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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!

November 2011



President's Report

Our general meeting on 7th Nov 2011 was reasonably well attended. Thank you to mayor Steve McMahon and Ian Curtis, Manager Environmental Sustainability for Hurstville City Council, for their attendance.

Mayor McMahon addressed the meeting providing information on the Council's

master plan of Gannon's park answering questions from the floor. Following was Ian Curtis (no relation) who presented the meeting with an updated Powerpoint presentation of the development proposal for Webb's Dam. Ian also took a range of questions from the floor. I must thank Steve, Ian and Nicole Body, who is Ian's assistant, for their time.

I have had complaints from residents regarding the community board at Chivers Hill shops. The main complaint is that people are writing things not community orientated. The reason the Lions Club erected this was to provide for community use on various events involving community activities. Also it would be appreciated if people would not adhere notices onto the board with sticky tape as this leaves a residue which then makes it hard for writing with chalk.

Only a short time until Christmas. I do hope we have all placed our orders with our local businesses at Chivers Hill and Lime Kiln Road shops, the mini market and Limes Café.

Our next general meeting will be on 5th December 2011. As this will be our last meeting for the year it would be nice to see all those who are able to attend.

For and on behalf of the committee, we wish everyone compliments of the forthcoming season.

President's Report (cont)

Please mark in your diary 13th March 2012 as this will be the LPA's 90th birthday celebration dinner at Lugarno Seafood Restaurant. All details will be in our February newsletter.

Regards

Joan Curtis

Lugarno Electricity Network

Residents will have become aware of construction activity around the Chivers Hill area.

Please note that Ausgrid is upgrading the electricity network in Lugarno. This work will continue at least until February 2012 and will particularly affect Tallowood Ave., Redgum Drv and Forest Rd. Construction hours will be 7.00am to 5:30pm Monday to Friday and 8.00am to 1:00pm Saturdays. Local power interruptions may occur at times.

If you want further information please contact:

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The Hurstville Council Website

Lugarno residents should be aware that the Hurstville City Council's website, "www.hurstville.nsw.gov.au" is an absolute hive of information on all council related issues that may affect our suburb.

There is a huge amount of data available on community services, environmental projects, both being planned and in progress, business information, council news and events and much more.

It really is worthwhile for residents to go into this website occasionally to keep up to date with developments in our area

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LPA Membership - \$10 per family or household (now valid to end 2012)

Name: _____

Address: _____

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**A Lugarno Timeline (1949—1995)**

- 1949 Discussions on whether to build a power station at Lugarno on the south side of the river indicates that the name "Lugarno" still applied to both sides of the Georges River at this time.
- 1950 31st January - Lugarno Public School is re-classified as a Primary School.
- 1954 26th September - St Stephen's Church of England opens.
- 1956 The construction of an elevated reservoir eases the water pressure problems.
- 1958 January - A bushfire spreads into Lugarno from the Council tip leading to many complaints.
- 1958/59 Sees the development of the two shopping precincts – one on Chiver's Hill and the other at Lime Kiln Bay.
- 1961 The 4th, and last, ferry commences service. This has a capacity of 15 vehicles and weighs 270 tons.
- 1963 Webb's market gardens close down.
- 1963 7th July - The opening of the Uniting Church. This was years before the official formation of the Uniting Church – it was seen as an experiment.
- 1964 The sewerage reaches Chiver's Hill.
- 1964 13th June - The opening of the second Baptist Church.
- 1965 December - Naming of H V Evatt Park. It would be many years before the area is developed as a park.
- 1969 April - The building of the two Georges River bridges confirmed.
- 1973 The last of Lugarno is connected to the sewerage.
- 1973 September - Alford's Point bridge opened, leading to a large decline in usage of the ferry.
- 1974 12th December - The closure of the Lugarno vehicular ferry service – first started in 1843.
- 1979 A large water main finally alleviates the low water pressure problems.
- 1985 November - A ferry service is proposed between Lugarno and Illawong – Hurstville council refuses the several attempts to start such a service. Several more attempts over the next few years also fail.
- 1995 The gas main is extended to Lugarno.

Ed's note:

This is the last of the data I've been able to accumulate on Lugarno history, having covered a period from 1770 to 1995 over this and previous newsletters.

Hope you have found it interesting.

Diary Dates**Next LPA Meeting**

Monday 5th December 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.

Senior Citizen Award

Joan Curtis, our LPA President, was recently awarded Senior Citizen of the Year in recognition of her work in the Lugarno area. Congratulations Joan.

**Credit Where Credit is Due**

As we all know council recently organized a special electronics recycling day with residents able to dispose of those no longer wanted electronic items such as mobile phones, microwaves, old televisions etc. etc.

I, like many others I've spoken to, had items to get rid of but was almost dreading what I imagined would be long queues and general chaos at the Mortdale depot.

What a pleasant surprise, council had done their homework, everything was simple, straight forward and well organized. The council staff handled everything professionally, were efficient, friendly, helpful and well mannered.

The council, and all council staff, are to be congratulated on providing a first class, and much needed, service and handling it all so very well.

These sentiments have been expressed to me by a number of Lugarno residents.

Newsletter E-Distribution

Don't forget if you would like to have our newsletter sent to you via email just send your name and email address to "lpa40@hotmail.com" and we'll see that you get a pdf copy.

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.

**Keep these numbers handy:**

Crime Stoppers: 1800 333 000

Police Assistance Line: 131 444

Hurstville Police: 9375 8599