



Yackandandah Folk Festival 2026: Butson Park Camping Guidelines

Welcome to the festival! We hope you enjoy your stay. This information will help the weekend run smoothly.

Arrival and Setup

1. **Ticket Collection:** Go directly to the ticket office to collect your tickets before heading to the campground. If that is not possible, set up first and then go to the ticket office.
 - o **Ticket Office Location:** Senior Citizens Centre - 14 Wellsford Road, Yackandandah.
 2. **Passes:**
 - o Place your Camping Car Parking pass on your vehicle's windscreen once you arrive at the campsite.
 - o Place the extra wristband provided on your tent, camper trailer, or caravan.
 3. **Vehicle Use:** We ask that you enter the area, set up, park your vehicle and leave it parked for the weekend.
 - o Vehicle use should be kept to a minimum due to considerable pedestrian traffic and for safety reasons.
 - o The only exception is for transport due to mobility issues or for performers needing to transport equipment to their venue.
 - o **No vehicle traffic will be allowed in or out of the camping area on Saturday night** (except for performers).
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Site Rules and Safety

- **Designated Camping:** You must camp in your allocated campground (Butson Park or the Sports Ground) and within the designated camping areas.
 - o **Site Location:** If you are found camping in the incorrect area, you will be asked to move. Refusal will result in the cancellation of your festival ticket.
- **Fires and Cooking:** No fires, fire pits, or campfires are permitted. Gas burners are permitted for cooking, however they are restricted on days declared as [Total Fire Ban](#) days
- **Noise Levels (Quiet Zone):** Butson Park is intended for quiet campers with early-to-bed little ones.
 - o Consideration must be given to all campers.
 - o Noise is to be kept to a minimum.
 - o No music sessions after 10:30 pm.
- **Security and Conduct:**
 - o Security will be patrolling the camping area during the night at regular intervals.
 - o Festival volunteers will be on-site periodically.
 - o Inappropriate or offensive behaviour will be reported to the police.
- **Valuables:** We recommend you lock your valuables in your car. The festival takes no responsibility for your property.

- **Personal Safety Lighting:** Campers must bring their own torches, headlamps, or flashlights. Sections of the campground may be very dark, and you are responsible for your own safety and visibility.
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Waste Management and Facilities

- **Waste-Wise Event:** Our Folk Festival is proudly waste-wise.
 - Please bring your own keep cups, crockery, and water bottles where possible.
 - Take care to put all your waste in the correct bins.
 - Many food vendors will use reusable crockery, processed by the 'Dish Pig' commercial dishwasher.
 - **Toilets and Showers:** These are permanent facilities used by our sports clubs.
 - Please leave them as clean as possible.
 - Your patience is appreciated if facilities are closed periodically for cleaning.
 - The disabled-accessible facilities are also suitable for use by all and are not exclusive.
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Dogs at the Festival

- **Campgrounds:** Dogs are allowed at the campgrounds, provided they are well supervised by their owners and are not disruptive to other attendees.
 - **Restraint:** Your dog must be kept restrained unless supervised for exercise.
 - **Supervision:** Your dog must be supervised at all times. If you attend performances, please check in on your dog every few hours.
 - **Cleanup:** You must clean up after your dog (bags are not provided).
 - **Consequences:** If your dog becomes a problem (e.g., off-leash, barking), you will be asked to move on.
 - **Venues:** Dogs are not allowed into the festival venues with the exception of companion animals. Failure to comply will result in being asked to leave the venue.
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Festival Bus Service

A bus service will run a circuit between the camping grounds and the venues approximately every half hour.

Day	Operating Hours
Friday	6:00 PM – 12:30 AM
Saturday	9:00 AM – 12:30 AM
Sunday	9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Health, Safety, and Emergency Management

- **In Case of Serious Emergency: CALL 000.**
- **Camping Emergency Plan:** In an emergency, all campers should congregate on the oval and await instructions from a festival delegate or Emergency Services Person.
- **First Aid:**
 - There is no first aid kit or trained person to administer first aid at the camping ground.
 - First aid is available at the St John's Ambulance tent located in town on the corner of High St and Wellsford St.
- **Defibrillator Site:** Located in the undercover area near the netball courts.
- **Health Alerts (Mosquitoes and Wasps):**
 - **Mosquitoes:** Japanese Encephalitis, Ross River, and Barmah Forest Viruses have been detected in Northern Victoria.
 - **Protection:** Cover up with loose long-sleeved clothing, use mosquito repellents that contain picaridin, DEET, or oil of lemon eucalyptus, and use mosquito nets where possible.
 - **European Wasps:** Be aware of wasps in the area. If you find a nest, do not approach it, but report it to the Folk Festival Ticket Office, located at the Senior Citizens Centre - 14 Wellsford Road, Yackandandah.
- **Reporting Other Issues:**
 - If you have an issue that needs attention, please tell the camping staff volunteers or the after-hours security personnel.
 - You can contact the Football Club security contact, John Walker, on 0422 244 164 or Lachlan, on 0424 931 207, if the issue cannot be resolved with the staff on site.
 - Last Resort (Logistics Co-Ordinator Louise): 0407 208 295.

