



The Victorian Government is building a world class mountain bike park in Harcourt. Located on a former pine plantation and alongside Mount Alexander Regional Park, the bike park will boost tourism and the health and wellbeing of locals and visitors. The Park will open in March 2018.

### What's Happening?

- It's the question on everyone's lips – when can we ride?! Work is progressing well and we're on track to have the mountain bike trails ready for riders to enjoy in March. Keep an eye on the DELWP Loddon Mallee Facebook page for updates.
- There has been excellent progress on the shelter at the entrance of La Larr Ba Gauwa Park. Dja Dja Wurrung have constructed a stunning structure that is striking while also blending into the landscape. The shelter will be completed in February. Rock work and landscaping will also be undertaken near the shelter using local granite.
- Contractors Dirt Art are putting the finishing touches on the 34 kilometres of trails. The Park remains a construction site so please do not ride the trails.



*Above: Shelter under construction at La Larr Ba Gauwa Park*

# Harcourt Mountain Bike Park Update

## February 2018

- The off-road pathway linking La Larr Ba Gauwa Park to the Harcourt township, along Market Street and Picnic Gully Road, will be completed in early February. While the State Government has funded the construction of the compacted granitic sand pathway, the community has funded an asphalt finish on the first section of the pathway from town. The Harcourt Progress Association has made this upgrade possible by kindly contributing \$16,100 to fund the asphalt finish on the section closest to town.



***Above: Inspecting the new path into Harcourt are Maree Edwards, Member for Bendigo West, Darren Fuzzard – CEO, Mount Alexander Shire Council, Cr Tony Cordy, Mount Alexander Shire Council, Adam Melis - DELWP, Jacqueline Brody Hanns - Harcourt Progress Association and Bronwen Machin - Mayor, Mount Alexander Shire Council***

- Work on signs for the Park is well underway. Wayfinding signs for the trails have been manufactured and will be installed soon. A welcome sign at the Park entrance is under construction. Information boards are currently being designed for near the shelter and in town.
- The Committee of Management has been appointed and includes thirteen community members with a wide range of skills and experience. The volunteer Committee will be responsible for the day-to-day management and future planning of La Larr Ba Gauwa Park on behalf of the Victorian community. The Committee includes: Rodney Carter; Tony Cordy; Benjamin Fox; David Ling; Michael Scott; Jason Tolland; Annette Rae; Dustin Lavery; Janine McCarthy; Hugh Finlay; Frank Forster; Andrew Nicolas; and Jane McQueenie.

## Keep in touch

It's important to us that we are talking with you and keeping you up-to-date with information about the La Larr Ba Gauwa Park Project. There are several ways we can keep in touch. Get on our mailing list and receive regular updates by emailing [harcourtmbp@delwp.vic.gov.au](mailto:harcourtmbp@delwp.vic.gov.au) or

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