



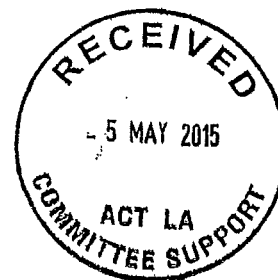
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY RESERVE FORCES DAY COUNCIL

SUPPORTING, COMMEMORATING AND CELEBRATING THE CITIZEN FORCES OF THE NATION
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Standing Committee on Public Accounts
Legislative Assembly for the ACT
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Dear Mr Smyth

RE: Inquiry into elements impacting on the future of the ACT Clubs Sector

On behalf of the ACT Reserve Forces Day Council wish to comment on the Inquiry mentioned above.

Some time ago the Australian Defence Forces (ADF) ceased to support the ACT Reserve Forces Day Council and we must rely on donations. We have been very thankful for the support we have received from the Canberra Southern Cross Club by way of grants to help us support the local cadet units. Each year we provide a trophy for the best, continuing, cadet in each of the four, Canberra based, ADF cadet units, and the Canberra Southern Cross Club meets the cost of buying, and engraving, the trophies.

Without this partnership with the Club, our organisation would simply not be able to provide the services we can to the community, through the cadets. We cannot envisage any other organisation or government agency being able to fill the void if our Club was not there to support us.

The assistance of the Club industry in the ACT is reflected through our partnership with Canberra Southern Cross Club and is something that can only be maintained by the Club if they are able to remain a viable community asset.

We trust that your Committee will see the invaluable role the Clubs play in our community.

Yours sincerely

Ian Sayers
Secretary

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The Reserve Forces Day Council Incorporated was officially established in 1998 and is a self-funding, non-profit association which uses only unpaid volunteers.