

# MASLIN BEACH NEWS

Your Maslin Beach Community Association Newsletter



## Three important things you need to know: AGM 15 October, Memberships due now and a new website

There has been a lot going on over the last few months which we are very pleased to now let you all know about. We have completed a membership drive with current and past members of the Maslin Beach Community Association (MBCA), established a new website (which is still a work in progress, but we are very proud of our efforts so far) and sent out the invitations to our next Annual General Meeting. We have also been hunting around for information on the history of Maslin Beach and have found some little treasures. We have also added some new features to the newsletter based on feedback from the survey recently conducted including Memories of Maslin and Doggie Tributes.

### Memberships due now

The amazing Jenny Colville has done a fantastic job in chasing members past and present to renew their memberships and update their contact details. Thanks to her determination to help the MBCA, we are currently at an astounding 125 members. Please check out Jenny's adventures on page 3. For those that she hasn't been in touch with, **memberships are due now** for the 2022-23 financial year. If you are not already a member and want to be, either head to our new website and go to the Membership tab in the menu or contact the Secretary at [maslinbeach@mail.tidyhq.com](mailto:maslinbeach@mail.tidyhq.com). Cash and direct deposit options are still available, with online payment options coming soon. As we move all our contacts and memberships into Tidy HQ, the MBCA will now be able to communicate more effectively with all our members in a timely way.  
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## MBCA AGM

**Saturday 15th  
October 2022  
@ 12pm**

**All welcome to attend.**


Come along to vote for our 2022-23 committee members and stay for a quick bite to eat afterwards.

Nominations for committee member positions are due no later than **11am Saturday 15 October 2022.**

RSVP through Tidy HQ.

You can find the nomination forms and RSVP on the new website  
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## New website

Thanks to our subscription to Tidy HQ, we now have our very own maslin beach website [www.maslinbeach.com.au](http://www.maslinbeach.com.au). Whilst it looks very basic at the moment, there are plans to have dedicated pages for the history of Maslin Beach, Massie Muts, along with copies of the MBCA minutes and upcoming events. As mentioned earlier, people can also apply for membership through the website.

In the search for content to add to the website, we have come across little treasures like the 50th Anniversary of the Maslin Beach community 2007 DVD. It was so wonderful to see many familiar faces and that the community spirit and love for Maslin Beach was as strong back then as it is now. This DVD has since been converted to You Tube and will be available soon on the website.

Part of the content search includes images, so if anyone would like to have their images shown on the website, please email them through to [maslinbeachnews@gmail.com](mailto:maslinbeachnews@gmail.com).

## Annual General Meeting

The MBCA Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on **Saturday 15 October 2022** between 12 to 1pm. The AGM is an important event for the MBCA. It gives our members, the general public and the committee a broad overview of the Association's current directions, financial health and confirms our purpose. It is also the time to revitalise the MBCA through the official engagement of members into management committee positions.

An event has been set up on our new website, promoted on Friends of Maslin Facebook group and emailed out to all our current members. We encourage everyone to grab their free ticket to attend.

If you are interested in becoming a committee member, nomination forms must be filled out and provided to the Secretary via email [maslinbeach@mail.tidyhq.com](mailto:maslinbeach@mail.tidyhq.com) or in person at the Community Hall on the day no later than one hour before the AGM.

## Jenny's membership drive

For the last month and a half I have been a Maslin Beach Community Association volunteer contacting as many Maslin Beach residents as possible who were recorded on the members list. The reason for this drive has been to update members' details ready for transfer to Tidy HQ, an online management tool which the MBCA are now using to make running the Association a whole lot easier.

I have contacted many of you either by visiting, emailing or phone calls. This process has been very successful. I must say I have thoroughly enjoyed the experience as it has given me a chance to meet many of you and often hear your stories about how you are going, what you are doing, where you have been and, in some cases, where you have or going moved to.

Feedback has also been a side benefit from my efforts. Below is some feedback I have received: -

- The fees are too low and should be increased.
- Everyone I have contacted know about the newsletter and enjoy getting it.
- Some people have put their names down to volunteer.
- Some didn't know when the next payment was due.

The process has brought other benefits such as updating payments which with Covid over the last years has prevented the Association running many of their events where a lot of you normally pay your membership fees.

However, there are still quite a few I have been unable to contact due to lack of recorded information, incorrect email addresses etc. If you have not been contacted and would like to be included in the new data base, could you please contact the Secretary via email [maslinbeach@mail.tidyhq.com](mailto:maslinbeach@mail.tidyhq.com) so your correct contact details are captured.

Those who are on the current list will receive an email from Tidy HQ asking you to activate your account. Once you have activated your account, you will receive information which the Association wishes to share such as events etc and reminders for future payments. The newsletter will also be emailed out to all members with an email address through Tidy HQ.

As my quest has come to an end, I have given over all the information I have gathered to the Secretary for input into the data base.

**Jenny Colville** (Volunteer).

## Newsletter Survey Results

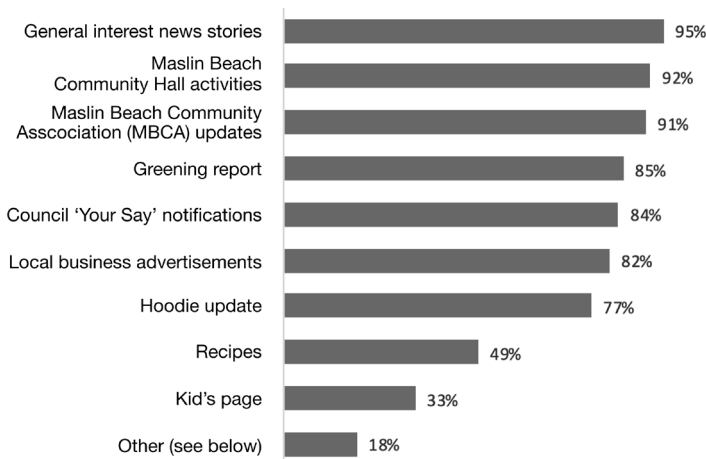
Well, the results are in for the newsletter survey, and we would like to thank all those who took the time to complete it. The survey itself had two main focuses which was to ascertain if the community would be happy to receive a non-paper version of the newsletter and what people would like to see in the newsletter.

In the end we had 83 responses which equates to a 16.8 per cent response rate if measuring by the number of total occupied private dwellings (ABS Census).

We are very heartened to see that the nearly everyone (97 per cent) has received a copy of the newsletter and everyone appreciates the newsletter. Further to this, almost all respondents (95 per cent) were aware of the MBCA.

The survey gave us some great direction on what people would like to read in the newsletter with the top four being general interest news stories, Maslin Beach community hall activities, MBCA updates and the Greening report.

### What respondents want to see in the newsletter



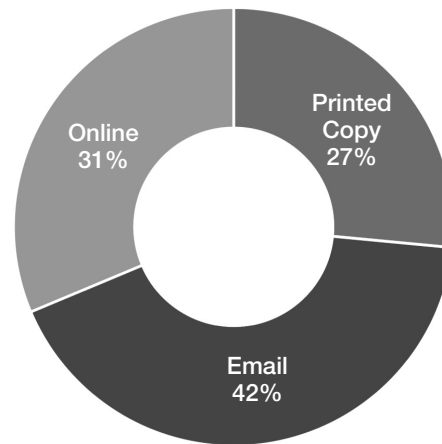
Other topics suggested included:

- Clean up days
- Dog tips and tributes
- Local groups, hiking, book clubs
- Local news
- Local events taking place
- Photos of locals and their dogs
- History of Maslin Beach
- Vegie planting guide/local house and gardening guide or group activities
- Forum for community exchange
- Feature on local achievements

What is even more pleasing is that three quarters of our respondents were happy to access an unprinted version

of the newsletter either directly by email or indirectly on Friends of Maslin Facebook group or on our new website [www.maslinbeach.com.au](http://www.maslinbeach.com.au).

### Preferred delivery method



The remaining quarter of respondents still prefer to receive a printed copy with half of those happy to pick up a copy at the hall while the others still want the newsletter delivered.

### Going forward

With these results, it has been determined that the normal print run and delivery of over 600 copies of the newsletter will no longer continue.

- Going forward the newsletter will be available to the Maslin Beach community online through our new website or on Facebook. It will also be emailed to those that provided their email address and to MBCA members.
- A limited number of copies of the newsletter will be available in a box out the front of the hall entrance. Alerts of the newsletter release will be provided on the website, on Friends of Maslin Facebook group and via email for all members of the MBCA.
- Finally, there are still those that would like a printed copy to be delivered to them. When we ran the survey, we did not ask for people to provide their addresses if they want it to be delivered to them. If you would like a printed copy delivered to you, then please take this opportunity to let the Newsletter team know.

For a printed copy of the newsletter to be delivered to your residence, please either email the MBCA secretary at [maslinbeach@mail.tidyhq.com](mailto:maslinbeach@mail.tidyhq.com) or fill out the form at the bottom of the next page. For privacy reasons, please place the completed form in a sealed envelope and deliver to the hall letterbox at 5 Parkway Drive.

## Maslin Beach Community Association Update

The committee and its volunteers have been busy at work preparing for the AGM, establishing the new website and transitioning membership and other management activities of the MBCA into Tidy HQ.

Further to this, some other big news is that we have appointed a new Hall Manager following the departure of Lynn Grimes who looked after the hall for several years.

The committee has been granted \$50,000 to conduct physical improvements to the Community Hall thanks to the generous donation from Leon Bignell's office. Watch this space on what the committee agrees to do with the monies.

Following our meeting back in July where we heard several residents raise their concern about the CWMS

scheme, the MBCA sent on a letter to council. Since then, council have advised that they are committing to further due diligence and engagement on the future of our water assets. They will come back for a decision in 2023 following the 2022 local government elections.

The MBCA is holding a Special General Meeting to pass the revised Constitution prior to the AGM so that the AGM will be under the new version. If this comes to pass, following the AGM on **15 October 2022** our next committee meeting, where the Executive roles will be determined, will be held on **19 October 2022 at 7.15pm**.

We look forward to seeing you all at the AGM.  
Kirstin, Secretary MBCA.

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THURSDAY	CORE AND BOOTY PILATES	6.00pm - 6.45pm	Jayde 0431 187 202
	ZEN PILATES	7.00pm - 7.45pm	
	RELAXATION AND MEDITATION	10.30am - 11.30am	Mel 0458 981 158
FRIDAY	FULL BODY PILATES	9.15pm - 10.15am	Jayde 0431 187 202
	ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS	6.30pm - 8.30pm	A.A: 8221 6999
SATURDAY			
SUNDAY	SEAFORD COMMUNITY CHURCH	10.00am - 11.30am	Jim 0434 570 523

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### CONTACT US

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or dropped in the letter box (next to  
the car park sign at the hall).

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### NEWSLETTER

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### MBCA AGM MEETING

Saturday 15th October 2022  
at 12.00pm in the Maslin Beach  
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## Greening Report for Maslin Beach Coastcare September 2022

Hello Readers,

We've had adequate rain this winter, in fact possibly too much at times as this year there seems to be more weedy Burr Medics than usual. I have spent many hours hand weeding this problem weed, with some help. I hand pull them as opposed to brush cutting, as you will never eradicate them otherwise. There was a lot of dormant seeds that the copious rain have made grow this year. From now on, there will also be the grassy weeds that throw seeds that are spread by the wind, so these will be slashed soon. We have been slashing the Soursobs because they just die off and rot down, so we don't worry about removing them, except the ones that are growing next to and in the large plants.

We always need helpers for planting and weeding and we have seedlings to put in very soon. You can email me on [kathryn.mcmahon@bigpond.com](mailto:kathryn.mcmahon@bigpond.com), ring me on 8386 0880 or text me on 0407 088 023.

Kathy McMahon, Greening Co-ordinator, Maslin Beach Coastcare.



Photo by Lisa Pitman.

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## Hoodie Update Spring 2022

It's been a slow start to the Hoodie breeding season this year (usually from early August to March) with NA and partner at Ochre Cove nesting on 19 August, and RV and partner who previously nested at Maslin Beach are yet to have their first nest. Unfortunately, the first nest at Ochre Cove failed so they nested again but it has also failed.

RV and partner have shown nesting behaviour several times just north of the Hilton Reserve ramp but without laying any eggs. The changeable weather may be the reason why or it could be due to the presence of 'visiting' Hoodies disturbing them. Hopefully they will nest there soon.

As mentioned in the previous newsletter, SV and VZ (RV's chicks from last season) are still in the area. Over winter they have gradually developed their adult plumage. On their heads they still have a few light spots which will turn completely black, giving them their full adult appearance.

A pair of Red-capped Plovers have also been seen regularly on the northern section of the beach. They are smaller than the hoodies and the male has a distinctive red head. They are becoming rarer on our beaches.



Photo by Sue and Ash Read.

The first stage of spinifex planting is complete and we have been happy with the survival rate of the plants. To allow the plants to establish and spread, please don't walk through the planted areas or allow kids to play there. A big thank you to the volunteers and Council staff who undertook the planting.

Birdlife Australia will be running two Hooded Plover workshops at Normanville. The first is general information about the birds and the second is for those who may be interested in volunteering to help protect the birds.

### Workshop 1 Hoodies on the Beach

Normanville, Saturday 24 September: 10am – 12pm

Learn all about the birds and their behaviours, and watch amazing video footage of chicks, and how we help them. Beach trip 12pm – 12.30pm.

### Workshop 2 Helping Hooded Plovers

Normanville, Saturday 8 October: 10am – 12pm

A more in-depth look at the life of a Hooded Plover: learn how to monitor Hoodies safely, and how to become a Hoodie volunteer. Beach trip 12pm – 12.30pm.

RSVPs to Wendy White, Coordinator, Friends of the Hooded Plover, Fleurieu Peninsula: 0413 918 085 or [wwhite140@gmail.com](mailto:wwhite140@gmail.com)

If you are unable to make the workshops and interested in knowing more about the Hoodies, we are still planning to have beach walks locally once breeding is underway. Notices will be put up at the beach entrances giving details.

Hooded Plover volunteers - Graham, Sue, Ash, Karin and Jenn.

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## Memories of Maslins

### Peter and Rosemary Mitchell's memories of what is now the Frank Hilton Reserve.

For many of us, the Frank Hilton Reserve at Maslin Beach is a great place to catch up with the locals and their dogs, get some fresh air or some exercise, watch amazing sunsets, and access our amazing beach.

But the Reserve did not always look like it does today.

The Reserve was first a creek, but when the Mitchell's moved here in the 70's the creek had already been turned into a dump.



*The creek before it became a dump.*

After first arriving from the UK at the Smithfield Hostel in 1963, Pete and Rosemary longed for a place to live at the beach with their three children Linda, Paul and Graham. They happened to stumble upon the shores of Maslin Beach on one of their many camping trips to Port Willunga. They eventually bought a home and left their rental in Ingle Farm in 1972.

The dump at the Reserve was a perfect place for their two sons, both in primary school, to explore and get up to mischief. The kids collected firewood from the dump and other goodies.

They recall there was a permanent caretaker nicknamed by the locals as 'Scabbo' because he was always fossicking through the rubbish. The caretaker's job was to charge people who weren't from Maslin Beach to use the dump. He even had his own shed, but this mysteriously burnt down, presumed to have spontaneously combusted on a hot summer's day.

There were six houses along Gulf Parade between Seaview Street and what was the shop that overlooked the dump. But no one seemed to mind the view as it was always promised that the dump would eventually be closed.

But the rats and mice weren't happy when the dump was closed. Rosemary remembers a mouse and rat plague terrorising the homes of Maslin Beach. In fact, one of the houses along Gulf Parade had all the furniture eaten away, since no one was living in it at the time. The vermin eventually spilled over into Maslin Crescent and even in their garage. The large numbers of critters also attracted the feral cats.

With the dump closed, the site was levelled and left for a while as just flat dirt. But this became the perfect film location for the Sarah Dane TV series. They built the boat on the dirt so that all the shots would have the ocean in the background for the ocean scenes. Pete recalls strange loud noises at night during the filming as industrial fans and hoses replicated the storm scenes. They would also like to find a copy of a photo with Linda and Andy Brockenbrow behind the wheel if anyone has this.



*The Sarah Dane.*

After this, beautification of the area began, and lawn seeds were sewn. Through an initiative of the MBCA, chaired at the time by Robert Hancock, locals had the opportunity to plant trees along the creek line. The trees were supplied by the council but if you wanted to plant a tree, you had to donate the money to the MBCA. Rosemary commented that "we planted three trees and named them Peter, Rosemary and Sammie (the dog)".

If anyone would like to be interviewed for our Memories of Maslins please contact [maslinbeachnews@gmail.com](mailto:maslinbeachnews@gmail.com)

**Kirstin Hannan.**

Images provided by Linda Brockenbrow.





### Spring Words Word Search Puzzle




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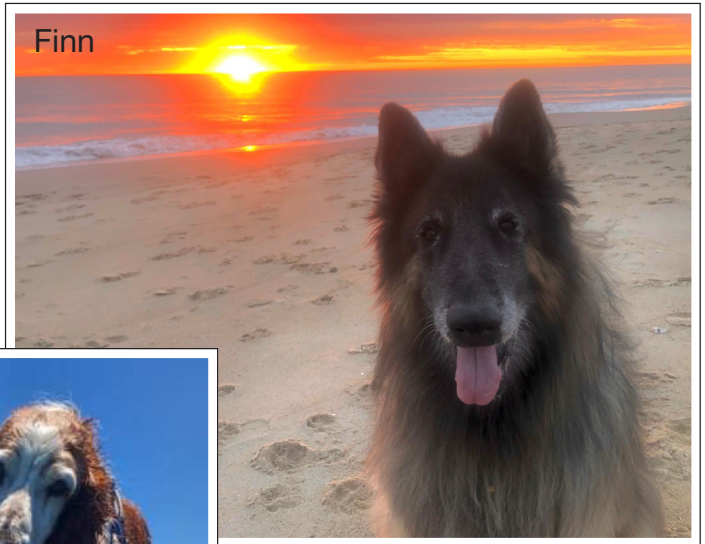
Unfortunately we've had a few very sad losses in our lovely community recently and would like to pay tribute here to these special furry family members.

Madawg was a beloved family pet of the Hannan's for over 11 years. Being a Welsh Springer Spaniel, he loved the beach and going for a swim on calm days. But also enjoyed tackling the larger waves too and going on adventures on the SUP. Madawg passed away over a month ago now and has left a big hole in the family given his huge personality.

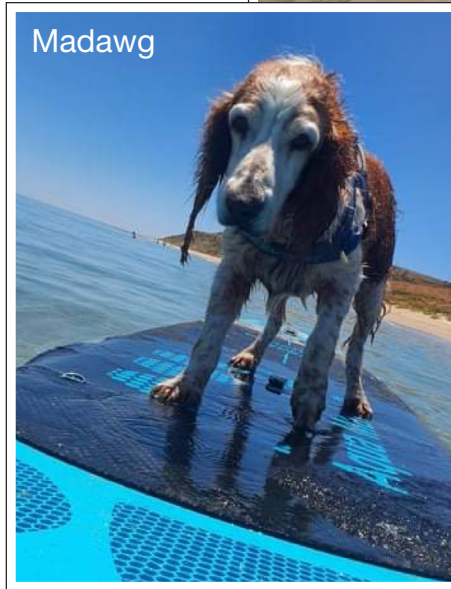
Ian and Kathy McGregor lost their beautiful Finn who was 13 years and 10 months old following a short illness. Finn and his absolute ball focus will be missed by everyone who knew him.

Karen and Mawuana-Grace Gray lost their gorgeous Rufus (The Black Prince of Maslin Beach) who passed away peacefully at home. His family said "he was 11 and 3/4 years old and loved his people, his food and all things furry and friendly in the hood". He spent 10 of those years with his wonderful family who absolutely loved and adored him.

Lisa Pitman and Mazzy.



Finn



Madawg



Rufus

*Photos provided by their humans.*

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