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## **General Meeting**

**Tuesday 22 October 8pm  
at the Community Centre**

**Tony Lehmann will discuss**

**Traffic Issues in  
Castlecrag**

Refreshments will be served

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## Traffic Management Update

The Castlecrag Progress Association campaigned for improvements to Edinburgh Road at its first meeting in 1924, and this has remained an issue of concern to our residents ever since. Detailed proposals were developed for traffic calming in the 1970s and during the 1990s a local area traffic management (LATM) committee of local residents developed proposals based on community concerns. Finally, we have good news to report on this matter.

Council's Traffic and Transport Engineers Tony Lehmann and James Brocklebank met with Progress Association Committee members on 25 September to discuss their schedule for the implementation of the recommendations arising from the Edinburgh Road/Sunnyside Crescent LATM.

Council has been successful in attracting \$80,000 RTA funding for the works and it will match this funding to ensure it is spent

by the end of June 2003. The LATM will follow the recommendations of the 1998 consultants' report which were presented to large public meetings at the time. They included:

- a roundabout at the intersection of Edinburgh Road and Rutland Avenue.
- three strategically located slowpoints/pedestrian refuges between Rutland Road and Linden Way to reduce speeds and assist pedestrians
- minor works in Sunnyside Crescent to address localised safety concerns
- lobbying the RTA for a right turn arrow at the Edinburgh Road/Eastern Valley Way traffic lights. (This lobbying has so far been unsuccessful.)
- the implementation of a bicycle route along Edinburgh Road.

Council's Surveyors have completed their work and a design and community

consultation schedule has been prepared to allow the works to be completed within this time frame. The schedule includes:

- discussions with Council's Bicycle Consultative Committee on 24 October
- referral of initial design plans to Council's Traffic Committee on 20 November
- discussions with Ward Councillors and Progress Association representatives in late November 2002.

Consultation with the community will occur from early December through to mid February 2003. During this time the proposed devices will be painted on the road to allow people to gauge the impact of the works. Designs will be amended and again referred to Council's Traffic Committee on 19 February 2003. Final approval will be sought from the full Council on 10 March 2003.

Further information will be provided in this newsletter as it becomes available.



## **Castlecrag Progress Association**

**OCTOBER  
GENERAL  
MEETING**

**Tuesday 22  
October  
2002**

**Guest  
Speaker:  
Tony**

The publication of *The Crag* newsletter is made a reality by advertising from our local businesses. Thank you for your continued support of the Association's newsletter to our community.

## Community Bytes

### Council Elections 2003

In September 2003 Willoughby City Council elections will occur. At the last election Castlecrag became part of the Sailors Bay Ward which covers the suburbs of Castlecrag, Northbridge and South Willoughby. Local government is at the grass roots level and its effective operation requires open, transparent, accountable and consultative processes. The Progress Association supports candidates who believe in these aims and who have an understanding of the different planning regulations of Council, especially those for the declared Griffin Conservation Area, the foreshore areas and the scenic 2a(2) zones. Who is willing to take up the challenge and give Castlecrag a voice in the next Council, whilst at the same time recognising our links to the wider community of Willoughby City?

**Joyce Batterham**, long-time resident of Castlecrag and a Life Member of the Progress Association, is in hospital following major surgery. We wish her a very quick recovery and hope she will be back home soon.

### Tennis Anyone?

Did you know that the tennis courts in The Cortile Reserve are available for public use? If you wish to make a booking, the Video Shop at The Griffin Centre is able to assist.

### Castlecrag Library

Our library is based at the Castlecrag Community Centre and is a branch of the Willoughby Library. It has been in existence for over fifty years and has always been staffed by local volunteers. Interesting new fiction non-fiction and children's books continue to be accessioned to the library. A range of large-print books is available and new books can be requested. It is open on Tuesdays from 3 to 4.30pm, Thursdays from 2 to 5pm, and Saturdays from 10am to noon. New borrowers are welcome and borrowers who have not visited for some time will enjoy discovering the changed range of books.

### Vale Nils Korner

We were saddened to hear of his recent and unexpected death. Nils had retired from his work as a radiologist

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