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**PRESENT****Members:**

Malcolm Merrick - Tacking Point Lions Club representative  
Duncan Wyndham - Tacking Point Lions Club representative  
Andy Neal - Wauchope Rotary Club representative  
Phil Hafey - Laurieton Rotary Club representative

**Other Attendees:**

Wayne Evans OAM - Sailability NSW Volunteer  
Rick Eller - Sailability NSW Volunteer  
Barbara El-Gomal - Marine Rescue  
Neil Yates - Marine Rescue  
Ken Fletcher - Marine Rescue  
Janice McGilchrist - Tacking Point Lions Club representative  
Lucilla Marshall - PMHC Group Manager Community, Participation and Engagement  
Skye Frost - Creative Place Facilitator - Arts and Culture

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The meeting opened at 8:40am.

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**01 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

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The Acknowledgement of Country was delivered.

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**02 APOLOGIES**

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**CONSENSUS:**

That the apologies received from Graham Hare - Laurieton Rotary and Jenny Mead - PMHC be noted and accepted.

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**03 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

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**CONSENSUS:**

That the Minutes of the Australia Day Sub-Committee Meeting held on 19 February 2016 be confirmed.

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#### **04 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

There were no disclosures of interest presented.

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#### **05 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Nil.

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#### **06 2017 AQUATIC ACTIVITIES - PORT MACQUARIE**

CONSENSUS:

That:

1. The Sub-Committee note the information outlined in the 2017 Aquatic Activities - Port Macquarie report and the verbal updated provided at the meeting.
2. Council continue to prepare and submit the Aquatic Licence application to the Roads and Maritime Services.
3. Council forward a copy of last year's Aquatic License and Event Brief to Rick Eller and Neil Yates.
4. Council send out emails and arrange for advertising of the stakeholders meeting scheduled for 5 October 2016 at the Marine Rescue Building at Buller Street, PMQ.
5. Council make contact with the ABC to see if a presenter would be available to Emcee the event.

Marine Rescue representatives left the meeting.

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#### **07 2017 PORT MACQUARIE-HASTINGS AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS**

CONSENSUS:

That:

1. The Sub-Committee note the information contained in the 2017 Port Macquarie-Hastings Australia Day Awards report.
2. The Sub-Committee note that the Australia Day Awards will open on 10 October with nominations being received online via Council's website until Friday 25 November 2016.
3. The Sub-Committee note that Lynn Lelean has confirmed availability to Emcee Australia Day Awards Presentation Evening to be held at the Glasshouse on the evening of Wednesday 25 January 2017.
4. The Mayor's Office prepare the letters to go out to all local community groups encouraging them to nominate a member of our community for an Australia Day

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- Award.
5. Once a Councillor is appointed to the Sub-Committee that they become the spokes person/advocate in relation to the Awards, with them attending and presenting to local community group meetings.
  6. Previous recipients of the local Australia Day Awards attend local community group meetings with the appointed Councillor.
  7. The Sub-Committee note that the recipients of the local Australia Day Awards will be determined at the 16 December 2016 meeting.
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## **08 2017 AUSTRALIA DAY AMBASSADOR PROGRAM**

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### **CONSENSUS:**

That:

1. The Sub-Committee note the information outlined in the 2016 Australia Day Ambassador Program.
  2. The Sub-Committee note that the online registration for the Ambassador Program was completed on 21 September 2016. The Australia Day Council of NSW have advised that notification of Ambassadors is expected by the end of November 2016.
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## **09 2017 AUSTRALIA DAY CELEBRATIONS - LAURIETON**

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### **CONSENSUS:**

That:

1. The Sub-Committee note the information outlined in the 2017 Australia Day Celebrations - Laurieton report and verbal update provided by representatives of the Rotary Club of Laurieton.
  2. The Sub-Committee note that Laurieton Rotary have advised that they will no longer be staging their Australia Day Celebrations at the rear of Laurieton United Serviceman's Club and reserve adjacent, and that they are now intending to hold their Australia Day Celebrations on top of North Brother Mountain from 8.00am - 10.00am in lieu of 7.00am - 9.00am as in previous years on 26 January 2017.
  3. It be noted that Laurieton Rotary to liaise with and work towards obtaining written approval from National Parks and Wildlife Service, and the Bunyah Land Council regarding the use of North Brother Mountain on 26 January 2017.
  4. The Sub-Committee note that Laurieton Rotary Club do wish to have a Citizenship Ceremony included as part of their Australia Day Celebrations.
  5. The Sub-Committee note that a request has been made by Laurieton Rotary for an Aboriginal Flag to be provided by Council, for display as part of their Australia Day Celebrations.
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**10 2017 AUSTRALIA DAY CELEBRATIONS - WAUCHOPE**

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**CONSENSUS:**

That:

1. The Sub-Committee note the information outlined in the 2017 Australia Day Celebrations - Wauchope report and verbal update provided by representatives of the Rotary Club of Wauchope.
2. The Sub-Committee note that the official program, which forms part of the Wauchope Australia Day Celebrations, will now commence at 11.00am - 1.00pm in lieu of 10.00am - 12 noon as in previous years.

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**11 2017 AUSTRALIA DAY CELEBRATIONS - PORT MACQUARIE**

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**CONSENSUS:**

That:

1. The Sub-Committee note the information outlined in the 2017 Australia Day Celebrations - Port Macquarie report and verbal update provided by representatives of the Tacking Point Lions Club.
2. The Sub-Committee note the advice provided by Council officers that there is no exclusion zone around the cenotaph, and that this year the Youth Advisory Council (YAC) will not be organising "Port's Got Talent".

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**12 2017 AUSTRALIA DAY BUDGET**

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**CONSENSUS:**

That:

1. The Sub-Committee note the information contained in the 2016 Australia Day Budget report.
2. The Sub-Committee note that there is no impact on the Australia Day Budget for the hire of the Glasshouse for the Australia Day Awards nor for the hire as the wet weather contingency venue for the official program on Australia Day which will form part of the Port Macquarie Australia Day Celebrations.

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## **13 2017 AUSTRALIA DAY SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE**

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### **CONSENSUS:**

That:

1. The Sub-Committee note the information and timeline outlined in the Australia Day Sub-Committee Meeting Schedule report for the remainder of 2016.
2. The Sub-Committee note the next Australia Day Sub-Committee will be held at 8.30am on 28 October 2016.

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## **14 GENERAL BUSINESS**

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### **14.01 COMMITTEE CONTACT DETAILS**

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#### **CONSENSUS:**

That Council's Community Events Coordinator send out all the Sub-Committee contact details via email.

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The meeting closed at 9:15am.