



● Warwick Marsh and Serena Lynch combine bibles, beer and song at the North Wollongong Hotel.

A schooner of New Testament

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For those who think bibles and beer are an unlikely combination, at the North Wollongong Hotel they combine to create an unusual spiritual experience.

Possibly the most unique Australian religious experience occurs every Sun-

day between 4 pm and 6 pm at the North Wollongong Hotel — Warwick Marsh, an organiser for the Lighthouse Christian Centre, inspired by the muse and the holy spirit, intoxicates a delighted audience with song and sermon.

"It's something we've wanted to do for a long time and Warwick just happened to come and approach us," co-

proprietor of the North Wollongong Hotel, Serena Lynch said.

"He's able to reach people who frequent pubs and who normally wouldn't have contact with people from a church," Mrs Lynch said.

Mr Marsh, believing the church has neglected the people for too long, decided to go one step further and take the

church to the people.

As part of 'Church in a Pub' there is a different speaker every week who discusses his faith, plus live bands ranging from commercial rock to reggae.

Mr Marsh is hoping in the New Year to attract the more prominent followers of the faith like Midnight Oil's Peter Garrett