

## **MINUTES OF THE ROSEDALE ASSOCIATION INC. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING held on Saturday 7 April 2012, Rosedale NSW**

Meeting opened at 11:15 am by Margot Marshall on the Cabin lawns.

### **1. APOLOGIES**

Noel Egan, Wendy Egan, David Mackenzie, Rick Marshall, Alan Bagnall, Barbara Bagnall, Peter Hoad, Dierdre Prussak, Lotte Klebba, Nicholas family, Ruth Friend, De Jong family, Susan Brahame, Rohan Kent, James Garrett, Yvonne Brennan and Greg Ramsay.

### **2. TREASURER'S REPORT: DAVID BOARDMAN**

The Treasurer's report, as published in the March 2012 newsletter (No.113), was presented by David Boardman. He noted that Noel Egan had resigned the position, due to family commitments, but would continue on as a Member of the Committee. He commented that the financial position of the Association was slightly better than last year, with approximately \$20,000 available for projects. In response to questions or comments, Darren Gribble noted the Committee's proposal to maintain the annual donation to the Malua Bay Fire Brigade at \$500.00.

#### **Motion to accept the Treasurer's report and annual donation to the Malua Bay Fire Brigade**

**Proposed: Michael Skipper**

**Secunder: Darren Gribble**

**Carried**

### **3. LANDCARE REPORT: JANE ENRIGHT**

Jane Enright presented the Landcare report (see copy attached), as Landcare Coordinator, and thanked volunteers for their help over the last 12 months. Members who were not able to volunteer were encouraged to make a cash donation to Landcare. Jane also showed members the five most noxious weeds likely to be present in their gardens and recommended methods for removing them.

#### **Motion to accept the Landcare report**

**Proposed: Jan Holmes**

**Seconded: Joan Bryant**

### **4. COUNCIL, DEVELOPMENTS AND FIRE UPDATE: DAVID BOARDMAN, DAVID PALMER AND MICHAEL SKIPPER**

David Boardman presented an update of local development plans, with the previously proposed retirement village on the Rosedale Farm site now amended to a residential development proposal, involving a 150 site sub-division. He commented that the developers expected approval of the Development Application to take at least another 12 months and the project was expected to move slowly over the next 20 years. David Boardman also reported that Bevan Park had changed hands, with the new owner focusing on the Barlings Beach Caravan Park.

David Boardman advised that David Mackenzie had been corresponding with Council in relation to the repair and maintenance of Rosedale paths, noting that Council was not prepared to maintain any additional paths in the Shire and highlighted the potential legal risk, if the work was conducted by the Association. It was also noted that sewerage plans for Rosedale had been placed on the backburner by Council and that David Palmer had undertaken to lobby Council, the NSW State Government and other relevant authorities to press for a renewed focus on the project. Mr Palmer commented that the Council was generally supportive of the project but the lack of State Government funding had stalled it.

Michael Skipper was announced as the new Fire Officer and reported on his preliminary discussion with the Malua Bay Fire Brigade. While there was no current bush fire threat, he undertook to maintain contact and prepare a report for the next newsletter. In response to a question from Jane Enright, he confirmed that members with concerns about fire risks on neighbourhood blocks should contact him in the first instance. He also drew members' attention to the AIDER Program offered by the Rural Fire Service, which offers a one-off free service to infirm, disabled and elderly residents to reduce bush fire hazards.

**Motion to accept the verbal reports**

**Proposed: Tim Brown**

**Seconder: Barbara Carter**

**Carried**

**5. ELECTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Margot Marshall announced that since the number of nominations equalled the number of places available on the Committee, no election was necessary. The following are the executive and committee of Rosedale Association Inc. for 2012:

President: ..... Vacant  
Secretary: ..... Vicki Smith (new member)  
Treasurer: ..... David Boardman  
Members: ..... Tim Brown  
..... Noel Egan  
..... David Mackenzie  
..... Margot Marshall  
..... David Palmer  
..... Michael Skipper

New Members: . Melissa Gribble  
..... Vicki Smith  
..... Max Tischler

Margot Marshall thanked departing Committee Member, Darren Gribble, for his many years of valuable contribution to the Committee.

**Motion to accept the proposed Committee Members**

**Proposed: Ian Holmes**

**Seconder: Michael Graham**

**Carried**

## 6. OTHER BUSINESS

Margot Marshall spoke about the Committee's need to source IT web technical capability to redesign the Association's website. She also advised that the Committee had prioritised the purchase of a simple domain name to make the site more accessible.

Bruce Kent reported that Tim Brown had assisted him out of a rip at the north end of Boatshed beach on New Years Day. He was subsequently informed that another three people had been assisted and called for additional signage in each of the beach areas to advise people of the dangers. Margot Marshall said the Committee would talk to Council about signage. Mary Boardman suggested that signage could also direct surfboard riders to main beach to remove a potential risk to swimmers at Boatshed beach from large surfboards. Penny Mlakar suggested that Rosedale's resident sign writer could be asked to make informative signs or 'do not swim' flags to advise people of rips. David Boardman said that the Committee would seek advice from local surf life saving clubs.

Keith Boardman noted there was no Secretary or President of the Association and asked Committee members to consider taking on these roles. Margot Marshall advised that Vicki Smith had accepted the role of Secretary.

Margot Marshall issued a vote of thanks to Anton Cook and his team for their hard work on the newsletter and website over many years and also thanked John and Jeanette Gasson for making the cabin lawns available for the meeting.

Members were reminded about the weedathon and sausage sizzle.

Meeting closed at 12:05 pm.

\* 80 members were present at the AGM

*Minutes prepared by Vicki Smith, Secretary  
10 April 2012*



(Margot Marshall)  
RAI Committee Member and Chair

# Rosedale Landcare April 2012



## Landcare Co-ordinator and Committee.

Jane Enright continues as Landcare Coordinator. Two other Landcare Committee Members remain Ian Holmes and David Mackenzie. David continues in his role as 'Technical Advisor' and our link to the Rosedale Association Inc. Adrian Lewis has had to withdraw due to health reasons and we thank him for all his years of dedicated work and his passion in maintaining Rosedale in its pristine natural environment.

The Landcare Committee will meet soon after Easter to plan the year ahead and organise activities. It will consider any feedback from this AGM and advise the Rosedale Association Committee accordingly.

## Since last AGM.

There have been several weeding activities organised since the last AGM which have involved 15 Rosedale residents. The activities usually lasted about 2 hours, targeted asparagus fern and were followed up with a morning tea at Jane's house. We have had lots of fun and for many of us it has been a time to meet and make new friends.

We have had assistance from GreenCorp in June 2011 when a lot of weeding, pruning and laying down of new mulch in the garden areas was done at the main beach car park area. Also, sand was brought up from the beach and laid over the ever increasingly exposed wooden beams that make up the path to the beach. It was a work done over 3 days and we served up a BBQ lunch for the workers on the last day.

This was followed up in September with a planting of 150 Lomandra seedlings and more recently with assistance from the Batemans Bay Local Aboriginal Land Council, (BBLALC) we had a team of 4 workers who again did a lot of manual weeding, spraying of weeds and general tidy up of the same area. We hope you can notice the difference!

Unfortunately, the rabbit population has exploded meaning that a lot of the young Lomandra was eaten down to a mere stubble. Luckily there is evidence that some of these plants are now picking up after the rain and warm weather.

## Around Rosedale:

With the wet warm weather, there has been an increase in the profusion of weeds and now is an excellent time to attack them in your garden.

These include:

Bridal Creeper      Turkey Rhubarb      Moth Vine      Honeysuckle  
Minute Cobblers Peg      Mile-a-minute

Also, it is now time to once again target the Blackberry & Bitou Bush. These are declared noxious weeds and the Eurobodalla Shire Council (ESC) conducts eradication programs for them. I have commenced mapping the areas affected and seek your assistance by notifying me if you have a concern regarding either of these plants in your garden or surrounding areas. I am in the process of arranging ESC to spray both these weeds in the coming weeks

Work on Banksia Flat had to be halted due to technical reasons for the last 7 months or so. We have now been informed that the excellent work that was being carried out through a grant from ESC will be reinstated in the next couple of weeks. Crassula which was taking over on the cliff at southern tip of South Rosedale beach has been successfully sprayed by ESC.

I am keen to address the area in the gully and down the path behind "The Retreat" off Cooks Crescent. This area is thick with Turkey Rhubarb, Cobblers Peg and Blackberry. I have already spoken with ESC worker Emma Patyus, who has agreed to give us assistance through the BBLALC again in the near future. It may be necessary to consider spending some of our Landcare funds to complete the work. We currently have \$6860 in the kitty.

No activities have been funded by Landcare monies in the last 12 months mainly because there were no suggestions that have come forward from the Rosedale community. If you have any ideas please send them in to me. We really do wish to be responsive to the Rosedale community's wishes. Please articulate your thoughts right here or alternatively send them to me.

The annual Easter Weed-a-thon will take place Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> April at 2.30pm. Meet at main beach car park. Gloves, bags and weeding tools will be available and Easter treats will be provided at the conclusion at 4pm.

Thank you.

*Jane Enright*

*Ian Holmes*

*David Mackenzie*

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