



OILSKINS for dogs

Even before the birth of her first child, Aiden, Christie Valentine-Anderson (wife of Australian cyclist Phil Anderson) kept herself busy on her farm in Jamieson, near Mansfield in Victoria's high country.

A self-confessed animal fanatic, there was always an orphaned lamb or calf for her to care for. And never one to rest on her laurels, Christie decided to begin a business called Prik and Ribs, specialising in country-inspired pet accessories. It was her own pet dog, Whippet, who inspired the range.

Christie had designed him an oilskin jacket for winter and thought other pet lovers, especially those in the city, might appreciate high-quality accessories with both function and fashion.

While her designs are inspired by the high country, they are also made here by Scott Mayne and Derek Scott from the Snowy Mountain Rug Company.

Prik and Ribs is on the internet at www.prikandribs.com.au.

Above: Christie and her doggie inspiration, Whippet.

