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#### **SUNDAY FEBRUARY 10**

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING (No. 1) 2 p.m. Suggested changes to Constitution (Rules)

**SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING (No. 2) 3.30 p.m.** To discuss motions for CAHS Convention 2008

Notices of Meeting will be sent under separate mail

Your attendance is vital

#### **HuVAT**

(Humanist Viewpoints Afternoon Talk) 4p.m. second Sunday of each month

Jan 13: Speaker Affie Adagio – Women's Issues, Affirmative Action vs Tokenism

Feb 10: no HuVAT due to SGM & EGM

Mar 9: Speaker Victor Bien - Charles Darwin Day

Food and refreshments provided

#### **CHARLES DARWIN DAY**



Charles Darwin
Naturalist 1809 -1882
"I have called this principle, by which each slight variation, if useful, is preserved, by the term Natural Selection."

#### FANCY DRESS & FUNNY HAT PARTY Dec 07

CONGRATULATIONS ANGELA



#### **HOWARD & RUDD**

REFUSED TO MEET WITH OUR DELEGATION

**FAILING TO GIVE ACCESS TO** 

SECULAR FREETHOUGHT 20% OF THE POPULATION

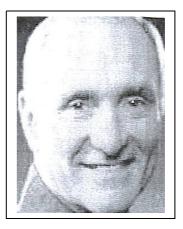
(see President's Report)

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