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President: Mrs Joan Curtis **Phone:** 9533 1094 or 0411 486 897

The LPA meets on the first Monday of every month at 8.00pm in St Stephens Anglican Church Hall, Old Forest Road, Lugarno
Visitors Welcome!

October 2011



President's Report

As previously advised, the guest speaker at our October general meeting was Mr. Mark Coure, our local member for Oatley. Mark spoke mainly about the state budget for 2011/2012,

gave out budget literature outlining the works set down to take place, and answered questions from the few residents present.

Our guest speaker at our next general meeting, to be held 7/11/2011, will be Ian Curtis from Hurstville Council. Ian will be speaking on the update and maintenance of Webbs Dam so all that are interested on this subject should attend if possible as your input would be most appreciated.

We must give thanks to Hurstville Council for the removal and replacement of the children's play furniture in Evatt Park that had been so badly vandalized, and also thanks to previous Mayor, Cr Phillip Sansom, as we mentioned to him that the works had not been finalized at our September meeting when he was guest speaker. We had a lovely letter from a little boy called Dylan, via his mum, thanking us for the return of the children's play furniture, so thank you Dylan.

President's Report (cont)

It is with regret that we accept the resignation of Mr. Peter Mears from our committee. On behalf of the LPA I would thank Peter for his 49 years of service during which time he served in every position on the committee and was currently one of our trustees.

Unfortunately Peter resigned owing to health reasons and we wish him well.

Regards

Joan Curtis

Looking for Improved Bus Services

As a result of discussions with the LPA committee and other attendees at our last meeting Mark Coure has agreed to assist our campaign to improve/extend our local bus services, eg. adding routes from Lugarno to Mortdale station and then to Hurstville etc.

We will keep you posted on progress.



Meeting Attendances

Only 14 people, including the guest speaker and 7 committee members, attended our last meeting. We arrange speakers like Mark Coure to discuss your local political concerns, and next month Ian Curtis to discuss the Gannons Park development, all to add facilities to and improve our beautiful area. Wouldn't you want to be involved in improving our Lugarno.

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**A Lugarno Timeline (1926—1948)**

- 1926 1st May - Lugarno Post Office opens.
- 1926 John Edmund Boatwright sets up the Henley Pleasure Grounds near Blackbutt Ave.
- 1927 Water mains reach Lugarno. Low pressure leads to installation of a tank at the school.
- 1927 Harry Saint takes over Bennett bus service.
- 1927 November - Electricity reaches Lugarno.
- 1927/ 1928 The ferry again out of service.
- 1928 Boatwright starts his bus service, mainly to his Pleasure Grounds.
- 1929 Feb - The acquisition of a new ferry, a diesel engine type with a capacity of 6 vehicles.
- 1929 A large stone quarry starts in the area of present-day Ponderosa Place.
- 1930 early - Connor takes as partners Ernie Webb and family. The area is known as Webb's Farm. The large dam was built at this time.
- 1930 July - War Memorial erected on ex-Ald Cross's land in memory of his son killed in WW1. The land was then donated to Council.
- 1933 January - Large storm causes damage throughout Lugarno.
- 1933 28th October - The opening of Lugarno Public School as an Infants school.
- 1935 May - Yet another attempt to construct a bridge at Lugarno refused by the State Government. This was to be a continuing argument for the next 40 years!
- 1938 10th December - Devastating bushfires flatten Lugarno.
- 1938 15th December - Devastating storm flattens 13 houses in Lugarno.
- 1940 The erection of the first Baptist Church.
- Early 1944 The school closes due to dwindling enrolments but re-opens in December.
- 1947 The County of Cumberland Plan imposes restrictions on development in Lugarno but allows Mr Webb to continue his farm.
- 1948 September - The first mention of a bridge at Alfords Point (as well as Taren Point).

**An Improved Newsletter**

We have been fortunate for many years to have our newsletter production/delivery sponsored by Richardson & Wrench of Mortdale. We are now pleased to advise that their already generous help has been extended so that from January next year residents will receive a newsletter on improved quality paper and in colour. Our sincere thanks to

Richardson & Wrench of Mortdale.

Diary Dates**Next LPA Meeting**

Monday 7th November 2011 at 8:00pm, St Stephens Anglican Church Hall, Old Forest Rd, Lugarno

Hurstville City Council Meeting

Fourth Wednesday of every month, Hurstville Civic Centre, Council Chambers 7pm.

Please check the website for further details
www.hurstville.nsw.gov.au.

The Lugarno Evening View Club

Third Monday of every month 7pm at Gardens on Forest, 764 Forest Road, Peakhurst. All welcome.

Oatley Flora & Fauna

Fourth Monday of every month 7.45pm in the Uniting Church Hall, corner Fredrick & Letitia Sts, Oatley.

Draft Gannons Park Landscape Masterplan

Please note that this draft plan is on public exhibition from 1st Oct to 7th Nov 2011 and can be viewed at www.hurstville.nsw.gov.au or at Hurstville City Council, or Hurstville City Library, or Penshurst Branch Library. Council will consider all submissions before finalizing the draft plan.

This is part of Council's plan to provide the community with additional facilities and more diverse recreational space within the parkland.

Key elements include:

- Barbecue and picnic area
- A shared cycleway/footpath looping park perimeter
- BMX track (not motor bikes) and adventure play area for children
- A new soccer practice field
- A dog friendly off-leash area
- Upgrade of existing Council facility at Vale Lane with potential use as a café/kiosk along with bike hire facilities for recreational park users
- Stormwater harvesting and reuse
- A new secure access road off existing Boatwright Ave. car park to provide additional parking and greater user access
- Saltmarsh and mangrove boardwalk.

**The LPA Website**

Work on improving/updating our website is well underway, we have established a new domain caretaker and we expect to be able to go "public" in the very near future. We will advise when the site's integrity has been fully restored.

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