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## HUTS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING IN CORRYONG

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2007

### A HUTS AGM WEEKEND OF EVENTS

This year's AGM is to be held in Corryong. Our sincere thanks to Richard Hubbard, HMO Area 11, Davies Plain, and his wife Sandra, for arranging the program for the weekend. There will be meetings, dinner and very important hut visits to the Flying Swagman and Lavertys Hut.



Source:  
<http://rivermurray.com/html/towns/corryong.html>

Corryong is 4.5 hours drive from Melbourne via Hume Freeway & Murray Valley Highway, and is 116 kms east of Wodonga. It is the Victorian gateway to the Snowy Mountains, Kosciuszko National Park and is the final resting place of Jack Riley, considered by many to be the inspiration for the "man" in A.B. 'Banjo' Paterson's poem *The Man from Snowy River*.

### WHEN IS THE AGM?

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2007

### WHERE & WHAT TIME?

#### SATURDAY

HMO Meeting, DSE offices	10:00am
HMOs Lunch Corryong Hotel Motel	12:00pm
<b>AGM, DSE offices</b>	<b>2:00 pm</b>
2008 Committee Meeting, DSE offices	4:00 pm
Dinner at Riley's Restaurant	6:00 pm

#### SUNDAY

Leave for Flying Swagman	8:00 am
Return to Corryong	10:00 am
Home Via Lavertys Hut	10:00 am
Koetong Hotel Lunch	1:00 pm

### MEETING PLACES

DSE offices, Jardine Street  
 Corryong Hotel Motel Towong Rd  
 Riley's Restaurant at Country Inn Motel, Towong Rd

### RSVP for AGM & DINNER BY MONDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2007

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### ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS

#### CORRYONG VIC

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Corryong B&B	02 60761268
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Mountain View Motel	02 60761766
Corryong Country Inn	02 60761333
Corryong Hotel Motel	02 60761004
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Koetong Hotel, <i>KOETONG VIC</i>	02 60727530
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Jemba Rock B&B	02 60779236

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Khancoban Lakeside Caravan Resort	
<i>KHANCOBAN NSW</i>	02 60769488

# END OF YEAR GET TOGETHER

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2007  
POINT COOK**

Book your place now for a social get-together with like-minded "hutties" and enjoy an environment with a difference. This year we will venture to the Point Cook Homestead and adjacent Marine Park to check out the coastal scene for our end of year get together. The RAAF Museum is just around the corner and the homestead has a super (and very reasonably priced) café for a lunchtime gathering.

**DATE:** Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2007

**TIMES:**

12noon Lunch at Point Cook Homestead Café or  
BYO BBQ/Picnic at nearby Marine Park.

2.00pm Inspection of the Point Cook Homestead.



Set in the Point Cook Coastal Park, the Homestead was once the centre of the Chirnside empire. Manager Emma will take us on a tour of the past and inform of plans for the Homestead's future.

**A snippet of the history...**the Point Cook Homestead is the original home of Thomas Chirnside, who arrived in Australia from Scotland at the tender age of 24 and went on to build a hugely successful sheep farming empire with his brother Andrew. Thomas employed stonemasons from Scotland to build the elegant bluestone section of the Point Cook Homestead, which was completed in 1857 – making 2007 the 150th anniversary of its construction.

Source: [www.pointcookhomestead.com](http://www.pointcookhomestead.com)

**GETTING THERE:** Point Cook Coastal Park & Homestead is located 20 km southwest of Melbourne. Cross the Westgate Bridge and exit the Princes Freeway at the Point Cook Road sign, 12 km from the western end of the bridge. The Point Cook Homestead is located at 1 Point Cook Homestead Road, Point Cook (Melway ref: 199 J3).

**RSVP FOR LUNCH AT THE CAFÉ:** Most important to let David know if you will be lunching at the Café as it is very popular and we will need to confirm our booking.

**RSVP BY WEDNESDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**

Phone David on 9747 1411

OR

Email: [dsoldf@netconnect.com.au](mailto:dsoldf@netconnect.com.au)

The Point Cook RAAF Museum is open from 10am to 5pm at weekends if you are interested in visiting it before lunch or after the Homestead tour.

## COMMITTEE REPORT

The Committee & HMOs met at Benalla Department of Sustainability and Environment (DSE) offices on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2007 and welcomed Gavin Powell, new HMO Area 7B (see page 4) and Darin Lynch, Parks Victoria (PV) Alpine District Program Manager.

Darin has taken over from Peter Jenkins who has recently taken on a role as Sustainability Officer for PV, and while still based in Bright, now has a state wide focus.

Darin has worked with PV since 1998 and spent time as a Ranger at Omeo and Mt Buffalo, as well as other short term roles in the Alpine District particularly associated with fire recovery. His primary involvement with VHCHA will be as our central liaison point and program coordinator, specifically for huts managed in the Alpine District, including the Alpine National Park.

Darin aims to build on and foster the excellent relationship that the VHCHA and PV have forged over the last four and half years and we also look forward to working with him.

Our thanks to Ted Stabb, Forest Manager, North East Forest Management Area, DSE, for arranging the venue for our meeting.

The next meeting of Committee and HMOs will be at the AGM weekend in Corryong on 20 October 2007.

## Your 2007 Committee...

All positions are vacated at the AGM. See notice with this newsletter if you are interested in joining the Committee.

<b>President</b>	Fiona Magnussen
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Merchandising	Lee Magnussen
Website	Mike Shaw
Committee Members	Ken & Vicky Birch
	* Richard Hubbard
	* Bob Johnstone
Huts Maintenance Coordinator	Robert France

\* These Committee members are also HMOs.

## HMO ACTIVITIES

The winter conditions still prevail in much of the high country and it will be several more weeks before tracks are open in many areas. In spite of this our HMOs have been busy planning 2007-2008 works.

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP WITH HUTS MAINTENANCE OR THE RE-BUILDING PROGRAM PLEASE CONTACT THE HMO FOR THE AREA DIRECT.**

In this edition we farewell two HMOs and welcome two new HMOs and a Hut Caretaker.

### Farewell Damien & Bob

Areas 1 & 3 have been managed jointly by Damien Crozier who finds that work and family commitments are such that he cannot give the role of HMO the time needed and is standing down from the position. We appreciate the work and commitment that Damien has shown over the last few years and although we lose him as an HMO we know that he will still be a valued member of the VHCHA and look forward to seeing him "around the huts" in the future.

We also farewell Bob Johnstone as Area 9B Bogong HMO, a position he took on from the start of the VHCHA. In more recent times Bob has also been a member of the Committee. He came to VHCHA as part of the North East Freemasons Task Force (NEFTF) with a wealth of knowledge of the huts and invaluable skills acquired through many years maintaining and repairing huts. Bob will be missed and we wish Him well in the future, although we do expect to see him on site at huts from time to time with the NEFTF.

### Welcome HMOs – Gavin & Ladas

The Howqua area comprises some 30+ huts and we have been keen to divide this area for some time. Chris Clarke, current Howqua HMO will look after the new Howqua A area, generally comprising huts under the management of PV and we welcome new HMO Gavin Powell who will take over Howqua B area, mostly huts managed by DSE. See Area 7B Howqua report on page 4.

Area 9A Hotham has a new HMO in Ladas Taylor and we welcome him. More about Ladas in the next edition of *Echo from the Mountains*.

### Caretaker for Frys Hut – Ken Birch

Frys Hut is in the Howqua A area and has been the subject of major restoration and maintenance over the last twelve months - see past editions of *Echo from the Mountains* and also page 4 of this issue.

The role of liaising with PV and coordination of VHCHA volunteers as well as a myriad of other duties has been undertaken by Ken Birch as a member of the VHCHA Committee and the Range Rover Club (RRC). Ken (supported by his wife Vicky who is also on the VHCHA Committee) has worked tirelessly to support what can only be described as a fabulous

outcome for Frys Hut - see story on the final chapter under Area 7A Howqua A, report on page 4.

Ken's passion for Frys Hut has been displayed in his commitment to the work parties, providing detailed reports and photos for the committee, the newsletter, and his wonderful presentation at the High Country Huts Conference in Dinner Plain in May 2006. We are delighted to have Ken become the designated caretaker of this hut on behalf of the RRC. More about caretakers in future newsletters.

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HMO Area names are general geographic names only and do not reflect the extent or number of huts in each area. For this information see our website <a href="http://www.hutsvictoria.org.au">www.hutsvictoria.org.au</a> .	

If you or a group you are a member of are interested or know of someone who may be interested in becoming a Huts Maintenance Officer please contact HMC Robert France or President Fiona Magnussen.

HMOs are WANTED for Areas 1 (East Gippsland), 2 (Nunniong) & 3 (Dargo). There is nothing sadder than a hut without an HMO. Please consider taking on this role within the VHCHA. Contact HMC Rob France for further information.

### **AREA 4 LICOLA & AREA 5 BAW BAW HMO - MICK VANDERZALM**

Mick is organising a work party at Millers Hut on 24/25 November 2007 with assistance from Range Rover Club. He is also planning work on Kellys Hut in January and McMichaels Hut in February 2008, dates to be confirmed. Please contact Mick direct for details and to participate.

### **AREA 6: MARYSVILLE HMO - PETER GRAHAM**

There has been little activity in Area 6 due to winter track closures. Peter has continued his work to set up a database of huts and is planning about five trips into the high country to check on huts during Summer 2007/Autumn 2008. Please contact Peter direct for details and to participate.

### **AREA 7A: HOWQUA A HMO - CHRIS CLARKE**

Chris attended a meeting with PV and the Stoney family on the replacement of Bluff Hut. Ritchies Hut site has been cleared. Bindaree Hut needs work on the chimney to it make safe. Mt No. 3 Hut replacement is at the planning stage. Upper Jamieson, Razorback and Tomahawk huts have been well restored by work by contractors for DSE.



As a result of this recent work the photo on the front cover of our 2008 calendar is now historic (see back page). *Above photo taken on 28 August 2007 printed with permission.*

### **CRAIG'S HUT**

Plans for the rebuild of Craigs Hut (Man from Snowy River film set at Mt Stirling destroyed in 2006 fires) is well underway. Chris has represented the VHCHA at the Stakeholders Reference Group meetings and reported that there was a call for volunteers to assist with the rebuild and although this closed on 31<sup>st</sup> July any VHCHA members interested in helping could contact Jennie Baker on 5775 7005 or by email to [jennie@mansfield0mtbuller.com.au](mailto:jennie@mansfield0mtbuller.com.au) for details of

proposed dates. It is understood that the tenders for the rebuild – to be done in traditional hut building materials and techniques - have closed recently.

### **FRY'S HUT**

The final, third, work party on Frys Hut was held on the weekend of 8/9 September. The wall at the south end, on either side of the chimney was replaced together with the windows being taken back to their original style.

It was bitterly cold weather but despite this work was well under way by 7.30am each day, albeit a bit slow at -1 degree on Saturday morning, but by lunch the wall and rotten slabs were removed and attention then focussed on the front post to be preserved and spliced onto a new stump. Dry rot had hollowed out the lower section to a point 1m from the base leaving no alternative but to completely replace it. The last remaining support post was sound enough to permit a splice, thereby preserving a piece of historic timber. Saturday night saw a window and part of the wall replaced. Sunday greeted early risers with -2 degrees and spurred most into a quick start. By early afternoon the wall was completed, and by 4pm the site cleaned up and vehicles loaded. Special thanks to all those who travelled far, particularly Ray & Ann from Queensland. Oh and we cannot forget the students from Wangaratta High School and their teacher James Findlay, what a fantastic contribution these young boys made. Thanks also to Fleur & PV for a great BBQ lunch and the opportunity to work on a hut icon such as Fry's.



*Jobs Done! Photo printed with permission.*

### **AREA 7B: HOWQUA B HMO – GAVIN POWELL**

Gavin has been involved with huts and visiting the Howqua area with Chris Clarke for some time. When he heard the VHCHA was keen to divide the area he volunteered to become the HMO for the DSE huts. Area 7 does not lend itself easily to a geographic division and Gavin and Chris intend to continue to work closely but with clear responsibilities in terms of the huts. A new list is in the process of being prepared and will be available on our website – [www.hutsvictoria.org.au](http://www.hutsvictoria.org.au) - in the very near future.

## AREA 8: BARRY MOUNTAINS HMO - ANDY KASS

Most of the tracks into this area are still closed although Andy was able to do some huts visiting in May with the CFA 4WD Club.

Here's Andy's story... "due to the fires over the summer months, most of the tracks in the Barry Ranges were still closed due to the danger of trees or branches falling down. I made the mandatory phone calls to the Parks Rangers to establish which tracks we could rightfully travel on. At the time of my initial enquiry, all tracks leading to huts in our area were closed. I decided to use Frys Hut as a meeting point for this reason. I did make another call to the rangers the day before the trip and found some tracks had opened up.



On the Friday night I travelled to Frys Hut to find a very cold and deserted camp area. There were 2 lots of campers, neither of which were the party I was looking for. Thanks to the UHF radio and Sasha listening in on Channel 14, I was quickly directed back to Sheepyard's Flat to find a dwindling fire with Sasha and his friend Paul barely keeping warm by it. I set up the swag, added some wood I brought from home to the fire pile and joined in on the conversation with a drink or two. Amazed how the time had flown, we hit the sack with about 3am!

The night was relatively cold and I woke to the usual sound of someone trying to get the fire going again. A relaxed "brekky" was had and John arrived in time for a cuppa before we packed up camp and headed off.

First stop was Frys Hut where we chatted to an off duty ranger who was called in from Western Vic to assist with cleaning up projects in the High Country. From there we took a leisurely pace up to the ruins of Bluff Hut stopping at the water diversion tunnel along the way. The Bluff site has been cleared of fire debris and is fenced off in preparation for a rebuild of the original building later this year.

We continued up to Lovicks Hut to see if any work had been done with the relocation, but still no more than the posts in the ground. On the way, we stopped for lunch enjoying the sunshine with a tremendous view towards Mt Buller. There were some patches of snow near Lovicks Hut but only enough for a short snow fight.

From Lovicks Hut we back tracked a little and made our way down the Sixteen Mile Jeep track to Pikes Flat where we set up camp for the night. The fires had certainly ravaged this part of the country but we still found some logs for the camp fire. Warmth was essential, as by 7pm it was already 0°C reaching -3°C overnight. By 8pm we were all thinking "Is it bed time yet?"

Sunday we woke to a frosty morning and had another leisurely breakfast by the fire. We set off around 11am to cross the river and check out the old Refuge Hut before heading to Bindaree Hut then the Falls.



As time was getting on we skipped the trip to the Craigs Hut site and made our way to King River Hut for a little repair of the log fence and a fire place cleanout. We then made our way to Pineapple Flat for lunch. On leaving the Flat, John got the 80 series hung up on a small stump just to give Sasha a snatch strap recovery lesson.

We were travelling well for time in the expectation of reaching Mansfield before 3pm when we found a mandatory late afternoon obstacle. After 45 minutes of cutting, dragging and rolling a tree off the path we had an opening in the track fit for a [fire] tanker. Up and over the hill for a quick refuel in Mansfield and we were all on our way home.

An enjoyable weekend was had by all, especially John who celebrated his birthday on the Sunday. Thanks to all participants for a great weekend." Photos printed with permission.

## AREA 9A: HOTHAM HMO LADAS TAYLOR

We welcome Ladas Taylor as the new HMO for this area and his contact details are on page 5.

## AREA 9B: BOGONG HMO WANTED

### ROPER'S HUT REBUILD

A final design for the new Roper's hut has been agreed upon by the rebuilding committee, which consists of a representative from Parks Victoria, The Victorian High Country Huts Association, Ian Roper and the design company. To assist with this exciting project or find out more please contact Barry Hazeldine, Victorian High Country Huts Association, on 02 6020 8595 or Bright Parks Victoria Ranger Enzo Brotto, on 13 1963.

## AREA 10: DARTMOUTH HMO - BRAD COOKSEY

Brad has been busy organising the storage boxes, handles and sharpening of some broad axes the VHCHA has purchased for use in hut preservation and maintenance work. Like most of the HMO areas, Dartmouth has also been subject to track closures over winter so huts activities have been on hold. He has however been doing work behind the scenes for Ropers Hut rebuild and a couple of other huts out side Area 10.

**LAVERTY'S HUT** - As part of the AGM weekend of events two huts visits are planned – see page 1 for all the details – and one is Lavertys Hut which was the subject of considerable work earlier this year. The report and photos of that work featured in the March 2007 issue of *Echo from the Mountains* - what did not feature was a list of the willing workers that so ably assisted Brad with those works.

Our thanks to Denis Putkins, Dean Schembri, Rob Cooksey, P.G. Cooksey, Jess Cooksey, Bob Johnstone, Geoff Payne, Geoff Bean and son Peter Steers, Mark McKenzie and the Laverty Family. If you would like to see the results of their labour join us for a site visit to the hut on the Sunday after the AGM.

## AREA 11: DAVIES PLAIN HMO - RICHARD HUBBARD

Some vexing questions for Area 11 Huts need to be resolved. We are working on it! *Photos printed with permission.*

### THE SKI HUT "TOILET"?

Ski Hut was built in the early 1950s by the Upper Murray Ski Club and was called "Lind Lodge". In the 60s DSE took over the hut and used it as a depot. In 1968 they moved a little building to the site. It is fair to assume that it was a toilet. Wrong, it was a shower. In the late 70s/early 80s the Upper Murray Ski Club moved back in and did major repairs, including drying racks in the very big fire place. In the 90s vandals removed the drying racks, stole the stove and started using the little building as a toilet. As there was a concrete floor with only a drain hole, there was a build up material, which eventually caused the timber to rot and in about 2004 it fell over.

The questions are ...Should it be removed as it was not part of the original building layout? If it was restored would it continue to be a health hazard, because people would use it as a toilet even though it was not set up as one? Would people take notice of signs?



NOTE: Generally toilets are not provided at huts unless there is major use because of the cost, and there is no plan to provide one in this location.

### GIBSON'S HUT CHIMNEY?

The saw tooth chimney stood for 40 years, the new chimney made from 4 gallon drums, lasted 13 years before it caused the end wall to burn out. Should we put up more 4 gallon (20 litre) drums or revert to a saw tooth design?

### FLYING SWAGMAN UPDATE

Richard has been given a folder of papers, newspaper cuttings and photographs from a caravan near the site of the Flying Swagman Hut. There is a rich amount of information in the folder that will help the VHCHA document this unique hut of the high country. A visit to the Flying Swagman is a must see part of the AGM weekend – see page 1 for all the details.

## OTHER ACTIVITIES

Maintaining huts of the high country requires old skills and there are currently only a handful of skilled craftsmen available to us. So that these skills are maintained and extended the VHCHA Committee actively supports and promotes a range of skills based activities for interested members to participate in. Our Indigenous and Heritage Advisors (Colleen and Anne) also keep us abreast of latest techniques and knowledge for preserving and restoring the fabric of our huts. Heritage Advisor Anne recently came upon a technical paper on weatherproofing and maintenance of Shingles and will obtain a copy from the author for our records.

**July was the month of skills based activities as these reports from Ken Birch show.**

### **Pole splicing week end of 7<sup>th</sup> July**

A cold and windy day greeted five members of the VHCHA meeting with Chris Smith, Heritage Planner, and Trevor Lerner both from PV at the training day at Day's Mill at Murchison. Day's Mill is the last remaining and fully intact flour mill in Australia and an ideal site for the training session. It was fascinating to see how a new "green log" can be mated successfully to a 100 year old post. Members tried their hand at hand sawing as this was the preferred method of making a fine and accurate cut.



It was explained that all matching surfaces had to be smooth and free from air gaps as this is where water & air would get in and the join would deteriorate.

After lunch an excellent tour of this old mill was given by Trevor. Thanks to Trevor, Chris and VHCHA members that attended the training session.

*Report and photo (printed with permission) by Ken Birch.*

### **Slab splitting weekend 21<sup>st</sup> July @ Cheshunt.**

Report from Ken Birch - *The bushfires have subsided and left their mark on the country side. A once green and lush King Valley and the township of Cheshunt show scars of how dreadful nature can be. Into this scene comes the crew from the VHCHA with chain saws and axes to cut more slabs for Frys Hut. Eight members of our Association and nine friends and family assembled on Saturday morning.*

*James (Jimmy) Findlay had identified logs earlier in the week and the team started quickly, measuring logs and deciding where to place our first cut were priorities as Jimmy took on the role as instructor and splitter.*

*It is amazing how easy it becomes when Jimmy explains the process. With work loads spread between splitting and broad axe trimming the stack of finished product grew rapidly. Unfortunately some of the team had to return home on Saturday evening but those that assembled on Sunday morning added to the stock pile. PV will bring in a large trailer to pick up the slabs later. Special thanks again to Jimmy and his family for their hospitality at the farm and all those that attended."*



*Ken Birch tries his hand at slab splitting. Photo printed with permission.*

Are you a budding HMO looking for some wonderful huts? Contact HMC Robert France on Mobile Phone 0411 813 352 or Email [robert@MountainSoul.com.au](mailto:robert@MountainSoul.com.au) for information about the role of HMO.

## **HUTS IN THE NEWS**

The VHCHA is a member of the Victorian Environment Friends Network and featured prominently (on page 1) of the August 2007 issue of *FriendsNET*. You can view or download *FriendsNET* at <http://home.vicnet.net.au/~friends/>

## **Our generous members....**

The following members kindly made donations to VHCHA to when renewing their membership for 2007/08, thus ensuring the work of preserving and maintaining the huts of the high country continues. Thank you.

Keith Oxenbould

Richard Jenkins

Kevin Hall

Liz Tunnecliffe

Brian Slee

Ernest Harders

Tim Davies

Michael Paton

Michael Cooke

Mark Cleghorn

Graham Anderson

Hotham Ski Association

Una Bektash

John Foster

Roger Halls

Geoff Giles

Marion Hair

Mick O'Brien

Les Christian

Terry Foulds

Geoffrey Paton

Mike Dore

Maurice Sexton

## 2008 CALENDAR



The VHCHA 2008 calendar features photographs of huts from each of the Huts Maintenance Areas taken by VHCHA members and our Secretary David Oldfield has done a fine job of putting it together again.

The huts featured in order of HMO areas from area 1 are Wilson's, Limestone Creek, Strobridge, Guy's, S16, Ryan's Spur, Tomahawk (cover), Top Crossing, Silver Brumby, Wallace's, Laverty's, and Davies Plain.

The member contributors are Howard Blegg, Patricia Morrissey, Jerry Gregg, Damian Crozier, Bill Statton, Robin Rishworth, Chris Clarke, Andy Kass, Mike Shaw, Keith Oxenbould, Brad Cooksey, and Bruce Dodson.

Members may order the 2008 calendar when paying their 2007-8 membership renewal for the special members early order price of \$8 including P&H, and this price will be available to members until the AGM, after which it will be \$10 (incl. P&H).

### WEBSITE ADVERTISING

At the discretion of the Committee, members of the VHCHA may advertise books, art, or other products on the website at no charge, provided the material supports the purpose of the VHCHA. Requests should be submitted to the Newsletter Editor.

### NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING

Advertisements will be accepted from current financial members at the discretion of the Editor based on availability of space and in order of receipt, at \$20 for a small advertisement on the back page. Contact the Newsletter Editor with any advertising requests.

## MERCHANDISE

Credit card facilities (MasterCard and Visa) are available.

Committee members in charge of our merchandise are Greg Love and Lee Magnussen. All items for sale are of high quality and incorporate the VHCHA logo.



For information about purchasing any of the items see our website, [www.hutsvictoria.org.au](http://www.hutsvictoria.org.au) or phone Lee on 0427 596 554. Please note, we have limited sizes, and delivery of those sizes not in stock may take up to six weeks.

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Cotton long sleeved shirts	\$45	S-2XL
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