

Bikes at the Lodge Policy

In recent years road and trail riding options in Thredbo have grown significantly. Resort management is upgrading trail and bike infrastructure with extensive riding now available for riders of all levels, ages, and styles.

Hi Noon Ski Club encourages members and guests to use the lodge year-round, bringing with them the gear required for outdoor pursuits including bikes. The safe storing and management of bikes is an important matter, as they are bulky and space is at a premium. Of further consideration is the need to avoid damage to walls, doors, and floors by bikes on entry, storage, and exit. Security of the lodge and of members equipment is also important.

Limitations on bringing bikes to the lodge

Although bikes are welcome, there are limitations to the storage capacity within Hi Noon. Currently, the only available space to store bikes is within the lower floor ski room. However, this room has a variety of purposes and access to appliances and other adjoining rooms must be maintained. The diverse range of bike types and sizing (road vs downhill vs cross country and e-bikes) has put pressure on this storage space and led to the Board placing a **12 bike limit** (adult) within the lodge on any given day. (2 kids' bikes = 1 full size mountain bike).

Bike booking process, allocation of a bike spot and storage fee

Securing a bike spot in the ski room is made using the booking form. When a member makes a room booking it is now mandatory to nominate whether a bike spot is required, and the number of bike spaces needed. Once the limit of **12 bikes** is reached for any given day or consecutive number of days, no further bikes will be permitted in the lodge. The Booking Officer will have the final say when capacity is reached by booking members.

Bike spots will be accommodated on a first come, first served basis and members' bikes will have priority over the cycles of guests.

Storage

Bikes must only be stored in the lower floor ski room, with access through the lower entry walkway and door. NO bike entry may be made through the top entrance door. There is no bike storage on, or access to, the top balcony. No bikes are to be stored in common spaces or bedrooms. If in doubt, seek advice from the Volunteer Manager as to the appropriate placement of bikes in the ski room.

The ski room ski rack system is modified outside of winter to provide bike hangers and allow storage of bikes. When storing bikes, the Volunteer Manager's room, fridges, laundry, bathroom, doors, and thoroughfares in the ski room must not be obstructed.

Ski room care, entry and exit

Care must be taken when entering or leaving the ski room, as pedals and handlebars can damage doors and entranceways. During bike entry or exit please latch the entry door to the

wall. Please return any furniture moved back to its original position. When needed, vacuum the floor and place all rubbish in the bins.

Care with bike cleanliness and maintenance

No wet, muddy, or dusty bikes are to be stored in the lodge. All dirty bikes must be washed and dried before entering the lodge. A tap and hose are available to wash bikes (see Volunteer Manager). A free bike wash facility is also available at the bottom of the Kosciuszko Chair.

Please perform all bike maintenance tasks outside the lodge. Cleaning and lubrication of bike chains and forks is **not** to be done in the ski room. If you need mechanical assistance, Thredbo MTB offer a full range of repair services at their workshop located at the base of the Kosciuszko Chair.

Penalties

- Members and guests who flout the policy could face financial sanctions from the club, with the Hi Noon Board taking guidance from the Club's Code of Conduct and Constitution.
- Members are responsible for the actions of their guests. Any careless lodge damage caused by bikes will require the booking member to pay the cost of necessary repairs. Where responsibility can be clearly identified, a cleaning charge will be levied on the booking member for the cost of treating stains that require professional treatment.
- Members will be considered unfinancial until any levied costs and fines are resolved and paid.

Bikes will not be permitted in the lodge during the busy winter period.

Feedback

Commentary or discussion on this policy will be limited to members, with the Board welcoming alternative, evidence based, bike storage and management solutions.

Useful Information

Mountain bikes can be hired through the resort. Details can be found at <u>https://www.thredbo.com.au/activities/biking/</u>. For mountain trail information and lift operating hours visit <u>https://www.thredbo.com.au/activities/biking/</u>.

Before going for a ride, please consider documenting your proposed activity and destination on the Trail Head white board in the ski room. It lets others know where you are going and your contact details in case of a non-return.