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## INN-SIDE STORIES

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What can only be described as a MODERN MIRACLE, an genius Jesus-loving musician bloke is turning a pub into a church — EVERY SUNDAY.

But rather than it being a crap place filled with GUILT and FEAR and boring people who don't understand the joys of

it's full of choice rock 'n' roll music and COLD BEER ON TAP.

"It's a true-blue Aussie church in an Aussie pub," said Warwick Marsh about his Church in The Pub at North Wollongong Hotel, NSW.

"We want it to be honest and fair dinkum. That's where the people are. They're going to the football, they're going to the pub — that's where the church has GOT TO BE."

Warwick, a full-time Christian musician and organiser for the Lighthouse Christian Centre, reckons that most Aussies find regular churches a BIT DULL.

"That's not the way it was with Jesus," said Warwick reflectively. "He was going to

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# THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED SCHOONER

Below: Warwick Marsh goes off on God's guitar.



Left: Three wise blokes with beards agree that beer and God are VERY GOOD THINGS.

## CHURCH IN "THE PUB"

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publicans' houses and talking to tax collectors and to prostitutes and he was quite VEHEMENTLY attacked for it too.

"I think a lot of Aussies think that if they go inside a church it'll fall down in a minute. People are FRIGHTENED of religion.

"When Jesus came to the earth he wasn't all HOLIER THAN THOU, he was just like you and me...well, probably better than you or me. He was just an ORDINARY BLOKE."

So it came to pass that on the seventh day THE PICTURE journeyed on its ASS down to the North 'Gong Hotel just in time to catch Glass And Flame, a rock act that Warwick booked into the pub.

"Our main message is to spread the good news about Jesus," said frontbloke Greg. "Pub punters seem to accept it quite warmly. Everybody needs Jesus so it's selfish for us to keep it to ourselves."

So far, the mixture of beer, God and rock 'n' roll is going down very well with the 'Gong locals.

"We've seen some really great responses," added Warwick. "Guys with their ales in hand are saying, 'This is great. This is fantastic.'"

"One guy asked us to pray for his nephew. He'd been hit by a train and was in critical condition. HE'S GETTING BETTER NOW." ■