

Alpine Cycling Club



CHAINSAW TRAINING AND EDUCATION POLICY

Background

Alpine Cycling Club (ACC) is responsible for the maintenance of the trails in Mystic Park, invariably trees require removal from a trail safety point of view as outlined in the ACC and Alpine Community Plantation (ACP) memorandum of understanding (MOU). This responsibility shall be coordinated and managed by the ACC Maintenance Coordinator.

Contingent to certain requirements being met, ACC Members shall be given access to the correct PPE and appropriate education to use chainsaws safely in Mystic Park's trails that ACC are responsible for.

The Leaseholder HVP, requires ACC members using chainsaws be 'ticketed' and in so ACC, is obliged to provide training to those ACC members who wish to safely operate chainsaws as part of trail maintenance and construction, to minimise risk of injury to themselves and others.

Approved Education

In order to ensure there is sufficient chainsaw ticketed ACC members there needs to be a continual opportunity for people to get the necessary education they require.

A limited number of ACC 'ticketed' chainsaw operators are required in the club to ensure there is reasonable coverage of the trails in Mystic Park. The total number of ticketed operators required shall be determined by the ACC Maintenance Coordinator

ACC Members shall arrange their own training at one of the approved courses which meets the requirements of ACC and ACP.

Approved Chainsaw Education Courses by ACP and ACC

- **FWPCOT2237 - Maintain Chainsaws (equivalent to level 1 chainsaw operation) and**
- **FWPCOT2239 - Trim and Cut Felled Trees**

Approved Course examples

- <http://1stopdrivingschool.com.au/fwpcot2237-maintain-chainsaws/>
- <https://www.wodongatafe.edu.au/courses/A3FELLT1/Chainsaw-Training>

Process

ACC members can have their training course expense reimbursed and should seek approval from the Maintenance Coordinator prior to undertaking and paying for their training course, via email at maintenance@alpinecyclingclub.com.au

ACC Members who are prior approved, shall pay for their own course and upon completion of 14 hours of 'trail forks' documented trail maintenance within a 12-month period, shall have their course fee reimbursed to them provided they comply with the following requirements:

- Members who receive this training must sign and abide by the ACC Chainsaw and Polesaw Safe work policy
- Sign and comply with the [Trail Volunteer and Safe work procedure](#).
- A copy of qualification be forwarded to the ACC Maintenance Coordinator via email at maintenance@alpinecyclingclub.com.au
- These members will be part of the 'ACC Chainsaw' messaging group and participate where possible

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