

### Norah Head Lighthouse Land Manager Board

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# **February 2023 Newsletter**

#### **Tower Tours**

ChatGPT (Chat Generative Pre-trained Transformer) is a chatbot launched by OpenAI in November 2022. It is built on top of OpenAI's GPT-3 family of large language models, and is fine-tuned (an approach to transfer learning) with both supervised and reinforcement learning techniques.

We asked <u>ChatGPT: Optimizing Language Models for Dialogue (openai.com)</u> to write a tour speech for Norah Head Lighthouse, NSW, Australia.

**Question**: "Write a tour speech for Norah Head Lighthouse, NSW, Australia."

#### **Chat GPT Generated Response:**

"Welcome to Norah Head Lighthouse, located on the beautiful Central Coast of New South Wales, Australia. The lighthouse has been guiding ships and boats safely through the waters since 1903.

As we make our way up to the top of the lighthouse, you'll be able to take in the stunning views of the coast and the surrounding areas. From the top, you can see for miles and catch a glimpse of the local wildlife such as seabirds and dolphins.

The lighthouse is also an important historical site. It was built during a time when ships relied heavily on the light to navigate through the treacherous waters. The lighthouse has stood the test of time and is still in operation today, using the latest technology to ensure the safety of ships.

Inside the lighthouse, you'll have the opportunity to learn about the history of the lighthouse and the lives of the lighthouse keepers and their families who lived on the site. You'll also get to see the lens room, where the light is generated, as well as the living quarters of the lighthouse keepers.

As we make our way back down the lighthouse, don't forget to take a walk along the coastal walkway. You'll be able to see the lighthouse from a different perspective and take in the natural beauty of the area.

So whether you're a history buff or just looking for a unique and beautiful place to visit, Norah Head Lighthouse is a must-see. We hope you enjoy your tour and thank you for visiting."

#### **Accommodation**

If you ever wondered about the life of a lighthouse keeper here is your chance to take a step back in time and experience the maritime history of our nation. Lighthouse Keepers Quarters are within walking distance to a patrolled beach and rock pools. There are three bedrooms and sweeping verandahs; sea views from every window, a fully self-contained kitchen, laundry, lounge room, beautifully furnished. The Head Keepers Quarters also boasts a separate dining room.

Visit our web site <u>Accommodation - Norah Head Lighthouse</u> for details and availability or call our Site Manager (Details below).

### Weddings



With stunning views across the Pacific ocean, Norah Head Lighthouse Reserve is a unique and beautiful Wedding location that reflects the joy and excitement of your day.

For more information, please contact our Site Manager 0452564102.

### **Lighthouse Tower Tours**

Lighthouse Tours are available everyday (except Christmas Day & Anzac Day) between 10am and 3pm. Last tour 2:30pm. No bookings required.

**Prices** 

Adults = \$10

Children 6 – 17 years = \$5

Family (2 Adults and 2 Children) = \$28

Payments accepted: cash, EFTPOS, Visa and MasterCard

### **Stables Shop**

Souvenirs, drinks and ice creams available. The shop is open the same times as the Tower. 10am to 2.30pm.

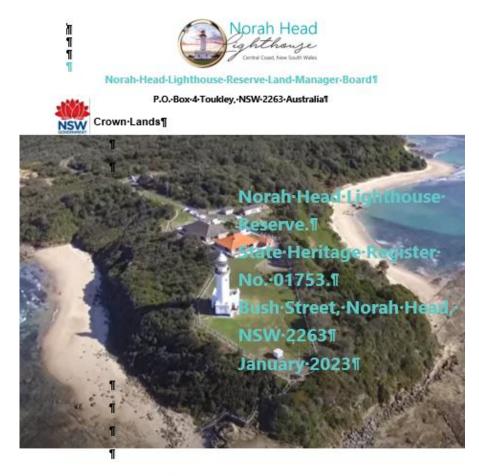


The Norah Head Lighthouse book by Tony James can be bought though at both the shop or the tower.

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#### Feedback sought on Planning Items for the Reserve.

The NHLRLMB has again revised the draft 2022 Management Plan in response to the grant funding received this year. This has required a refocus on what is now needed to be undertaken on the reserve and the funded items that will be implemented this year removed from the plan.



MANAGEMENT-PLAN-2023¶\_\_\_\_\_

The 2023 Management Plan lists 19 projects that the NHLRLMB has identified as needing funding. \$1.5million will have been spent on the Reserve in the past two years between 2021 and the end of 2023. Preliminary estimates indicate that a further \$2.5million would be required to complete all the projects.

The NHLRLMB is now seeking feedback on the list of 19 items to be found in Section 8, Master Planning For The Reserve.

The Draft 2022 Management Plan has been posted on our website and can be accessed **HERE.** 

Please email any comments to NHLRboard@outlook.com.





# Don't miss out - Only six weeks to go!

Norah Head - Lighthouse Music Festival March 11th
Pete Murray will headline with duo Pierce Brothers , Steph Strings
Darren Middleton (powderfinger), D'Arcy Spiller , Jye Sharp & David
McCredie

**GET TICKETS NOW!** 

### **Repainting Exterior Of Quarters**

On 8th December 2022 Crown Lands approved reallocating the portion of unspent funds to allow the NHLRLMB to complete this CRIF 2021 project, the cost of which had exceeded the original grant funding to complete the work.

On 17th January, 2023, external lead paint removal and repainting Stage 3 of Quarters Q3. This was the first stage of a two-stage program.





The work is carefully planned to best fit in with accommodation vacancies. The second stage is planned to commence on 29th May, 2023, when external lead paint removal and repainting of Quarters Q2, the Site Manager's quarters. The Site Manager will occupy Quarters Q1 to allow this to happen.

## **New Washing Machines and Dryers**



Both Quarters Q1 and Q3 have separate laundries. In January new washing machines and dryers were purchased for guests use. The addition of dryers to the laundries is in response to comments from a number of guests that they would have appreciated a dryer as well as the washing machine in the laundries.

### **Pics by Chris Richardson** ™

In July last year the NHLRLMB granted a request from Chris Richardson to enter lighthouse images in a Photographer of the Year 2022 competition presented by Camera House. From over 3000 entries both images Chris received a "Commended Award" for the two lighthouse photos he entered.



The picture of the lighthouse was part of a set called "Local Travel" (which included other Central Coast Tourist spots), and the lantern photo below was a stand-alone entry in the "Reflection and Refraction" category.

