



## **NORF'K CIRCA INC**

*A community/government partnership for  
the betterment of all in Norfolk Island*

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### **MEDIA RELEASE: News from CIRCA and the Community Information Centre**

The *Norfolk Community Information & Resources Cooperative Association (CIRCA)* met this week and agreed on plans to further expand the voluntary work of the Association and to widen the role of the Community Information Centre (opposite Borry's in Taylors Road).

#### **Community information centre and related services**

CIRCA provides services to callers in person at the Community Information Centre, by telephone on 22447 and through an email network which currently has around 100 members. It provides assistance for all in the community and for visitors to the Island to obtain updated information on services available, where to locate many types of data and assistance with access to sources of funding from both government and non-government organisations for programmes within Norfolk Island. It also publishes a calendar of local events each month and would welcome receipt of information from community organisations for inclusion in the calendar.

The Association is pleased at the community response to its services, especially the growth of the email network. It is now considering options to allow it to offer short courses and seminars to the public. CIRCA would welcome suggestions about topics which might be covered. Some ideas received so far include household budgeting, customer service delivery, personal finances, consumer protection and mediation. CIRCA will also be writing in the near future to service organisations and voluntary bodies inviting them to visit the centre, to make use of the services provided and perhaps to use the venue for small meetings of their governing boards and committees.

CIRCA is also considering the establishment of an employment register to assist employers and prospective workers to contact each other. Committee members are preparing some draft guidelines and forms to allow this initiative to get underway.

#### **Win a return ticket to Australia - CIRCA raffle tickets now on sale**

CIRCA has launched its major raffle for 2009, which has as its first prize a return Norfolk Air ticket, including taxes, to any of its destinations in Australia (Brisbane, Newcastle, Sydney or Melbourne). Second prize in the raffle is a basket of wines. The raffle will be drawn at the Community Information Centre on 30<sup>th</sup> October. Tickets are now on sale at Cascade Motors, Paw Paw's

Pump Shed, Norfolk Telecom and the Community Information Centre. There will also be a CIRCA stall at Norfolk Mall this Saturday, with tickets for sale, information on CIRCA and membership application forms.

**Join CIRCA now – membership is free**

Members of the public are invited to join the Association (for which membership is free) and to provide data updates so that the information available both to our visitors and residents is current. The Community Information Centre is open each weekday from 9.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. Information requests, registrations for the email network and details about the Community Information Centre or CIRCA may be directed to telephone 22447 or email [circa@admin.gov.nf](mailto:circa@admin.gov.nf)

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