# **BEBRUE BI BINDA**

*"Bebrue" Oxley Drive, Mittagong NSW 2575* 

## South Coast and Highlands Region

State Training and Campsite Centre





# **Booking and Site Information**

for

# **Bebrue Campsite**

Outdoor sites for up to 50 people

and

Winifred Egan Cottage Indoor accommodation suitable for up to 30 people

### BEBRUE

Bebrue was created in 1972 when 8<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> acres of natural bushland on the top of Mount Gibraltar at Mittagong was donated to the Girl Guides Association for the establishment of a camping and outdoors facility. Today, the site offers a training and well-protected camping facility set amongst beautiful, natural surrounds that are also ideal for bird watching. The adjacent north-east side of Mount Gibraltar offers walking trails to explore.



Bebrue is conveniently located approximately 1½ hours south from the Sydney CBD and is well worth a visit. It is ideal for hosting indoor and outdoor camping activities as well as providing a relaxing atmosphere for conferences and trainings in a fully secure site. Onsite parking is available. Floodlight on campsite is provided.



Bebrue Campsite is available to all members of Girl Guides Australia for indoor and outdoor camping, hikes, barbeques, meetings, trainings and other Guide gatherings. The campsite and cottage is also available to other organisations and individuals. Non-guiding groups must hold their own public liability insurance policy.

All plant and animal life are strictly protected and campers are requested to take the greatest care in this respect.

#### **ACTIVITIES AT BEBRUE:**

- Archery Range: Available to hire for unit use or for State Archery Trainings. This range is a new facility with modern equipment. Local Leaders who are archery qualified are available to run this activity for your group.
- **Obstacle Course:** This is a new addition to Bebrue and Stage 1 is now ready for use. This is suitable for younger Guides and requires no qualifications to run. It is an ideal activity to split the group when doing archery. The Obstacle Course Box in the cottage hall cupboard contains everything you need to run this activity.

#### LOCAL ACTIVITIES:

Local swimming pools – Mittagong and Bowral. Sporting amenities – Mittagong and Bowral. Lake Alexandra – scenic picnic and barbeque areas as well as walking areas. Bradman Cricket Museum – Bowral. Bush walks- beginner to experienced walks all locally Markets, Antiques and galleries Award winning country cinema Farm tours Open Gardens History and Heritage – Historic Berrima Village Cycling Horse riding National Parks- lookouts, gorges, waterfalls, walk, picnic areas



### INDOOR ACCOMMODATION

#### Winifred Egan Cottage:

The cottage sleeps a maximum of 30 people, including staff. The main bedroom accommodates 18 on floor mattresses plus there is a staff bedroom for 3 and additional bunk beds and floor space in the enclosed veranda. Pillows are provided but please provide your own pillowcases, sheets & blankets or sleeping bags. <u>A sheet must be used to cover the mattresses</u>.

**Kitchen:** The cottage has a fully equipped kitchen, and a dining/activities room. The kitchen is equipped with 2 electric stoves/ovens, refrigerator, freezer, microwave, toaster, cooking utensils, crockery and cutlery. The dining room is conveniently placed off the kitchen.

When departing, the **refrigerator** is to be left switched on. Do not leave any food in the kitchen as this attracts mice and ants.

Protective covering supplied must be used on tables before using tables for handcrafts.

Please do not chop or cut food on sinks and benches. Hot water and soap are sufficient for cleaning.

- **Bathroom:** There is a separate bathroom with 2 showers, 2 toilets, and hand basins. These include disability access. Please note the comments re septic system and toilets.
- **Floors:** Damp mop with hot water and a dash of dishwashing liquid only.
- **Fire Alarms:** The fire alarm system is mains powered with battery backup. In the event the alarm is accidentally triggered, evacuate the building and reset it. In the event of a fire, the building must be evacuated immediately. Please read the fire drill notices upon your arrival.
- **Heating:** Electric column heaters are provided for clean, easy heating.
- **Power:** To be switched on at power board at rear of cottage. Instructions inside box.



"Joyce Arnold" Chapel

### OUTDOOR ACCOMODATION

#### The Campsite:

Accommodates up to 50 campers. Patrol Campsite and attached cooking area.

#### QM Shed:

QM Shed containing 1 fridge/freezer. An electric jug and urn in QM area is for convenience of Leaders

#### **Camp Stokes Shed:**

All equipment is located in the Camp Stokes Shed. Equipment must be replaced in the correct place. Please report the condition of all equipment used on the checklist form. <u>WET TENTS MUST NOT BE PACKED AWAY</u>. They are to be hung up in the Camp Stokes Shed and the Campsite Booking Officer informed.

**Boilers:** Extra care must be taken when the boilers are in use. Make sure young people do not skylark in this area. An adult must supervise the dipping of hot water and all children instructed in correct safety procedures for handling hot water.

#### **Camping Equipment:**

Bell tents, Store Tent, Marquee, Patrol boxes, metal and plastic buckets, axes, spades, grills etc. all located in Stokes hut.

Extensive range of QM equipment available. Boilers are available.

#### Campsite Cooking Flat:

Trench fires are permitted in this area. A tap is available beside the "Joy Bartlett" sign. A Bush BBQ is also available down the walking track behind the cooking flat.



#### **Outdoor Shower block:**

The outside block has 2 toilets and 1 showers and a Leaders/disabled toilet and shower next door. The power to this block has to be turned on in the main campsite power box in the storeroom beside the QM shed. The hot water is to be turned on only for showers, please do not turn it on it not using the outdoor showers as it does not feed into any other taps.

**Power:** Campsite power is connected to the shed and the power board is located in the storage room beside QM area. Firstly switch on power at power board at rear of cottage, see instructions inside box. Please switch off all power when leaving, as per instructions in box. Spotlight for campsite available- switch is on the campsite power board. Fluorescent light under T shed roof – switch beside QM area door.

At the end of your camp, please close all internal and external doors, to keep birds from becoming trapped in the interior.

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

- **Keys:** Please phone the Booking Officer the week prior to your booking to arrange key pickup time and location. Badge quantities required can be confirmed for collection with the keys. The keys open all necessary locks except the Archery Storeroom.
- Vehicles: Cars may be driven and parked on the road edge at the turning circle, in front of the flagpole or in the area adjacent to the cottage. Vehicles can cause damage to the campsite, particularly after rain. Trolleys and wheelbarrows for carrying heavy loads can be found in the Camp Stokes Shed.

# To help maintain the privacy and safety of the campsite, and of the neighbours, please close the gate to the road at night.

Water: The water is town water and is available to the cottage and all campsites. Please ensure that taps are not left dripping. To minimise erosion and mud a bucket should be placed under all outside taps.

#### Septic systems:

All toilets are a septic system. The showers also drain into these systems. It is essential the campers are educated to use them appropriately and only 'Safe for Septic' cleaners and/or disinfectants are used in both the toilets and the showers. Sanitary napkins and tampons *must* be placed in the bins provided. It is the responsibility of each group to dispose of these items appropriately.

# To avoid blocking the system, please only use <u>2ply (max) toilet tissue</u> for all toilet facilities.

At the end of your camp, the bins must be left in a clean state with fresh plastic bags in each bin. Before departing the campsite, please flush each toilet and put the lids down, to stop mosquitoes breeding in the bowls, and shut each toilet door/curtain.

- **Fires:** Are to be lit in fireplaces provided, on the camp cooking flat, or in the campfire circle. Anyone wishing to dig a trench fire must do so on the camp cooking flat only. All campers must check fire restrictions before coming to camp.
- **Firewood:** Is available from the woodpiles at the camp cooking flat, at the Campfire Circle or in the dry wood box in the Camp Stokes Shed. All unused wood, including half burnt logs, is to be stacked neatly in the woodpiles and not left at fireplaces. All ashes are to be scattered in the bush once extinguished or buried in the trench fire pit. Shovels and metal buckets for water are in the Camp Stokes Shed.

# The Dry Wood Box is only for use if campsite wood is damp and must be re-stocked for the next group if used.

#### "Kathleen Badgery" Campfire circle: This is located to the left of the flagpole.

#### "Joyce Arnold" Chapel:

This is located behind the Campfire Circle. This chapel has been consecrated and can be used as a place of worship or as a lovely quiet bush place for reflection and a Guides Own.

**Flagpole:** There is a full-sized flagpole on the campsite. Please bring your own flags. A World Flag is available in the Cottage Leader's bedroom cupboard.

#### The Archery Range:

This is at the rear of the Stokes Hut is out of bounds unless you are participating in booked archery sessions.

**Cleaning:** Each group using the campsite is to provide their own cleaning materials and 2ply toilet paper. Campsite materials used must be replaced. The Bebrue Committee takes no responsibility for ensuring the presence of toilet paper for your group to use. A cleaning inspection is held after each group departs. All facilities must be left in a condition that is ready for the next group to use.

# It is the responsibility of each group to thoroughly clean the cottage and showers/toilets and barbeques. A cleaning fee will be charged to any group that does not leave the facilities clean for the next group to use.

- **Rubbish:** There is no garbage collection service at Bebrue so any group using the site is responsible for the removal of all their own garbage, including the contents of the sanitary bins. If the campsite committee needs to remove your rubbish you will be charged for the service.
- **First Aid:** Please bring your own first aid kit. Ensure kit is prepared for spider, snake and bull ant bites. Bebrue is a bush site and as such includes these insects and animals.

#### Mobile Phone Coverage:

Most mobile phone carriers have reception at the campsite and it is best in front of the cottage. Other carriers have reception available at the top of the driveway.

- **Badges:** Cloth "Bebrue" badges are available on request from the Booking Officer at \$0.50ea.
- **Breakages:** Please report these when paying camp fees. All damages and breakages must be paid for: Glassware and crockery is \$3.00 a piece. Other replacement costs are at market value for the new item.
- **Faults:** Please advise of any faults or equipment in need of repair on your Campsite Checklist for the attention of the Bebrue Committee.

#### **Gas Barbeques:**

2 gas barbeques are available for hire. Please advise if required at time of booking.

#### LOCAL CONTACTS:

- **Shopping:** Mittagong Market Place, on the Hume Highway, just down from Mittagong RSL. This complex includes Woolworths, Aldi, BigW, Best and Less, plus a newsagent, chemist, bakery and banks.
- **Doctor:** Mittagong Medical Centre. 17 Regent Street, Mittagong (02) 4871 1500
- Fire brigade: Please check fire restrictions with Mittagong Fire Brigade (02) 4871 1808
- **Hospital:** Bowral Hospital. Bowral Street, Bowral, NSW 2576. Phone: (02) 4861 0200 (Emergency Department)
- **Bus hire:** Bus Service is available for hire Berrima Coaches (02) 4871 1023

Tourist information centre: 62 Main Street, Mittagong. Phone: (02) 4871 2888 www.southern-highlands.com.au

#### EMERGENCY MAINTENANCE CONTACTS.

Please report all problems to:

Anne Barcicki	(02) 4868 2590	or	0415 909 913
Vivienne Rae			0457 432 116
Pamela Bedford	(02) 4887 7820	or	0421 848 032

### **BEBRUE CAMPSITE CHARGES**

Indoor and Outdoor Camping: Wingecarribee Division South Coast & Highlands Region All other Girl Guide Members * Non-guiding groups	\$5.00 per camper per day \$6.50 per camper per day \$10.00 per camper per day \$15.00 per camper per day
Day only use: Campsite day use (Unit/Division/Region) Cottage day use (Unit/Division/Region) Campsite use for evening unit meeting Cottage use for evening unit meeting Use of campsite/cottage while completing service to Bebrue * Non-guiding groups – cottage and/or campsite	<ul> <li>\$3.00 per person</li> <li>\$3.00 per person</li> <li>\$10 per unit</li> <li>\$10 per unit</li> <li>FREE</li> <li>\$15 per hour</li> </ul>
Other charges: Obstacle Course Use of gas BBQ Hire of Tents Hire of Patrol Boxes	FREE \$5.00 per day \$5.00 per day each tent \$5.00 per day each patrol box
<b>Archery:</b> Wingecarribee Division South Coast & Highland Region All other Guide Members	<ul><li>\$4.00 per person</li><li>\$5.00 per person</li><li>\$6.00 per person</li></ul>

**NB** Archery equipment can only be hired if 2 leaders are in attendance who both hold the appropriate qualification. We can supply local qualified Leaders if required. Please advise at time of booking.

Weekend = 2 days whether you arrive Friday night or Saturday morning.

(\* Non-guiding groups must hold their own public liability insurance policy.)

### **DEPOSIT & CANCELLATION FEE**

A deposit of \$35.00 **MUST** be paid to confirm a booking. Dates unfortunately cannot be held any longer than 1 week without a deposit. Bookings may be cancelled up to 4 weeks before the booking date and deposit minus \$5 administration fee will be refunded. Bookings cancelled within 4 weeks of the camp will forfeit the deposit.

Balance of fees must be paid on completion of stay.

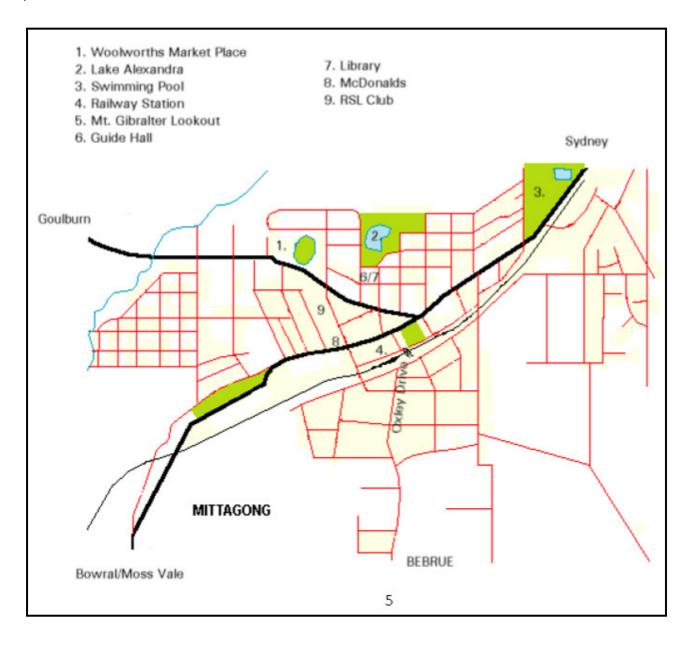
Cheques made payable to: **Girl Guides Association (NSW)** and sent to the address below along <u>with the attached 'Booking Form'.</u>

GGA Bebrue Campsite Booking Officer,

Vivienne Rae 23 Jasmine Street Colo Vale NSW 2575

## HOW DO YOU FIND BEBRUE?

Bebrue is located at 116 Oxley Drive, Mittagong. For those travelling by public transport take the train to Mittagong Railway then walk or taxi to the campsite 1.7kms away. Using own transport, follow the attached map.



#### Instructions on finding Bebrue:

Follow road to main street in Mittagong – If coming from Bowral/Moss Vale turn right at McDonalds (from Sydney you will need to turn left at McDonalds) and go underneath the railway line – IMMEDIATELY turn to your left.

Oxley Drive is next turn on your right, go up the hill 1.7km and Bebrue is on left hand side of Oxley Drive – just past Acacia Street (on your right).

There is a small Girl Guide sign and Bebrue is painted in blue on the gate. The house next door is called The Croft.

You may park on the road edge in the campsite, below the cottage, or adjacent to the cottage but please do not park under the roof of the Jan Tate T shed (it looks like a carport – but the concrete floor will not take the weight of a car! This shed is for activity use).