

Residents of 10 Eglinton Road

Davies family 1909-15

The house was advertised for lease early in 1909. *Glebe Point New Modern Cottage 4 rooms, kit, gas, bath tub. etc tiled ver, marble steps, select position, nice views, 12s 6d a week 10 Eglinton road just past Tram Terminus (SMH 23 Jan 1909).*

Percy Cecil Davies, 31, musician, his wife Bertha Davies, 32, home duties and her mother Jemima Ellis, 50, home duties are listed on electoral rolls from 1909. Percy Davies is also listed in Sands Directory in 1910-15 and in Wise's Post Office Directory in 1914.

Percy Cecil Davies and Bertha Mary Timmann were married in 1904 in Sydney but did not have children. Bertha's mother, Jemima Ellis had migrated from Manchester to Queensland in 1870 with her family. She married Henri Gustav Timmann in 1875 in Victoria. After Henri died in 1877, Jemima moved to Sydney with her daughter Bertha.

In Sydney, Jemima lived with David Ellis, a stonemason who had migrated from Scotland. They had two children, Arthur born in 1884 and Florence May in 1886, both registered as the children of Jemima Timmann. They adopted Ellis as their surname, as did Jemima.

David Ellis died in 1905. *Yesterday morning the Water Police received a report that the body of a man was lying on the rocks at Rozelle Bay ... it was afterwards identified as that of David Ellis, who resided in Hereford-street, Glebe (SMH 28 March 1905).* The inquest reported he was 58 and had died of a heart attack and the effects of phthisis.

Jemima's son Arthur Ellis was married *Thursday, October 5, 1911, at St James' RC Church, Forest Lodge, Arthur, son of Mrs Ellis, of Eglinton Road, Glebe Point, to Vere Christina, daughter of Mr J King, of Gladstone Terrace, Darghan-street, Glebe (SMH 12 Mar 1912).*

In 1915, Percy and Bertha Davies and her mother Jemima Ellis moved to 26 Eglinton Road.

McAteer family 1915-16

James McAteer, 53, retired and his wife Mary Teresa McAteer, 53, home duties are listed on the 1915 electoral roll. James McAteer is also listed in Sands Directory in 1916. The youngest of their eight children, James Desmond, 21, Mary, 18, and Gerald Osmond McAteer, 15 lived with them in Glebe.

James McAteer had run hotels in country areas. In 1912, he purchased a hotel in Bangalow. *Mr McAteer about four years ago was mine host of the Alstonville Hotel. Then he purchased a large house at Maclean, and selling out of that, after a rest acquired the Metropole premises in Keen-street, transferring to the present host, a few months back (Northern Star 12 May 1912).*

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The McAteers celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in 1934. *February 13 1884, James McAteer of Raleigh, NSW to Mary Teresa Gunning of Co Clare Ireland. Present address 64 Waratah Street Haberfield (SMH 13 Feb 1934).*

Mrs Alice McLeod 1917

Mrs Alice McLeod is listed at 10 Eglinton Road in the 1917 Sands Directory

Maley family 1917-19

James Maley is listed in Sands Directory in 1918-9. In 1907, he married Margaret Ellen Payne, a widow with two children who had moved from Orange to Sydney after her first husband died in 1897.

In 1917 Margaret Maley, 51, home duties, and her children Henry Joseph Payne, 28, clerk, and Kathleen Payne, 22, costumier, are listed on the electoral roll at 10 Eglinton Road.

Wilson and White family 1919-30

Charles Alfred Wilson, 26, furniture maker and Pauline Wilson, 28, home duties are listed on the 1921-30 electoral rolls. They had three sons, Keith Edward born in 1921, James and Frank Wilson.

Pauline Louise White had first married James William O'Keefe, a master farrier in 1913 in Redfern. After he died in 1918, she moved to Eglinton Road with her father Edward White. She is listed as Mrs Pauline O'Keefe in the 1920 Sands Directory although she married Charles Alfred Wilson in 1919.

Pauline had been brought up by her father, who was granted care of his children in 1902 after his wife deserted him. Edward died in 1922. *Relatives and Friends of the late Mr Edward William White, late of N.C.S.N. Co., Limited, are invited to attend his Funeral to leave his daughter's (Mrs Pauline Wilson) residence 10 Eglinton road Glebe Point this afternoon, at 12.45 o'clock, for Catholic Cemetery Rookwood (SMH 24 Feb 1922).* He was buried with Pauline's first husband James O'Keefe.

Veronica Davison lived with the Wilson family. She is listed on electoral rolls from 1925-30 as home duties. Veronica grew up in Ultimo and may have joined the family to help Pauline in the house. She continued to live with the Wilson family after they left Glebe.

In 1929 James Wilson was injured in an accident and his father appeared for him in court. *James Wilson, by his next friend, Charles Alfred Wilson, of Eglinton-road, Glebe, sued Albert Ernest Denny, of Ingram-street, Kensington, for £75 damages for injuries received by being knocked down by defendant's motor car in Flinders-street, Darlinghurst, on December 9 last (SMH 28 Oct 1930).*

In 1932 Pauline advertised *Ronisch piano for Sale £55 good condition. Apply 10 Eglinton rd Glebe Point (SMH 4 Jan 1932).* In 1933 the Wilson family lived in Ashfield.

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John Thomas Shaviland 1934

John Thomas Shaviland, an agent, is listed on the electoral roll in 1934.

Wilfred Bruce Dive and Doris Gwynne Dive 1936-38

Wilfred Bruce Dive, 42, clerk and his sister Doris Gwynne Dive, 37, home duties are listed on electoral rolls in 1936-39. They both grew up in Glebe. Doris lived with her brother after the death of his second wife.

Wilfred held positions with several sporting organisations. At the annual meeting of the NSW Lawn Tennis Association in 1937 *Mr W B Dive lost his seat as a councillor representing the metropolitan clubs. Mr Dive had held office since 1926. In 1927 he was elected a State selector, and, in addition occupied a seat on several other sub-committees. There was evidence of a "ticket" in the election and it is to be regretted if this method is to be introduced in the selection of councillors representing the grass-court affiliated clubs ...Mr Dive has proved himself one of the greatest workers for tennis the game has known. When the NSW championships were in progress and during the 1937 Australian championships, he was the man behind the scenes who kept the tournament running smoothly. He was rarely seen unless he was required on the court to settle some difference. He is one of the finest judges of a player's capabilities in Australia, and as a selector he was outstanding. When his defeat was made known there were offers to resign to make a place for him (SMH 18 Mar 1937).*

Wilfred married again in 1938 and served as a warrant officer in the accounts office of the army in 1939-43. Doris found work as a secretary and moved to Boyce St Glebe.

Wilfred was secretary of the Sydney Cricket Grounds Members Association in 1939. *Mr W B Dive, 65 Macquarie Street, is honorary secretary of the association (SMH 5 Jan 1939).* He was secretary of Cumberland Golf Club in 1947 and of the Strathfield Golf Club in 1949. *Mr Bruce Dive has been appointed secretary of the Strathfield Golf Club. Mr Dive, for 22 years, was secretary of the Sydney Lawn Tennis Club and a State tennis selector for several years (SMH 31 May 1949).*

Madden family 1939

John Thomas Madden, his wife Muriel Maud Madden and children Phyllis and Mervyn moved into 10 Eglinton Road when they first came to Sydney. They moved to 24 Eglinton Road soon afterwards.

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Hoffman family 1940-41

Theodore William Hoffman, a labourer and his wife Annie Hoffman, home duties are listed on the electoral rolls in 1940-41. They had moved out by early 1942.

The house was advertised for rent in May 1942 *Cottage 10 Eglinton St Glebe Contains 4 good rooms and kit. Price 27/6 per week L J Hooker Pty Ltd. (SMH 30 May 1942).*

Edwards family 1943-46

Harriett Louisa Edwards, 63, home duties and her daughter Rosina Agnes Edwards, a bank clerk are listed on electoral rolls in 1943-46. They had come to Sydney from Mackay, Queensland.

Rosina married Alfred Edmonds in 1943 in Glebe. He was a lance bombardier with the 11th Field Regiment. Rosina Agnes Edmonds is listed on the electoral roll in 1944-46 as a bank officer. After Alfred was discharged in 1946, they returned to Mackay, where he was a caretaker at the racecourse.

Quilty family 1947-58

John Hawkins Quilty, 35, a welder and his wife Mildred Ethel Quilty, 39 home duties, are listed on electoral rolls in 1947-58. They were married in 1936 in West Wyalong and moved to Sydney in 1947.

His brother, Eric Michael Quilty, 33, known as Mick was also a welder. He enlisted in 1941 in West Wyalong and served with the 2/8th Field Ambulance at Tobruk. After he was discharged in 1946 he went to live with his brother in Eglinton Road. He is listed on electoral rolls in 1947-49.

Eric Michael Quilty moved to Leichhardt after his marriage.

John and Mildred Quilty moved to Old Canterbury Road Petersham after they left Glebe.

O'Driscoll family 1960-67

Angela Mary Teresa O'Driscoll, 80, home duties is listed on the electoral roll in 1960 with her son Charles Henry O'Driscoll, 38, no occupation.

Angela married Francis John O'Driscoll, who was eighteen years her junior, in 1918 in Dublin, Ireland. Francis was from Kalgoorlie and had enlisted in 1915, aged 16. He served in the 4th machine gun battalion in France and was returning to England when the ship he was travelling on was sunk by a German torpedo. He survived and made it to Ireland where he stayed until the end of the war. He was court martialled after the war for having been absent without leave.

Francis returned to Australia in 1920 with Angela and their infant son Gerald. Francis often lived away from his family, working interstate. By the time Angela moved to Glebe, they had separated.

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Charles, known as Cathal, was born in 1922 with Downes Syndrome. Mick Kelly who lived a few doors away in Eglinton Road recalls Charles was very interested in tennis, following Australia's progress in the Davis Cup and playing tennis with neighbours in the back lane.

Neighbours kept a friendly eye out for him and often saw him walking up Glebe Point Road with his mother. Angela was quite frail and Mick Kelly and other neighbours would help her with shopping.

Angela died 25 July 1963 at hospital, of 10 Eglinton Road Glebe, beloved mother of Gerald, Cathal and Tony (SMH 27 Jul 1963).

After Angela died, her oldest son, Gerald Francis Henry O'Driscoll, moved to Eglinton Road to care for his brother. Gerald had served with the RAAF in 1939-46 as a sergeant with the 22nd Squadron in New Guinea. He was married after he returned to Australia but later separated from his wife. Gerald is listed on electoral rolls as a salesman in 1965-67. Charles died on 18 July 1966, aged 44.

Mills family 1968-70

Kenneth Edward Mills, painter and Margaret Anne Mills are listed on electoral rolls in 1968-70.

David Colin Ely Begg and Janet Leuwin Harrison 1975-81

David Colin Ely Begg and Janet Leuwin Harrison purchased 10 Eglinton Road in 1975. They were listed as medical practitioners on the electoral rolls in 1979-81. They moved to Lismore.

Diane Kathleen Collins 1977-78

Diane Kathleen Collins, a nurse is listed on the electoral roll in 1977-78.

Babinard family 1984

Alain Edmond Babinard, 32, a painter and Ann Elisabeth Babinard, home duties are listed on electoral rolls in 1984. Alain Edmond Babinard was French and applied for Australian citizenship in 1970.

Schweikert family 1989-96

Richard John Schweikert and Louise Frances Schweikert had moved into 10 Eglinton Road by 1989. Rick is the manager of Frame Set and Match. Their daughters Casey and Olivia were born while they lived in Glebe. They moved away in 1996 but retained ownership of the house.

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