

PRESENT

Members:

Councillor Peter Besseling (Mayor)
Councillor Michael Cusato
Tacking Point Lions Club representative
Tacking Point Lions Club representative
Wauchope Rotary Club representative
Laurieton Rotary Club representative
Laurieton Rotary Club representative
Richard Gander - community representative

Other Attendees:

Lucilla Marshall (PMHC Group Manager Community Development)
Jenny Mead (PMHC Place Facilitator - Events)
Rick Eller (part of meeting)
Wayne Evans (part of meeting)

The meeting opened at 8.35am.

01 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Acknowledgement of Country was delivered.

02 APOLOGIES

CONSENSUS:

That the apology received from Ian Jackson be accepted.

03 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

CONSENSUS:

That the Minutes of the Australia Day Sub-Committee Meeting held on 31 October 2014 be confirmed.

04 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest presented.

05 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil.

The Chairman brought forward Item 8 - 2015 Aquatic Activities - Port Macquarie.

08 2015 AQUATIC ACTIVITIES - PORT MACQUARIE

CONSENSUS:

1. That the Sub-Committee note the information outlined in the 2015 Aquatic Activities - Port Macquarie report and the verbal updated provided at the meeting.
2. Rick Eller and Wayne Evans to liaise with Roads and Maritime Services representative regarding the outstanding information from Surf Life Saving Club participating in the Aquatic Activities Program and seek more details.
3. 3 licensed operators have been sourced to provide VHF radio coverage for the program. One operator to be located at McInherny Park and two on Lady Nelson Wharf. Wayne Evans will be liaising directly with RMS via one of the radio operators to be located on Lady Nelson Wharf in relation to each of the Aquatic Activities.
4. Channel 71 will be the channel utilised for coordination of the activities on the day. Each radio operator to also have mobile phone in their possession as a back up communication method.
5. Cameron Marshall has confirmed his availability to be Emcee and will be provided with a series of short précis on each of the vessels participating in the Flotilla. Council's Place Facilitator - Events to arrange provision of a "Madonna" microphone for use by the Emcee on Lady Nelson Wharf.

The Chairperson then left the meeting briefly, with Councillor Cusato Acting as Chairperson.

The Acting Chairman then deferred Item 06 - 2015 Australia Day Awards until the return of the Chairperson.

07 2015 AUSTRALIA DAY AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

CONSENSUS:

1. That the Sub-Committee note the information outlined in the 2015 Australia Day Ambassador Program report.
 2. That the Sub-Committee note the recent advice by the Australia Day Council of NSW that Henri Szeps OAM will be our Australia Day Ambassador for 2015.
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09 2015 AUSTRALIA DAY CELEBRATIONS - LAURIETON

CONSENSUS:

1. That the Sub-Committee note the information outlined in the 2015 Australia Day Celebrations - Laurieton report and verbal update provided by representatives of the Rotary Club of Laurieton.
 2. That the Sub-Committee note that no Citizenship Ceremony will be conducted as part of the Australia Day Celebrations - Laurieton.
 3. That the program information will now be forwarded to Council's Communications Section for creation of the program with 200 copies being available for collection at the January Sub-Committee meeting.
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10 2015 AUSTRALIA DAY CELEBRATIONS - WAUCHOPE

CONSENSUS:

1. That the Sub-Committee note the information outlined in the 2015 Australia Day Celebrations - Wauchope report and verbal update provided by representative of the Rotary Club of Wauchope.
 2. That the Sub-Committee note that no Citizenship Ceremony will be conducted as part of the Australia Day Celebrations - Wauchope.
 3. That the program information will now be forwarded to Council's Communications Section for creation of the program with 600 copies being available for collection at the January Sub-Committee meeting.
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11 2015 AUSTRALIA DAY CELEBRATIONS - PORT MACQUARIE

CONSENSUS:

1. That the Sub-Committee note the information outlined in the 2015 Australia Day Celebrations - Port Macquarie report and verbal update provided by representatives of the Tacking Point Lions Club.
2. That the Tacking Point Lions Club have confirmed their ability to provide and assemble and disassemble a marquee over the staging required for the Australia Day Celebrations.
3. That the Tacking Point Lions Club have confirmed their ability to assemble and disassemble two (2) Council Marquees (audience area) and set out and pack down 100 chairs to be stored in the CWA Rooms.
4. Councillor Cusato to provide and assemble the staging required for the Australia Day Celebrations on Town Green, and provide Council with a copy of the Mega Deck Certification for the staging which will be included in Council's Risk Assessment for the event.
5. That the Sub-Committee note that a Citizenship Ceremony with 31 candidates participating will be conducted as part of the Official Program of the Australia Day Celebrations to be held on Town Green. That should the wet weather contingency plan be implemented, the official program will be moved to the Glasshouse.

12 2015 AUSTRALIA DAY SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

CONSENSUS:

That the Sub-Committee note the information and timeline outlined in the Australia Day Sub-Committee Meeting Schedule report.

06 2015 AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS

Voting for to determine the 2015 Port Macquarie Hastings Council Australia Day Awards took place. Some of the members of the Australia Day Sub-Committee were required to leave the room for one or more category and were unable to cast a vote in the respective category due to an association with either an individual nominee or community group nomination.

CONSENSUS:

1. That the Sub-Committee note the information contained in the 2015 Australia Day Awards report and note the format for the presentation event as discussed at the meeting.
2. That the 2015 Port Macquarie-Hastings Council Australia Day Awards be awarded as determined in accordance with the votes taken at the meeting.
3. That the voting undertaken at the meeting to determine the recipients of the 2015 PMHC Australia Day Awards will be recorded under separate confidential cover.

07 GENERAL BUSINESS

07.01 Letter of Appreciation:

That a letter of appreciation be prepared under the Mayor's signature for Ross Adams thanking him for his work during his time on the Australia Day Sub-Committee.

The meeting closed at 10.00am.