

**NORFOLK ISLAND  
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
SEVENTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY  
WEDNESDAY 20 DECEMBER 1995**

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- 1 The Legislative Assembly met at 10.03 am. Mr Speaker (Hon D E Buffett) took the Chair and read the Prayer

**The Deputy Speaker took the Chair at 10.05 am**

- 2 **CONDOLENCES**  
Mr Buffett referred to the death of -

**Shirley Victorene Christian**

As a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased all Members stood in silence

- 3 **QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**

- 4 **QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

Answers were provided to questions on notice numbered 7 to 14 inclusive

- 5 **PRESENTATION OF PAPERS**

The following papers were presented to the House:

- (1) Mr King (Minister for Tourism and Finance) - Financial Indicators for November 1995

Mr King moved -

**THAT the House take note of the Paper**

Debate ensued

Question put and agreed to unanimously

- (2) Mrs Lozzi-Cuthbertson (Minister for Health and Education) - Employment Act 1988, Annual Review

Mrs Lozzi-Cuthbertson moved -

**THAT the House take note of the Paper**

Debate ensued

Debate adjourned (Mr King, Minister for Tourism and Finance) and the resumption of debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting

- (3) Mr King (Minister for Tourism and Finance) -

- (a) Norfolk Island Government Tourist Bureau Financial Statements as at 30 June 1995;

(b) Inbound Passenger Statistics for November 1995

Mr King moved -

**THAT the House take note of the paper**

Debate ensued

Question put and agreed to unanimously

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**STATEMENTS**

Statements were made in respect of the following matters:

Mr Christian (Minister for the Environment) -

(a) Archaeological excavations recently undertaken in Kingston; and

(b) Norfolk Island Airshow to be held 21-26 April 1996

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**MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE**

Mr Buffett raised for discussion, as a matter of public importance, the Press reports and attitudes of recent times in the Australian, New Zealand and Norfolk Island media; which portray Norfolk Island being directed to travel in a direction contrary to the aims expressed in the Norfolk Island Act and not in accord with the expressed views of Norfolk Island residents

Discussion ensued

Mr Buffett moved -

**THAT the discussion be now concluded**

Question put and agreed to unanimously

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**MESSAGE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR**

The Deputy Speaker reported Message No. 87 from the Administrator advising that on 16 November 1995 the Governor-General assented to the Dangerous Drugs Amendment Act 1995 and the Poisons and Dangerous Substances Amendment Act 1995

Mr Speaker resumed the Chair

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**SELECT COMMITTEE INTO YOUTH EMPLOYMENT AND OPPORTUNITIES**

Mr Adams (Minister for Industry and Forests), by leave, moved -

**THAT the time for the Committee to report to the House be extended until March 1996**

Question put and agreed to unanimously

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**AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE ADMINISTRATION OF NORFOLK ISLAND FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1995**

Mr Speaker tabled the Independent audit report from the Norfolk Island Government Auditor

- 12 **TERRITORIAL WATERS AMENDMENT BILL 1995**  
Mr King (Minister for Tourism and Finance), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Territorial Waters Act 1926 and moved -

**THAT the Bill be agreed to in principle**

Paper: Mr King tabled the Explanatory Memorandum to the Bill

Debate ensued

Debate adjourned (Mr King) and the resumption of debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting

- 13 **AIRPORT AMENDMENT NO. 2 BILL 1995**  
Mr King (Minister for Tourism and Finance), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Airport Act 1991 and moved -

**THAT the Bill be agreed to in principle**

Paper: Mr King tabled the Explanatory Memorandum to the Bill

Debate ensued

Debate adjourned (Mr King) and the resumption of debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting

- 14 **TREES (PRESERVATION) AMENDMENT BILL 1995**  
Debate resumed (Mr Adams, Minister for Industry and Forests) on the question - That the amendments be agreed to

Amendments put and agreed to unanimously

Remainder of Bill agreed to unanimously

Bill as amended agreed to unanimously

- 15 **FIXING OF NEXT SITTING DAY**  
Mr Christian (Minister for the Environment) moved -

**THAT this House at its rising adjourn until Wednesday 14 February 1996 at 10 am**

Question put and agreed to unanimously

- 16 **ADJOURNMENT**  
Mr King (Minister for Tourism and Finance) moved -

**THAT the House do now adjourn**

Debate ensued

Question put and agreed to unanimously

**AND THEN** the House at 12.36 pm adjourned until Wednesday 14 February 1996 at 10 a.m.

ROBIN GRAHAM  
Clerk to the Legislative Assembly

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** All Members were present