



Mt Stirling Stakeholder Consultative Committee

Key Themes

Meeting #2

The following topics were discussed at the meeting on 05 April 2024.

Mt Stirling discussion points

- **Operations Update** – ARV Stirling is working on finalising projects pre-winter. Completed projects include upgrade of 2k's of Circuit Rd and the driveway to Razorback hut, a new potable water tank and testing tap, minor hut repairs, replacement of TBJ flag poles and procurement of a new snowmobile. Projects in progress are the upgrade of webcams, upgrade of King Saddle Shelter, trialling switching some services from gas to electricity and installation of a water re-fill station, bike tools station, signage and bike stand at TBJ. Other planned capital works will be completed post winter.
- **Growing Regions Fund** – We are awaiting a response to stage two of the application. We are advised it is following the normal process.
- **Off-Set Management Overview** – Works have continued to maintain the 262 hectare Off-Set site around the summit of Mt Stirling. This includes weed and pest animal control and monitoring, ecological monitoring, yearly compliance reporting to various state and federal government agencies.
- **Stirling Tree offspring** – Four saplings have been propagated from the Stirling Summit tree by the Victoria Alpine Nursery. These will be planted this April in suitable locations around the Summit of Mt Stirling.

ARV Discussion Points

- **New– Mt Buller Mt Stirling GM** – Alan Arthur will be commencing on 15 April. He has a diverse background across the public and private sectors.
- **Traditional Owner Engagement Self Determination Strategy** – ARV is commencing work on a **Traditional Owner Engagement Self Determination Strategy** that will help guide ARV to realise the objectives the relevant Traditional Owners have for Country that covers alpine resorts.
- **Climate Change Adaption Strategy** – This has gone to market for a consultant to help us develop a practical strategy that we can use to inform ARVs business and decisions and to help lead the sector.
- **Asset Management Strategy** – Work is currently being undertaken to assess the condition of assets across all resorts. In addition ARV will be developing an Asset Management Strategy.
- **Southern Resorts Dispersal Research Findings** – Research was commissioned by ARV to answer the question of “Do Southern Resorts act as feeders to the Northern Resorts and do Snow Players turn into on-snow participants.” The findings were presented to stakeholders.

Next meeting

Friday 21st June