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### Snobounds

Newsletter of the Snowy River Ski Club Cooperative Ltd Doorack Lodge at Guthega in the Kosciuszko National Park

**June 2024** 



Good as new. Renovated Doorack waiting for the first snowfall.

### Time to celebrate!

It's done. Only two years short of our lodge's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2026 we have new cladding, a new roof, new windows and new outside doors which give the building a contemporary look, seal the draughty leaks, offer protection against bushfires, and retire the deteriorating original cladding and fittings. Internally, we have new insulating blinds on all windows. Importantly, the job has been done within budget. Enjoy the photos which follow of Doorack's new look and please look forward to using our renovated lodge soon. It's an achievement to celebrate and we owe deep thanks to numerous members and associates who have worked hard to get this done.

Here is the report from Club chair Tony Adams ....



Doorack's new colours blend well with the natural environment.

#### Thanks are due to many people

#### Chairman's report from Tony Adams\*

I want to express my appreciation, and that of the Board, to all members for their financial support, and to the many who contributed their time and skills, to our successful lodge renovation which gives our club a firm foundation for its second 50 years!

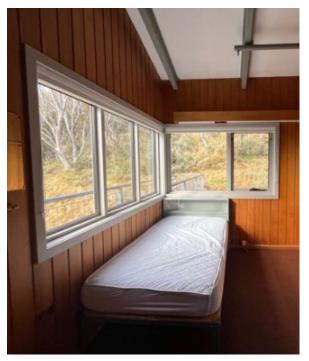
We want to acknowledge the truly monumental effort of Geoff Chubb for his oversight and hands-on management of the renovation project.

Geoff commenced with the tedious and frustrating process of obtaining the necessary planning approvals, which took most of 2023. With help from Russell Bramley and the Board, Geoff selected the builder and negotiated the contract. He then took on the roles of on-site quality control manager, Board representative and also acted as the builder's gofer, from January to April this year. During this time, he spent most weeknights and many weekends on-site.

As a result, Doorack now has a new roof, new exterior cladding and new double glazed windows and doors. It is fire rated to a BAL 29 standard which will provide greatly improved protection in a future fire event, and hopefully ameliorate future insurance costs. The roof and wall insulation has all been renewed and we anticipate great improvements in both the level of comfort and energy efficiency.



Doorack's eastern aspect shows off the double-glazed windows which will keep bedrooms cozy.





30 double-cell, honeycomb blinds have been installed in the lodge's new windows, here shown in room 5. The blinds are unobtrusive when open and improve insulation when shut.





Long before (in 1975 or 1976) ...

... and after (in 2024)

Geoff has had the support of his family and particularly Lynda, which I am sure has been of great help to him. I would like to register our appreciation to Lynda for her forbearance and assistance throughout.

A brass plaque, commemorating Geoff's role has been placed in the lounge.

The renovation project has been a team effort and the work of Tony Slatyer and Russell Bramley, as well as numerous "day labourer" volunteers also deserves our acknowledgement and gratitude, as does the hard work of Allison Jones and Beth Slatyer who have researched, procured and installed new energy saving blinds for all 30 windows throughout the lodge.

We again express our appreciation to Lyndon Costin, as we did last year, for his continued work on our bathrooms. He has now upgraded nearly all of them with new tiles and new fittings, and the results are spectacular.

We also acknowledge the many members who have put in time on maintenance days and on the building project in the past year. All make an essential contribution to the smooth and efficient running of the lodge. And of course, all benefit from the great atmosphere and conviviality that make our club a great institution to be part of.

If you can't get to the lodge this winter to enjoy the improvements then I can recommend making a booking for summer, which is increasingly popular as people take advantage of the opportunity for walking and enjoying the mountain environment. This summer the last stage of the Snowies Alpine Walk – from Perisher to Bullocks Flat – will be complete, providing another reason to try Guthega in the warmer season.

Finally, I would like to extend my thanks, and the thanks of all the membership to my fellow Board members, Susie Kluth, Allison Jones, Geoff Chubb, Iris Bramley, Tony Slatyer and Matthew Barnard. The Board members' individual and collective efforts ensure that our club continues to be a great institution and our lodge a great place to be.

<sup>\*</sup>This is an edited version of the Chairman's report to the SRSC 2024 annual general meeting



It's a piece of history, made from Doorack's original construction material.

#### Is this a sign?

You know like an unexpected solar eclipse, or the appearance of a comet, to herald a very special event such as the opening of our freshly renovated lodge.

A generous and skilled benefactor, who chooses to remain anonymous, decided to celebrate the recladding of Doorack by making us an artefact of historic importance – a new lodge sign.

Its appearance was unheralded. It was unexpectedly found hanging on the railing outside the front door after the renovation was complete.

The sign has heritage significance because it is constructed from a piece of the lodge's now-removed, original cedar cladding, which protected us from the elements for nearly 50 years. It gives our lodge a public facing name for the first time since the previous sign was lost when the old balcony was replaced several years ago.

We say to Anonymous, thank you.

#### Things to know about using the lodge this winter

When enjoying our lodge's new amenities this season please note that there are some new things to learn about how the lodge operates.

**Lodge entry:** The key safe has been relocated to the wood room door to use if you do not have a front door key.

**Telstra signal booster:** There is a new booster to strengthen the Telstra signal throughout the lodge, which was too weak to 'penetrate' the new cladding, unlike Optus and Vodafone which still have some reception inside the lodge. The Telstra booster system consists of an external antenna (affixed underneath the lower northern fire escape), which is connected by cable to a booster and internal antenna on the kitchen shelf facing the lounge. Please do not move any of these. If you are not getting a strong Telstra signal, check the booster is turned on at the wall and if that doesn't work, download the Cel-Fi Wave app and follow the instructions (you may need to go outside

to get enough signal for this). It will do a search for the booster (which has a code Cel-Fi-922151001432).

**Shower room across from room 1:** There is no exhaust fan. Keep the door closed and the window open when you are using that shower.

**Recycling of containers and paper:** We now have reusable, large, green mesh bags issued by NPWS to carry recycling items (plastic/glass/metal containers and paper/cardboard) down to the recycling bins near the ski centre. They hope this will solve the problem of people putting items in plastic garbage bags and putting the bags in the recycling bins. Plastic bags should not go in the container or paper recycling bins.

**Recycling of organic material:** The arrangement is the same as last year. For organic material please use the white, compostable plastic bags we have at the lodge and these can go in the organic recycling bin, which is labelled "oil".

**Sauna:** The sauna is closed this winter because it requires major renovation.

**General storage:** As a trial for this winter, members without access to lockers may use the newly cleared alcove beside the drinker's club room to keep one plastic storage box per membership, max 50 litres, clearly named and with phone number, and observance of storage rules, which will be shown at the entry. These rules are to permit access to, and protect, the new ducting and equipment on the inside wall. No ski equipment may be stored in this area and will be removed if found there.

#### Are you thinking of exploring the back country?



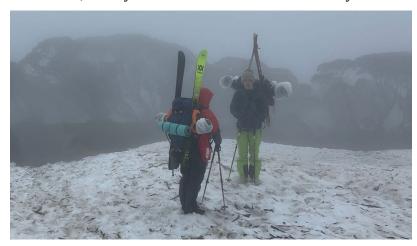
Visiting Blue Lake in early spring. If you like the look of it, join Snowybaggers for more of the same.

Guthega is one of the best places in Australia to get into the alpine back country in winter and enjoy skiing, boarding or snow shoeing away from the bustle and commotion of the ski lifts. If you are interested, but have never tried it, give it a go this season.

Tony Slatyer is injecting new life into Snowybaggers – the group of club members, associates and friends who keep in touch with each other with the aim of organising walks and ski tours in the Snowy area.

Says Tony: "We have not really got the group back off the ground post-Covid, but let's try again this year. The idea is that if you are going up or thinking about it and are looking for some company, reach out to the group and see who might be available to go with you. This is both safer and much more fun, and who knows what you might learn." Contact Tony to join the group, <a href="mailto:tony.tony.slatyer.srsc@gmail.com">tony.slatyer.srsc@gmail.com</a>

Otherwise, if it's your first time in the backcountry ask someone in the club who is more



It's worth being prepared in case conditions turn out like this!

experienced for advice, or book into a guided tour for your first excursion. Snowy Mountains Back Country, based at Guthega Ski Centre next to the Base Camp café, offers a wide range of guided trips with the aim of helping people learn back country skills. Owner Doug Chatten can give you options and good advice.

Remember that safety is paramount. NSW Police remind back country users to dial 000 for emergencies in which they need help. But there is no mobile phone coverage in many areas of the Snowy Mountains back country and it's also advisable to carry a personal locator beacon. It you don't have your own they are available on loan for free, when you are making a specific trip, at the National Park offices at Perisher, Jindabyne, Tumut and Khancoban.

If you're venturing away from the resort in the winter season, check the backcountry conditions report from the Mountain Safety Collective. It is a not-for-profit association which provides expert and up-to-date advice every day on weather conditions and back country snow hazards for both the NSW and Victorian alpine areas.

MSC is at <u>mountainsafetycollective.org</u> and, if you like what they do, it's well worth supporting them with a \$50 a year membership, which also gives access to a range of discounts. They need extra members and revenue to support their valuable work.

#### **Membership changes**

Welcome to Sam Rawlings who has taken over the late Chris Richard's membership, and Alex Bramley who has taken over Robert Taylor's share.

A reminder that if you wish to sell your share, or you or someone you know wishes to buy a share, let club secretary Matthew Barnard know on srsc.secretary@gmail.com. Matthew keeps a register of potential buyers and sellers and can help match one with the other. Prospective new members need to be nominated by two existing club members.

#### Interclub race day is a fun event for all



A day at the races for Chris Czarnik and Anya Piotrowski, wearing hats that would turn heads at Flemington.

The annual Guthega interclub race will be held on Saturday 27 July this year and all members, associates and guests are welcome to register for this enjoyable community event.

The race, intended for a wide range ages and skill levels, is usually held on the Lindner run on skier's right of the Blue Calf T-bar. Children are very welcome to join in.

Socialising with the Guthega village community is a feature of the race day, including at the pub after the event.

Please contact club race captain Konrad Piotrowski who is happy to answer any questions you might have. konrad.antoni.piotrowski@gmail.com, 0410 450 100.

#### The word from this year's Guthega village meeting

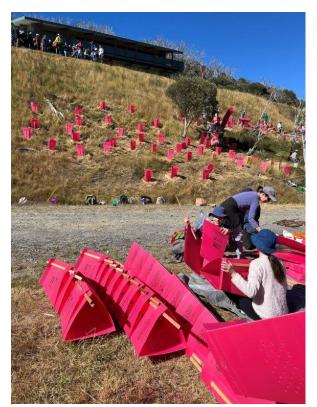
Each year, before the ski season, village meetings are held at Guthega, Perisher and Smiggins. Representatives of National Parks and Wildlife, NSW Police, NSW Fire and Rescue and the Perisher resort are there to meet lodges and hotel owners.

This year's Guthega village meeting was held at the Guthega Inn on June 10 and some things came up which are worth taking note of.

Perisher resort said Guthega-based skiers should not ski back to Guthega from Blue Cow after the runs have closed because it can be highly dangerous. Grooming machines may be operating on the runs, sometimes using high tension cables which are not very visible, and grooming operators often have a restricted field of vision and may not see skiers.

NPWS said it is carrying out a study of energy conservation and usage in several lodges to explore options for solar power. It also said the final section of the Snowies Alpine Walk – from Perisher down to the ski tube bottom station at Bullocks Flat – will be completed early next summer.

One lodge representative suggested better street lighting around Guthega to improve pedestrian safety. NPWS said it had been raised in the past and they were looking into it. The possibility of less obtrusive low height lights was suggested.





Around 65 willing helpers, including 15 from Doorack, rehomed 800 snow gum seedlings at Guthega on planting day.

#### Tree volunteers aim to beat the beetle infestation

Our horticulture officer, Polly Adams, reports on this year's snow gum planting day – and if you happen to see her trowel she'd like it back

The project to plant new snow gums around Guthega is a resounding success. In March 2024, for the second year running, volunteers planted large numbers of snow gum seedlings in areas near the village where trees have been lost to Longicorn beetle dieback.

This year 800 snow gums (*Eucalyptus pauciflora* subsp. *niphophila*) were planted and the good news is that 99 per cent of the 500 trees planted at the start of the project in March 2023 year have survived thus far.

Despite Doorack Lodge being unavailable to stay in because of the recladding project in the summer of 2024, our members managed to provide 15 volunteers to assist with this year's planting. Thirteen of those were generously accommodated by Guthega Ski Club where Dwy Jago, who co-ordinates the planting program, is a member. It was interesting to see how their lodge operates, and they were exceptionally hospitable and welcoming. In total there were about 65 volunteers from the various Guthega lodges.

We enjoyed perfect weather, pleasant company, a wonderful spread for morning tea, a lunch time barbeque sponsored by Straight Line Sports, and an informative progress

report from National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS). All the work was completed by about 3pm.

Planting was undertaken below the Guthega Visitors Centre and below the Guthega Pondage road. The goal was to plant 1000 trees, but all of the available augers for hole digging ran out of battery power because the ground was much drier and harder this year, so we stopped at 800. All trees planted last year were checked, weeded and had their guards repaired.

If anyone feels like inspecting the new trees, could they keep an eye open for my handmade hand trowel which I have lost amid the trees.



Rings around a dead snow gum – a tell-tale sign that beetles have been at work.

NPWS provided about 10 staff to coordinate the day. They had gained many insights from the 2023 planting which greatly enhanced this year's work. This included assembling the tree guards with one stake and forming them into columns for easier transporting to planting sites; soaking the trees in water with seaweed emulsion; orientating the guards with a point facing into the prevailing wind; and watering the trees on the day instead of waiting for rainfall.

The dieback is caused by the longicorn beetle which is threatening snow gums in many areas of the Australian Alps. The beetle is native, not introduced, and researchers are working to understand why it has been particularly devastating in recent years. If you see a dead snow gum you will know that the beetle is responsible if you see rings circling its trunk or branches. They are caused by the beetle burrowing underneath the bark, ringbarking the tree.

We expect there will be another tree planting day at Guthega in 2025. I would very much encourage members and families to take part in a great day with great rewards. And a big thank you to Dwy Jago of the Guthega Ski Club, NPWS and our volunteers for bringing dieback to our attention and facilitating solutions.

#### Enjoy a convivial time at Guthega Inn

The village pub has been revitalised under its new owner Brad Fuge, who looks forward to meeting club members and playing a large role in the community life of Guthega.

This season Guthega Inn has a new menu for lunch and dinner and bookings can be made online at <a href="https://www.guthegainn.au">www.guthegainn.au</a> or by phone. See the Inn's new menus at the end of this newsletter.

Additionally, Brad has a substantial board of specials every day.

#### Join us on Facebook

Would like to be added to the club Facebook page, which is moderated and for club members only. If so, email Iris Bramley, srsc.winter@gmail.com, and a link will be forwarded to you.

#### But will there be snow?

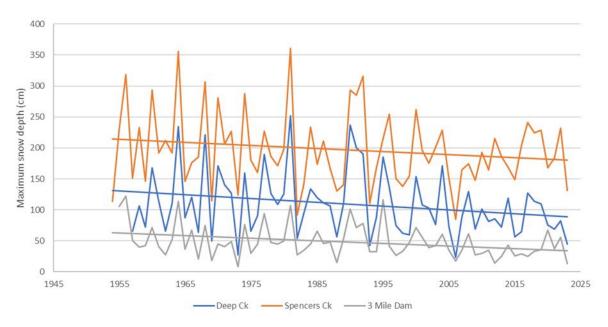
It's that time of the year again. Endless speculation about when the first big snow dump of the season will arrive and learned discussion overheard, but not fully understood, about the impact of El Nino versus La Nina, and the influence of the Indian Ocean dipole.

The fact is that nobody knows for sure what the season will bring, but at least a good snow base was laid down just after the June long weekend. It wasn't enough to open runs not served by snowmaking. But it does mean that, when the next snow falls, it won't be landing on warm ground and should build up nicely.

We are, of course, optimistic. The snow will come.

However, on a sober, note the CSIRO recently published a graph of the maximum snow depth each year at the three locations where Snowy Hydro has been making snow depth measurements since the 1950s. It shows a downward trend of 0.4-0.6 cm per year over the past 70 years.

Read the details here: www.csiro.au/en/news/All/Articles/2024/June/snow-trends-Australia



Maximum annual snow depth at Three Mile Dam (1460m), Deep Creek(1620m) and Spencers Creek (1840m) showing the trend over the past 70 years.



The eponymous towers of the Perisher chair, which had a middle station in its early years.

#### Perisher's Towers run has lost its towers

#### Tim Dodd regrets the earlier-than-expected demise of a classic chair

Perisher's oldest chair lift has breathed its last. Which means that Mt Perisher looks different this year. The Towers run has lost its towers.

The classic double chair has been demolished, gone to make way for the new Mt Perisher six seater express chair lift due to be installed next summer.

The lift company said it decided to remove the old lift before the 2024 season to allow work on the replacement to get going faster when the snow melts. This season the Towers run will be served only by the triple chair, which is also marked for demolition at winter's end.

I, for one, am sad not to get a final ride on the double, which I first rode in 1969. It lifted skiers (and latterly boarders) for 63 seasons (from 1961 to 2023 inclusive) – mostly, but not always, faithfully.

I remember an experience in 1974 when my father, my two sisters and I were stranded for 45 minutes on the double in a blizzard after it suffered a major breakdown. It took the lifties that long to hook up an auxiliary motor to run the chair at a snail's pace and get us to the top.

#### Reach for your cameras

We've introduced a new feature to Snobounds – a memorable photo of someone or something around Guthega – that will appear at the end of every issue. You can check out the first one, which was taken in spring 2020, on page 18 of this edition. We'd like to showcase your spectacular Guthega shots in future issues. Do send them in and one of your photos could be on the next 'Guthega in pixels' page.

We are getting close to the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the July 1976 opening of Doorack lodge, and you'll see a lot of material – including from the club archives – in coming issues of Snobounds. I'd love to hear from members (past and present) who were on the scene in the Snowy River Ski Club's early years and get their recollections and photos. If you're in touch with any former members who would like to provide information, please let me know.

Snobounds is not only for current SRSC members, it's also for associate members, past members, guests and friends. Please circulate it to them and, if others wish to receive Snobounds, send me their email address.

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Originally the Mt Perisher double had a middle station, which was useful for those who didn't want to ski the steeper part of the mountain near the bottom, or for end of season skiing when the snow was sparse lower down.

Even though it's gone, the old lift is living on, in a way. Perisher auctioned off the original double chairs recently, raising over \$260,000 for community charities in the Snowies area. Each of the successful bidders will have an unusual garden seat to memorialise an historic ski lift.



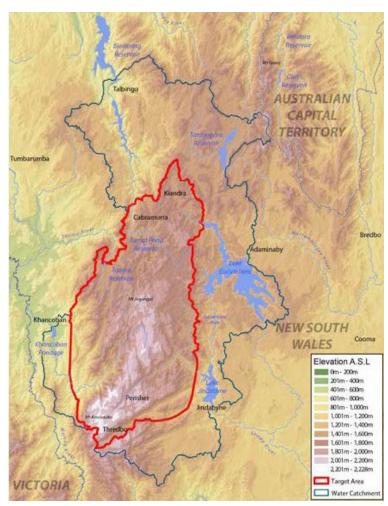
Where have all the towers gone? They used to follow the line of snow guns on the left.

#### Cloud seeding program to boost snow fall is paused

In what may be not good news for skiers, Snowy Hydro has paused its long running cloud seeding program aimed at producing more snow, while it assesses the program's commercial viability.

The cloud seeding – achieved by shooting tiny particles of silver iodide into the air by up to 23 gas burners at sites on the western side of the Snowy Mountains – has operated in most winters for the past two decades.

It was intended to boost snowfall in a 2110 sq km zone stretching from Thredbo to Kiandra, with operations taking place in only in conditions of potential snowfall when the freezing level is at or below 1600m. The process works because, when the silver iodide particles hit supercooled clouds, water in the clouds form as ice



The 2110 sq km zone where Snowy Hydro has been using cloud seeding to increase snow fall.

around the particles which then grow into snowflakes.

A pilot program began in 2004 and, after a study found it resulted in an estimated 14 per cent increase in snowfall with no adverse environmental effects, a permanent program was established in 2013 aimed at increasing spring run-off into Snowy Hydro's dams and boosting power generation.

In a notice on its website (<a href="www.snowyhydro.com.au/generation/cloud-seeding">www.snowyhydro.com.au/generation/cloud-seeding</a>) Snowy Hydro says the cloud seeding has been paused in 2024 while it reviews the program.

A company spokesperson told the Sydney Morning Herald the review's purpose was to "ensure that it (cloud seeding) remains a commercially viable part of Snowy Hydro's operations". The company would not reveal how much extra snowfall the program produced or how much electricity was generated as a result, saying that the information was commercially sensitive.

Relatively small amounts of silver iodide are used to get the result. In 2022 about 19 kg of silver iodide was launched skywards. The previous year it was about 23 kg. Until this

year's pause, the seeding operation was being carried out for an average of 90 hours a year. Snowy Hydro says that independent analysis shows no adverse environmental effects from the cloud seeding and no evidence of changes in precipitation outside the target area.

#### Chair lift standards slammed after Thredbo accident





Top: Before the accident the chair swings in the wind as it approaches the top station.

Bottom: After the accident ski patrollers attend the three injured snow boarders.

SafeWork NSW has found that Australian ski resorts have "deficient" standards for determining when chair lifts should be halted, for safety reasons, in high winds.

The SafeWork investigation followed an alarming accident on the Kosciuszko chairlift at Thredbo on 19 August 2023 when a chair entering the top station fell to the ground severely injuring three snowboarders riding the chair. They suffered back and facial injuries and two of them were helicoptered to Canberra Hospital for treatment.

SafeWork did not initiate the release of its investigation in spite of a clear public interest in the matter. Details of the accident are known only because of a Sydney Morning Herald (SMH) report which used freedom of information laws to obtain documents from SafeWork.

After the accident SafeWork ordered Thredbo to work with chair lift manufacturer Doppelmayr to reduce the risk of such accidents in future.

The Kosciuszko chair lift is a high speed lift which slows down chairs at the top and bottom stations by removing them from the cable and transferring them to a conveyor which carries them through the station at low speed.

The mechanism to remove each chair from the cable and shift it to the conveyor when it

arrives at a station, relies on a guide wheel (mounted at the top of the chair arm) entering a track. However because the chair was swinging violently in the wind the wheel missed the track, resulting in the chair being held at an angle away from the vertical as it entered the station.

At that point the accident was inevitable. Part of the chair's hanger arm struck a stationary metal plate and the chair was pulled off the cable and flung to the ground.

SafeWork said an almost identical accident had occurred at Breckenridge resort in Colorado in December 2022 and it was unclear whether lessons learnt from that incident had been shared internationally.

According to the SMH, SafeWork decided it would not take any further action against Thredbo over incident because the resort had done what was "reasonably practicable" to train staff, maintain the lift, and operate it in windy conditions.

The SafeWork report also said: "More industry guidance is needed for the safe operation of chairlifts during inclement weather to prevent a recurrence of this or a similar incident in the future."

Thredbo declined to tell the SMH what its wind speed threshold was for putting the Kosciuszko chair lift on hold, whether the threshold had been reduced following the accident, or what other steps had been taken to mitigate risks in high winds.

Perisher told the SMH that it had sophisticated wind and weather monitoring systems to guide the operation of its chairlifts. It said the new Mt Perisher six-seater express chair lift to be installed next summer – which will also use a mechanism to slow down the chairs passing through the top and bottom stations – would be able to tolerate higher winds.

Last year's incident was the third in recent years at Thredbo in which a chair has fallen from a high-speed chair lift in windy conditions. The earlier two occurred on the Gunbarrel lift. In 2016 an empty fell off the lift. In 2019 a skier was riding on a chair which fell to the ground but was fortunately not injured.

See the SMH report at <a href="www.smh.com.au/national/nsw/how-a-gust-of-wind-made-a-chairlift-fall-seriously-injuring-three-snowboarders-20240611-p5jkwt.html">www.smh.com.au/national/nsw/how-a-gust-of-wind-made-a-chairlift-fall-seriously-injuring-three-snowboarders-20240611-p5jkwt.html</a> (paywall)

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#### **Guthega in pixels**



The mountain in the background, colloquially known as Guthega Trig, is mirrored almost perfectly in the waters of the pondage.

We'll wrap up each edition of Snobounds with a photo that shows off the beauty, enjoyment, relaxation, challenge and surprise to be found at Guthega. If you have an interesting photo and you would like to see it published here, please send to <a href="mailto:srsc.snobounds@gmail.com">srsc.snobounds@gmail.com</a>.



# **GUTHEGA INN**



## DINNER MENU WINTER 2024

#### STEAMED GREENS seasonal greens and red wine jus served on a bed of sweet mashed potato with BEEF BRISKET served with Kipfler potatoes and seasonal greens BAKED BARRAMUNDI served alongside Asian slaw and asparagus PAN-FRIED SALMON in a Neapolitan sauce prawns, muscles, scampi and calamari served on a bed of jasmine rice stuffed with onion, capsicum and capers, FIELD MUSHROOMS sautéed in chilli sesame sauce SWEET POTATO CROQUETTES SOUP OF THE DAY ENTRÉE with a mustard cream sauce with lemon and dill sauce SEAFOOD MARINARA MAINS Mignonette **OYSTERS** MANGO AND AVOCADO SALSA STACK **GARLIC BREAD** Kilpatrick Natural 1/2 doz 28 | doz 46 1/2 doz 26 | doz 44 1/2 doz 24 | doz 42 8 18 16 48 46 20 20 48 16 18 sauce, field mushroom, bacon, seasonal greens and a medley of vegetables and red wine jus grass-fed from the Victorian Goldfields region with seasonal greens, Paris mash and red wine jus served on a bed of mashed potato, with garlic butter seasonal greens and red wine jus MS 3+ ~ 130-day grain-fed Pure Black Angus, 4-point rack 2-point rack served with Kipfler potatoes, a pomegranate glaze **RACK OF LAMB** and trimmed on site, and cooked to order. All meat is sourced by our expert team, hand cut intricately marbled, delivering a tender, melt-in-the-mouth MS 6+ ~ 500-day grain-fed pure-bred Wagyu, red wine jus FILET MIGNON consistently high quality, served with Kipfler potatoes, known around the world for its strong flavour and 2.0+ kilos 1.1+ kilos\* roasted seasonal vegetables and red wine jus taste sensation, served with a generous amount of JACK'S CREEK WAGYU TOMAHAWK KING OF STEAKS MS $4^+\sim$ winner world's best steak 2022, served JACK'S CREEK 300G SCOTCH FILLET JACK'S CREEK 250G<sup>+</sup> CLASSIC EYE FILLET PRIME MEATS 1.7+ kilos\* the availability of weights varies daily 400 300 200 56 42 58 52 49 topped with berries and icing sugar DIANE, PEPPER OR MUSHROOM MASCARPONE FILLED CINNAMON DONUTS

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KRANKSY served on a warm roll with Sauerkraut, pickles and seeded mustard, with shoestring fries.	24
PULLED CHICKEN BURGER with lettuce, tomato, avocado and ranch dressing, served with shoestring	26 g fries.
HERB CRUMBED CHICKEN OR VEAL SCHNITZEL served with a garden salad, shoestring fries and gravy	c 26   v 30
SALMON CAESAR SALAD	30
PANFRIED BARRAMUNDI BURGER with lettuce, cucumber and dill aioli, served with shoestring fries.	32
STEAK BURGER with lettuce, tomato, caramelised onion, beetroot and aioli, served with shoestring fries.	32
HOUSE-MADE PIE OF THE DAY served with mashed potatoes, mushy peas and gravy	32
GUTHEGA HOUSE BURGER our famous double-stacked cheese and bacon burger served with shoestring fries.	36
KIDS MENU	
BATTERED FISH	18
CHEESEBURGER	18
CHICKEN SCHNITZEL	18
kids meals are served with seasonal greens or chips	

#### **DIETARY NEEDS**

If you have special dietary needs, our talented chefs can cater for vegetarians, vegans, gluten intolerances and most allergies. Let us know how we can help.