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**BUDGET ESTIMATES 2003**  
**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

1. **Ms Cusack asked the Acting Director-General, Department of Sport and Recreation, Ms L Dean—**
- (a) What is the internal funding requirement for [the January and July 2003] pay rises?
  - (b) What is the requirement for the Tourism and the Sport and Recreation sections of the new Department? (Hansard: page 3-4)

**Answer**

An increase of 4% in the employee services budget from 1 January and 5% from 1 July.

2. **Mr Lynn asked the Minister for Tourism, and Sport and Recreation, and Minister for Women, the Hon Sandra Nori MP—**
- (a) What initial budget was allocated in 2002-03 for, firstly, the ministerial office, ie the global support?
  - (b) Was your budget revised or exceeded and, if so, by how much from your initial budget?
  - (c) What are the allocations for the Minister's office and other ministerial support for 2003-04?
  - (d) What are the details of the Ministerial office budget approved by the Minister or the Chief of Staff in 2002-03 and 2003-04?
  - (e) What variations were required by the Minister or your staff to the department's proposed budget, and for what purpose were those variations proposed, and were they agreed and funded by the department? (Hansard: page 4)

**Answer**

(a-e) The budget for the Ministerial Office was determined by Budget Committee of Cabinet.

Expenditure is approved by Ministerial staff in accordance with financial delegations approved in accordance with the provisions of the Public Finance and Audit Act.

Expenditure in 2003/04 will be in accordance with the needs of the office and priorities for expenditure.

All ministerial accommodation is in accordance with approvals and requirements.

3. **Mr Lynn asked the Minister for Tourism, and Sport and Recreation, and Minister for Women, the Hon Sandra Nori MP—**

What contractors or consultants were engaged during 2002-03 to undertake work or advice in or on behalf of the Minister and/or the Minister's office, and what were

- (a) the names of those contractors or consultants,

- (b) the period of engagement,
- (c) the purpose of the engagement and
- (d) remuneration paid? (Hansard: page 6)

**Answer**

(a-d) Expenditure on consultancies is reported in Annual Reports. All expenditure is in accordance with the appropriate guidelines.

It is not possible to predict so early in the financial year the likely expenditure on consultants in 2003-04.

**4. Revd Dr Moyes asked the Minister for Tourism, and Sport and Recreation, and Minister for Women, the Hon Sandra Nori MP—**

What initiatives are happening at Bourke and, in particular, Broken Hill, in relation to regional co-operative marketing? (Hansard: page 15)

**Answer**

Tourism New South Wales (TNSW) works with Regional Tourism Organisations such as The Outback to increase visitation to New South Wales as a whole. Individual towns may be showcased as part of larger scale campaigns and promotions. For example, Broken Hill and Bourke are promoted in the Great Outback Touring Route. This print advertising promotion which commenced in March 2003 has generated over 6,600 direct responses.

Extensive media exposure is generated for the Outback region, including Broken Hill and Bourke by the Tourism New South Wales Destination Promotion Unit including coverage on Sydney Weekender, and stories in the Herald Sun and the Sydney Morning Herald.

**5. Mr Lynn asked the Minister for Tourism, and Sport and Recreation, and Minister for Women, the Hon Sandra Nori MP—**

Could you provide us with a list of how many annual events Sydney has, apart from the Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras? (Hansard: page 19)

**Answer**

There are hundreds of annual events held in Sydney every year. To provide a list of them all would be impractical and an inefficient allocation of departmental resources.

**6. Mr Lynn asked the Minister for Tourism, and Sport and Recreation, and Minister for Women, the Hon Sandra Nori MP—**

What are the major events that the Major Events Board has brought to Sydney? (Hansard: page 11)

**Answer**

The NSW Major Events Board (MEB) provides advice to government on major event opportunities and on the development of the events strategies with the potential to generate economic and other benefits to the State.

The following events have been brought to Sydney by the MEB:

- Tennis Masters Cup 2001
- Australian Deaf Games 2002
- ANZ Championships golf 2002/2003/2004



- Australian Safari 2002-2003
- Port Macquarie Australian Long Course Triathlon 2003
- Newcastle Trans Tasman Masters Games 2003
- Surfest and Newcastle Maritime Festival 2003
- Hockey Women's Champions Trophy 2003
- adidas International Tennis 2003-2007

The Board also played a key role supporting Australia's bid to secure sole host rights to the Worlds third largest sporting event, the 2003 Rugby World Cup.

These events are expected to generate tens of millions of dollars of additional economic benefit for NSW, and worldwide exposure through television and media coverage.

**7. Mr Lynn asked the Acting Director-General, Department of Sport and Recreation, Ms L Dean—**

Did your department provide any support or finance to the Australian Rules Indigenous Game at Telstra Stadium in 2002 or 2003? Please provide the value of the support and how much money you gave. (Hansard: page 17)

**Answer**

Through the National Indigenous Sport Development Program, the Department of Sport and Recreation in partnership with the AFL (NSW/ACT Commission) conducted a 'Kick Start' program that coincided with the Sydney Swans v's Essendon AFL game held at the Telstra Stadium, Homebush Bay.

The purpose of the day was to promote the sport as the 'Indigenous Game', where the teams celebrate the concept of the AFL game traditionally called "Marn Gook".

Over 180 Aboriginal children got a real taste of AFL at this Indigenous Kick-Start clinic held in June, 2003.

The children were from disadvantaged backgrounds and came from areas like Redfern, La Perouse, Campbelltown and Mount Druitt. They took part in skill development clinics and met Sydney Swans stars Michael O'Loughlin and Adam Goodes.

The department provided a funding contribution of \$3,000 for the attendance of young people from the five communities mentioned above.

**8. Mr Lynn asked the Acting Director-General, Department of Sport and Recreation, Ms L Dean—**

- (a) In relation to the Rugby World Cup did the Minister attach any requirements to the funding given to the Australian Rugby Union.
- (b) Did you ask that, as a condition of receiving the money, they promote New South Wales and Sydney on their web site or include a brochure on New South Wales to ticket purchasers?
- (c) If the Government has given funding to the Australian Rugby Union for the World Cup, have you used that as an opportunity and given a condition that they help market that on your web site to get the tourism benefits from a world event? (Hansard: page 17)

**Answer**

(a) Negotiations with the Australian Rugby Union were conducted through the Premier's Department. This question is more appropriately addressed to the Premier.

(b) See answer to (a) above

(c) The Government, through Tourism New South Wales and Tourism Sydney is working closely with the Rugby World Cup organisers to maximise the promotion of Sydney and New South Wales.

Tourism Sydney is representing New South Wales at the Media Central facility for visiting journalists during the Rugby World Cup. There is also a link from the Rugby World cup web site to [www.sydneyaustralia.com](http://www.sydneyaustralia.com) which provides access to tourism information about Sydney and New South Wales.

Tourism New South Wales has also worked with the Rugby World Cup authorities on the establishment of a special web site, New South Wales – Australia's Rugby Heartland , that provides itineraries and accommodation information for visitors as well as general Rugby World Cup information and links to other Tourism New South Wales sites.

9. **Dr Chesterfield-Evans asked the Minister for Tourism, and Sport and Recreation, and Minister for Women, the Hon Sandra Nori MP—**

In relation to Fox Studios, concerning the odours coming from the workshops, and the sports studio precinct, are they under the control of South Sydney Council, or WorkCover, or the EPA? (Hansard: page 21)

**Answer**

Questions regarding compliance with consent conditions should be directed to the Minister Assisting the Minister for Infrastructure and Planning (Planning Administration), The Hon. Diane Beamer MP.

Approved



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