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Editorial Comment

Hello all fellow nudists and welcome to the first issue of the new **ANF BULLETIN**. We are hoping that this publication will fulfil the need for all Affiliates and other like organisations to be kept informed of the latest news from the Executive Committee of the ANF. Each issue will keep you up to date with executive discussions, decisions and formulation of policies for the future of the Nudist movement in Australia. We also hope to bring you news from overseas from allied organisations.

We would welcome letters from you which hopefully we will be able to allocate space for but would ask you to keep them concise and of reasonable length as we are a newsletter and not a glossy magazine. The latter are well catered for here in Australia and, we feel, fulfil the needs of the movement in an excellent fashion and we are certainly not in competition in that field. We may include photographs but if they contain identifiable persons we will not accept them without express permission from the subject and under no circumstances will photos of children be accepted. Please remember that if you do submit pictures please send them separately attached as JPEGs and do not electronically insert them in to the body of an e-mail letter. Then I can manipulate the size to fit the copy.

We have still to make the decision as to whether we will produce the Bulletin bi-monthly or quarterly. Experience and comment will tell us which will be the most suitable.

At this stage the closing date for submissions for the next Bulletin will be 16th October

This issue will be sent electronically to all of the e-mail addresses we have on record and hopefully you will have recently supplied us with the up to date details. If you change your contact details please remember to let us know so that we can continue to get the Bulletin to you as efficiently as possible. The decision has been taken to send it electronically as it is considered that almost all establishments now use the technology. If we are requested specifically to do so we can send by snail mail but postage

costs money and it is ultimately your money that funds the ANF so it will be your money we are spending. *If you have received this by post it means that we have no record of an e-mail address for you. If you have one let me know or please confirm that you will only be able to have a snail mail delivery*

To just follow up on that, we are attempting to build an accurate and constantly updated database of all contacts to enable us to keep in touch with you and, more importantly, so that we may have up to date information in our various publications which are available on the web or sent out to various enquirers for accommodation and details etc, many from overseas. Please help us by reacting to any requests for details. We did earlier this year send out query forms but unfortunately only received a 35% response. If you help us we can certainly help you and that is what the ANF is here for.

Please feel free to contact myself (Tony Pinson) at the address shown above or the ANF directly at the address shown on the heading if you require any information or assistance and every effort will be made to respond promptly. Do remember however that the ANF officers are all volunteers and we do go out sometimes !

There is also a new newsletter being distributed to all members of the ANF Supporter Club and we give details of that below. This will reach over 400 members and if you are considering advertising the "**Supporter Club News**" is certainly a circulation worth considering

On behalf of the Committee I wish you all the best in Nudism

Tony Pinson

Message from the President

Hi, I would like to welcome everybody to the first issue of the new ANF Bulletin that is being distributed to all affiliates and those interested in nudism.

You may recall that the Executive of the Federation decided to discontinue the issuing of the Executive minutes a couple of months ago as information recorded in the minutes was sometimes private and confidential and not meant for wider distribution other than to the Executive. Nevertheless, the Executive still believes it important to promote what is happening within the Federation and has decided to issue a new Bulletin to replace the distribution of Executive minutes. Having said this, it is also important to point out that the minutes are a public record of the Executive meetings and are available to Affiliates from the Secretary on request.

I hope you enjoy the first edition of the new Bulletin as it is meant to convey what is happening at the Executive level and to keep you informed. If you have anything you wish to contribute to the newsletter, please provide your input to our Affiliate Liaison officer, Tony Pinson who has taken on the co-ordination role.

I would like to express my appreciation to Tony for taking on this task as it is not an easy one and relies predominately on the goodwill of others. If you wish to provide comment on the Bulletin or input into it, please contact Tony by email at pinson@picknowl.com.au.

Lindsay Parkyn ANF President

Executive Committee Discussions

Loans and Grants

The Executive, at its August meeting, assessed applications for Loans and Grants for 2007. As there were no applications for Loans, the Executive concentrated on applications for Grants.

You may be aware that the Grants applications were originally required by 30 June for a decision at the July Executive meeting, however as the Executive did not meet in July due to various reasons and that our VP was overseas, an extension for application was made to the end of July.

I am pleased to advise the following grants were successful:

Affiliate	Purpose
Yulti Wirra	Assistance on the continuation of the construction of the new club shower block
Tindo Nudist Club	Assist in the upgrade to its main toilet block in preparation for the convention
Southern United Naturist	Assist covering insurance to allow the club to invigorate itself and continue its viability.
Bare Tracks	Purchase a portable megaphone and marque for use at beach carnivals and club activities.
Rosco	Defibrillator

Between Clubs and individuals

The Executive sometimes hears complaints and/or derogatory comments about affiliates that when investigated are not necessarily true or often misleading. In many cases, what has been often stated as fact is second or third hand and bears no resemblance to the truth. A good example of this is covered in an article written by Jenny of Murrigal 'Sailing on' and produced in the Winter edition of TAN. Since Archie's death, many rumours or comments had been passed around that were not true and this has damaged Murrigal and Archie and Jenny's family in many ways.

The ANF Executive has been advised that certain parties have been distributing emails and/or letters concerning Freebeaches Australia. We understand these emails maybe defamatory in nature and not in the best interest of Australian nudism. It would be appreciated if you receive an email or letter concerning the operation of Freebeaches Australia or making disparaging comments of any of its members to send the document/s to the ANF Executive so that we can take appropriate action.

We would also draw your attention to a letter in the Spring edition of Tan (36) from an organisation in Queensland who have been subjected to rumours disseminated by another Nudist organisation again apparently unfounded but with subsequent results to their business viability

It is important to not take the word of others but to go directly to the source and discuss it with them. Your assumption could assist in causing the demise of another of our affiliates and limit even further our opportunities of enjoying our wonderful lifestyle.

Central registry and Convention Questionnaire

At the General assembly in 2006, the executive was directed to carry out a survey as to whether the Federation should have a central registry of members and various questions about the length, timing and activities held at the annual Convention and Sports Rally. Unfortunately the Executive only received a response of 27% on questions that affiliates directed the Executive ask of its affiliates. We would like to thank those affiliates that did respond as it has provided valuable information for input into the next General Assembly.

The responses have now been tabulated and will be included in the convention pack for discussion at Helios.

Register of Casual Managers

It has been suggested that the Federation hold a list of people who are prepared to be casual managers of clubs/businesses to allow the owner/operators the opportunity of leaving the grounds for personal reasons or urgent business. They could then contact the casual manager to step in as required.

The Executive decided not to hold this list as it could be seen to be endorsing the people on the list. The Executive decided it would be better to allow anyone who wishes to be considered as a casual manager to promote themselves through this Bulletin or through the Supporter Club newsletter which would then allow owner/operators to make direct contact as they wished.

General Business

There was the usual receipt of letters on various subjects. There were discussions on various topics including a submission to be a delegate at the INF World Conference in Brazil and whether the ANF should subsidise this after the usual checks and balances. It was also brought up that we could do with

the services of a solicitor from time to time and was there anybody out there who could donate their services to the ANF. A competitive quote has been received for the printing of the new Brochure. Also subject for discussion was whether the ANF should advertise in the new Sun and Health as well as Tan and a suitable fee had been negotiated. It was emphasised that the ANF takes an impartial stance towards both magazines and so the decision was made to go ahead.

Supporter Club launches newsletter Advertising Space Available

Several years ago the ANF Supporter Club (SC) produced a newsletter containing information of interest to and especially for SC members. Much of the information was not available elsewhere and it included confidential information where some members provided contact details so that other SC members could get in touch. It also included articles of interest where members provided their personal experience of nudism and letters to generate discussion on and about nudism and nude events in Australia.

That newsletter is about to be reintroduced under the name "**SUPPORTER CLUB NEWS**" with the first issue due for distribution in September, 2007. One major difference between this and the original publication is that distribution of the newsletter will primarily be via email with surface mail copies only being sent to members who do not have a current email address recorded.

Several SC members have already provided support for the publication by submitting articles for inclusion. Others have already authorised publication of their details so that other members can contact them through the SC member directory and a directory of ANF Clubs and affiliated businesses will be included. In addition to these advertising space will be available for SC members and others to promote their businesses and clubs by providing a discount to SC members.

If you wish to take advantage of the advertising offer and become a part of this emerging nudist community please submit electronic copy to Tony Bowe at membership@aus-nude.org.au noting the following rates:

	SC Members	Non-Members
Full Page:	\$250	\$300
Half Page:	\$125	\$150
Quarter Page:	\$ 63	\$ 75
Eighth Page:	\$ 35	\$ 40

Those wishing to advertise should note that:

- Only advertisements that include a significant and specific discount for ANF Supporter Club members will be accepted.
- Electronic copy provided in colour will be presented in colour via the email version of the Newsletter but the surface mail version (to members without email addresses) will be produced in black and white.
- Current potential circulation is for 297 copies going to 431 members with 60% to be received by email.

You are also invited to submit an article (in Word format and pictures, to accompany articles, electronically in high quality format (if possible)) to support your advertisement and this would be welcomed. All material received prior to the 10th of August, November, February and May will be considered for inclusion in the next issue.

The ANF Committee believes that this ANF SC newsletter is an important initiative to strengthen and promote nudism in Australia by improving the level of communication between SC members. Your support of the newsletter through your advertising would be greatly appreciated.

Tony Bowe

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Information and Snippets

Website

If you haven't visited our website of late, now would be a good time to have a look. We have put together a large number of forms/documents (seventeen in total and growing) etc that you can download on to your computer and print for your own interest. These documents include such things as the ANF Constitution, Code of behaviour etc as well as forms that you can complete for such things as an ANF Grant, ANF Loan, Beach Carnival Grant etc.

Have a browse and let us know if there is any other way that we can improve our website at www.aus-nude.org.au.

We also have a section on the Website that promotes activities being undertaken by clubs. This section is always difficult to fill given the lack of appropriate input from clubs. As the website is a public document, it is important to include only those activities that are open to the nudist public. Please get your entries into our webmaster at lesandjan@winshop.com.au.

Our webmaster Les Hotchkin has recently had a holiday overseas and we hope that he is now well rested to continue on the thankless task as webmaster.

Departures and Arrivals

Unfortunately, this year has seen the closing of some of our well known and respected nudist destinations. Mostly this has been through a business decision however, in some cases, it is due to lack of support.

We wish the owners of those businesses that have closed for economic reason all the best for the future and those who have had to close doors due to lack of support, we hope you find fulfilment in your naturist life style through other means.

Now the good news. We are please to welcome the following recent affiliates to the ANF:

Wai-natur Naturist Holidays
2704 State Highway 63
Wairau Valley
RDI Blenheim 7271
New Zealand
Ph 64 3 5722 681
Email: info@naturist.co.nz

Sylvan Glade Naturist Bed and Breakfast
Mid North Coast of NSW
Ph 02 6564 8849
Email: sylvanlade@ozemail.com.au

Book Review

"The Worlds Best Nude Beaches and Resorts"

This book would be the ideal guide for anyone travelling overseas as it covers 57 countries with web sites to give more details on the various places.

There are 300 pages of information and is beautifully illustrated.

You can order it on line at < www.barebeaches.com >.

Cost is in English Pounds £14.95 + £6.40 P/P = English Pounds £21.35.

There are other Books on the same site. Have a look at it. The site features a photo of Alexandra Beach by our own Les Hotchkin.

Meeting of Nudist/Naturist Business Operators

The owner/operators of Wrenbrook Rural Naturist Retreat, Carol and Ray, convened a meeting of nudist business operators on 11-12 August to discuss issues of mutual interest to nudist businesses. The executive applauds the initiative shown by Wrenbrook in conducting the meeting and look forward to the annual continuation of the forum.

Lindsay as President of the Federation, attended the meeting as the Federation's representative and Tony Bowe the new Administrator of the Supporter Club attended to provide a voice for its many members.

The meeting was very rewarding and discussions ranged across many issues. I have listed some of the issues discussed below:

- More say by business operators in the decision making process of the Federation (a paper to the next General Assembly is being formulated to address this issue);
- Insurance
- Promotion of nudism outside the 'converted';
- Promotion and advertising to a larger audience;

Free Beaches Under Threat

The clothes optional status of many of our free beaches has been under great threat this year. The Code of Behaviour approved at the last General assembly has been a valuable resource in convincing Councils and Government of our desire to ensure the proper behaviour of all nudists associated with the Federation and who use these beaches.

Victorian free beaches

In Victoria the Surfcoast Council received a request to change the clothes optional status of the Point Impossible beach to clothing only. The Council forwarded this request to the Minister for planning for Victoria. The Minister responded by directing the Council to go through a public consultation process before he would consider the issue.

The consultation process allowed us, together with Fee Beaches Australia and other interested nudists to be involved in the process. The outcome of the meetings ensured the survival of the Point Impossible beach as a free beach with Council providing better signage and more patrols by its Rangers.

The Minister for Planning was very impressed with the outcome of the Point Impossible Beach decision that he has directed his department to carry out the same process for the remaining Victorian Clothes Optional Beaches. The President of the ANF has written to the Minister to ensure the Federation is included in any proposed meetings and thus provides input into any discussions and decisions that may occur.

Many thanks to Rob Stephenson, Jeff Paine and Werner Jacob whose hard work ensured a great outcome.

For further information on what's happening with the Victorian free beaches, go to <http://www.fbanavic.org>

Western Australia

The Rockingham Council has also been considering the status of Warnbro Beach as a free beach. Representations by the ANF, Freebeaches and others have ensured it staying a free beach at this stage. However we must remain vigilant.

South Australia

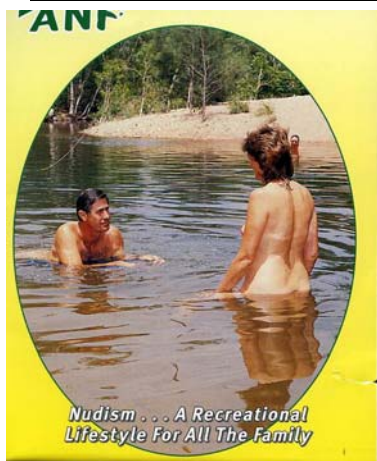
The first and probably the best known free beach, Maslins has also been under the spotlight due to alleged bad behaviour of some elements of nudists visiting the outskirts of the beach. A meeting between interested parties determined these reports were exaggerated by local lobbying. The beach is an official free beach and it would require an act of Parliament to extinguish that right. Arrangements were set in place that the beach be 'patrolled' by a beach watch committee with the support and backup of the local police.

NSW

Armands Bay Beach, near Bega on the South coast of NSW, was also under threat. A concerted campaign by the Armands Beach Leisure group, ANF, supporting clubs and individuals ensured that the Council relent in its pursuit of changing its status.

Sydney free beaches are constantly under threat and we are working with many others to do our best to retain the free beach status.

New Cover Photo could net you \$250



We are about to reprint the ANF Brochure and are having a photo competition for the cover.

It needs to be a discreet shot of an attractive couple enjoying the nudist way.

(Maybe with children - back view)

Entries to be electronic (3 mega pixels minimum) and subject to signed terms and conditions.ⁱ

Send to membership@aus-nude.org.au

The prize for the suitable photo will be \$250

Closing date for entries is 26th October

And the ANF executive choice will be final

ⁱ The ANF and the Supporter Club (SC) may use any photo submitted for the competition within the brochure or in the SC newsletter without requirement for further payment to those appearing in the photos. Only the photo chosen as suitable for front page use will receive the prize.

Written agreement to publication must be signed by all those appearing in the photo(s) or, in the case of children, their legal guardians

Stop Press

Savannah Park

Good news everybody! We've just heard that Savannah Park has been sold to David & Elaine Gray. David & Elaine are a nudist couple from NZ and they intend to continue Savannah Park as a nudist venue into the future.

And as that well known TV garden presenter says "AND THAT'S YER LOT FOR NOW"