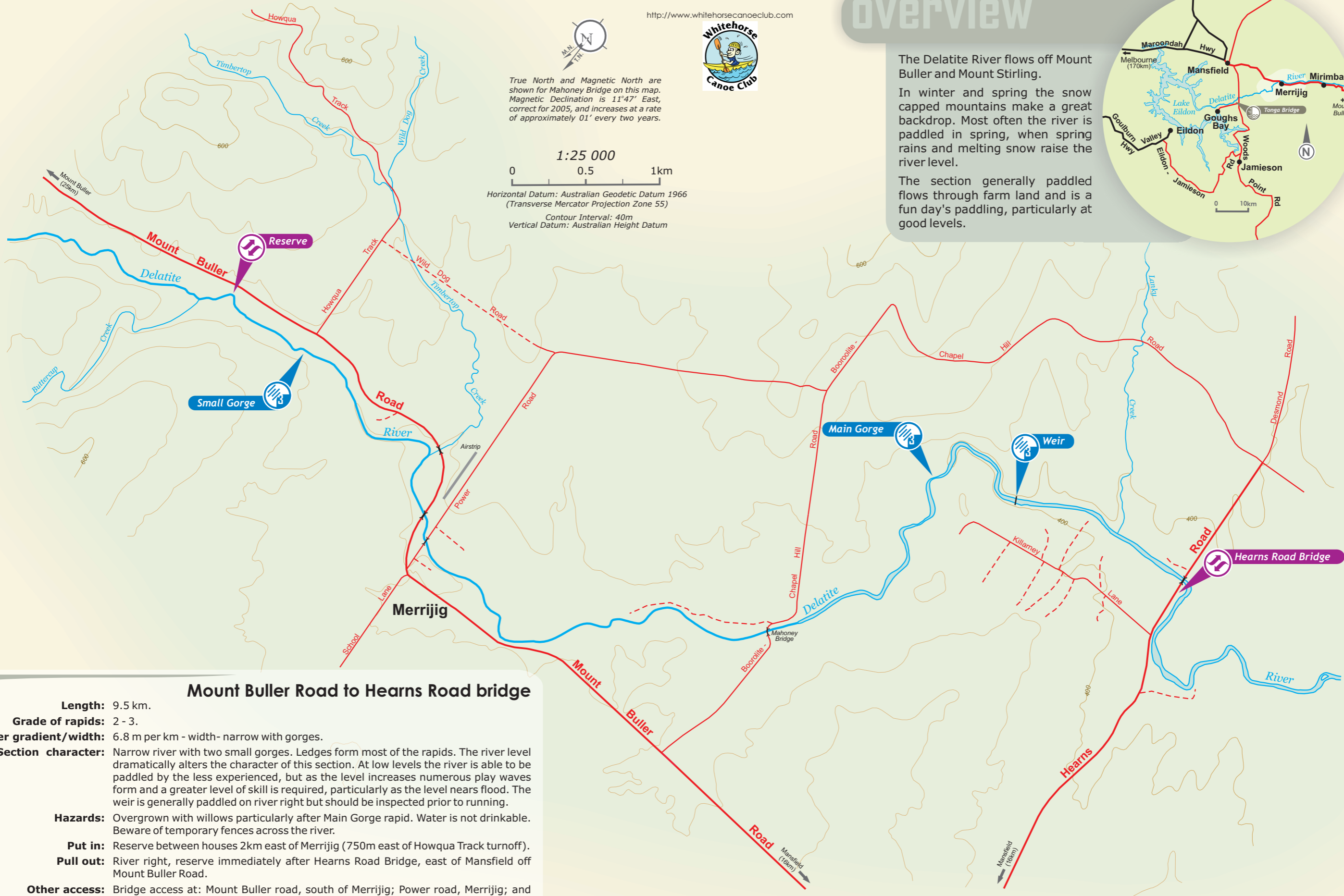


overview

The Delatite River flows off Mount Buller and Mount Stirling.

In winter and spring the snow capped mountains make a great backdrop. Most often the river is paddled in spring, when spring rains and melting snow raise the river level.

The section generally paddled flows through farm land and is a fun day's paddling, particularly at good levels.



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True North and Magnetic North are shown for Mahoney Bridge on this map. Magnetic Declination is 11°47' East, correct for 2005, and increases at a rate of approximately 01' every two years.

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Horizontal Datum: Australian Geodetic Datum 1966 (Transverse Mercator Projection Zone 55)
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 Vertical Datum: Australian Height Datum

Mount Buller Road to Hearns Road bridge

- Length:** 9.5 km.
- Grade of rapids:** 2 - 3.
- River gradient/width:** 6.8 m per km - width- narrow with gorges.
- Section character:** Narrow river with two small gorges. Ledges form most of the rapids. The river level dramatically alters the character of this section. At low levels the river is able to be paddled by the less experienced, but as the level increases numerous play waves form and a greater level of skill is required, particularly as the level nears flood. The weir is generally paddled on river right but should be inspected prior to running.
- Hazards:** Overgrown with willows particularly after Main Gorge rapid. Water is not drinkable. Beware of temporary fences across the river.
- Put in:** Reserve between houses 2km east of Merrijig (750m east of Howqua Track turnoff).
- Pull out:** River right, reserve immediately after Hearns Road Bridge, east of Mansfield off Mount Buller Road.
- Other access:** Bridge access at: Mount Buller road, south of Merrijig; Power road, Merrijig; and Mahoney Bridge, Boorolite-Chapel Hill road.
- River level:** Min: 0.8 Good: 1.1 High: 1.8 Flood: 2.3
- Gauge:** Tonga Bridge - south of Mansfield on Mansfield-Woods Point Road, turn right into Pines - Gough Bay Road, gauge on right (see overview map).
- Other information:** Accommodation available at Mansfield and Merrijig.
- Shuttle information:** Length 11km on sealed roads and good unsealed roads.
- Emergency contacts:** Nearest Police - Mansfield; Nearest Hospital - Mansfield; Nearest Town - Mansfield.

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