

SHOES WITHOUT A PARTNER ONLINE SERVICE

An Australian based initiative, set up by the e-bility.com web site, Shoes without a partner (SWAP Shoes) make it easier for amputees and people with disabilities (such as polio, oedema, arthritis) to exchange quality shoes with other people in a similar situation in Australia.

The original idea from this project came from Rod Stern. " I have boxes of brand new single shoes accumulating in my cupboard that I can't wear and that are too good to throw out. I knew there had to be others in a similar situation, maybe even my mirror image is out there somewhere! Finding that person would be great, as I have just had to purchase another pair of my favourite shoes. This would be the 6th pair (i.e. 12th pair) of these shoes I have I have bought in 4 years and at a cost of around \$120 a pair it can get quite expensive."

Swap Shoes is a database of available single shoes. To be listed shoes must be brand new (unworn and undamaged) they can be pairs, mixed size pairs or single shoes of any style or size. It is also helpful if they are a current design (so the matching pair can easily be ordered from any store that sells the same style.

Anyone can add shoes to the directory. Perhaps you have a spare shoe that you can't wear, or a pair of new shoes you purchased but for some reason were not suitable. We are also happy to accept donations of single shoes from shoe manufacturers or retailers and make them available through the SWAP Shoes service.

If you are tired of buying a pair when you only need one shoe, then hopefully SWAP Shoes will save you some money and frustration to find out more:

Contact Name: Sandra Vassallo
Contact Phone: 02 9810 2216
Contact email: s.vassalo@e-bility.com
Website: www.swapshoes.com



1300 782 231