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MEMBERSHIP:

Progress Association Membership renewals for 2006 are now due. Please see Page 3 for membership renewal form.

COMING EVENTS:

- THU 24 Aug** CASTLECRAG PROGRESS ASSOCIATION MEETING (See below)
- SAT 9 Sep** WILLOUGHBY SPRING FAIR, 10am-4pm Victoria Ave, Chatswood
- THU 28 Sep** CASTLECRAG CONSERVATION SOCIETY Special Meeting

See Community Notice Board, page 8, for details of these and other activities

OUR NEXT MEETING:

Castlecrag Progress Association GENERAL MEETING

Thursday 24 August at 8pm

Guest Speaker:

John Owen, General Manager, WCC
'Civic Place, What's Ahead'

Castlecrag Community Centre

(See page 4 for details)

All Welcome:

Come along and enjoy the presentation and refreshments afterwards.

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Council backs Incinerator



Mayor Pat Reilly with Members of the Walter Burley Griffin Society and representatives of the Castlecrag Progress Association celebrate plans to restore the Willoughby Incinerator. Samantha Taranto photo.

Willoughby City Council has announced bold steps to restore the Griffin-designed Willoughby Incinerator and to return it to community use. It has made a successful application for a \$454,545 grant for conservation works under the Federal Government's National Heritage Initiative Grant Programme administered by the Department of Environment & Heritage.

The grant will contribute to the conservation of the chimney, together with work to rectify drainage and rising damp problems (see *The Crag*, No. 159). The total cost of the restoration has been calculated at \$1.3 million with Willoughby City Council funding the remaining \$848,455.

In announcing this commitment and Council's action to terminate the existing lease of the building, Mayor Pat Reilly expressed his pleasure that this significant heritage item can be returned to the community for its use and enjoyment. He continued: "The restoration of the Willoughby Incinerator provides Willoughby City with a unique opportunity to create a public amenity that not only satisfies a demand in the community but provides an opportunity to make a significant heritage item accessible to all."

While the work is carried out, Council officers will undertake further investigations into possible future tenants for the building and report back to Council. Cr Reilly met with representatives of the Castlecrag Progress Association and the Walter Burley Griffin Society at the Incinerator on 30 June for a media information activity and discussion on options for the future use of the building. Options canvassed included a Council event/function space, permanent display promoting the Griffins' works in Willoughby, rooms for meetings and presentations, and a café for visitors to the Incinerator and adjacent attractions in the Bicentennial Reserve.

This is a most pleasing outcome of negotiations that have gone on for some time over the future use of this building and the Castlecrag Progress Association expresses its appreciation to our Ward Councillors and to the Council officers who have worked most diligently to achieve this. We will provide you with further updates on this important project as information comes to hand.

**Editors /
Samantha Taranto, WCC**

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Community Bytes**2006 Red Shield Appeal**

Diana Jones, the Castlecrag organiser of the Salvation Army's Red Shield Appeal, reports that volunteer collectors raised \$4500 in Castlecrag on Sunday 28 May. Special thanks are extended to the collectors and all those who assisted with donations on the day.

Joyce Batterham's Big Nine-0!

Family and friends from across Australia gathered at the Castlecrag Community Centre on 20 May to join Joyce Batterham (nee Deans) in the celebration of her 90th birthday. It was an occasion to catch up with many old Castlecrag residents and, through the many tributes, to learn much more about Joyce's remarkable life and the breadth of her contributions to the Castlecrag community over the years.

Joyce is among the last of the 'old hands' of our community, having first come to Castlecrag in 1931 to live with her brother Edgar Deans and his wife 'Cappy', and to help with their infant daughter Karen. It was a full house at the small GSDA No. 2 house as Frank and Anice Duncan were also living there, so Joyce had to sleep on the front porch - then an open pergola. She soon fitted into the community in its efforts to cope with the Depression. 75 years later Karen was present to tell the tale!

Later Joyce married Bob Batterham and they came to live in Castlecrag. She and Frank Duncan were stalwarts of the Castlecrag and East Willoughby Community Advancement Society Ltd, which raised funds and constructed the Community Centre. They organised fetes at the corner of Edinburgh Road and Eastern Valley Way

where local artists brought their products and homemade toys for sale. The first stage of the Community Centre was officially opened in 1947 and the library opened in 1951. Joyce also worked tirelessly to establish the Castlecrag Infants School and her efforts were rewarded in June 1950 when the school officially opened its doors. We plan to publish more details of the contribution made by Joyce and other members of the Deans family to Castlecrag in a future issue of The Crag.

Welcome to New Residents

One of the purposes of this column is to introduce new residents to our suburb. The Crag extends a warm welcome to Grace Edwards, who moved from Roseville to Raeburn Avenue in early July. A distinguished musician, Grace has letters in both voice and piano, and hopes to attract new pupils locally, particularly for learning voice production and singing technique. Many of you may recall that Grace donated her services as Musical Director at The Haven Carols in 2001 and 2002. We look forward to hearing more of her plans to provide expert tuition locally.

Sydney Opera Society

This group, which previously met at Nancy Fleming's home on Edinburgh Road, now meets at the Willoughby Presbyterian Church on the first Saturday of the month at 2pm. Participants enjoy lectures on opera topics and an annual concert. Valda Wilson, a local opera student at the Conservatorium of Music, was a singer at the 2006 Concert held in April. Please contact Nancy on 9958 3110 for forthcoming events.

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President's Musings

It goes without saying that The Progress Association can only be strong and active through the continued support of its membership. So, it is pleasing to report that many former and new members have responded to our call for support by paying their membership fees. At the half-way point this year we have the highest number of financial members that we have had for the past four years. Thank you for your continued support and I hope that others will join up and bring forward their good ideas for improvement and sustainability of our special community. During the past couple of months we have received through info@castlecrag.org.au several suggestions from both CPA members and others for a range of improvements to traffic management and streetscape which we are following up on. We hope that this will continue to be an effective avenue to bring up discussion and debate about what is best for the community as a whole.

Tree Plantings

On streetscape, we have been pressing Willoughby City Council (WCC) for some time now to activate its agreed plan for tree planting along Edinburgh Road, originally intended to commemorate the bicentennial celebration of Federation. I am pleased to report that we have been promised that Council will be planting some 42 trees along Edinburgh Road in late August. If you want further details of that plan then please contact Julie Whitfield, Open Space Manager at WCC.

Griffin Fountain

We are delighted with the outcome of our representations to WCC on the restoration of the Griffin Fountain. I am sure you will be pleased that Council staff have done an excellent job restoring the fountain and its surrounds to their former glory. It is now over to a team of local volunteers to regularly maintain this heritage item; if you wish to assist please contact us.

CPA Funds Proposal

Another positive outcome has been that we have not had to call on the CPA funds we allocated for the fountain restoration, so we will be putting a proposal to members at

our August general meeting that these funds, some \$8000 accrued from several Castlecrag Community Fairs, be put to work on alternative community project(s). Please come armed with suggestions for us to consider.

Community Fair

At our recent committee meeting we resolved to hold a Community Fair in early June 2007 and I am particularly grateful to our newest committee member, Simone Selby, who has volunteered to lead the organising committee. She would be most grateful for ideas and help so please contact her on 9405 6040 if you would like to get involved with organising this great community event which also supports, and is supported by, our Castlecrag business centre.

Co-editor Required

Last, but not means least, we are still looking for a co-editor of The Crag to assist Bob McKillop in producing the newsletter, and bringing forward new ideas and approaches to keep this publication in touch with community needs and aspirations.

John Steel

2007 Community Fair

The Progress Association Committee has initiated planning for the 2007 Castlecrag Community Fair with Sunday 3 June as the probable date.

This is a community event for our suburb and we aim to hold it every second year – to give us all time to recover from the effort! We are keen to get your ideas on the focus for the next fair and are seeking your support to help with planning and administrative tasks.

Please contact the Progress Association at info@castlecrag.org.au or phone Simone Selby on 9405 6040 or John Steel on 9958 5804



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John Owen at Castlecrag

John Owen, the General Manager of Willoughby City Council, will be the guest speaker at the general meeting of the Progress Association on **Thursday, 24 August**. John will be providing an update on the Civic Place Project, but will also have time to hear from residents about issues that affect Castlecrag. All residents are welcome to come along and catch up on the Civic Place and other issues that affect you – see box on page 1 for details.

Council has lodged a development application for the Civic Place Project following extensive community consultation on all aspects of the project extending over six years and involving a poll at the 2003 elections. The exhibition of the development application will be advertised widely to provide the community with the opportunity for further comment. Construction is scheduled to commence in 2007. John Owen will cover this at the Castlecrag meeting, together with the

'Please be Seated' fundraiser for the project.

Those residents who attended the Progress Association AGM on 2 May had the opportunity to hear a remarkable presentation by Pamille Berg on the Civic Place public art program. To illustrate to potential scope of public art in helping to generate a 'new heart and soul' for Willoughby through the Civic Place, Pamille drew from her experience with the State Library of South Australia and St John's Cathedral at Parramatta. In these cases, magnificent items of public art had been created to express the roots of the project's concept for the enjoyment of future generations.

Pamille is Council's public arts consultant for Civic Place, which she sees as an opportunity to inject local content and meaning that the community can relate to and which will help residents to actively enjoy our culture.

Editors

Magical Fountain!



Last issue we promised to bring you a photo of the Griffin Fountain with water. Here it is, back to its operational condition, burbling happily along and weaving magic in the night. Following its lengthy repairs and restoration work, the water to the Griffin Memorial Fountain commenced a two-week trial run on 6 July. It is best at night with the lights, but the fountain offers different perspectives throughout the day. Following the trial, Council will be meeting with the Friends of the Griffin Fountain group to instruct them on a regular maintenance schedule.

Bob McKillop

Griffin website now 'live'

The Walter Burley Griffin Society website went 'live' on 27 June 2006. The beautifully presented site provides Internet access to educational material about the lives and works of Marion Mahony and Walter Burley Griffin. The pages have been prepared on a voluntary basis by various members of the Society and with the assistance of a grant under the Federal Government's 'Sharing Australian Stories' Program to access material and to contract professional assistance with technical aspects.

The project's goals have been to create a greater understanding and appreciation of the work of Marion Mahony Griffin and Walter Burley Griffin and thereby encourage the conservation of their extensive work. The site provides a user-friendly hierarchy that accommodates the Griffins' extensive and diverse projects in Australia and also the United States and India. There are 35 sections or pages for the website. This covers sections about the Griffins' urban planning, architecture, landscape architecture and interior design by a team of writers with expertise in the various fields. It also has included a chronology of

their work, selected publications for further reading, films and videos, news and events, the Society's past newsletters as downloadable pdfs.

The wonderful images on the website have been sourced from the Avery Library at Columbia University, New York; Block Museum of Art at the Northwestern University; and the New-York Historical Society in the United States; the National Library of Australia; the National Archives of Australia; the State Library of NSW; the State Library of South Australia; and from professional and amateur photographers in Australia and the USA.

The searchable Photo Gallery has nearly 300 images, including the magnificent Melson House in the USA, Marion Mahony's design for Henry Ford's house, some of their Melbourne work including Newman College, the stunning interiors of the Capitol Theatre and also Café Australia, some of their Sydney work including the two Pratten houses at Pymble, early photos of the Castlecrag houses, and ones taken by Max Dupain in 1965, plus some of the truly remarkable Indian work. In addition there

are three short movies on the website, including one produced specially for it on the Griffin walkways and reserves.

The new website is a wonderful educational source on the lives and works of the Griffins. Check it out at www.griffinsociety.org – or you can also access it via a link from the Castlecrag Progress Association website.

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The Bulwark Sustainability Street

SUSTAINABILITY ST. IT'S A VILLAGE OUT THERE

Further to the report in *The Crag* No. 159, the Sustainability Street group for The Bulwark will be touring the foreshore of Sailors Bay on 30 July to study the local ecosystem and explore ways of restoring degraded areas, particularly the former beach. A number of exciting ideas are being pursued.

A number of residents have expressed interest in installing rainwater tanks as a practical step towards improving the sustainability of their homes. We published guidelines about rainwater tanks in *The Crag* No. 157 (the October 2005 issue). We have placed this article on the Castlecrag Progress Association website. Sydney Water is offering rebates for the installation of rainwater tanks of 2000 litres capacity or more up to 31 July 2008. Their Plumbing Policy Standards and Regulations people can provide advice on plumbing requirements. For information about water tank rebates or plumbing matters, contact Sydney Water on 13 20 92 or www.sydneyswater.com

Willoughby Council has standards for installation of rainwater tanks. These include how far the tanks can be located from your property boundary. Note the standards may vary if you live in a heritage area. A DA is required for installation of rainwater tanks of more than 10,000 litres in capacity. There is no cost applied to this DA. For the standards that apply to your particular location check the Council's website at www.willoughby.nsw.gov.au

Robyn McKanna

Smart Transport Show

Willoughby Mayor Pat Reilly rode on an electrically powered bicycle to officially open the Smart Transport Show in the Chatswood Mall at 11am on 19 May. Held over two days (19-20 May), it showcased sustainable transport modes that benefit both the environment and people's health. On show were alternative fuel cars, fuel-efficient vehicles, scooters, solar powered cars and bicycles. New Transport Access Guides promote walking and the use of public transport to get to the Chatswood Shopping Precinct, Willoughby Leisure Centre and Willoughby Park were launched at the Show. The private initiative, CarShare, which enables residents of high-density areas to use public transport and book the use of a shared car when required was one of the popular stalls at the show.

Mayor Pat Reilly also officially launched the CouncilCab service at the Smart Transport Show. He said the service "is part of Council's commitment to sustainable transport and the initiative is the first of its type and scope in New South Wales." The new service, which has been developed in consultation with representatives of the Taxi Council and Combined Communications Network (the owners of ABC Taxis), will see Council hire taxis on a fixed hourly rate and make them available on a multiple user basis at a subsidised rate. Under the scheme, which is being trialled for 12-months, residents can pre-book transport 'from anywhere to anywhere' within the boundaries of Willoughby City at a flat rate of \$4 per trip. The service is currently available between 10am and 4pm on week-days.

Residents wishing to make a journey within Willoughby City need to make bookings prior to 4pm the previous day of travel, they will be given a 30-minute 'pick up window'



and will pay for their journey by giving the driver a pre-paid voucher. Vouchers are sold in books of five for \$20 and are available from the driver, the Customer Service Centre on Level 4 of the City Council offices and the Dougherty Centre.

To book a CouncilCab, phone 8332 8338 by 4pm the DAY BEFORE you wish to travel. Bookings are open on a 24-hour basis. If you want more information about CouncilCab, please ring 9777 1000 during business hours.

Bob McKillop

Wheelchair access to St. James Church

St James Church will be installing a wheelchair ramp to enable the local disabled people to attend church more easily.

Plans have been drawn up and are presently with Willoughby Council. This improvement has been made possible by the generosity of local people who have covered the cost.

June Raymond

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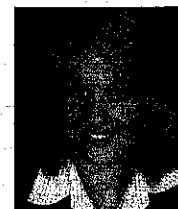
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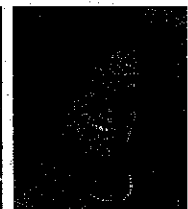
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Our Weekend Traffic Chaos

Castlecrag residents have been increasingly inconvenienced by the weekend traffic congestion associated with sporting events at the Shore School Playing Fields and Bicentennial Reserve in recent years. Our frustrations are minor, however, compared with the significant inconvenience suffered by residents in South Willoughby and Northbridge who are more directly affected by the increasingly chaotic situation.

Alpha Road and Sailors Bay Road are now virtually gridlocked on Saturdays as many hundreds of pupils, parents and spectators attempt to arrive, park and depart the area. At a recent meeting of the Northbridge Progress Association, residents complained that surrounding streets are completely parked out on Saturdays and they were regularly unable to leave their houses because of gridlocked traffic or because desperate parents park across their driveways for hours.

They were among the large numbers of residents who attended a special meeting

of the Association on 12 July to hear the Principal of Shore School outline a Development Application it has before Council to upgrade the facilities on the playing grounds.

The proposal covers improved drainage, the construction of a new large grandstand to replace two smaller ones, new perimeter fencing, the construction of nine new tennis courts and the removal of 65 trees (with 94 new trees to be planted). While the Progress Association stated it has no objection to Shore improving its facilities in Northbridge for the benefit of its pupils and their parents, it called for more rigorous action to address the traffic situation.

The Shore submission states: "The proposed upgrade will not alter the periods when the facilities are used or increase the intensity of use." Similarly, Shore's traffic report concludes: "The upgraded facilities would not generate any new activity in terms of traffic generation and parking demand". In its submission to Council, the Northbridge

impact on traffic and parking in the area.

Accordingly, the Northbridge Progress Association has called on the Shore School, Council and the RTA to work together to reduce the considerable traffic and parking problems caused by the playing fields and which have inconvenienced Northbridge residents for decades. The Progress Association also called on Shore to more rigorously address the chaotic traffic situation that has developed in Sailors Bay Road on school days since Shore's early learning centre and lower primary school opened in 2004 without any changes to cater for the new traffic conditions they generated.

The Castlecrag Progress Association has supported its Northbridge colleagues with a submission to Council on this matter. Our submission expresses concern that the proposal will inevitably generate still further traffic activity in Alpha Road and Sailors Bay Road between Eastern Valley Way and Alpha Road thereby affecting Castlecrag residents as they drive between Castlecrag and Northbridge using Alpha and/or Sailors Bay Roads. It urges Council, before consenting to this proposal, to ensure that as many car parking spaces and drop off zones as possible are provided on Shore land. The submission states that the proposal provides Shore School with an opportunity to ameliorate the traffic chaos generated by its Saturday sporting events that have increasingly clouded the otherwise good relationship existing between the school and its Northbridge, Willoughby and Castlecrag neighbours.

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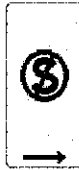
Parking Campaign in Willoughby

The rapid escalation in the numbers of private motor vehicles on Willoughby's roads is resulting in serious traffic congestion across the city, with illegal parking now a serious problem on many of our streets. Willoughby City Council is therefore encouraging drivers to help improve the safety of our roads and to avoid receiving parking fines by ensuring they follow simple parking laws, particularly in school zones.

Launching the campaign, mayor Pat Reilly said: "It is vital that drivers understand and

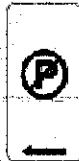
comply with all parking and traffic laws. Drivers are protecting the safety of children by abiding by 40 kilometre per hour rules near schools and complying with parking regulations."

The Council campaign aims to ensure that drivers understand and follow the following rules:



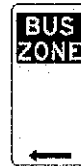
No Stopping:

Vehicles may not be stopped in a No Stopping area for any length of time, no matter how short. Dropping off or picking up passengers is not permitted in these areas. A continuous yellow edge line also indicates a No Stopping zone.



No Parking:

Vehicles may stop in a No Parking area to pick up or drop off goods or passengers provided that you stay within three meters of your vehicle and are not parked in the No Parking zone for longer than two minutes.



Bus Zones:

Must be kept clear at all times. Vehicles that are parked and stopped in bus zones create problems for bus drivers pulling into and out of these bays. Buses being forced to double-park and manoeuvre through inadequate space is extremely dangerous. It is illegal to stop in a bus zone for any period of time.

Double Parking:

Vehicles may not be stopped next to legally parked vehicles, even for a short time. Double parking reduces the visibility for other motorists and pedestrians and it can also cause other motorists to drive on to the wrong side of the road in order to pass.

Distance to centre lines:

It is illegal to park within three metres of double white centre lines. This is now a common problem in Willoughby and Council Rangers will be enforcing it much more rigorously in future.

Samantha Taranto

LETTERS to the Editor



Wallaby in Castlecrag

Recently, while staying at my parent's house on Edinburgh Road, I noticed this wallaby in the garden (photo attached). I grew up in Castlecrag and spent my childhood rummaging through the bush, but I didn't see a wallaby in all those years. I was so pleased to see this one (all plump and healthy) that I just had to pass on the good news.

As if a wallaby sighting wasn't enough, two days later I spotted a one-metre turtle swimming off the point of Castlecrag Peninsula.

A big thanks to Willoughby City Council and the local community for their efforts in successfully protecting Sydney's native wildlife.

Elke Buhrich
Edinburgh Road

Wheelie Bin Guard of Honour

Increasingly the streets of Castlecrag provide a wheelie bin 'Guard of Honour' for motorists and pedestrians, with The Bulwark in the running for a gold medal! Other streets are also performing notably. Now that we have three bins per household, roadside clutter is becoming intolerable.

Many residents apparently find the weekly chore of bringing in the bins too demanding; numbers of bins are stored permanently on footpaths or in some cases on the roadway. Some bins are in fact

stored not on private land but on Council roadway / footpath reserves. The practice is offensive for several reasons.

- **Hazard to traffic and pedestrians:** Some bins are stored on roadsides where centre-marking reflectors indicate that drivers should not cross the centre line. However with the bins obstructing the roadway it is at times virtually impossible not to cross the centre line, thus causing a hazard and sometimes broken rear-view mirrors. In addition, bins stored on footpaths permanently, together with boats and trailers impede pedestrians.
- **Deterioration of the visual environment:** Bins lining the roadway are unsightly and attract other rubbish.

In addition to these safety and amenity issues, the Waste Strategy Coordinator of Willoughby City Council advises that it is an offence under the Roads and Traffic Act to leave bins permanently in the street.

What do other residents think?

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Thursday 24 August (John Owen, General Manager Willoughby Council, on Civic Place and other matters – see page 4);
24 October – 8pm at the Castlecrag Community Centre.

Committee Meetings:

26 September and 28 November. Contact details on page 2.

Castlecrag Conservation Society:

Special Meeting on Thursday 28 September – 8pm at the Castlecrag Community Centre, cnr. The Postern and The Rampart. Phone Harold Spies 9958 8569 or watch the Noticeboard for more details.

Willoughby Environment Protection Association:

WEPA's main revenue event of the year is its **Native Plant Stall** at the Willoughby Spring Fair on Saturday, 9 September in Victoria Avenue Chatswood, 10am-4pm. Your support is most welcome. The next speaker meeting is Tuesday 19 September, with **Andy Burton** presenting 'Birds in Backyards and How to Attract them'. All welcome – Artarmon Library, Elizabeth Street at 8pm. Further information, phone Gay on 9958 8569 or Virginia 9958 8377.

Haven Amphitheatre:

See page 3 for programme details.

Community Events

Fauna Fair: Sunday 20 August at Willoughby Park Centre.

Learn about the wild and domestic animals that call our suburbs home and how we can all live together. Learn how to protect native wildlife and also how to ensure domestic pets are happy. Phone 9777 7872 for further information.

Willoughby Arts Prize: 1-10 September, 10am-5pm at Civic Place (town hall) – a highlight of the Willoughby Spring Festival.

Northbridge Art Prize: 2-14 September, 10am-5pm at Gallery 307, 307 Sailors Bay Road. One hundred outstanding paintings entered in the Northbridge Art Prize will be on display. Phone 9958 1298 for further information.

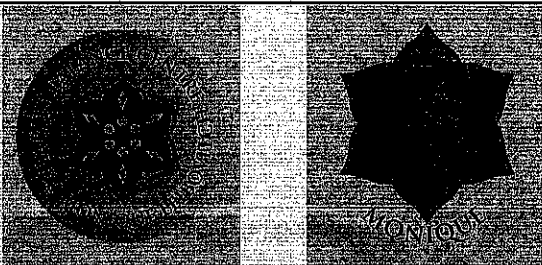
Step into Spring Bushwalk: Thursday 7 September 10am-1pm. Enjoy wildflowers, sculptured sandstone caves, Eastern Water Dragons, Blue Fairy Wrens and spectacular views – all on Threatened Species Day. Medium circuit 3.5km walk around the Middle Harbour Foreshores. FREE Event. For further information phone 9777 7755

Willoughby Street Fair: Saturday, 9 September in Victoria Avenue Chatswood, 10am-4pm. Special 10th anniversary event as part of the Willoughby Spring Festival.

Religious Organisations

Mini-Mission at St James Church, Edinburgh Road, Castlecrag on 3, 10 and 17 September. Speaker is well-known author John Dickson from Willoughby, who was awarded Best Christian Writer of 2005.
 Information: June Raymond at 9958 4739 (H).

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