Wilesan Harra
Wilson House
The Long Griffin
2 The Barbette, Castlecrag, Sydney, NSW.
Private property. Not open to the public.
W.B. Griffin.
This small stone house, built for Thomas Henry Roy and Beryl Wilson in 1929, is one of the most intriguing in Castlecrag. Roy Wilson worked as a salesman for the GSDA and was caught up in the idealism of the venture, writing promotional material about The Crag for magazines and theatre handbills.
[For further information, refer to source below.]
Source: Meredith Walker, Adrienne Kabos & James Weirick, Building for Nature: Walter Burley Griffin and Castlecrag, Walter Burley Griffin Society Incorporated, 1994, pp.60-61; Jeff Turnbull & Peter Y. Navaretti (ed.), The Griffins in Australia and India, Melbourne University Press, 1998, p.294, #2911-01.
The house was known as 'The Long Griffin', and demonstrates one of the forms favoured by the Griffins – a linear house, with the living room at one end which dominates the house. (The Rivett house is another example of a linear house.)
The house forms part of a group of three Griffin- designed houses at The Barbette (the other two are the Creswick and Duncan houses). All are set back from each other to allow views of Middle Harbour.
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(Register of the National Estate)
The Register of the National Estate was established under the Australian Heritage Commission Act 1975. This Act has now been repealed but the RNE has been retained under the Heritage Council Act 2003. The Australian Heritage Council will compile and maintain the RNE.
Wilson House is entered into the RNE as an 'indicative' place,

meaning that data has been provided or obtained, and has been entered into the database and the place is at some stage in the assessment process. A decision on whether the place should be entered in the RNE has not been made. Willoughby Local Environmental Plan 1995 -Schedule 6 heritage item classified to be of state or regional significance. National Trust of Australia (NSW). Within National Trust of Australia (NSW)'s Castlecrag Urban Conservation Area. Statutory controls apply to heritage items or Conservation Areas. **Statutory controls:** They apply to works in the vicinity of a heritage item or adjacent to a Conservation Area. Willoughby Local Environmental Plan 1995. Part 7 of WLEP 1995 contains special provisions for Heritage and Conservation. Willoughby Development Control Plan No. 19: Heritage and Conservation. The Development Control Plan is a guideline document but with no statutory force. Nevertheless, its provisions will be given consideration by the consent authority when making decisions. The DCP provisions are more detailed and are in addition to the provisions of the Local Environmental Plan. Design Guidelines for the Conservation of Environmental Heritage. This guideline document supports DCP No. 19 and provides more detailed conservation principles. **Consent authority:** Willoughby City Council. **Previous heritage** reports: Every effort has been made to ensure that information contained in the Griffin Inventory is

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