



snowy valleys way



Wakwa Tintalra Khancoban

Towong Corryong

Koetong Darbyshire Shelley Berrigama

Old Tallangatta Bullioh

Tallangatta

# Towong

"the pure end of the Murray"

## HERITAGE & CULTURE

### Man from Snowy River Museum, Corryong

Built to honour the life of Jack Riley, the Man from Snowy River Museum has one of the world's best ski history collections on exhibition, and is the home of the famous Simpson rug, made by Jim Simpson whilst a prisoner-of-war in Germany.



### Granya Pioneer Museum

This is a wonderful repository of local history, photographs, land records, family histories, farming equipment, mining register & blacksmith tools. Post Office directories from 1884, newspaper articles, Cemetery register & magisterial inquest material can all be found in this museum.

### Tallangatta District Heritage Museum

The Museum features the history of Tallangatta "the town that moved" in the 1950s. Detailed photographic records, family histories of the Tallangatta & Mitta River valleys, pioneer artefacts and historical machinery are just some of the fascinating memorabilia on display.

What better reason to venture off the freeway and explore the back-roads?

The Towong section of the Snowy Valleys Way offers some of Australia's most magnificent and legendary mountain landscapes. This country is known for its great valleys, crystal clear waters and spectacular mountain scenery.

Truly the heart of the Snowy Valleys Way, the Towong Shire offers clean, unspoilt and uncrowded mountain and valley escapes. The route will take the back-roads adventurer through the towns of Tallangatta (the town that was relocated to increase the water storage capacity of Lake Hume) and Corryong, the resting place of the legendary "Man from Snowy River" Jack Riley.

Be it a gateway to either Victoria or New South Wales, the area is only an hour away from the snow fields of Thredbo and the highest mountain in Australia, Mt Kosciuszko (2229m). The Mitta Valley offshoot offers the northern access route to the Victorian High Country along the Omeo Highway and access to the greatest lake in Victoria, Lake Dartmouth.

With more than 63 camp sites, the mountainous valleys of the Towong Shire are an outdoor adventure-land for fishing, bushwalking, cycling or trail riding, especially in the numerous National Parks.

An abundance of accommodation choices, from the easy access motel to the cosy bed and breakfast or riverside resort, allow a closer look around the Towong end of the Snowy Valleys way.



## FESTIVALS & EVENTS

### Nariel Creek Folk Festival

Jan

Australia's longest continuous Folk Festival, of traditional folk music and dance. Held on the banks of the Nariel Creek each Boxing Day to New Year's Day.

### Towong Cup

Mar

Towong is known as the Flemington of the Bush and is where the Pharlap movie was filmed. Enjoy the hospitality and racing from under beautiful elm trees or in the oldest grandstand in Victoria.

### Mitta Muster

Mar

This classic country event is an action packed day full of entertainment including hot rods, wood chopping, whip cracking, horse events and more.

### Man From Snowy River Festival

Apr

Four days of action packed Australiana fun and festivities including Riley's Ride, bush poetry, MFSR Horsemanship Challenge events, Bush Idol, an art show, street parade, ute muster and more.



### Tallangatta '50s Festival

Oct

Relive the excitement of the rock n' roll era at Tallangatta. Listen to great bands and dance your heart out! See classic cars, fashions of the '50s, craft markets, the art show and children's entertainment.

### Upper Murray Challenge

Oct

The high country's toughest and most scenic multi-sport event features mountain biking, kayaking and running over Mount Eliot ending in the picturesque town of Corryong.



## GREAT OUTDOORS

### Farran's Lookout

This is one of the most scenic lookouts in Australia. Sited between Tintalra and Towong over looking the Murray River and the magnificent Snowy Mountain Range, with Mt Kosciuszko in the background.

### Mt Mittamatite Regional Park

This amazing mountain park hosts numerous rare plants, rocky escarpments, walking tracks, and fantastic views of the Kosciuszko Main range. The summit is (1003m) can be reached from the Murray River Road between Towong and Tintalra.

### Lake Dartmouth

Boasting the highest dam wall in Australia, the huge lake Dartmouth is a must do for freshwater fishing, with camp sites, 4WD trails and magnificent views from Mount Benambra. The area is an outdoor recreation mecca.

### Mitta Pioneer Mine & Walking Tracks

The historic remnants of this late 18th century gold mining settlement can still be found on the many scenic walks out of Mitta town.

### High Country Rail Trail

Currently 35km of rail trail - open to walk, cycle or horse ride along the shores of Lake Hume, call into Tallangatta for refreshments and view the Old Tallangatta township site that was moved in the 50s.

### Rafting the Mitta and Murray Headwaters

Both the headwaters of the Mitta and Murray Rivers offer some spectacular rafting (grades 3-5) passing through rocky gorges with towering cliffs and enormous boulder lined rivers.



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