

MINUTES OF THE ROSEDALE ASSOCIATION INC. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING held on Saturday 26 March 2016, Rosedale NSW

Margot Marshall opened the meeting at 11:15 am on the grass verge at the end of Knowlman Road, South Rosedale.

1. APOLOGIES: Jenny Baxter; Gonzalo and Elizabeth Bernal-Hoyos; Mary Boardman; John, Peter and Georgina Braham; Tim Brown; Cathy Falk; Deidre, Peter, Richard and Catriona Graham; Jenny Hapgood; Libby Hindmarsh; Onko and Jennifer Kingma; Gordon Klebba; Jacquie Leong; Adrian and Susan Lewis; Jeremy Long; Judy Mallett; Rick Marshall; Paul and Jenny Mlakar; Leah Myers; John, Jane, Jo and David Nicholas; Deidre Prussak; Faye Reynolds; Elizabeth Richardson; and Nick and Max Tischler.

2. 2015 AGM MINUTES: It was proposed that the Minutes of the 2015 AGM, as published in the December 2015 newsletter (No.120), be accepted.

Proposed: Margot Marshall - **Seconded:** David Carter - **Carried**

3. PRESIDENT'S REPORT: David Boardman welcomed Mayor Lindsay Brown to the meeting. David noted that the natural environment had defined his memories of Rosedale over the past 50 years and that Rosedale had been well maintained over that time, with RAI contributing to this. He thanked his Committee for their hard work over the past 12 months. On the sewerage project, David referred to a letter sent to owners to update them on the project, noting its anticipated completion by May 2017. He said the contractor would be starting in Rosedale in mid-April and suggested members contact their liaison officer with any questions. With developments to the west of Rosedale (Rosedale Farm and Bevan Park), David said the economy was helping put developments on hold. He also noted Council's new Rural Land Strategy had affected areas to the north and south of Rosedale, with Tranquil Bay now zoned Rural 1 and the land to Mackenzie's beach zoned as E4 (the same as Rosedale). With minimum sub-divisions of 10 hectares to the north and 40 hectares to the south, he said it was unlikely we would see any change. David said a project had been submitted to Council for the Yowani steps and RAI was willing to co-fund the project. He also noted that RAI would be happy to support Fiona Lodge in their proposal to Council to improve the access to Nuns Beach.

4. ADDRESS BY THE MAYOR OF EUROBODALLA: Councillor Lindsay Brown thanked David Boardman for the invitation to attend, noting that these Associations form an integral part of communities and that he welcomed the information that fed through. He provided some history of his connection with the Eurobodalla and his election as Mayor in 2012. He also touched on the Rural Land Strategy, noting it had gone to State Government for gazettal, with the likelihood of a maximum of two extra houses being built in the E4 zone to the north of Rosedale. He said there was no likelihood of Rosedale losing its character. The Mayor invited questions:

- Darren Gribble noted that Rosedale had not had much attention or support from Council over the 40 years he had been a ratepayer and asked for the Mayor's explanation of the neglect and what we needed to do to get projects, such as beach access paths, actioned by Council. The Mayor undertook to take carriage of the beach access projects, asking for a letter of support from RAI. He noted David Boardman's comment that RAI was willing to contribute funds to the project and that a member reported slipping and hitting her head on the path leading from Yowani Road to main beach.
- Bill Williams queried the current dog controls at Rosedale, asking whether the control periods could be amended. The Mayor noted that Rangers took in excess of 9,000 calls each year on various issues and were obligated to investigate complaints. He noted that Council had a strategy and plan in place about where dogs were allowed and at what times. He invited the community to write to him, if people wanted the plan modified.
- Bill Maher queried why the sewerage contractors were putting sewerage pipes in to a certain point, with owners then having to get a plumber to do the rest. He said it would be sensible for the contractor or Council to organise plumbers to do this on mass. The Mayor agreed and suggested RAI write to Council. David Boardman also undertook to collate data on the number of households affected and suggest to the contractor that they coordinate the work.
- Jane Enright asked about NBN access, with the Mayor suggesting RAI write to Ann Sudmalis MP, the Federal Member for Gilmore, as she was keen to follow up on issues for her electorate. David Boardman

said he understood the fibre optic cable would be connected at the end of Rosedale Parade in 2017 and he intended to wait until then to connect up, based on complaints from other Rosedale residents who had tried to connect to the NBN.

- Richard Allen raised concern about the lack of 'sign off' on the sewerage plan for individual properties and queried the plan for the contactor to install his system down a public pathway from Yowani Road. David Boardman said that owners have to sign off on the final plan and advised Richard to get in touch with the contactor's liaison officer.
- The Mayor advised Greg Teggart to phone Harvey Lane at Council for advice on a compensation issue for the decommissioning of an existing unit.

5. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** The Treasurer's report, as published in the March 2016 newsletter (No.121), was presented by Robin Oldham. He provided a breakdown of assets and income, noting that the situation remained similar to last year with a small surplus and total assets of \$22,520. He invited members to consider what the funds could be used for.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's report, as published:

Proposed: Melissa Gribble - **Seconded:** Bill Legge - **Carried**

6. **BEACH SAFETY:** Vicki Smith summarised the Committee's efforts to address beach safety issues at Rosedale, noting that 23 people had participated in the CPR session on the previous day, with \$77.00 raised for BBSLSC. She also noted the cooperation received from Zoe Morgan at Council, including her support for the installation of Angel Rings (life buoys) and the running of a Grey Medallion program. Vicki advised that the Committee's application for the installation of Angel Rings had been approved by the Australian National Sportsfishing Association (ANSA) and Council but was now awaiting resolution of an insurance issue between ANSA and the NSW Government. Vicki also reported that five RAI members had completed the entire Grey Medallion program, with three others doing individual sessions. She reminded members to phone 000 to report incidents in the water and ask for Batemans Bay police to ensure a coordinated rescue.

Motion to donate \$500.00 to the Batemans Bay Surf Life Saving Club:

Proposed: Vicki Smith - **Seconded:** Bardi Carter - **Carried**

David Boardman presented a proposal to purchase and install a defibrillator for general use at Rosedale. He said the device could be supplied by Royal Life Saving Australia (RLSA) and installed at the cabins, at a cost of around \$4,000 with minimal ongoing costs. He said the potential for the device to be vandalised or stolen was reduced by it being installed at the cabins, inside an alarmed case. He noted Darren Gribble's concerns about the potential legal liability and David Carter's suggestion that RLSA may assume some liability. Robin Oldham referred to limitations on personal liability arising from the incorporated status of the RAI and the effect of the 'Good Samaritan' protections in the *Civil Liability Act*. In terms of funding, David Boardman noted that fundraising was an option, if members did not want RAI funds used for the purpose. He also confirmed that training would be provided. Jane Enright asked about signage and suggested that medically trained Rosedale residents could be contacted in an emergency.

Motion to allocate RAI funds to purchase and install a defibrillator package:

Proposed: Margot Marshall - **Seconded:** Kit Tischler - **Carried**

7. **FIRE REPORT:** Michael Skipper said that while Rosedale had experienced milder conditions, we had also seen significant growth of the bushland due to the rain. He referred members to the RAI and RFS websites for advice on reducing the fire risk around homes. He also noted recent work to trim trees and foliage around power lines.

Motion to accept the Fire report:

Proposed: Margot Marshall - **Seconded:** Daniel Long - **Carried**

Motion to donate \$500.00 to the Malua Bay RFS:

Proposed: Margot Marshall - **Seconded:** Michael Skipper - **Carried**

As an aside, Vicki Smith advised the meeting that the Committee had written to Essential Energy to request underground power for the remainder of Rosedale.

8. **DATABASE PROJECT:** The new Database Manager, Peter Ward, talked about his plans to update data. Margot Marshall thanked Jacquie Leong for her previous work on the database.

9. LANDCARE REPORT: Daniel Long thanked the Landcare Committee for their hard work and support and referred members to the newsletter for an update on Landcare activities. He said he was working on a 12 month plan for RL and mentioned key projects, including the Yowani steps and the need for mapping of hot spots around Rosedale to be updated. Daniel also invited feedback, noting the importance of RL working with the community to protect the environment.

Motion to accept the Landcare report, as published in Newsletter No.121:

Proposed: Margot Marshall - **Seconded:** Kit Tischler - **Carried**

10. ELECTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Margot Marshall advised that 11 nominations had been received for the 10 Committee positions, so a ballot was needed. As there had only been three nominations for office bearers, she proposed that they be accepted outside of the ballot. The three office bearer nominations were accepted with applause. The meeting agreed to accept the outcome of the ballot and be advised via email.

Motion to accept the outcome of the ballot to elect Committee members:

Proposed: Margot Marshall - **Seconded:** Vicki Smith - **Carried**

11. OTHER BUSINESS: Margot Marshall thanked Bill Mobbs and Kathy Holberry for offering their garden for the sausage sizzle. She also noted an emailed resolution had been received, asking for action to be taken to block regular vehicular access to the bush at the end of Yowani Road.

Motion to ask Council to attend the site and provide advice:

Proposed: Margot Marshall – **Seconded:** John Sheffield – **Carried**

The meeting closed at 12:42 pm.

* 82 people were present at the AGM

*Minutes prepared by Vicki Smith, Secretary
20 April 2016*



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