



SOUTH TURRAMURRA
ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION
(S.T.E.P.)

NEWSLETTER.

AUGUST, 1981.

BUSH WALK

SUNDAY, 16TH AUGUST at 2.00 P.M. commencing at the end of Kingsford Avenue, South Turrumurra and returning to the same location. Time: approx. 2 hours. Route will be the S.T.E.P. walking track which was designed to show the diversity of South Turrumurra's bushland. We will be hosts to members of the Lane Cove Bushland and Conservation Society.

MEMBERSHIPS:

Subscriptions of \$2-00 per family, \$1-00 single membership fell due on the 8th June. Last year was a most successful one with membership reaching 150. We invite all members to re-join now by filling in the form at the end of the Newsletter and forwarding to the Treasurer as sending out reminders is costly.

AT THE A.G.M. in June, the following officebearers were elected:-

President: Helen Petersen.
Vice President: Jan Ruys.
Secretary: Margaret Booth.
Assistant Secretary: Janet Catford.
Treasurer: Yvonne Langshaw.
Committee: George Tout, Neville Petersen, John Curtin, Dorothy Dawson and Alan Catford.

Attached is a copy of the President's Annual Report for 1980-81.

WEEDING:

A Bush Regeneration Team is working in the area at the end of Cove Street using the Bradley Method of Weeding, meeting on the Fourth Sunday of each month. Newcomers welcome. Next session will be on 27th September at 2.00 p.m. (No meeting during August School holidays.)

HAND CLEARING:

Bushfire fuel hazard reduction mainly by clearing away dead vegetation and weeds with hand tools, is almost complete. The area treated stretches from Cove Street to Robin Avenue, around the foot of Kissing Point Road. The object has been to stop, or break down the intensity of, bushfires approaching the urban fringe. Control burning, which has to be carried out every few years to be effective, leaves the bush poor in appearance, and slow to recover ecologically, unless the burning is of high intensity, which could be dangerous. Such an exercise as ours is entirely practical, but requires the willing participation of residents. Ideally,

every resident should maintain (S.T.E.P. will help where necessary) the area adjacent to his/her property in this way. For further information, contact Janet or Alan Catford on 449-1658.

WEST PYMBLE BUSHLAND. S.T.E.P. has received permission from Council for residents of Kooloona Crescent and Hampshire Avenue to carry out S.T.E.P.'s method of fuel reduction by selective hand clearing in their local bushland.

RECYCLING: Many S.T.E.P. members have indicated a keen interest in this field of conservation and we publish here some details of what services and facilities are available in our local area. We are also approaching Council and A.C.I. with a view to having the area included in a glass collection programme. Further information on recycling can be obtained by phoning the Metropolitan Waste Disposal Authority Hot-Line on 412-1388.

Paper and Cardboard: The South Turramurra Kindergarten has a regular 5 weekly collection covering most streets in South Turramurra. Due to traffic safety problems the Comenarra Parkway is not included in the house-to-house pick-up. However, papers may be left at the Kindergarten at any time prior to the collection. Next collection is on Saturday 8th August.

Aluminium Cans: are well catered for by Apex collection point at the Kissing Point Shops every Saturday morning.

Glass Bottles: may be left at the Normanhurst Scout Hall, Dartford Road, Normanhurst (near Thornleigh Regional Depot) or the Shell Service Station Corner Ryde Road and West Street, Pymble.

Used Engine Oil: Some Shell and B.P. Service Stations buy back used engine oil--suggest you phone first. There is a reclamation plant operating in Sydney.

Car Bodies: Thornleigh Regional Depot.

Scrap Metal: Simsmetal, Leonard Street, Hornsby buy any quantities of copper, brass, aluminium and lead, (not steel or cast iron.) Simsmetal at 87 Reserve Road, Artarmon will accept any kind of steel, cans, etc between 7.30 and 3.30 Mon. to Fri. but because of the depressed state of the market for steel do not buy this metal.

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S.T.E.P.
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL.

NAME..... PHONE.....
ADDRESS..... Family membership \$2-00
..... Single membership \$1-00

TC: Mrs. Y. Langshaw,
Treasurer,
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