

SOVEREIGN HILLS SUPPORTS SPEECH AND DRAMA

Sovereign Hills takes pleasure in donating \$3000 to the Port Macquarie Speech and Drama Eisteddfod helping to fund its 2008 competition.

The Eisteddfod has been a major annual cultural event in the Hastings for 29 years and provides encouragement and opportunities for performers to showcase their talents in speech and drama.

Sovereign Hills Director, Mr Robert Yandell said the Sovereign Hills team are totally committed to supporting arts and cultural activities in the community.

"We feel that performance art is a vibrant and essential part of community. Cultural activities and the arts play a vital role in the development of our children and will be encouraged and supported at Sovereign Hills, our new master-planned town," said Mr Yandell.

"Our sponsorship will help many young residents do what they love - perform in front of and entertain audience."

"This is the 2nd year Sovereign Hills has supported the event and it is with great pleasure that we can assist the Eisteddfod and alleviate some of those financial pressures faced when running such an important community event. I encourage residents to take their family and friends and enjoy a performance."

Director Karen Thompson said that she was very appreciative of the generous donation from Sovereign Hills.

"The Eisteddfod is run by volunteers and is a not-for-profit organisation. All revenue is used to promote and run the Eisteddfod and to provide prizes, trophies and scholarships. The committee is very appreciative of all corporate, business, family sponsors and donations."

The Speech and Drama Eisteddfod commences on Monday 15 September and concludes on Friday 19 September. Performances will be in the 'Atlantis Room' Panthers Port Macquarie.



Robert Yandell (Lewis Land) presents the sponsorship cheque to Karen Thompson (L) & Kim Johnson for the 2008 Port Macquarie Speech & Drama Eisteddfod