

THE CRAG

NEWSLETTER OF THE CASTLECRAG PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Ann Korner

This issue of THE CRAG will be the last edition under Bob Ronai's editorial direction. He has been the editor since the Crag's inauguration, and has succeeded in keeping the standard very high. The Crag is produced every two months, and is prepared for delivery prior to the Progress Association meetings. I know that most people look forward to receiving their copy to catch up on the community activities. Our very sincere thanks to Bob for the hard work and efficiency with which The Crag has been produced for so long.

Rhody Thomas has volunteered to be our new Crag editor, and we hope he will have as much success as Bob.

At our last meeting Mrs. Gay Spies spoke of the dangers associated with "controlled burns". One of the most serious problems appeared to be the dumping of rubbish in reserves and bushland, producing accumulations of inflammable material. This is one act of vandalism which can be avoided! May we suggest to anyone who dumps grass cuttings, rose clippings, etc., to construct a compost heap (see plan this issue). This can be filled with grass clippings, vegetable matter, fruit peels etc., and considerably reduces the garbage load. Eventually it produces beautiful rich soil for the garden.

Our thanks to Cathey Burgess, Marcella Stevens and the rest of the committee, who worked hard to make the success of our Junk Stall at Willoughby Fair. A special thanks to all the shopkeepers who donated prizes for our Super Raffle.

Our next fund raising activity will be the Patchwork and Quilting Exhibition, which will be our main fund-raising activity for 1982. Please help to make it a great success on November 18th, 19th and 20th.

* * * * * PATCHWORK AND QUILTING EXHIBITION * * * * *

Don't forget to come along to the Patchwork and Quilting Exhibition, to be held in the St. James Church Hall, 184 Edinburgh Road, Castlecrag on Thursday Nov. 18th (7.30 - 9.00pm), Friday Nov. 19th (10.00am - 5.00pm) and Saturday Nov. 20th (10.00am - 5.00pm).

The exhibition will feature work by local patchwork and quilting teacher Elizabeth Burton and work by many of her past and present students. Elizabeth teaches in Castlecrag, but is known throughout Sydney. She teaches at the Embroiderer's Guild and has given workshops in Canberra, Brisbane and N.S.W. country areas. Many of her students are also highly regarded and Castlecrag resident Adele Outridge is President of the Quilters Guild. A wide variety of quilts, wallhangings, quilted clothing and cushions will be shown. Small quilted items and a selection of handmade posies and dolls will be for sale.

A raffle will be held for a quilted wallhanging with a design adapted from Bim Hilder's sculpture for the Walter Burley Griffin Memorial Fountain. Admission is \$2.50 which includes tea or coffee, and proceeds go to the Castlecrag Progress Association.

ALDERMAN'S REPORT

Eric Kaye

The Warringah Freeway Inquiry.

With the exception of the Department of Environment and Planning and The National Trust, all major submissions to the Inquiry being conducted by Mr.D.S.Kirby have now been made. In the last few weeks our Progress Association and Conservation Society have made their second and final submission and the Sydney Harbour Foreshores Committee as well as the Castlecrag branch of the Labor Party have made submissions opposing the D.M.R. and the five northside Councils for the construction of a freeway.

Thus, the campaign of opposition to the Warringah "Expressway", which our Progress Association started in June, 1949 (33 years ago!) and has waged with increased vigour since 1974 is hopefully coming to an end. Mr.Kirby expects to make his findings and recommendations to the Government very early in the new year.

Castlecrag Local Environment Study

Work on this study by the committee of residents set up by Willoughby Council in April of last year is nearing completion and hopefully will be on public exhibition in a few weeks time. This is an important document and is the first step towards the preparation of a Local Environment Plan which will cover the precinct of Castlecrag. The document defines issues of local importance and covers such things as our Historical Background, Physical Environment, Open Space, Built Environment, Commercial Development, Traffic and Community Facilities,

Many of the proposals made are quite specific, such as recommending zoning changes and altered building controls. The plan will not be considered by Council until comments from local residents have been received, so it is important that you make an effort to both study and comment on the plan. Copies will be made available for your perusal. Council will advise all residents by letter of the details of the time and place of the exhibition.

BUSH DANCE - SAT. 4TH DEC. 1982

The Annual Castlecrag Bush Dance will be held at the Community Centre at 4 The Postern on Saturday, 4th December, 1982 from 6.30 to 12.00

One of Australia's top bush bands -Speewah - will call the dances and keep us entertained. Damper, beef on the spit and dessert is all included in the cost of admission. Beer, wine by the carafe or vintage wine by the bottle and soft drinks will be on sale.

REMEMBER.....

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WILLOUGHBY FUN FAIR

Marcella Stevens

What a day! 'Electric' is the word that comes to mind. Just in case you missed it, the energy was really flowing - thanks to all you wonderful people who gave the Progress Association such beautiful junk. We made a grand total of \$652, which I'm sure nobody expected! Our raffle consisted of generous donations from most of our local shops:- Northside - Newsagency, Momo, Ruffles, Au Petit Vatel, Charlies Fruits, Deli, Hardware, Graham's Meats. Griffin Centre - Nigel's Meats, Cellars. Quadrangle - Deli, Bathroom shop, Tea Garden Coffee Shop, Chicken shop, Chemist, Japanese Food Market, Childrens Shoes, Paulines Craft, Franks Fruits, Health Food Store, Mens Clothing, Fish Shop and Primulas.

First and second prize were won by Crag residents and third by an ex resident.

1st	-	B97	Mrs. Rosenmeyer
2nd	-	A 1	Sue Randle
3rd	-	D58	Mr. Rodney

On behalf of the Castlecrag Progress Association I thank you all for making this day successful in every way, and look forward to this day again next year.

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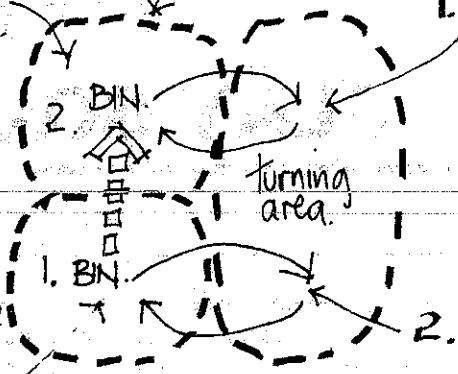
outside
shade
protected
close to garden
and kitchen

6. MATERIALS.

stone, brick, block, railway sleepers,
timber slats etc.
each pile approx 1 METRE SQUARE

3. HOLDING BIN.

when 1st bin
is full (1M²)
transfer to
holding bin
- can be layered
with manure,
straw, blood/lime
gypsum or
lime and
covered with
soil to insulate
keep moist.



4. TURN OCCASSIONALLY

when mature, screen and
use as potting mix (with sand)
or add to vegetable garden etc.

2. TURN REGULARLY.

compost, being alive
needs air. ∴ rake
out and fork back
in.

1. MATERIALS IN.

- any organic matter
- start with fresh peelings,
clippings, fruit waste,
spent flowers etc.
- when going well add
or experiment with
cardboard, paper,
meat and food scraps.
- cover each time
with soil, to insulate
and seal.

NOTE.

- compost is the controlled decomposition of
organic matter
- it is alive with organisms ∴ no pesticide material
- it requires a fine balance of CARBON to NITROGEN
too much carbon material (straw, dry leaves, woody material)
the process will take a longer time
too much nitrogen (fresh, moist, green material)
and nitrogen will be lost as ammonia (smells).
- keep the pile moist.
- keep the pile aerated. (by turning)

FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE THE STATE POLLUTION CONTROL
COMMISSION'S BOOKLET. "COMPOSTING • to reduce waste
• to reduce pollution • for better gardening. go to it."

HAVE YOU OPENED YOUR MONTHLY ACCOUNT?



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OPEN SPACE MANAGEMENT POLICY

Council presently has an 'Open Space Management Policy' on display at the Library, located in the Community Centre. The Library is open on Tuesday between 3.30 and 4.00pm, Thursday between 12.30 and 3.00pm and Saturday between 10.00 and noon.

Copies of the Open Space Policy have been circulated to the Conservation Society for their comment until Friday, 19th November.

"The aim of adopting a policy is to ensure that the Municipalities limited park and open space areas are developed, used and managed in an effective, efficient and equitable manner"

This surely concerns us all. The Conservation Society will be making a submission on the policy and those interested should contact the Society, the Progress Association or the Willoughby Council.

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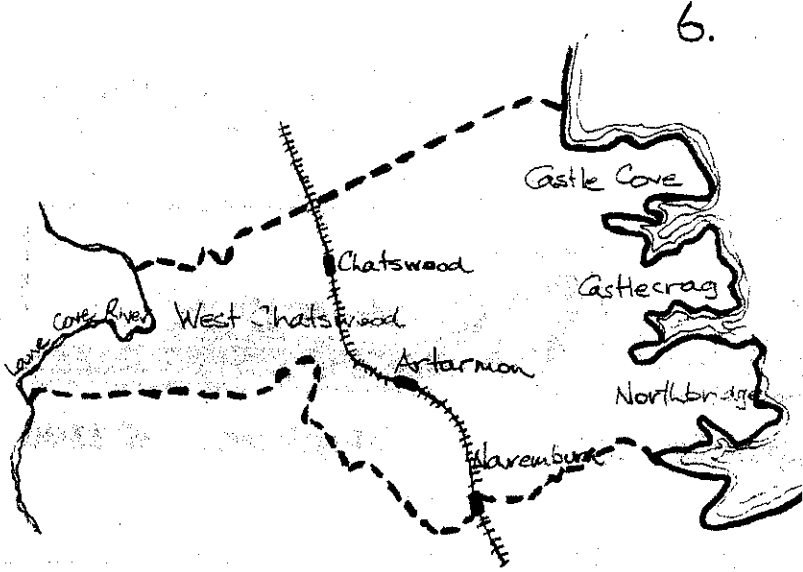
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NEXT MEETING OF YOUR ASSOCIATION IS ON TUESDAY 26TH OCTOBER IN THE
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POINTS FOR DISCUSSION INCLUDE A DONATION OF YOUR FUNDS TO W.E.P.A. AND
THE CONSERVATION SOCIETY.

Edited by Rhody Thomas, 108 The Bulwark, Castlecrag. Phone 956033. News and views, including
letters to the editor are welcome for the next issue, closing 30.11.82.





**Willoughby
environmental
protection
association
W. E. P. A.**

The environment in which we live - the streets, parks, playing fields, bushland, rivers and bays; the form of our commercial centres and residential areas - play an important part in our every day lives.

The quality of the surrounding environment influences the way we live, the enjoyment and pleasure we get from our neighbourhood, our wellbeing and that of our community.

Willoughby has a rich environment with resources worth protecting.

W.E.P.A.

AIMS - to work for the protection and improvement of the environment, through effective planning, management and maintenance of the Municipality's environmental resources, and for issues of wider environmental concern.

PROVIDES- a group within the Municipality, available to any resident interested and concerned about the care of our environment.

SUPPORTS- individuals with help and advice on particular local issues, and on broader issues can:- research topics, assemble information, make written submissions to Council and others, and take any other action the group believes may aid the environment.

INFORMS- through arranging talks on aspects of the environment; through it's newsletters and through other activities felt likely to improve our understanding of the environment

MEMBERSHIP- is open to any resident of Willoughby on an annual basis. Many members of W.E.P.A. also belong to local conservation groups, however there are several areas of the Municipality with no organisations interested in the environment. W.E.P.A. sees its role as supportive of local groups and, in addition, as able to raise issues of concern to the Municipality as a whole.

MEETS- once a month on the second Monday in Artarmon library, Elizabeth Street, Artarmon at 8.00 pm.

If you are interested and/or would like to become a member, attend the next meeting or write to:- The Secretary, W.E.P.A. , 66 Sugarloaf Crescent, Castlecrag, 2068 or phone Gay Spies on 952569 or 4398948 or 4196803.



• CASTLECRAG STUDY •

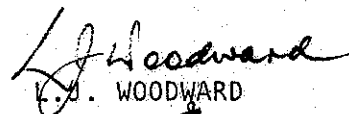
NEWS SHEET October '82

What progress?

At the September meeting of Council's Advisory Committee on the Castlecrag Environmental Study the Draft Study document was discussed with officers of Council's Town Planning Department.

The Draft Environmental Study report has now reached the final review stage and it is anticipated, that following the October meeting of the Committee, that the document will be submitted to Council for consideration. Subject to Council's determination on the report it is envisaged that the Study will be publicly exhibited, and public response sought in accordance with the provisions of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act.

The final venue for the exhibition has not as yet been determined however, it is hoped to obtain suitable premises within the Castlecrag Precinct as well as exhibition at the Council Offices in Chatswood. The place and time of the exhibition will be adequately advertised prior to exhibition and it is hoped to achieve a good public airing of the contents of the study.


L.J. WOODWARD
TOWN CLERK