works Manager

1.1 Apologies

1.2 Acknowledgement of Country

I would like to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we meet today, the people of the Wiradjuri Nation. I pay my respects to Elders past and present, and extend those respects to Aboriginal Peoples of Orange and surrounds, and Aboriginal people here with us today.

1.3 Declaration of pecuniary interests, significant non-pecuniary interests and less than significant non-pecuniary interests

The provisions of Chapter 14 of the Local Government Act, 1993 (the Act) regulate the way in which Councillors and designated staff of Council conduct themselves to ensure that there is no conflict between their private interests and their public role.

The Act prescribes that where a member of Council (or a Committee of Council) has a direct or indirect financial (pecuniary) interest in a matter to be considered at a meeting of the Council (or Committee), that interest must be disclosed as soon as practicable after the start of the meeting and the reasons given for declaring such interest.

As members are aware, the provisions of the Local Government Act restrict any member who has declared a pecuniary interest in any matter from participating in the discussion or voting on that matter, and requires that member to vacate the Chamber.

Council's Code of Conduct provides that if members have a non-pecuniary conflict of interest, the nature of the conflict must be disclosed. The Code of Conduct also provides for a number of ways in which a member may manage non pecuniary conflicts of interest.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Committee Members now disclose any conflicts of interest in matters under consideration by the Bicycle Committee at this meeting.

2 PREVIOUS MINUTES**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Bicycle Committee held on 25 February 2026 (copies of which were circulated to all members) be and are hereby confirmed as a true and accurate records of the proceedings of the Bicycle Committee meeting held on 25 February 2026.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 Minutes of the Meeting of the Bicycle Committee held on 25 February 2026

**MINUTES OF THE BICYCLE COMMITTEE**

HELD IN COUNCILLORS WORKROOM, CIVIC BUILDING AND ONLINE MEETING PLATFORM
TEAMS

ON 25 FEBRUARY 2026

COMMENCING AT 5:00 PM

1 INTRODUCTION**ATTENDANCE**

Cr David Mallard (Chairperson), Cr Steven Peterson (via MS Teams), Stephen Nugent, Carolynne James (via MS Teams), Helmut Berndt (via MS Teams), Anthony Kirkwood, Works Manager, Executive Officer Community Recreation and Cultural Services
Community Members in attendance – Phil Oates, Alan Giumelli

1.1 APOLOGIES**RESOLVED****Member S Nugent/Member H Berndt**

That the apologies be accepted from Shahreen Alford, Virginia Flanagan, Brendan Stuart and Director Community, Recreation and Cultural Services, for the Bicycle Committee meeting on 25 February 2026.

1.2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Chairperson conducted an Acknowledgement of Country.

1.3 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS, SIGNIFICANT NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Nil.

2 PREVIOUS MINUTES**RESOLVED****Member A Kirkwood/Member S Nugent**

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Bicycle Committee held on 3 September 2025 (copies of which were circulated to all members) be and are hereby confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings of the Bicycle Committee meeting held on 3 September 2025. The Committee also acknowledge there was a meeting scheduled for 11 February 2026 that did not proceed as quorum was not reached.

3 PRESENTATIONS**3.1 CHAIRPERSON PRESENTATION - RECREATION & CULTURE POLICY COMMITTEE - 4 NOVEMBER 2025**

TRIM REFERENCE: 2025/2524

The Chair updated the committee on three motions submitted to Council for the Australian Local Government Association Nation General Assembly, focusing on vehicle safety assessments, design rule updates and national active transport guidelines.

RECOMMENDATION

That the committee acknowledge the update provided by the Chairperson.

4 GENERAL REPORTS**4.1 BICYCLE COMMUNITY COMMITTEE ACTION PLAN**

TRIM REFERENCE: 2025/2522

RECOMMENDATION**Member S Nugent/Member A Kirkwood**

That the Bicycle Community Committee review and discuss the items on the Action Plan.

4.2 BICYCLE COMMUNITY COMMITTEE - 2026 MEETING DATES

TRIM REFERENCE: 2026/77

Members expressed varying preferences for meeting times with consideration given to work patterns and staff availability. Agreed the Secretariat to circulate a poll to members for preferences and finalise ahead of next meeting.

RECOMMENDATION**Cr D Mallard/Cr S Peterson**

That the Bicycle Community Committee vote via poll for the most suitable meeting time during the following weeks in 2026: 11 May, 10 August, and 9 November.

4.3 BIKE REPAIR TOOL AND PUMP STATION AT LAKE CANOBOLAS MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAIL

TRIM REFERENCE: 2026/105

Committee discussed that there is a bike repair tool and pump station at Lake Canobolas Mountain Bike Trail already but it is not widely known.

RECOMMENDATION**Member A Kirkwood/Member C James**

That the Bicycle Community Committee liaise with Orange Mountain Bike Club and Orange City Council Natural Resources Team to confirm locations of existing stations and explore the concept and funding of further bike repair tool and pump stations.

4.4 SUGGESTED SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS FOR CADIA ROAD AROUND BALLYKEANE LANE

TRIM REFERENCE: 2026/112

RECOMMENDATION**Member H Berndt/Member A Kirkwood**

That the Bicycle Community Committee request:

1. Council's City Presentation team investigate the feasibility and requirements to install a warning sign or partial barrier on Cadia Road at Ballykeane Lane T intersection; and
2. Council advocate to Transport NSW for the repositioning of the speed reduction to 80km/hr on Cadia Road to occur earlier than Ballykeane Lane.

4.5 BICYCLE COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

TRIM REFERENCE: 2026/205

RECOMMENDATION**Member S Nugent/Cr D Mallard**

That the Bicycle Community Committee accept the new Expressions of Interest to join the committee for Phil Oates and Alan Giumelli.

Chairperson Cr Mallard and Cr Peterson briefly updated Committee on the proposal for Community driven project for a Pump Track to be established in Orange rather than waiting on a suitable grant funding opportunity through Council.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 6:24PM.

BICYCLE COMMITTEE**13 MAY 2026**

3 PRESENTATIONS**3.1 Chairperson Presentation - Recreation & Culture Policy Committee - 4 May 2026**

The Chairperson, Cr David Mallard will provide an update to the Committee on the Recreation and Culture Policy Committee of 4 November 2025 when the last Community Committee minutes were presented to Council for adoption.

4 GENERAL REPORTS

4.1 Membership with Bicycle NSW

RECORD NUMBER: 2026/892

AUTHOR: Kate Shepherd, Executive Officer

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Orange City Council maintained paid membership with Bicycle NSW for the 2023/2024 and 2024/2025 periods, with the most recent membership expiring in October 2025. This report seeks the Bicycle Committee's feedback on the ongoing value of this membership, including whether it is considered a beneficial asset to Council and warrants future renewal.

LINK TO DELIVERY/OPERATIONAL PLAN

The recommendation in this report relates to the Delivery/Operational Plan strategy "15.1 Provide representative, responsible and accountable community governance".

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

\$495 +gst for 12-month membership. No budget currently assigned.

POLICY AND GOVERNANCE IMPLICATIONS

There is a low governance risk, with membership to be assessed against Council priorities, value for money, disclosure of interest requirements and transparency in decision-making.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Bicycle Community Committee review the Bicycle NSW membership and provide a recommendation to Council regarding ongoing value and future participation.

FURTHER CONSIDERATIONS

The recommendation of this report has been assessed against Council's key risk categories and the following comments are provided:

Service/Project Delivery	There is a risk that discontinuing the Bicycle NSW membership may reduce access to sector expertise, advocacy, and support that informs bicycle-related initiatives.
Financial	There is a risk that renewing the membership may represent an ongoing cost without demonstrable benefit if value is not clearly realised.
Reputation/Political	There is a risk that not maintaining membership could be perceived as reduced support for active transport advocacy and stakeholder engagement.
Environment	There is a risk that reduced engagement with Bicycle NSW may limit opportunities to support environmentally sustainable transport outcomes.
Compliance	There is minimal compliance risk associated with this matter, as membership is discretionary and not a statutory requirement.
People & WHS	There is a risk that reduced access to external guidance and best practice may indirectly impact the quality of bicycle safety initiatives.
Information Technology/ Cyber Security	There is minimal IT or cyber security risk associated with the consideration of membership renewal.

4.1 Membership with Bicycle NSW

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Attached is the membership flyer as provided by Bicycle NSW (BNSW) for committee's review. BNSW CEO Peter McLean advises Councils obtain the greatest value from their offerings of online webinars and updates as well as their personalised advice, suggestions and feedback when sought on items such as traffic treatments and development and/or feedback of plans and strategies, such as their recent input into our Active Transport Strategy. BNSW provide targeted emails from their database to promote Community consultation on relevant Council plans helping to increase community engagement, event attendance and representation.

Previously the funds have come from the CEO Subscriptions/Memberships funding for 2023/2024 at \$495.00 and then the TfNSW Road Safety Officer – Be Seen budget in 2024/2025 at \$544.50. The membership amount for the 2025/2026 is \$544.50.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 Bicycle NSW - Council Membership Program, D26/56447



Bicycle NSW Membership Program

Bicycle NSW has the capability and experience to offer a suite of cost-effective services and support to NSW Councils. Our Membership Program seeks to support Councils who share a strong vision for active transport and provide opportunities to collaborate with a network of expert thought leaders.

Our network is multi-layered, and we are well connected with Government, community, philanthropy, other bicycle organisations and engaged individuals.

Value of Bicycle NSW Membership

1:1 Support: One-on-one support and advice for active transport managers and staff in councils.



Roundtable: Involvement in active transport peer-to-peer roundtables (quarterly) to discuss key issues, challenges and updates among Council peers and Bicycle NSW.

Advice: Additional support advice and feedback on key local Council active transport planning and development strategies, plans and blueprints.



Assist: Provide letters of support for grants, proposals and plans to develop local active transport projects.

Engage with employees: Work with council employees to engage them with active transport and to find safe active transport routes to work.



Engage with community: Send targeted comms to Bicycle NSW Members in your LGA (for surveys, consultations and engagements).

End of trip facilities: advice for council and 1-2 developments within their LGA.

Membership & Insurance Discounts: 30% discount on Bicycle NSW Membership and insurance for council employees.



Member Logo: Use of the Bicycle NSW Council Members logo to actively profile Council's commitment to active transport.

Digital Marketing: Access to Bicycle NSW social media and e-newsletter followers through featured content including, 1 news article annually distributed to a database of over 41,680 contacts.



Resources: Access to resources, advice and toolkits to assist with active transport planning and events.

EDMs: Access to Member EDM each month profiling active transport stories and updates around NSW.

About Bicycle NSW

- Bicycle NSW has been promoting bicycle use, behaviour change and effective bicycle user environments since it was established as a member-based organisation in 1976.
- Since then, Bicycle NSW has been responsible for many active transport infrastructure outcomes.
- Bicycle NSW has positively supported thousands of people of all ages and organisations to utilise bicycles for active transport and recreational purposes.
- Local Government entities are the biggest asset managers of active transport infrastructure as well as the non-tangible assets of movement and place that create better spaces to live, work, play and visit.

Annual Membership Fees*

- **Regional councils** up to \$50M in annual Revenue **\$299 +gst**
- **Regional councils** over \$50M in annual Revenue **\$495 +gst**
- **Metro councils** up to \$100M in annual Revenue **\$660 +gst**
- **Metro councils** over \$100M in annual Revenue **\$880 +gst**

*Note: With just 2 membership benefits, councils are able to receive benefits in excess of membership fees. e.g. if a council applies a membership discount to 10 staff at 30%, it's a \$400 saving **PLUS** access additional information & advice on active transport plan or strategy (\$500-\$1,000) this is equal to an additional **benefit** of \$1,400.

How to Join

Email info@bicyclensw.org.au and include staff contact details (up to 4).

Please include a PO if you require this on the invoice we issue.

4.2 BUG Submission to Draft Strategic Regional Integrated Transport Plan
RECORD NUMBER: 2026/893

AUTHOR: Kate Shepherd, Executive Officer

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Orange Bicycle User Group (BUG) provided the attached submission made to NSW Government on the draft Central West and Orana Strategic Regional Integrated Transport plan for the committee's information.

LINK TO DELIVERY/OPERATIONAL PLAN

The recommendation in this report relates to the Delivery/Operational Plan strategy "14.1 Work in partnership with other councils, regional organisations and State and Federal Governments".

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

POLICY AND GOVERNANCE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

That the Bicycle Community Committee acknowledge the Orange Bicycle User Group submission made to NSW Government on the draft Central West and Orana Strategic Regional Integrated Transport plan.

FURTHER CONSIDERATIONS

The recommendation of this report has been assessed against Council's key risk categories and the following comments are provided:

Service/Project Delivery	There is a low risk to service delivery, as the report is for information only and does not commit Council to specific actions.
Financial	There is minimal financial risk, as no expenditure or funding commitment is associated with noting the submission
Reputation/Political	There is a risk that Council's position may be perceived as aligned or not aligned with the views expressed in the external submission
Environment	There is a low environmental risk, as the report does not directly influence environmental outcomes or decision-making.
Compliance	There is minimal compliance risk, noting the submission was prepared externally and is provided for information purposes only
People & WHS	There is no identifiable people or WHS risk associated with receiving the submission for information.
Information Technology/ Cyber Security	There is minimal IT or cyber security risk associated with circulation of the attached submission through standard Council systems.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Member C James will speak to the attached submission made to NSW Government.

ATTACHMENTS

1 Feb 2026 Submission Orange Bicycle User Group, D26/56501



6 February 2026

Submission to NSW Government

RE: Draft Central West and Orana Strategic Regional Integrated Transport Plan

This submission highlights initiative by Orange Bicycle User Group (BUG) which supports integrated transport objectives and economic objectives for the region.

In 2024, the Orange BUG was awarded a grant by the NSW Government to explore a business case for a cycling and walking infrastructure to support a local and regional tourism product – the Orange Regional Food and Wine trail.

The value of this trail proposal is its interrelationship with broader transport infrastructure – cycling for local communities and district residents; leveraging utilisation of rail and road transport; and diversion of more active travel activities (ie walking and cycling) to safer off-road options.

From a business and economic standpoint this trail project also demonstrates a high independent economic value - a benefit cost ratio of over 1.8 to 2.1 was determined for this project (see linked Business Case).

The project is also illustrative of some of the critical priorities that support active transport for cycling and pedestrian use including:

- Fund and build **separated cycling infrastructure**, beginning with the Strategic Cycleway Corridors and Regional Connected Cycleways planned by Transport for NSW
- Include **a transport hierarchy** than informs every transport planning decision, putting pedestrians first

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Attachment 1 Feb 2026 Submission Orange Bicycle User Group

- Apply the **Road User Space Allocation** policy in all projects
- Develop **facilities for cycle tourism** such as rail trails, rural touring routes and mountain bike parks, supported by active and public transport connections
- **Lower speed limits** to 80km/h on undivided regional roads, 40km/h in urban areas and 30km/h for all local streets, school zones and town centres. Timeframes for speed reductions should be short term.
- Develop safe, continuous walking and cycling networks within 500m of every school
- Build continuous footpaths across side streets to reinforce pedestrian priority
- Ensure that there is a safe and accessible crossing between every pair of bus stops, and that every bus stop has lighting, a seat and shelter
- Facilitate the transport of **unboxed bikes on trains and buses**
- Make every residential street a cycle street, with traffic calming and a 30km/h speed limit - creating low traffic, low speed streets for high impact at low cost
- Deliver **secure bike parking** in all developments and at public transport, town centres and community facilities
- Develop facilities that **harness the potential of micromobility**. E-bikes and e-scooters are gamechangers in hilly areas with longer distances between destinations
- Ensure that all key active transport routes have good lighting and passive surveillance
- Install consistent **high-quality wayfinding** across the region for people walking, cycling and using public transport
- Create **tree canopy** over pathways to ensure that they are comfortable to use in the warmer months
- Establish a proactive approach to **behaviour change** with a wide range of programs and initiatives to support people to ride and walk

The Orange BUG trail project, and the articulation of its benefits, is a key example of the strategic planning dimensions that should be captured in the current Strategy Regional Integrated Transport Plan for the Orana and Central West.

Any funding associated with future Transport Plans delivered should incorporate multidimensional projects such as the Orange Regional Food

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and Wine trail. We would like to see this project as part of the new committed project listed in this Draft Plan.

The Orange BUG would be happy to discuss all of these matters in more detail. Please see the links here to the project documentation on the trail for consideration.

Executive Summary of Trail

https://www.orangebugs.org/_files/ugd/0c8320_617e031bff0643d1a6d3d79f77a6d743.pdf

Full Business Case for Trail

https://www.orangebugs.org/_files/ugd/0c8320_efdc71cc16dc4b19a04a5b74a66a4e32.pdf

Regards

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4.3 Request for Safety upgrades Banjo Paterson Loop

RECORD NUMBER: 2026/894

AUTHOR: Kate Shepherd, Executive Officer

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Orange Treadlies (Orange cycle group) have raised concern of two perceived safety hazards on the section of Ophir Road from the Resource Recovery Centre to the roundabout on the Northern Distributor. The hazards are located on one of their regular rides, the Banjo Paterson loop (included in the Ride Orange Guide). The purpose of this report is to raise awareness of their concerns and for the committee to determine what, if any request to put to Council.

LINK TO DELIVERY/OPERATIONAL PLAN

The recommendation in this report relates to the Delivery/Operational Plan strategy "15.1 Provide representative, responsible and accountable community governance".

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil at this time, should investigations be required and hazards identified these would be subject to future budget considerations and prioritisation

POLICY AND GOVERNANCE IMPLICATIONS

Nil. This report is provided for information and awareness only.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Bicycle Community Committee acknowledge this report and determine what, if any request to make of Council regarding the two safety hazard concerns on Ophir Road.

FURTHER CONSIDERATIONS

The recommendation of this report has been assessed against Council's key risk categories and the following comments are provided:

Service/Project Delivery	If action is required, there may be impacts on current works programs and prioritisation of improvements.
Financial	Any investigation or potential remediation works arising from the identified hazards may require future budget allocation and resource planning.
Reputation/Political	Failure to appropriately consider or respond to identified safety concerns may lead to reputational risk and community dissatisfaction.
Environment	Any future works to address potential hazards would need to consider potential environment impacts associated with roadside or infrastructure modifications.
Compliance	Council has an obligation to manage road infrastructure in accordance with relevant legislation, standards and duty of care requirements.
People & WHS	Unaddressed road hazards may pose a safety risk to cyclists and other road users.
Information Technology/ Cyber Security	No information technology or cyber security risks have been identified in relation to this report.

4.3 Request for Safety upgrades Banjo Paterson Loop

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Below is the email request for this item to be included for the Bicycle Community Committee to discuss and consider. Member Helmut will speak to the hazards.

One of our regular rides is the Banjo Paterson Loop, p.10 in the "Ride Orange Guide". The section of Ophir Road from the Resource Recovery Centre to the roundabout on the Northern Distributor has two major hazards. The road shoulder is very narrow and damaged in places where trucks have cut corners. Cyclists are forced to ride in the travel lane on a road that often has heavy vehicles passing each other, leaving little margin for safety when they also have to allow 1.5m minimum passing distance for cyclists. The combination of an armour guard steel barrier and an inadequate road shoulder makes one section even more dangerous for cyclists. It would be good if funding could be sourced to widen and strengthen the road shoulder on both sides of this section of Ophir Road.

STAFF COMMENT

It would be very difficult to determine with certainty a cost for the works as requested without survey and preliminary designs that comply with relevant standards. It is recommended that the committee consider this first step be undertaken so that accurate costing can be determined. Concurrently a road safety audit could be commissioned which would provide support for grant funding opportunities through State and Federal Road Safety programs. Whilst design and survey can be undertaken by Council staff, costs for an independent road safety audit are estimated at \$20,000.

Depending on costing and funding options, the committee could consider whether the existing route past the Resource Recovery Centre is appropriate as opposed to possible upgrades to Bulgas Road and the traveling stock route providing a far less congested connection through to The Overflow.

Maintenance of the existing sealed road shoulders and pavement on Ophir Road will be programmed in upcoming months.

4.4 Bicycle Community Committee Action Plan

RECORD NUMBER: 2026/904

AUTHOR: Kate Shepherd, Executive Officer

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council has noted the important role that Community Committees play in providing feedback and input into Council’s operations. Committees can also offer ideas and suggestions to be considered as part of Council’s Integrated Planning and Reporting framework, and related annual budget. As a means of recording ideas, suggestions and activities made and undertaken by members, Committees have developed and continually review an Action Plan, included as a standard item at each meeting

LINK TO DELIVERY/OPERATIONAL PLAN

The recommendation in this report relates to the Delivery/Operational Plan strategy “15.1 Provide representative, responsible and accountable community governance”.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Items on the Action Plan will not necessarily be put into Council’s program of works or budget. Rather, the Action Plan will be used by the Committee and staff to provide suggestions for Council’s consideration and track specific tasks, projects or requests of the Committee. Items may short-term or long-term goals or activities that can be worked on over time.

POLICY AND GOVERNANCE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

That the Bicycle Community Committee review and discuss the items on the Action Plan.

FURTHER CONSIDERATIONS

The recommendation of this report has been assessed against Council’s key risk categories and the following comments are provided:

Service/Project Delivery	Changes to the Action Plan may affect timelines or delivery of existing community initiatives.
Financial	New or updated actions may require additional funding or reallocation of existing resources.
Reputation/Political	Community expectations may be impacted if priorities shift or previously endorsed actions are removed.
Environment	Revised actions should consider environmental impacts and alignment with sustainability goals.
Compliance	Updates must align with Council policies, committee terms of reference and relevant legislation.
People & WHS	New or revised actions may introduce workload or safety considerations for volunteers and staff.
Information Technology/ Cyber Security	Digital updates to the Action Plan must ensure secure access and accurate version control.

4.4 Bicycle Community Committee Action Plan

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

An update to the Committee's Action Plan will be a standard item on every agenda for discussion and review.

The Committee Clerk will ensure the Action Plan identifies possible budget and resourcing implications, and also how an item links to Council's Delivery/Operational Plan or could be proposed for future Delivery/Operational Plans.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 Bicycle Community Committee - Action Plan May 2026, D26/57330

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COMMUNITY COMMITTEE ACTION PLAN
BICYCLE

D25/39988

ACTION OR PROJECT	COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN REFERENCE	TASKS	RESPONSIBILITY OF	COST IMPLICATIONS	COMMENTS/PROGRESS	UPDATED
Active Travel Plan	15.1 Provide representative, responsible and accountable Community Governance.	OCC working on Active Travel Plan and Open Space and Recreation Strategy & Implementation Plan.	OCC (Engineering)		Verbal report provided 11 Feb by Project Officer for Active Transport Strategy.	Committee to be advised when publicly on exhibition. May - Currently in final design stage, expected June Council meeting.
Update Ride Guide	13.3 Provide opportunities for widespread and quality engagement and, where appropriate, shared decision making.	Update guide and mapping	OCC O360		Requires a centralised approach across Community organisations/groups. Review recommended routes from previous versions and also add new paths with changed infrastructure. Focus on digital version over print	Report included in Agenda 13 May 2026.
Contact State Forests	13.3 Provide opportunities for widespread and quality engagement and, where appropriate, shared decision making.	Possible trails in Kinross Forest	OCC OMBC O360		Continue to liaise with Orange Mountain Bike Club. OCC/O360 recognise importance of tourism in this field.	
SFR Pathways	15.1 Provide representative, responsible and accountable Community Governance.	Connectivity of SFR/Eastern Sharpe Rd pathways.	OCC		Seek grants. OCC submitted two funding applications for link.	OCC has submitted grant, currently in open submission stage. This is third attempt

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ACTION OR PROJECT	COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN REFERENCE	TASKS	RESPONSIBILITY OF	COST IMPLICATIONS	COMMENTS/PROGRESS	UPDATED
					Unsuccessful with Federal Active Transport program. Awaiting outcome from TfNSW application through Get NSW Active program. Site Visit completed 3 September 2025	

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COMPLETED ACTIONS

ACTION OR PROJECT	COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN REFERENCE	TASKS	RESPONSIBILITY OF	COST IMPLICATIONS	COMMENTS/PROGRESS	UPDATED
East Pinnacle Project	13.3 Provide opportunities for widespread and quality engagement and, where appropriate, shared decision making.	Continue to seek grant funding	OCC		Components of Grant: - Road widening - Seeking to reduce speed limit 60km/h	Outcome: Unsuccessful for road widening. Reduction to 60km/h also unsuccessful as TfNSW needed to take into consideration the entire length of Pinnacle Road rather than just a section of the road.
Southern Link cycleway signage	13.3 Provide opportunities for widespread and quality engagement and, where appropriate, shared decision making.	Add signage indicating way back to Southern Link cycleway near International gardens trail.	OCC (Tech Services)	\$4,000	- Signage reviewed. Issue of vandalism on current signs. Costing of 4 poles, (8 signs and a plinth) provided by Works team - \$4,000.	3 Sept completed
NDR Pathways	13.3 Provide opportunities for widespread and quality engagement and, where appropriate, shared decision making	Connection Path along NDR (opposite bunnings) is a blind corner.	OCC – Works Manager		Options of installing a convex mirror or if the colour bond fencing could be replaced with something similar to chain fence.	Completed OCC Emailed contact asking feedback on height/angle – awaiting reply
Lake Canobolas Road	13.3 Provide opportunities for widespread and quality engagement and, where appropriate, shared decision making	Speak with Cabonne Council	OCC		Ascertain from Cabonne Council if any plan to upgrade Lake Canobolas Road (along from Borrodell), as main tourism route, very patchy repaired road.	Phone call with Cabonne Infrastructure team - there are plans to upgrade and is in very early design phase and they are yet to apply for funding.

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ACTION OR PROJECT	COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN REFERENCE	TASKS	RESPONSIBILITY OF	COST IMPLICATIONS	COMMENTS/PROGRESS	UPDATED
Safe Riding (distance to vehicles)	15.1 Provide representative, responsible and accountable Community Governance.	Communications with appropriate channels.	OCC		Re-issue invite for OCC Road Safety Officer to attend next meeting.	Completed. Road Safety Officer addressed committee 25 Feb. TfNSW has suite of cycling messages that can be used. No budget for Road Safety Officer to do anything. To pursue anything we need to apply for budget to TfNSW. Safe cycling for children needs group of actions where we train children from young age to encourage, road safety, where they can ride, etc. Katrina, Youth Action Officer. Spoke about putting submission into TfNSW around messaging. Children up to 12yo are allowed to ride on footpaths (with accompanying adult). We cannot do anything in schools. Want to do actions not just put up posters. Work with community groups to encourage cycling. A lot of work in catching the public up to say we have these paths, but word needs to get past user groups. Not using infrastructure well (Youth). Promoting actions and getting people involved in cycling (and safe walking). Work out with groups what key focus is. e.g. kids riding on footpath to school.

4.5 Bicycle Community Committee - 2026 Meeting Dates

RECORD NUMBER: 2026/906

AUTHOR: Kate Shepherd, Executive Officer

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In line with the Committee Charter, the Bicycle Community Committee is requested to consider the quarterly meeting dates for the 2026 calendar year.

LINK TO DELIVERY/OPERATIONAL PLAN

The recommendation in this report relates to the Delivery/Operational Plan strategy "15.1 Provide representative, responsible and accountable community governance".

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

POLICY AND GOVERNANCE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

That the Bicycle Community Committee confirm the meeting dates and time for 2026 as 12pm on Wednesday 12 August and Wednesday 11 November.

FURTHER CONSIDERATIONS

The recommendation of this report has been assessed against Council's key risk categories and the following comments are provided:

Service/Project Delivery	Setting dates maintains quarterly requirement for Committee.
Financial	Nil
Reputation/Political	Setting the meeting dates avoids clashes with Civic events, other Community Committee and Council meetings limiting reputational criticism.
Environment	Neutral environmental impact; providing hybrid attendance and digital papers minimises travel and printing emissions.
Compliance	The setting of dates supports the Committee Charter and record-keeping obligations.
People & WHS	Nil
Information Technology/ Cyber Security	Using controlled teams invitation and verified distribution list reduces risk of link sharing, inadvertent disclosure of personal contact details and unauthorised access to meeting.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

The Bicycle Committee Charter requires quarterly meetings. Following the meeting in February a poll was conducted and the meeting time of 12pm was the most selected option.

Meetings will be held in the Councillor's Workroom (Civic Building) and will be available via Online Meeting Platform, Teams. The following dates are proposed for the remainder of 2026:

- Wednesday 12 August
- Wednesday 11 November

The meeting time of 12pm (midday) can be amended at a later date if required.

4.6 Ride Guide Discussion

RECORD NUMBER: 2026/907

AUTHOR: Kate Shepherd, Executive Officer

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

At the March meeting the Bicycle Community Committee discussed a centralised approach to updating/progressing the Ride Guide across the Community groups and organisations. The purpose of this report is to explore and discuss this new direction.

LINK TO DELIVERY/OPERATIONAL PLAN

The recommendation in this report relates to the Delivery/Operational Plan strategy “13.3 Provide opportunities for widespread and quality engagement and, where appropriate, shared decision making”.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

POLICY AND GOVERNANCE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

That the Bicycle Committee acknowledge the report and discussion on the Ride Guide.

FURTHER CONSIDERATIONS

The recommendation of this report has been assessed against Council’s key risk categories and the following comments are provided:

Service/Project Delivery	There is a low risk to service delivery at this stage, noting the report is to explore options and does not commit Council to operational changes.
Financial	There is minimal financial risk at this stage.
Reputation/Political	There is a reputational risk if the Ride Guide is not regularly reviewed and updated, which may impact community confidence in the accuracy and safety of information provided.
Environment	There are no direct environmental risks identified.
Compliance	There is a low compliance risk, provided any future Ride Guide content and updates align with relevant legislation, policies and Council governance frameworks.
People & WHS	There is a potential WHS risk if the Ride Guide promotes routes that are unsafe or not suitable for all users, highlighting the importance of appropriate review and validation processes.
Information Technology/ Cyber Security	There is minimal IT and cyber security risk, with any digital publication and information management to be undertaken in accordance with Council’s information security policies and controls.

4.6 Ride Guide Discussion**SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

At the March meeting in 2026 the Bicycle Committee discussed moving in a new direction with the Orange Ride Guide. It was discussed a centralised approach is required across the organisations and user groups that have knowledge and first-hand experience of the riding routes. The Committee preference is to focus on a digital version of the guide over a printed version.

The Committee agreed the updated ride guide needs to include recommended routes from previous versions of the ride guide and have new paths added with changed infrastructure across the regional footprint.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 Orange-Ride-Guide, D26/56978

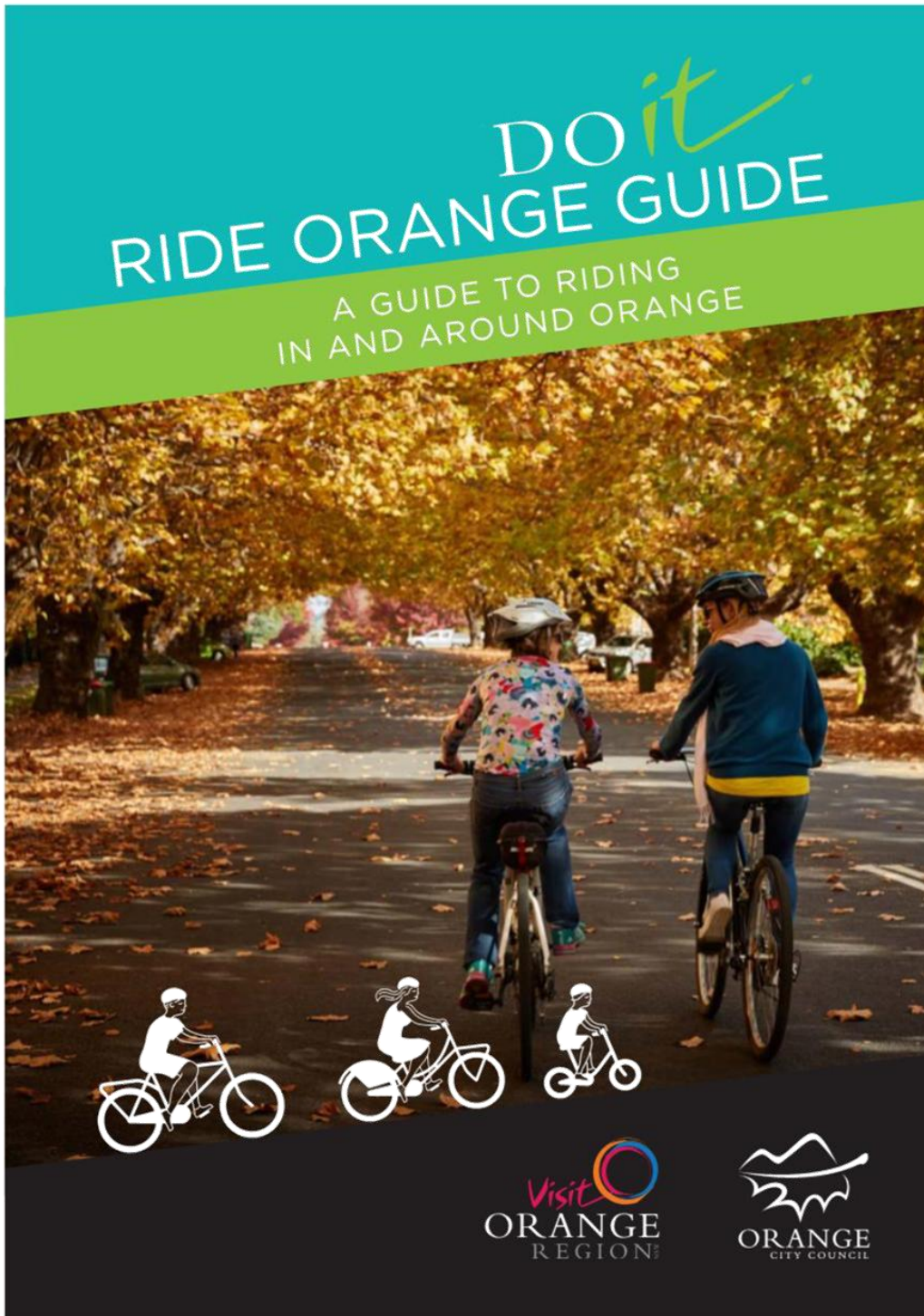


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WELCOME TO THE ORANGE REGION

Cycling in the Orange Region has something for everyone. From the racing cyclist to mountain bikers to leisure riders, from family friendly rides to those wanting to experience the many natural features of the area. Either relax or challenge yourself.

For those who really want to challenge themselves, try the enormity of the Mountain or the Pinnacle (page 25). Maybe a long tour through the many villages is for you? Every season provides a different backdrop for your ride. Brilliant greens and yellows of Spring and Summer give way to a kaleidoscope of colours in Autumn. Winter brings a fresh invigoration and a new look to the same landscape.

Leisure riders and family groups are well catered for in and around the city (page 5). From city streets to cycle loops in beautiful reserves, Orange has it all for you.

This guide provides you with a range of maps to explore the region, but don't be limited to just following the maps; get out and explore!

Getting here is pretty easy. Orange is a three hour drive from Penrith, Richmond or Canberra. If you prefer public transport, the XPT leaves Sydney Central every day for Orange, picking up at Strathfield, Parramatta, Blacktown, Penrith and Katoomba. Jump on the train with your bike booked in as luggage for a scenic trip to start you on your journey.

For more information on visiting Orange go to www.visitorange.com.au

This Cycling Guide includes a number of suggested rides which encompass many features of the region, including in and out of town rides, locations of wineries and farm gates, cycle shops and hire locations and other useful information for planning your ride.

If you have a smart phone, scan the QR code for your ride and use Strava to help you on your way. Join in the conversation and make a comment on the site. Check out how you fare against other riders and you may even get King of the Mountain.

Enjoy your cycling experience in the Orange Region!

If you're coming to Orange and want the latest info on routes and rides, go to our Ride Orange Facebook page! All cycle clubs and the Council contribute so it's a great first step if you have any questions www.facebook.com/RideOrange.



Check out the Ride Orange website for all the clubs, maps and info all in one spot www.rideorange.com.au.



There's also a page on Orange City Council's website devoted to all things cycling at www.orange.nsw.gov.au/bikes.

For all the info you need when visiting Orange, go to www.visitorange.com.au

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SAFETY

We encourage all users of this guide to ride in a safe and responsible manner and provide the following tips for your assistance. Users of this guide ride knowing they are responsible for all their own actions and no warranty or liability is implied for the authors.

BICYCLE SAFETY TIPS

Bicycle riders must obey road rules, traffic signs and signals.

Riders over 12 years of age not accompanying a minor are not permitted to ride on the footpath.

At night, a white headlight and red taillight should be used by all cyclists.

Cyclists must wear helmets at all times.

Stay alert, check for hazards and avoid riding in car blind spots.

You may ride two abreast but not more than 1.5 m apart.

Your bicycle must be fitted with a bell, horn or other warning device; please use it to gently warn pedestrians on shared paths.

When riding on a shared path, keep to the left at all times unless it is impractical to do so, and give way to pedestrians.

Use hand signals at all times to indicate to other road users what you are doing and where you are going.

INTERSECTIONS

Before you negotiate an intersection, try to make eye contact with drivers who are giving way. If you do not see their eyes look at you, it is unlikely they have seen you.

TURNING RIGHT

To ensure a safe right turn, look at the traffic around you then indicate and turn when the traffic is clear. Make sure you look over your shoulder to identify potential hazards beside or behind you before making the turn.



MULTI-LANE ROUNDABOUTS

You should assess your own skill level before attempting to travel through a multi-lane roundabout. If you don't feel comfortable negotiating a multi-lane roundabout, take a different route.

There are two ways a cyclist may make a right turn using a multi-lane roundabout.

- Use the outer left lane, giving way at each exit to all traffic exiting the roundabout
- Use the inner right lane and complete the turn in the same way a car would do.

LARGE VEHICLES

Avoid riding beside heavy vehicles. Slow or stop to allow them to pass, then safely continue your journey.

RAILWAY CROSSINGS

Check both ways twice and listen for oncoming trains before you cross a railway track.

To ride safely over tracks, approach at a right angle to avoid your wheels getting trapped.

If the crossing is too difficult to ride over, dismount and walk your bicycle.

CBD AREA

Be aware of reversing vehicles. Although the onus is on the driver to reverse safely, you need to remain aware of reversing cars - particularly when riding on shared paths and throughout the CBD.

For more information for cyclists please go to:

http://www.bicycleinfo.nsw.gov.au/downloads/bicycle_riders_handbook.pdf





CYCLING FACILITIES AROUND ORANGE

BIKE STABLING

Bike racks are being installed at Council locations throughout Orange on an on-going basis. A few key locations include:

- Orange Aquatic Centre, Hill Street
- Orange Botanic Gardens, Yellow Box Way
- Cook Park, Summer Street
- Orange Visitor Information Centre, Byng Street
- Near Woolworths Supermarket, Anson Street
- Along Summer Street, in the CBD
- Orange Civic Centre, Byng Street
- Post Office Lane

ORANGE VELODROME

Orange is one of the few centres in central NSW with a purpose-built velodrome. The track is located in the open space of Moulder Park, near the corner of Sale and Warrendine Streets.

ORANGE SKATE PARK

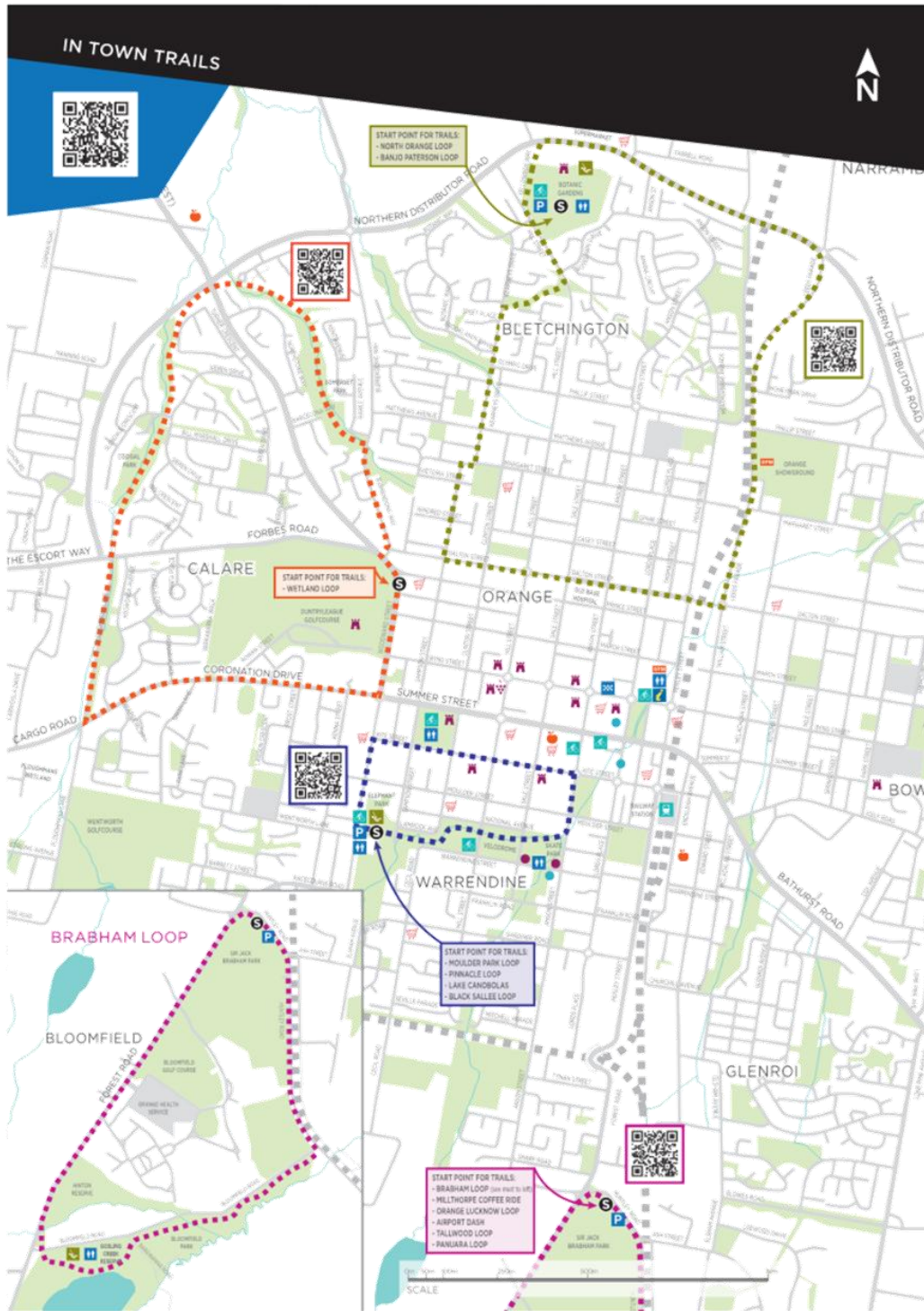
The John Lomas Skate Park is located within Moulder Park, on the corner of Anson Street and Warrendine Street. The skate park is a continuous concrete structure with features including bowls, pyramid jump, spine and grind block, box and rails. The facility has been designed for the use of BMX bikes, scooters, in-line skates, roller skates and skateboards.

ANZAC PARK BMX TRACK

This track is located near the Anzac Park sporting facility, corner of March and Winter Streets, Orange.

ORANGE ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND

A children's cycle circuit winds its way around the play equipment and picnic areas in this popular family attraction.



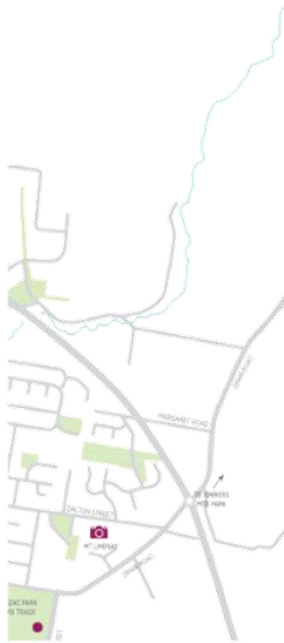
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LET'S GET RIDING...

IN TOWN BICYCLE TRAILS

There are four nominated in-town bicycle trails. Follow the signposts for a recreational ride to savour all that Orange has to offer. The trails take in parkland, wetland and suburbs, with large sections of shared cycle routes and some on-road riding. It is recommended to ride each loop in an anti-clockwise direction so your turns in town are to the left.

The routes are shown on the town map at the centre of this publication. Pick up brochures at the Orange Visitor Information Centre for heritage, Autumn colour and other Town Trails.



NORTH ORANGE LOOP 8KM

This loop explores some of the developing areas of town, with extensive shared pathways, some riding through residential streets and the opportunity to visit the **beautiful Botanic Gardens and the Adventure Playground**. A visit to the Botanic Gardens, with its diverse range of exotic and native plants, historic apple orchard, heritage church, Bert Flugelman sculpture and wonderful birdlife should not be missed.

The start point is the Botanic Gardens carpark but you can start anywhere along the loop.

Head south along Hill Street till you get to the parkland opposite Roselawn Drive. There's a shared pathway along the creek-line here that will take you to Kearneys Drive. Continue south along Kearneys Drive till you get to Margaret Street and take a quick right then left onto Sampson Street. This part of town is stunning during Autumn and you could take a detour through these wide streets with large trees to take in their colour. There's a shop opposite Perry Oval on Clinton Street if you need a drink. Continue east along Dalton Street and head past the old hospital and many historic residences, all the way over the railway line to the start of the shared pathway heading north. This will take you past the Show Ground and near the Northern Distributor Road to the North Orange shops. Ride on the shoulder of the distributor road for a short distance when the path ends and then turn left back towards the Botanic Gardens.

Historic Emmaville Cottage, originally located on the Narrambla estate, is now located near the main entrance to the Gardens.

TRAILS	
	MOULDER PARK LOOP (pg 7)
	WETLAND LOOP (pg 4)
	BRIARHAM LOOP (pg 4)
	NORTH ORANGE LOOP (pg 1)

KEY	
	ORANGE FARMERS MARKET
	LOCAL PRODUCE OUTLET
	CELLAR DOORS
	HISTORIC SITES
	PANORAMIC VIEWS
	SHOPS
	TRAIL START POINTS
	BIKE STABLING POINTS
	BIKE SHOPS & HIRE
	CYCLING FACILITIES
	RAILWAY LINE
	VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE
	PARKING
	PLAYGROUNDS



WETLAND LOOP 7KM

This loop takes you through extended wetland reserves to the north west of the centre of Orange. The recommended start for this loop is near the Greengate shops at the corner of Prince Street and Woodward Street/Mitchell Highway. Most riding is on off-road shared pathway but there are areas of on-road riding and road crossing. Go through the small park to Burrendong Way and ride north till you get to Somerset Park and then take the shared pathway through the park past the constructed wetlands around to Coogal Park and its creek-line habitat and wetlands. There are playgrounds within the parklands and great spots for picnics. Cross The Escort Way and ride along Ploughmans Lane, taking in the grandeur of the poplar lined avenue. Once you reach Coronation Drive you can turn left up the hill and down towards town or you could take a detour and cross over to explore Ploughmans Wetland. If you're a bird watcher, Lathams Snipe are known to visit this wetland on a regular basis. At the corner of Coronation Drive and Woodward Street/ Mitchell Highway turn left and continue back to the shops and a well-earned rest.



BRABHAM LOOP 6KM

This loop starts at Sir Jack Brabham Park and takes you around the historic Gnoo Blas racing circuit and into nature reserves and parks. You will pass the Orange Health Service, including historic Bloomfield Hospital. Take a detour through the historic grounds where there are many of the original trees that were brought from Kew Gardens in London for trialling at the hospital when it was built. Bloomfield Park and Hinton Reserve are home to an endangered ecological community including majestic eucalypts and a host of wildlife. The circuit can be completed entirely off-road although there is a need to cross two roads. Detour into Hinton Reserve if you have a mountain bike or ride through Gosling Creek Reserve down to the shared trail that heads back up to Black Sallee Loop. On your way along Huntley Road you can ride into Sir Jack Brabham Park along the boundary with the golf course and arrive at the historic ground marking for the aerodrome that was the first municipal use for the site: a 30m wide circle with the word ORANGE within it, visible from 10,000 metres in the sky.

**OTHER
ATTRACTIONS
& TRAILS IN
TOWN**

In addition to these Town Trails there are many attractions well worth finding on your bike.

ORANGE HERITAGE TRAILS: Orange is home to an extensive range of historic buildings, monuments and parks reflecting the history and growth of Orange and the Central West .

PARKS AND GARDENS: Discover Cook Park, Robertson Park and the Orange Botanic Gardens, where you will also find the children's Adventure Playground and historic Emmaville Cottage. No cycling is permitted in the Botanic Gardens, however bike stabling is provided at the entrance to the Gardens or you can walk your bike with you.



MOULDER PARK LOOP 4.4KM

This loop takes you through some of Orange's most loved park-land and along beautiful residential streets. There is some road riding/crossing and the shared paths through the parks are gravel.

Start at Elephant Park if you need to park your car and travel in an anti-clockwise direction so you can make easy left-hand turns. The loop winds around the stormwater detention basins and native revegetation of Pilcher Park and then off into Moulder Park along the creek-line through the historic exotic plantings and manicured spaces. Hop off and use the exercise equipment to make your ride more intense! Head past the pool and grab a coffee if the kiosk is open then continue through the park on to Anson Street. The skate park is to the right so check it out if you're keen. Continue north along Anson Street up to Kite Street, turn left and keep going past the historic houses. Cook Park is well worth a walk around if you want to drop in, and don't forget to buy some biscuits from the Guildry in the Bastick Cottage on the northern side of the park. Complete the loop by turning left into Woodward Street and making your way back to Elephant Park.

AUTUMN COLOURS: Any ride in Autumn or Spring will show you why Orange is known as Australia's Colour City. Autumn in Orange showcases a diverse range of tree species and their brilliant range of colours. Spring is equally beautiful with all kinds of flowers and fresh growth everywhere.

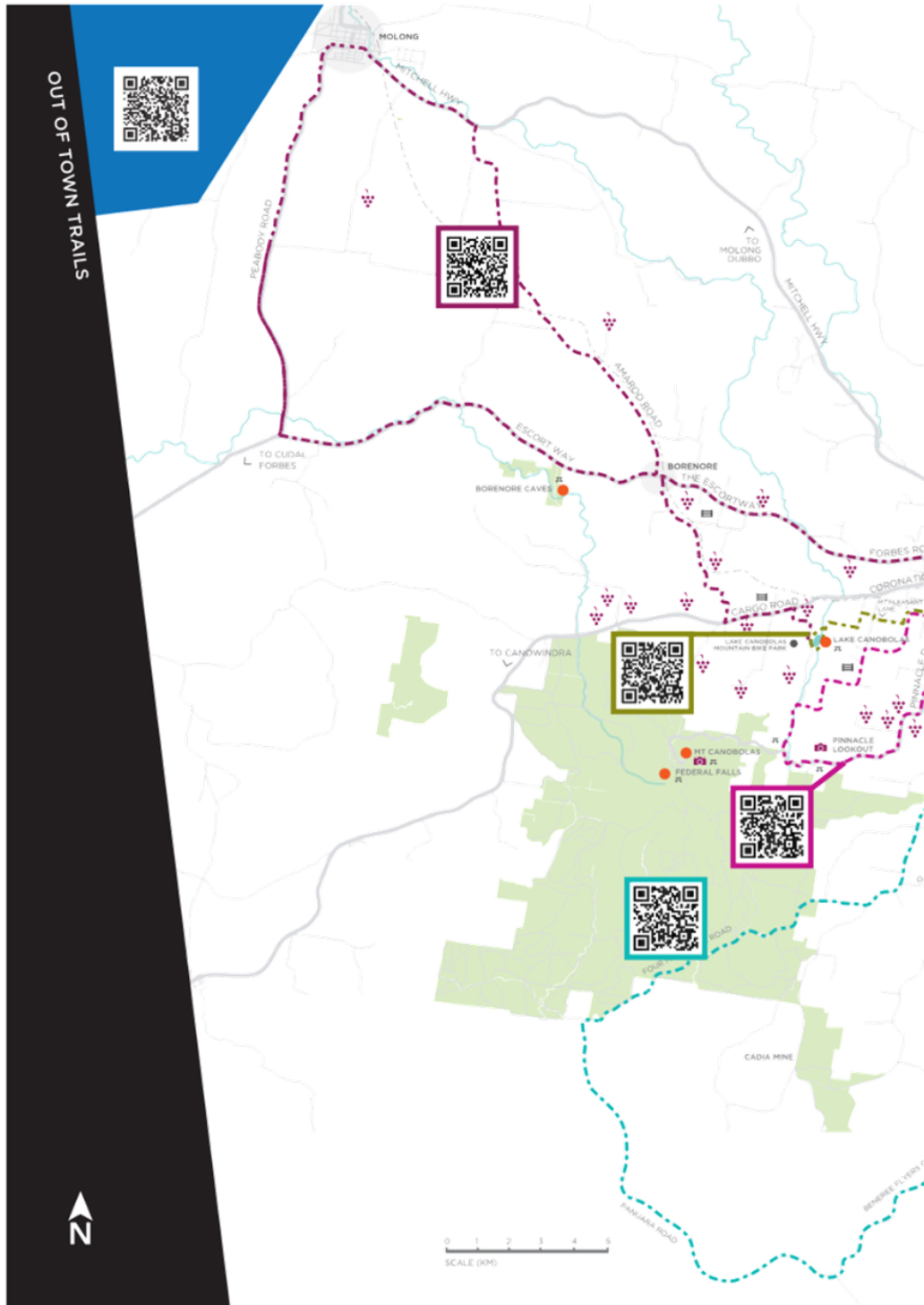
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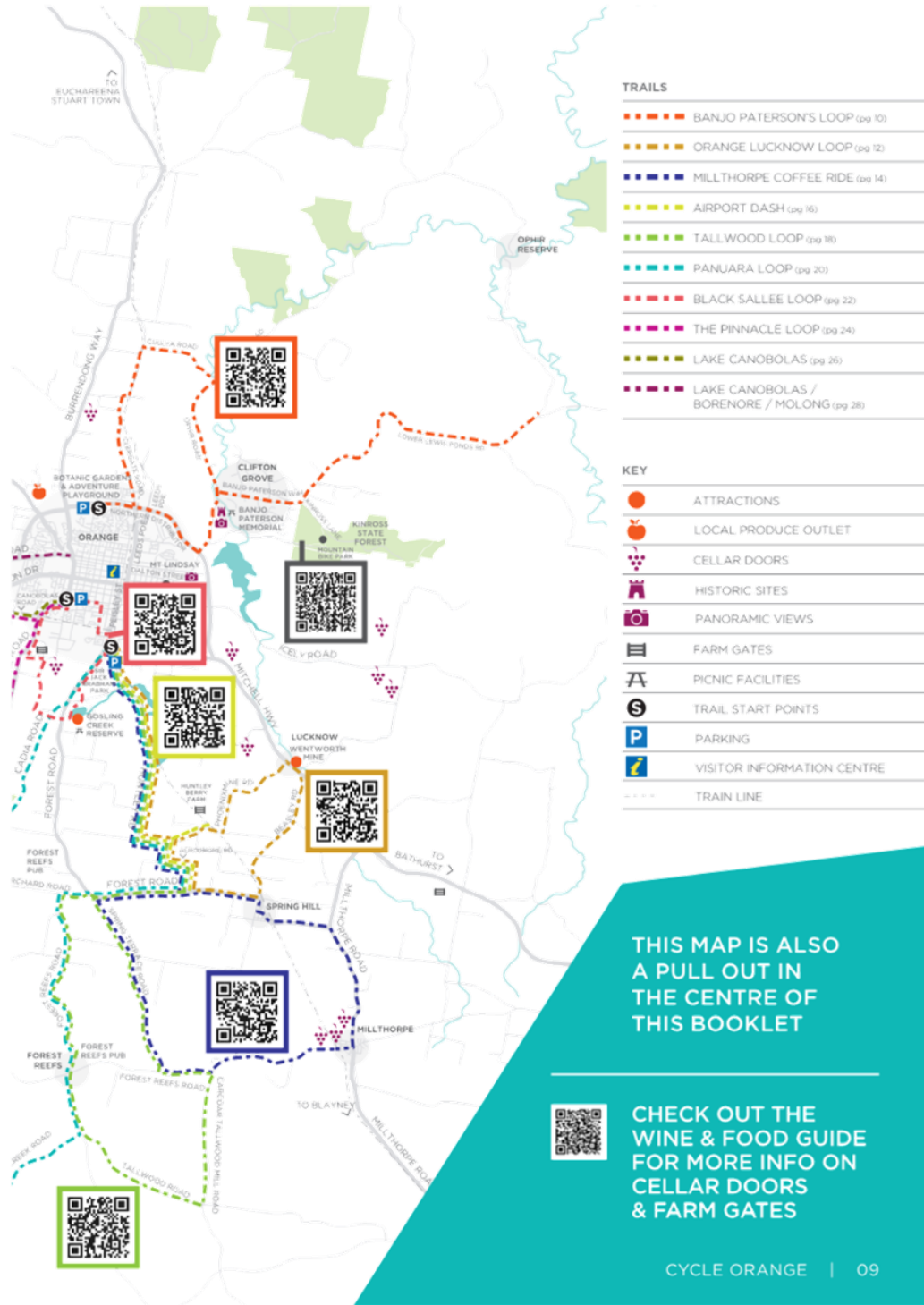
Cook Park and adjacent streets, the Moulder Park precinct, Gosling Creek/Bloomfield Park/Hinton Reserve/Sir Jack Brabham Park, Lake Canobolas, Orange Botanic Gardens and Campbell's Corner (on the Pinnacle Loop).



Pick up a copy of the brochures from the Orange Visitor Information Centre or scan the QR code to download a PDF.







OUT OF TOWN TRAILS

DIRECTIONS

1. Start at the Botanic Gardens carpark and from Hill Street join the shoulder of the Northern Distributor heading east until you reach Clergate Rd 1km
2. Turn left into Clergate Rd
3. Continue north along Clergate Rd 5km (total 6km)
4. Turn right into Cullya Rd
5. Continue east along Cullya Rd 4km (total 10km)
6. Turn right into Ophir Rd
7. Continue south along Ophir Rd 2km (total 12km)
8. Turn left into Banjo Paterson Way
9. Continue east along Banjo Paterson Way 4km (total 16km)
10. Continue east along Lower Lewis Ponds Rd 10km (total 26km)
11. When you reach the gravel road, retrace the route back to intersection of Banjo Paterson Way - Ophir Rd 15km (total 41km)
12. Travel south along Ophir Rd 3km (total 44km)
13. Turn right into Northern Distributor at Ophir Rd-Northern Distributor roundabout
14. Continue along Northern Distributor 3km (total 47km)
15. Travel through Leeds Parade/Northern Distributor roundabout
16. Move onto shared path after exiting roundabout
17. Continue west along shared path to intersection of Northern Distributor and Telopea Way 3km (total 50km)
18. Continue along Northern Distributor, left into Hill St and back into Yellow Box Way to the Botanic Gardens carpark.

BANJO PATERSON'S LOOP

RIDE DESCRIPTION

This ride takes you through an area steeped in history as well as beautiful rural scenery.

Be prepared for some spectacular downhill sections with some challenging hills on your return.

ATTRACTIONS/HIGHLIGHTS

Australian poet and author A B 'Banjo' Paterson was born on the Narrambla Estate on the outskirts of Orange.

The historic Emmaville Cottage, now at the Orange Botanic Gardens, was originally sited on the Narrambla Estate.

The Banjo Paterson Memorial Park on Ophir Rd, site of the Templars Mill is worth a visit. JA Templar was Banjo Patersons uncle and operated a mill on this site.

OPTIONAL ROUTES:

Option 1 - On the return journey when reaching the Ophir Rd - Northern Distributor roundabout, continue along Ophir Rd then right into Dalton St instead of travelling along the Northern Distributor to return to the start point.

Mt Lindsay Rotary Park is located on the left hand side of Dalton St at the top of the hill. This Park provides a wonderful view over Orange.

Continue west along Dalton St to link up with the Leeds Parade shared path to return to the start point.

This won't add any distance to your journey, just one big hill!

Option 2 - For those wishing for a longer ride, turn left when you reach the end of Cullya Rd and continue north along Ophir Rd, to reach Ophir Reserve, site of Australia's first payable gold discovery. Retrace your route then continue on to Clifton Grove and Lewis Ponds.

This will add 32km to the ride. Be prepared for significant hills, undulating road and long sections of gravel.

RIDE LENGTH

50km

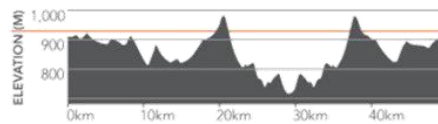
Option 1 50km | Option 2 82km

SURFACE

Bitumen

Option 2 - Gravel

ELEVATION PROFILE



STRAVA LINK

<https://www.strava.com/rides/56101839>







ORANGE LUCKNOW LOOP

RIDE DESCRIPTION

This is a very popular cycling route on bitumen roads. Head out from Sir Jack Brabham Park to Spring Hill and take Beasley Rd to Lucknow.

Visit the shops or the historic mine in Lucknow Village.

Head back in on the Phoenix Mine Road and back into Sir Jack Brabham Park. Enjoy the beautiful scenery and quiet local roads.

ATTRACTIONS / HIGHLIGHTS

Lucknow shops
Wentworth Mine
Sweeping views of countryside
Huntley Berry Farm

RIDE LENGTH

33.9km

ROAD SURFACE

Bitumen

STRAVA LINK

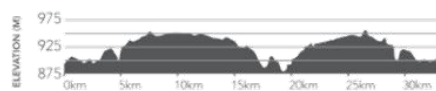
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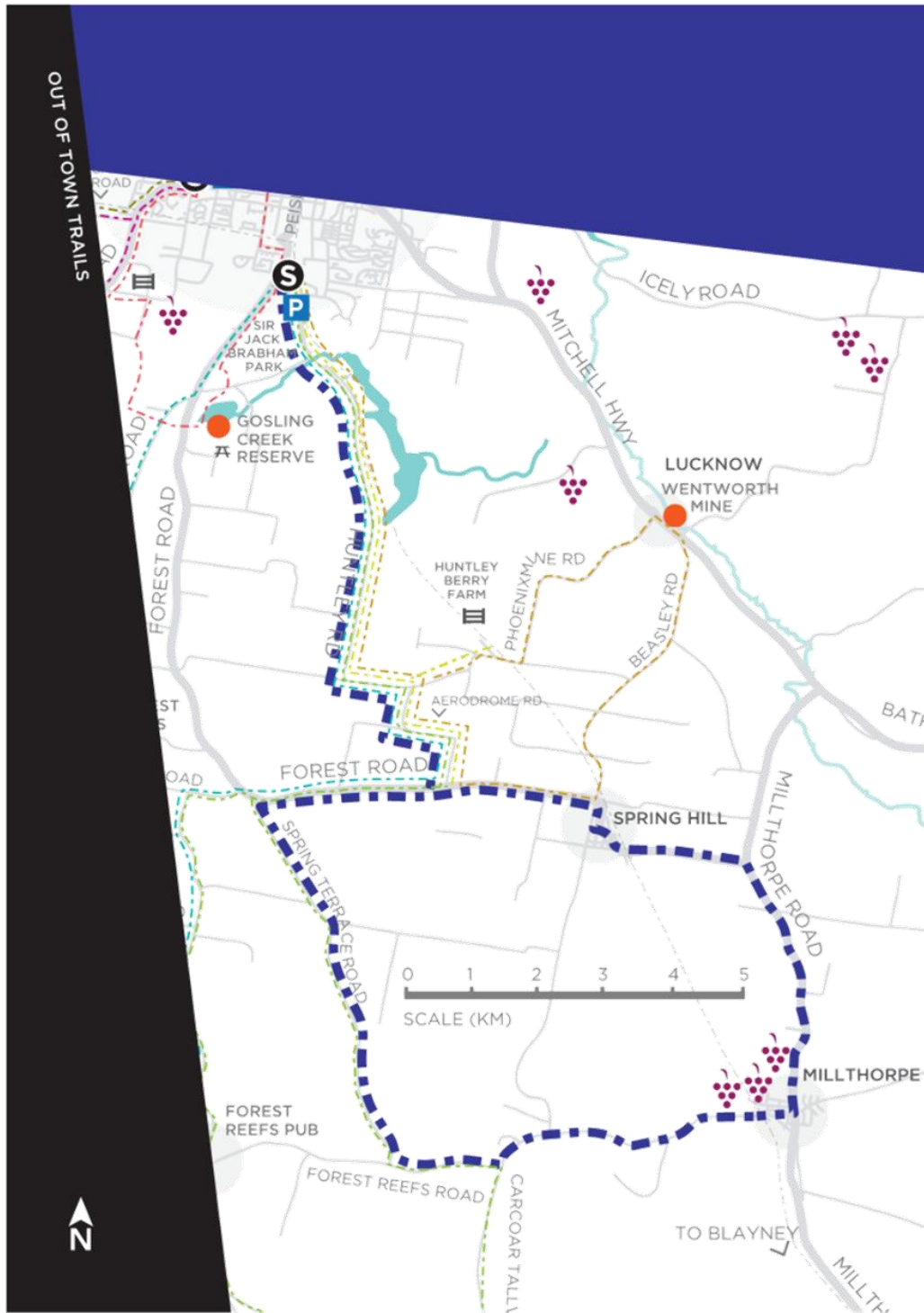


DIRECTIONS

1. Start at Sir Jack Brabham Park, Huntley Road
2. Head south on Huntley Rd 7.4km
3. Turn left to stay on Huntley Rd 1.1km (total 8.5km)
4. Take the 1st right onto Aerodrome Rd 2.5km (total 11km)
5. Turn left onto Forest Rd 2.4km (total 13.4km)
6. Turn left onto Beasley Rd 5.5km (total 18.9km)
7. Turn left onto Mitchell Hwy/National Route 32 (signs for Mitchell Highway/Orange) 0.6km (total 19.5km)
8. Take the 1st left onto Phoenix Mine Rd 3.9km (total 23.4km)
9. Turn right onto Blunt Rd 0.4km (total 23.8km)
10. Continue onto Huntley Rd 2.7km (total 26.5km)
11. Turn right to stay on Huntley Rd 7.4km total 33.9km)
12. Finish at Sir Jack Brabham Park

ELEVATION PROFILE







MILLTHORPE COFFEE RIDE

RIDE DESCRIPTION

A popular Sunday morning ride with locals. The route is on bitumen roads and includes part of the Tallwood Loop before heading into historic Millthorpe for a coffee break or lunch at one of the great cafés or restaurants. Enjoy the quiet country roads and scenery.

ATTRACTIONS / HIGHLIGHTS

Historic Millthorpe Village.

Millthorpe restaurants, cellar doors, boutique shopping and museum.

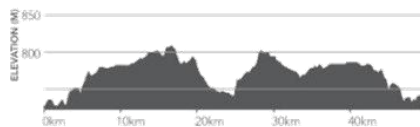
RIDE LENGTH

50km

ROAD SURFACE

Bitumen

ELEVATION PROFILE



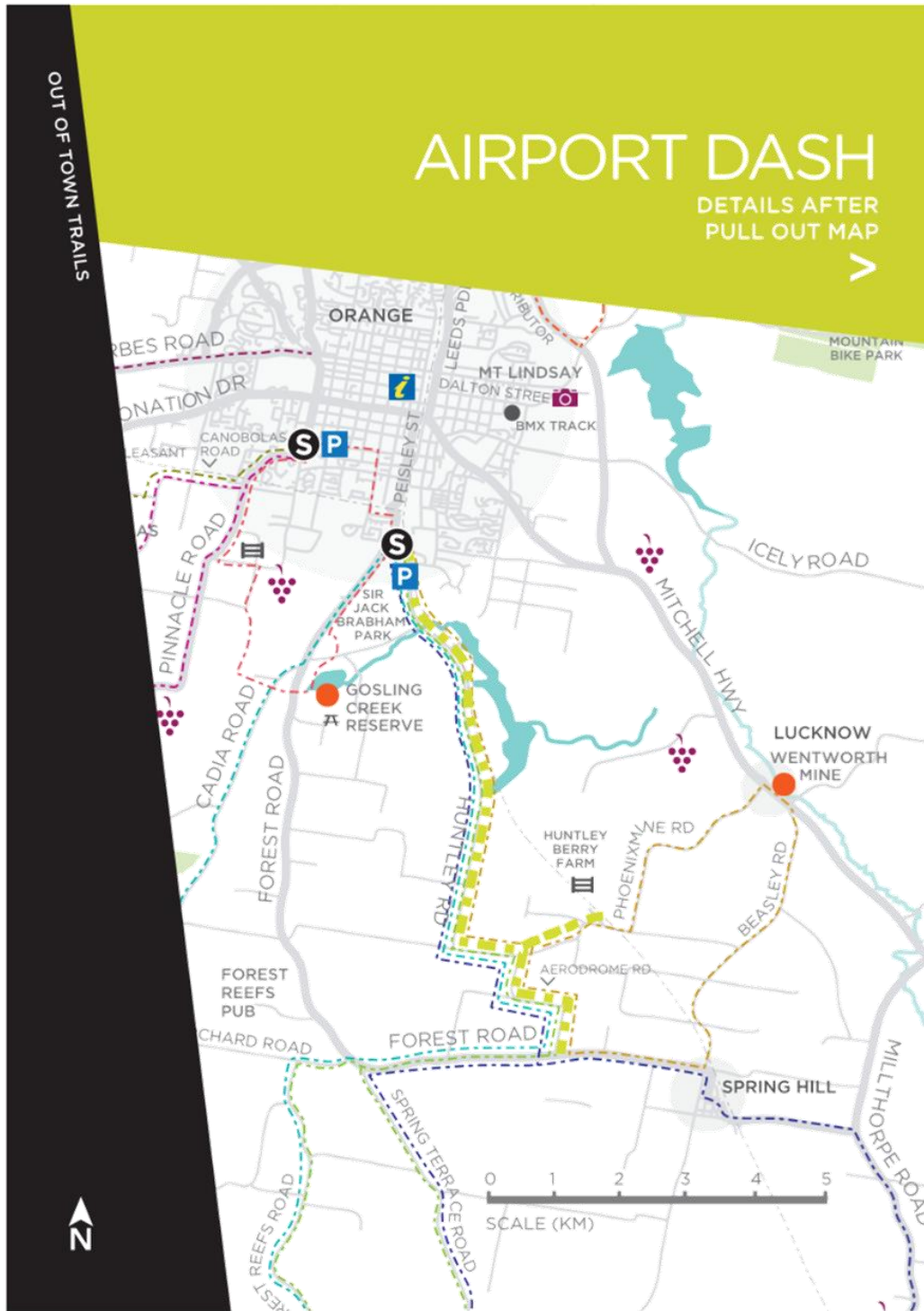
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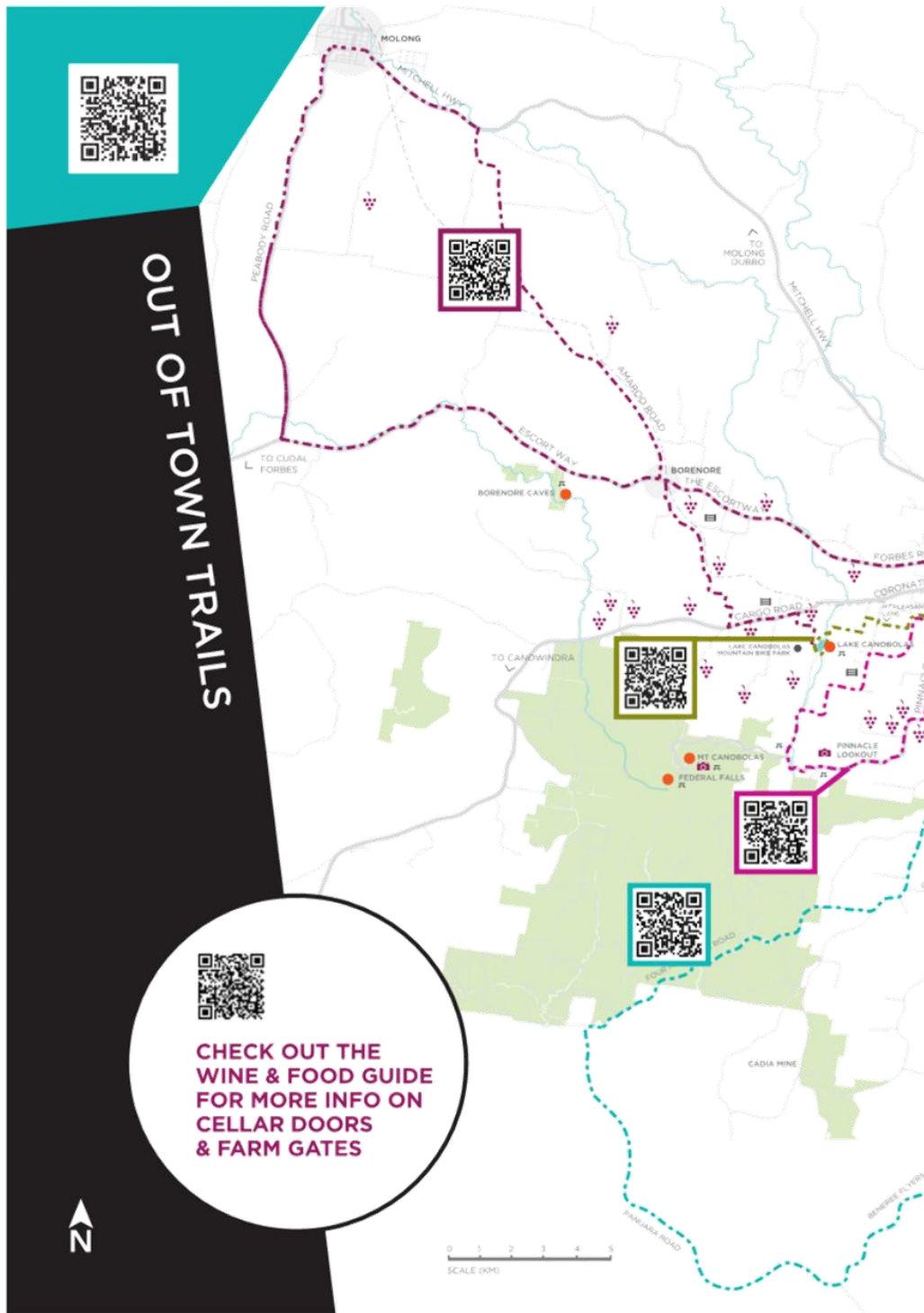


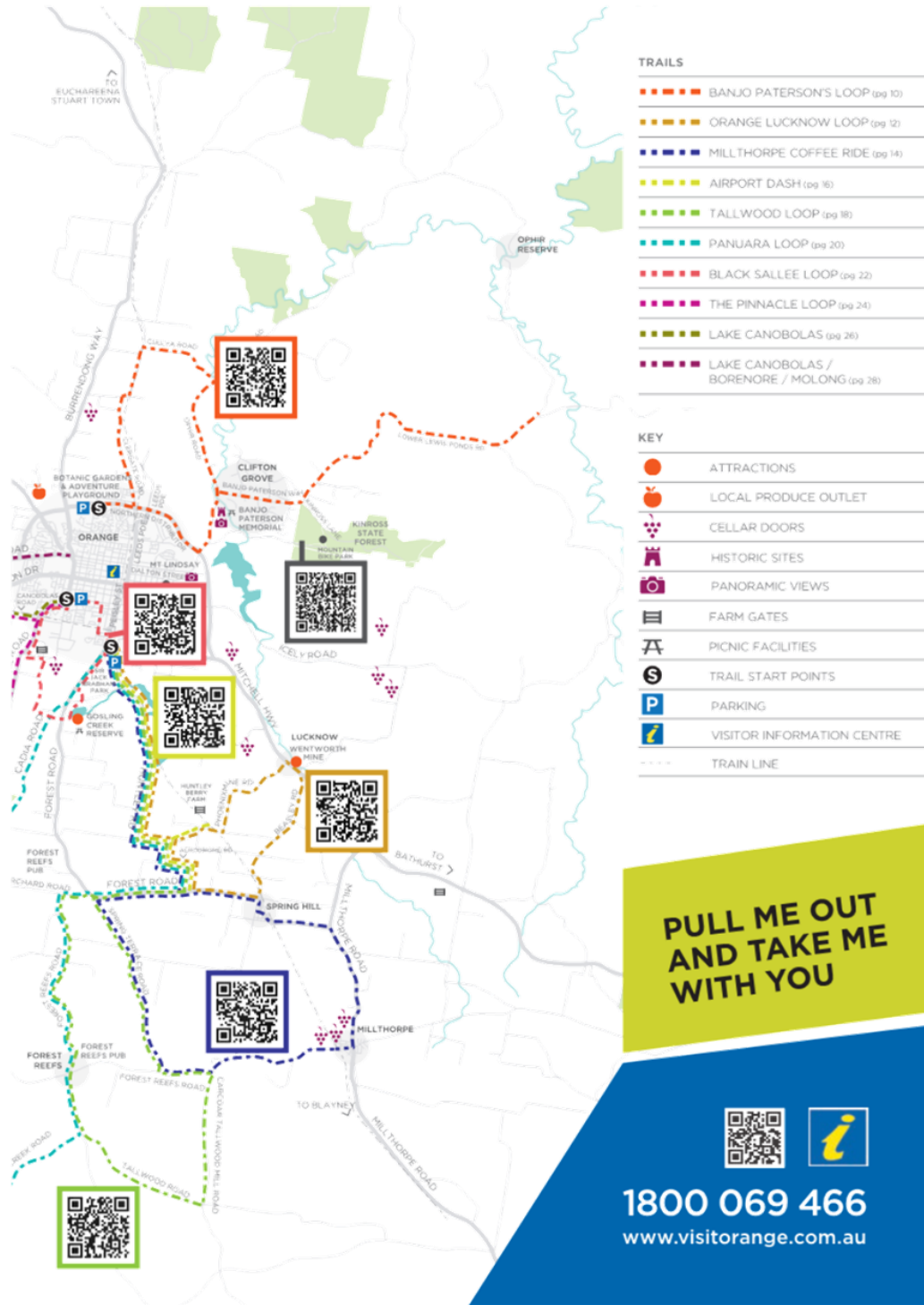
DIRECTIONS

1. Start at Sir Jack Brabham Park, Huntley Road
2. Head south on Huntley Rd 7.4km
3. Turn left to stay on Huntley Rd 1.1km (total 8.5km)
4. Take the 1st right onto Aerodrome Rd 2.5km (total 11km)
5. Turn right onto Forest Rd 3.0km (total 14km)
6. Turn left onto Spring Terrace Rd 7.3km (total 21.3km)
7. Turn left onto Forest Reefs Rd 1.8km (total 23.1km)
8. Turn left onto Millthorpe Vittoria Rd 1.1km (total 24.2km)
9. Continue onto Forest Reefs Rd 3.8km (total 27.8km)
10. Forest Reefs Rd turns slightly right and becomes Victoria St 0.4km (total 28.4km)
11. Turn left onto Millthorpe Rd 4.9km (total 33.3km)
12. Turn left onto Whiley Rd 2.0km (total 35.3km)
13. Slight right onto Spring St 0.4km (total 35.7km)
14. Continue onto Seaton St 0.2km (total 35.9km)
15. Turn right onto Worboys St 0.7km (total 36.6km)
16. Continue onto Forest Rd 2.4km (total 39km)
17. Turn right onto Aerodrome Rd 2.5km (total 41.5km)
18. Turn left onto Huntley Rd 1.1km (total 42.6km)
19. Take the 1st right to stay on Huntley Rd 7.4km (total 50km)
20. Finish at Sir Jack Brabham Park











AIRPORT DASH

RIDE DESCRIPTION

A very popular cycling route on bitumen roads. This ride is only 25km, perfect for a relaxing 'Sunday ride'. Stop over at the Huntley Berry Farm and pick your own fresh seasonal berries (from November to March). This ride can be extended by continuing along the Phoenix Mine Road to Lucknow.

ATTRACTIONS / HIGHLIGHTS

Huntley Berry Farm
 Rural landscapes

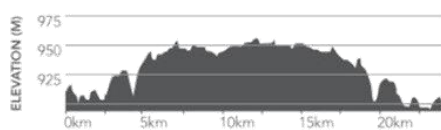
RIDE LENGTH

24.8km

ROAD SURFACE

Bitumen

ELEVATION PROFILE



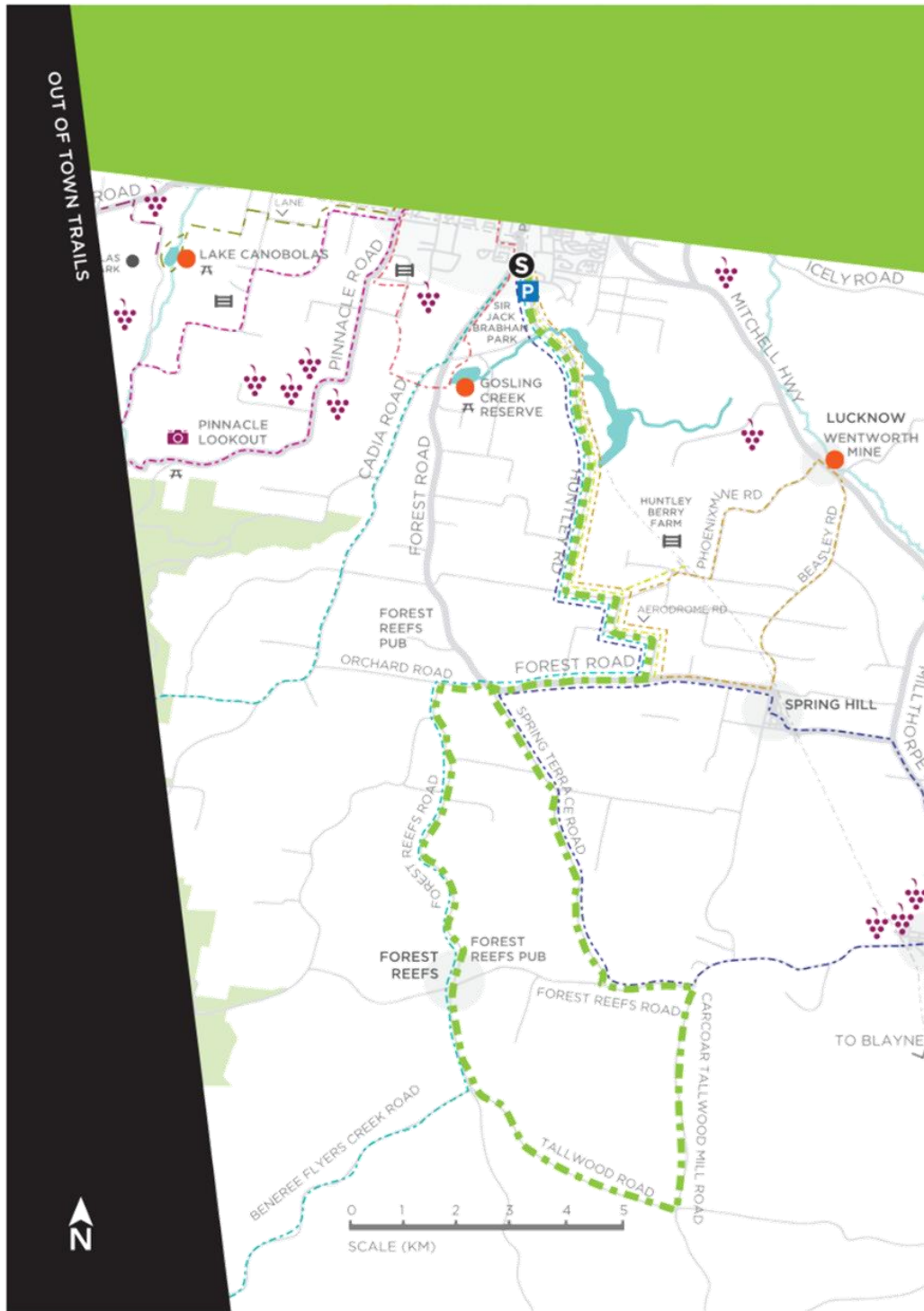
DIRECTIONS

1. Start at Sir Jack Brabham Park, Huntley Road
2. Head south on Huntley Rd 7.4km
3. Turn left to stay on Huntley Rd 1.1km (total 8.5km)
4. Turn left to stay on Huntley Rd 1.4km (total 9.9km)
5. Do a U turn before the Railway line, towards Phoenix Mine Rd
6. Head west on Huntley Rd towards Aerodrome Rd 1.4km (total 11.3km)
7. Veer left onto Aerodrome Rd and follow for 2.5km (total 13.8km)
8. Do a U turn at Forest Road
9. Head north on Aerodrome Rd 2.5km (total 16.3km)
10. Turn left onto Huntley Rd 1.1km (total 17.4km)
11. Take the 1st right to stay on Huntley Rd 7.4km
 Total 24.8km)
12. Finish at Sir Jack Brabham Park

STRAVA LINK

<http://www.strava.com/activities/46024373>







TALLWOOD LOOP

RIDE DESCRIPTION

A regular cycling route for locals, this ride is on bitumen roads through some amazing countryside. Possibly the most popular cycling loop in the area, you will no doubt pass many local cyclists enjoying their morning ride. On a crisp, sunny Orange morning this loop is hard to beat - enjoy the tranquillity.

ATTRACTIONS / HIGHLIGHTS

Scenery

Quiet country roads and rural landscapes

Forest Reefs Tavern

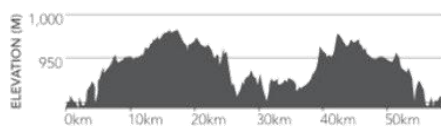
RIDE LENGTH

59.4km

ROAD SURFACE

Bitumen

ELEVATION PROFILE



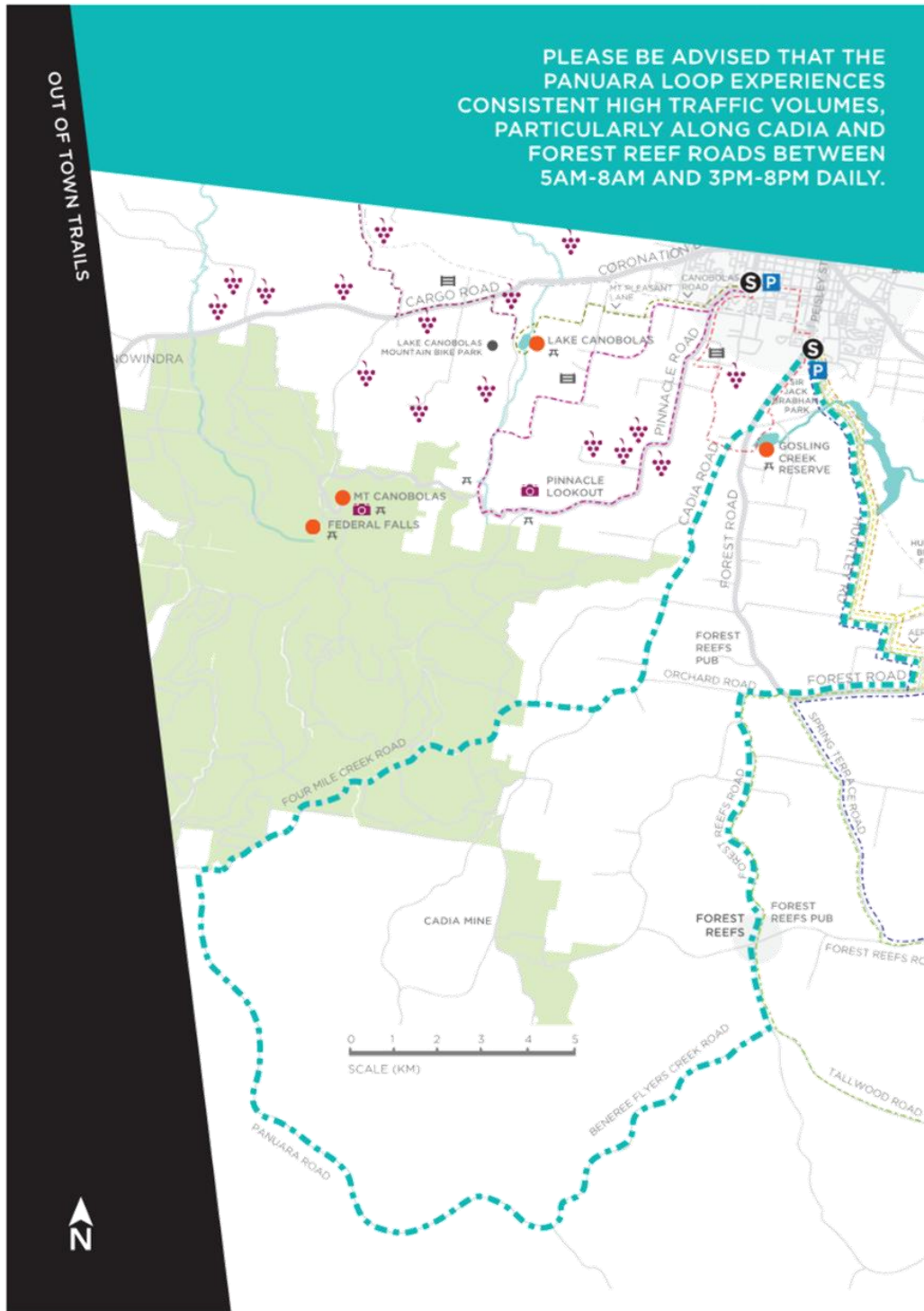
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DIRECTIONS

1. Start at Sir Jack Brabham Park, Huntley Road
2. Head south on Huntley Rd 7.4km (total 7.4km)
3. Turn left to stay on Huntley Rd 1.1km (total 8.5km)
4. Take the 1st right onto Aerodrome Rd 2.5km (total 11m)
5. Turn right onto Forest Rd 3.3km (total 14.3km)
6. Turn left onto Orchard Rd 0.9km (total 15.2km)
7. 7.5km (total 22.7km)
8. At the Tavern, turn left to stay on Forest Reefs Rd 0.4km (total 23.1km)
9. Take the 1st right onto Tallwood Rd 2.7km (total 25.8km)
10. Continue onto Tallwood Rd 0.2km (total 26km)
11. Turn left to stay on Tallwood Rd 5km (total 31km)
12. Turn left onto Carcoar Tallwood Mill Rd 5.4km (total 36.4km)
13. Turn left onto Forest Reefs Rd 1.8km (total 38.2km)
14. Take the 1st right onto Spring Terrace Rd 7.3km (total 45.5km)
15. Turn right onto Forest Rd 3km (total 48.5km)
16. Turn left onto Aerodrome Rd 2.5km (total 51km)
17. Turn left onto Huntley Rd 1.1km (total 52.1km)
18. Take the 1st right to stay on Huntley Rd 7.3km (total 59.4km)
19. Finish at Sir Jack Brabham Park





PANUARA LOOP

RIDE DESCRIPTION

A beautiful ride around the back of Cadia Valley Operations (CVO). Some wonderful descents (and climbs) and the tall pines in areas make sections of this ride well protected on windy days. Be aware that high traffic volumes may be experienced during CVO's shift change between 5am-8am and 3pm-8pm daily. Be prepared for a couple of difficult climbs from Four Mile Creek and up from Flyers Creek.

ATTRACTIONS / HIGHLIGHTS

Rugged Scenery
Flyers Creek Hill Climb Challenge

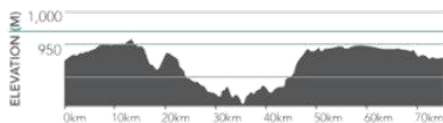
RIDE LENGTH

75.4km

ROAD SURFACE

Bitumen

ELEVATION PROFILE



DIRECTIONS

1. Start at Sir Jack Brabham Park, Forest Rd
2. Head south-west on Forest Rd 2.6km (total 2.6km)
3. Turn right onto Cadia Rd 9.2km (total 11.8km)
4. Continue onto Four Mile Creek Rd 19.1km (total 30.9km)
5. Turn left onto Panuara Rd 10km (total 40.9km)
6. Turn left onto Beneree Flyers Creek Rd 8.7km (total 49.6km)
7. Turn left onto Tallwood Rd 2.7km (total 52.3km)
8. Turn left onto Forest Reefs Rd (0.4km total 52.3km)
9. Take the 1st right to stay on Forest Reefs Rd 7.5km (total 59.8km)
10. Turn right onto Orchard Rd 0.9km (total 60.7km)
11. Turn right onto Forest Rd 3.3km (total 64km)
12. Turn left onto Aerodrome Rd 2.5km (total 66.5km)
13. Turn left onto Huntley Rd 1km (total 67.5km)
14. Take the 1st right to stay on Huntley Rd 8km (total 75.5km)
15. Finish at Sir Jack Brabham Park

STRAVA LINK

<http://www.strava.com/activities/56918457>



OUT OF TOWN TRAILS

DIRECTIONS

1. Start at Elephant Park, Woodward St and ride east through Moulder Park until you reach Anson Street
2. Follow Anson Street south over the railway bridge to Tynan Street on the left then follow it to Peisley Street and turn right towards Sir Jack Brabham Park, continue south past Sir Jack Brabham Park along Forest Road
3. Turn left into Hinton Reserve through the marked gateway
4. Follow the trail through Hinton Reserve until you reach the road, then cross to the bike path on the other side in Gosling Creek reserve and head west
5. Follow the path west down to the wetland and take the link under the road next to the creek and keep following the path
6. From Shiralee Road head west to Pinnacle Road, continuing towards town on the road down Racecourse Road hill to Woodward Street
7. Turn left into Woodward Street and after 0.4km turn right into Elephant Park. Finish loop

BLACK SALLEE LOOP



DESCRIPTION

This area, to the south of town, offers a mixture of flat off-road bitumen and gravel shared cycling/walking paths. It passes the historic Bloomfield Hospital, which showcases the Autumn and Spring colours of Orange. Bloomfield Park, Gosling, Black Sallee and Hinton Reserves offer good opportunities to observe native flora and fauna. Sir Jack Brabham Park contains aviation and motor racing history, while The Springs is an Aboriginal historic site.

This area is a great place to take kids riding or for those who want a leisurely bike ride combined with some bird watching and a picnic.

ATTRACTIONS/HIGHLIGHTS

Sir Jack Brabham Park, now home to sporting fields, was once the site of the Orange Aerodrome.

The perimeter of the aerodrome, which was in use until the 1950's formed part of the Gnoo Blas motor racing circuit. The circuit also travelled along Bloomfield Rd, known as Pit Straight. Formula One speeds are rumoured to be achieved by local cyclists on their early morning rides.

Hinton Reserve is accessed through a marked gate adjacent to the Forest Rd bicycle path, close to the two old water towers. This Reserve features native flora and fauna of an endangered ecological community and has undergone extensive rehabilitation and regeneration. An alternative entrance is located opposite the carpark at the intersection of Bloomfield and Bargwana Rds.

Bloomfield Park comprises 21 hectares of native and exotic fauna and has shared bicycle/ pedestrian paths providing a link to Huntley Rd. A bike path runs parallel to Huntley Rd to link up with the Eastern side of Sir Jack Brabham Park.

Gosling Creek, a former water supply to Orange, is a great place to view native flora and fauna, with bird hides, playground, bbq's and interpretive signs.

Black Sallee Reserve, so named for the species *Eucalyptus stellulata* found here. This reserve is adjacent to the western section of Gosling Creek Reserve. Access this Reserve by taking the gravel path located in the south west corner of Gosling Creek Reserve and riding under the historic bridge, over 100 years old, located on Forest Rd.

The Springs Trail commences on the western side of Cadia Rd and Ballykeane Lane junction.

This is one of the hidden gems of Orange, travelling through farmland and orchards, taking you from Black Sallee Reserve to exit at Shiralee Rd or Pinnacle Rd.

SURFACE

Bitumen and gravel paths

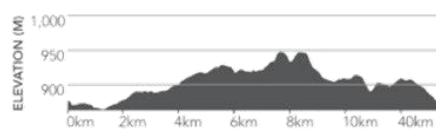
BICYCLE TYPE

Mountain bike/hybrid

LOOP DISTANCE

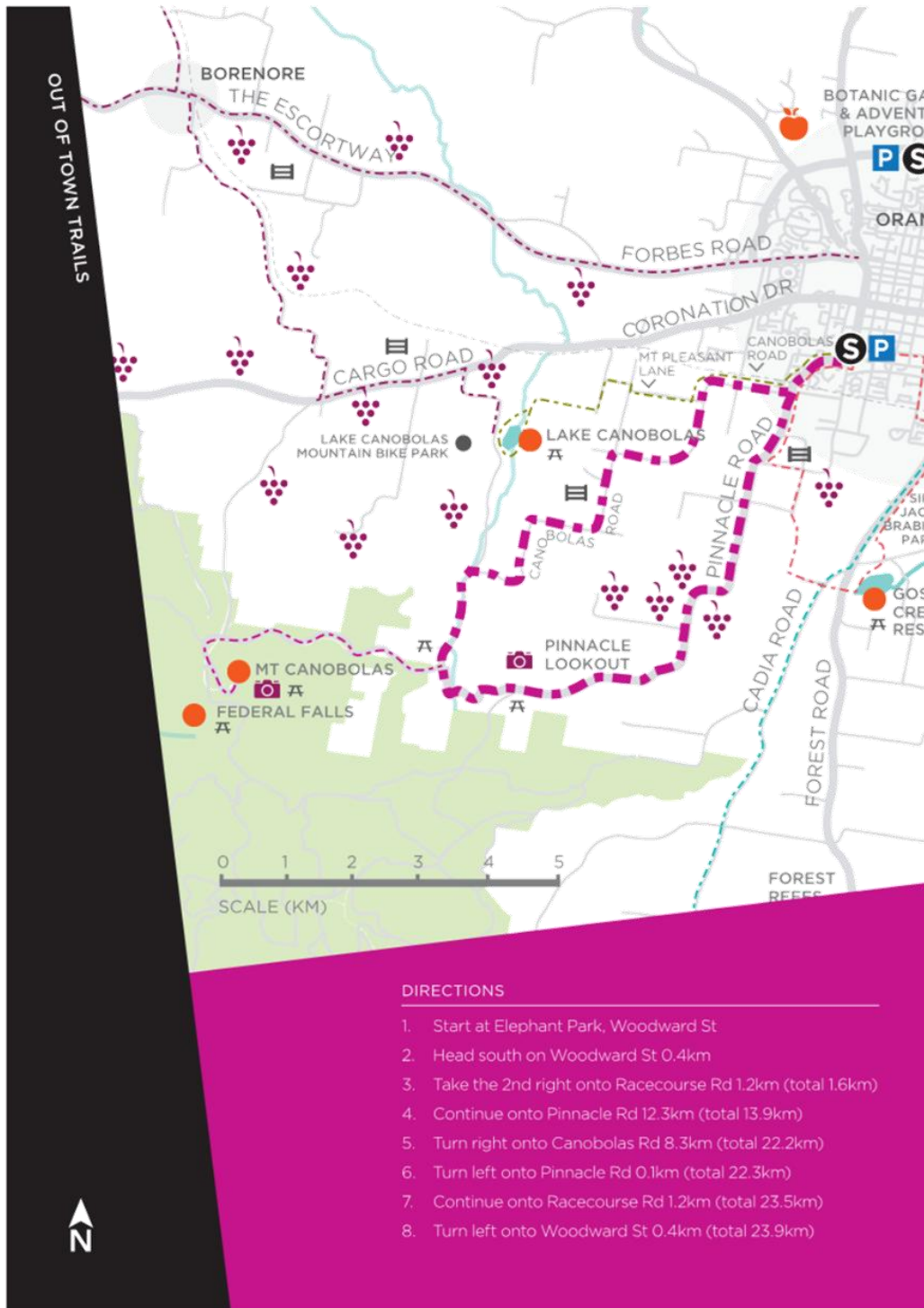
9.5km

ELEVATION PROFILE



STRAVA LINK

<http://www.strava.com/activities/77294401>





THE PINNACLE LOOP

RIDE DESCRIPTION

A popular scenic bike ride which climbs past the Pinnacle Lookout overlooking local orchards, wineries, the city and region. A relatively hilly ride with a number of wineries, cafes and restaurants on route. This ride can be done in either direction - clockwise for a longer, less steep climb to the Pinnacle or anti-clockwise for a shorter, steeper climb.

Option: For a longer more challenging ride you can take the turnoff at Mount Canobolas Rd (half way around the loop) to the top of Mount Canobolas. It is approximately 6km to the top. This loop is well protected by trees so is a great ride to do on a windy day.

ATTRACTIONS / HIGHLIGHTS

The Pinnacle Lookout. A short walk from the monument to the top of the Pinnacle.

Mount Canobolas Summit

Wineries and cellar doors (pick up a Wine and Food Guide at the Orange Visitor Information Center)

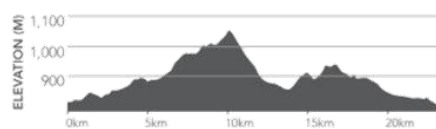
RIDE LENGTH

23.9km

ROAD SURFACE

Bitumen

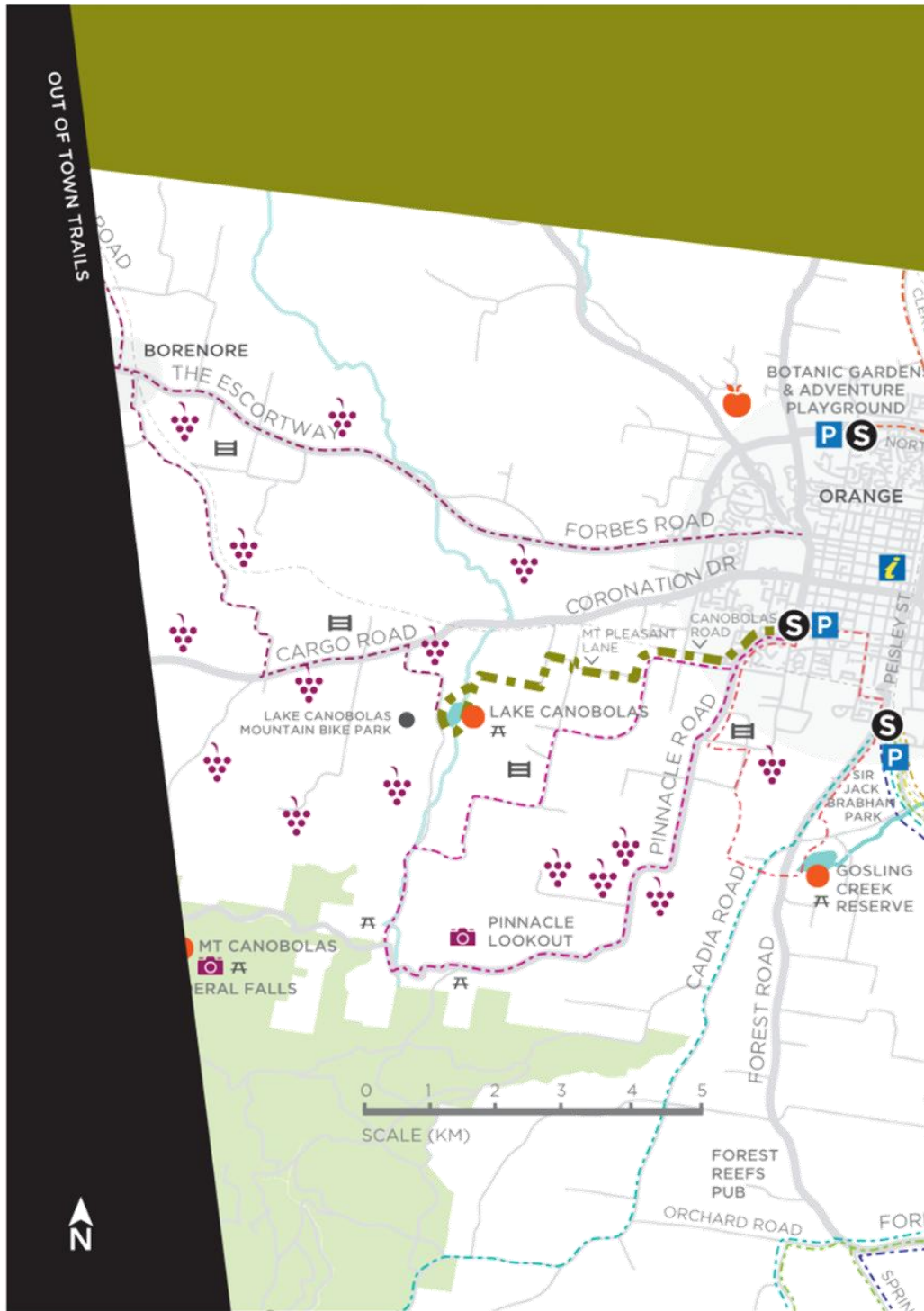
ELEVATION PROFILE



STRAVA LINK

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LAKE CANOBOLAS

RIDE DESCRIPTION

A ride around the Lake is a great way to enjoy some tranquillity and beautiful scenery.

Follow the red and yellow "Lake Walk-Ride" signposts from town. Be prepared for a couple of hilly sections.

ATTRACTIONS/HIGHLIGHTS

Riding to and around the Lake highlights the colours of Autumn and the blossoms of Spring. Farms, orchards and vineyards are close by as well as wonderful views of the district.

The Lake is a popular location for fishing, picnics, swimming and kayaking.

There are two playgrounds in the Reserve.

The Lake was a water supply to Orange from 1918- 1957 and the historic Pump House, fully restored and preserved, is located on the eastern side of the Lake. It is one of very few of its type in the world remaining *in situ*.

Native flora and fauna can be seen throughout the reserve and there is a boardwalk through the southern wetland where water fowl can be observed.

A cafe is also located within the Reserve.

RIDE DISTANCE

The "Lake Walk-Ride" one way ride is 6.3km.

Loop around the Lake is 2.5km

BICYCLE TYPE

Mountain Bike / Hybrid

SURFACES

Gravel path around the Lake.

If taking the "Lake Walk-Ride" the road is bitumen except for the final 1km, which is a gravel off-road path.

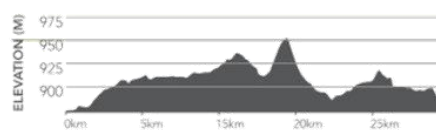
If cycling via Pinnacle Loop, the road is sealed the entire way.

DIRECTIONS

1. Start at Elephant Park on Woodward St and head south 0.4km to Racecourse Rd.
2. Turn right into Racecourse Road then right into Canobolas Road, right into Mt Pleasant Lane, right into Wrights Lane, left into Feathers Lane then left into Woods Lane all the way around to the Lake 5.9km (total 6.3km)

Look for the signposts as it is clearly marked.

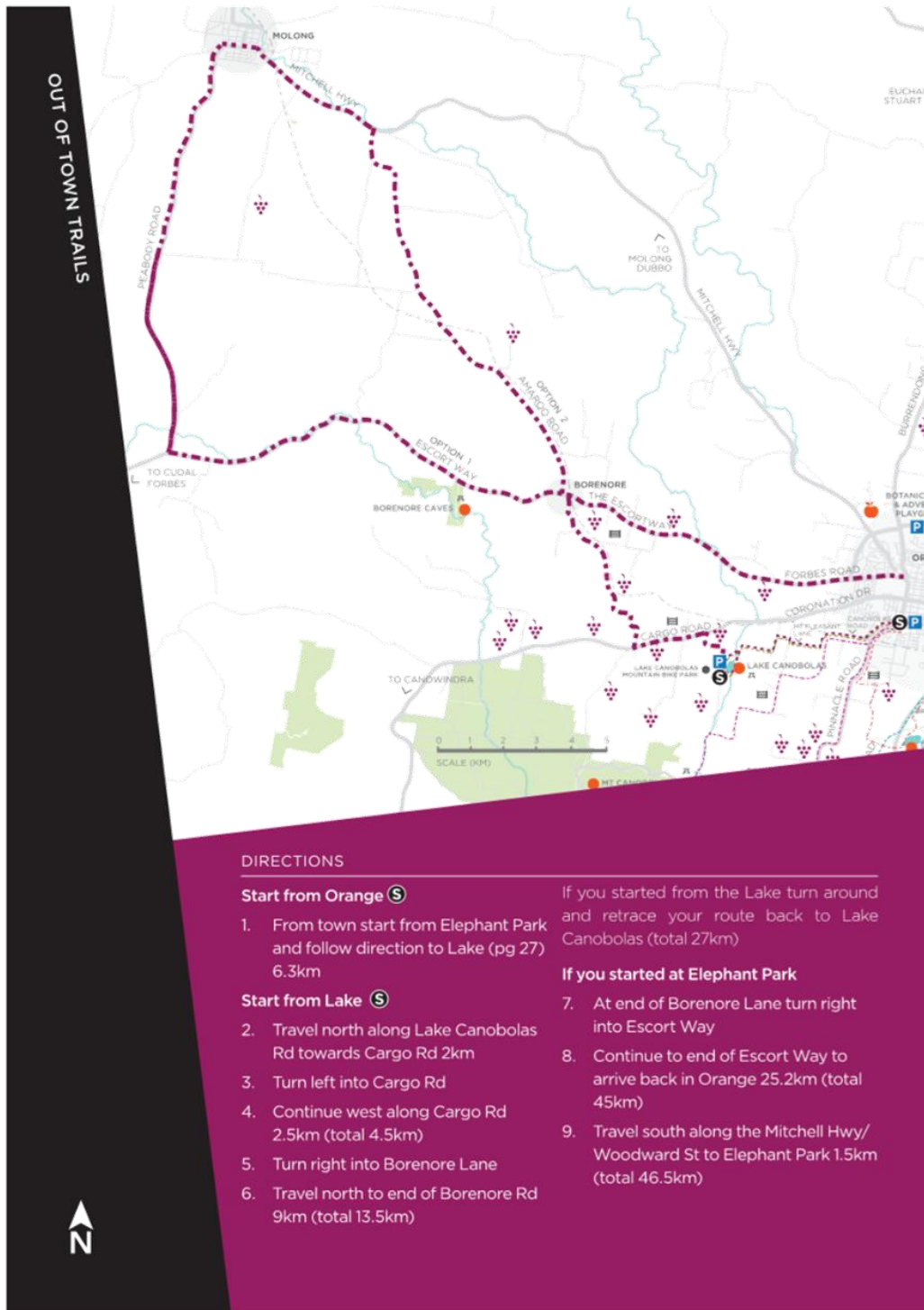
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STRAVA LINK

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LAKE CANOBOLAS, BORENORE & MOLONG



RIDE DESCRIPTION

Commencing from Lake Canobolas, cycle through the small villages, farmland and orchards of Nashdale and Borenore.

For an extended route for those wanting a more challenging ride, take the optional routes listed below.

ATTRACTIONS/HIGHLIGHTS

Nashdale - Borenore

Vineyards, Cider House, orchards, historic Borenore Railway Station.

Molong

Historic buildings including the Coach House, Railway Station, cellar doors and galleries.

Wineries and cellar doors (pick up a Wine and Food Guide at the Orange Visitor Information Center)

OPTIONAL ROUTES:

Option 1: To Molong via Peabody Road - Turn left at the Escort Way - Borenore Rd intersection and continue along the Escort Way, descending for 14kms. Borenore Caves are worth a visit. Note the road to the caves site is gravel.

Turn right into Peabody Rd cycle to end of Peabody Rd 16km to arrive at Molong.

Departing Molong: cycle along Mitchell Highway shoulder for 5km then turn right into Amaroo Rd continuing to the end of Amaroo Road, 16km.

Turn left at the junction of Amaroo and Escort Way, cycling along the Escort Way 10km to arrive back in Orange, travel south along Mitchell Hwy/Woodward St to Elephant Park. 70km total.

Option 2: To Molong via Amaroo Road - Turn left at the Escort Way and continue for 0.4km. Turn right into Amaroo Rd to the end of the road (15km) then turn left onto the Mitchell Highway to arrive at Molong (5km).

Return to Borenore - Orange back along Amaroo Rd as described in Option 1. 55km total

RIDE LENGTH:

Lake to Borenore Loop: 27km

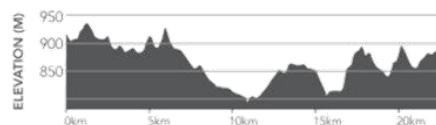
Orange/Lake/Borenore Loop: 46.5km

Orange to Molong via Lake, Borenore and Peabody Rd: 70km

Orange to Molong via Lake, Borenore and Amaroo Rd: 55km

SURFACE: BITUMEN

ELEVATION PROFILE



STRAVA LINKS

Lake Canobolas - Borenore - Escort Way - Orange
<http://www.strava.com/activities/28708961>

Orange - Molong via Amaroo Rd
<http://www.strava.com/activities/38878930>





MOUNTAIN BIKE RIDES AROUND ORANGE



MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAILS AT KINROSS STATE FOREST

Orange boasts over 30km of diverse single tracks catering for all abilities only 6km from Orange town centre at Kinross State Forest. Each block of trails at Kinross is unique with its own character and features. The trails can be ridden by the less experienced rider using the 'B Lines' or for the capable rider there are plenty of 'A Lines' and features to give you a challenge. The undulating terrain and mixed conditions make for fantastic riding.

LAKE CANOBOLAS MOUNTAIN BIKE PARK

The trails at the Lake Canobolas Mountain Bike Park opened in 2014 and includes a Pump Track, two easy tracks and two intermediate tracks. Located opposite Lake Canobolas, the trails increase in their technical challenge as you ride further into the park. Surrounding the Scout Camp, the site has been set aside for years of revegetation and uninterrupted natural growth and offers a beautiful riding environment with a stunning view back over the lake to Orange.

ORANGE MOUNTAIN BIKE CLUB

For more information on rides and events refer to www.orangemountainbikeclub.com.au or scan the QR codes. For news or to make contact with other riders go to the club Facebook page Orange Mountain Bike Club.

For the more adventurous rides, look to explore Mullion Range State Forest or Canobolas and Glenwood State Forest.

KINROSS STATE FOREST RIDES



Short Loop



Long Loop



Medium Loop 1



Medium Loop 2



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Open: Monday to Friday 9.30am to 5.30pm,
Saturday 9.30am to 1pm
www.dgcycles.com.au



RON BOULTON CYCLES

Stock a large range of bicycles, spare parts and accessories. Bike Mechanic Workshop.

202 Lords Place, Orange | Phone: 02 6362 3670
Open: Monday to Saturday 9am to 5pm
www.ronboultoncycles.com.au

BISSY'S CAFÉ

Bike Hire: Bissys provide a small range of adult and children's bikes including tandem bikes and tricycles.

88 Warrendine Street, Orange | Phone: 02 6369 0666
www.bissyscafe.com.au

FERMENT THE ORANGE WINE CENTRE AND WINE STORE

Bike hire.
87 Hill Street, Orange | Phone: 02 6360 4833
www.orangewinecentre.com.au

ORANGE WINE TOURS

Self Guided Bike Tours | Phone: 0458 800 174
www.orangewinetours.com.au

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The Orange Cycle Club organises weekly social rides, junior events and a range of competitive rides in the Orange area.

For further information go to
www.occ.org.au

ORANGE CYCLE AND TRIATHLON CLUB

The Orange Cycle and Triathlon Club incorporates the Orange Triathlon Club, Orange Cycle Club and the Orange Bicycle Users Group (BUG). All groups hold regular races and training rides throughout the year and welcome visitors to their rides and events. Please refer to the club's webpages and contacts for additional information on the clubs and events.

For further information go to
www.octc.org.au

BICYCLE USER GROUP (BUG) - ORANGE

The Bicycle User Group organises regular social rides in and around the Orange District. For further information and updates on recreational rides and news contact Gina Browne on 0439 737 570 or go to - www.octc.org.au

CENTRAL WEST OFF ROAD BICYCLE CLUB

The CWORBC hosts MTB races and events, maintains and builds trails, holds social events and much more.

Contact:

General general@cworb.org.au
MTB mtb@cworb.org.au
BMX bmx@cworb.org.au
WEBSITE www.cworb.org.au

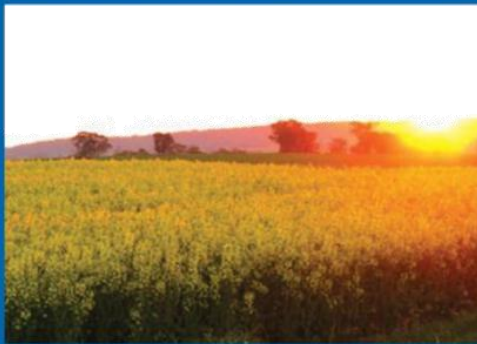
VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRES



ORANGE VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE

151 Byng Street, Orange
Phone: 1800 069 466

Open 7 days: 9am to 5pm
(except Christmas Day)



CABONNE COUNCIL

101 Bank Street, Molong
Phone: 02 6392 3200

Open: Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm
At other times refer to:
www.cabonnecountry.com.au



BLAYNEY TOURIST AND COMMUNITY INFORMATION CENTRE

97 Adelaide Street, Blayney
Phone: 02 6368 3534

Open 7 days, 10am to 4pm
(subject to availability of volunteer staff)

