

MINUTES

AUSTRALIA DAY COMMITTEE

5.15PM ON TUESDAY 20 FEBRUARY 2019



PRESENT

Lord Mayor Cr Gordon Bradbery

Robyn Te Velde

Robyn Hampton

Grant Plecas

Andrew Horne

Dr Bob Wheway

James Powell

Maddie Cross

IN ATTENDANCE

Lee Cramer

1 APOLOGIES

Cr Chris Connor

Prof Gordon Wallace

Ashley Heath

2 AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS, JUDGING AND DINNER

What

Who

When

Completed

- Dinner went well with good speakers

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Australia Day Award winners fitted the audience, well received and engaging. Time needed to be extended to get nominations • More multicultural nominations required. Refer to Multicultural Reference Group • Look into getting a professional video of the Why Australia Why Wollongong speakers – possibly University students • Good night, good food ad 200 Illawarra video went over well again • Tight and punchy program • Make nomination form available throughout the whole year • Engage media to promote categories throughout the year and have stories on winners 			
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3 CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY			
What	Who	When	Completed
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Went well with big numbers – although hiccup with political issues • Program flow went well • Due to the large number of candidates, long process and some left early; One hour 45 mins program – too long • Cadets did a good job, only have one song, keep program streamlined • Bring a copy of the script/program to next meeting 			

4 AUSTRALIA DAY AMBASSADOR PROGRAM			
What	Who	When	Completed
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amy did a great job • Request feedback from Amy for future Ambassadors 			

5 AUSTRALIA DAY BABY			
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What	Who	When	Completed
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Little baby girl – Grace - born at 12.06am to a Berry family • 32 weeks premature • Illawarra Mercury took a shot of the family; write up about first baby • Congratulations to Robyn for organising everything especially over the numbers of years this has been going. 			

6 VOLUNTEERS

What	Who	When	Completed
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ambassador program went very well and good mix with other volunteers • Few volunteers didn't show • Long weekend, sometimes smaller group of volunteers • Volunteers were very active 			

7 YOUTH AREA

What	Who	When	Completed
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request report from Youth Centre on their opinion • Arrange guest appearance from well-known youth person to engage more people there • Hold a competition to engage more youth • Engage a YouTube person to increase numbers 			

8 OZZY DOGGY SHOW

What	Who	When	Completed
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good coverage with lots of people around and interested 			

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Winner was great and well-dressed contestants plus dogs doing tricks • Initial event and something great to build on • Suggestion that it needs to be undercover to offer protection from sun for dogs • Different time of the day to avoid heat of the day • Sponsors all seemed happy and willing to be come back • Next year, there would be increased interest 			
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8 FASHION SHOW

What	Who	When	Completed
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Show went well and colourful – not just glamour, but sent a good message – We are Australian • Robyn hand painted the big 8m banner used as part of the show • There were some issues in relation to Aboriginal models • Well covered by TV and social media • Big crowd watching the show • Robyn to be congratulated on the show- well done • All models in show provided their time freely - volunteers 			

9 GENERAL BUSINESS

What	Who	When	Completed
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Issues around the area corner of Harbour and Cliff Road near SES – cars just driving through • Vehicle mitigation needed to be changed during the day • Late ending of Aquathon – equipment left lying around and not put away • Also van on site and needed to be removed • Ask Rob to get his volunteers to assist with bump/out • Layout of Australia Day needs to be addressed – main stage too congested • Sponsor of the Children’s stage was lost and needs to be addressed next year 			

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Accessible Area although all persons were contacted with confirmation including a map – didn't attend, and some went to site for New Year.• Nomination form to be provided to committee members if they want to stay on – their two years has expired.• Call for new members to be promoted along with Charter. | | | |
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The meeting concluded at 6.25pm.