



Australian Climbing Association (Vic) Inc



Mission

ACAV represents the interests of the Victorian climbing community at the political and legal level, and aims to promote and enhance access to rock climbing in Victoria while being respectful of cultural and environmental values.

Why do we need the ACAV?

Climbing access is a major issue right now in Victoria. We need an advocacy group whose function is separate from that of a club or a cliff-care organisation.

What will ACAV do?

Consult and collaborate with land managers, to promote and protect fair and free access.

Consult and collaborate with Traditional Owners to:

- educate the climbing community about cultural heritage, and
- promote climbing access while respecting cultural heritage.

How will the ACAV do this?

It will work within a system of laws, including the Cultural Heritage Act, National Parks Act and Parks Victoria act. Lobby for appropriate law and policy change. Seek expert opinion to decide whether to hold land managers to account in tribunals or courts of law.

How can you get involved?

Become a financial member: For the price of two beers per annum, you can become a member of the ACAV, and your contribution will be used for the above purposes.

Join the committee! Or contribute your skills and time in the best ways that you can.

What about VCC and Cliff Care?

The ACAV does not replace VCC or Cliff Care, and ACAV acknowledges the good work these bodies do for the climbing community, and that respectful negotiation with Parks Victoria is paramount. Instead, ACAV works at a strategic legal and political level with key stakeholders to promote access, build new policies, and to change existing policies.

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