



# Media Release

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### Boat Show Benefits

For the past seven years the Rotary Club of Airlie Beach Inc has donated all proceeds from the Oceanic Whitsunday Boat and Leisure Show to various community organisations in need.

“The Oceanic Whitsunday Boat and Leisure Show, held over the June long weekend each year, is perhaps the biggest, truly regional boat show in Australia, attracting hordes of visitors and local residents,” said Mark O’Donnell, Club President.

“It is a wonderful opportunity to leverage a successful event to support community organisations in need,” he added.

Rotary is seeking applications from community clubs, organisations and charities with projects requiring financial assistance to be considered as beneficiaries in 2009.

Past recipients include Volunteer Marine Rescue Whitsunday, Whitsunday Coast Scouts, ROMAC, Meals on Wheels, Proserpine Kindergarten, Zonta, Tennis Whitsundays, PCYC, Red Cross, Royal Flying Doctor Service, etc.

Mr O’Donnell said come June, he hoped the community would welcome the opportunity to not only attend an exciting family event but also to support a worthwhile cause.

Applications are due by 15 January 2009 and beneficiaries chosen by the Rotary Board will be announced in February 2009.

For guidelines and an application form please email [manager@rotaryairliebeach.com](mailto:manager@rotaryairliebeach.com)

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