

Low cost camping at Newbridge Recreation Reserve.

The Recreation Reserve is operated by a Volunteer Committee of Management that maintains the Football/Netball/Tennis club rooms, ovals, and facilities on Crown Land adjacent to the Loddon River.

It is a popular camping venue for summer use along the riverfront

They have agreed to reserve a large flat camping area for the orienteers to use over Easter, and to open the change rooms for extra shower and toilet facilities. Orienteering Victoria is taking bookings on behalf of the Reserve management, so that interstate competitors can be certain of space when they arrive, even after the main rush of local campers. The designated area is shown in purple on the attached map.

The general camping showers/toilets (3 each for men and women) will be supplemented with additional facilities **for pre-booked Orienteers**, and open in the afternoons into early evening:

a) Netball Change rooms for the **women**, with 4 partitioned showers, and

b) both the Home, and Away, Football Change rooms for the **men** each with 4 shower heads but no partitions.

Additional individual showers are available in the Coaches change room and the general camping showers, one of which is suitable for disabled. These are shared with the public campers.

Water is supplied from tanks that collect rainwater on site, and you are asked to be economical with it. Additional water will be trucked in from a town water supply if needed. Riverwater is used for irrigation of the playing fields. The rainwater is regarded by the locals as drinkable, but is not tested, and at your risk.

There is no water available for refilling caravan/RV water tanks.

Please come self-sufficient with drinking water.

Newbridge has a Pub and a General Store, **but no other shops.**

You should be self-sufficient for food and cooking.

The General Store has some limited supplies of groceries, and serves coffees and snacks, but closes at 3pm on weekends. The Pub will be open and serving beers, but the dining facilities would normally be heavily booked at Easter even without the addition of orienteers.

The nearest shops are:

Tarnagulla 10km West,

Pub, Café and Post Office

Bridgewater on Loddon, 18km North:

Petrol and ATM, 6am to 6pm

Bakery Café, and Pub

Marong, 23km East

Pub, 24hr Diesel

Dunolly, 25km SouthWest

Maiden Gully, 30km East

Bendigo, 40km East

The Fine Print:

Booking fee (once per booking) is non-refundable

Per night fee of \$15 may be amended/cancelled until 48 hours before arrival, when we pass it on the Reserve management on your behalf.

Mobile Phone reception is marginal, but better in our reserved area (see map), than down by the river where it is non-existent.

There is **no power available** to campers. Recharge your devices from the car.

If you really need to use your generator, eg for your self-contained shower, email the organiser of this camping event, and we will discuss.