
ORDINARY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: MAYORAL MINUTE - CAMDEN JACARANDA FESTIVAL
FROM: The Mayor
TRIM #: 19/358449

Over the weekend, our community enjoyed the Camden Jacaranda Festival, hosted by the Argyle Street Business Collective.

Once again, Council was a proud major partner of the event. It was great to see so many happy residents enjoying the festival over the weekend, and I have received some fantastic feedback from the community.

The event officially began on Friday 22 November, with 'Friday Night Live'. Throughout the evening, local artists performed in a number of different venues along Argyle Street which was a great way to showcase our local talent.

Saturday was the main event, with thousands of people enjoying the variety of entertainment, amusements rides and stalls.

The lighting of the Christmas Tree and our iconic Jacarandas was again a highlight of the evening.

The highly-anticipated Camden edition of Monopoly was also available from Council's Information Stand, with the boards proving to be extremely popular, with more than 1500 already sold.

The proceeds raised from the sale of the boards will be donated equally to Lifeline Macarthur and the Camden-Wollondilly Domestic Violence Committee.

To help me light up the trees, I had the winners of the 2019 Mayor's Christmas Card Competition. For the first time ever, we had two winners of the annual competition – Ivy Smith took out the hand-drawn category and Maddison Simpson took out the brand-new digital category.

The festival concluded on Sunday 24 November, which focused on the 'Camden Experience', with attendees having the opportunity to take self-guided Jacaranda Walkabout Tours through Camden.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the businesses involved and congratulate the Argyle Business Collective for organising another hugely successful event.

Additionally, I would also like to congratulate all the Council teams who were involved and contributed to making the festival the wonderful success that it was.

Seeing our community come together to enjoy each other's company, and get excited about the upcoming festive period, is always so special to see.

RECOMMENDED

That Council note the information.



Ordinary Council Resolution

Resolution: Moved Councillor Fedeli that Council note the information.

ORD198/19 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

(Councillors Sidgreaves, Symkowiak, Campbell, Fedeli, C Cagney, A Cagney, Farrow, Mills and Morrison voted in favour of the Motion. No Councillors voted against the Motion.)