

**PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING  
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**MAYORAL MINUTES**

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**PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING**

Notice is hereby given that a Planning Committee Meeting of the Council of the City of Randwick will be held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, 90 Avoca Street, Randwick, on Tuesday, 9 November 2010 at 6:00pm.

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## Mayoral Minute No. MM59/10



**Subject:** NSW Premier's History Awards  
**Folder No:** F2006/00582  
**Author:** Councillor Matson, Mayor

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### Introduction

Randwick City Council's history book, *Randwick*, has won the prestigious NSW Premier's History Awards in the NSW Community & Regional History Prize section at the awards ceremony on 26 October 2010.

### Issues

*Randwick* by Pauline Curby, which was published in October 2009 to mark the Council's 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary, has recently received the R H Dougherty Award in the 'Reporting to the Community' category and has received Highly Commended in the EnergyAustralia Heritage Awards 2010 and the National Australian Publisher's Annual Book Design Awards 2010, best designed reference and scholarly book category.

The NSW Premier's History Award is the pinnacle of prizes awarded to the history profession and "draws public attention to some of the best examples of published historical research and writing; and encourages all to appreciate and learn from the work of our historians." Kristina Keneally MP, NSW Premier.

*Randwick* was reviewed by a panel of 8 highly qualified judges chaired by Dr Alan Dearn, and their comments were as follows:

'This book sets a new benchmark for the writing and production of local history. The author has embraced all the topics one might expect to find in a municipal history – such as the growth of local industry, sporting identities, the growth of suburbia – and added others that often do not get explored e.g. crime, and the ongoing relationship between indigenous residents and Europeans. These subjects are treated intelligently – in a manner that demonstrates the author is very familiar with contemporary historiographical debates. The style is crisp and very readable.

The discussion of Long Bay prison is especially fascinating and conveys the processes of institutionalization very well. The author makes good use of photographs of inmates from the State Records Office of NSW and also the more recently uncovered Police 'mugshots' from the Historic Houses Trust collection. The endnotes in general evince a really thorough examination of research material from local and state newspapers, to State archives, historical societies and of course municipal records. The acknowledgements too demonstrate a wide ranging discussion with local people – so important for the creation of good local history.'

In her acceptance speech, Pauline Curby commended Council for this initiative and for allowing her to pursue this research as a professional historian without restriction. She thanked the staff and others involved in its production, as well as the Randwick & District Historical Society and others in the community for their help and support.

Pauline Curby was also awarded The NSW History Fellowship 2010 at the same event, which attracts a purse of \$20,000. The Fellowship assists a person living in New South Wales to research and produce a work on a subject of historical interest

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relating to New South Wales. She will be doing further research in the Randwick local government area, which will be of benefit to the community.

**Financial impact statement**

There is no direct financial impact for this matter.

**Conclusion**

*Randwick* by Pauline Curby has been recognised by the NSW Government's Premier's History Awards as a well-researched and professionally produced publication, which has raised the bar for the production of local history. Pauline Curby is to be congratulated for receiving both the NSW Community & Regional History Prize and the NSW History Fellowship 2010.

**Recommendation**

That:

- a) the report be received and noted;
- b) professional historian Pauline Curby be congratulated on receiving the NSW Premier's History Award (NSW Community & Regional History Prize) and the NSW History Fellowship 2010; and
- c) Council library staff be congratulated for their efforts.

**Attachment/s:**

Nil

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## Mayoral Minute No. MM60/10

**Subject:** Waiving of Fees - Express Glass Island Challenge

**Folder No:** F2009/08286

**Author:** Councillor Matson, Mayor



### Introduction

Ms Lisa Bolton of the Coogee Surf Life Saving Club has approached Council for assistance in waiving the fees associated with the use of Coogee Beach for its ocean swim, *the Express Glass Island Challenge* around Wedding Cake Island on Sunday, 28 November 2010.

### Issues

The event is being organised by the Coogee Surf Life Saving Club and is designed to promote the role of surf lifesaving and surf awareness in the local community and to promote Coogee Beach and surrounding areas. It is also aimed at involving members of the general public in the event by way of competition or as spectators. Approximately 2,500 competitors enter this event each year.

Listed below are associated fees:

Application Fee	\$ 790.00
Beach Hire-Coogee Beach	\$ 633.00
Extra Beach Cleaning & staff	\$ 600.00
1 Lifeguard @ \$101.00 x 4 hours	\$ 404.00
1 Jet Ski @ \$59.00 x 4 hours	\$ 236.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,663.00</b>

### Financial impact statement

In the event that Council accepts the report recommendation, the direct financial implication to Council will be a contribution of \$2,663.00 from the 2010-11 Contingency Fund.

### Conclusion

On previous occasions Council has provided considerable support to this event and it is considered that Council's assistance be given again this year by waiving the associated fees.

### Recommendation

That:

- a) Council vote \$2,663.00 to cover the fees associated with the *Express Glass Island Challenge* and funds be charged to the 2010-11 Contingency Fund;
- b) The event organiser undertake to appropriately and prominently acknowledge and promote Council's contribution prior to and during the event; and
- c) The Mayor or his representative be given the opportunity to address the event on behalf of Council.

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**Attachment/s:**

Nil

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## Mayoral Minute No. MM61/10



**Subject:** New South Wales International  
Cycling Grand Prix Event - Coogee

**Folder No:** F2010/00096

**Author:** Councillor Matson, Mayor

### Introduction

I am bringing this matter to Council's attention as the Honourable Kevin Greene, Minister for Major Event and Sport and Recreation and Minister for Gaming and Racing announced this new major cycling event today.

Correspondence has been received from Phil Bates, AM, NSW International Cycling Grand Prix Series seeking Council's approval in supporting the Coogee International Grand Prix event on Saturday, 11 December 2010.

### Issues

Mr Bates has advised:

"We would be staging a 24 kilometre women's event featuring our Commonwealth Games stars and many international riders followed by a 36 kilometre men's event that would comprise some of the biggest professional names in the sport of cycling."

In supporting this event, Council will be providing a clean circuit by way of sweeping the streets affected in this cycling event and providing waste management.

Other events that are scheduled on this day include:

1. Carols by Candlelight in Grant Reserve, Coogee.
2. Carols by Candlelight in Barwon Park, Matraville.
3. Carols by Cendelight in Pioneers Park, Malabar.

In discussions with Mr Bates, he has indicated that he is directly dealing with the New South Wales Government Events Team. This team will liaise with Sydney Buses, the Police and the Roads and Traffic Authority for the road closure.

The event's equipment will not interfere with Carols by Candlelight in Grant Reserve, Coogee.

### Financial impact statement

The financial implication to Council is street cleaning (2 hours before and 2 hours after the event) and twenty special event bins.

### Conclusion

This event would provide local residents and visitors alike an opportunity to experience a significant sporting event in their local area and would provide extra income to the local businesses.

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**Recommendation**

That:

- a) the applicant be advised that Council gives its "in principle approval" to the running of the NSW International Cycling Grand Prix event on Saturday 11 December 2010 at Coogee; and
- b) Council provide a clean circuit by way of sweeping the affected streets prior to and after the event and provide twenty special event bins.

**Attachment/s:**

Nil

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