



DOUG LITHGOW

RADICALS, RENEGADES & REVOLUTIONARIES

Doug Lithgow is one of the Hunter Region's environmental warriors who continues to advocate for the protection and improvement of the environment. Doug is the President of the Parks & Playgrounds Movement and has played a large role in a number of environmental battles in the region, including the protection of Lake Macquarie and its foreshores, Blackbutt Reserve, in protecting the Newcastle East land formerly owned by the State Rail Authority, Sugarloaf Reserve and the Glenrock State Recreation Area. In 1987 he was honoured with the Newcastle University's Board of Environmental Studies Environmental Achievement Award, and was awarded the Dunphy Award for the most outstanding environmental effort of an individual. In 2008 his campaigning had success in preserving the heritage value of Nobby's Headland, when the Federal Environment Minister Peter Garrett ruled against the proposal for a development at the historic lighthouse site under the EPBC Act.

Doug Lithgow's outstanding conservation efforts have also been recognised by Newcastle City Council who presented him with a 'Freeman of the City' award.

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