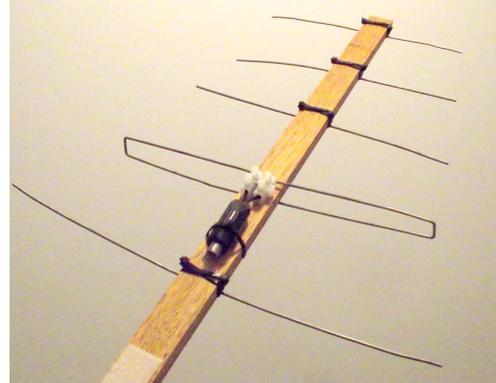
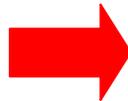


## This year it's time to get bent!

That's right. We want to see what creative things our visitors can do when armed with some old coat hangers and a pair of pliers



### Turn THIS into THIS (or something even better!)

On April the 7<sup>th</sup> Visitors to Antennapalooza will see a large pile of wire coat hangers. They are invited to take up to 12 of these and turn them into a working antenna for the 2 metre or 70cm band. At 4:00pm these must be submitted on the Assessment Table. A short time later these will be collected and judged by a panel of 3 judges. Each construction will receive a score out of 20 for five attributes, to give a maximum possible score of 100 points.

- Originality
- Visual Appeal
- Robustness
- Gain
- SWR check

**At 5:30pm the first and second prize winners will be announced.**

**(First prize: A highly coveted, bag of PL259's... Second prize: A slightly smaller bag)**

There are a few rules:

- ◆ Antenna must be built on the day using coat hangers provided
- ◆ Up to 12 coat hangers can go into the design
- ◆ Bring your own tools for cutting & bending the coat hangers
- ◆ Ok to add your own non-metallic parts, plastic, tape, cable ties, sticks
- ◆ Ok to add your own coax, balun, screw terminals and solder connections
- ◆ Take a number from a box provided, then fill out these details:  
**Name, Callsign, Submission number, Antenna operating frequency**
- ◆ Attach your number to your creation when it is submitted.  
(Judges won't know who built each antenna)
- ◆ Entrants can keep their creation but organisers may take pictures
- ◆ Where actual gain is difficult to measure, Judges will use their best estimates.
- ◆ Only one entry per person permitted.
- ◆ A minimum of six entries will be needed for the event to proceed.

**Amateur Radio is all about creativity with fun and here is an opportunity for both.**