



2026 STALLHOLDER PROSPECTUS

16th – 19th April 2026



Thank you for your interest in joining us as a valued Stallholder.

This Prospectus outlines everything you need to know about applying for a Food, Trade, or Market Stall at the 2026 *Man From Snowy River Bush Festival* (the Festival).

Inside, you'll find the essential guidelines and regulations that all Stallholders must follow. We are proud to welcome businesses that are committed to excellence and who approach their craft with passion and purpose.

Stalls are an integral part of the Festival, offering guests an inviting and memorable experience. More than just a point of sale, your stall is a creative expression of your brand—and we value partners who share our commitment to outstanding quality and understand that every interaction leaves a lasting impression.

For the 2026 Festival, we have multiple locations available for Stallholders, including:

- The MFSR Food Court (Thursday – Sunday at Corryong Rec Reserve)
- The MFSR Trade Stall precinct (Thursday – Sunday at Corryong Rec Reserve)
- The MFSR Re-enactment area (Friday Morning at Thowlga – Food Stalls Only)
- The MFSR Bush Market Precinct within the Attree Centre (Saturday Only)

We look forward to discovering the passion and innovation you'll bring to the Festival community.

Key Dates

The Man From Snowy River Bush Festival operates from **Thursday 16th April to Sunday 19th April 2026**.

Monday 15 th Sept 2025	All Stallholder Applications Open on our website at 9am
Wednesday 8 th Oct 2025	Stallholder Applications Close at 5pm
Late Oct 2025	Successful applicants notified by email & sent invoices/contracts
Early Nov 2025	Booking Deposits and Contracts Due to confirm your site
Early Jan 2026	Invoices to be paid in full (as stated on invoice & contract)
Tuesday 14 th April 2026	Bump In – Rec Reserve
Monday 20 th Apr 2026	Bump Out – Rec Reserve
16 th -19 th April 2026	Trading for Rec Reserve Sites
Thursday 16 th April 2026	Re-Enactment Food Stall Bump In
Friday 17 th April 2026	Re-Enactment Trading
Saturday 18 th April 2026	Market Stall (Attree Centre) Trading

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Minimum Required Trading Hours

Food Court (Corryong Rec Reserve)	
Day	Trading Hours
Thursday 16th April	10:00am – 9:00pm
Friday 17th April	8:00am – 11:00pm
Saturday 18th April	8:00am – 11:00pm
Sunday 19th April	8:00am – 4:00pm
Trade Stall Precinct (Corryong Rec Reserve)	
Day	Trading Hours
Thursday 16th April	10:00am – 5:00pm
Friday 17th April	9:00am – 5:00pm
Saturday 18th April	9:00am – 5:00pm
Sunday 19th April	8:00am – 2:00pm
Bush Market Precinct (Attree Centre – 1 day only)	
Day	Trading Hours
Saturday 18th April	9:00am – 3:00pm
Re-enactment (Thowgla AM Show – 1 day only)	
Day	Trading Hours
Friday 17th April	8:00am – 1:30pm

Should the Stallholder fail to occupy the site by the date stated MFSR reserves the right to terminate the site agreement immediately by verbal or written notice.

Rec Reserve Stallholders must be ready for the Safety Audits on Thursday 16th April by 9am.

Stallholders are expected to operate for the duration of their allocated Event. Stallholders must commit to trade per our minimum required trading hours above. Extended trading hours may be offered before and/or after these minimum trading hours (opening/closing times) subject to demand.

Bump In and Out:

Trade & Food Stalls at the Festival Grounds (Corryong Rec Reserve)

The Festival Grounds will open to Stallholders to arrive and set up on **Tuesday the 14th of April 2026**.

You will not be able to commence trading your products until Thursday 16th of April as we will be constructing the event prior to. The safety of our staff, volunteers and spectators is paramount. All sites must be dismantled and removed from the Festival grounds by **4pm Monday 20th April**.

Market Stallholders (Attree Centre) - Our Market Grounds will be open from 6:30am on Saturday 18th April, and vehicles must vacate the market area by 8am prior to trading. All sites must be packed down and vacated by 5pm on Saturday the 18th of April.

Re-Enactment Food Stalls (Thowgla) - Bump in will be on Thursday the 16th of April before 5pm, must vacate property before 5pm on the 17th of April

Stallholder Requirements & Selection Criteria:

ESSENTIAL

- Stallholders must have \$20 million minimum Public Liability Insurance
- Stallholders must agree to comply with the terms and conditions set out in this Prospectus
- Stallholders to provide a creative and diverse range of goods/foods
- Stallholders who follow the online application process
- Stallholders must maintain their site, stalls and staff for the duration of the Event allocated in an appropriate manner
- Stallholders must bump-in on time and leave their site as they found it and follow our Leave No Waste policy
- Stallholders must work in cooperation with the Festival, its staff, Board, contractors and other stallholders
- Food Stallholders must have a current Food Safety Supervisor Certificate
- Food Stallholders who have successfully obtained their Statement of Trade through FoodTrader and the Towong Shire Council
- Stallholders who have EFTPOS facilities available

PREFERRED

- Stallholders who are fun, friendly, service orientated, ethical, honest, reliable and aware of how personalities make an event
- Stallholders who are willing to create a striking and visually pleasing stall
- Stallholders who supply and use recyclable or bio-degradable packaging and food service items for customer service will be favourably looked upon
- Stallholders who supply their own power

Please note, Trade Stallholders are NOT permitted to sell food and beverages and Food Stallholders are not permitted to sell goods without prior written consent by the Festival

Insurance

\$20 Million Public Liability Insurance (minimum) is compulsory for all Stallholders.

Stallholders must also hold current workers compensation insurance for all employees of the Stall and have risks cover for all property located on the site.

Right to Veto

The Festival retains the right to enter your Stall anytime and remove any article, sign, picture or printed matter which, in our opinion is either not eligible for display or is considered offensive.

Subletting

Stallholders can share part of their site with written consent of the Festival but are not allowed to sublet their stall.

Stall Site Size & Fees (inc. GST)

Food Court (Corryong Rec Reserve)		
Stall Dimensions Frontage/Depth	Complimentary 4-day Passes	Stall Fee
3m x 3m	3	\$900
6m x 3m	4	\$1,500
9m x 3m	4	\$2,100
12m x 3m	5	\$2,700
Trade Stall Precinct (Corryong Rec Reserve)		
Stall Dimensions Frontage	Complimentary 4-day Passes	Stall Fee
3m	2	\$800
6m	2	\$1,000
9m	2	\$1,200
12m	2	\$1,400
15m	3	\$1,600
18m	4	\$1,800
21m+	4	\$2,000
Bush Market Precinct (Attree Centre – 1 day only)		
Stall Dimensions Frontage/Depth	Complimentary 4-day Passes	Stall Fee
3m x 3m	N/A	\$110
6m x 3m	N/A	\$220
9m x 3m	N/A	\$250
12m x 3m	N/A	\$300
Re-enactment (Thowgla AM Show – 1 day only)		
Stall Dimensions Frontage/Depth	Complimentary 4-day Passes	Stall Fee
3m – 5m Frontage	N/A	\$75
6m – 12m Frontage	N/A	\$100

Leave No Trace & Waste Levy

As part of our commitment to sustainability and the festival's **Leave No Trace** policy, all stallholders are required to pay a **non-refundable \$100 waste levy**.

This levy supports the provision of waste management services within the Corryong Rec Reserve, including landfill and recycling as well as post-event clean-up efforts. Stallholders are expected to manage their waste responsibly by separating waste correctly, flat packing boxes, and ensuring their stall site is left clean and free of litter at pack-down.

All items such as oil and chemicals must be taken with the stallholder when leaving the festival grounds, the Corryong Rec Reserve is not responsible for disposing these items.

For more information on Towong Shire's local Resource Recovery Centres and Landfill, please visit: [Waste and recycling - Towong Shire Council](#)

Participation in the event indicates agreement with these environmental standards.

Payment Terms & Cancellation Policy

Payment Terms

To confirm your site booking, a **25% non-refundable deposit** of the total invoice amount, along with a signed contract, must be submitted within 14 days of acceptance. Bookings will not be secured until both the deposit and signed agreement are received.

The remaining balance and due date will be detailed on your invoice. Failure to make payment by the due date may result in cancellation of your booking and forfeiture of any funds paid to date

Cancellation Policy

All cancellations must be submitted in writing to the MFSR Bush Festival. Verbal cancellations will not be accepted. Cancellation Fees apply as follows:

31–60 days prior to the start of the 2026 MFSR Bush Festival:

A cancellation fee equal to **50% of total site fees** will be retained by MFSR

30 days or less prior to the start of the 2026 MFSR Bush Festival:

A cancellation fee equal to **100% of total site fees** will be retained by MFSR

The 25% deposit is strictly non-refundable, regardless of the cancellation date. No refunds will be issued for non-attendance.

Festival Passes

Stallholders at the Corryong Rec Reserve **must** indicate on the application form how many staff they require to run their stall. Some complimentary Festival passes are included for MFSR Stallholders (subject to site size) and are non-transferrable.

Festival passes required in addition to those provided complementarily will be invoiced to stallholders.

It is paramount that you provide the correct number of tickets required, as we will **NOT** be able to provide extra tickets during the Festival.

Vehicle Access

MFSR Stallholders at the Recreation Reserve will receive **ONLY** two (2) vehicle passes which will allow access to the Festival grounds. They will be circulated to Stallholders prior to the Festival.

Stallholders must ensure these passes are affixed to the inside of your vehicle's windscreen upon arrival and admittance into the Festival grounds.

Speed Limit:

The on-site speed limit is 10km/h, always drive with hazard lights on and seatbelts.

Camping

Campsites are available for Food and Trade Vendors with Sites at the Festival Grounds. Campsites will be allocated near your stall site, space will depend on stall size, number of staff etc. You will be asked if you require camping in your application. Note – no fires are permitted on the oval playing surface and there are no powered campsites

MFSR Liability

The Stallholder occupies the site at their own risk. MFSR is not liable to the stallholder and the Stallholder releases MFSR from any breach of contract or duty of care. The Stallholder acknowledges MFSR is not responsible for and releases and discharges MFSR from any direct, indirect or inconsequential loss or expense suffered by the Stallholder and any third party, howsoever caused from the use and occupation of the site (or the inability to use or occupy the site) including breach of statutory or common law warranties and negligence.

The Stallholder agrees to indemnify MFSR, its staff, volunteers, contractors and board members from and against all liability and losses (including costs on a full indemnity basis) which may be incurred by the Stallholder because of the use and occupation of the land and any resulting action or court proceedings including any claim made by a third party.

The Stallholder shall be responsible for and indemnifies MFSR against:

- Any pollution or environmental harm caused by the Stallholder to the site or to MFSR property
- Any costs or orders issued by any authorised statutory body in respect to the investigation, clean up or remediation in relation to the site to MFSR property by reason of the Stallholder use or occupation of the site or MFSR property.

MFSR will not be liable nor deemed to be liable to the Stallholder (and the Stallholder releases MFSR in full) due to cancellation, postponement or delay in holding MFSR as a result of strikes and/or lockouts (whether of their own employees or those of others and whether or not the party against whom such action is taken could have avoided the same by acceding to the demands of the employees responsible for such action), acts of God, war, fire, flood, embargo, litigation, acts of government or any agency instrumentality or political subdivision thereof or any other cause beyond the control of MFSR.

Statement of Trade (SOT)

All **Food** Stallholders must apply for a Statement of Trade through FoodTrader (Formerly StreaTrader).

A Statement of Trade lets the Towong Shire Council know where and when you plan to sell food/drink. This is a requirement under the Food Act 1984 (the Act) for operators who sell to the public from a temporary (e.g. market stall, tent/marquee or hall) or mobile food premises (e.g. coffee cart, ice-cream truck, food van etc) and some vending machine operators.

Food Stallholders must lodge a SOT at least 5 days prior to trading to have complied with your legal obligations under the Act. For more information, please visit [Homepage - FoodTrader](#) or contact Towong Shire Council's Environmental Health Officer on 02 6071 5100.

General Safety

The wellbeing of stallholders, volunteers, and visitors must always remain a top priority. Individuals acting in a way that poses a risk to others may be asked to leave the site. Please always adhere to all WorkSafe Regulations. Enclosed shoes must be worn when constructing/de-constructing your site, during preparation and service.

The Festival employs security personnel who will be present throughout the grounds from Thursday 16th April. Stallholders are responsible for the security of their stall and possessions.

Fire Safety

In accordance with the WorkSafe Occupational Health and Safety Act, stallholders are responsible for ensuring a safe environment for both their team and event attendees.

Fires are not permitted in Stall Sites, or on oval camping Sites (to reduce the risk of damage to the playing surface)

All **portable fire extinguishers** must be maintained in accordance with AS1851.

A **fire blanket** must be installed to all food stalls areas where cooking oils are present.

Portable Fire Extinguishers must be provided in accordance with AS2444 including mounting stands and signage located between 2m and 4m from potential fire ignition sources. The following fire extinguishers are required for the following fire risks:

Extinguisher Type	Locations
4A:80B:E dry chemical	Generator, portable switchboards, sub-boards, switchboxes, distribution boards. Flammable liquid or gas containers, live energised electrical equipment is present.
2A:40B:E dry chemical	Tents, General food stalls (not cooking facilities), PA systems, DJ equipment and sound systems and the like.
40B:E dry chemical	Food stalls with multiple cooking facilities.
2A:4F wet chemical	Food stalls with fryers & similar oil/fat type cooking facilities.
9 litre water type	Food stalls with naked flame appliances

Health, Hygiene and Safety Requirements for Food Stallholders

Every Food Stallholder will need to submit a proposed Stall Layout Plan for assessment to ensure that the site complies with the requirements of the Food Act and Regulations.

Maintaining effective hygiene includes:

- Regular handwashing, cleaning and sanitising facilities and equipment
- Maintaining strict requirements around worker health and hygiene
- Ensure you clean all utensils and food contact areas
- Wear clean and appropriate clothing & keep their long hair tied back

Food Stallholders must ensure they comply with all relevant Health and Safety regulations and standards including:

- Storage of Food Items and Products
- Temperatures, Hot & Cold Food Storage
- Transporting Food to Site
- Food Preparations Areas
- Floor
- Water Supply
- Lighting
- Hand Washing & Food Preparation Sinks

Personal Effects/Chemical Storage/Sharps Storage:

- Store away from food preparation areas
- Knives and other sharps are to be stored in a lockable container when kitchen is closed

Please visit the [Department of Health website](#) to ensure you're covering the Australian Government Guidelines for Food Safety.

Health & Hygiene and Safety Requirements for Trade Stallholders

Every Trade Stallholder will need to submit a proposed Stall Layout Plan for assessment.

All persons engaged in the sale of goods shall

- Wear clean and appropriate clothing
- Ensure they keep themselves and their work area clean
- Ensure hands are cleaned, before commencing or resuming work and after visiting a sanitary convenience, smoking, handling garbage, handkerchief or nasal tissue

The Stallholder acknowledges that the Occupational Health and Safety Act, associated Acts and Regulations impose obligations on the Stallholder in respect of the creation and maintenance of a safe environment for both employees and visitors. The Stallholder warrants that any materials, goods, plant and/or products offered for sale or otherwise display on the site is fit for use in any workplace and must be free of any faults and a standard necessary to comply with the Acts and Regulations.

Stall Allocation

While we do our best to accommodate individual preferences, stall placement cannot be guaranteed. Stall placement and the overall site layout are determined at the discretion of the Festival, in consultation with the Grounds Manager, and will be based on your specific site requirements.

Please include your **Proposed Stall Layout Plan (refer to Page 13)**, which must clearly show that all ropes, awnings, and other infrastructure fit entirely within your allocated site space.

The Festival reserves the right to decline any application that does not align with the Festival's theme, spirit of goodwill, or code of conduct.

Please note, no changes to site sizing will be accepted after your application has been approved.

Stall Construction

If bringing your own marquee/tent, please ensure you are adhering to safety guidelines. As per the Place of Public Entertainment [guidelines](#), any tents, marquees or booths with a floor area greater than 100m² require an Occupancy Permit issued by the Victorian Building Authority, at your own expense.

During setup, Stallholders must not encroach onto walkways with signage, merchandise, or displays. All items must remain within your allocated space to ensure safe and clear access. Please ensure no trip hazards or obstructions are present around your stall.

Weights & Pegs

Stalls are required to have adequate weights and corners pegged, to support the structure during storms and high winds. Please see the Temporary structures & Marquee weighting guide [here](#).

As per the POPE Guidelines, non-prescribed tents and structures will be required to be dismantled where any wind speeds predicted to reach 40 km/hr (24.85 mph) or less if specified by manufacturer.

Stallholders must consult with the Grounds Manager onsite prior to pegging into the ground to ensure that underground infrastructure is not damaged. If approval is not sought prior, any costs associated with damage to services will be the responsibility of the stallholder.

Safety Tags are compulsory to be used on ALL tent, marquee and awning pegs to ensure they are easily sighted and safely removed from your site at the end of the Festival.

Tables/Chairs

The Festival supplies tables and chairs within the Food Court for customers.

Preferred Supplier

The Festival uses **Barlens Event Hire** for all event infrastructure. Marquees, tables, chairs, lighting, flooring, etc can be hired from Barlens Event Hire. Contact the Festival Office directly if you require further information.

Plumbing and Wastewater

The Festival is mindful of not disturbing the environment. It works hard to develop resources and techniques to safely remove our waste and effectively reuse it. With every Stallholder being mindful of this and applying systems within their stalls, we can work together to satisfy everyone's needs and protect our waterways. We encourage Stallholders to use biodegradable cleaning products that are not hazardous.

Grey water is to be disposed of into the specified outlets provided at the Festival. Bring your own water hose(s) to connect/discard your grey water.

Potable tap water is available at various points around the Festival venue. Stallholders are to bring their own hoses to use specifically for this purpose.

Gas Equipment on Site

Any gas bottles used as part of a Stall must adhere to and comply with all [Australian Standards](#), please ensure that all gas bottles are:

- restrained to prevent them from falling
- stored upright unless otherwise indicated
- stored in a dry, well-ventilated external location
- stored away from areas of heavy traffic and emergency exits
- protected from impact
- prevented from being exposed to artificial heat sources
- separated from incompatible dangerous goods

Failure to do so may result in eviction.

More information on Code of Practice for The Safe Use of LPGas at Public Events In Victoria can be found here: [Here](#)

Electricity and Power Requirements

The Festival is committed to reducing on-site power consumption during the event. Preference will be given to applicants who support this initiative by supplying their own power.

Market Stall applicants must supply their own power supply. Market Stallholders who provide their own generator must ensure it is silent or power your own site via solar power/batteries etc for the duration of the market.

Stallholders who require access to the Festival's power supply must comply with the following safety standards:

- Only use an approved portable power board equipped with a Residual Current Device (RCD) or Earth Leakage Circuit Breaker (ELCB) protection.
- Double adaptors are **strictly prohibited**
- An industrial-grade power lead must be used when connecting to the Festival's power source

To ensure the safety of all stallholders, staff, and patrons, all electrical equipment and power leads brought onto the Festival site must be **tested and tagged** by a licensed electrical contractor within 12 months prior to the Festival. For more information on Electrical Safety Visit: [WorkSafe](#)

Power leads placed on the ground must be safely covered to prevent damage or trip hazards. **Stallholders are responsible for supplying their own cable protection ramps or covers.**

All stalls will be inspected for compliance. If requirements are not met, the following charges will apply, and stallholders will be invoiced:

- ***Test & Tag by MFSR electrician: \$30***
- ***Replacement power lead: \$100***
- ***Cable Protector: \$11 per metre***

Any power faults or failures resulting from consumer underestimation, tampering with generators or distribution boxes, may lead to eviction from the site. Charges will apply for any additional services provided by the MFSR (including but not limited to electricity, water, refuse management and recycling)

Hay Bales

Small weed-free hay bales are permitted on any Trade site to enhance the display. Stallholders are responsible for supplying and maintenance within the allocated site for the duration of the Festival. Hay bales must be removed and the site left clear of debris at the completion of the Festival.

Please note, the Festival has the right to remove any Hay Bales or items that may pose a fire risk, due to weather, open flames etc.

Demonstrations & Clinics

MFSR must approve all demonstrations and/or clinics occurring at your site prior to the commencement of the Festival. MFSR reserves the right to refuse any demonstrations/clinics.

Amplified Music in Stalls

The use of amplified music and loudspeakers by Stallholders is **prohibited**. No PA spruiking permitted.

Pets

All pets are **prohibited** from the Corryong Rec Reserve unless they are proven to be an official service dog or a competitor in the Working Cattle Dog Championships. If you intend to bring a dog, that **complies** with these exemptions, you must seek written approval from the Festival in your online application. If we discover dogs that do not comply with the above, they may be removed by the Local Laws Officer and impounded.

Big Screen Advertising & Sponsorship

The opportunity to advertise on Big Screens is extended to Stallholders at competitive rates. A great variety of sponsorship packages are available to enhance your exposure at the Festival, including priority placement and advertising. Contact the Festival Office for further details.

Suggestions/Grievances/Complaints

Each problem or idea is handled on a case-by-case basis. During the event, please approach the Grounds Manager first to help you resolve any concerns. If you want to make an official complaint/grievance or a suggestion about the Festival, please email admin@bushfestival.com.au

Code of Conduct

Under no circumstances will any parties tolerate slander, abuse, acts of violence, threats of violence and/or aggressive behaviour. By participating as stallholder, you agree to uphold these behavioural standards.

MFSR will directly contact any such person/s acting in this manner and appropriate action will be taken as deemed necessary by Festival organisers. This action may result in the party being asked to leave the site or removed from the site either by Security or the Police.

Stallholder Acceptance/Decline of Application Process

Applications are subject to any or all the following considerations as to whether a vendor application is accepted or declined:

- Space availability – we determine how many vendors we can accommodate being mindful of the limitations of the Festival due to space available.
- Suitability of your stall for our Festival
- Compliance with The Man From Snowy River Bush Festival Stallholder Prospectus
- Presentation of Vendors Stall – that is bright, fresh, clean and attractive in presentation
- Returning Stallholder Applications – acceptance is based on our assessment of stallholder's compliance from previous years
- It may be simply a change of provider/products etc to maintain fresh and new product lines

Application Checklist:

1. Read and understand the Stallholder Prospectus
2. Decide whether you can comply with our payment terms and conditions and can afford to attend
3. Compile all the required documentations ready to upload as part of the online application process:
 - Digital image of your food or products
 - Digital image of your stall set-up
 - Printed, sketched and scanned your Proposed Stall Layout Plan
 - Scanned your current Public Liability Insurance Certificate
 - Scanned your current Food Safety Supervisor Certificate
4. Fill in the online application form including all relevant information and submit
5. Be patient whilst we go through all the applications

The MFSR Bush Festival sincerely thanks you for your interest in joining us in 2026.

Festival Office: PO Box 144, Corryong Victoria 3707
Email: admin@bushfestival.com.au

Proposed Stall Layout Plan

Back of Stall

This image shows a full page of blank graph paper. The grid consists of small, equal-sized squares formed by thin black lines. There are no margins, text, or other markings on the page.

Front of Stall

Please use this Stall Layout Plan Template to accurately draw your site. Be sure the measurements are correct as your stall is allocated based on these plans. The graph squares measure 30 x 30(deep). It is up to you to decide the scale. Plan must include preparation areas (survey, gas equipment, cool rooms etc) storage areas.

Stallholder Name: _____ Stall Name: _____