

THE Rosedale ASSOCIATION INC



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NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: SATURDAY 20 APRIL 2019

Notice is hereby given of the Annual General Meeting of the Rosedale Association, to be held on Saturday 20 April at 11:00 am on the grass verge at the end of Knowlman Road.

AGENDA AGM
20 APRIL 2019

1. Apologies
2. President's update
3. Treasurer's report
4. Fire report
5. Landcare report
6. Beach safety
7. Election of Committee members
8. Other business

LETTER FROM THE EDITOR MARGOT MARSHALL

After another wonderful – and thankfully fire-free – summer, it's almost Easter already. It's a fantastic and very sociable time at Rosedale, with the AGM, weedathon, sausage sizzle and a beach safety session – hope to see you all there!

Thanks to everyone who contributed to this newsletter – especially to our Broulee expatriate Roz Clarke-Walker, who captured for us the superb image (above) of a perfect

Autumn morning on Rosedale beach. Thanks also to Fran Stewart and Robin Oldham for photos and to Christie Cooper for finding the time in her busy schedule for her expert design and layout.

Thanks again to Kit Tischler and Bardi Carter for organising the annual sausage sizzle and to Bill Mobbs and Cathy Holberry for hosting us in their garden. See you at the AGM!

COME TO THE ANNUAL SAUSAGE SIZZLE

When: 5:30 pm Easter Saturday 20 April 2019 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!

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ROSEDALE ASSOCIATION –
CURRENT COMMITTEE

President: David Boardman
Secretary: Vicki Smith
Treasurer: Noel Egan

Members

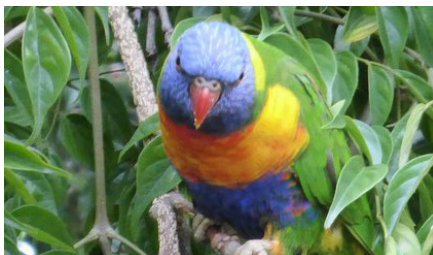
Tim Brown
Melissa Gribble
Daniel Long
Kate McInerney
Margot Marshall
Dugald Stewart
Peter Ward

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](http://www.rosedale.org.au/membership.html)

It’s only \$10 a year.

Interested in standing for the
Committee?
Nomination forms, page 8.



**EASTER
WEEDATHON**

The annual Easter weedathon
will take place on Saturday
20 April at 2:30pm.

Come for as long as you
can spare.

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

TREASURER’S REPORT

ROSEDALE ASSOCIATION INC.
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT 2018

INCOME

Members Subscriptions	\$ 2,010.00
Interest Term Deposit.....	\$ 384.77
Donations to Landcare.....	\$ 1,580.00
Cake Stalls.....	\$ 168.55
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 4,143.32

EXPENSES

Australia Post	\$ 127.00
Easter BBQ	\$ 226.66
Fair Trading	\$ 82.00
Malua Bay Fire Service	\$ 500.00
Batemans Bay Surf Life Saving Club	\$ 500.00
RLS Smart Pad	\$ 117.90
Insurance	\$ 183.92
Payment to Landcare	\$ 1,580.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	\$ 3,317.48

ASSETS

Excess of income over expenditure.....	\$ 825.84
Balance at Bank 1/1/2018.....	\$ 3,467.05
Balance at Bank 31/12/2018.....	\$ 4,292.89
Term Deposit Investment.....	\$ 16,619.34
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 20,912.23

ROSEDALE LANDCARE GROUP

ASSETS

Balance at Bank 1/1/2018.....	\$ 10,470.82
Cash at Bank 31/12/2018.....	\$ 12,264.82

INCOME

Income for 2018	\$ 1,580.00
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EXPENDITURE

\$ 506.00

Good news on the Yowani Road rocky beach access – Council received a NSW Recreational Fishing Trust grant of \$10,000 towards the project. Council will contribute additional funds but they need us to contribute too, so the project can get underway this financial year. We'll discuss this at the AGM. Council has surveyed and prepared a 3D site layout for Nuns Beach access and are drawing up the stairs for feedback then costing. We met with Council's GM and Executive in March and will meet with the Mayor in April, so there's lots to report at the AGM.

NSW Planning and Environment's assessment and approval of Council's contentious Rural Land Strategy (RLS) is delayed, in part due to the NSW state election. If approved, the land to the north of Rosedale will be zoned E4 and south of Tranquil Bay Close will be RU1. We have lodged objections, received Council's assurances and continue to follow developments.

Finally – no change to the approved developments for Rosedale Farm, but we hear a commencement date is close, so expect to see construction of access roads this year.

BEACH SAFETY VICKI SMITH



Another successful rescue at Rosedale this January - a reminder that we can't learn too much about Rosedale rips and emergency responses.

A young woman was caught in a rip on the northern end of Main beach - towards the rocks going around to Boatshed beach. The rip was surprisingly strong for the relatively calm conditions. It was fortunate that locals noticed her, as she was so panicked that she could not raise her arm to alert anyone. Remember, if you see someone in trouble call 000 for a coordinated response.

Earlier in January, 20 people attended a highly successful beach safety session. A big thanks to Al Baxter, who talked to us about rips, CPR and how the defibrillator would help us in an emergency. We then practised CPR on manikins – many thanks to Batemans Bay Surf Lifesaving Club for lending them to us!

EASTER BEACH SAFETY SESSION

Tim and Will Brown will hold another session for us on Easter Sunday.

WHEN: 10.00 am Sunday April 21 2019

WHERE: Rosedale Main beach in front of the car park

Please encourage your kids to come!



Rosedale Association's defibrillator is located on the back of the cabins





NEW RULES FOR DOGS

From 1 May to 31 October dogs will be allowed at any time on the full length of Rosedale Beach. Under the new rules, they can be leashed or unleashed but they must be under the control of a competent person at all times.

The new rules are a significant improvement on Council's original proposal and reflect strong submissions from the Association and the community and, crucially, several persuasive presentations to a Council meeting.

Until the end of April, the old timeshare rules apply – no dogs on Rosedale Beach between 9 am and 5 pm. Before 9 and after 5, you can walk your dog on leash from the carpark north and off leash from the carpark south. (See our [December 2018 newsletter](#)).



BANDICOOTS ALANA LEGGE

This long-nosed bandicoot (*Perameles nasuta*) was photographed in Knowlman Road in January. You can see its pointed ears, long snout, large hind feet, humped back and grey-brown fur that is bristly and rough. They also have some white on their underbelly and a thin tail. They generally weigh up to 1.5 kg and are between 31 cm and 43 cm in size, which makes them one of the smaller Australian native animals. They are often confused with rodents but are actually nocturnal, omnivorous, ground dwelling marsupials. They are also territorial and typically solitary. The only interaction between males and females is during the mating season and their gestation period is only 12.5 days, which is the shortest of all mammals.

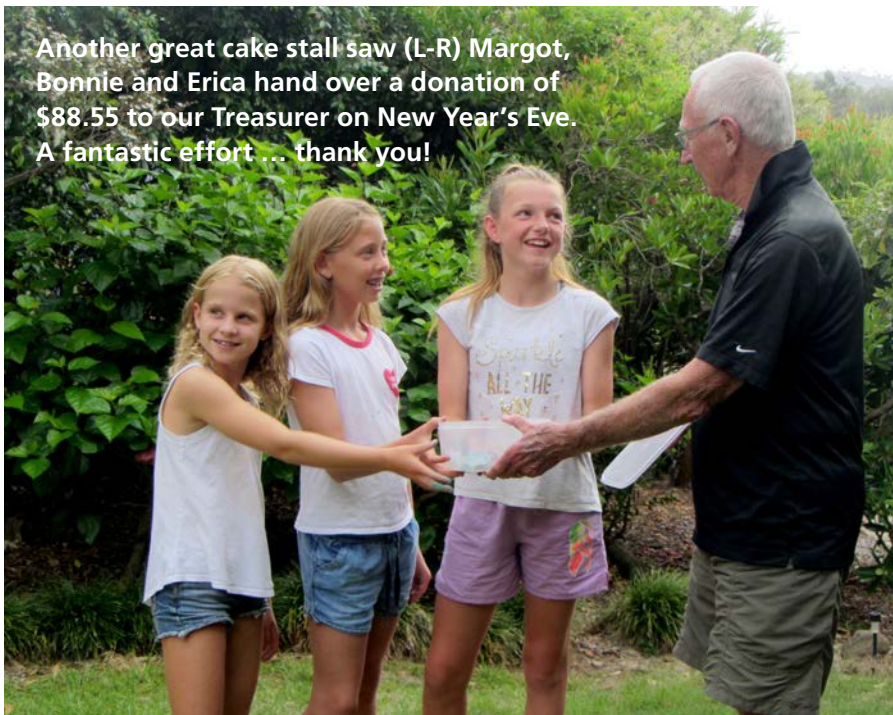
Bandicoots are great at adapting to different habitats. During the day they are in camouflaged nests – small holes dug under dense vegetation or debris and lined with leaf litter. They are well hidden from predators and protected from sun and rain. You may have seen small conical holes in your lawn or garden, made by a bandicoot with its pointed snout when foraging.



They look for a wide variety of surface and soil dwelling invertebrates, including earthworms, earwigs, cockroaches, crickets, grasshoppers, grubs, spiders, moths, ants, termites, beetles, as well as beetle larvae and pupae. They also eat tubers and fungi and some native fruits and berries. While foraging, they use their long, curved toes to dig and turn over the soil. This means they are doing us a favour by aerating the soil and removing pests. You might see their droppings nearby too – smooth pellets around 25 to 50 mm long and full of the indigestible parts of insects and bits of grass and dirt.

Bandicoots are protected in NSW, so we need to look after them in Rosedale – we don't want them ending up like their cousin, the Bilby, which is one of Australia's most endangered species.

Another great cake stall saw (L-R) Margot, Bonnie and Erica hand over a donation of \$88.55 to our Treasurer on New Year's Eve. A fantastic effort ... thank you!



IMPORTANT NUMBERS

EMERGENCIES: 000

ABC LOCAL RADIO:
103.5 FM

WIRES (animal rescue):
13000 WIRES or
1300 094737

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

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

SEWERAGE (Council):
02 4474 7347

BLUEBOTTLES – BEAUTIFUL BUT UNWELCOME VISITORS PETER WARD

Bluebottles are a common visitor to our shores in summer. They are true nomads, sailing the open ocean at the mercy of wind and currents, sweeping down to Rosedale from the Coral Sea off Queensland.

Rather than being a single animal with specialised cells, each bluebottle is actually a colony of semi-independent animals called 'polyps'.

Bluebottles can't see or smell, nor can they independently swim or vary their depth. They just float at the sea surface. Their iridescent blue, gas-filled sac or 'bell' is asymmetric – the bell of some bluebottles leans to the left, others to the right. During summer, the prevailing north-easterly wind tends to blow right-handed individuals towards south-eastern Australia. (Left-handed bluebottles are blown towards New Zealand.) Apart from summer, masses of jumbo-size bluebottles often wash up on our beaches in October.

THE DREADED STING

Extending up to three metres below the surface,

each bluebottle has a thread-like tentacle consisting of thousands of microscopic stinging polyps called 'nematocysts'. Each nematocyst consists of a barb attached to a spring-loaded filament in a capsule - triggered by touch.

Each of these thousands of nematocysts functions independently, retaining its ability to sting whether or not the entire tentacle is attached to the bell. After being churned in waves near the shore and washed up on the beach, many – but not all – of the nematocysts are discharged. Some may remain potent for days or weeks after being beached.

Nematocysts inject toxins to paralyse prey such as small fish. A bluebottle sting will cause you severe pain, usually lasting less than an hour. If you are stung, don't rub the affected area as this will activate any dormant nematocysts. Use seawater to wash the tentacles off your skin or carefully pick them off; immerse the wound in hot water or use ice packs to relieve pain.



Following up our February weed-spraying from Boatshed to Banksia Flat, we had a small working bee in early March. Our targets were turkey rhubarb, honeysuckle, asparagus fern, morning glory and bitou bush – all persistent weeds! Thanks to all who lent a hand – we hope to have more working bees over the next 12 months, so please join us when you can.

Your own gardens can harbour these weeds and become seedbeds for future infestations. Over the next few months, the following weed species will be prevalent and susceptible to control. Here's how.



Morning Glory

Hand pull small infestations. Spot spray larger infestations with 50ml Grazon per 10 litres of water. Do not spray in the canopy, pull to the ground and spray or leave in situ and scrape and paint stems. (Scrape with side of secateurs, apply herbicide to that scrape. The longer the scrape, the more surface area so try for at least 30cm.) See weeds.brisbane.qld.gov.au/weeds/mile-minute

Cassia/Senna

Hand pull seedlings. Cut and paint larger plants with neat roundup/ glyso phosphate– cut the stump as close to the ground as possible then apply herbicide immediately. See weeds.brisbane.qld.gov.au/weeds/easter-cassia. This is the same rate that you would use for asparagus fern so it's a nice easy and effective way to treat these common weeds in situ with very little off target and no ground disturbance.



Turkey Rhubarb

Hand remove isolated plants (taking care to remove the underground tuber). Spot spray larger infestations with a selective herbicide – Grazon (40ml/10 litres) or Brush Off (2g/10 litres), adding a surfactant at 10ml/ litre. This is the best way to treat emerging seedlings as manual removal over a large area causes unnecessary soil disturbance and can often be ineffective (segments or multiple tubers can be missed). See <https://weedsbluemountains.org.au/weeds/turkey-rhubarb/> This is the same rate that you would use for asparagus fern so it's a nice easy and effective way to treat these common weeds in situ with very little off target and no ground disturbance.

I hope to see you at the Easter Weedathon – 2.30 pm on Easter Saturday in the car park.

FIRE SAFETY MICHAEL SKIPPER

Again we have survived the summer season fire threat, but destructive bushfires in Tassie and Victoria – and a recent grass fire in Tomakin – remind us that there's a good probability our little patch of paradise will come under attack at some time.

We need to remain alert to any change to threat warnings, keep our Fire Protection Plans updated (and understood by all household members) and remove combustible material around buildings to protect our properties and our neighbours'.

Over the last year, the Rural Fire Service has been incredibly helpful with demonstrations and fire workshops to help us. Malua Bay Rural Fire Brigade are now arranging informal sessions so their members can get to know Rosedale and Guerilla Bay better – we may see their trucks wandering around, as part of their familiarisation exercises. They would like to meet with Association members and the broader community soon to map our water tanks and pools for possible use as a fire fighting resource.



Take a look at maluabay.rfsa.org.au – recently updated with 'summer' and 'winter' threads, and reviews of the Tathra and Dunns Creek fires.

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 make sure you submit the form on the Membership page of the Rosedale Association website: www.rosedale.org.au/membership.html, so that the Treasurer knows how to distribute your funds.

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 - 2019

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 18 April 2019

OR hand it to the Secretary before the AGM on Saturday 20 April 2019.

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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