



# Azan Newsletter

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## President's message

### Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh!

It gives me immense pleasure releasing this issue of the Azan newsletter. After having served the community for a full two terms of 2016-17 and 2017-18, I feel the society is in stable position from where greater projects can be launched. The 2017-18 was mainly a year where we drafted, approved and implemented various policies for the Islamic Society of Darwin which ensure that decision are based on set guidelines and guided by common values. These policies are approved in minutes and thus are binding on community members unless they are amended democratically by subsequent managements. Other achievements of the management have been ensure transparency, accountability, establishing strong networks locally and nationally and most importantly ensuring preservation of our Islamic identity. In the exemplary unity of Darwin Muslim Community.

### -Mohammed Raziuddin (President ISD)

#### ISD Ex-Co members list 2017-18

- Mohammed Raziuddin - President & Public Officer
- Azmul Umooor Khan - General Secretary
- Mohammad Nadeem Afzal - Vice President
- Anwar Lamaya - Maintenance Manager
- Agus Sudjoko - Treasurer
- Khalid Khan - Property Manager
- Ibtesam Bashir - Education Officer
- Mizan Rahman – Youth Coordinator
- Shakil Ahmad - Executive Member
- Qumrunessa Poppy Mustafa- Executive Member
- Shamiena Ebrahim- Executive Member

#### Society News

- ISD conducted Save Rohingya People fundraiser on 17 Nov. It was attended by Hon'ble Nicole Manison.
- Empowering Women and Youth workshop was conducted on 18 Nov 18 at CDU. We were graced by the presence of ANIC president and founder of Ummah centre, Sh Shady Al Suleiman as well as Br. Waseem Razvi President of IREA. The youth were also taken to Crocodylus park along with the Sheikh.



- AFIC President Br. Rateb Jneid visited ISD 3 Mar 18 and was very pleased with the facilities.
- ISD conducted the NT Muslim Community Forum on 30 Mar 18 AT Rydges Hotel, Palmerston. The NTMCF was an open forum for Muslim leaders, elders and community members to discuss common concerns as the NT Muslim community. For the first time that the Presidents of the three Islamic Societies of the NT from Darwin, Palmerston and Alice Springs were present in same room in Darwin. The 5 these were-
  - Preservation of the Islamic identity
  - Defence of Muslim rights
  - Public relations strategy
  - Lobbying strategy for Muslims in NT
  - Media strategy for Muslims in NT



- We were grieved by the death of 3 Bangladeshi student community members in an accident on 2 Apr 18. May Allah grant them Jannah.
- Detainee X movie screening, by Br. Boonaa Mohammed from Canada was conducted by ISD and CDU MSS on 13 Apr 18 at Mal Nairn Auditorium.
- The ISD Gym was officially opened on 15 Apr 18! Inshallah this will promote healthy living in the community and keep the youth engaged.



- ISD participated in the Harmony Day Soiree on 26 May 18. Thank you to the young volunteers.
- Community Iftar for non-Muslims was conducted on 2 Jun 18. The turnout was massive! Thank you to all attendees and children for their presentation



- We were blessed with Hafiz Khoiril Iwan as our assistant Taraweeh Imam during Ramadan



- Eid Fitr Gathering 2018 was organised by ISD in conjunction with the Australian Makassan College on 24 Jun 18. They did a brilliant job.



- Representatives from Amanah Islamic Finances visited ISD on 29 Jun 18.
- Sheikh Abdel Aziem Al Afifi, Grand Mufti of Australia, former President of ANIC and Imam of Taqwa Mosque, Melbourne passed away on 12 July 18 at the age of 48. ISD sent its condolences and conducted a Salat-ul-Ghaib for him. He served the Australian community for over 20 years.
- Suggests Questions Night was conducted on 14 July



- 'Mosque' street sign was put up on Sarib Street thanks to NTG in Aug 18.
- Beautiful message and flowers were left at the Darwin Masjid by a lovely Darwin wider community member on 19 Aug 18 following the comments made by MP Fraser Anning in Parliament.
- One Day in Haram, the extraordinary story of the Haram in Makkah and packed with never before seen footage was screened free in Casuarina Cinema on 8 Sep 18.



- We were honoured by the presence of Imam Uzair Akbar, from the Holland Park Masjid in Brisbane during Darwin Mosque Open Day 8 Sep 18. He is a well-known Imam having participated in the SBC documentary 'The Mosque Next Door.'



- For the first time in the history of Darwin and AFIC, AFIC conducted its Executive Committee and Federal Council meeting in Darwin on 15 Sep 2018. They also had dinner with community. Thank you to Dr. Rated Jneid, president AFIC and his team for giving ICNT, ISD and ISP this honour.



- Food Bazaar for Aussie Farmers suffering from drought and Indonesian tsunami was conducted on 20 Oct 18. Total \$9000 donated.
- Br. Agus Sudjoko passed away on 21 Oct 18. He served as ISD Treasurer for around 30 years continuously and died as Treasurer. May Allah grant him Jannah.



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