



# This is LUGARNO



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## A Message from the President

Welcome to the first LPA newsletter for 2002. I hope all LPA members and Lugarno residents had a very enjoyable Christmas and a happy new year.

Our first meeting for 2002 will be on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February at 8.00pm. This meeting will also be the Annual General Meeting and office bearers and a new Committee will be elected for 2002. So if you are interested in becoming involved, please come along.

As we start 2002, there are a few LPA supporters that we need to thank for all their help in 2001. A special thank you to Peter Bennett of Richardson & Wrench of Mortdale who generously sponsor the delivery of our newsletter. We are very grateful for their financial assistance, which ensures the delivery of the monthly newsletter. Also to Pat & Bruce Abbott of Barbara Place who work tirelessly behind the scenes to ensure that the newsletter is formatted and produced on time each month. To Kevin Whitten of Lugarno Hardware and Cheryl Glanville of Lugarno Estates who act as our pseudo treasurers in taking memberships and dues from members and passing it on to our Treasurer during the year, we also say thank you.

2002 should be a good year for Lugarno. The Evatt Park improvements will be completed and we would like to think that the Lugarno Boardwalk proposed for Edith Bay will receive some momentum and be put on display for all residents to review and comment. We look forward to a fruitful year and to seeing you at the AGM.

Rob Clarsen ? 0412 568236

### Lugarno water pressure

We have received a letter from Sydney Water via Kevin Greene regarding the progress in addressing the lack of water pressure in some parts of Lugarno. It appears there are some 75 properties in Lugarno where the water pressure standard is not met at all times due to the hilly terrain. Sydney Water says that as part of an \$8 million programme, they will be installing a central pressure boosting station in Lugarno.

### Lighting Riverwood Plaza

This matter is now being investigated by the Hurstville Town Centre Marketing Manager and a copy of Kevin Greene's letter to Hurstville Council has been sent to Riverwood Plaza for their attention. Hopefully some action may occur on this matter soon.

### Hurstville horizons

Council has invited the LPA to participate in a series of workshops, which aim to determine the future direction and vision for Hurstville City. The outcomes of the workshops to be held will have direct input

into the broad planning and decision-making processes about our future that are undertaken by Council and other key government and community organisations. The workshops are to be held on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February and Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2002 and last for approximately 2.5 hours. The attendance of the LPA at these workshops will be discussed at our 11<sup>th</sup> February Meeting.

### Stormwater trust grants

Hurstville Council has applied to the NSW Storm Water Trust for funding for a number of projects.

One project is titled “*Catchment Care at Hurstville*” and involves a storm water education programme for local primary schools across the Hurstville local Government area. The second component of the programme involves the delivery of storm water training and review programme for Council’s outdoor staff that work at the Depot’s and around the City maintaining the parks and roads etc.

The second programme involves the installation of a storm water device at Trafalgar Street Peakhurst to trap pollutants, which would otherwise flow into Saltpan Creek and then the Georges River. Re-vegetation and Turpentine-Ironbark community plantings would also be undertaken as part of the project.

We wish Hurstville Council good luck with the applications to which we have prepared a letter of support. The NSW Storm Water Trust will advise on grant applications in March 2002.

### Neighbourhood Watch

Did you know that a car is stolen every 4 minutes in Australia, which adds up to over 13,000 per year? This is one of the highest theft rates in the Western world. A National Motor Vehicle Theft Reduction Council has been set up by all Australian Governments and the insurance industry. Work is being done to implement a range of strategies to deliver substantial and long-term reductions in the unacceptable rate of car theft.

Only 1 in 4 cars is stolen by organised gangs. The majority of cars are stolen by opportunistic thieves who use them for joy riding or to commit another crime. These thieves are generally unskilled and will be deterred by an effective security device. To reduce the chances of your car being stolen do not hide a second set of keys, leave the car running while unattended, do not leave personal items such as phones, briefcases and handbags in sight, fully close all windows and lock all doors, park in a secure and well-lit area and if you have off-street parking – use it!

*And remember* the majority of cars stolen are over 10 years old and are generally targeted because of the lack of security devices.

### Statistics December 2001

Since our meeting with Hurstville Police, we have been able to again obtain the statistics for Neighbourhood Watch in Lugarno. This allows us to let you know what is being targeted in the area so you can be especially careful in these areas:

#### **Car accident**

Renway Avenue  
Moons Avenue  
Forest Road

#### **Malicious damage**

Lugarno Public School

#### **Stealing**

Poplar Place (cash/cheque books)  
Woodlands Avenue

#### **Stealing from a motor vehicle**

Illawong Street (cash, body panels)

## WHAT'S ON?

### NEXT MEETING

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February - 8.00 pm (Come along and join us)

**St. Stephen’s Church Hall (Opposite Allwood Crescent)**

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