



# Rozelle Neighbourhood Centre Inc

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## Autumn 2008 RNC Newsletter



*Get involved with the only Neighbourhood Centre in the village!*

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## COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS

### RNC STRATEGIC PLAN

RNC Staff and Management are half way through a 3-5 year plan. A pre-planning survey from a variety of stakeholders, and our own planning confirmed the need to address our run down Heritage building as a priority. We are looking for Corporate Sponsors to assist us with this mammoth task. Any suggestions or offers of support are welcome - please contact Carole.

### EVER AFTER THEATRE PROJECT

I would like to shout out a big thanks to Verity Firth MP for lobbying for us to keep the Ever After Theatre Company going and also thank Minister Keneally (NSW Department of Ageing, Disability and Home Care) for responding with a cheque for \$25,000 - see further story inside.

### SORRY

The nation stopped on 13 February 08 as Prime Minister Kevin Rudd made history in his "SORRY" speech to the Stolen Generation. RNC staff went to the Rozelle Primary School celebrations. After the PM's speech the wonderful Noel Tovey shared his amazing life story with everyone who had come together in the school hall. Needless to say, there was barely a dry eye in the house among the adults. It was a great day, and I felt relieved that finally, as a nation, we took a step with some truly heart felt acknowledgement...

I would like to add The Management and Staff of Rozelle Neighbourhood Centre acknowledge and apologise for past and present injustices suffered by the Indigenous people in the local area. We recognise the right of the Indigenous community to achieve Social Justice.

Carole Strong - General Manager



## Older People Get Together for a High Tea Party

*Free Morning Tea + Lucky Door Prizes*

Entertainment with Gordon Roache, The Rozellas, Rozelle Public School Choir, Celtic music and dancing

*Wednesday 9 April 08 from 10am to 12.30pm*



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Book Early to avoid disappointment!  
RSVP: 9555 8988

Limited transport spaces also available.



**14 May**  
**Wednesday**  
**1pm-4pm**

Come celebrate Neighbourhood Centre Week  
Find out what we do and how you can become involved!

Here

at Rozelle Neighbourhood Centre  
665a Darling St, Rozelle



## INSEKTUS

Step into the world of insects

**Wednesday 16 April**  
**at 10.30am**

Entry via a gold coin  
donation per child

## School Holiday Activities

**at Rozelle Neighbourhood Centre**  
**665a Darling St, Rozelle**



## MAGICIAN APPRENTICE WORKSHOP

**Wednesday 23 April**

**Beginners 10am-12pm**  
**Returners 12.30pm-2.30pm**

Workshop only \$15

**Bookings essential:** Contact Lisa on 9555 8988 or email [community@rnc.ngo.org.au](mailto:community@rnc.ngo.org.au)

## Venue Hire Available

### Main Hall

Holds up to 90 people, polished wooden floors, high ceilings, stage, washroom, tables and chairs. Available for community events only.

### Garden Room

Holds up to 30 people, partly carpeted, kitchen, toilet/ washroom, tables and chairs. (7.2mx10m)

### Meeting Room

Holds up to 15 people, carpeted, kitchen, toilet, washroom, tables and chairs. (5.6mx5.5m)

All our rooms have disability access ramps.

All money received from hire rates assists with maintenance of the rooms. Money collected also enables us to deliver activities and programs to the community.

We can offer space for a one off or a regular activity - rates are available on a casual or permanent basis.

Unfortunately we are unable to hire our venue space for private party functions.

All groups must provide a copy of a Certificate of Public Liability Insurance to confirm their hire.

For information on rates and venue availability call Lisa from Monday to Thursday on 9555 8988 you can email [community@rnc.ngo.org.au](mailto:community@rnc.ngo.org.au)

## What's on - Regular Activities

If you are looking for a new activity to try just contact the group organisers below.

Monday			
Garden	Occasional Child Care	8.30-3.30pm	Sharon - 9555 7401 (Mon & Tue only)
Main Hall	Leisure Options	5.30-9.00pm	Sue - 9555 8988
Tuesday			
Garden	Occasional Child Care	8.30-3.30pm	Sharon - 9555 7401 (Mon & Tue only)
Main Hall	Stage 1	5.00-6.30pm	Sue - 9555 8988
Main Hall	Leisure Options	6.30-9.00pm	Sue - 9555 8988
Garden	Albion Fair Morris Dancing	8.00-9.00pm	Beth - 9665 9038 (1st, 3rd 5th wk)
Wednesday			
Meeting	University of the Third Age - U3A	10.30-12.00pm	Anne- 9810 3358 (fortnightly)
Main Hall	Chakradance	7.00-9.00pm	Kirsten - 0411 386 083
Thursday			
Hall	Twisted Melon Improv Classes	6.30-9.30pm	Peter - 0414 661 496 (starts May 08)
Friday			
Garden	Hatha Yoga	10.00-11.30am	Karen - 0402 118 544
Main Hall	Sedenka Folk Dance	8.00-11.00pm	Chris - 9560 2910
Saturday			
Main Hall	Divine Self Meditation	7.45-8.45am	Dorothy - 9554 3009
Garden	Hatha Yoga	9.00-10.30pm 10.30-12.00pm	Karen - 0402 118 544
Main Hall	Weekend Respite & Recreation Program	9am-5pm	Sue - 9555 8988
Sunday			
Main Hall	Divine Self Meditation	8.00am-9.00am	Dorothy - 9554 3009
Garden	Gamblers Anonymous	6.00-7.30pm	Just turn up

Or are you looking for space for an event or a group activity? Check out the gaps in our calendar for options available.



## EVER AFTER THEATRE COMPANY RECEIVES VALUABLE SUPPORT

Due to the generosity of local community, corporate sponsors and NSW government, we are pleased to announce the Ever After Theatre Company is able to continue making theatre in 2008!

The company would like to thank NSW Department of Ageing, Disability & Home Care, local community donations - including one generous donation of \$5000 - and the ongoing support of corporate sponsor Swiss Re. As a result Ever After Company has now hired a part time coordinator to organise the everyday running of the company develop funding applications, fundraise and publicise the group.

Ever After Theatre Company would like thank all those who have supported the company. Our very dedicated volunteers, staff and Management Committee of Rozelle Neighborhood Centre, our sponsors, funding partners, local businesses and Leichhardt Council. The Company is looking forward to a jam packed year of drama classes and developing new productions. Stay tuned for details. Enquiries Lara Thoms [everaftertheatre@gmail.com](mailto:everaftertheatre@gmail.com)

**Thank you** to Debbie Welfare and Karen Faulkner who video taped and edited the recent performance of O'Brave New Tempest at Leichhardt Town Hall. It is the first time the actors in Ever After Theatre Company have a complete video record of their performance.



### WEEKEND RESPITE & RECREATION PROGRAM



Home and Community Care (HACC) and St George Bank enable this program to assist primary carers of people living with a mild to moderate disability in the Inner West to receive some respite.

WERRP provides opportunities for clients to interact socially and attend group activities and outings in the community.

The group are lead by a team leader who with the assistance of support workers and volunteers take clients on activities chosen by participants. The calendar for Autumn includes music and art workshops, ten pin bowling and visits to festivals.

Interested in volunteering on Saturdays? call Keeley on 9555 8988 or email [werrp@rnc.ngo.org.au](mailto:werrp@rnc.ngo.org.au)

### NEIGHBOUR AID THANKS ITS VOLUNTEERS

If you ask most people why they volunteer you will often "to give something back to the community".



Management and staff of RNC were pleased to "give something back" to their volunteers with a thank you dinner at Balmain Leagues Club. In appreciation of the wonderful gift our volunteers give to their clients, certificates were also presented to volunteers.

In Neighbour Aid volunteers and clients are matched by Program Manager Barrie Styles according to their mutual interests and hobbies. MJ a volunteer for almost two years has supported clients with Multiple Sclerosis, Motor Neurone and Parkinsons Disease. She feels volunteering is an important role she plays in the community.

"Clients will often think they are taking up too much time away from my family but I have learnt a lot about relationships and boundaries. As a volunteer you learn what is important in life and to be thankful for the small things we can do to help someone in need".

If you would like to become a volunteer contact Barrie on 9555 8988 or email [na@rnc.ngo.org.au](mailto:na@rnc.ngo.org.au)

### INTERNATIONAL WOMENS DAY



Leichhardt Council is sponsoring a unique exhibition to celebrate women for International Womens Day. Carole Strong our Centre Manager was invited be a part of the exhibition which promotes women in all areas of the community. Historical posters and Jenny Tenplin's photography are located in the Leichhardt Library - have a look and be inspired.

### Leisure Options

#### Creative classes for people with all levels of disabilities

All classes are tutored by arts professionals and assisted by a trained support worker. Classes run in a 8 week cycle and cost \$60 per term.

**Creative** - includes colour, tactile experience, art movement and sound rhythm.

**Music** - includes percussion, rhythm, singing, sound-beam, group and solo work.

**Drama** - includes voice work, movement, story building and performance making.

Call Sue on 9555 8988 or email [leisure@rnc.ngo.org.au](mailto:leisure@rnc.ngo.org.au)

### FAREWELL RITA FROM RNC

Our FRALAP Manager Rita Grant has moved to the Blue Mountains. Rita has worked at Rozelle Neighbourhood Centre for over 15 years in various roles.

We all wish her well in her future - she will be greatly missed by all clients and staff at the centre.

RNC AT CAPACITY



F.R.A.L.A.P.



Family Respite And Leisure Access Program (FRALAP) is funded by the Department of Ageing Disability & Home Care, it arranges respite for primary carers of people with a moderate to a severe intellectual and physical disability.

For waiting list info contact our Manager Carol Taylor on 9555 8988 or [respite@rnc.ngo.org.au](mailto:respite@rnc.ngo.org.au)

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