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A show of hats

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IT'S not every day that women get the opportunity to dress up like they did yesterday.

Melbourne Cup is one of the few days in the year that women can go to town with their hats, accessories and dresses.

In Suva, Lautoka and the various centres celebrating Melbourne Cup, it was a show of hats and head gear with competitions for the most outstanding.

It was also a time for sweepstakes with punters visiting the local betting house or using the opportunity to fundraise for a worthy cause. A time for sparkling wine and to toast the winning horse and the money gained as a result of the sweepstake.

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Marita Brodie, centre, and Claire Aull, right, at the Royal Suva Yacht Club. Picture: ELIKI NUKUTABU