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Priceless

A Message from the President

In our last newsletter, (did you notice it was green and easy to find in your letterbox?) it was mentioned there would be a membership drive at Chivers Hill. Well, this occurred and was a great success. It was an opportunity for the LPA Committee to meet residents doing their shopping and generally enjoying the morning.

Over 60 new members joined the LPA to support the interests of the local community. It would be great to think all 2000 households in Lugarno were supporting the LPA. You can still join by dropping an envelope with your name and address and \$5 a family, \$3 single or \$2 concession to Lugarno Hardware or Yates Newsagency at Chivers Hill or Lugarno Estates at Lime Kiln Road. Thanks and welcome to those new members.

Rob Clarsen ? 0412 568236

Notes from the last meeting

Apart from normal business and updates, members were treated to an interesting discussion by Mary Moodie, long time Lugarno resident and owner of the Mary Moodie's Garden Centre on Forest Road. Mary spoke about the care and preservation of trees and how to control and promote garden growth without using chemical based products. There were also ideas to enhance gardens by introducing water features a range of which is available from Ron Walkerdon, Southern Aquatic Garden Centre at Peakhurst. Had you thought of setting up a small frog pond as an eco-system in your garden? Mary gave hints about how to do this and will offer further advice if you would care to call in and see her at Peakhurst. This was a very interesting meeting and well attended for a cold evening.

Next meeting

The next meeting of the LPA is on Monday 9 September from 8-9.30 pm in the Hall of the Anglican Church in Old Forest Road. Tea, coffee and biscuits will add to the warm welcome extended to all members and especially new members who joined recently.

Gary Franks

Did you see our local doctor, Gary Franks, featured in a segment on healthy lifestyles on the New Dimensions programme on ABC TV recently? There were also great views of Evatt Park and of the Lugarno Scouts Hall

Snippets from the membership drive

"Are you interested in joining the LPA?"

"Well, no, I'm leaving Lugarno soon"

"Where do you go after leaving Lugarno?"

"To the Gold Coast"

Then another voice chimed in
"There's only one place to go after Lugarno, Heaven!"

This was obviously a long time resident who has discovered the many joys of living in the naturally beautiful Lugarno.

"Would you like to join the LPA?"

"No, because progress means development and I don't like that"
Development is an integral part of living in the 21st century and the LPA being a united body of residents means it has a respected voice when development issues come to hand and is a watchdog on appropriate development planned in our community.

Another passerby declined to join as he lived in Oatley but came here because he liked shopping at Lugarno!

New restaurants

The **Wood-Fired Pizza** shop will open in another two weeks or so. As well welcome to **La Dolce Vita**, the newly opened Italian Restaurant.

Another couple of reasons to shop locally and support the Lugarno business community.

Evatt Park

Duck muck on the pontoon bridge in Evatt Park was mentioned as a concern last meeting. The Council has cleaned the bridge but this will be an ongoing problem. Perhaps residents may consider not feeding the introduced duck species so much bread. The many loaves fed to the ducks make them fat and lazy. They need to feed in the dam and clear the water.

Coming up

The cricket season is gearing up to start again on Saturday 7 September. The **Lugarno Sports Cricket Club** is always interested in new members and supporters.

The **Lugarno Spring Fair** is to be held at Gannons Park on Sunday 22 September. The annual event organised by the Lions Club in

support of community projects is not to be missed.

If you are concerned about not being able to pay your **Council Rates** at the local Post Office any more, then sign the petition in Yates Newsagency, Chivers Hill.

Future LPA meetings:

- ?? Monday 14 October
- ?? Monday 11 November
- ?? Monday 9 December

Howard's Historical Corner

Did you know?

Thomas Holt, responsible for naming Lugarno, came up with the grand scheme of damming the Georges River. At the time he was trying to promote the idea of the "Greater Sydney Water Supply" which involved damming the river near Tom Ugly's Point; getting rid of the salt water and replacing it with fresh water as it came down the river. Could this have been the answer to

Lugarno's present water pressure problem?

Many of the major weeds which cause problems throughout Sydney bushland such as broad-leaf privet, blackberry and lantana and honey locust, began their Australian life as hedges at John Macarthur's Camden farm. They were among the hundreds of exotics which Macarthur imported.

LPA's 80th birthday celebration

The LPA's 80th birthday celebration will be held at the Grandviews Bowling Club on Friday 22 November at 7.00 pm. There will be a smorgasbord dinner at \$25 a head and drinks will be available from the bar. Book now and join in the community celebrations.

LPA's 80th Birthday celebration at Grandviews Bowling Club booking slip

Please reserve:..... [] places at the above function for Friday 22 November

I enclose: \$.....@ \$25 per person

Name: Day time telephone number:.....

Cheques should be made payable to **Lugarno Progress Association**

Return in sealed envelope to **Yates Newsagency or Lugarno Hardware** at Chivers Hill

WHAT'S ON?

NEXT MEETING

Monday 9 September - 8.00 pm

(Come along and join us)

St. Stephen's Church Hall (Opposite Allwood Crescent)

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