

THE Rosedale ASSOCIATION INC



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NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: SATURDAY 26 MARCH 2016

Notice is hereby given of the Annual General Meeting of the Rosedale Association, to be held on Saturday 26 March at 11:00 am on the grass verge at the end of Knowlman Road.

AGENDA AGM 26 MARCH 2016

1. Apologies
2. President's update
3. Councillor Lindsay Brown (Mayor)
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Landcare Report
6. Fire Report
7. Beach Safety
8. Election of Committee members
9. Other business

LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

The end of another great fire-free summer and we're into balmy autumn. If the warm weather persists and the ocean stays warm, we'll probably be swimming at Easter – so it's timely for us all to note that our gorgeous beaches can be treacherous. See Vicki Smith's story on page 3 on the number of people who have been rescued this summer from Rosedale's rips.

We're delighted that Eurobodalla mayor Councillor Lindsay Brown is giving up part of his Easter Saturday to come and talk to us at the AGM – this is your chance to alert him to any Rosedale issues.

In late December, we welcomed Peter Ward to the Committee to take over our database. We're always looking for fresh faces for the Rosedale Association Committee – see page 8 for the nomination form. And a reminder to everyone that membership fees are due – pay online and avoid the AGM queue.

A big thanks to Kitty Tischler for organising the annual Sausage Sizzle and to Bill Mobbs and Cathy Holberry for hosting us in their garden. As ever, a million thanks to Annie Shillington for laying out this newsletter and to Roz Clark-Walker and Noel Egan for such gorgeous pics! See you at the AGM!

MARGOT MARSHALL

COME TO THE ANNUAL SAUSAGE SIZZLE

When: 5:00 pm Easter Saturday 26 March 2016

Where: 19 Knowlman Road

We supply the food – just bring your own drinks and seating.

Bring the kids, your visitors and friends.

Meet new faces and catch up with old friends – it's always a great night.

The Rosedale Association Inc. PO Box 2125 Malua Bay NSW 2536 www.rosedale.org.au

EASTER WEEDATHON

The annual Easter weedathon will take place on Saturday 26 March, 2:30 – 4.30 pm.

Meet in the car park –
BYO gloves and basic gardening tools for weeding.

Bring an identified weed and get a free native endemic plant!

Contact: Daniel Long
0407 704 742 or
danielmlong@optusnet.com.au

ROSEDALE ASSOCIATION – CURRENT COMMITTEE

President: David Boardman

Secretary: Vicki Smith

Treasurer: Robin Oldham

Members

Tim Brown

Noel Egan

Melissa Gribble

Tom Hickey

David Mackenzie

Margot Marshall

Peter Ward

Please pass this newsletter on to your friends and neighbours – we'd be delighted to have more members!

See membership application on page 7 or at

<http://www.rosedale.org.au/membership.html>

It's only \$10 a year.

Nominate for the Committee- page 8.

TREASURER'S REPORT

ROSEDALE ASSOCIATION INC INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT 2015

INCOME

Members Subscriptions	\$ 1,435.00
Interest	\$ 327.00
Donations for Landcare	\$ 1,265.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 3,027.00

EXPENDITURE

Insurance	\$ 185.00
Sausage Sizzle	\$ 142.00
Australia Post	\$ 115.00
Fair Trading	\$ 137.00
Malua Bay Fire Brigade	\$ 500.00
Batemans Bay Surf Life Saving Club	\$ 500.00
Payments to Rosedale Landcare	\$ 1,265.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	\$ 2,844.00

EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE \$ 183.00

ASSETS

NAB Term Deposit	\$ 20,327.00
Cash at Bank	\$ 2,193.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 22,520.00

ROSEDALE LANDCARE GROUP

INCOME

Donations (via RAI)	\$ 1,265.00
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EXPENDITURE

Insurance	\$ 185.00
Catering	\$ 59.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	\$ 244.00

EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE \$ 1,021.00

ASSETS

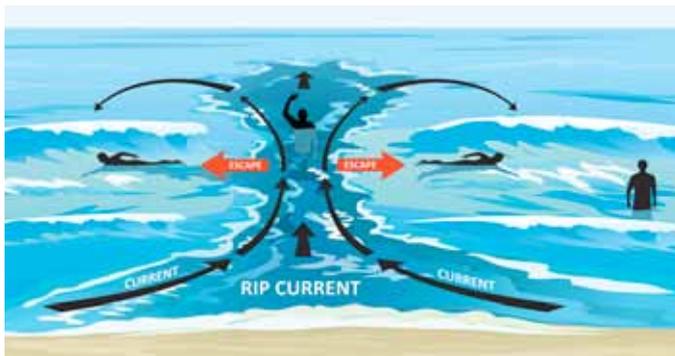
Cash at Bank	\$ 8,273.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 8,273.00



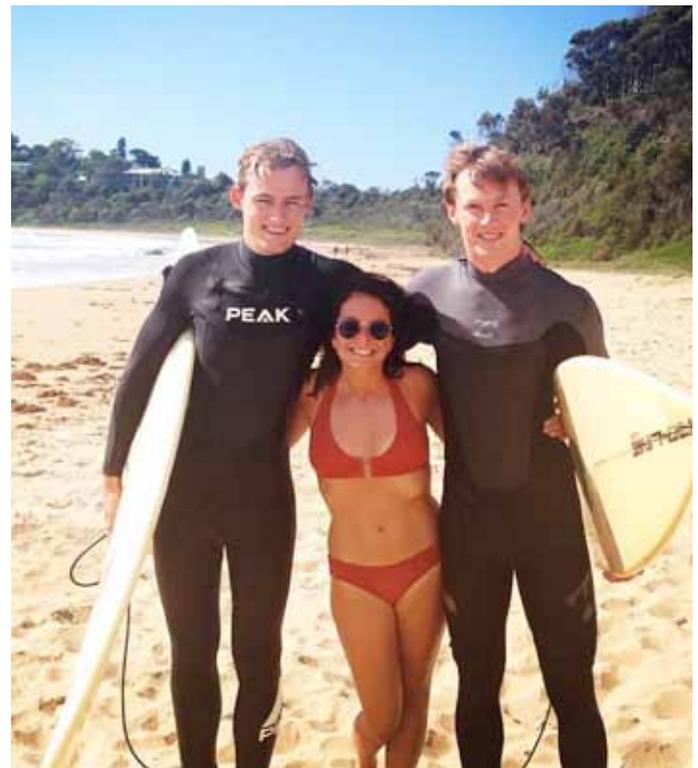
This summer Rosedale's treacherous rips have embroiled a number of swimmers. On Christmas Day, a young girl swimming in the middle of main beach suddenly found herself out of her depth in a channel. Despite struggling against the rip, she was steadily being pulled away from the shore and starting to panic – unable to hear her dad calling to her to swim across the beach. Luckily, local surfer Tom Hickey spotted her, jumped back on his board and headed out to get her.

RECENT RESCUES

- January 2016. Bill Legge assisted a young teenager, who raised his arm for help when caught in a rip in front of the main entrance to the beach.
- January 2015. John Gasson assisted a man boogie boarding in jeans.
- February 2016. Murray and Christine Sheil spotted a middle-aged woman waving for help, clinging to rocks at the far north of Boatshed beach. She had lost her footing and panicked when the rip swept her into a deep gutter. Murray managed, with some difficulty, to get her back to shallow water.
- 2014. Yvonne Brennan went to the assistance of four children in a rip on the southern side of the rocks near the cabins. She managed to get two of them out - but was unable to get herself and a teenage girl from the rip until bystanders threw boogie boards out towards them. Yvonne has a Bronze Medallion, Bronze Cross and Award of Merit for lifesaving and was a volunteer co-trainer of the Bronze Star and Medallion programs in Sydney. One of the teenagers also had her Bronze Medallion and had attended Nippers for five years. This incident prompted our increased focus on beach safety issues.
- New Year's Day, 2012. Tim Brown helped a number of people from a rip at the northern end of Boatshed Beach.
- 2012. David and Kay Graham assisted a woman who got into difficulty while swimming beside the rocks between Boatshed and main beach.
- March 2012. John Gasson rescued a couple who had stepped off the sand bank and into the trench that often appears in front of the cabins. With some difficulty, he managed to return them both to the sand bar.
- 2010. John Gasson assisted another man caught in a rip in front of the cabins.



Don't forget - if you see someone in trouble in the water, phone 000 for a coordinated response.



Local hero Tom Hickey, left, minutes before his Christmas Day rescue.

STAY SAFE ON OUR BEACHES

All these swimmers were safe, thanks to the quick thinking and actions of locals. But we're aware of four people who have died in the surf over past decades.

It's important that kids AND parents know what a rip looks like so they can stay out of trouble. (See <https://beachsafe.org.au/surf-ed/ripcurrents>.)

Please let us know of any rescues.

DEFIBRILLATOR

The Committee has followed up on a suggestion to buy and install a defibrillator at Rosedale. We've obtained a quote from the Royal Life Saving Society – we'll discuss it with members at this AGM. More news on Angel Rings by then too.

CPR training – Good Friday

Anthony Bellette of Batemans Bay Surf Life Saving Club (BBSLSC) will hold a CPR training session for Rosedale Association members at Easter. It will be held at their newly refurbished surf club - come early and look around the new clubhouse.

Where: BBSLSC, Malua Bay

When: Good Friday at 3:30 pm

Cost: Free or individual donations to BBSLSC on the day
All ages welcome!

BBSLSC would like a rough idea of numbers - please email executive@rosedale.org.au if you wish to attend.

OUR ROSEDALE

Noel Egan's My Rosedale piece (Newsletter 120, December 2014) is up on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/rosedaleassociation>) and has proved very popular, with lots of likes!

We'd love to have your story on what Rosedale has

meant to you and your family – and your images too! It needn't be long – 500 words is fine and we're happy to help you edit it.

Meanwhile, perhaps the images here or elsewhere in the newsletter will give you inspiration!



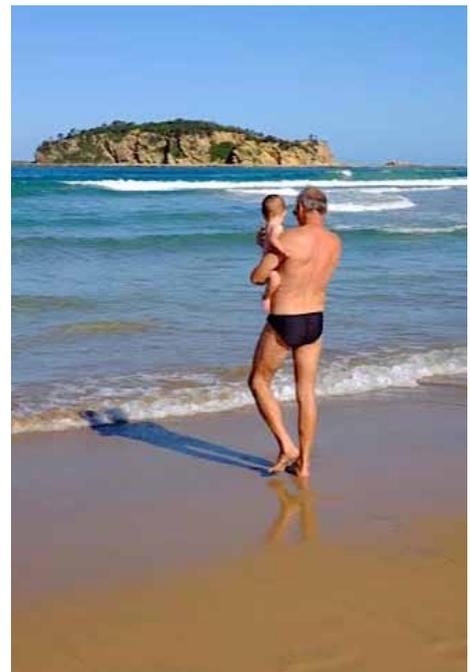
SEWERAGE UPDATE DAVID BOARDMAN

Our sewerage work for Rosedale and Guerilla Bay is progressing.

Stage 1 (the sewage pump station and the new Tomakin flow tank) is progressing well. Just before Christmas the NSW Government signed off on the tender for Stage 2 and in mid-January Council appointed Ledonne Constructions to complete the system. Transport and Infrastructure Minister Andrew Constance has also announced an additional \$2.48 million towards the project (state's financial assistance now \$3.76 million).

Ledonne will begin site work in April and anticipate substantially completing the work by the end of the year. They held an info session in the Rosedale carpark in January and they'll have a Community Liaison Officer on site for most of the construction period.

Any further questions? Perhaps ask the Mayor at our AGM!



FEATHERTAIL GLIDER COLONY ALANA LEGGE



This feathertail glider (*Acrobates pygmaeus*) caused a disturbance in my folks' home in Knowlman Road last April. It was found scratching at a flyscreen, trying to get out one night. At first glance, they thought it was a mouse but it wasn't behaving like a mouse. They

then lost track of it until the morning, when they found it huddled in the bathroom. They caught it and noticed that it had grey-brown fur on top and white fur underneath. It also had a distinctive fringed tail. They took it to Mogo Zoo to have the vets check it out. Mogo Zoo staff later phoned to say that the glider was healthy and had been released by them in Knowlman Road, so it could return to its colony in the tall trees.

Feathertail gliders are relatively common in Australia and live in the tall, mature, moist forests along the eastern coast, extending all the way from Cape York Peninsula to eastern South

Australia. This glider is the smallest gliding mammal in the world, weighing only 10 to 15g. They are very social little animals too, with records of up to 30 in one nest.

Keep an eye out for these acrobatic gliders at night, as they feed on pollen, nectar, manna, sugary sap and small insects found on the trunks, foliage and blossoms of trees. They can volplane 20 metres in one glide, with the long stiff hairs on their fringed tails assisting them to volplane, steer, brake and anchor themselves.

Remember to phone WIRES on 13000 WIRES or 1300 094737 if you find an injured feathertail glider or any other wildlife needing assistance.



IMPORTANT NUMBERS

EMERGENCIES: **000**

ABC LOCAL RADIO **103.5 FM**

WIRES (animal rescue)
**1300 WIRES or
1300 094737**

ESSENTIAL ENERGY
(poles and wires) **13 20 80**

FISHERIES WATCH HOTLINE
(poachers) **1800 043 536**

SEWERAGE
(Council Technical Officer
Richard Dixon) **4474 7347**

Whilst the bushfire period is not officially over yet, the main fire season is probably coming to an end as we head into the cooler months.

Rosedale has again been lucky. No major fires in the region, largely due to the damp conditions of much of the summer. But we're beginning to see a buildup of understory fuel in the bushland areas – undoubtedly a concern into the next summer period.

While we haven't seen a fire event in Rosedale for some years, we can't be complacent. Fire can start at any time of the year. Quite frankly it is a matter not of if, but when...The better prepared we are the better we will be able to defend any threat.



LANDCARE REPORT DANIEL LONG



Landcare working bee – Daniel Long at right.

It seems only a few weeks since the Christmas newsletter and already Easter is rushing up on us. I'd like to thank the other members of the committee for all their support - they are (in no particular order), Jane Enright, David Mackenzie and Ian Holmes.

I'm pleased to report that the Landcare committee has been making some positive steps to ensure that we get the best outcomes for our community.

Two submissions have been lodged with Council.

- The first is to have Council endorse all reserves in Rosedale to ensure they are approved for Landcare volunteers. This will ensure all volunteers are insured on working bees beyond the limited locations of the past, giving us greater scope to explore the broader needs of Rosedale safely.
- The second submission is a bid for funding to install properly designed stairs at the end of Yowani Road, providing safer access to the beach while at the same time protecting the landscape from further erosion and damage.

I would like to make a special mention of the new owners of The Retreat, David and Jennie Sutherland, who have been

incredibly generous of spirit by continuing the public access to Nun's beach. Thank you to you both. I'd also like to note the huge amount of work they've undertaken in clearing their block of large volumes of weeds. I look forward to building on the cooperative relationship fostered by Jane Enright between Landcare, Council and the owners, past and present, of The Retreat.

Landcare has also commissioned work on Banksia Flats and continues to work with Council to nurture the public face of Rosedale in our beachfront car park. We're doing lots more too – I'm looking forward to talking to you at the AGM and hearing about what you think Landcare should be focusing on in the future.

Can I please encourage as many of you as possible to attend our annual Easter weedathon on Saturday 26 March. We plan to have a weed swap stall providing native endemic plants in exchange for identified weeds.

SEE THE COUNCIL WEBSITE [HERE](#) FOR INFORMATION.

See you at 2.30 pm in the car park – BYO gloves and basic garden tools for weeding.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION, RENEWAL AND PAYMENT FORM

You may use this form to apply for membership, to renew your membership, to make a Landcare Fund donation, or to advise a change to your membership details.

The annual membership subscription is \$10 per voting member and subscriptions become due on 1 January each year. Please complete and forward this form with your cheque to:

The Treasurer
 The Rosedale Association Inc.
 PO Box 2125
 Malua Bay NSW 2536

Alternatively, you can renew your membership and make payments by bank deposit.

Please use the form on the Membership page of the Rosedale Association website:

www.rosedale.org.au/membership.html

APPLICATION TYPE (Please tick one)	Voting members
<input type="checkbox"/> Membership application	1 _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Membership renewal/Landcare donation	2 _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Change of membership details	3 _____
	4 _____

EMAIL ADDRESSES (please print carefully)

1 _____

2 _____

YES I am happy to receive all notices and newsletters by email (save money and paper)

NO Please send notices and newsletters by post

NAME AND ADDRESS FOR MAILING

Rosedale address

Telephone numbers

----- (h) ----- (fax)
 ----- (w) ----- (m)

Rosedale telephone number

WEED NOTICES (Please tick one)

Would you like advice on noxious weeds on your property? Yes No

May we give your contact details to Rosedale Landcare if needed? Yes No

PAYMENTS

Membership subscription for _____ voting member(s) for the calendar year _____ \$ _____

Landcare Fund donation (optional) \$ _____

Total \$ _____

Privacy: When collecting, using or disclosing personal information, the Rosedale Association has a policy of voluntary compliance with the Australian Privacy Principles under the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth).

ROSEDALE ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE NOMINATION FORM - 2016

Please print and complete this form and forward it to reach: The Secretary
The Rosedale Association Inc
PO Box 2125 Malua Bay NSW 2536

OR scan and email to: executive@rosedale.org.au by Thursday 24 March 2016

OR hand it to the Secretary before the AGM on Saturday 26 March 2016.

Nominator, seconder and nominee must be members of the Rosedale Association Inc.

I nominate: _____ for a position on the Rosedale Association Inc Committee

Nominator: _____ Signed: _____

Seconder: _____ Signed: _____

I agree to stand: _____ Signed: _____ Date: _____

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