

PRESENT

Members:

Councillor Michael Cusato
Tacking Point Lions Club Representative - Malcolm Merrick
Wauchope Rotary Club Representative- Andy Neal
Camden Haven Chamber of Commerce Representative - John Saunders
Community Representative - Richard Gander

Other Attendees:

Acting Group Manager Community Development - Julie Priest
Corporate Events Coordinator - Jenny Mead

The meeting opened at 8.42 am.

01 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Acknowledgement of Country was delivered.

02 APOLOGIES

Andy Neal advised the Sub-Committee that Wauchope Lions Club is still seeking a representative to join the Australia Day Sub-Committee to replace Greg Cavanagh.

Malcolm Merrick advised that there has been a recent change in representatives from the Tacking Point Lions Club who sit on the Australia Day Sub-Committee . Mr Ross Adam will now be representing Tacking Point Lions Club in lieu of Graeme Hogan.

CONSENSUS:

That the apologies received from Mayor - Councillor Peter Besseling, Camden Haven Chamber of Commerce Representative - Robert Dwyer, Wauchope Rotary Club Representative - Will Jamieson, Tacking Point Lions Club Representative - Mr Ross Adam be noted and accepted.

03 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

CONSENSUS:

That the Minutes of the Australia Day Sub-Committee Meeting held on 22 February 2013 be confirmed.

04 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest presented.

05 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

CONSENSUS:

That the information contained in Item 06 - Australia Day Ambassador from the 22/02/13 Debrief Meeting be noted.

06 NEW CODE OF CONDUCT

CONSENSUS:

That the information in and the attachments to the New Code of Conduct report be noted.

07 2014 AUSTRALIA DAY BUDGET

CONSENSUS:

That the Sub-Committee note the Budget Allocation for Australia Day 2014 is \$20,000.

08 REPRESENTATION ON AUSTRALIA DAY SUB-COMMITTEE

Update provided by Andy Neal indicated that another representative to join the Australia Day Sub-Committee from Wauchope Rotary or Wauchope Lions Club is still underway.

John Saunders advised that the Camden Haven Chamber of Commerce is considering withdrawing as the Community Group representative on the Australia Day Sub-Committee due to lack of resources required to coordinate the large celebrations. Laurieton Rotary Club have been approached seeking their expression of interest in joining the Australia Day Sub -Committee and taking on board the Camden Haven Australia Day Celebrations still to be staged at the Laurieton United Services Club's premises and adjoining reserve.

CONSENSUS:

1. That the information in the Representation on Australia Day Sub-Committee report be noted.
 2. Update to be provided at the next meeting.
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09 2014 AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS

Discussion took place regarding the format of last year's PMHC Australia Day Awards. Ideas were discussed regarding what could be implemented this year to try and provide a greater opportunity to receive more nominations across each of the proposed categories.

CONSENSUS:

1. That the Sub-Committee note the proposed 2014 Australia Day Award categories, venue and proposed nomination timeline.
 2. Further discussion to be held at the next meeting regarding the possibility of a flier being produced detailing the award nomination timeline and process for potential distribution at various outlets across the LGA including the airport.
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10 AUSTRALIA DAY ACTIVITIES - CAMDEN HAVEN

John Saunders reiterated earlier advice that it is proposed that the Camden Haven Chamber of Commerce will withdraw as Community Group Representatives on the Australia Day Sub-Committee. Laurieton Rotary Club have expressed interest in joining the Australia Day Sub-Committee as the Community Group Representative to take on board the Camden Haven Australia Day Celebrations. These celebrations will still be staged at the rear of the Laurieton United Services Club and on the adjoining reserve.

CONSENSUS:

1. That the information provided by John Saunders regarding the Camden Haven Chamber of Commerce and their role on the Australia Day Sub-Committee be noted.
 2. That should the Camden Haven Chamber of Commerce proceed with their decision to withdraw as Community Representative on the Australia Day Sub-Committee that the Sub-Committee be formally advised of their decision.
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11 AUSTRALIA DAY ACTIVITIES - WAUCHOPE

Andy Neal of Wauchope Rotary Club advised that Wauchope Australia Day Celebrations will again be staged on Bain Park, with the Wauchope RSL being considered the venue for the official program should wet weather be an issue again in 2014. Rotary's preference is to utilise the Rotary Hall on site at Bain Park but acknowledges that the hall size greatly limits the audience capacity. Discussion held as to what activities could be carried over from outdoor to indoor should we experience bad weather again next year. Andy also confirmed that the new electrical works proposed for Bain Park, discussed at the Debrief Meeting held in February 2013, have been completed.

CONSENSUS:

1. That the information provided by Wauchope Rotary Club on their proposed 2014 Australia Day celebrations be noted.
 2. That an update be provided regarding the proposed activities to be included in the Australia Day 2014 Wauchope Celebrations
 3. That details regarding discussions held between Wauchope Rotary and Wauchope Lions Club regarding representation on the Australia Day Sub-Committee be provided at the next meeting.
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12 AUSTRALIA DAY ACTIVITIES - PORT MACQUARIE

Mal Merrick from Tacking Point Lions Club advised that there has been one change in representatives from the Tacking Point Lions Club who sit on the Australia Day Sub-Committee as a Community Group Representative. Ross Adam will now be the Community Group Representative in lieu of Graeme Hogan. Mal also advised that the 2014 Australia Day Celebrations to be staged on Town Green in Port Macquarie will be of a similar format to that conducted in 2013. Concern was expressed that should the wet weather contingency plan venue (CWA Rooms) had to have been implemented, the room was far too small to cater for the audience that had gathered on Town Green to watch the official program.

CONSENSUS:

1. That the information provided by Tacking Point Lions Club representative regarding recent changes to their representation on the Australia Day Sub-Committee be noted.
 2. That an update be provided regarding the proposed activities to be included in the Australia Day 2013 Port Macquarie Celebrations.
 3. That the concern about the nominated wet weather contingency venue be noted and that further discussion take place at the next meeting regarding an alternate suitable venue.
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13 AUSTRALIA DAY SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

CONSENSUS:

That the Sub-Committee note the timeline as outlined in the Australia Day Sub-Committee Meeting Schedule Report.

14 GENERAL BUSINESS

14.01 Apology:

Mal Merrick advised that he will be an apology for the 19 July 2013 meeting.

The meeting closed at 9.40am.