

Manly Council

Late Agenda

Ordinary Meeting

Notice is hereby given that a Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held at Council Chambers, 1 Belgrave Street, Manly, on:

Monday 20 June 2011

Commencing at 7:30 PM for the purpose of considering items included on the Agenda.

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SUBJECT: A Tribute to Rex Peers Mossop, 1928 - 2011
FILE NO:

Rex "the Moose" Mossop made his Rugby career debut with the Manly District Rugby Union Club when he was only 16 years old.

Rex achieved hero status when he became a dual international, having played for the Australian Wallabies in Union and Kangaroos in League. He switched codes to play league when he joined a club in Northern England.

On his return from England, he played for the Manly Warringah Rugby League Football Club, where he finished his magnificent rugby league career. To this day, Rex remains a legend in Australian football in both Union and League codes.

After completing his football playing career, TV was just emerging as a major factor in rugby league. Rex moved from the football paddock to the Box, where he became an instant success as a television personality with Channel 7 football.

His coverage of famous games in rugby league are still aired today, so are his single word comments on TV, such as, "flabbergasted". These factors contribute to making him a bigger than life character in the rugby league world.

Rex was a true blue Manly Supporter all his life. His love of Manly was witnessed daily at Manly Ocean Beach where he spent happy hours exercising and keeping fit. His discipline to maintain his exercise routines kept him in fine physical figure and shape despite the passing years.

In more recent years, Rex was a familiar figure to hundreds of morning walkers and surfers at North Steyne. He would sit on the first seat south of the North Steyne Surf Life Saving Club enjoying his morning coffee.

For some four years, until he needed 24 hour care, Rex was my next door neighbour. He was always very supportive, thoughtful, friendly, cheerful, and bright.

I will miss his friendship very much.

Our thoughts are with his beloved wife Joan, sons Kirk and Greg, and their families, at this sad time. May he rest in peace.

RECOMMENDATION

I move that:

1. Council Convey deepest sympathy to the family of the late Rex Peers Mossop, for their loss, and
2. A suitably worded plaque be placed on Rex Mossop's favourite seat at North Steyne, as a tribute to this great Australian and Manly Icon.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

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