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Subject: **Lightning Ridge OFFER 15 Oct 2010**

Today I was prompted to make a special offer of Lightning Ridge. One of our clients is looking at making a beautiful 8 x 10mm so I was delving around in the Lightning Ridge material. After selecting material for him I thought we might as well add some more and make a special offer. As you can see Lightning Ridge is beautiful. We are not really big in it because we find it's quite expensive and many of our clients would rather have Dark Base opal or Black Opal from Mintubi, Lambina and maybe a little from Andamooka. Coober Pedy doesn't produce a lot of Black Opal. The truth is the best Black Opal comes from Lightning Ridge, it's the best opal in the world but also the most expensive. What we are offering you here is not expensive because we prefer to support the South Australian miners with the opal they produce and which most of our clients can afford.

The \$420 packet has one huge stone, you can see exactly what you are getting from the outside but as you clean off the crud there's a chance you might get more. I have snipped off the back and I can't see any colour there but that does not mean to say there is not more colour there under the sandstone.

The \$175 1.69oz monster Black only has colour in the top but what is there is brilliant. You can make a nice picture stone out of it or carving if you decided not to cut a unique free shape. As you slice through the patch there could be more colour inside but we can't guarantee that, you only pay for what you get.

The \$553 stone is not black but there is a gem very thick bar running right through the stone so as you grind down on that you are going to get a very huge opal. This stone in the rough measures approximately 40mm x 25mm so the one big stone you go for in here is going to weigh many carats. It won't have to weigh too many for you to double your money.

I won't mention the \$405 packet, there are 4 blacks in there the picture is good and this opal will speak for itself. The big black shaped like a foot really should be carved into a foot and sold to a podiatrist.

I love the \$495 packet, there is a small piece of opal that I believe has come off the \$353 stone, there are 4 blacks in there and a very big variety of colour. 1oz for only \$495 Lightning Ridge WHAT A BARGAIN!!

Talking of bargains the .85oz Mixed Lightning Ridge including Black for only \$340 is a bargain, all the opals are faced up, you can see exactly what you are getting, there are 8 stones so you are only paying just over \$40 each. To be buying bits of black opal for only \$40 each, is practically unheard of.

Take a look through the rest because there are some real bargains there.

If there is any packet here that you feel you can't live without let us know and we

will get it off to you. Maybe some of the Rubs or big stones are a bit rich for your blood, if you would like to work out a payment plan that suits you let us know and we will work with you. Even if you don't buy any of this opal I am sure you'll be happy to look at it.

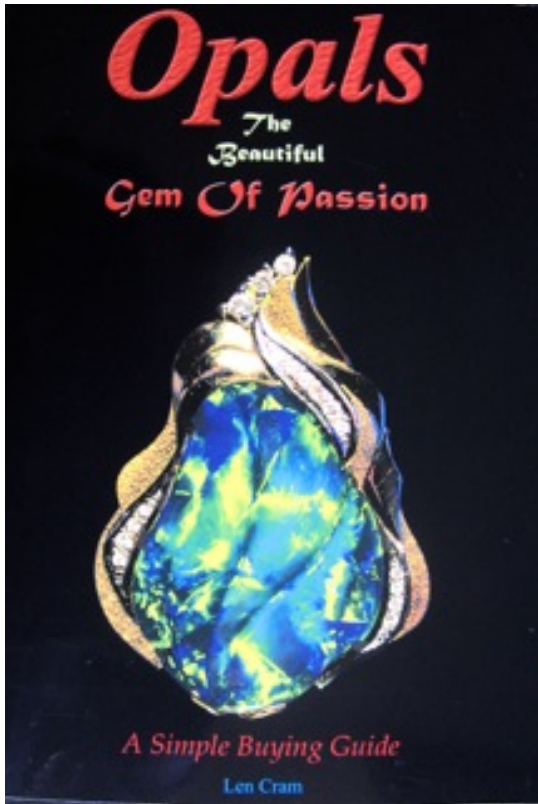
All the best.

Regards

PS you might even decide to make up a screen saver from these beautiful pictures, if you do it will be fun to look at when you are sitting in front of your computer watching the beautiful images changing, feel free to do so. Murray

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7. \$154.50 IMG_9078 Lightning Ridge Rub \$150/g 1.03g
- 8-9. \$175 IMG_5028 Lightning Ridge Monster Black Opal colour in the top 1.69oz - this will make a great "picture stone" or carving stone
10. \$234 IMG_5030.JPG Lightning Ridge off cuts (28 stones, each stone will cut some sort of stone) 2.34oz
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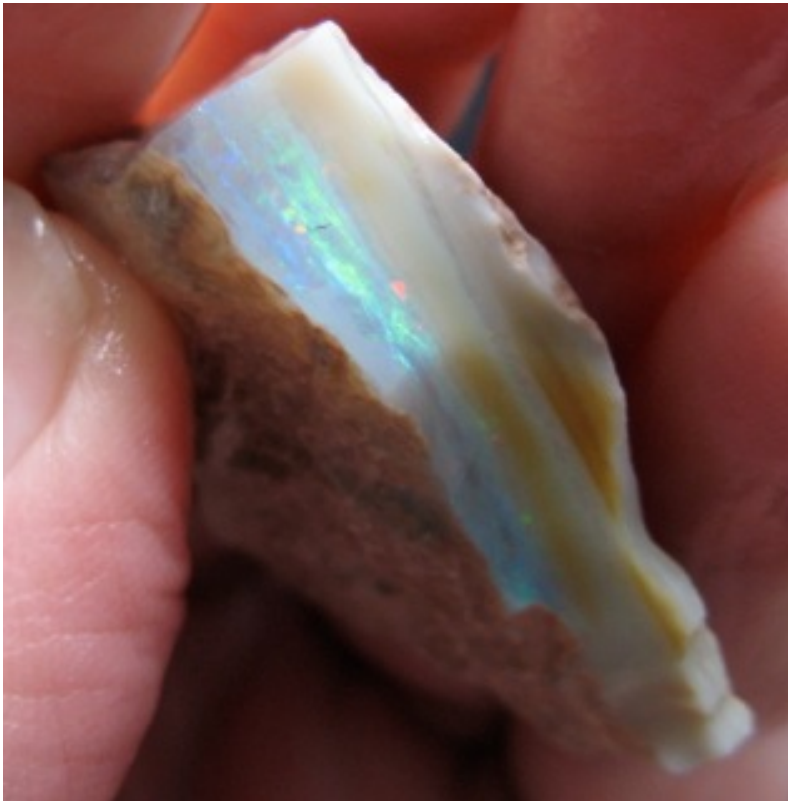
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