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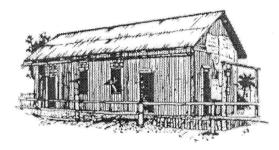
# NT Police Museum gets go-ahead!

On Friday 18 February 2000 a meeting was held between Commissioner Brian Bates, Assistant Commissioner Doug Smith and a Working Party that had been formed to consider the formation of a museum to house the social history of the Northern Territory Police.

As a result of this meeting the following was decided:

- A Management Committee be formed to manage the Museum;
- The Retired Police Association of the NT Inc would run the museum and provide volunteers to man it, under the direction of the Management Committee;
- The Museum would be allocated House No. 2 at the Peter McAulay Centre as a "setting up" and "storage" facility for the articles collect by the museum;

- The foyer and the Foelsche Theatrette at the Peter McAulay Centre would be utilised as the display areas for the Museum;
- The Museum would be operational as soon as possible;
- Sponsorship for display cabinets would be sought from the community; and
- The museum would be known as the "Northern Territory Police Museum".



## Management Committee

The Management Committee is as follows:

Chairperson, nominated by Commissioner Bates – Mr Bill Wilson, Historian; and

A Representative from each of the following groups:

- Northern Territory Museum advisory role only – Sue Harlow
  - Northern Territory Archives Linda Bell;
  - NT Police Assistant Commissioner Doug

Smith - nominated by Commissioner Bates;

- Retired Police Association of the NT Inc Janell Cox
- NT Police Association Inc Andy Smith

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NT Fire Service – Assistant Commissioner Doug Smith – nominated by Commissioner Bates

# SPONSORSHIP DEALS AVAILABLE

The Northern Territory Police Museum will provide a wonderful opportunity for us to promote the social history of the Northern Territory Police over it's 130 years of policing.

The Management Committee is providing you all with an opportunity to support this project by sponsoring a display cabinet. The display cabinets will be of varying shapes and sizes to enable the variety of objects to be displayed professionally. People who sponsor the displays will have a plaque engraved and attached to the cabinet advising visitors to the centre who has contributed to the exhibition.

Members (both former and current serving) can combine with some friends, colleagues, sections or Police Stations, Squad mates or Corporate sponsors to support this worthwhile cause.

Donations can be forwarded direct to the Northern Territory Police Museum & Historical Society Inc, PO Box 39764, Winnellie NT 0821.

Any support that you can provide will be greatfully accepted.

## The Collection Policy

A Collection Policy has been agreed upon to provide direction in relation to collecting articles for the Police Museum.

The Statement of Purpose objectives include:

1. To establish the Museum as the primary repository of information on the social history of the Northern Territory Police;

 To organise the holdings of the Museum in such a way as to make the information readily and speedily available to users;

3 To actively collect objects, books, photographs and documents of relevance to the social history of the Northern Territory Police.

The functions of the Museum are to:

- Establish a public museum focussing on the social history of the Northern Territory Police;
- Acquire, catalogue, display and store items of relevance to aspects of the social history of the Northern Territory Police;
- Locate items for possible acquisition by the Museum;
- Provide information regarding the Northern Territory Police social history, on request, to users;
- Carry out research in order to identify and describe acquisitions;
- Liaise with all other areas within the Northern Terri-

tory Police and the Northern Territory Museum and Northern Territory Archives regarding the disposal of Northern Territory police records..

The Collection Policy details what items will be collected and they should fall into one or more of the following categories:

- It is clearly identifiable as being, or having in the past been, the property of the Northern Territory Police;
- It clearly pertains to a member of the Northern Territory Police and/or his/her work, or contains reference to a member and/or his/her work;
- It pertains to or contains reference to an historically significant past event which involved a member of the Northern Territory Police;
- For the purposes of compassion, it clearly pertains to policing work generally.

Items offered for donation to the Museum will be accepted or rejected on the basis of the above criteria, <u>and</u> whether the Museum already holds an example of the offered item.

### Your Committee

The Annual General Meeting was held on Tuesday 30 May 2000 and was attended by eleven members. As a result of that meeting the following committee has been elected for the next twelve months with the next AGM being held after the end of the 00/01 financial year.

President:	Mr Bill Wilson
Secretary	Ms Janell Cox
Treasurer	Mr John Jones
Public Officer	Mr Sean Parnell
Committee	Mr Denzil McManus
	Mr Gary Manison

Mr Kym Chilton

Mrs Pam McRae

All were elected unopposed. They look forward to being able to achieve the aims and goals of the Association over the next twelve months.

If you wish to contact any Committee Member the Secretary can provide you with their contact numbers.



## First Display

The Museum Management Committee has been busy working on our first display. It is anticipated that we will have the display open to the public on 31 July 2000 (or thereabouts).

The display will depict the theme

"Policing the Tablelands

130 Years of Policing"

Some of the Police Stations included in the mainly photographic display will be Borroloola,

Avon Downs, Anthony Lagoon, Rankine River, Wollogorang and Newcastle Waters.

Anyone who can provide information or display material for this display can contact the Secretary on 8922 3374.

The display will be housed in the foyer area of the Peter McAulay Centre, Berrimah and will be open to the public. "Policing the Tablelands"

## **Controversial Views**

You are all invited to attend the first of what is hoped to be many public meetings of our Association.

*The Tale of Two Massacres* will be held on Wednesday 9 August 2000, in the Recreation Hall, Poolside, Peter McAulay Centre commencing at 7pm. It will be followed by a BBQ with drinks available. The cost is \$5.00 per person (members) and \$8.00 per person (nonmembers).

Our two guest speakers will be Mr Peter Dun-

ham, speaking on the Caledon Bay incident and Mr Bill Wilson dealing with the Coniston event.

Tickets are currently available from the Secretary. We would appreciate you purchasing your ticket early to enable us to cater sufficiently for this event.

See you all there. It will be a great night.



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#### We will soon be on the WEB – keep watching!

#### Membership of the Association

At the recent AGM some changes were made to the Constitution. The Membership of the Association now provodes:

1. There shall be the following classes of membership:

(a) Full members, being serving or past members or employees of the Northern Territory Police Force;

(b) Associate members, being members of the families of Full members and other persons who have a long term interest in the Association;

(c) Life members, being persons who have taken the option of paying "life membership"; and

(d) Honorary Life members; being a member who has either:

(i) been elected as such, due to them rendering outstanding service to the Association; or

(ii) have been a serving member or employee of the NT Police with at least five years service, 40 years prior to the date of the AGM in any given year and in the case of the death of that member, the Life Membership shall be offered to a surviving relative of that former member.

(e) Corporate Membership, being membership obtained via payment of major sponsorship, or an Annual Subscription.

The Annual Subscriptions have been set as follows:

Full & Associate Membership - \$10.00

Life Membership - ten times the Annual Membership Fee

Corporate Membership – twenty times the Annual Membership Fees for the life of the Corporation.

Membership Fees will be reviewed at each AGM.

#### CITATION

At the Annual General Meeting it was agreed that Garth MacPherson would continue to produce the Citation at least every quarter.

Garth is ably assisted by Shirl Gillis and they are seeking stories from former members that can be published in future issues of Citation.

Garth can be contacted on telephone (08) 8951 8858 or on fax (08) 8951 8815.

#### **VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED**

Our Museum will only work with the assistance of our members. If you are able to assist us with some of your valuable time, please contact Janell to dicuss how you can best assist us.

Once our Museum display is open to the public we will be needing volunteers to man the displays during normal working hours. If you can provide some service, we'd love to hear from you.

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