
**6 RECOGNITION OF MR KEVIN ANDREWS - Councillor Roy
Maggio, Mayor, Councillor Jerome Laxale**

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BACKGROUND:

Mr Kevin Andrews (also known as Ken) bowling history started at approximately at the age of 92 / 93 at Gladesville Sporties and over the last 5 years has bowled at Putney. Ken played in our top grade 4's as a lead in 2017 and still enjoys playing twice a week.

He is surpassed by his wife who passed away about 2 years ago at 100. Ken broke horses in with his wife as another life achievement.

Ken still drives his car to bowls and shopping retaining his car licence last year for another 3 years.

He still lives at home [REDACTED] with his son, Warren.

He was an avid surfer and windsurfer. Goes snorkelling. He was still into the sports back in 2000 (at 70 years old).

Ken has a very interesting history as a Squadron Leader in WW2. He was ex RAAF on Mustangs and Vampires in the middle east.

On retirement from RAAF Ken was a Group Captain.

He flew in Europe during WWII. He was shot down by the Japanese later on in the Pacific.

Ken was a pilot in New Guinea during World War II and later served with one of two flying units with 78 Fighter Wing RAAF in Malta. He became one of the RAAF's most experienced instructors at Point Cook, Victoria, and has remained an active pilot.

Described on aviation blogs as "Albert Einstein in a Spitfire, the octogenarian flying ace, who served in WWII as a fighter pilot and in Korea as a squadron commander.

MOTION:

- (a) That Council recognise Mr Ken Andrews with a framed Certificate of Appreciation from the Mayor and Councillors highlighting his achievements and milestones.
- (b) That a morning tea be organised in the Mayor's Suite to embark the achievements of this local hero.

Council, submitted on 26 November 2019.

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- (c) That Mr Andrews family and friends be invited to attend the morning tea.
- (d) That the Executive Assistant to the Mayor and Councillors liaise with Mr John Cunningham, President of the Putney Tennyson Mens Bowling Club in providing assistance with the morning tea.