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A DAY OF OUTDOOR FAMILY FUN IN RUSHWORTH

Once you're here, you'll quickly feel what makes Rushworth special. The easy rhythm, the open spaces, and the simple joy of time spent together. It's a place made for relaxed days outdoors, where history meets nature.

MORNING

Ease into the day with a coffee and a bite to eat in town, before heading out to explore the **Whroo Historic Area**, once a thriving gold mining town. Wander through the remains of the ghost town and peer down into the **Balaclava Mine**, an open-cut site that operated from 1854 to the 1920s. It's easy to imagine the buzz of the gold rush days among the old diggings and ruins.

Plan your visit around the **Rushworth Easter Heritage Festival**, when the town comes to life with vintage vehicles, markets, live music and old-fashioned fun.

On your way back into town, stop at the **Growlers Hill Fire Observation Tower** for sweeping views over the surrounding countryside. The perfect spot for a photo or just to pause and take it all in.

AFTERNOON

Settle in for lunch at **Motofinish Café**, where the roast beef and gravy rolls are guaranteed to be a hit or pick up fish and chips from **Rushworth Golden Nugget** for a picnic on the shores of **Waranga Basin**.

The basin is a local favourite for fishing, especially if you're chasing red-fin. It's also great for boating, kayaking, stand-up paddling, and gentle walks by the water. Or simply throw down a picnic rug and let the afternoon drift by.

Stretch your legs along the **Waranga Rail Trail**, a peaceful track following the old railway line through bushland and farmland between Rushworth and Murchison. Walk or ride the whole 19km trail or just a section and soak up the fresh country air.

Before you head off, treat everyone to a well-earned scoop (or two) from **The Cottage Ice Cream Shoppe**.

STAY NEARBY

Book with **Lake Waranga Caravan Park** for a relaxed, family-friendly stay by the water, or enjoy comfort in town at the **Rushworth Motel**.

Whroo Historic Area & Balaclava Mine
Reedy Lake Road, Whroo

Growlers Hill Fire Observation Tower
Reed Street, Rushworth

Motofinish Cafe
27 High Street, Rushworth
0438 018 192
Open Wed - Sat, 8.30am - 2.30pm
Sun, 9am - 3pm

Rushworth Golden Nugget
15 High Street, Rushworth
03 5856 2000
Open everyday, 8am - 8pm

Waranga Basin – Harriman point
Harriman Road, Waranga Shores

Waranga Rail Trail
19km Rushworth to Murchison

The Cottage Ice Cream Shoppe
18 Moora Road, Rushworth
03 5856 1905
Open Mon, 11am - 9pm
Tue, 11am - 7pm
Thu, 11am - 9pm
Fri, 11am - 10pm
Sat, 10am - 10pm
Sun, 10am - 9pm

Lake Waranga Caravan Park
98 Waranga Basin Road, Waranga Shores
03 5856 1243
lakewaranga.com

Rushworth Motel
4 School Street, Rushworth
0427 463 584

Rushworth Easter Heritage Festival
Held annually on Easter Saturday
rushworthfestival.org