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## June/July 2017

### President's Report

Dear Members,

I have now returned from 5 weeks in the USA, refreshed and ready to continue with our work.

#### Secretary

My thanks to Colleen Morton who has agreed to fill our vacancy for a Secretary of the Association.

The committee looks forward to working with Colleen to improve our valued suburb.

#### Music in the Park

The committee have decided on Sunday October 15th for our music concert in Evatt Park. In the past this has been a great success and I ask all residents to note that date in your diaries and make every effort to attend. We will start at 3.00pm and will have refreshments available on the site. And remember, this is a free concert, so bring all the family!

#### Willsher Pavilion

Our May meeting was the scene of some discussion regarding the Pavilion, and a motion was proposed regarding further investigation of the project. However, following clarification provided by our State MP Mark Coure, supported by ex-councillor Rita Kastanias, it was pointed out that the Council procedures for these matters allow opportunities for full input both for and against any aspect of the project. The proposer of the motion then agreed to withdraw it. Our application for a Development Approval is being prepared in accordance with the above procedures. Our Architect, Nic Christo, has done a great job.

#### Trackwalks

Our walk on 30th April from Evatt Park to Gannons Park was a raging success. Forty eight people attended. These walks are very popular. Another walk took place on Sunday July 9th, starting at 10.00am in the Evatt Park barbecue area, and finishing at Banksia Avenue. It included the old quarry area. We plan also to conduct a tour in late August or September, during which we will be accompanied by four accomplished photographers, who will happily explain the intricacies of flora and fauna photography to any budding "shutterbugs". Watch for the date.

#### Lugarno Public School

We have now installed several garden beds in the school, and the children are now growing some produce. It's still a little early to see results, but I am confident they will be excellent. All involved see this as a worthwhile addition to the school learning experience. We did apply for a grant from the State Government to cover our costs for this, and I am pleased to say that Mark Coure has delivered for us again and we have been granted \$1200 to help our finances. My thanks go to Lynne Slattery and the Altra nursery for helping with this worthy effort. We are also preparing for the LPS Choir's appearance at our "Music in the Park" in October.



#### Awards, Most Deserved

There have been several Lugarno residents honoured with recognition of their efforts recently. Firstly, our Treasurer Tony Alifano, received a "Banks Volunteer Award", presented at Club Rivers on April 5, by the Minister for Foreign Affairs, Julie Bishop. Secondly, long term Lugarno residents Kevin and Mary Archer were both awarded Medals of the Order of Australia in the Queen's Birthday honours recently announced. I congratulate them on behalf of our community.



Kevin and Mary Archer.

Our LPA Treasurer, Tony Alifano, receiving his much deserved award from Julie Bishop and David Coleman.



#### Lions Club Spring Festival

The Lugarno Lions "Spring Festival" is on again this year in Gannons park on Sunday 17th September. The LPA will be there to promote our association and we hope to meet as many residents as possible at our tent. This event is one of the largest of its type in the country, and has been a red letter day in the calendar for many years. I ask all residents and their friends and acquaintances to make the effort to attend. It is always a great day, with rides, stalls, vintage cars, music performances, and something to interest everyone. The Lions make substantial donations to many worthy causes throughout the year, and the profits from this event allow them to continue to do that.

#### Street Library

You may not have noticed, but a "library box" has been installed outside the Uniting Church site opposite the shops. This is something that occurs everywhere overseas, and should be popular here. Anyone with books to spare can deposit them there for others to read, and at the same time pick up something for themselves. A good idea!

Our next meeting is on Monday August 7, at Grandviews Bowling Club, starting at 7.30pm.

**Ken Mason**  
President

## Around Lugarno

The big wet in March this year brought an amazing array of fungi in Evatt Park. Local photographers Leo Rutishauser (top) and Vicki Rowe captured the beauty of the huge variety. More of Vicki's images can be seen at <https://flic.kr/s/aHskdtbNAB>



Over the last few months a number of Sunday trackwalks have been held around Lugarno to enjoy the beauty of the area. Below residents are seen enjoying the Evatt Park to Gannons Park walk on Sunday 30 April.



## The LPA in Action

1. A Lugarno resident complained about an abandoned boat on the beach at Lugarno Seafood. The LPA wrote to Mark Couré for action. The Waterways were contacted and the boat, temporary moorings and builder's debris have since been removed.

2. A resident reported an unregistered vehicle had not moved for months in Blackbutt Ave. Again Mark Couré was contacted and the vehicle has been removed.



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## Diary Dates

### **Next LPA Meeting**

Monday, 7 August 2017 at 7.30pm  
Grandviews Bowling Club  
821 Forest Rd, Peakhurst.

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### **Georges River City Council Meeting**

First and third Wednesday of every month,  
Hurstville Civic Centre, Council Chambers 7.00pm  
Please check the website for further details

[www.georgesriver.nsw.gov.au](http://www.georgesriver.nsw.gov.au)

### **The Lugarno Evening View Club**

Third Monday of every month 7 for 7.30pm at  
Gardens on Forest, Forest Road, Peakhurst.  
Contact Jenny Smith, President on 9534 1253

### **Oatley Flora & Fauna**

Fourth Monday of every month at 7.45pm in the  
Oatley RSL & Community Club, 23 Letitia Street Oatley, Oatley.

[off.oatleypark.com](http://off.oatleypark.com)

### **Keep these numbers handy:**

Hurstville Police: 9375 8599  
Police Assistance Line: 131 444  
Crime Stoppers: 1800 333 000

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