



# Australia Day Committee

## Meeting Minutes

<b>Meeting Name</b>	Australia Day Committee	<b>Meeting No.</b>	D-13-60904
<b>Meeting Date</b>	27 August 2013		
<b>Meeting Time</b>	3.00pm - 4.15pm		
<b>Meeting Location</b>	South Wing Conference Room		
<b>Attendees</b>	Cr Nino Messina	NM	<b>By Invitation</b>
	Don Rolston	DR	<b>Apologies</b>
	Jane Parker	JP	
Joanne Panter (Chair)	JPt		
Julian Canny	JC		
Kathleen Williams	KW		
Mark Canny	MC		
Yvonne Lovedee	YV		
Tess Carmichael (minute taker)	TC		
			<b>Distribution</b>
			As above

Item
<p><b>1. Welcome and Apologies</b></p> <p>The chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies were noted.</p> <p><b>1.1. Minutes of Previous Meeting</b></p> <p>All agreed they were correct.</p>
<p><b>2. Headline Act</b></p> <p>JPt noted that the Murphy's Brothers have been confirmed. They have quoted less than \$17,000 which includes the production, sound and lighting.</p>
<p><b>3. Waste Management</b></p> <p>MC noted that the public expressed an interest in incorporating waste reduction into Australia Day. One idea was to have a 'recycling' fashion parade which involved various schools creating recycled outfits during recycling week in November. The actual parade and awards would take place on Australia Day.</p> <p>Another suggestion was to have a boat race where contestants would be given recycled materials to make their boat before racing it in the water.</p> <p>It was also suggested that a contest be held to find solutions to common waste management issues Geraldton has e.g. green waste, unauthorised dumping of waste and waste not being separated. Contestants could submit a video or text with entries displayed on Australia day or reviewed a couple of weeks prior to Australia Day.</p>

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<p><b>4. APEX</b></p> <p>JPt has spoken again to APEX who decided that the wife carrying contest was too strenuous. Thong throwing contest was suggested.</p> <p>APEX have expressed a strong interest in being involved.</p> <p>YL suggested that MC call APEX in regards to the 'recycling' fashion parade as they have had previous experience with this type of event.</p>
<p><b>5. Mullewa</b></p> <p><b>5.1. Buses</b></p> <p>JP advised that she had put an advertisement in the next three Mullewa mails requesting numbers for those who were interested in having a return bus trip from Mullewa to Geraldton.</p> <p>JP noted that the best option was to hire a Mullewa school bus and use one of the local bus drivers.</p> <p><b>Jane Parker to look into cost</b></p> <p>YL noted that there would need to be a qualified security guard on the buses.</p> <p><b>5.2. Entertainment</b></p> <p>JP noted that so far Mullewa has lined up a beach castle party, the mechanical surfboard, a slushy machine and Tim the busker for Australia Day. The swimming pool will also be filled with blow up toys.</p> <p>JP advised that she had not yet investigated hiring the clowns as another act may be 'over the top'.</p>
<p><b>6. Fireworks</b></p> <p>JPt noted that both Midwest Fireworks and a Perth company had come back to her within the \$8000 budget. JPt advised that the committee had experienced various issues with Midwest Fireworks in 2013.</p> <p>The committee voted and a decision was made to employ the Perth company.</p>
<p><b>7. Media</b></p> <p>JPt noted that they had chosen Addmedia and have secured spots in the Ocean Drive magazine, newspapers and on Facebook. GWN slots have been organised in line with the QPT schedule. Still more to discuss with Market Creations.</p>
<p><b>8. Awards</b></p> <p>YL noted that the word 'hero' has been engaged as it received excellent feedback.</p> <p>More emphasis on Mullewa and Geraldton</p> <p>Nominations close 5 December 2013.</p> <p>Presentation will be 11.00am in Geraldton and 10.00am in Mullewa</p> <p>YL suggested that Mullewa get 'honour' boards for award winners.</p>
<p><b>9. Other Business</b></p> <p>JPt confirmed that there were to be no events on the day prior to Australia Day</p> <p>JPt noted that scaffolding was the preferred option for the stage however we would have to hire our toilets from them as well.</p> <p><b>JPt to provide stage prices</b></p>
<p><b>10. Close and Date of Next Meeting</b></p> <p>The meeting closed at 4:15pm</p> <p>Next meeting <b>Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2013</b></p>