

## Fifty-Three Ski Huts of New South Wales

By Colin Gilder.

[Note: All map references are to the 1934 Lands' Department map, from which the accompanying maps are drawn and which is absolutely essential to all ski-tourists in N.S.W. We shall be grateful for any further information as to these huts or for news of other huts.—Editor.]

Since publication of the article in the 1934 *A.N.Z.Y.B.* on the ski-ing huts of N.S.W., much valuable information has come to hand giving the location and habitable condition of huts above the snow-line at Kosciusko.

In 1934 a list of 14 huts known to exist on the Main Range was published. In quite a number of cases only vague information could be given. In 1935 we are in the happy position of being able to publish a list of 53 huts, on which we have reliable data. Some of these huts, which have recently been built by holders of snow leases, are of vital interest to touring parties, situated, as they are, on the main Kosciusko-Kiandra Traverse. Among the more important of these, two stand paramount, Clarke's Hut at White's River Saddle and Spencer's Peak Hut, four miles north of Bull's Peaks. The re-opening of the mine at Grey Mare's, with the subsequent possibility of miners being in residence throughout the winter months, and the building of a new hut between Jagungal and Farm Ridge, open up a new expanse of wonderful ski-ing country in a hitherto inaccessible locality.

Much valuable information in respect of the position and condition of these huts has been forwarded by Mr. R. G. Mould, of Berridale, and Mr. W. Hughes, of Kiandra, and we would take this opportunity of expressing our thanks to these gentlemen for their interest. For more detailed notes on the huts on the west of the Main Range (Group "E" below) readers are referred to Mr. Hughes' article in this issue.

As is commonly known, most of these huts are built by stockmen who have stock on the ranges in the summer months, and as, as often occurs, two or more huts may be erected by one man, a certain amount of duplication in names is inevitable. For the purpose of clarity in this article, we propose to refer to these huts, firstly by number. It is hoped that these numbers will be the standard method of reference in future. For the sake of further clarity, it is proposed to divide these huts into six groups:—

- (a) Huts in the immediate vicinity of the Hotel and Chalet.
- (b) Huts forming the links of the Kosciusko-Kiandra Traverse, including emergency huts accessible to this line.
- (c) Huts on the Eastern fall of the Main Range between Gungartan and Bull's Peaks, on the waters of Finn's River, Tolbar Creek and Burrungabugge River (also known as Back Creek).
- (d) Huts on the Eastern fall of the Main Range between Bull's Peaks and Adaminaby T.S., i.e., Snowy Plain country on Gungarlin Water.
- (e) Huts on the West of the Main Range, on the Tooma River fall.
- (f) Huts in the immediate vicinity of Kiandra.

*Note:* Distances given in the accompanying descriptions are direct from point to point and may not coincide with those quoted in articles where the mileage given is the distance to be covered and not the distance "as the crow flies."

**Group "A."****Huts in the immediate vicinity of the Hotel and Chalet.****\* (2) *Daner's Hut.***

Owner.—Government Tourist Bureau.

Situation.—Approximately 100 yards east of the road on Hotel side of Daner's Gap.

Description.—One-roomed hut, built of iron.

Equipment.—Nil. Is used as a shelter shed for picnic parties.

*Daner's No. 2 Hut* (not numbered in this list).

A second hut is situated at Daner's Gap, a short distance from the Snow-Pole Line in the direction of the Plains of Heaven.

**(3) *Smiggin Holes Hut.***

Owner.—Government Tourist Bureau.

Situation.—20 yards off the Snow-Pole Line, approximately 5 miles from the Hotel and  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile above the crossing of Piper's Creek.

Equipment.—Fireplace and rough bunks, but no provisions or blankets.

Built mainly as a shelter-shed for parties *en route* to the Chalet. Connected to the Hotel and Chalet by telephone.

**(4) *Betts' Camp.***

Owner.—Government Tourist Bureau.

Situation.—On the Snow-Pole Line,  $8\frac{1}{2}$  miles from the Hotel and 3 miles from the Chalet.

Description.—3 rooms and hall, weatherboard, with iron roof.

Equipment.—As this hut is, during over-crowded periods, used to accommodate the overflow from the Chalet, it is well equipped with bunks, stores and blankets, and is the recognised halting-place for parties travelling to the Chalet. It is connected with the Hotel and Chalet by telephone.

**(5) *Adam's Hut.***

A small hut on the western bank of Spencer's Creek, about 20 yards off the Snow-Pole Line, at the foot of the Paralyser.

**(6) *The Red Hut.***

On the Snow-Pole Line, on Mount Guthrie, opposite the Chalet. This hut is now in a very bad state of repair and is of no use as shelter, but would be a means of locating the Chalet in heavy weather.

**(7) *Foreman's Hut.***

Owner.—Dr. Foreman.

Situation.—On the Snowy River, East of Charlotte's Pass. This hut is invariably locked during the winter months. Its proximity to the Chalet makes it of minor importance.

**(8) *The Laurie Seaman Memorial Hut.***

Owner.—Erected by public subscription, in memory of Laurie Seaman.

Situation.—On the Snow-Pole Line, on the North-east end of Etheridge Range, about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles from the Kosciusko summit.

Description.—Stone building of 2 rooms.

Equipment.—Rations, first-aid kit, blankets and firewood are stocked in this hut, for emergency use only. Parties touring in this vicinity are requested to note this fact and on no account, unless the use of this equipment is absolutely essential to the welfare of the party, should it be touched. The hut is connected with the Chalet and Hotel by telephone.

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\* Since its erection, Pound's Creek Hut has been known as Tin Hut No. 1. (A sign-post at Spencer's Creek Crossing still points to Tin Hut No. 1.) To save confusion, we shall continue to call this No. 1, thus starting with Daner's Hut as No. 2.



Seaman Hut and Etheridge Range.

A. Ford.

(9) *Dead Horse Gap Hut.*

Owner.—Cannot be traced at present.

Situation.—At Dead Horse Gap, at the head of the Crackenback River, about 2 miles due south from Ram's Head. No information is available as to the condition of this hut, but it is understood to be quite habitable. (See article by "Kiandra.")

(10) *Merret's Hut.*

Owner.—Cannot be traced.

Situation.—On the South-east side of Ram's Head Range, about 300-400 ft. below Merret's Look-Out.

Description.—Two-roomed tin hut in quite good condition. It is inhabited in summer.

Equipment.—Not known at present.

**Group "B."****Huts on the Kiandra-Kosciusko Traverse.**\* (1) *Tin Hut No. 1* (Pound's Creek).

Owner.—Government Tourist Bureau.

Situation.— $\frac{1}{4}$  mile below the junction of Spencer's Creek and the Snowy River, 100 yards up from Eastern bank of Snowy River.

Description.—Two-roomed tin hut, with raised floor, in good condition.

Equipment.—4 bunks, blankets, Canadian stove, firewood, axe (?), broom, water-cans, kettle.

(11) *White's River Hut.*

Owner.—Clarke.

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\* Pound's Creek Hut (1) might also be included in group "A," as it is within easy access from the Chalet.

Situation.—Approximately 1 mile down White's River from the Dickie Cooper-White's River Saddle, on the southern bank of the junction of the two upper arms of White's River, bearing approximately  $25^{\circ}$  W. of S. from Gungartan T.S.

Description.—New, corrugated iron, about 20 ft. by 14 ft.

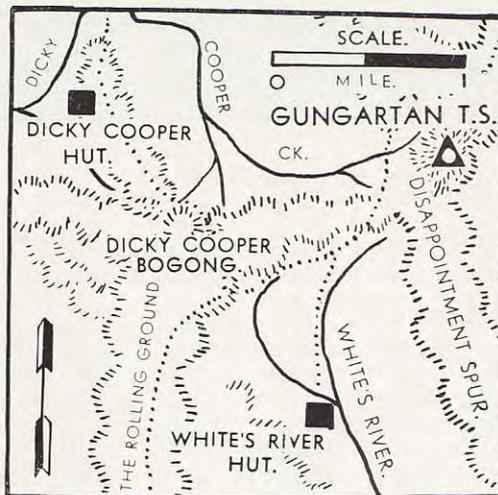
Equipment.—Bunks, fireplace and probably firewood. Of vital importance to a party touring north and caught in this vicinity in bad weather. The hut is well protected and easily located.

(12) *Dickie Cooper Hut.*

Owner.—McPhie.

Situation.—2 miles North-west of White's River Saddle on the North-west fall of Dickie Cooper Bogong.

Description.—This hut, of weatherboard construction, is in a very bad



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White's River Saddle District.



Dickie Cooper Hut in Summer.

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Photograph, taken in summer from White's River Saddle, looking west down Dicky Cooper Creek and showing location of Hut.

state of repair and, as there is no equipment, it could only be used in an emergency. An abundance of firewood will be found in the vicinity.

(13) *The Tin Hut* (Gungartan).

Owner.—Ski Club of Australia and Messrs. Litchfield, of Cooma.

Situation.—2 miles North-east of Gungartan, a few yards East of the Valentine-Finn's River Saddle, on the headwaters of Finn's River.

Description.—Corrugated iron hut, 20 ft. by 14 ft. Wood floor.

Equipment.—Sleeping bags, blankets ?, 2 bunks, fireplace, Canadian stove, and, probably, firewood; water obtainable in the close vicinity. On the direct line of the Kosciusko-Kiandra Traverse. The discussion as to locating this hut is never-ending; detailed instructions in this respect were given in the 1934 *A.N.Z.Y.B.* With the advent of the hut at White's River, the possibility of having to locate this hut in extreme weather is considerably lessened.

(14) *Mawson's Hut* (Bobundra).

Owner.—N.Z. Land Company.

Situation.—4 miles down the Valentine River from the Tin Hut. For detailed instructions, refer to 1934 *A.N.Z.Y.B.*

Description.—2 rooms and hall, both rooms lined and floored, fireplace in one room only.

Equipment.—Bunks, open fireplace and firewood, cooking gear.

(15) *Grey Mare's Hut*.

Owner.—McPhie.

Situation.—South of Grey Mare's Creek, 5 miles South-west from Jagungal, 3½ miles West from Mawson's Hut.

Description.—Four-roomed, weatherboard cottage, in good condition; additions to the building have been made during the summer months; the extent of these additions is, as yet, not known.

Equipment.—Owing to the re-opening of the Grey Mare's gold mine, there is a possibility that miners will be in permanent residence throughout the winter months. This fact will, doubtless, prevent the permanent use of the hut

by touring parties, but, in the event of an emergency, accommodation could probably be obtained. See article elsewhere by "Kiandra."

(16) *Spencer's Peak Hut.*

Owner.—R. G. Mould.

Situation.—On the western fall of the Main Range, 1 mile North-east of the Basin, on Doubtful River, bearing 60 deg. from Jagungal.

Description.—New, 16 ft. by 14 ft., corrugated iron.

Equipment.—Bunks and ovens; firewood and kindling are always left by owner in autumn. The latest information for locating this hut is as follows: Proceed up Doubtful River, then turn east, up a creek with a prominent, timbered hill on the right hand; continue until an open flat is reached and the hut should be found on the right hand in the shelter of timber.

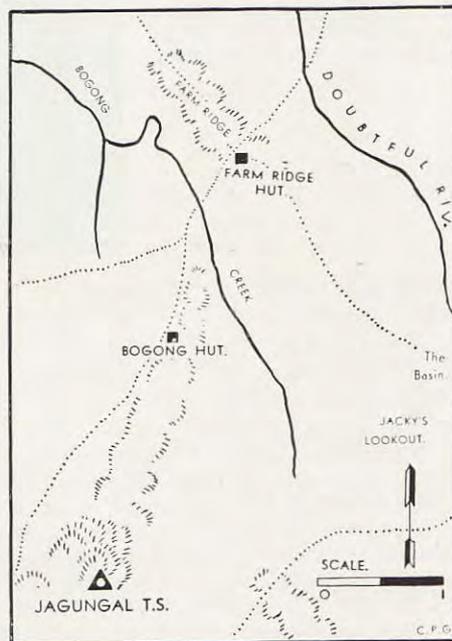
(17) *Bogong Hut.*

Owner.—A. S. O'Keefe.

Situation.— $\frac{1}{2}$  mile west of Bogong Creek, and in a direct line half-way between Jagungal and Farm Ridge. From the hut Jagungal bears 200 deg.

Description.—Lined iron, 2 rooms and a bath-room, good condition.

Equipment.—4 iron stretchers and cooking utensils; possibly firewood; other gear would possibly be locked away during winter months. Directions for locating this hut are rather



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From Farm Ridge to Jagungal.



Bogong Hut.

J. MacFarlane.

Jagungal from the N.N.E. on the way from Farm Ridge. The white dot in the centre background is the Bogong Hut.



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vague (see article by "Kiandra"). It is on the eastern slope of a timbered ridge running north from the summit of Jagungal, which is just visible from the hut. It is surrounded by a wire fence enclosing 200 acres. This fence would possibly be visible in winter months.

(18) *Farm Ridge Hut.*

Owner.—A. J. Ryal.

Situation.—3½ miles North of Jagungal on the upper reaches of Doubtful River. Jagungal, bearing 196 deg. from the hut.

Description.—Four-roomed, weatherboard hut, with all rooms floored.

Equipment.—Bunks and cooking gear with an abundance of firewood in the vicinity. Probably two rooms of this hut will be found locked during the winter months. Although slightly off the main line, this hut formed a vital link in the first crossing from Kiandra to Kosciusko. The close proximity of the new hut at Spencer's Peak has minimised its value for this purpose.

(19) *Turner's Hut.*

Owner.—Turner and Flanagan.



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Situation.—On the west side of Bull's Peaks River, 1½ miles east of Smith's Perisher,\* on the Main Range.

Description.—Small iron hut, unfloored.

Equipment.—Bunks; fire-wood in the vicinity.

East of the Main Range, but conveniently situated in the event of being forced east by bad weather.

(20) *Wallace's Hut.*

Owner.—At present unknown.

Situation.—2 miles north-east of Turner's Hut (19).

Description.—Lined slab.

Equipment.—Bunks and cooking utensils. The notes in connection with Turner's Hut (19) apply to this hut.

(21) *Kelly's Hut.*

Owner.—At present unknown.

Situation.—¾ mile east of Gungarlin River, 2 miles south-west of Adaminaby

\* Smith's Perisher (not shown in existing map) is approximately half-way between Bull's Peaks and Spencer's Peak.

*Turner's* (19), *Wallace's* (20), *Kelly's* (21).—These three huts are situated in heavily-timbered country and difficulty may be found in locating them, but they will all provide excellent shelter for a party touring between Kiandra and Kosciusko, if caught by bad weather on the tops. During 1934, parties from Kiandra spent the night in this country, under very uncomfortable conditions, not realising that huts were in the vicinity. Their existence, once located, should prove very valuable in the future.



T.S. Situated in heavy timber, with Spencer's Peak, distant about 4 miles, very prominent from the hut.

Description.—Weatherboard, 2 rooms, lath and plaster in good condition.

Equipment.—Bunks and cooking utensils. The notes in connection with Turner's Hut (19) apply to this hut.

(22) *Boobee Hut.*

Owner.—J. Cheney.

Situation.—On the South-east slope of Vale T.S.\*, approximately 1 mile distant.

Description.—Two-roomed, weatherboard hut. No guarantee of condition can be given.

Equipment.—Bunks and cooking utensils; firewood in the vicinity. For full description of location, see 1934 *A.N.Z.Y.B.*

† (23) *Round Mountain Hut.*

Owner.—At present unknown.

Situation.—1 mile South-east of Lett's T.S. on Round Mountain, on the Toolong Range, at about 700 ft., lower altitude than the T.S.

Description.—A strongly-built, single-roomed hut with a storeroom and shed.

Equipment.—Bunks, firewood in the locality, possibly blankets, but no guarantee in this respect can be given.

(24) *Table Top Hut.*

Owner.—Nixon.

Situation.—1 mile from Table Top T.S., bearing 36° E. of S. Approximately 10 miles from Kiandra.

Description.—One-room, galvanised iron hut, with raised floor.

Equipment.—Stove; abundant supply of firewood is in the immediate vicinity.

(25) *The Dip Hut.*

Owner.—W. Montague.

Situation.—At The Dip, approximately half-way between Table Top Mountain and Addicumbene T.S.

Description.—A large, well-built hut, erected in 1931.

Equipment.—No information is available.

### Group "C."

**Huts on the Eastern fall of the Main Range, between Gungartan and Bull's Peaks.**

(26) *Bolton's*, (27) *Tolbar* (new slab), (28) *Reid's*, (29) *Oliver's*, (30) *Newtown* (new slab, floored, comfortable), (31) *Kidman's*.

These huts are all situated on the Eastern fall of the Main Range, between Gungartan and Bull's Peaks, on the Burrungabugge and Finn's River fall. Two of them are new. Tolbar (27), 2 miles up Tolbar Creek, is a slab hut, and Newtown (30), on the North-east bank of the Burrungabugge River, in close proximity to Oliver's (29), and Reid's Huts (28), is a comparatively new hut, built of slab with raised floor.

The majority of these huts will be found to contain firewood and cooking utensils, but no guarantee in this respect can be given. They are all badly situated from the ski-ing point of view, with the exception, possibly, of Bolton's

\* Vale T.S. on the old map was known as Far Bald Mountain and was referred to as such in the description of Boobee Hut in the 1934 *A.N.Z.Y.B.*

† The situation of this hut is incorrectly marked on the existing maps.

Hut (26), which is on the line between the Hotel and Gungartan (Finn's River route) and Kidman's (31), on the upper reaches of the Burrungabugge River, about 2 miles south-west of McLean T.S., which provide safety if caught east of the Main Range by bad weather.

**Group "D."**

**Huts on the eastern fall of the Main Range, between Bull's Peaks and Adaminaby T.S.**

(32) *H. Bolton's House* (new slab hut), (33) *Oliver's Snowy Plain Hut* (old slab), (34) *Williamson's Hut* (old slab), (35) *Snowy Plain House* (W. Naphthali: 5-roomed, weather-board, old), (36) *Fletcher's Hut* (new corrugated iron), (37) *Jardine's Hut* (old, weatherboard), (38) *Coolrington Hut* (old weatherboard), (39) *Bullman's* (old, weatherboard, 2-roomed), (40) *Wheatley's Hut* (new slab).

All these huts are situated on the eastern fall of the Main Range, between Bull's Peaks and Adaminaby T.S. Owing to their low-lying position their ski-ing value is not great. The majority of these huts contain the usual cooking utensils, and firewood should be found in the vicinity.

**Group "E."**

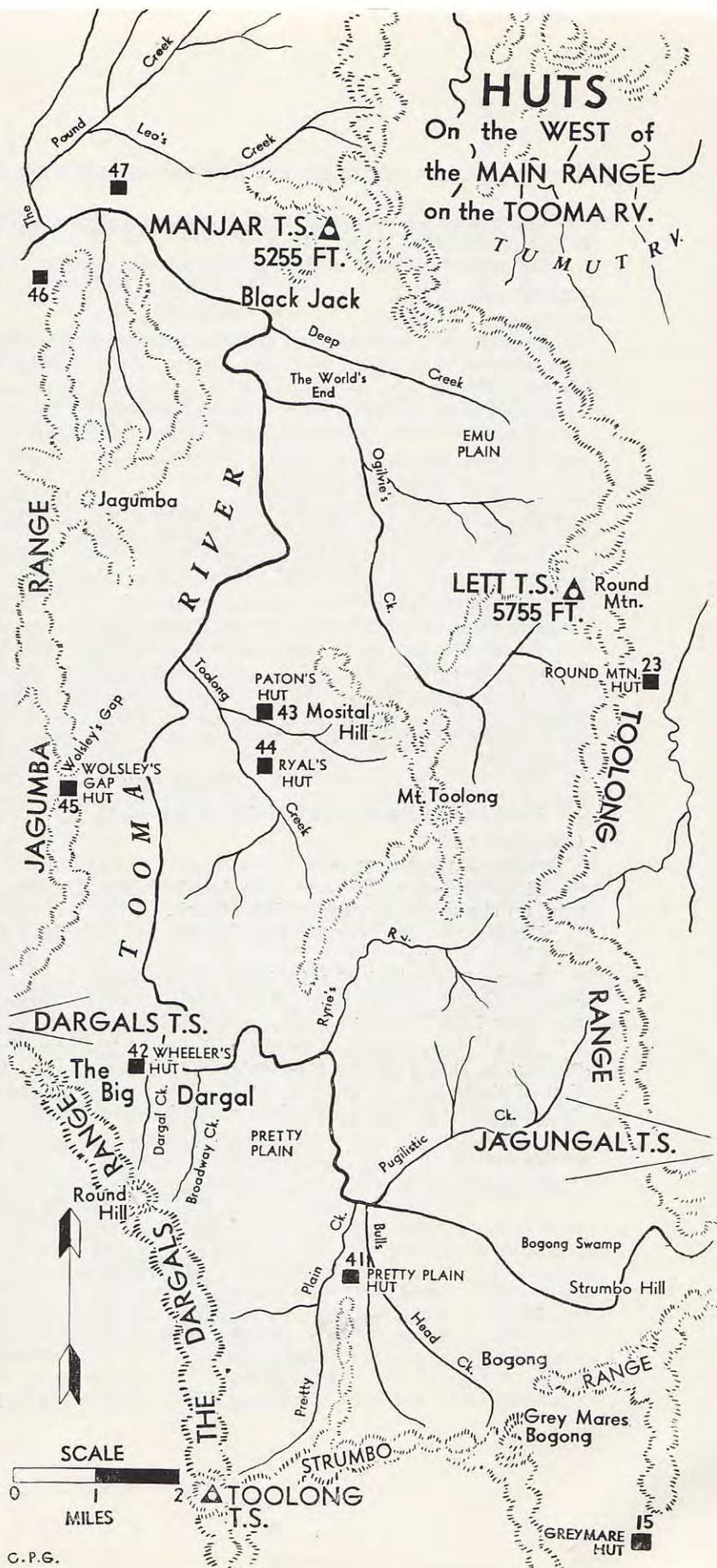
**Huts on the west of the range, on the Tooma River fall (see article by "Kiandra.")**

(41) *Pretty Plains Hut*

(Ryrie's Parlour).

Owner.—Capt. Chisholm.

Situation.—5 miles north-west from Grey Mare's Hut, east of the Dargals Range, approximately 1 mile up Pretty Plain Creek, from its junction with the Tooma River.



Description.—The old hut is of bark and slab construction, but a new hut is in the course of construction.

Equipment.—Bunks and possibly cooking utensils; firewood in the vicinity.

(42) *Wheeler's Hut.*

Owner.—Wheeler.

Situation.—1 mile East of the Big Dargal, on the West of Dargal Creek,  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile above the junction with the Tooma River, 9 miles North-west from Grey Mare's Hut.

Description.—Four-roomed hut, in good condition.

Equipment.—No details of equipment are available.

(43) *Paton's Hut and* (44) *Ryal's No. 2 Hut.*

Owners.—At present unknown.

Situation.—Both these huts are situated on the Tooma River country, in the vicinity of Mosital Hill, on tributaries of the Tooma River.

No information as to their condition or the equipment at the huts is available, although it is understood they are quite habitable.

(45) *Wolseley's Gap Hut.*

Situation.—3 miles north of the Big Dargal, on the Jagumba Range.

No information as to the condition or equipment of this hut is available.

(46) and (47).—Two other huts are situated on the Tooma River, about 3 miles west of the Black Jack T.S. These huts are in low-lying country, west of Manjar T.S., and would be of no use to skiers except in emergency. No information is obtainable as to their condition, but it is understood that they are habitable.

**Group "F."**

**Huts in the immediate vicinity of Kiandra.**

(48) *Elaine Hut.*

Owner.—Hughes Bros.

Situation.—5 miles from Kiandra, between Kiandra and Table Top Mountain, on the upper reaches of Mile Creek.

Miners are in permanent residence at this hut, throughout the winter months.

*Lorna Doone Hut* ( $\frac{3}{4}$  mile West of the Sugar Loaf); *Nine-Mile Hut* (on the southern bank, at the head of Nine-Mile Creek); *Three-Mile Hut* (at the Dam on Three-Mile Creek); *Pig Gully Hut* ( $2\frac{1}{2}$  miles south of Kiandra).

All of these huts are in the vicinity of Kiandra and are of no particular interest to skiers on the Kosciusko end of the Range. The locality and condition of these huts is well known by local people, consequently, should their use be contemplated, full particulars could be obtained.



## Huts on the West of the Main Range

### SOME FURTHER NOTES.

By "Kiandra."

[*Note: This article should be read in conjunction with the preceding notes by Mr. Gilder.—Editor.*]

There have been several articles dealing with ski-ing huts published in the *Year Books* of 1933 and 1934. It is the purpose of this review to give particulars of some other huts and to correct any wrong impressions made by the former articles regarding the names and positions of them.

Amongst those not yet written of, the **Grey Mare's Bogong Mine Hut** is of chief importance to ski-runners. It is situated on a snow lease held by Mr. McPhee, and is often referred to by that name, confusing many into believing that two huts exist. (We thought so for some years. The inaccurate early map was at fault.—Editor.) The former name is most applicable, as the hut is situated at the mine. It is approximately 30 years old and, as huts weather quickly at this altitude (5,300 ft.), barely withstands the winds and snows. Unless repaired, it must soon become uninhabitable. However, although decayed, it is comfortable and consists of four, fairly large, pine-lined rooms. Fortunately a mining company have begun work on the old mine and were, in December, 1934, getting out plans for one or more new huts. The mine is expected to be working in the winter of 1935 and, if so, the huts will be occupied and, from the writer's experience, every hospitality extended to visiting skiers. The present hut, stockyards and mine are situated approximately 7 miles south-by-west from Jagungal, on an open hillside, one-quarter of a mile from the Grey Mare Creek, which rises south-west of Jagungal and runs parallel with the Main Range. The hillside faces the east, and the hut is visible from many high points on the eastern side.

This hut offers an excellent base for some splendid tours; the country to the north and west is open, lightly timbered and of greater altitude than the hut itself. In particular, the Grey Mare's Ridge, from the twin peaks, Grey Mare's and Rocky Bogong (6,200 ft., as my aneroid showed), continues in an unbroken sweep by way of Grey Mare's Trig. Station (6,129 ft.) and The Twins to The Pinnacle (5,100 ft.), a distance of approximately 15 miles. Continuing downwards from The Pinnacle, along Read's Spur, the **Geehi Hut** can be reached. This hut is at a low altitude and far below the snow-line. Its position on the map is half a mile north from Geehi (1,340 ft.).

Another trip which offers from the Grey Mare's is to **Pretty Plains Hut**, or "Ryrie's Parlour," as it is also called, a distance of 6 miles. The old hut is of bark and timber, but a new one is in course of erection. Tea, sugar and flour should always be found therein. Situated a mile to the east of the Big Dargal (5,641 ft.), **Wheeler's Hut** consists of four rooms and is within striking distance (12 to 15 miles) of the Grey Mare's. Further north from it, at Mosital, or Musical, hill, there are **Paton's** and **Ryal's Hut No. 2** (note: **Farm Ridge Hut** is often spoken of as Ryal's Hut No. 1).

There is another hut at **Wolseley's Gap** and two more just west of **Black Jack Trig. Station** (5,255 ft.), but they are rather too far out to be of use to skiers for a year or so; however, they may be noted in case of any runner getting lost. Yet another hut is on the **Yellow Boy Mountain**. The **Round Mountain Hut**, too, can be most conveniently reached from the Grey Mare's. The present map is rather misleading here, as the hut is much further south than shown, being situated half a mile on the western side of the Gulf River (unnamed on the map) and between it and the Murray-Tumut Divide.

Its position can better be described in outlining the following attractive

trip from this base. The Round Mountain, in reality, consists of an unbroken plateau of approximately 5,600 ft., ending at the "Fifteen Mile" (Tumut River) on the north and in a short spur from Lett's Trig. Station (5,755 ft.) on the south. This plateau averages about two miles in width and is approximately seven in length. From its clear, level tableland, even in summer, some wonderful panoramic views can be had, and in winter it should provide a delightful trip. The Round Mountain Hut, a strongly-built, single-roomed place, with storeroom and shed, is situated one mile east of Lett's Trig. Station spur, as mentioned above, thus being off the ridge and at an altitude 700 ft. lower. It is visible from Jagungal on a clear day. One can never be certain of finding any food or bedding in this hut, although, at times, there may be a small quantity of both.

**O'Keefe's Hut** is newly built (one year old) on the bottom slope and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles from the summit of Jagungal. It is on the old waggon track (known as Ligar's Route), between the Grey Mare's and Farm Ridge, and at a spot known as Galvin's Camp,  $3\frac{1}{2}$  miles from Farm Ridge huts. The exact location is 1 to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles due north from the Trig. Station on Jagungal. It contains no fixed supplies, but may have a small amount of food and bedding.

**Dicky Cooper Hut** is situated two miles north of the mountain of that name and is reached from the Kosciusko end by following a spur for a mile from the mountain crown and then descending the precipitous slope at the end of the spur, into the valley below. Dicky Cooper Mountain is 6,600 ft. in height and the hut is at least 700 ft. lower. It faces the north-west and can be seen from some distance away on that side, being in the fork of two creeks which junction in the basin immediately below the hut. It is weather-beaten (boards are falling off the walls) and would only be of use in case of extreme emergency, although it could be put in serviceable order at low cost.

At the Kiandra end of the Range we have **Tabletop Hut**, which is also known as Nixon's. It has been described previously. **Montague's Hut**, at Mulligan's Diggings, which is large and has been built only three years, is situated on the Adaminaby side of the Range, three to four miles due east from Tabletop Hut. Around Kiandra are: **Nine-Mile Hut**, 9 miles south, at the old Empress workings, in fair order; **Lorna Doone Hut**, on Tumut River, three miles west of the Nine-Mile Hut; **Eight-Mile Hut**, just off 8 mile spur; **Three-Mile Hut**, at **Three-Mile Dam**, Kiandra; **Pig Gully Hut**,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  miles south of Kiandra; **Elaine, Shore's Hill, Six-Mile**, etc., all in the vicinity of Kiandra and well known. Finally, I might mention a hut at **Dead Horse Gap**, at the head of the Crackenback River, at 4,450 ft. This hut is to the south of Kosciusko and the Ram's Head, on the Tom Groggin track, and might possibly be useful to skiers touring near the Ram's Head, or who have been caught by a north-west blizzard on the Main Range near the summit.



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The Saddling Paddock, Charlotte's Pass.