

Mendooran Food Cycle Program 15 to 18 May 2025



By Central West Cycle Trail Inc



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Time	Activity	Location	Organised by	Price	Link to tickets
Thursday 15 May					
9.00am 	Ride Gulgong to Dunedoo (58km) 'join the crew heading to Mendooran via the CWC Trail' CLICK HERE FOR ROUTE	Coronation Park, Mayne St, Gulgong	CWCT Committee but self-guided	free	Indicate intention to ride - thanks
4 - 5.30pm	Dunedoo Museum Tour , get to know the history of the area with our local historian.	Dunedoo Museum (same building as Library) Bolaro St, Dunedoo	Sharon Nott, local historian	\$10	Buy ticket
Friday 16 May					
8.30am 	Ride Dunedoo to Mendooran via Cobbora (67km) 'join the crew heading to Mendooran via the CWC Trail'	White Rose Cafe. Bolaro Street, Dunedoo	CWCT Committee but self-guided	free	Indicate intention to ride - thanks
9am- 10.30am	Dunedoo Museum Tour , get to know the history of the area with our local historian.	Dunedoo Museum (same building as Library) Bolaro St, Dunedoo	Sharon Nott, local historian	\$10	Buy Ticket
9.30 - 11.45am	Brunch at "Cobbora Station". On your way to Mendooran from Dunedoo one of the iconic stops is Cobbora Station for brunch.	"Cobbora Station", turn west off Cobbora Rd, 500m from edge of township of Cobbora, 25 km from Dunedoo via CWCT	Sally Dent	\$33	Buy ticket (booking essential)
6.00pm	Dinner at Memorial Club, selection of soups and damper	Memorial Club, Bandulla St, Mendooran	Memorial Club	TBA	
6.00pm onwards	Dinner at the Mendooran Royal Hotel	15 Bandulla St, Mendooran	The Royal Hotel	As per menu	
Saturday 17 May					
7.30am 	Mendooran-Dunedoo Century Ride: Long loop ride (120km) to Cobbora, Dunedoo (lunch), then back via Digilah, Route follows the CWC Trail. CLICK HERE FOR ROUTE	Crackerz Cafe, Bandulla St, Mendooran	CWCT Committee but self-guided	free	Indicate intention to ride - thanks

8.15am 	Rides Merrygoen , short loop (35 km) and long loop (55 km). CLICK HERE FOR ROUTE	Crackerz Cafe, Bandulla St, Mendooran	CWCT members John Fuller & Mick Cooper	free	Indicate intention to ride - thanks
8.30 - 9.45am 	Ride around Mendooran (8 km), a quiet cycle through the back streets and along the river. CLICK HERE FOR ROUTE	Crackerz Cafe, Bandulla St, Mendooran	CWCT Committee member Sharon Nott	free	Indicate intention to ride - thanks
10.00 - 11.30am	Mendooran Heritage and Architectural Walk , classic examples of Art Deco and typical colonial styles, hear the stories.	Crackerz Cafe, Bandulla St, Mendooran	Barbara Hickson, Heritage Architect and CWCT, and Sharon Nott, CWCT	\$5.00	Buy ticket (booking essential)
10.30 - 11.45pm	Morning Tea café at the Showground.	O'Leary Pavilion, Showground, 35 Dalglish Street, Mendooran	Mendooran CWA	TBA	Ticket Link to come
12.50 - 2.30pm	Clem's Garden Tour . Introduction to his goats and then stroll around his garden providing the good oil on what and when to grow in the Central West. Clem is a local gardener who grows a very substantial part of his annual food supply needs.	O'Leary Pavilion, Showground, 35 Dalglish Street, Mendooran	Clem Chapman - local Mendooran gardener	\$5.00	Buy ticket (booking essential)
1.00 - 2.30pm	Life of Bees and Tastes of Honey . This will get your mind buzzing! An incredible insight into and a taste of the Australian bee industry from Adrian Grew principal of The Bee Farmer. Now includes Dark Sky Meadery.	79 Frederick Road, Mendooran	Adrian Grew, The Bee Farmer	\$20	Buy ticket (booking essential)
3.00 - 4.30pm	Life of Bees and Tastes of Honey . This will get your mind buzzing! An incredible insight into and a taste of the Australian bee industry from Adrian Grew principal of The Bee Farmer. Now includes Dark Sky Meadery.	79 Frederick Road, Mendooran	Adrian Grew, The Bee Farmer	\$20	Buy ticket (booking essential)

5.30pm onwards	<h2 style="text-align: center;">Tastes of Mendooran Dinner</h2> <p>The fire will be alight, whilst the Mendooran Show Society provides a multi-course dinner. Vegetarian options available. With the baked vegetables you can select from the slow cookers the lamb, the beef, the pork of the district. Vegetarian options available. Then the desserts made from local goodies.</p>	O'Leary Pavilion, Showground, 35 Dalglish Street, Mendooran	The Mendooran Pastoral Agricultural & Horticultural Society.	\$35	Buy ticket (booking essential)
Sunday 18 May					
8.15am 	Ride Mendooran to Dunedoo via Cobbora and visit Sally's for Brunch (see below @ 9.30am, tickets and payment) on the way.	Crackerz Cafe, Bandulla St, Mendooran	CWCT Committee but self-guided	free	Indicate intention to ride - thanks
8.15am 	Ride Mendooran through the Goonoo forest trails where meeting a vehicle is once in a 'blue moon' event. You can either be riding onto Ballimore (60km Mendooran-Ballimore) or looping back to Mendooran via Deadman's Gully (51km). Enjoy morning tea on the way, see Café in the Goonoo below. CLICK HERE FOR ROUTE	Crackerz Cafe, Bandulla S, Mendooran	CWCT Committee member Dave Allworth	free	Link intention to ride - thanks
8.45am onwards	Goonoo Café. Coffee, tea and more to be found as you pedal through the forest.	Denmire Creek, Forest Rd (Mendooran-Dubbo Rd)	Mendooran Landcare	TBA	Ticket Link to come
9.00am onwards	Coffee/Markets at Blue Sky Cheese Blue Sky Cheese is hosting a range of stalls from local food producers to those with something interesting to sell.	Blue Sky Cheese Shop, Bandulla St, Mendooran	Deb Kiem, Blue Sky Cheese Shop	free	
9.30 - 11.45am	Brunch at "Cobbora Station" On your way to Dunedoo from Mendooran one of the iconic stops is Cobbora Station for brunch. At 40km from Mendooran and another 25km to Dunedoo it is just the right time to stop.	"Cobbora Station", turn west off Cobbora Rd, 500m from edge of township of Cobbora, 40km from Mendooran via CWCT	Sally Dent	\$33	Buy Ticket (booking essential)

Notes:

Rides  – ride when you want, where you want. We are planning to have a rider who knows the route along on most rides for the times published. However you may need to be more self-sufficient on some of the longer ‘Self-guided’ rides. Use the ‘Ridewithgps’ routes from the links to also ride at other times.

Accommodation – There is a range of accommodation in Mendooran – camping at the Showground (plenty of undercover space and hot showers) or beside Castlereagh River, local pubs and clubs, bed and breakfast and cottages. All but the camping will be tight so book early. More news on the camping options coming. Use the ‘Accommodation-Tours-Transport’ tab on the CWCT website for guidance, follow the link: [CLICK HERE FOR ACCOMMODATION](#)

Lunches – The following arrangements are current but may be updated as we get closer to the weekend.

Saturday	Crackerz Café	8am – 2pm
	Blue Sky Cheese	10am – 4pm
	Royal Hotel	10.00am - 2pm
Sunday	Crackerz Café	8am – 2pm
	Royal Hotel	10.00am - 2pm

Bike Hire - Mendooran itself does not have bike hire but enquire to Dubbo-based Cooper Cycle Tours (0437 136 169) who will be attending the weekend.

Transport - The only public transport to Mendooran is NSW Trainlink, with the Lithgow to Mendooran leg being by bus. Unfortunately bikes currently need to be boxed after Lithgow, but if you have time there are a couple of route options.

Maps – Route Options

Other cycling routes around Mendooran will be posted well before the weekend. In the run up to the Mendooran Food Cycle the number of suggested routes will increase.

If you’re thinking of driving to a local town and doing a loop ride as part of the Food Cycle weekend but haven’t got time for the whole CWC there are a range of options available to connect Mendooran/Ballimore to/from Dunedoo/Goolma/Gulgong. Contact us for more information: info@centralwestcycletrail.com.au

Further information

For further information watch the [CWC Facebook](#) site or [CWC](#) website News section. Any updates will be available on the CWC website News section.

On the weekend the Mendooran Showground will be the key location for information.

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