

DRUMMOYNE COMMUNITY CENTRE INC

Annual Report 2024



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Our Vision

A safe inclusive community which enables all its residents to share a vibrant cultural life.

Our Mission

To identify and respond to the need of the City of Canada Bay community through programs, service, partnerships, and community building activities.

Our Values

INTEGRITY: We build social connection and networks that are based on trust, respect and reciprocal interaction.

COLLABORATION: We believe in the power of working together and respectfully and ethically interact with each other and those we serve.

INCLUSIVITY: We acknowledge and celebrate peoples' differences and encourage participation of all through providing an environment that is non-judgemental, safe and welcoming.

SOCIAL CONNECTION: We are a community centre for all, supporting, promoting and strengthening opportunities for people to be connected to their neighbours and community.

RESPECT: We treat everyone with dignity and strive to ensure people feel safe and valued, accepted in a caring, welcoming and non-judgemental manner.

Our Acknowledgement

Drummoyne Community Centre pays respect to the Wangal people of the Dharug Nation on whose land and waters we work, learn, play and connect. We acknowledge elders past, present, and emerging.

Our Core Services



Transport Services



Partnerships &
Collaboration



English Language
Support



Parent Support



Information Hub



Volunteering

Front Cover Photos: Drummoyne Community Centre celebrates 45yrs of service with an Open Day event on 19 May 2024.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The Drummoyne Community Centre (DCC) has been serving this area now for 45 years and it is reassuring to reflect that some things haven't changed. The intention of our founders remains: to provide a community space for people to meet, share interests and respond collectively to enable change at their local level.

The DCC story is about people: people who want to belong to something; are looking for connection; want to pursue interests, hobbies or express a passion for a cause. We believe that giving service and caring for each other builds stronger individuals, and more dynamic and resilient communities.

To keep our services current, we stay responsive to community needs and this year the DCC Strategic Plan was updated to guide the Centre over the next five years. Staff and a volunteer committee spoke with residents, DCC members, key funders, and lead agencies to gather feedback on what we are already doing well, what they want us to continue and/or grow, and any new areas to include in future. This consultation was thorough and included: surveys; focus group workshops; and interviews. In total 318 responses were recorded and fed into the final 2024-2030 Strategic Plan. This and the Consultation Document are available on the DCC website and you are encouraged to read them.

In May we celebrated our birthday with a Community Open Day. The day highlighted and informed the wider community about all we have to offer to residents - how they can get involved and be part of our classes, programs and activities. Regular venue hirers provided live performances and entertainment, some Drummoyne Market stalls and City of Canada Bay Council Substantiality team added to the festive appeal. Over 300 people came by to share this occasion, and we thank and acknowledge the Drummoyne Sailing Club for their donation to this event through the NSW Clubs Grant Program. Such a day is only possible through the generous donations of time and funds from our community partners including: Drummoyne Occasional Childcare Centre and parents, City of Canada Bay Council; Drummoyne 1st Scouts; Drummoyne Bakehouse; Ebenezer Mission; Drummoyne Rotary; Dolcetti Pasticceria; Cup Cake Factory; Jada's Café; SPJ Photography; DBC; Canada Bay Community Choir; Red Dragon Taekwondo; Gentle Groove; Drummoyne Community Garden Group; 10 local stall holders; ADVC Performance Studio; DCC Staff, Management Committee & Volunteers. Our heartfelt thanks to everyone for creating such a memorable day!

This year City of Canada Bay Council updated internal facilities with a view to safety and accessibility. The major renovation was reconfiguring the toilet layout to add an accessible toilet plus handrails on other cubicles; common hallways have new flooring and tactile tiles; and three offices modernised with fresh paint and carpet. Everyone's patience and understanding during this time was much appreciated and I'm sure you'll all agree the results were worth the wait!

The DCC Constitution allows for supporting other organisations access to funding and this was activated for a long-term hirer, Move & Groove Creative Dance.



Poster



Renovation

An auspice arrangement enabled the application for a grant and the result was a successful delivery of three workshops, "We Create: An Intergenerational Creative Project of Movement and Music". DCC also supported local artists and the local arts sector by taking part in the Inaugural Drummoyne Art Trail and to maintain these connections, we plan to install a hanging system in our hallways with the intention of supporting local schools and emerging artists to display their works. So, watch this space!

Drummoyne Community Centre staff and volunteers pride ourselves on quality customer service so it was a delightful surprise to receive an Honourable Mention for Customer Experience under the Council's Business & Sustainability Awards. The nomination specifically noted the services DCC provides to parents and families. This was mentioned in parliament by our State Member, Ms. Stephanie di Pasqua, which means this is now recorded in Hansard and part of history. This award and certificate are proudly displayed in the DCC foyer.

The success of this wonderful year is thanks to the individuals who support us financially through membership and by attending events and activities. Also, our regular hall hirers provide our residents with so many interesting activities and us with added income to fund DCC services to our community. On behalf of the DCC Management Committee and members, may I sincerely acknowledge our recurrent funders, City of Canada Bay Council and the NSW Dept of Communities & Justice.

The magic of stretching funding beyond its limits is only possible through the dedication and collaboration of my fellow volunteer colleagues on the DCC management committee, the selfless and professional staff team, and our amazing volunteers who make this all happen.

Adele Henty

President

Awards Night



TREASURER'S REPORT

Year End 30 June 2024

The Centre achieved an operating profit of \$2,150. This is down on last year's \$16,771 by \$14,620.

Income was down by some \$15,629 attributable mostly to the 2023 receipt of income from the Social Sector Transformation Fund (SSTF) \$38,273 and the closure of the centre due to renovations. Interest income has increased with interest rates.

Expenses were below last year due in part to the spend on the SSTF. Salaries continue to be our largest expense.

On a cash flow basis the net change is a positive \$12,654. Cash held at year end \$395,186. Bookkeeping services were bought in house during the year with the appointment of a part time bookkeeper in September 2023. Doug Wood of Foster Raffan remains our Auditor.

Kirsten Liljeqvist

Treasurer

MANAGER'S REPORT

Parenting Programs

All our courses focus on early development and intervention. Our programs are evidence informed about brain development and attachment, mindful and reflective parenting, and creating a nurturing and supportive environment, all of which is crucial for positive early childhood outcomes. Parents leave fostering a deeper understanding of how parenting style impacts a child's development. We help to rebuild parental confidence, and provide a safe, non-judgemental space for parents to connect and learn. Parents are provided with comprehensive resources including opportunities to continue connecting long past the course is over. A new program we delivered this year was 'Screens in Early Childhood' and was a direct response to consultation with local early educators, local psychologists, and parents in the community, who were looking for advice about healthy screen management. Getting To Know Your Baby, Baby Yoga, Dads Infant Massage and Circle of Security continue to be the most popular and requested courses.



**15 parent
education courses**



**166 class
enrolments**



**4.8 average rating
by participants**

Transport Services

Our transport service continues to assist residents in our area who cannot use public transport. Participants love the "Punctuality of the service" and "Courtesy of the drivers" that not only drive them but help them get to the door. It makes a dramatic difference to their lives. Many would be housebound if not for this service. It helps them not only get to essential services, but to activities in the community so they remain socially connected. In addition to the BayRider and the Ring & Ride service, we also offered shopping trips to Leichhardt Marketplace, for access to banks, delis, and clothing. New Resident Tours were delivered to twenty-eight (28) people.



**BayRider supported
1322 passengers**



**119
deliveries**



**4.9 average rating
by participants**

English Language Support

DCC delivers an ESL Program in a classroom setting in both Drummoyne (on a Friday) and Concord (on a Thursday). This program teaches language skills e.g., listening, reading, writing, pronunciation, vocabulary, and effective communication. Everyday life examples are used in the Australian context. Participants comment in bi-annual surveys that the ESL classes make them feel more confident and prouder. It is a kind and friendly environment "with the best teachers!" and it makes a significant difference to their lives.

Conversation English Group operates in Concord on a Wednesday and offers an opportunity to practice conversations in a small, supported environment. Participants gain confidence and feel more ready to engage in conversations with friends, people in the workplace and people in the community. Typical responses include: "It is a wonderful opportunity to practice spoken English. All the people are truly kind. It is a very friendly environment" and "It's made a lot of difference – my life has been changed for the good."



162 persons



166 classes



**4.7 average rating
by participants**

Health and Wellbeing Programs

Morning Tea and Chat saw a resurgence back to the Centre. Knowledgeable speakers shared information about a range of topics of interest to residents. Our Keep Stepping falls prevention program continues to grow and be very well attended and popular. DCC Programs such as Wonder & Wisdom, For Love of Music, Men's Group, Mahjong and Canada Bay Quilters, are also loved by our members. There is great commitment from many to try and make it along each week, fortnight or month. The comradery in these groups is special and a pleasure to observe. It is much more than about the activity itself; it is about the people and the friendship networks that grow, providing companionship and connection.



Parent Education Class

Highlights for 2023-24

- **We launched a new website.** The site highlights who we are and what we do and allows the community to register online for courses and events. We are now set up to take credit card payments in the office also.
- **TAFE delivered a Therapeutic Massage Day at DCC.** TAFE students practiced their learned skills under supervision and DCC members received a free massage. Everyone enjoyed the day!
- **Welcoming the Baby's Event** was held by the Federal Member Sally Sitou at Breakfast Point. Over two hundred families attended. DCC hosted an information stall and a guest speaker.
- Many children and staff from **Drummoyne Preschool** attended the intergeneration program throughout the year, bringing joy to all.
- **Technology Workshops for Seniors** were delivered by Library Services. By holding the workshops in the DCC hall it allowed DCC members and residents to attend sessions in Drummoyne.
- Two **Seniors Week** Local History Tours were delivered in partnership with the Canada Bay Museum, and many of our groups opened doors to residents so they could come and try a new hobby.
- Two **Fashion Parade Events** were held during the year. One in October (Summer) and the other in April (Winter). Volunteers from the Centre acted as fashion models.
- DCC participated in the **Drummoyne Twilight Fete**.
- A student from **Macquarie University**, Sandra de Silva Lopes, helped us with the Strategic Plan.
- **Art of Hearts** operated from the Centre offering people with disabilities an opportunity to experience art as a method of improving mental health.

I acknowledge the amazing team here at DCC - the staff, contractors, management committee and sub committees, and the volunteers who are the lifeblood of our services. I thank you all for your support and hard work.

Tracey Sweetman

Manager



11 events held
during the year



1712 attendances
at DCC groups
and programs



7782 attendances at
activities provided
by Hall Hirers

DRUMMOYNE COMMUNITY CENTRE INC
Committees' Report for the year ended 30 June 2024

The names of the elected committee members in office at the date of this report are:

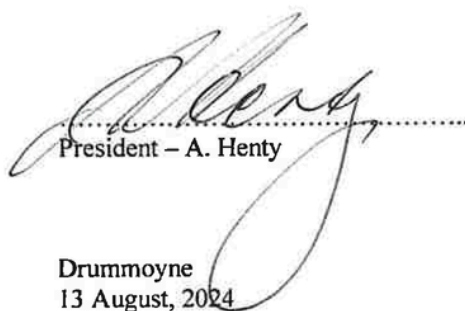
Name	Position
Adele Henty	President & Public Officer
Christina Vine-Hall	Vice President
Kirsten Liljeqvist	Treasurer
Ella Gould	Secretary
Virginia Ryan	Committee Member
Snehil Jaiswal	Committee Member
Lynn Taravel	Committee Member
Catherine Brown	Committee Member

The principal activity of the Association in the course of the financial year was running the community service activities in the City of Canada Bay Local Government Area. No significant change in the nature of that activity occurred during the year.

The operating profit for the financial year was \$2,150. (2023 - \$16,771).

Since the 30 June 2023 no committee member has received or become entitled to receive a benefit, because of a contract made by the Association or a related entity with the committee member, a firm of which the committee member is a member or an entity in which the committee member has a substantial financial interest.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Management.


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President – A. Henty

Drummoyne
13 August, 2024

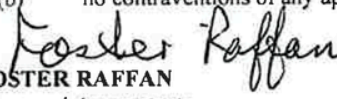

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Treasurer – K. Liljeqvist

Principal
Douglas Wood FCA RCA
Associate
George Vourantonis RCA
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Independence Declaration by the Auditor & Audit Report to the Members

To the members of the Drummoyne Community Centre Inc under the Association Incorporation Act 2009 (the Act).
We declare that, to the best of our knowledge and belief, during the year that ended 30 June 2024 there have been:
(a) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirement as set out in the Act in relation to the audit; and
(b) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.



FOSTER RAFFAN
Chartered Accountants



G D Wood, FCA (RCA #4479)
North Sydney, 13 August 2024.

Audit Report to the Members of Drummoyne Community Centre

Scope

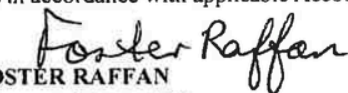
We have audited the financial report of Drummoyne Community Centre Inc for the year ended 30 June 2024 as set out on pages 3 to 8. The Board are responsible for the preparation and presentation of the financial report and the information contained therein. We have conducted an independent audit in order to express an opinion on it to the members of the Association.

Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Auditing Standards to provide reasonable assurance as to whether the financial report is free of material misstatement. Our procedures included examination on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial report, and the evaluation of accounting policies and significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether, in all material respects, the financial report is presented fairly in accordance with Accounting Standards so as to present a view of the Association which is consistent with our understanding of its financial position and the results of its operations.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

Audit Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report presents fairly the financial position of Drummoyne Community Centre Inc as at 30 June 2024, presents fairly with respect to fundraising appeals and the results of its operations for the year then ended and are in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards.



FOSTER RAFFAN
Chartered Accountants



G D Wood, FCA (RCA #4479)
North Sydney, 13 August 2024.

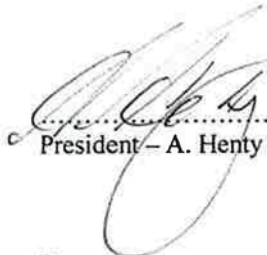
Drummoyne Community Centre Inc
Committees' Declaration

The Board of Management have determined that the Association is not a reporting entity and that this financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial report.

In the opinion of the Committee Members of the Association:

1. The financial report is drawn up in accordance with the Association Incorporation Act 2009 including giving a true and fair view of the Associations' financial position as at 30 June 2024 and its performance for the year ended on that date; and
2. At the date of this Declaration, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Association can meet its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This Declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Committee of Management and is signed on behalf of the committee by:



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President – A. Henty

Drummoyne
13 August 2024.



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Treasurer – K. Liljeqvist

Drummoyne Community Centre Inc
Income Statement for the year ended 30 June 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
Revenue from continuing operation	2	339,389	355,018
Less Expenses:			
Accounting/audit		5,050	13,104
Cleaning		21,131	22,928
Client support		10,173	12,397
Computer		2,613	44,937
Contractors		16,355	19,214
Depreciation		3,980	1,286
Insurance		9,046	6,905
Motor vehicle		4,793	4,572
Other		12,655	13,418
Printing & stationary		9,098	5,196
Rates & taxes		1,906	4,377
Salaries & superannuation		231,871	182,034
Telephone		1,524	1,692
Utilities		5,546	6,187
Volunteers		1,498	-
Total expenses		<u>337,239</u>	<u>338,247</u>
Operating profit for the year		2,150	16,771
Retained profits – 1 July 2023		252,815	236,044
Transfer (to) reserves		-	-
Transfer (to) reserves		-	-
Retained profits – 30 June 2024		<u>\$254,965</u>	<u>\$252,815</u>

The Income Statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

Drummoyne Community Centre Inc
Cashflow Statement for the year ended 30 June 2024

	Note	2024	2023
Cashflow from operating activities:-			
Receipts		326,224	304,480
Payments to suppliers and employees		(317,630)	(336,393)
Interest received		<u>13,065</u>	<u>2,800</u>
Net Cash inflow/(outflow) from operations		<u>21,659</u>	<u>(29,713)</u>
Cashflow from investing activities:-			
Purchase of equipment		<u>(9,006)</u>	<u>(7,362)</u>
Net cash (outflow) from investing		<u>(9,006)</u>	<u>(7,362)</u>
Net increase/(decrease) in cash		12,653	(36,475)
Cash – 1 July 2023		<u>382,533</u>	<u>419,008</u>
Cash – 30 June 2024	3	<u>\$395,186</u>	<u>\$382,533</u>

The Cashflow Statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Drummoyne Community Centre Inc
Balance Sheet – 30 June 2024

	Notes	2024 \$	2023 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank	3	395,186	382,533
Receivables	4	<u>4,209</u>	<u>4,108</u>
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		<u>399,395</u>	<u>386,641</u>
NON CURRENT ASSETS			
Fixed assets	5	<u>11,101</u>	<u>6,076</u>
TOTAL NON CURRENT ASSETS		<u>11,101</u>	<u>6,076</u>
Total Assets		<u>410,496</u>	<u>392,717</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors and accruals		32,636	17,445
Unearned income	6	6,268	5,855
Provisions	7	<u>18,727</u>	<u>18,702</u>
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>57,631</u>	<u>42,402</u>
NON CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL NON CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Liabilities		<u>57,631</u>	<u>42,402</u>
Net Assets		<u>\$352,865</u>	<u>\$350,315</u>
Reserves – Future viability		47,900	47,900
- Bus Replacement		50,000	50,000
Retained Profits		<u>254,965</u>	<u>252,815</u>
Total Equity		<u>\$352,865</u>	<u>\$350,315</u>

The Balance Sheet should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Drummoyne Community Centre Inc
Notes to and forming part of the Financial Report 30 June 2024

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

- a. **Basis of Accounting**
 The financial report is prepared in order to satisfy the financial report preparation requirements of the Association Incorporation Act 2009. The Committee members have determined that the Association is not a reporting entity. The report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Association Incorporation Act 2009 and the applicable accounting standards. The report has been prepared on an accrual basis, based on historical costs and does not take into account changing money values. The accounting policies adopted are consistent with previous years.
- b. **Income Tax**
 The Association is a non-profit organisation and as such does not conduct any activity which will generate substantial surplus of income over expenditure.
 The Association is exempt from paying income tax due to section 23 (e) of the Income Tax Act. No provision for income tax is included in the financial report.
- c. **Employee Benefits**
 Provisions for annual leave and long service leave are raised in respect of the Associations liability. No employee is yet eligible for long service leave.
- d. **Fixed Assets**
 All fixed assets are included at cost and are depreciated over their useful lives using depreciation rates based on those set out in the Income Tax Act.

2. Revenue	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Class and group fees	14,538	8,193
Donations – Rotary Club of Drummoyne / other	3,387	3,115
Government Grants – NSW Dept. of Communities & Justice	125,776	159,934
Grants – City Canada Bay Council	130,656	125,544
Grants – / Other	5,000	-
Hall hire	41,597	42,109
Interest	13,907	6,034
Other – Membership / Fundraising / Sundry	4,532	7,435
Reimbursements	-	2,654
Total Revenue	<u>339,389</u>	<u>355,018</u>
3. Cash at Bank		
Operating accounts		
- CBA # 9867	536	536
- CBA # 2386	42,080	54,924
- CBA # 3084	340	583
- Petty Cash	250	250
	<u>43,206</u>	<u>56,293</u>
Term Deposits		
- CBA # 2362 (3.85% - 14.10.25)	50,000	81,240
- CBA # 9636 (3.95% - 25.7.24)	150,000	100,000
- CBA # 5345 (3.95% - 9.10.24)	<u>151,980</u>	<u>145,000</u>
Total Cash at Bank	<u>351,980</u>	<u>326,240</u>
	<u>395,186</u>	<u>382,533</u>

Drummoyne Community Centre Inc*Notes to and forming part of the Financial Report 30 June 2024*

	2024	2023
4. Receivables	\$	\$
Trade debtors	-	737
Accrued interest	<u>4,209</u>	<u>3,371</u>
	<u>4,209</u>	<u>4,108</u>
5. Fixed Assets		
Motor vehicles at cost	58,969	58,969
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(58,969)</u>	<u>(58,969)</u>
	-	-
Office equipment, at cost	55,929	55,448
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(44,828)</u>	<u>(49,372)</u>
	<u>11,101</u>	<u>6,076</u>
Net book value	<u>11,101</u>	<u>6,076</u>
6. Unearned Income		
Fees and membership in advance	2,730	1,175
Hall hire	<u>3,538</u>	<u>4,680</u>
	<u>6,268</u>	<u>5,855</u>
7. Provisions		
Annual leave	15,944	11,586
Long service leave	-	6,288
Time in Lieu	843	828
Bus Repair	<u>1,940</u>	-
	<u>18,727</u>	<u>18,702</u>

8. Subsequent Events

There have been no significant events which have occurred in the period subsequent to 30 June 2024 to the date of this report.

OUR TEAM 2023-24

The Management Committee

President: Adele Henty
Vice President: Christina Vine-Hall
Secretary: Ella Gould
Treasurer: Kirsten Liljeqvist
Ordinary Member: Snehil Jaiswal
Ordinary Member: Lynn Taravel
Ordinary Member: Catherine Brown
Ordinary Member: Virginia Ryan
Ordinary Member: Penny Walters (left April)
Council non-voting members: Philip Edney;
Tanya Gamble; Cr Julia Little; Cr Carmel Ruggeri

The Staff

Manager: Tracey Sweetman
Transport Officer: Roberta Di Brazza
Administration officer/s:
Catherine Brokenshire (left April 2024);
Shani Cox (started March 2024)
Bookkeeper: Daila Jansons
Driver: Paul Roach
Driver: David Murray (started Nov 2023)
Driver: Martin Watts (left Feb 2024)
Driver: Ian Ismay (left July 2023)

New staff in 2023-24



Shari Cox



David Murray



Daila Jansons

The Contractors

We thank the following Contractors for their dedication to their role at DCC. Our Tutors and Facilitators are very much loved by our participants and we pass on our appreciation to: Dymrna Kennedy, for parent education; Catherine Smith, for ESL Tutor (Drummoyne); Emily de Silva, for ESL Tutor (Concord); Michael Kline, for Keep Stepping Program; Nuala Williams, for The Love of Music Program.

The Volunteers

Volunteers play a vital role at Drummoyne Community Centre. They lead our organisation with vision and direction, and they support the staff in the delivery of service. Their roles and functions are varied. We wish to acknowledge the following for their unwavering dedication:

- Program Volunteer Leaders: Ann Ferris, New Resident Tours; Kate Holden, Bay Quilters; Maria del Monte, Wonder & Wisdom; Sook-Hun Fong, Drummoyne Community Gardening Group; Maureen Casey and David Craig, Conversation English Group; Ray Burdekin, Men's Group; Elisabeth McDonald, Mahjong Group.
- Office Volunteers: Elaine Figg, Helen Trent, Fifi Scott, Lynn Taravel.
- Volunteers Coordinator: Christina Vine-Hall.
- Sub Committee Volunteers: Peter Leslie; Ann Koutts, Daila Jansons, Kirsten Liljeqvist.
- Ring & Ride Volunteer Drivers: Peter Lesley, Lynn & Serge Taravel, Lindsay Woods, John Brownhill, Catherine Brokenshire.
- Fashion Parade Volunteers: Ruth Zionzee; Jenny Phillips; Lynn Taravel; Christina Vine-Hall, Maria Del Monte.
- Wonder & Wisdom Volunteers: Colleen Burke, Jan Curran, Barbara Imrie, Mary McRae, Virginia Milla, Suzanne Parker, Vicki Morris, Merle Newton.

We appreciate the ongoing commitment of our recurrent funders for 2023-2024: City of Canda Bay Council and NSW Dept of Communities & Justice.



**Communities
& Justice**

We are thankful for the local ClubsNSW grants program for which we received one-off funding for our Open Day event in May 2024



DRUMMOYNE
SAILING CLUB

We acknowledge the providers who offer key outreach services through partnership.

Financial Counselling



Legal Support



Tax Help



Australian Government
Australian Taxation Office

