



MINUTES

**Darwin Military and Civilian History
Advisory Committee Meeting
Wednesday, 30 November 2022**

**MINUTES OF CITY OF DARWIN
DARWIN MILITARY AND CIVILIAN HISTORY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE MEETING ROOM BIDJPIDJI (MEETING ROOM 1), LEVEL 1, CIVIC CENTRE,
HARRY CHAN AVENUE, DARWIN
ON WEDNESDAY, 30 NOVEMBER 2022 AT 11.00 AM**

PRESENT:

Councillor Mick Palmer (Chair)

RSL Darwin Branch Stephen Gloster

Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities *represented by* Samantha Wells

Aviation Historical Society of the NT John Hart

Department of Veterans' Affairs Louise Ruhl

Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet *represented by* Elle Conway

General Manager Community Matt Grassmayr

Executive Manager Growth & Economic Development Emma Struys

OFFICERS:

Senior Administration Officer Karen Long

Senior Coordinator Strategic Projects & Events Katy Moir

APOLOGY:

Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet Linda Fazldeen

Darwin Military Museum Norm Cramp

GUESTS:

WO1 Allan Lewis

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1 MEETING DECLARED OPEN

The Chair declared the meeting open at 11.01 am.

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

City of Darwin acknowledges that we are living and working on Larrakia Country. We acknowledge the Larrakia people as the Traditional Owners of the Darwin region. We pay our respects to the Larrakia elders past and present and support emerging Larrakia leaders now and into the future. City of Darwin is committed to working together with all Larrakia to care for this land and sea for our shared future.

3 APOLOGIES & LEAVE OF ABSENCE

3.1 Apologies

Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet Linda Fazldeen

Darwin Military Museum Norm Cramp

3.2 Leave of Absence

3.3 Leave of Absence Notified

4 ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS AND STAFF

5.1 Declaration of Interest by Members

5.2 Declaration of Interest by Staff

6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION MHAC013/22

Moved: General Manager Community Matt Grassmayr

Seconded: RSL Darwin Branch Stephen Gloster

That the minutes of the Darwin Military and Civilian History Advisory Committee Meeting held on 3 August 2022 be confirmed.

CARRIED 7/0

Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities representative Samantha Wells arrived at the meeting 11.03 am

7 ACTIONS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

8 PRESENTATIONS

Nil

9 OFFICER REPORTS

9.1 FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS, TIME AND LOCATION - 2023

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION MHAC014/22

Moved: Councillor Mick Palmer

Seconded: RSL Darwin Branch Stephen Gloster

1. THAT the Darwin Military and Civilian History Advisory Committee adopts the following schedule for the holding of meetings in 2023:
 - (a) Four meetings to be held in 2023
 - (b) Meetings to be held on Wednesdays in February, May, August and November
 - (c) Meetings to be held on:
 - (i) 8 February 2023
 - (ii) 3 May 2023
 - (iii) 2 August 2023
 - (iv) 29 November 2023
 - (d) Meetings to be held from 11.00 am to 12 noon
2. Meetings to be held at the City of Darwin, Civic Centre

CARRIED 8/0

9.2 BOMBING OF DARWIN UPDATE 2023

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION MHAC015/22

Moved: RSL Darwin Branch Stephen Gloster

Seconded: General Manager Community Matt Grassmayr

1. THAT the report Bombing of Darwin Update 2023 be received and noted.

CARRIED 8/0

9.3 AUSTRALIA DAY UPDATE 2023

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION MHAC016/22

Moved: General Manager Community Matt Grassmayr

Seconded: RSL Darwin Branch Stephen Gloster

1. THAT the report entitled Australia Day Update 2023 be received and noted.

CARRIED 8/0

10 MEMBER REPORTS

10.1 VERBAL UPDATES

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION MHAC017/22

Moved: Councillor Mick Palmer

Seconded: RSL Darwin Branch Stephen Gloster

That the members' verbal updates be received and noted.

CARRIED 8/0

RSL Stephen Gloster

- advised tender is out for the site in Cavanagh Street Darwin
- advised on track for becoming a Branch of the NT instead of a sub branch
- requested that the person to recite the Ode at the Bombing of Darwin Day event be put in contact with RSL to assist with reading the poem. Noted by the Events Team

Department of Veterans' Affairs Louise Ruhl

- advised the 22/23 Veteran Wellbeing grants funding closes on 8 December 2022
- 3.55 million in funding, two streams - small grants and large grants. Will send information through for distribution.

Department of Families, Housing and Communities Samantha Wells

- Advised of gun emplacement collapsed at Casuarina beach

Aviation Historical Museum John Hart

- advised new displays arrived and assembled, F18 Hornet, Macchi, F-111
- Graveyard of wrecked aircrafts at the front of the museum are being removed
- New internal displays and Vietnam display almost ready

11 GENERAL BUSINESS**11.1 AVIATION HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF THE NT**

The Committee noted that the new President of the Aviation Historical Society of the NT (AHSNT), Ken Lai, has requested John Hart continue to represent AHSNT. John still sits on the committee of the AHSNT.

12 NEXT MEETING

8 February 2023

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 11.25 am.