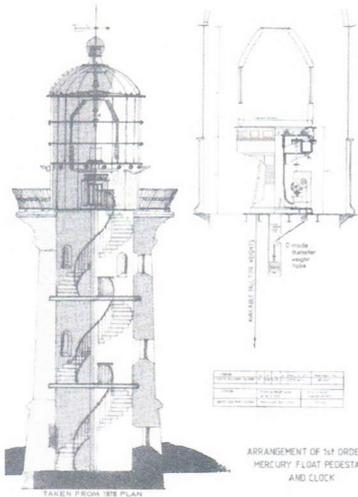


FOSSIL Newsletter # 1 - 2016



Friends Of South Solitary Island Lighthouse



Welcome to our first official newsletter since our last meeting when we elected office bearers and a committee as follows:

President: Rob Trezise

Secretary/Treasurer: Lee-Ann Taylor

Committee: Darren Squibb, Terrie Beckhouse, Paul Parkinson, Anna Sinclair, Andrew Winter

We still have vacancies for a Treasurer together with a Sponsorship/Fund Raising person.

If you are interested in either of these positions please contact Rob: 0457957685

I am pleased that so many people have expressed their interest in joining our group by signing up as members.

Our aims as outlined at our meetings is to form working bees to assist NPWS to undertake environmental works such as weed control and habitat restoration on South Solitary Island together with protection and preserving of the islands cottages.

We have some other plans that I shall outline further in this newsletter.

As a group we have overheads and costs associated with our activities and administration.

We have registered our group as a Non Profit Corporation with Fair Trading NSW. We will shortly be making application to the ATO to enable us to receive Tax Deductible donations and sponsorship. Our fee for registration came to \$164.

Your committee has agreed that we need to charge a small annual membership fee that has been set at \$15 per member.

Regrettably, we have found the need to introduce a membership fee to cover administration, insurance and operational costs. The membership fee is \$15 per member. This will be due on 1st December each year.

We will appreciate it if members could pay their membership as early as convenient by direct deposit to our bank Westpac into "The Friends of South Solitary Island Inc" account:

BSB : 032585 Account Number 231408 & make your deposit notation:

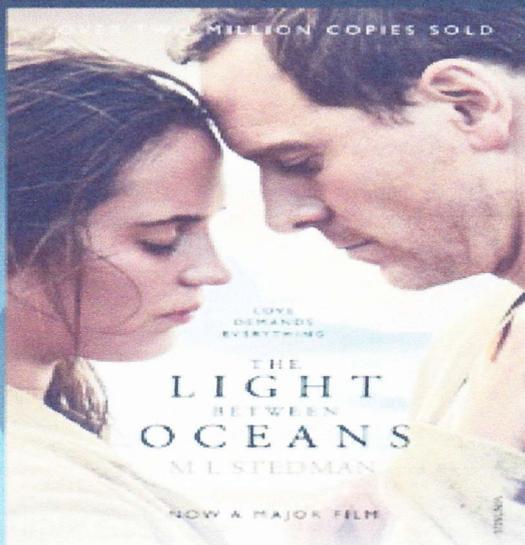
YOUR FULL NAME

We are planning some social events for members in the near future for us to meet informally.

Our first social event is being held in conjunction with CANDO Cancer Support Trust at the Sawtell Majestic Cinema on November 4th at 7pm for 7.30pm

The film "The Light Between Oceans" set in an Australian island lighthouse, is premiering at Sawtell. Tickets are \$25. Group bookings are welcomed. We have only about 180 seats available

All profits are going to CANDO. Tickets are very limited, so get in early. . Must purchase beforehand at Unreal Estate, Raine & Horne Coffs & the Sawtell Cinema.



THE FRIENDS OF SOUTH SOLITARY ISLAND LIGHTHOUSE

Proudly present in conjunction with CANDO Cancer Trust and Majestic Cinemas, the premier screening of the film based on the best selling book by M.L. Stedman

THE LIGHT BETWEEN OCEANS

Friday November 4th, 2016
7.00pm for 7.30pm

Majestic Cinema Sawtell
Tickets \$25 per person
(Seats are limited, so book early)

Tickets available at the cinema, Unreal Estate Sawtell (137 Sawtell Road) and Raine & Horne Coffs Harbour (1/27 Orlando Street) from 5th October. A bar will be operating, along with a raffle on the night.



WATCH THE OFFICAL TRAILER HERE:

<https://youtu.be/6Iz9NDxl0Kk>

It is to be hoped that after the birds leave South Solitary Island around April next year, expressions of interest will be called for by NPWS to make up some teams to form working bees, to spend up to 5 nights on the island.

Those members who left their job interests on their application forms will be contacted by NPWS when they are in a position to offer work for our members to undertake.

There will be some conditions & costs attached to these working groups, and they will be outlined by NPWS when the groups are formed.

For our members who may be interested, we are about to discuss with the Coffs Harbour City Council, the possibility that some of our members be permitted access to the First Order lens, (currently warehoused in the former regional Museum), with a view of cleaning and polishing it in order to preserve it until such time as it is removed to the proposed Australian National Lighthouse Museum at Coffs Harbour Jetty.

The Coffs Harbour Regional Museum has recently acquired some lighthouse equipment from AMSA and that is now on display.

Every member is urged to visit the museum and see for themselves the growing collection of lighthouse equipment and artifacts.

Don't forget we are part of the wider lighthouse community around Australia as members of Lighthouses Of Australia Inc.

Keep up to date with all things lighthouse by joining LOA or visit their Facebook "Lighthouses Of Australia Inc".

Our own Facebook page, "Friends Of South Solitary Island Lighthouse" is our members' page, so please feel free to submit your photos, news and information. If you do not have Facebook, you can email: latitude30south@gmail.com

Finally, it is an expensive operation to visit South Solitary Island and we need sponsors or donors to assist with the helicopter transportation for our working bees.

We welcome sponsorship enquiries, donations etc. and remember we will soon be able to accept sponsorship & donations as a tax deduction.

We have received a donation from John Ibbotson, of some funds to put towards our registration fees and for one lucky member who pays their membership fee before December 1st; John has kindly donated one of his books, "Lighthouses Of Australia-The Offshore Lights".

Thank you for your support so far.

Would love to see you all at the premier of "The Light Between Oceans" on Friday 4th November 7pm for 7.30pm. Please get your tickets as soon as possible.

Regards,

Rob Trezise
President
Friends Of South Solitary Island Lighthouse