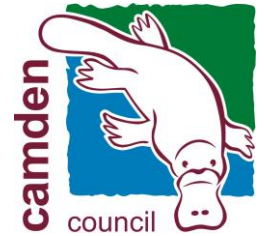


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FREEDOM OF ENTRY FOR 303 AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE CADETS SQUADRON

An historic occasion took place on the streets of Camden recently as hundreds of people turned out to witness the Camden Airport based 303 Squadron, Australian Air Force Cadets exercise their Freedom of Entry to Camden.

Mayor of Camden, Cr Lara Symkowiak said she was honoured to be a part of this important occasion that was attended by the Chief of Defence Force, Air Chief Marshal Mark Binskin AC.

“I was proud to grant Freedom of Entry to Camden to the 303 Squadron at a very special ceremony. This event symbolised the strong link the Squadron has formed with our community over the past 50 years.”

“It was an honour and a privilege to welcome Air Chief Marshal Mark Binskin AC, a former Air Force cadet of this Unit, who grew up in neighbouring Campbelltown, to Camden for this event.”

“This age-old military tradition dates back to the 11th century. Today, it represents a mark of honour and is one of the highest accolades that can be placed on a group or individual by a City.”

“It was a delight to see former member of the 303 Squadron, Flight Lieutenant Lewis Hill piloting a C-130J Hercules for two flypasts in support of the Freedom of Entry Parade through Camden.”

“This was a great spectacle for Camden and a fantastic opportunity for these young cadets to showcase what they do.” Cr Symkowiak said.

Further information on this historic event can be found on Camden Council's website.

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