

# **THE BULLETIN**

**THE ROTARY CLUB OF INVERLOCH Inc.**

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Wed. 2nd of April 2008.**

## **TONIGHT'S MEETING**

**Venue: Inlet Hotel 6:30pm**

**Chairman: Ian Monro**

**Sergeant @ Arms: Bruce Mitchell.**

**Program: Joan & Ray Peters talk on their recent visit to Cambodia. ( A slideshow of their charity work)**

**Fellowship: 6:15 for a 6:30 start. Come early and enjoy fellowship with the Inverloch Rotarians.**

## **LOOKING AHEAD**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>PROGRAM</b>	<b>CHAIR</b>
<b>Wed 9<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>Club Night, Board Meeting</b>	<b>Ross</b>
<b>Wed 16<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>Club night, Rotary Videos</b>	
<b>Wed 23<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>Dr. David Solomon, History of Australian Banknotes</b>	<b>Partners &amp; Guests</b>

## **LAST MEETING: Tuesday 18th March 2008**

**Venue: Wonthaggi Workman's Club**

**Sergeant @ Arms Bruce Mitchell**

**Chairman: Ian Monro**

Program: Combined District 9820 "Farewell Dinner" for the departing GSE team from Tamil Nadu, India.

It was a great turnout from all over the District, in a great venue at Wonthaggi. The GSE team thanked Rotarians one and all for an enjoyable and educational stay in Victoria. They have so many gifts to take home with them that it will far surpass their airline baggage allowance, so Paul and Ken have organised to ship the bulky items back unaccompanied. The team left us with a rousing rendition of "WE'RE HAPPY LITTLE VEGEMITES" as a compliment I guess to all the host families who woke them each morning with a "cup of tea and VEGEMITE on toast".

Inverloch & Wonthaggi clubs made a reasonable surplus on the dinner. This will be used to offset our Club's costs for team transport, gifts, meals and the baggage excess.

President Ian wishes especially to thank Paul & Heather Everitt, Ken & Margaret Fisher and families for their wonderful efforts in hosting and organising transport, meals and tours for the team's last week in this country.

Apologies : Not many

Attendance : Approximately 160 Rotarians, partners & guests.

Heads and Tails:

Guests: GSE team from Tamil Nadu, District Governor Janet McCahon, D9820 GSE Chair Anne Cox and many other members from District 9820 clubs.

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Ongoing Reminders: Ian needs suggestions for Guest Speakers.

Rotarians need to continue their approaches to donors for our Dinner Auction in May

Congratulations: None listed this week

Dear 'all'

23/03/2008

I would like to thank each and every one of you for all the work put into so many aspects of this recent Group Study Exchange. So many people were involved in so many ways and I am really appreciative of you all.

I sat down this afternoon to start writing individual 'thank you' notes, but as I made my list of who to thank it got bigger and bigger, so please forgive me for thus taking the easy option - a blanket email.

The four and a half week visit by the team from Tamil Nadu went by so very quickly; hardly surprisingly really with such a busy, interesting and varied hosting itinerary.

It was with sadness that we farewelled the team on Wednesday evening at Tullamarine; they all left with very mixed feelings after having had many wonderful and life changing experiences during their tour of our district. The team members all talked about the beauty of Australia, the freedom of our culture and lifestyle, and the opportunities that are available to us both vocationally and recreationally - all aspects of our Aussie way of life that we only too often take for granted, but brought home to us when we have visitors from overseas who perhaps don't enjoy such a free-and-easy lifestyle. Despite their sadness at leaving I am sure the team members were keen to get home to their families, especially Mursitha who was dearly missing her two young children. Hari, Sukumar and Pragadeesh were having a few days stopover enroute, but in a phone call yesterday they too indicated their longing to be back home with family and loved ones.

I believe the overall four and a half week program has been really successful, and I have no doubt Ganapathy, Sukumar, Mursitha, Pragadeesh and Hari will remember this visit and the people, like yourselves, that they met for a long, long time to come.

Thank you for helping to make this Group Study Exchange so very successful, rewarding and satisfying for all of us involved in this program.

*Anne*

**Anne Cox  
District 9820 GSE Chair 2007/2008**

## Rotary Club of Wonthaggi

**President: Paul Hartley**

17<sup>th</sup> March 2008-04-02

President Ian Monro,  
Rotary Club of Inverloch,

Dear Ian,

The members of the Rotary Club of Wonthaggi cordially invite you and your members to our Dinner Auction on the 12<sup>th</sup> of April 2008.

<b>Venue:</b>	Wonthaggi Workman's Club
<b>Date:</b>	12 <sup>th</sup> April 2008
<b>Time:</b>	6.00 pm
<b>Dress:</b>	Semi casual.
<b>Cost:</b>	\$35.00 per head.

If attending, could you please phone in names and numbers to:

Gary Sharrock	Tel:	56825812	or
John Duscher	Tel:	56721072	

Yours in Rotary,

Gary Sharrock