

Highway Alpine Club

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Highway Alpine, Perisher Valley 6457 5283

Thurlow Lodge, 6/6 Thurlow Avenue, Nelson Bay .



Members for regular updates on accommodation and general club information please regularly check our web site <http://www.highwayalpine.com.au> which also shows easy links to our treasurer, information, booking and maintenance directors. Contacts for all of our board members are published on page 5

It would help the club greatly if members were willing to receive booking notices etc by e-mail, so please send your current e-mail address to info@highwayalpine.com.au to help keep our addresses up to date

Closure of Perisher Fire station -The state government intends to close the Perisher Valley Fire station for 8 months of the year as a cost cutting initiative, so if there is a fire or major accident only a part time brigade from Jindabyne will come to the rescue, Keystone cops style. The club and 'Slopes' have been lobbying members of the State Parliament and Fire Commissioners to reverse the decision. So far we have only been successful in delaying the closure date. It is not reassuring that both Jindabyne and Cooma are not served by permanent Fire Officers.

Of great concern to all lodge owners is the likelihood that our already high Insurance premiums will increase because of the perceived risk to our unprotected buildings. **Stop Press!** -We have failed in our attempt to keep Perisher Fire Station operating 12 months a year- It will now only be manned in the ski season

It's on again this year the Perisher Snowy Mountains of music festival 8 - 11 June. Went last year and had a hoot of a time with Blues, Roots, Gypsy, Folk and Bush poetry. Venues are at Smiggins, Perisher and Guthega with a free bus service between venues including up to the sundeck. Last year there was overnight parking at Smiggins, check with the NP&WS Perisher. Web site for the festival <http://snowymountainsofmusic.com.au/page/festivalinfo>. 2010 was two in the lodge, 2011 there was four, 2012 could we have eight. Please check the web site.

Don't miss out on our Easter Special deal for Thurlow - five nights accommodation commencing Thursday 5th April through to 10am Monday 9th April for only \$380. And same deal from 2pm Monday 9th April through to 10am Saturday 14th April.

Work on the lodge has been limited to necessary maintenance as the last two winter seasons were disappointing and so poorly patronised by members resulting in a drop in income. We have received a large quantity of redundant carpet tiles from UTS thanks to Bryce. Most of the available work party time will be devoted to carpet laying. It is intended to use the carpet tiles in the games room and in the basement. Any volunteers?.

The hall wall heater in the entrance hall has run out of puff. A replacement heater the same as in Rooms1 & 2 will be installed at the Easter working Bee.

The Easter period is when we restock the lodge with essentials and review the lodge condition for future work parties and major projects like painting the interior and re-cladding the exterior, so those members interested in the work parties watch our web site <http://www.highwayalpine.com.au>.

General Lodge Operation For the smooth operation of the lodge and the comfort of guests it is important that the board is notified of any problems, breakages or equipment malfunctions that occur during your stay. Please you may contact any member of the board, but if the problem is urgent please contact Alan Marshall or Albert Brown martechm@optusnet.com.au or jeanette.browne@bigpond.com

Weekly Bookings are now open for 2012

There is no increase in tariff for either Perisher Lodge or Thurlow, however is was necessary to increase the annual subscription for 2012 to \$100.0

To achieve priority with your by **29 March 2012**. The tariff schedule is detailed on page 3.

Dates

Highway Winter Season	8 June11 to 6 October 12
Queen's Birthday Weekend	8 June to 11 June
Labour Day Weekend	29 September to 1 October
School Holidays	30 June to 14 July;- 22 September to 6 October

Booking Times

Weeks	Sat 12 noon to Sat 12 noon
Weekends	Fri to Sun <u>or</u> Sat to Mon

Bookings for weekend and short mid week stays will be accepted from the Queen's Birthday weekend

Priority Bookings

As in previous years, all bookings for weekly periods (and for the Queen's Birthday and Labour Day weekends) received from Members, Associates and Non-Members on or before Wednesday 28 March shall be afforded priority. To achieve priority, your completed application form and cheque for full tariff must be lodged with the Club by **8am on Wednesday 28 March to Highway Alpine Club Co. Op Ltd, GPO Box 2357, Sydney NSW 2001.**

Remember there is only one clearance of the PO Box each morning at 8am.

Ski Lockers – There are now some vacant lockers available for rent at \$30 per year. To be fair to all members only one locker may be rented per membership so please don't ask for more.

Family and Friends welcome – Please let your family and friends know they are very welcome to use both Perisher and Thurlow lodges. We are also willing to send out booking information to people you recommend.

HIGHWAY ALPINE CLUB CO-OP LIMITED

TARIFFS 2012 SKI SEASON

RATES		OFF PEAK EARLY	SHOULDER	PEAK	OFF PEAK LATE	SUMMER RATE 2013
DATES		9-Jun-12 to 23-Jun-12	23-Jun-12 to 28-Jul-12	28-Jul-12 to 1-Sep-12	1-Sep-12 to 6-Oct-12	6 Oct - '12 to 7 - Jun - '13
MEMBERS						
Member, Spouse, Dependent Child over 18 years of age	Week	230	473	525	300	160
	Night	46	95	105	60	32
Member's Child under 18 years of age	Week	155	315	350	200	105
	Night	31	63	70	40	21
Member's Child under 5 years of age	Week	46	95	105	60	32
	Night	10	20	23	12	7
ASSOCIATES						
Assoc, Spouse, Dependent Child over 18 years of age	Week	275	565	630	360	190
	Night	55	113	126	72	38
Associate's Child under 18 years of age	Week	185	375	420	240	125
	Night	37	75	84	48	25
Associate's Child under 5 years of age	Week	55	113	126	72	38
	Night	11	23	25	14	8
GUESTS						
Guest, Spouse, Dependent Child over 18 years of age	Week	320	660	735	420	225
	Night	64	132	147	84	45
Guest's Child under 18 years of age	Week	215	440	490	280	150
	Night	43	88	98	56	30
Guest's Child under 5 years of age	Week	65	295	325	185	100
	Night	13	59	65	37	20

Thurlow Lodge.

Members, family of members and their friends can use the unit for week-end, mid-week and weekly bookings. It is a very clean, two bedroom unit that sleeps five people (a main double bedroom with the second bedroom providing a single ensemble and two bunk beds) The living area is comfortable and airy with glass doors opening to a balcony providing good outdoor living and lovely picturesque views of the beautiful Port Stephens harbour. It also has a good size bathroom, and a modern laundry with washing machine and dryer

Thurlow Tariff

Per Unit Weekly (incl. booking fee)	
	Member
Easter (6 Apr- 14 Apr)* Special.	
15 Apr to 22 Sept	\$350
22 Sept to 1 Dec	\$420
1 Dec to 15 Dec	\$500
15 Dec to 29 Jan 13	\$700
29 Jan to Easter 13	\$400



Tariff includes \$15.00 booking fee and \$80.00 cleaning fee. Nightly tariff is 30% of weekly rate.

Applications received after 29 March will be allocated after the initial allocation of all A, B, C and D class bookings. These will be allocated in order of receipt, however priority will be given to weekly bookings. Weekend and irregular period bookings will only be accepted after 08 June and will be allocated only if accommodation is available.



Can you identify this member? Skiing off our, roof circa 1964.

AS A CURTESY TO OUR BOOKING MANAGERS PLEASE CHECK THE AVAILABILITY DATES OF YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY/FRIENDS BEFORE ENQUIRING ABOUT VACANCIES

Booking Contact Details

Highway: Michelle Lorsch (between 7pm-9pm)

0411 796 769

bookings@highwayalpine.com.au

mlorsch@ace-recruitment.com.au

Thurlow: Pat Martin

9399 8372 (9.00am – 6.00pm, Mon-Fri)

Unit 3b, 94 Alison Road, Randwick NSW 2031

Don't forget keep up to date with vacancies and special tariff deals on our website <http://www.highwayalpine.com.au>

The annual subscription of \$100 is now due!

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