



# This is LUGARNO

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Priceless

## A Message from the President

The Council elections have come and gone and although I was not successful in gaining a place on the Council, this was a great learning experience for our team. We gave it our best shot with plenty of hard work put into meeting with the community at large and listening to the concerns of residents in the Peakhurst Ward.

Thanks for the great support we had, especially for the work being done by the LPA and the many people who indicated how much they appreciated living in the Lugarno area and wanted to preserve this lovely natural environment.

Congratulations to the successful candidates in the election. We look forward to them working with the community and attending our LPA meetings in the future and taking up the many local issues raised there on our behalf.

Rob Clarsen ☎ 0412 568236

### Last meeting

Mention was made of community concern about the development of Port Botany with an expected 3.5 million container movements annually through our local suburbs from the port to Chullora. This is a tenfold increase in the present situation and will have disastrous effects on our roads, waterways, air climate and noise levels. This was the report from the Oatley Flora and Fauna (OFF) meeting held last month.

Another report raised the concern of sewerage overflow into Kogarah Bay at Scarborough Park particularly following periods of rain. Urgent attention needs to be given to solving this problem as the polluted water kills fish and birds, and dog owners are advised to keep their charges away from this poisonous water. The LPA will seek the support of the local State member to deal with this matter.

### Vale Harry Edwards

We record here with sadness the death of well-known Moons Avenue identity **Harry Edwards** on 6 April 2004 at the age of 85. Harry was a long time Lugarno resident and was for many years an LPA member. We express condolences to Harry's family and his friends.

### No bunny

The LPA has previously recorded its appreciation of the great work of the Crossing Supervisor outside Lugarno Public School. She was seen on the day before the Easter holidays wearing rabbit ears and handing out chocolate eggs as she carefully and safely supervised her charges across the road. Thanks, Crossing Supervisor, and congratulations on the cheerful way you do your work.

### Hurstville's new Mayor

Congratulations to **Joanne Morris** who will be the new Mayor of Hurstville City Council. Joanne has been a member of Council for the past five years and during her leadership she hopes to involve the Council in greater community consultation and wants to finalise the long-awaited city master plan. The LPA looks forward to a positive working relationship with the new Council to achieve the best outcomes for Lugarno.

### Green Streets comes to Lugarno

In December 2003, the *Green Streets* programme was introduced to Lugarno traders by the then Hurstville Mayor, Vince Badalati. The Chivers Hill shopping strip was selected as the first NSW *Green Streets* pilot because

of its business mix and environmental setting.

Through the *Green Streets* programme, businesses will look at the ways they currently operate and identify opportunities to be more environmentally sustainable. By reducing their environmental impact in areas such as waste, water, energy, chemical use and transport, businesses can save money and help build on the healthy and vibrant community of Lugarno.

Environmental surveys have been conducted to gain a snapshot of the awareness of traders regarding current practices being put in place to improve the environmental sustainability of their business. Comprehensive audits have also been done covering: water, energy, waste, chemicals, transport, heating & cooling, appliances, lighting and management.

The *Green Streets* programme is being sponsored and hosted by Hurstville City Council and co-hosted by Village Green, which is based in Melbourne. For more information on the programme call Council's Environmental Sustainability Coordinator, Cindy Cunningham on 9330 6260.

Delivery of "This Is Lugarno" is generously sponsored by:

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## Awards

Presently *The Leader* is asking for nominations for your favourite small business. Consider nominating those businesses in Lugarno for their convenient and friendly service. LPA is particularly gratefully to **Lugarno Hardware** and **Yates Newsagency** for collecting our memberships and passing on information. Entry slips can be found in *The Leader* and close on 7 May this year. Let's support our local shops.

## Lights

Thanks to all those who contributed ideas to alleviate problems associated with the festive lights. Many of these are positive solutions which could well make a big difference in dealing with the traffic. The LPA will now be forwarding all of these suggestions to the Council for further consideration and implementation.

## Thanks

Many thanks to Lugarno Lions who in their usual community minded generosity provided a cheque for \$200 to support the development of the website for the Riverkeeper programme. Work on this project is now underway and further details will be provided when the website has its own address.

## Be careful

Reports have come in about break-ins and thefts in our local area even when owners are in residence. Take care to lock doors and leave valuables out of sight. Be mindful of the Neighbourhood Watch programme

and report any unusual noises or suspicious behaviour to police.

## Next meeting

The next LPA meeting will be held on Monday 10 May at 8.00pm in the Anglican Church Hall in Old Forest Road. There will be a guest speaker from the newly appointed Hurstville Regional Museum. The LPA will present a life buoy, from the old Lugarno Ferry, which will become part of the Museum's exhibits. All are welcome to attend the meeting.

## Membership renewal

It has been most encouraging to see the continued flow of membership renewals from Yates Newsagency and Lugarno Hardware. Thanks so much for this support to keep our Newsletter current and distributed to all households. If you haven't got around to joining up yet please fill out the slip at the foot of the Newsletter. All membership is welcome

## Community News

### Invitation

This year The Lions Club of Lugarno will celebrate 30 years of active involvement in the local community.

The LPA congratulates the Lugarno Lions on their tireless work in helping a range of people within the community with differing needs.

LPA members and friends are invited to join with the Lugarno Lions in a time of celebration and to renew old friendships in a relaxed evening of fun and entertainment. This will be held on Friday 2 July at 7.00 for 7.30pm at the Conca D'Oro Lounge Riverwood.

Tickets are \$55 per head, including pre-dinner drinks and savouries and a two course, meal with beer, wine or soft drink and entertainment and dancing. Dress: coat and tie and after 5. For bookings and further details contact Lion Bob Dillon 9533 5791 (H) or Lion Alan Wratten 9153 0743.

## Can you help?

Tin and packet food will be gratefully collected by the Lugarno Lions in the grounds of the Catholic Church (cnr Forest Road and Isaac St) on Saturday 1 May between 10 am and 3 pm. These donations of food will be given to the Exodus Foundation to support those in need. All contributions will be most welcome.

## Lugarno's biggest morning tea

*We have all known someone touched by cancer*

Once a year Australia stops for a "cuppa" in to raise funds for research into cancer prevention and cure. You are invited to join in **Lugarno's Biggest Morning Tea** at 10am on Thursday 27 May at St Stephen's Church, 3a Old Forest Road Lugarno.

Your donation of \$5 to participate will go to the Cancer Council. There will also be a fun auction and a sale table with gifts, cakes and plants as well as lucky chair prizes. Our Guest Speaker will tell of her experience with cancer and how God helped her to cope.

For more information, check our website <http://www.lugarnoanglican.org.au>, or contact Jan Cole on 9153 8820 or Rona Scarfe on 9533 5003

## Next meeting

**Monday 10 May - 8.00 pm**

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

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