THE BULLETIN

THE ROTARY CLUB OF INVERLOCH Inc.

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TONIGHT'S MEETING

Venue: 6:30pm: "Broadbeach Inverloch"

Retirement Village.

7:30pm: Dinner at "Tsunami" Restaurant,

Partners and guests welcome

Chairman: Ian Monro

Sergeant @ Arms: Bruce Mitchell.

Program: A tour of the completed stages, Community

Centre and on-site Recreational Facilities at

Broadbeach retirement village.

Then back to Tsunami's for a meal and fellowship with our partners and guests.

Fellowship: 6:15 for a 6:30 start. Come early and enjoy

fellowship with the Inverloch Rotarians.

LOOKING AHEAD

DATE PROGRAM CHAIR

Friday 29^{th Feb} to "DISTRICT CONFERENCE"

Sunday 2nd March at Frankston.

Wednesday 5th Inlet Hotel, Partners welcome Ken Fisher

March Alana Smith, Exchange Student

Sat 8th to Monday Labour Day Weekend

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10th March "Jazz Festival" and Parade

Wednesday 12th Club night and Board **Ross Wise**

Meeting, Inlet Hotel. March

Sat 15th until Club is sharing hosting of

Thursday 20th the Tamil GSE Team.

March

Sunday 16th March **Dinner with Tamil GSE Team**

at RACV Inverloch Resort.

Tuesday 18thMarch "GSE" Combined Farewell

Dinner,

Wonthaggi Workman's Club.

Partners & Guests welcome

Thursday 20th 5:30 pm Community Centre

March Set up for Easter Market.

LAST MEETING Wednesday. 20th February 2008

Venue: Fisher family residence, Tarwin Lower.

Bruce Mitchell Sergeant @ Arms

Chairman: Ken Fisher

A presentation by the local Community Emergency Response Program:

Team concerning their goals, training, equipment and funding.

This was followed by a lovely spit roast of lamb, beef and pork cooked by Ken and family, together with an array of salads and deserts brought along by our Rotarians and partners.

The weather was kind to us and after dinner and a few brief announcements, Ken, ably assisted by Paul entertained us with their own version of the popular TV musical game show, "SPICKS AND SPECKS". Whilst testing out his recently upgraded "SHED SPEAKERS" Ken tested our musical knowledge, going back quite a few years to the songs and artists of our misspent youth. The standout king of musical knowledge on the night was Ross Wise, followed by Heather

Everitt. Both went away with a nice prize.

Apologies: Ivan Fell, John Peterson.

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Attendance: 17 out of 19 for a great 87%

Heads and Tails: none

Guests: Warren Beaton

Ongoing Reminders:

District Conference: Friday 29th of February to Sunday 2nd of March

Congratulations: 4th March, Heather Everitt's Birthday

5th.March, Bruce Mitchell's Birthday



ROTARY DISTRICT 9820 MODEL UNITED NATIONS ASSEMBLY

18th, 19th and 20th April 2008

What is MUNA? It stands for Model United Nations Assembly.

Rotary's relationship with the United Nations is as old as the UN itself. At the Charter UN Conference in 1945, there were 49 Rotarians in 29 of the different country delegations. One of the objectives of Rotary International is to encourage international understanding, goodwill and peace and this parallels the role of the UN.

MUNA simulates the workings of the UN Assembly. Teams of two students from Year 11 (preferably) represent a nominated UN Country. Topics debated involve matters of world political, environmental and social concern. To provide sufficient time for all participants to actively participate in debates **MUNA** is held over a week-end. MUNA seeks to increase the knowledge and awareness of students about the UN and about the opinions and perspectives of other countries to the issues and situations that are discussed.

Students are given topics well in advance. Resolutions cover issues such as Education, Environment, Health, Human Rights, Nuclear Proliferation, Poverty, Terrorism and World Peace.

Delegates must research the topics and be able to express the views of the countries they are representing and not their own and not Australia's. www.un.org/cyberschoolbus/modelun - is a useful website for starting research. They are encouraged to wear an appropriate costume and have fun doing it. The objective is to encourage young people to learn respect and tolerance for people of all races, religions and nationalities.

MUNA 2008 will be conducted at the Phillip Island Adventure Centre over the weekend of 18th to the 20th April. Whilst it is not a competition there are awards given for best overall performance, best costume, best researched and prepared, etc. We have arranged for our best performed team to be able to participate in the District 9810 MUNA conducted in the Legislative Assembly chamber at Parliament House, Spring Street Melbourne on the 3rd and 4th May, 2008. The teams that have participated in the last two years have been most impressed by the experience.

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There is also a National MUNA held at the Old Parliament House in Canberra. The Governor General and Ambassadors and Consuls from many countries are usually present at an afternoon tea hosted by the Governor General for all MUNA attendees at his residence. We are considering booking a regular place for one of our delegations to attend however costs are prohibitive until we achieve a larger attendance at our own **District MUNA**. In the interim period sponsoring Clubs might consider sending their delegation to this event.

Rotary Clubs are urged to make this really worthwhile and educational forum our best yet by sponsoring a team of two students from a local school. A Club is welcome to sponsor more than one team. Sponsorship by a Club covers the expenses of conducting **MUNA** and of sending our best performed team to the **MUNA** conducted by District 9810. The students do not pay anything, but of course put in the time and effort.

Team Nomination closing date for this year is 10th April, 2008.

Joke of the Week:

Lawyers should never ask a Mississippi grandma a question if they aren't prepared for the answer. In a trial, a Southern small-town prosecuting attorney called his first witness, a grandmotherly, elderly woman to the stand.

He approached her and asked, "Mrs. Jones, do you know me?"

She responded, "Why, yes, I do know you, Mr. Williams. I've known you since you were a young boy, and frankly, you've been a big disappointment to me. You lie, you cheat on your wife, and you manipulate people and talk about them behind their backs. You think you're a big shot when you haven't the brains to realize you never will amount to anything more than a two-bit paper pusher. Yes, I know you."

The lawyer was stunned! Not knowing what else to do, he pointed across the room and asked, "Mrs. Jones, do you know the defense attorney?"

She again replied, "Why, yes, I do. I've known Mr. Bradley since he was a youngster, too. He's lazy, bigoted, and he has a drinking problem. He can't build a normal relationship with anyone and his law practice is one of the worst in the entire state. Not to mention he cheated on his wife with three different women. One of them was your wife. Yes, I know him."

The defense attorney almost died.

The judge asked both counselors to approach the bench and, in a very quiet voice, said, "If either of you idiots asks her if she knows me, I'll send you to the electric chair!!!"