

CRUYDON DRY WONGA PARK DRIER

This was the headline suggested by one speaker for use in our local newspapers.

It referred of course to the demolishing of that land mark on the corner of the Main Street and Howlish Road in Cruydon. At about the time it was also a very real summary of conditions in Wonga Park.

Residents must be heartily sick of the constant pilgrimages to stand pipe in Yarra Road or Homestead Road to fill their two hundred gallon tank mounted on the back of a borrowed truck or their forty gallon ox-drum on the back of a borrowed truck.

That the M.M.B.W. can answer requests for water extension with such equitocation and evasion is something of a reflection upon each of us.

For how long can we accept this 'tell nothing' 'do nothing' attitude while wait our turn in the queue at the stand pipe.

THE NON-EXISTENT 'PLAN' FOR WONGA PARK

Questions raised at the inaugural meeting must have caused some disquiet in the minds of some. Their is some obvious confusion on what constitutes a 'PLAN'.

IS THERE A PLAN for the development of Wonga Park, or is it just a matter of each fresh application being treated on its merits ? This question could draw some interesting answers

YOUR W.P.D.R.A. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The following members were elected by the inaugural meeting to serve the association in its important first year of operation.

- Mr. Don Finkler                      President
- Mr. John Upton                      Vice President
- Mr. Ted Payne                      Secretary
- Committee:
- Mrs. Beagley, Mrs. Swift, Mr. Alan Knee,
- Mr. Gordon Styles, Mr. Max Swift,
- Mr. Harry Box and Mr. Laurie Myers.

The Committee has prepared a Constitution and a plan of approach. This will be presented to the FIRST GENERAL MEETING NEXT TUESDAY NIGHT 18TH MAY at the WONGA PARK HALL

THE INAUGURAL MEETING OF THE W.P.D.R.A.

To get some forty residents out to a public meeting is the achievement of the organisers of the meeting to form the W.P.D.R.A. More importantly perhaps it indicates a climate of developing interest in the district of Wonga Park.

It is certain that this district will see some startling changes over the next few years. The fact is inescapable. That the changes which overtake us should follow a CARPENTALLY FORMULATED PLAN is desirable, if not vital, to the interests of every citizen of the area.

Subjects covered briefly by speakers before a vote was taken on formation of a society were 'Water for Wonga Park', 'Shire Riding Boundaries', 'Rating Formulas' and 'Land Development'.

Sufficient evidence was put forward to indicate that an association of residents could bring about some much needed in each of these episodes in the interests of the local people.

Considerable discussion followed the election of a Committee and Executive. Many ideas were presented by speakers suggesting ways in which the aims of the Association could be advanced in practice.

MEMBERSHIP OPEN TO ALL RESIDENTS

One of the first tasks of the public meeting was to fix an amount this year's membership. Strong moves were made for £1. and for 5/-, but the final figure agreed upon was 10/-.

This means that any resident of the area wishing to enjoy the privileges of membership of the Association by paying the fee of TEN SHILLINGS.

The tasks facing the W.P.D.R.A. are formidable and the meeting considered this amount could be necessary to carry on the campaigns which will be initiated in the interests of the Wonga Park District.