

# A vibrant entertainment scene, day or night

Work hard, play harder. Whether you're looking to cultivate a new hobby, get active, shake up your routine, find a like-minded community or just have some fun, Merri-bek has you covered. No matter your age, taste, interest or budget there's an entertainment, leisure or recreation activity to occupy you any - or every - day of the week. Options abound for thrill seekers, history buffs, creatives and fun-loving individuals. Let's find your new favourite spot to play.

Thrill seeker? Try your hand at axe throwing, rock climbing or visit an escape room. Creative at heart? Take a pottery workshop or join a paint and sip class and release your inner artist. Want a spot of friendly competition? A game of mini golf or barefoot bowls might be just the ticket. History buffs can experience the nostalgia of the drive-in or take a prison tour and discover the fascinating history beyond the walls. What will you choose first?

Grab your family, friends or workmates and try something new this week. You never know what you'll discover when you wander off the beaten track onto the 'Trail'.

## Local public transport options

We support sustainable options as you travel within Merri-bek. Why not leave the car at home and walk where possible, ride your bike or catch public transport and avoid parking hassles.

### TRAIN: Upfield Line

Jewell, Brunswick, Anstey, Moreland, Coburg, Batman, Merlynston and Gowrie Stations.

### Craigieburn Line

Oak Park, Glenroy & Jacana Stations

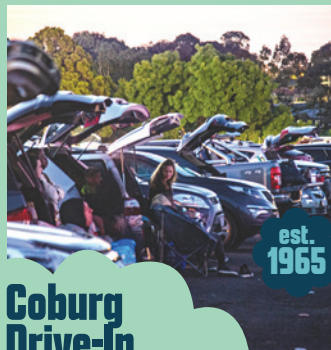
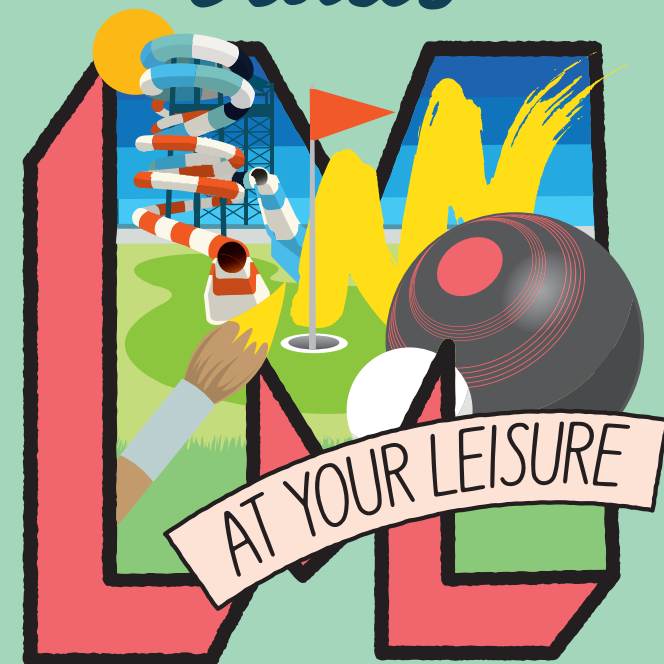
### TRAM ROUTES:

- NO. 1** to East Coburg
- NO. 6** to Moreland
- NO. 19** to North Coburg
- NO. 58** to West Coburg
- NO. 96** to East Brunswick

### BUS ROUTES:

- 490** via Melrose Dve
- 503** via Albion St
- 504** via Brunswick Rd
- 506** via Dawson St
- 508** via Victoria St
- 509** via Victoria St
- 510** via Moreland Rd
- 512** via Pascoe Vale South & Coburg West & Coburg. (Buses on this route can carry bikes)
- 513** via Greensborough or Lower Plenty
- 513/514/534** via Glenroy
- 526** via Pentridge
- 527** via Murray Road
- 530** Coburg via Fawkner
- 530/531** via Sydney Rd
- 536** Glenroy - Gowrie Stations
- 542** via Meadow Heights, Broadmeadows and Glenroy
- 561** via Newlands Rd
- SMART BUS 903** Altona - Mordialloc (via Bell St)
- 951** Brunswick - Glenroy Stations (Night Bus)

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## Coburg Drive-In

155 Newlands Rd, Coburg North  
**Session times**  
 For session times visit [villagecinemas.com.au/cinemas/coburg-drive-in](http://villagecinemas.com.au/cinemas/coburg-drive-in)

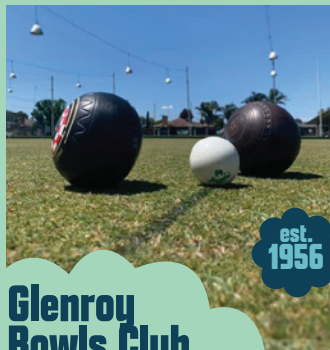
**Description:** Coburg Drive-In plays host to memorable and unique movie experiences and events. Experience the nostalgia and authenticity of drive-in cinema.

**Food & drinks:** Available for purchase.

**Casual access/memberships:** Vrewards members save 20% on tickets and earn redeemable points.

**Dog friendly:** Yes! Look out for frequent doggy drive-in events.

**Tell me more:** Exciting events for Coburg are in the works. Check the website to stay up to date.



## Glenroy Bowls Club

133 Daley St, Glenroy  
**Opening hours**  
 Hours fluctuate depending on the season. Check Instagram/Facebook for the latest information.

**Description:** Glenroy Bowls Club is one of the largest bowling clubs in the northern suburbs. Play barefoot bowls, host a function or enjoy live music, courtesy of Benny's Music Bar.

**Food & drinks:** The bowls club is fully licensed. Vietnamese restaurant, Glenroy Star, is open on the premises for lunch and dinner. Catering is available for functions.

**Casual access/memberships:** Both. New members are always welcome.



## GoClimb

Lincoln Mills Homemaker Centre, 64-74 Gaffney Street, Coburg  
**Opening hours**  
**Mon-Thurs** 10am - 5pm **Fri** 10am - 9pm  
**Sat** 9am - 9pm **Sun** 9am - 6pm

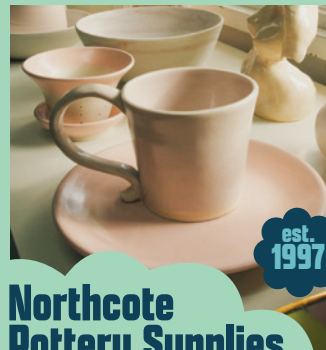
**Description:** An indoor adventure centre for all ages, including a five-level kids play zone, 18-hole mini golf course and climbing walls. Adults can climb using an innovative auto-belay system.

**Food & drinks:** In-house cafe, Mr Lincoln serves healthy snacks and meals, AllPress coffee and Dippin Dots ice cream.

**Casual access/memberships:** Casual access, with online bookings recommended.

**Dog friendly:** No

**Tell me more:** GoClimb also hosts birthday parties, school and community groups and offers exclusive venue hire.



## Northcote Pottery Supplies

142-144 Weston St, Brunswick East  
**Opening hours**  
**Mon - Thurs** 9am - 5pm  
**Sat** 9am - 4pm

**Description:** Australia's largest firing service offering local ceramicists access to community kilns, along with studio space for them to work.

**Food & drinks:** No

**Casual access/memberships:** Loyalty cards are available for regular users of the studio space.

**Dog friendly:** Yes



## Oak Park Sports & Aquatic Centre

563a Pascoe Vale Rd, Pascoe Vale  
**Opening hours**  
**Mon-Fri** 6am - 9pm  
**Sat-Sun** 8am - 6pm  
 Aquatic space open from 1 Oct - Apr 30 in all weather (water slides on a trigger temperature).

**Description:** The centre includes a 24/7 state-of-the-art health club, group fitness room, cycle (fitness on demand) room, three pools, two water slides and a cafe.

**Food & drinks:** Food is available on warm days (summer) or at certain times of the day (winter - morning until midday).

**Casual access/memberships:** Both casual access and memberships are available.

**Tell me more:** A free monthly member breakfast builds community. Treadmills and bikes are equipped with the latest screen technology, so visitors can 'virtually' exercise all around the world.



## Pentridge Prison Tours

National Trust at Pentridge  
 1 Champ Street, Coburg  
**Opening hours**  
**Mon-Fri** 10am - 6pm  
**Thurs-Sat** 6:30pm - 10pm

**Description:** Step back in time and immerse yourself in H Division, an untouched correctional facility, with the aid of immersive audio technology. The south wing of B Division preserves the rich history of Pentridge, including authentic prison cells and historical artefacts.

**Casual access/memberships:** Casual access, with pre-booking recommended.

**Food & drinks:** No

**Tell me more:** Pentridge was a notorious facility that housed some of Victoria's most infamous criminals. Visitors can now gain access to previously restricted areas, off-limits for more than 25 years, and delve deeper into Pentridge's intriguing past.



## Pink Ember Studio

22 Allenby St, Coburg North  
**Opening hours**  
 See website for details:  
[pinkemberstudio.com](http://pinkemberstudio.com)

**Description:** A queer-run not-for-profit co-operative, offering spaces for artists to make work and access community studio spaces, a full ceramics studio and a multimedia gallery space. The venue hosts regular workshops including a ceramic sculpture series, wheel throwing and life drawing.

**Food & drinks:** No.

**Casual access/memberships:** Casual classes, with open access to the ceramic studio coming in the future.

**Dog friendly:** Yes

**Tell me more:** Pink Ember supports artists and provides access to affordable art and learning opportunities. Concession workshop rates are available for First Nations folk.



## Pinot & Picasso

588 Sydney Rd, Brunswick East  
**Opening hours**  
**Fri-Sat** 7pm - 10pm  
**Sun** 2pm - 5pm

**Description:** Master the art of fun and get arty while you party - no experience necessary. Show off your finished masterpiece in front of the amazing mural wall.

**Food & drinks:** Completely BYO (catering can be organised on request).

**Casual access/memberships:** Casual access only - but visit as often as you like.

**Dog friendly:** Yes, for private events only. Why not choose the 'Paint Your Pet' option?

**Tell me more:** Both public and private sessions are offered in the studio or book a 'pop-up' session at a location of your choice.



## This is Not a Toy Store

289 Lygon Street, Brunswick East  
**Opening hours**  
**Tues** 9am - 6pm  
**Wed** 11am - 5pm  
**Thurs-Sat** 11am - 6pm  
**Sun** 11am - 5pm

**Description:** The store is currently home for over 60 Australian toy artists who display and sell their artworks.

**Food & drinks:** No

**Casual access/memberships:** Casual access.

**Dog friendly:** Yes

**Tell me more:** The store has a workshop space available for general use/hire and regularly hosts art-based workshops. It's co-located with Dollhouse Gallery Brunswick which hosts exhibitions.



## Ukiyo

54 Moreland Rd, Brunswick East  
**Opening hours**  
 See website for availability  
[ukiyo.com.au/tickets/](http://ukiyo.com.au/tickets/)

**Description:** A creative studio specialising in immersive escape-room like experiences. One story is set in a Japanese-themed room, another is in a futuristic spaceship.

**Food & drinks:** No

**Casual access/memberships:** Casual access.

**Dog friendly:** No

**Tell me more:** Ukiyo aims to tell stories through art, gaming and play that inspire compassion.



## Valhalla Axe Throwing

Corner Peveril & Cameron Streets, Brunswick  
**Opening hours**  
**Tues** 4pm - 9pm  
**Fri** 12.30pm - 9pm  
**Wed-Thurs** 12.30pm - 11pm  
**Sat** 10am - 11pm  
**Sun** 10am - 9pm

**Description:** A Viking-themed axe throwing destination, complete with a rage room, full bar, kitchen, pool tables and other novelty games.

**Food & drinks:** Yes

**Casual access/memberships:** Both. The weekly league is membership-based. Bookings and walk-ins are available for axe throwing.

**Dog friendly:** Yes

**Tell me more:** The Viking theme including shields and lots of plants was developed to create a warm and inviting space.



## What The Putt

Phoenix Street Entrance, 305 Sydney Rd, Brunswick  
**Opening hours**  
**Mon-Thurs** 6pm - 12am  
**Fri-Sun** 12pm - 1am

**Description:** Brunswick's largest licensed venue, comprising 18 holes of mini golf, arcade games, a pool hall and board games at every table.

**Food & drinks:** Fully licensed and serving pizza and snacks.

**Casual access/memberships:** Casual access.

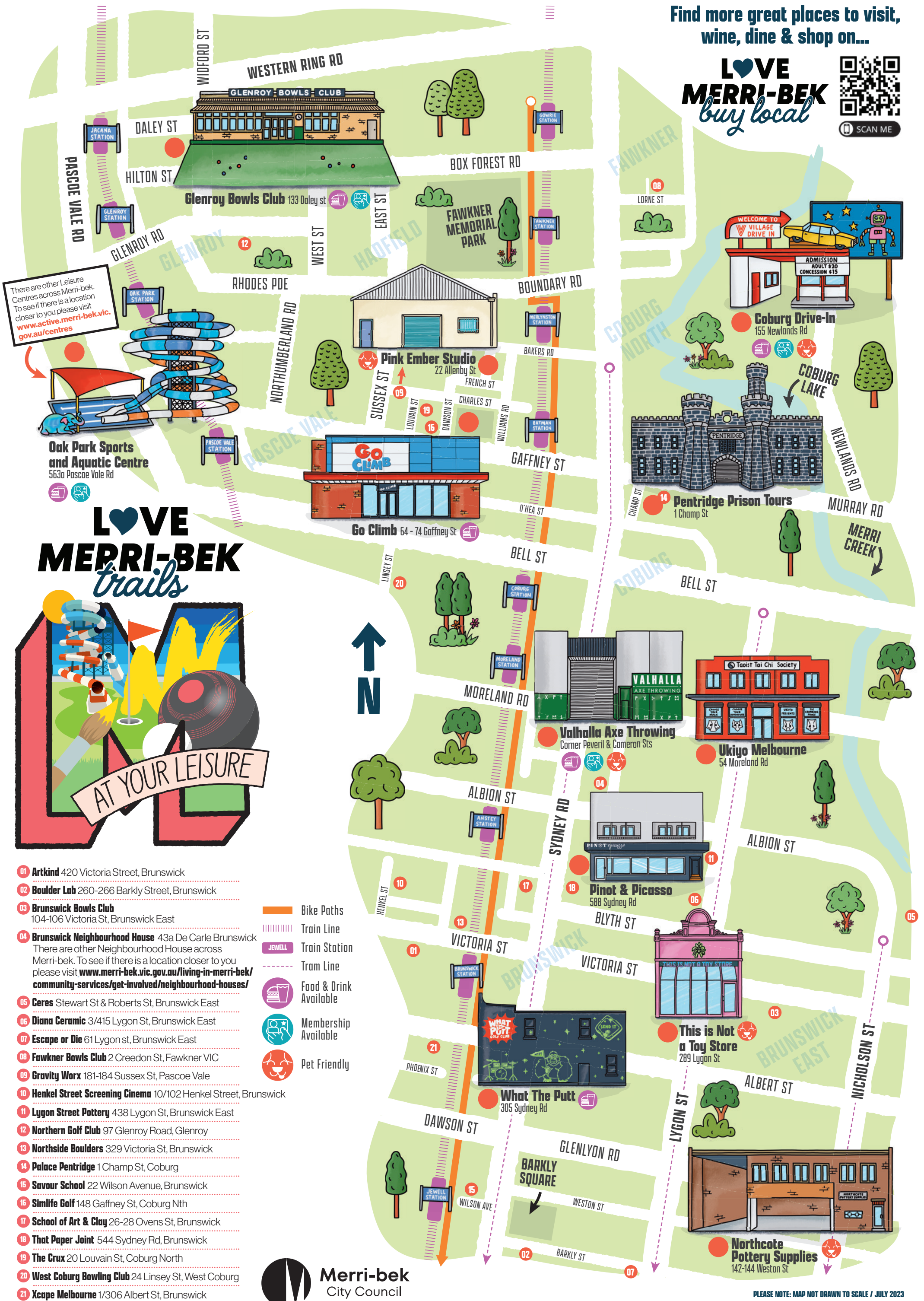
**Dog friendly:** No

**Tell me more:** Booking is recommended for large groups or on weekends. Two large private areas are available for functions.



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- 01 Artkind 420 Victoria Street, Brunswick
- 02 Boulder Lab 260-266 Barkly Street, Brunswick
- 03 Brunswick Bowls Club 104-106 Victoria St, Brunswick East
- 04 Brunswick Neighbourhood House 43a De Carle Brunswick  
There are other Neighbourhood House across Merri-bek. To see if there is a location closer to you please visit [www.merri-bek.vic.gov.au/living-in-merri-bek/community-services/get-involved/neighbourhood-houses/](http://www.merri-bek.vic.gov.au/living-in-merri-bek/community-services/get-involved/neighbourhood-houses/)
- 05 Ceres Stewart St & Roberts St, Brunswick East
- 06 Diana Ceramic 3/415 Lygon St, Brunswick East
- 07 Escape or Die 61 Lygon st, Brunswick East
- 08 Fawkner Bowls Club 2 Creedon St, Fawkner VIC
- 09 Gravity Worx 181-184 Sussex St, Pascoe Vale
- 10 Henkel Street Screening Cinema 10/102 Henkel Street, Brunswick
- 11 Lygon Street Pottery 438 Lygon St, Brunswick East
- 12 Northern Golf Club 97 Glenroy Road, Glenroy
- 13 Northside Boulders 329 Victoria St, Brunswick
- 14 Palace Pentridge 1 Champ St, Coburg
- 15 Savour School 22 Wilson Avenue, Brunswick
- 16 Simlife Golf 148 Gaffney St, Coburg Nth
- 17 School of Art & Clay 26-28 Ovens St, Brunswick
- 18 That Paper Joint 544 Sydney Rd, Brunswick
- 19 The Crux 20 Louvain St, Coburg North
- 20 West Coburg Bowling Club 24 Linsey St, West Coburg
- 21 Xcape Melbourne 1/306 Albert St, Brunswick

- Bike Paths
- Train Line
- Train Station
- Tram Line
- Food & Drink Available
- Membership Available
- Pet Friendly