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SECTION OF THE EXHIBITION AT "THE HUB".

AFTERMATH OF OUR JUNE EXHIBITION AT THE HUB.

Following the Exhibition our mail has increased with enquiries, along with the outstanding sales of our "INVERLOCH" book. Numerous people have even asked when our next display will be! We have most certainly gained some mighty 'traction' in Inverloch, demonstrating that the aims of our 21st. birthday have been well and truly met.

Your outgoing Committee and office bearers have worked very hard during the past year, and with the advantageous position we have gained from our June activities, the new Committee, and those who lead us, when elected at the August Annual Meeting, will have a busy task ahead of them..

The sales of our "INVERLOCH" book have reached over 600! This is simply incredible. Many were sold at the Exhibition, but we are most fortunate in having the continued sales of the book through several outlets - the Inverloch newsagent, the Post Office and the Information Centre. Books are also for sale at the RACV and the two caravan and camping spots in Inverloch, as well as the Leongatha Newsagency. We thank all the business who have so generously worked for us. Our product at \$20, represents value, but also a much needed pictorial and information book on our delightful town and local countryside.

OUR AUGUST ANNUAL MEETING AT THE R.S.L.

As you can see from the inclusion with the Newsletter, our Annual Meeting will be held at the

RSL Hall at 2pm. on Wednesday August 23rd., followed by a General Meeting. **ALL POSITIONS WILL BE DECLARED VACANT**, and all members are entitled to stand for office. We urge you to make yourself available for a role within the Society so that it may function effectively.

OUR AUGUST GENERAL MEETING

Following the Annual Meeting, we will have our normal monthly meeting. There will be no guest speaker for this month, so we are asking all members who attend to bring along some object, whatever it may be, and to tell us about it for a few minutes. It's like the Primary school 'SHOW & TELL' session! This activity always proves very popular, so come along and show us something of interest, possibly something challenging to guess what it is, something you hold especially dear - it's up to you!

OUR OCTOBER MEETING.

This is looking ahead as the year rolls on very quickly, but for the month of October we are having an excursion to Tullaree, the home of the famed "The Lady of the Swamp". The new owners have revitalized the property, and accept pre-arranged visitations. We shall travel in convoy by car, lasting around 20 minutes. Our departure point will be the Football Ground leaving at 10am.. Everybody will need to bring their own lunch - hot drinks will be provided. There is an entry fee of \$20 per person - \$15 for Seniors. The venue has requested a minimum of 20 people. Names to be given and payment preferably collected at the September meeting. Weather permitting, following the tour, we could trace Margaret Clements journey to the site of the Buffalo railway station and general store, followed by a possible afternoon tea at the Ripple Café at Tarwin Lower.

OUR JULY GUEST SPEAKER.

Colin Leviston proved to be an interesting guest, for he not only spoke about his work with the RSL, but told us about his interesting life story, which included working for the old State Electricity Commission in the Latrobe Valley. His creative talents were noted by the SEC. Like many of his generation, he was a community volunteer - involved with the Scouts and his wife with the Cubs. Since his retirement to Inverloch, he has been busy preserving and presenting memorabilia of the RSL. Colin's many presentation skills can be

seen on the walls of the RSL. The display is of considerable interest, and with similar aims to our own Society, it is a lesson for us all to see what is achievable when one puts your mind to it - and - when we have 'our own home', what our own possibilities are. Thanks to Colin. All members who attended appreciated his chat!

EPHEMERA - WHAT IS IT?

Ephemera is a word often used in conservation circles. The dictionary can be quite misleading, but there is a strong clue as what it means for a historical society and conservationists point of view. It states - "a short lived thing of short termed usefulness eg. newspapers, theatre handbills".

I'm sure we can't totally agree with that! What we preserve and store most certainly has long term usefulness. As for being short lived, then that depends upon how we store and manage the ephemera, and the condition in which we receive it.

What then is ephemera that people like us at the Society collect? Well let's start with newspapers and theatre handbills as stated in the dictionary explanation. But let us also add photographs, real estate brochures, books, magazines, posters, tickets etc... Immediately you can note that all such ephemera is paper based and subject to destruction and difficult to preserve. Photographs are especially sensitive, for excessive light and dampness can ruin any photo. Dampness and various kinds of mould can totally destroy the likes of newspapers and books.

How we preserve such valuable pieces of ephemera is critical. A simple tin shed as a storage home is not the answer. 21st. century preservation requires marshalling modern methods, be it acid free covers or air conditioning and a steady atmosphere. This is why preservation is such a costly and difficult affair when dealing with ephemera.

SEPTEMBER MEETING

....will be held on Wednesday 27th. September. A guest speaker will be announced in the next Newsletter. Invite your friends and neighbour's along. They will be most welcome.

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3rd. August 2017.

***ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - August 23rd. 2017 at 2.00pm.
Elections to be held at the RSL Hall, Boulding Place, INVERLOCH.***

* As President of the Inverloch Historical Society Inc., I hereby declare all positions vacant as of 23rd. August 2017 at 2pm.

Members should note the following :-

- (a) All nomination forms should be in the hands of the Secretary at the start of the meeting. Nominations can be made from the floor during the Annual Meeting.
- (b) A member may be nominated for more than one position.
- (c) If no nomination for a position is received prior to the meeting, nominations will therefore be accepted at the meeting.
- (d) If only one nomination is received for a position, then that person shall deemed to be elected.

* The following positions are declared vacant, and all members are eligible to be elected to that position :-

President, Vice President, Secretary, Minute Secretary, Treasurer, Newsletter Editor, Membership Secretary, Refreshment Organizer, Attendance Recorder, Publicity Officer, Technical Coordinator, Committee (5 positions).



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Position: _____

Nominee (Print): _____ **Signature:** _____

Nominated by: _____ **Signature:** _____

Seconded by: _____ **Signature:** _____