

# MAD PROGRAM 2023 Information Booklet





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## **About the MAD Program**

MAD stands for Mission, Adventure, Discipleship. The MAD Program is designed to disciple and grow individuals giving them physical skills, a greater spiritual understanding and to help them grow toward maturity as a Christian. MAD participants will be an integral part of delivering programs and will also receive training and experience along the way.

## What you will experience during the MAD Program:

#### **Employment**

3 days a week of permanent part time employment. While there is program on at Mountain Trails, these days will be spent assisting with delivery of camps, and at other times the work will entail jobs associated with program delivery, for example maintenance, cleaning, preparation, and admin.

#### **Training and Courses**

2 days a week of either:

Nationally Recognised Training involving:

- Short courses such as Mental Health First Aid, Bronze Medallion, Food Handling and Child Protection.
- Outdoor recreation courses
- Tailored studies to suit each individual

In-house training involving:

- o Mission studies
- Biblical studies
- o Practical camping and outdoor skills
- Basic industry standards/requirements





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#### Live in community

As a MAD participant you will be living on site at Mountain Trails in group housing with shared facilities. Within the valley is a supportive Christian community who are always willing to help where they can. Living onsite promotes independence and co-operation, while allowing you to enjoy the benefits of rural life.

The program is designed to offer life experiences, training in missions and the outdoor recreation industry, whilst also providing paid employment, housing and plenty of challenge and adventure.





### **About Mountain Trails**

Mountain Trails Adventure School is a Christian not-for-profit organisation, which is committed to reaching people with the message of Jesus and encouraging them to become His followers, growing in faith and maturity. This is achieved through using the means of the outdoors. Outdoor activities Mountain Trails offers include, horse and trail riding, dirt bikes, canoeing, caving, abseiling, high ropes, bushwalking, archery and more.

#### Where?

Mountain Trails is located on a beautiful 9500-acre site near Wee Jasper NSW, at the northern end of the Brindabella Range. It is a 45-minute drive from Yass and a 75-minute drive from Canberra. The property is largely a wilderness of mountains, creeks, and gullies, interlaced with many trails.

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#### When?

The MAD program is a 12-month program beginning on the 1<sup>st</sup> of December 2022 and finishing on the 15<sup>th</sup> of December 2023. The program will start with a three-week intensive orientation to ensure all participants are prepared for January school holiday camps. Throughout 2023, the school holidays will be the busiest time for Mountain Trails as we run our own programs, the remainder of the year will consist of training, work and other programs.

#### Who?

#### If you:

- Have finished year 12 and are between the ages of 18 and 24.
- Love adventure and challenge.
- Are committed to following Jesus and have a heart for serving the Lord.
- Have an interest in camping or ministry (or both!)
- Want to grow deeper in your relationship with God.

### Then the MAD Program could be for you!

## To apply:

Please fill out the expression of interest form found at <a href="https://www.mountaintrails.org.au/mad-program-expression-of-interest-form/">https://www.mountaintrails.org.au/mad-program-expression-of-interest-form/</a>

For further inquires please email office@mountaintrails.org.au

Or call 6227 9266

Upon submitting the expression of interest form we will arrange an interview and then begin the onboarding process.