



AGENDA

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

**I hereby give notice that a Darwin Military and Civilian History Advisory
Committee Meeting will be held on:**

Date: Wednesday, 30 November 2022

Time: 11.00 AM

**Location: Meeting Room Bidjpidji (Meeting Room 1)
Level 1, Civic Centre
Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin**

Webcasting:

**Simone Saunders
Chief Executive Officer**

DARWIN MILITARY AND CIVILIAN HISTORY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis (Chair)

Councillor Mick Palmer

Councillor Ed Smelt (Alternate)

RSL Darwin Branch Stephen Gloster

Darwin Military Museum Norm Cramp

Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities Michael Wells

Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet Linda Fazldeen

Aviation Historical Society John Hart

Department of Veterans' Affairs Louise Ruhl

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

GUEST

WO1 Allan Lewis

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1 MEETING DECLARED OPEN**2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

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3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**3.1 Apologies**

Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet Linda Fazldeen (*to be represented by Elle Conway*)

3.2 Leave of Absence**3.3 Leave of Absence Notified****4 ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE****4.1 Electronic Attendance****4.2 Electronic Attendance Notified****5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST****6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Darwin Military and Civilian History Advisory Committee Meeting - 3 August 2022

7 ACTIONS ARISING FROM Previous Minutes**8 PRESENTATIONS**

9 OFFICER REPORTS

9.1 FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS, TIME AND LOCATION - 2023

Author: Executive Assistant Community

Authoriser: General Manager Community

Attachments: Nil

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to set the schedule for frequency of meetings of the Darwin Military and Civilian History Advisory Committee for 2023.

KEY ISSUES

- In accordance with the Terms of Reference, item 6.1 *Frequency of Meeting and Location*, this report is proposing the meeting schedule for 2023.

DISCUSSION

This report proposes that the Darwin Military and Civilian History Advisory Committee considers adopting the following meeting schedule for 2023:

- (a) Four meetings to be held in 2023:
 - 1. February (prior to the Bombing of Darwin Day event)
 - 2. May (commencement of the dry season)
 - 3. August
 - 4. November (lead into the Bombing of Darwin Day event)
- (b) Meetings to be held Wednesdays on:
 - 8 February 2023
 - 3 May 2023
 - 2 August 2023
 - 29 November 2023
- (c) Meetings to be held from 11.00 am to 12 noon
- (d) Meetings to be held at the City of Darwin

PREVIOUS COUNCIL RESOLUTION

At the 13 October 2021 meeting the Committee resolved:

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION MHAC028/21

1. THAT the Military and Civilian History Advisory Committee adopts the following schedule for the holding of meetings in 2022:
 - (a) Four (4) meetings to be held in 2022
 - (b) Meetings to be held on Wednesdays in February, May, August and November
 - (c) Meetings to be held on:
 - (i) 9 February 2022
 - (ii) 4 May 2022
 - (iii) 3 August 2022
 - (iv) 30 November 2022
 - (d) Meetings to be held from 11.00 am to 12 noon
 - (e) Meetings to be held at the City of Darwin, Civic Centre

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT	5 A Vibrant and Creative City 5.2 By 2030, Darwin will be a more connected community and have pride in our cultural identity
BUDGET / FINANCIAL / RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS	Nil
LEGISLATION / POLICY CONTROLS OR IMPACTS	Legislation: The Committee has been established pursuant to the Local

	<p>Government Act 2019</p> <p>Policy:</p> <p>Meetings Policy No.0043.100.E.R</p> <p>Advisory and Other Committees No.0930.100.E.R</p>
CONSULTATION, ENGAGEMENT & COMMUNICATION	Nil
DECLARATION OF INTEREST	<p>The report author does not have a conflict of interest in relation to this matter.</p> <p>The report authoriser does not have a conflict of interest in relation to this matter.</p> <p>If a conflict of interest exists, staff will not act in the matter, except as authorised by the CEO or Council (as the case requires).</p>

9.2 BOMBING OF DARWIN UPDATE 2023

Author: Business Support Officer
Strategic Planning Officer

Authoriser: General Manager Community

Attachments: Nil

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to provide the Committee an update on the planning of the Bombing of Darwin event for 2023.

KEY ISSUES

- The 81th Anniversary of Bombing of Darwin Day will be held at the Darwin Cenotaph on Sunday 19th February 2022.

DISCUSSION

The Bombing of Darwin National Day of Observance is a time to reflect, learn and tell stories. By doing so, future generations will learn the horrors of war and the importance of preserving peace. The Bombing of Darwin Commemorative Service begins at 9.30am on Sunday 19th February, 2023.

The 80th Anniversary of the Bombing of Darwin in 2022 was an extremely successful event. Up to 5,000 people attended, this included survivors, public descendants, veterans and evacuees.

The 81st Anniversary of the Bombing of Darwin 2023 will be scaled back to an equivalent size of the events preceding the 80th.

City of Darwin will support several military tourism attractions as part of the Bombing of Darwin Day program in 2023, including subsidised entry to the Royal Flying Doctor Service Darwin Tourist Facility, Sea Darwin's Bombing of Darwin Cruise and Darwin Military Museum.

Date	Time	Event	Venue	Host
15 – 20 February 2023	11.00am–12.00pm	Sea Darwin – Bombing of Darwin cruise	Stokes Hill Wharf	City of Darwin and Sea Darwin \$45.00 adults with bookings direct with Sea Darwin 1300 065 022 \$20 subsidy provided by City of Darwin
19 – 20 February 2023	9.30am–5.00pm	Visit Bombing of Darwin Experience. Royal Flying Doctor Service Tourist Facility, Stokes Hill Wharf	Royal Flying Doctor Service Tourist Facility	Royal Flying Doctor Service Tourist Facility City of Darwin Entry discount TBC
18 – 20 February 2023	10.00am – 3.30pm	Visit Darwin Military Museum, Defence of Darwin experience	Darwin Military Museum, East Point reserve	Darwin Military Museum Entry discount TBC
Sunday 19 February 2023 TBC	8.15am–9.00am	USS Peary Memorial Service	The Esplanade	Australian American Association NT Free, open to the public
Sunday 19 February 2023	9.30am–11.00am	Bombing of Darwin Day Commemorative Service	The Cenotaph	City of Darwin Free, open to the public
Sunday 19 February 2023	11.00am–12.30pm	Chief Minister Reception	Main Hall, Parliament House	NT Government Invite only
Monday 20 February 2023	10.00am–11.00am	Ecumenical Service	Adelaide River War Cemetery	Coomalie Council please contact admin@coomalie.nt.gov.au (08) 8976 0058 Free, open to the public

PREVIOUS COUNCIL RESOLUTION	
Nil	
STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT	5 A Vibrant and Creative City 5.2 By 2030, Darwin will be a more connected community and have pride in our cultural identity
BUDGET / FINANCIAL / RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS	Funded through existing operational budget in the 2022/23 Municipal Plan.
LEGISLATION / POLICY CONTROLS OR IMPACTS	Nil
CONSULTATION, ENGAGEMENT & COMMUNICATION	Nil
DECLARATION OF INTEREST	The report author does not have a conflict of interest in relation to this matter. The report authoriser does not have a conflict of interest in relation to this matter. If a conflict of interest exists, staff will not act in the matter, except as authorised by the CEO or Council (as the case requires).

9.3 AUSTRALIA DAY UPDATE 2023

Author: Business Support Officer
Strategic Planning Officer

Authoriser: General Manager Community

Attachments: Nil

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to provide an update to the Committee on the Australia Day 2023 program.

KEY ISSUES

- The Australian Defence Force communicated to City of Darwin that they will not be able to deliver both the 21 Gun Salute at Australia Day and the re-enactment at the Bombing of Darwin Commemorative Service in 2023.
- Following discussions, the 21 Gun Salute will not be able to occur at Australia Day in 2023.

DISCUSSION	
<p>The Australian Defence Force has communicated to City of Darwin that they will not be able to deliver both the 21 Gun Salute at Australia Day and the re-enactment at the Bombing of Darwin Commemorative Service in 2023 as there is a shortage of ammunition in Australia due to the ongoing conflict in Ukraine.</p> <p>City of Darwin has liaised with the Australian Defence Force to utilise the limited ammunition available at the Bombing of Darwin Commemorative Service in 2023. This will mean that the 21 Gun Salute will not be able to occur at Australia Day in 2023.</p>	
PREVIOUS COUNCIL RESOLUTION	
Nil	
STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT	<p>5 A Vibrant and Creative City</p> <p>5.2 By 2030, Darwin will be a more connected community and have pride in our cultural identity</p>
BUDGET / FINANCIAL / RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS	Nil
LEGISLATION / POLICY CONTROLS OR IMPACTS	Nil
CONSULTATION, ENGAGEMENT & COMMUNICATION	This change to the program will be factored into the 2023 Australia Day communications plan and communicated to the broader community to assist in managing community expectations.
DECLARATION OF INTEREST	<p>The report author does not have a conflict of interest in relation to this matter.</p> <p>The report authoriser does not have a conflict of interest in relation to this matter.</p> <p>If a conflict of interest exists, staff will not act in the matter, except as authorised by the CEO or Council (as the case requires).</p>

10 MEMBER REPORTS

11 GENERAL BUSINESS

12 NEXT MEETING

13 CLOSURE OF MEETING



MINUTES

Darwin Military and Civilian History Advisory Committee Meeting Wednesday, 3 August 2022

**MINUTES OF CITY OF DARWIN
DARWIN MILITARY AND CIVILIAN HISTORY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD VIA TEAMS / MEETING ROOM BIDJPIDJI (MEETING ROOM 1) CIVIC CENTRE
ON WEDNESDAY, 3 AUGUST 2022 AT 11.00 AM**

- PRESENT:** Councillor Mick Palmer
Councillor Ed Smelt
RSL Darwin Branch Stephen Gloster
Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities Michael Wells
Department of Veterans' Affairs Louise Ruhl
Tourism NT Jessica Keirle
City of Darwin Matt Grassmayr
- OFFICERS:** Casey Haack (Temporary Community Events Producer)
Jane Bland (Senior Administration Officer)
- APOLOGY:** Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis
Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet Linda Fazldeen
City of Darwin Alice Percy
Aviation Historical Society John Hart
Darwin Military Museum Norm Cramp

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1 Meeting Declared Open

The Chair declared the meeting open at 11:02 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 the Chief Minister and Cabinet Linda Fazldeen

City of Darwin Alice Percy

Aviation Historical Society John Hart

Darwin Military Museum Norm Cramp

3.2 Leave of Absence

3.3 Leave of Absence Notified

Nil

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 MHAC010/22

Moved: City of Darwin Matt Grassmayr

Seconded: RSL Darwin Branch Stephen Gloster

That the minutes of the Darwin Military and Civilian History Advisory Committee Meeting held on 4 May 2022 be confirmed.

CARRIED 7/0

7 ACTIONS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**8 PRESENTATIONS****9 OFFICER REPORTS****10 MEMBER REPORTS****10.1 UPDATE - COMMUNITY EVENTS PRODUCER****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION MHAC011/22**

Moved: City of Darwin Matt Grassmayr

Seconded: RSL Darwin Branch Stephen Gloster

That the verbal update provided by Matt Grassmayr be received and noted.

CARRIED 7/0

10.2 UPDATE - MEMORIAL POLICY**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION MHAC012/22**

Moved: Councillor Ed Smelt

Seconded: RSL Darwin Branch Stephen Gloster

That the Memorial Policy be received and noted.

CARRIED 7/0

11 GENERAL BUSINESS

Matt Grassmayr

Advised the Committee that Kylie Salisbury is no longer working at City of Darwin and thanked the former Community Events Producer for her service and achievement over many years in producing the Bombing of Darwin Commemorative Service and other civilian and military events.

Stephen Gloster

- Advised the RSL is becoming a Branch of the NT instead of a Subbranch of SA
- Reminder Remembrance Day is 11 November
- Request for Council to assist with coordination of traffic management for future events

Jane Bland on behalf of John Hart

- Updated the Committee on the Aviation Museum noting that the F18 display aircraft had arrived and that the Aermacchi will in Darwin shortly.

Jessica Keirle

- Advised the Committee of a wide range of NT Tourism Programs

Councillor Ed Smelt

- Questioned the Committee on Vietnam Veterans Day commemorations if any were scheduled. Stephen Gloster advised an event will be held on 18 August 2022 hosted by Veterans Australia at Reg Hillier House, Bees Creek

12 NEXT MEETING

30 November 2022 at 11:00am.

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 12:15pm.

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