

Trail Maintenance

The Alpine Cycling Club builds and looks after the majority of the trails in Mystic. With our every growing trail network, there is an increasing need for maintenance. If you enjoy riding the mountain bike trails at Mystic and would like to contribute to the ongoing support of the trails, please feel free to sign up as a volunteer.

If you wish to become part of our Volunteer Trail Crew team, you will need to;

- Join the Alpine Cycling Club; you can sign up through MTBA or CA. (Please note only full members can take part, not MTBA trail members.)
- Sign up to Trailforks.com so you can submit trail work reports.
- Send a signed and completed copy of our Trail Volunteer Safe Work Procedure document to MTB@alpinecyclingclub.com.au
- Attended a trail maintenance working bee and induction day.

As an ACC Volunteer Trail Crew member you would receive;

- A High-Vis Trail Crew Polo.
- A chance to win one of two BlueDirt day passes each month.
- A Discount on BlueDirt Season Passes*
- Access to Mystic with a Vehicle at any time with an ACC 'club pass' *

**Depending on hours.*

Frequently Asked Questions

- ***How do I report my time spent doing trail maintenance?***
 - You will need to submit a work report on Trailforks. See <https://www.trailforks.com/help/view/31/> or this link for the mobile version <https://www.trailforks.com/help/view/71/>
 - Please only report your own time via Trailforks, reporting hours for other people creates extra admin work.
- ***Is there any other method for reporting time spent doing trail work?***
 - No.
- ***Can I do trail maintenance any time by myself?***
 - Yes, except if you are operating any machine, brush cutters, chainsaws etc, then you would need a second person with you.
- ***How many trail maintenance hours will I have to do to get an ACC 'club pass'?***
 - You will need to have completed 6 hours in the last two months and then three hours each month.
- ***If I join your club tonight when will I get my hands on a 'club pass'?***
 - You will need to agreed to and signed the ACC volunteer safety policies and have attended a trail maintenance working bee and induction.
- ***How often do you run trail maintenance working bees and induction?***

- We only run these as we have time; there are no scheduled events; please remember we are volunteers. They will be posted on our Facebook page when someone has time to run one.
- ***How do I join your club?***
 - Sign up through MTBA or CA. You must be a paid-up member of one of these associations and the club, **not a trial member.**
- ***How will maintenance hours be reported?***
 - You will need to post your hours on Trailforks as a trail report with a description and photos.
- ***If I post my hours on Trailforks now will they count?***
 - Not unless you are a member who has already signed off on our Trail Volunteer Safe Work Procedure policies.
- ***How do I use Trailforks?***
 - Trailforks.com have an extensive library of support documentation. Please see <https://www.trailforks.com/help/>
- ***Am I covered under any insurance while doing trail maintenance?***
 - All Club members are covered under MTBA's insurance while doing maintenance or building trails.
<https://www.mtba.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Trail-Building-Insurance-FAQs-June-2016-V2.pdf>
- ***I have done my hours and posted them on Trailforks, when do I get my ACC 'Club Pass'?***
 - Trailwork will be reviewed monthly and details sent to Alpine Community Plantations (ACP). Please remember we are all volunteers and they may be delayed.
- ***When is the next ACC Trail working bee?***
 - Working Bee's are organised by our Volunteer members as they have time and would like help. We are always looking for more Trail Crew Team Leaders to run workings, if you have some experience with trail building and maintenance and would like to run working bee's please email maintenance@alpinecyclingclub.com.au
- ***How do I know what trail maintenance needs doing in Mystic.***
 - We always try to post any current issue in Mystic to Trailforks and you can review that at <https://www.trailforks.com/region/mystic-park/reports/>
 - Trails nearly always need to be raked and have the drains cleared.
 - Lower trails often need brush cutting to trim the Blackberrys and Ferns back.
- ***Can I use a chainsaw and help remove fallen trees in Mystic?***
 - As per the Trail Volunteer Safe Work Procedure document and our Chain saw policy document. You also need to have the Cross-Cut and Trim ticket before using a chainsaw in Mystic Park.
 - The Club will reimburse members who get their chainsaw ticket and completed a number of hours maintenance in Mystic.*