



2014-15 in review

Climate Change Balmain-Rozelle has had one of its most active years ever. We have. . .

had stalls at events

- Footprints EcoFestival, Petersham Bowling Club, Our Solar Future.

participated in rallies

- *People's Climate Picnic* in Sep 2014, *No WestConnex Picnic* at White's Creek, Feb 2015 and *Walk For Water*, also in Feb, from Rozelle to NSW Parliament House.
- Distributed 4,000 flyers for *People's Climate March*, got Leichhardt Mayor and Council to support and attend the march with our group.

organised meetings

- Coal mining and health with *Our Land Our Water Our Future* at Glebe Town Hall.
- *What About Paris*, with the Balmain Institute and The Climate Institute.
- And in June we started our bi-monthly *Climate in the Pub* meetings, so far discussing *Solar Citizens*, *Climate & Health* and *How to win friends and influence policy*.

questioned candidates in the NSW State Election

- Researched, produced and distributed 2,000 copies of a four-page *Election Scorecard* comparing local candidates.

made submissions, organised petitions and formulated policies

- 1,100 signature petition for a strong NSW RET, presented to Jamie Parker.
- Submissions on *Australia's post-2020 Emissions Target*, *Leichhardt Council's Draft Sustainability Plan* and *WestConnex EIS*.

sent monthly e-newsletters

- Our email list varied between 700 and 800 through the year.

reorganised our website

- Improved navigation, added simple and accessible information about our activities.

grew our numbers

- Active committee of seven, expanded email discussion group, and a growing list of paid-up members.

Food and Food Waste group

- *Cutting the cost of food waste* brochure researched, printed and distributed to 200 cafes in the area. *Cooking with What you Have* workshops for two local councils.

Energy and Solar PV group

- Surveyed attitudes to rooftop solar among residents in the area.

The team:

Although helped by many others, particular credit, in no particular order, goes to:-

- Vice President Gavin Gilchrist: networker, recruiter, WestConnex expert.
- Secretary Kim Zegenhagen: host of committee meetings and a host of other things.
- Committee member Angela Michaelis: food and waste expert, People's Climate March organiser, source of limitless energy.
- Treasurer Derek Bolton: technology guru and submission writer.
- Committee member Kathryn Marcus: sustainable food expert, chef.
- Committee member Michael Johnson: Climate in the Pub organiser.
- And President (me), Dominic Case website, Facebook, newsletter, general back up.

Climate Change is now a front page topic as it starts to bite, but our leaders fail to keep up. With a Federal election looming in 2016, we have a big year in front of us. We must start planning our program now.

Dominic Case (President, Climate Change Balmain-Rozelle) December 2015