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ABOUT

There's no need to feel like a stranger on the slopes. Join the Ski Club of Victoria and transform your favourite snow sport into an authentic social experience.

SCV is like a village within the village. A close-knit community that is welcoming and sincere. Somewhere you and your kids can enjoy spontaneous fun among an expanding circle of friends. SCV is an easy-going group with a passion for skiing and snowboarding, and sharing it all with friends and family. Membership is rewarding on so many levels. On the slopes you'll find yourself exhilarated by the winter outdoors, then captivated by the camaraderie of post-race get togethers. Off the slopes, become part of lively gatherings where laughter trumps polite conversation every time.

Membership also means value. It affords all the benefits you'd expect from such an iconic club – magnificent cuisine, comfortable accommodation, diverse events, generous discounts and a presence that only 90 years of history can create.

**"Kick the snow off your boots as you enter,
For this is no ordinary shack,
It is built in the name of a skier,
Who knew how to carry his pack.**

**Relax and enjoy this haven,
As the log fires crackle and glow,
Warm your heart with the memory,
Of a soldier who loved the snow.**

**With the highest ideals of a sportsman,
He's gone to the ultimate Crest,
Kick the snow off your boots as you enter,
By example this Lodge has been blessed "**

HISTORY

In the first decades of the 20th century the only skiing in Victoria was at Mt Buffalo. Getting there involved an arduous 24-hour journey from Melbourne.

In 1924, an intrepid group calling themselves the Ski Club of Victoria decided to bring the adventure of skiing much closer to home. At their first meeting, great enthusiasm was shown over a picture of snow-capped Mt Buller. There was even more excitement when, on Sunday 8 June 1924, an expeditionary party from the club set out for the summit.

The SCV's first accommodation was Lovick's Hut, a rough timber and corrugated iron cattlemen's shack. As skiing became more popular in 1929, a small chalet was built at Horse Hill.

SCV member, Major Ivor Whittaker, known as 'Ike' had been a keen skier at Mt Buller but lost his life on active service in the Middle East during World WarTwo. His will made provision for the SCV to build a lodge at Mt Buller for the benefit of Victorian skiing.

Ivor's parents and trustees of his estate, Mr and Mrs Robert C Whittaker honoured their son's wishes and in May 1944, provided the SCV with £500 to build a skier's retreat – the Ivor Whittaker Memorial Lodge, known affectionately as the Whitt. Today, the Whitt is home to the SCV and effectively, the home of skiing on Mt Buller.



Member BENEFITS

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ACCOMMODATION

SCV Members not only receive discounted accommodation but are given early access to book all accommodation.

Full Members receive 15% off

Full Member Plus receive 25% off, plus 2 x 50% off 1-nights accommodation vouchers (T&C's apply)

FOOD & BEVERAGE

Being an SCV Members means gaining access to one of Mount Bullers most popular social venues. Our highly regarded Whitt restaurant and bar are among Mount Bullers best.

Full Members receive 15% off all food and beverage.

Full Member Plus receive 20% off all food and beverage.

RACING PROGRAM

Racing has been a large part of the SCV since the club began.

Racing Members enjoy:

Full winter racing program

Professional race course

Professional race timing

Race categories catering to all age groups (U5-95)

Race presentations are held each Saturday afternoon.

Annual Club Champion recognition

Great prizes

OTHER

- Weekly newsletters and updates
- Social Events
- E-wallet facilities
- Annual Christmas Party

PARKING & LOCKERS

SCV Member Plus Members have access to both Onsite Parking and Village access passes for the winter season.

Park in one of the best locations on Mount Buller

The SCV has 50 Lockers available for seasonal rental. Stop lugging your skis and boots around town when you can store them right next to Bourke Street



WHITT RESTAURANT

Known for its wide-ranging appeal and emphasis on fresh local produce, the Whitt Restaurant offers modern Australian-style cooking with a European flair.

Tantalizing, creative, exciting and delicious. Every flavor complements the Whitt's recently renovation that makes the place even more inviting. Perfect for every occasion, from intimate dining to large family groups.

Members receive priority bookings for Saturday nights and reserved seating for lunch. Members also enjoy discounted food and beverage.

IKES BAR

Ike's Bar at the Whitt is an institution. An après ski watering hole and favorite meeting place of mountain locals. Ike's is ideal for a quick bevvvy between runs and as a place to prop with friends at night. You'll rub jackets with all kinds of interesting people – from ski instructors to first-season visitors. Everyone's there to recount the antics of the day, swap stories from past seasons and fortify themselves for powdery days ahead.

COFFEE GARAGE

After our official opening in June 2016, it wasn't long before the Coffee Garage was known as the best coffee on Mount Buller. Come and try our house roasted Gnarly blend, the only coffee to be roasted on Mount Buller at 1630m while you enjoy light meals and toasting a marshmallow on our open fire pit.

The Coffee Garage is fast becoming the place to be at Mount Buller.

Open daily from 7am



RACING PROGRAM

Snowsports Racing (Alpine and Snowboard) is one of the main reasons SCV was created and until 1955 the SCV managed all Victorian skiing and ski racing.

Today race days are competitive, but never at the expense of fun. Our races are often a family event and our results are based on an improvement-based handicap system, so that everyone who participates gets the credit they deserve (unless their own children beat them, as often happens, and then there's plenty of friendly banter all round).

SCV Saturday races have helped develop many Australian and Olympic ski and snowboard champions including Marilla, Alistair and Anthony Guss, Rob McIntyre, Judy and Peter Forass, Peter Brockhoff and Anton Grimus. As a club we strive to see our junior racers continue to make the SCV a gateway for winter sports champions.

The SCV created its own sponsorship program to help out up and coming athletes with the financial strain of competing at an international level, athletes such as Jakara Anthony, Jonty O'Callaghan and Jess Haslau have all received financial assistance from the SCV to keep their Winter Olympic dreams alive.

The SCV runs 8 Saturday races through out the winter season. Please see our Racing Calendar for more details.

PARKING & LOCKERS

The SCV has 22 onsite parking spaces that "Member Plus" Members can rent on a seasonal basis. Please inquire at reception for more details or to join the wait list.

The SCV has 50 lockers available for seasonal rental. Stop lugging your skis and boots around town when you can store them right next to Bourke Street. Lockers are available for 1 year seasonal rental.

Please see the locker application form for more details.



ACCOMMODATION

The Ski Club of Victoria offers both hotel style accommodation and the traditional lodge experience.

Both SCV lodges – Ivor Whittaker Memorial Lodge (the Whitt) and Kandahar Lodge – enable you to ski straight to Shakey Knees and Bourke Street runs from your front door.

Kandahar Lodge is self-catering with comfortable bunkrooms, shared bathrooms and comes with full ski-in ski-out service.

The Whitt offers en suite bedrooms with in-house access to Mt Buller's most popular social venues – our highly regarded restaurant and the historic and thoroughly charming Ikes Bar.

All Whitt rooms come equipped with all linen and towels, toiletries, a small bar fridge, tea and coffee making facilities, TV, DVD player and daily servicing.

There are 5 room types;

Whitt Standard Room - Sleeps 2-5

Whitt Studio Room with Kitchenette - Sleeps 4

Whitt Studio Apartment - Sleeps 7

The Studio and Standard rooms can be joined to create a 2 bedroom suite that sleeps 9.

Kandahar Rooms come equipped with linen and guests are expected to strip their beds on departure. The lodge offers a fully self catered kitchen with all your daily needs, plenty of dining space, 2 x living areas and an open fireplace.

Both lodges offer a drying room and ski storage for guests.

We encourage you to arrive early and make the most of our luggage storage facilities at each lodge.

Members get first choice....

Priority Members Only Bookings open in November each year and run through to March.

For more information please contact our friendly reception staff on

reservations@skivictoria.com.au



Member CATEGORIES

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FAMILIES

Families are our biggest Membership category as the club prides itself on its family values.

A family membership includes 2 x Adults and 2 or more children, under the age of 21.

COUPLES

The SCV has many couple members and what a great way to meet like minded couples who enjoy skiing and having a drink and dinner in The Whitt bar after a long day on the slopes

A Couple Membership includes any 2 Members residing together.

INDIVIDUALS

The SCV has a few individual categories

Individual 21+ is for any individual over the age of 21.

Individual 18-21 is for Individuals between the age of 18 and 21, where no parent is a member

and finally..

Adult Family Member is for previous family members that have reached the age of 21 to continue their membership as a young individual.

MEMBER PLUS

We at the SCV understand that not all our Members needs are the same. For this reason we introduced the "Member Plus" tier to all our Membership Categories.

"Member Plus" Members can benefit further with higher discounts, vouchers and parking options. While our social Members can still enjoy our clubs facilities at a more affordable price.

Member Plus receive 25% off accommodation rates"



HOW TO JOIN

Joining the club is easy and new members are always welcome.

To apply you must fill in the attached Membership Nomination Form and return it via email to reservations@skivictoria.com.au or hand it in at The Whitt reception.

All membership nominations require a Proposer and Seconder, but don't stress, if you do not know of anyone who can propose and second your application please contact one of our reservations staff by emailing.

There is a one off \$400 joining fee to be paid along with your first annual subs and subsequently you just need to maintain your subscriptions annually.

Our membership year spans from the 1st November each year to 31st October the following year. The following years fees are always invoiced to you in November.

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We look forward to welcoming you to The Ski Club of Victoria soon and please don't hesitate to contact us if you require any further information

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