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Bushfires force us to postpone the Get-Together to April Please help fund *The People's Inquiry* into the 2006 bushfires

The Get-Together was to have been held in the second week of January but will now be held on the weekend of April 20, 21 and 22.

We know you will be disappointed, especially as many of you make the Get-Together part of your annual holidays. We hope to make it up to you in April. It is really disappointing to have to postpone the Get-Together but the continuing fires and the damage that has already been done, have given us no choice but to postpone the event.

The April Get-Together will be held in Gippsland at a location yet to be decided. Updated information will soon be on the mountain cattlemen's website mcav.com.au Please pass this message on to others who you know would be interested.

Please help fund *The People's Inquiry* into the 2006 bushfires

We are establishing *The People's Inquiry* into the 2006 bushfires. It will be a rigorous and independent inquiry and will produce a major report with sound recommendations.


Our review will not be an attack based on vengeance or "I told you so", or a thinly veiled bid to get cattle grazing back into the high country. The real purpose will be to advance knowledge, and develop strategies that can avoid, or at least lessen, similar fires in the future. It is envisaged that the review group will travel to affected areas to hear first hand accounts.

We have been in touch with three senior bushfire specialists with a view to having them conduct the review. The instigators of the review will be people including, but not limited to, the members and associates of the Mountain Cattlemen's Association of Victoria.

We must properly fund this inquiry. This is where you come in. You can write your name into this historic document that must influence the course of public land and fire management in Victoria.

Please help fund this important work. All donations will be acknowledged in the final report. You can make donations at the following levels.

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