

NAWCC Chapter 104 Flood Readiness Plan

23 July 2014

Purpose:

The purpose of this clubroom flood readiness plan is to document the recommended approach to protect and/or relocate club assets from the clubhouse store room should a flood threaten to inundate the clubroom.

Levels of Readiness:

1. **NORMAL**: An inventory of items stored at the clubhouse will be compiled and updated at once each year. Items with the highest priority for evacuation will be identified on this list. As far as possible, items will be stored in such a way as to facilitate their removal safely and efficiently. This plan will be updated by the MCM annually and presented at the AGM.
2. **ALERT**: At the agreed alert trigger, the coordinator will contact the President and Secretary and members on the contact list to coordinate a response should it be necessary.
3. **ACTION**: At the agreed evacuation trigger, list members will contact the coordinator who will coordinate the evacuation of club assets from the clubroom. Should the coordinator not be available, the second person on the list will take over that responsibility

Alert Trigger:

The alert trigger will be a flood alert or watch advice for Brisbane from the Bureau of Meteorology <http://www.bom.gov.au/australia/warnings/index.shtml>

Evacuation Trigger:

The club assets will be evacuated when the Brisbane City Council advises there will be a flood forecast at 1.7 meters or higher at the port office. Flood warning information is available at <http://www.bom.gov.au/australia/warnings/index.shtml>

Clubhouse location: Rocklea Show Ground, UBD map 199 (I-6) 1430 Ipswich Road Rocklea.
Normal entry via Ipswich Service Road and gate on Goburra Street.

Suggested alternate route: Should flood water prevent entry via Goburra St, alternate emergency access might be obtained to the Ipswich Service Road via Ipswich Road which has access through the roadside hedge to the service road. Access may also be achieved via the front gate or via the caretaker's cottage gate.

Contact List:

The following people have volunteered to assist with evacuation or can be contacted for emergency access to the clubhouse facility in an emergency.

Allan Roberts President: 07 32777858, 0417243037

Mark Roberts: 37119947, 0417070378

Graham Martens: 37113587, 0418873984

Tony Roberts: 07 33761188, 0419705254

Adrian Wright: 07 33761584, 0401175269

Cameron Milne 07 31627249, 0405835793

Cecil Lukas: 07 32721810, no mobile

Key Holders for Access to Clubroom, Storeroom and Cupboards:

Allan Roberts: 07 32777858, 0417243037

Cameron Milne 07 31627249, 0405835793

Tony Roberts: 07 33761188, 0419705254 (Front Gate)

Jeff Dyer: 07 54632312

Evacuation Plan:

Generally assets will be evacuated as per the priority mentioned in the inventory. Typically books and electrical equipment will be evacuated first followed by portable tools. Assets will be moved to higher ground off site. Assets will be transported in volunteers' vehicles.

Location of this plan: This plan will be stored on the club website and at the clubroom to ensure it is always available.

Update cycle:

Contact details and volunteers will be reviewed annually.

Volunteers will be called for at the club's AGM and contact detail confirmed.

FLOOD WARNINGS AVAILABLE

<http://www.bom.gov.au/australia/warnings/index.shtml>

The Bureau of Meteorology provides a flood warning service for most major rivers in Australia. This service is provided with the cooperation of other government authorities, such as the State Emergency Service (S/TES) in each State/Territory, water agencies and local Councils. The Bureau delivers this service through Flood Warning Centres and Regional Forecasting Centres in Bureau Regional Offices in each State and the Northern Territory. The Flood Warning Service provides different types of information that depends on the type of flooding and the flood risk. The range of information, which may vary between States and areas within a State, includes:

An Alert, Watch or Advice of possible flooding, if flood producing rain is expected to happen in the near future. The general weather forecasts can also refer to flood producing rain.

A Generalised Flood Warning that flooding is occurring or is expected to occur in a particular region. No information on the severity of flooding or the particular location of the flooding is provided. These types of warnings are issued for areas where no specialised warnings systems have been installed.

As part of its Severe Weather Warning Service, the Bureau also provides warnings for severe storm situations that may cause flash flooding. In some areas, the Bureau is working with local councils to install systems to provide improved warnings for flash flood situations. Warnings of 'Minor', 'Moderate' or 'Major' flooding in areas where the Bureau has installed specialised warning systems. In these areas, the flood warning message will identify the river valley, the locations expected to be flooded, the likely severity of the flooding and when it is likely to occur. Predictions of the expected height of a river at a town or other important locations along a river, and the time that this height is expected to be reached. This type of warning is normally the most useful in that it allows local emergency authorities and people in the flood threatened area to more precisely determine the area and likely depth of the flooding. This type of warning can only be provided where there are specialised flood warning systems and where flood forecasting models have been developed.

Secretary