

# INVERLEIGH



# 2007



## **Inverleigh**

### **Tiny historic township west of Geelong**

Located 103 km from Melbourne and 28 km west of Geelong, Inverleigh is a tiny township on the Hamilton Highway west of Geelong at the junction of the Leigh and Barwon Rivers. The town was first settled in 1836 when the Derwent Company moved into the area. It is probable that the town grew up when a blacksmith, William Lawson, established a business near the present site of Inverleigh. His aim was to provide blacksmith services to the people on the local Derwent Company station, which was known as Weatherboard, and to service those horses which were being used by squatters who were making their way towards the western district from Geelong. Lawson expanded his activities when he opened the Horse Shoe Inn in 1842 and it is around this hotel that the town develops with many historically significant buildings being completed in the 1850s and 1860s.

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**Hi everyone,**

**The venue for our gathering this month was at the Inverleigh rest stop. just inside the towns limits walking distance to the conveniences the town had to offer. Upon arriving around 9pm we found a couple of bodies hanging around the fire," not a Bushwacker fire " but a fire never the less. And being the time it was we said a few quick hello's and tried to settle down for the night .I counted 15 units at the time and thought "this is a great turn out " considering the weather forecast predicted a damp week-end and they didn't disappoint us. The weather held off for the main events which was n't to bad.**

## **ATTENDANCES**

*Christine and Garry, Alan Barnes, Steve and Lynda, John and Jan Dadd , Peter and Mary , Allan and Teryl , Frank and Marie , Hal and Kerin , Val and Allan , George and Sue , Ian Robertson minus julie , Bernie and Dean , Pam S, ALSO THE VISITORS , Steve and Margaret (tassie) , B and W Burton , B and S Carson , Rex and Kath , June and Dave , Ray and Marie , Peter Eades and Grand kids.....*

## *Welcome to our Group*

*Goes to Bernie and Dean Wilson of Alfredton also we welcome Pam Snelling of Blackburn to the Bushwackers*



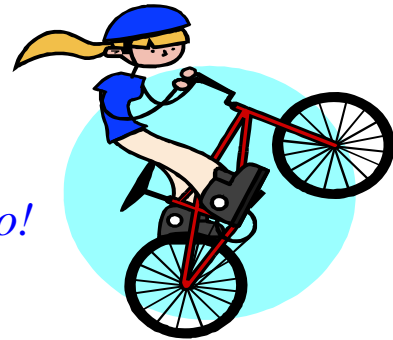
*It was great to see Jan Dadd Looking and Feeling well . John didn't look to bad either.*

# Sat morn

*Well what can I say and then there was 20 units They just kept coming. We were also the new sight for the town with people driving past and through the site to have a look . We Also had a visit from the local CFA doing a check on our fire ,also the ranger dropped in to inform us that this rest area was an overnight stop only ,after a bit of sweet talking by robbo we were allowed to stay...The local pub had 18 patrons for tea and the word was the food was great and a good price ,the local general store had an influx of funds due to our presence ,even the local flea market had a few extra people as well . Who said that motor homers don't contribute to the local areas.*

*A Strange Phenomenon occurred this morning ,staggering still half asleep from the van I was nearly bowled over by this maniac on a push bike hell bent on going somewhere at a reasonable rate of knots. As the morning sun was shining in my eyes it took some time to focus on the rider of said bike well Bugger me you could have blown me over with a feather it was “ MARIE KEOGH. I thought “well there's something you don't see every day”.*

*A couple of the camp dogs who were Tied up were looking a little nervous too!  
Good luck Marie and keep those peddles moving .*



## Brekkie performers

*GEORGE , ALAN MAC , GARRY ,AND STEVE ( TASSIE) ,  
ROBBO ,  
THE TOAST MASTERS WERE LYNDA AND PAM .  
THE TOMATOES WERE LOOKED AFTER BY THE DADD  
CLAN . YOURS TRULY COPPED THE WASHING UP ....*

# COMMITTEE STUFF

## Members present

Robbo  
Steve  
Lynda  
George  
John d

*We had a meeting to discuss a couple of items .*

*1 \*\*\* Robbo is going to try and organize next years safari possibly with one stop and about 150 ks travel time but I will get back to you on that one when the info arrives .*

*2 \*\*\* Changing the venues to 6 in the west and 6 in the east .*

*3\*\*\*\* Dogs in the camp .... Firstly this has become an issue over the past 3-4 months with a number of complaints to the committee regarding the dogs. So after discussion with a past President and others it was decided to adopt the following.*

*Dog's are to be on leads at all times except for the following between 10.00am—12.00pm and .2.00pm - 4.00pm. When they can have a run as long as you keep YOUR dog under control. When asked why we needed to bring this into force it was for these reasons.*

- 1. Dog's urinating on chairs and table legs.*
- 2. Visiting other vans and eating food left for the dog that lives there.*
- 3. Being underfoot at meal times and not just at happy hour. We know that this is what dog's do, but some dog owners and non dog owners would prefer they did not have to deal with some one else's dog.*

A big thank-you goes to the local football club for the loan of their fire tub for the week-end. And to the local CFA for letting us light it.

**FIRE !!!**

OPPPS it was brought to the attention of the committee That there was a few vans that FORGOT to put out their Water bucket yours truly included. As we all should know by now that it is one of many rules laid out by C.M.C.A. FOR INSURANCE PERPOSES and of course O. H .& S REGULATIONS for our safety. So Let us ALL try and remember to do the right thing . As I do not have enough water in my bladder to put out a van fire so your help would be a life saver .Lets hope it never comes to that .

This is just to right a wrong . I made a humble error in the last news letter regarding one of our members I put him in as a visitor when he is one of us. So a big **SORRY** goes to John Mc Murtre. I will fix it.

See you at China-  
mans Creek

Have a speedy recovery Daryl

