

The Glebe  
Society

# BULLETIN

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## WHAT'S HAPPENING?

There is a list of some organisations in Glebe. They offer a variety of services, and would welcome people to participate as users and helpers.

Kate Smith  
Julia McConnochie  
Bronwyn Plowman  
Alison McKeown

JOHN'S CHURCH, Cnr. St. John's and Oint Roads. Sunday school 9.30 a.m., Terry Skellett (660.1818); Subteen hip, Tuesdays 6.15 p.m., Judith (51.1058 or 51.2118); Teenage fellow-undays 4.30 p.m., Judith Harris; Fellowship, 1st Saturday in month at Le's houses, 8.00 p.m., Mr. & Mrs. n (56.5641); Women's Guild, 1st y in month, 2.30 p.m. at the Rectory, ggison (827.3253). Bits and pieces asional jumble street stalls are - contact the Rectory.

BOW LODGE, 22 Wigram Road. Home released from prison who have nowhere else to go. They are given help until they are able to manage independently. Need: help in finding jobs, use men, fund-raising, local people to lend individuals or provide some facilities - contact Mr. G. Jepson 5.

ITALIAN ASSISTANCE PLAN The Glebe - le work group meet monthly in varied to discuss local community needs. more people to talk, discuss and - contact Liz Barry, 660.5455.

JAMES' Woolley Street. Activities: St. Vincent de Paul Society, very (660.1407); school teenagers, ttiford (660.5401), post-school youth, West (660.3819); tertiary students ns", Martin Sykes (660.0936). There y other community groups affiliated e Church, which local Catholics e welcome to join.

ELLEN DESSAILEY KINDERGARTEN, Wentworth Park. The Mothers' Club has fund-raising activities.

"BIDURA", Glebe Point Road. Run by Department of Youth and Community Services: a receiving depot (temporary emergency home) for boys and girls aged 18 months - 6 years, and girls 6 years - 18 years. Need: local residents and families who would take children with them to Church, act as escorts for children visiting parents in hospital, include children on family outings. Parents whose children are members of youth clubs might also consider taking a child with their own children to activities. Contact Miss Elaine Barnett, volunteer organizer 2.0982 Ext. 9460.

GIRL GUIDES AND BROWNIES, Girls from 10½ in Guides - contact Guides Leader, Mrs. Marie Lazarou, 660.3622. Girls from 8 in Brownies - contact Mrs. Nash, 660.4826.

SCOUTS AND CUBS both meet weekly. Scouts secretary Mrs. McCall, 660.5163, Cub master Mr. Hansen, 660.1765.

POLICE-CITIZENS BOYS CLUB. Boys from 8-21. Activities include weight-lifting, boxing, baseball, cricket, football, hockey, table-tennis, body building, hobby class, field handball. Need: voluntary instructors for the above and to introduce new activities eg. gymnastics or judo. Contact Sergeant Wilkinson or Constable Thornton, Police-Citizens Boys Club, Minogue Crescent, 660.2557.

SYDNEY DAY NURSERY & NURSERY SCHOOL, 24 Arundel Street, Forest Lodge. Offer full day care for children aged 0-5 years. of needy parents. Need: help with fund-raising and obtaining materials. Contact the President, Voluntary Branch Committee, c/- above address. 660.1207

THE GLEBE PLAYGROUP is an informal gathering of mothers, fathers and children (0-5 years). Toys are owned by the group. Sessions on Tuesdays (2.30 - 4.30 p.m.) and Thursdays (9.30 - 11.30 a.m.). Sydney

City Mission Hall, 47 St. John's Road. Always room for new members. Contact Annette Evans 660.3386. 20¢ per session per family, \$1.00 per annum subscription.

"ELSTIE" WOMEN'S REFUGE, 73-75 Westmoreland Street, but soon to move to 108 Derwent Street. Offers free accommodation and guidance to women and children seeking relief from husband's/father's drunkenness, paranoia, and violence. Need: clothing, bed linen, nappies, food, financial assistance for daily necessities, support for fund-raising activities.

BUS TRIP. 3rd Saturday in the month. All welcome. \$2.25. Bring your lunch. Tickets at Peter Fuzes Pharmacy. Cnr. St. John's and Glebe Point Road. From Glebe to scenic and interesting places around Sydney. Mrs. Trefry 56.2747 or 83.6619.

BUS TRIP. 1st Saturday in month. Miss Stokes, 11 Darling Street. This bus trip is usually booked out.

FOREST LODGE PRIMARY SCHOOL. Parents and Citizens Association meet 3rd Monday of the month, 8.00 p.m. in library. Next meeting is on 17th February. Fund-raising activities and interesting schemes are proposed for parents and children. A monthly newsletter is printed. Contact from any interested person to Mr. Read, 24 Avon Street, 521.0277.

PENSIONERS WELFARE FUND. Also known as "Tuesday Club". Meetings at Town Hall, Tuesdays. Bus picnics, Christmas dinner and money gifts from cash raised during the year. Lucky tickets, Saturday mornings at Glebe Post Office. Secretary Mrs. Roberts, 82 St. John's Village.

ST. JOHN'S AMBULANCE. Cadet and ambulance division meet Forest Lodge Primary School, Cnr. Ross Street and Bridge Road, Wednesdays, 8.00 p.m. Discussion and drill on accidents, etc., first aid training for exam at H.Q. Members work at sporting fixtures in Glebe, and Wattamulla National Park. 10¢ per year fee. Teenage boys and men welcome (nursing division for women has closed). Division secretary Mr. S. Perry, 20 Rose Street, Birchgrove. 82.1911.

METHODIST OPPORTUNITY SHOP, 19 Toxteth Road, Wednesdays 10.00 a.m. - 4.00 p.m., Saturdays 9.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. Second hand clothing, kitchenware, etc. for sale. Need: customers welcome, also goods for shop, and assistants to help Miss Lucas who runs the shop.

CREATIVE MOVEMENT AND DRAMA classes at Methodist Community Centre, 19 Toxteth Road, may still be going: Tuesdays, 3.30 p.m., 20¢ for boys and girls 6 - 14 years.

GLEBE ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS, 108 Hereford

Street provides community atmosphere and accommodation for people (15-20's) with emotional problems. Need: stable people to live in and help other residents. Financial assistance always welcome. Contact Neil Smith 660.1469.

SYDNEY CITY MISSION, St. John's Road. Sister Duke, 660.1140. Works include visiting, religious services, Girls' Club, Boys' Brigade and Teenage Club. Youth work to be expanded. Need: volunteers for craft work and other suitable club activities.

YOUTH HOSTEL, Ross Street to be opened later this year. Youth Hostel Association 29.5068.

GLEBE COMMUNITY CARE CENTRE, 184 Glebe Point Road. 660.5455. Nursing, mental health, physiotherapy, occupational therapy, social work, diabetics, speech therapy, psychology. Need: voluntary aid in -

1. regular services - visits to homes (talk, sewing, shopping, walks),
2. irregular services - supplying transport, emergency cleaning,
3. Art centre once weekly, about 4 hours (provide transport, help socialise, provide work activities),
4. provide venues for special activities for older people (barbecues).

GOOD NEIGHBOUR COUNCIL. Group Organiser Mary Wargenau, 1 St. John's Village, 660.1229. Need: people to welcome and assist migrants, visiting, (people with languages always welcomed). Volunteers take a course about 8 weeks, organised by the Good Neighbour Council.

GLEBE CHRISTIAN YOUTH CLUB, David Hey Cunningham, 9 Avona Avenue, 660.5606. Two club nights a week at Methodist Christian Community Centre, 19 Toxteth Road. One club night elsewhere.

"ROYLESTON", Glebe Point Road, Glebe. Run by Department of Youth & Community Services: a Receiving Depot (temporary, emergency home) for boys aged 6 - 18 years. Need: Volunteers to provide weekend outings and evening recreation activities; Also persons who may be able to assist staff at the home on various ways. Contact the Manager, Mr. Meuller, 660.1269.

HILDA BOOLER KINDERGARTEN, Jubilee Park, Glebe. Children 3-5 years. Mrs. Catherine Cox is director - phone 660.4934. The Kindergarten welcomes contact with the community and is always happy to receive visitors.

TRANBY CO-OPERATIVE COLLEGE, 13 Mansfield Street, Glebe. Adult Educational Centre to train Aborigines and Australian

## GLEBE "CLASSIFIED"

In December Glebe joined the select ber of "Conservation Areas" listed by National Trust (the others are Padgton and Hunters Hill).

It has been given the highest category listing, that of "classified" which ns that Preservation is regarded as ential.

However this does not mean a museum ce, and we quote from the Trust's press ease as follows:

"In the case of an urban Conservation a the Trust does not consider that the nscape need to remain completely uner. The Trust's concern is that as judged to possess sufficient hitectural, historical or townscape nificance to be granted Classified sting, should be controlled by the al Authority to such an extent that new development is sympathetic with special qualities of the conservation a. This sympathy should include scale, erials, textures & colours".

Essentially this means we now have to ok after" our old houses in a more eful and particular manner. Additions l alterations should be carefully con- sidered to see if they respect the original hitectural character. Colours and tures should have some reference to torical accuracy but perhaps even more ortantly they should be in harmony with er buildings in the street or in a up.

Until such time as Leichhardt Council elops consistent policies and trains pathetic staff with sensitive eyes, re are bound to be a few more unfor- ate changes to buildings. It is up to the Glebe Society members in particular try to inform themselves and to help ers in Glebe appreciate what it means live in a conservation area.

The present Council plan before the .A. makes provision for conservation as, and in fact three areas are so signated (Toxeth, St. Phillips & shopthorpe). The National Trust area, ever includes almost all of Glebe and est Lodge. The Glebe Society will lodge formal objection to Council shortly and ggest the areas should have the same ndaries.

Tony Strachan

## FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday, 9th February, 10.30 a.m.  
The gardening group will meet at Maureen and Adrian Colman's, 48 Boyce Street. For further particulars, ring Theo Ahlston, 660.1083.

Monday, 10th February, 9.00 a.m. Silk screening resumes. Anyone interested in joining the activities, please come to the Woolley Centre. Bring an old shirt or smock, and your enthusiasm.

Wednesday, 25th February, "Chicago, Chicago". Play reading of John Romeril's work at Marian Jones, 27 Mansfield Street, beginning at 8.00 p.m. Contact Albert Renshaw 660.0682 if you would like to enquire beforehand.

Saturday, 1st March. Coffee morning. Come to the Robertson's, 158 Hereford Street, and see their newly-acquired stone house. 10.30 - 12.30.

Saturday, 5th April, Genesian Theatre. Two plays for the price of one (\$2.50 a seat). The first is a farce by David Cregan, titled "Transcending"; the second, also a farce, is by Peter Shaffer (of Equius fame) and is called "Black Comedy". Social secretary Kathy Pickles is taking bookings NOW, 660.4924, whilst social secretary Hiliary Larkum practices her lines!

### WEEKLY

Sundays, 9.00 a.m. Tennis at Pidcock Street, Camperdown Courts. Ring Max Solling (Wk: 2.0545 ext. 306 or home: 660.1160) if you would like to play.

## MISCELLANY

The Australian Home Journal's re-novated house at 25 Toxteth Road is open for inspection at weekends, between 10.00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m.

Wine Bottling. Contact Tony Larkum, 660.7030, as soon as possible if you are interested in bottling your own wine.

### CONTEMPLATING RENOVATIONS ?

Contact the Society's Committee for comment and advice:-

Tony Strachan - 660.3374 or  
519.3393 (Bus.)

Alan Robertson- 660.6149 or  
2.0512 (Bus.)

# THE GLEBE SOCIETY

was formed in 1969. Its aims then were, and still are:

- to promote the general well-being of the citizens of The Glebe;
- to preserve its natural assets wherever possible;
- to stimulate interest in the history and character of the area in order to retain and restore its unique historic and architectural environment;
- to promote enlightened town-planning; and
- to protect the residents from anything detrimental to their enjoyment of their dwellings, their streets, their shops, and their parks and gardens.

Activities of the Society include:

- a local history group
- a planning group
- a social activities group
- a parks and gardens sub-committee
- a publications sub-committee
- a social welfare group

## CAN YOU HELP?

THE GLEBE SOCIETY, P. O. BOX 100, GLEBE 2037. Phone 660 6149

Annual Subscriptions: Ordinary \$2; Household \$3; Student 50c; Pensioner 50c

### MEMBERSHIP FORM

I wish to join the Glebe Society

NAME..... PHONE.....

ADDRESS.....

I enclose cheque/postal note/cash for ..... for my annual subscription as an ordinary/household/student/pensioner member.

This leaflet is available from Albert Renshaw - 259.0544(W) or 660.0682(H).



### ANY OLD IRON?

One man's rubbish is another man's treasure. If you have any bits and pieces that are too good to throw away, but too embarrassing to advertise for sale, why not dispose of them through the Bulletin? You won't get any cash, but then the advertisement won't cost you anything. For instance, lengths of old building timber suitable for firewood. Ring Alan Robertson, 0.6149.

### THE COUNCIL FOR CIVIL LIBERTIES

Accompanying this issue of the bulletin is information about the Council for Civil Liberties, whose office is in Glebe. We thought members may be interested in the Council's aims, structure and activities so we bring this information to your notice.

s in the techniques of co-operatives unity needs. Not an urban society - one to the College via selection by ders. Undenominational, independent rstate. Not subsidised by the nt. Need: cash donations, assis- th fund-raising drives, and al access to local recreational al facilities. Contact - The Mr. Walter Mussing 660.3429.

RIA ALICE LAMKIN WELFARE CENTRE, 2 Street. Social and recreational or aged and infirm people. Midday vided five weekdays at 20¢ per meal. ours are 10.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m. th Mrs. Frazer, Welfare Officer, day; fee 10¢ per annum. Need: people to help in dining room hen 11.00 a.m. - 2.00 p.m.

ON WHEELS, auspices of Leich- uncil, five days per week. People for service by G. P.'s to Welfare (Mrs. Frazer). Hopefully a seven ice in the future. Need: help in oria Alice Lamkin Welfare Centre's

Scholastica's School, Avenue Road, and Friends Association meets fund raising is the primary ac- Ring 660.2395 or 660.1202.

byterian Church Centre, 244 Glebe ad. Homework centre (Thursday .30 p.m.) senior citizens group, style group, student group, legal tax assessment assistance are e. The centre has rooms available ings, weddings and receptions. network, tutors, legal and tax ts. Ring Rev. W. McLeod, 660.3254.

rmation/Action Resource Centre. A on has been made to the Federal nt for premises in Glebe Point Road. ducation is the aim, via informal , structured meetings, library, dio and publications (facilities ses), with a joint office for groups he centre. Contact Perc. Newlands,

James Catholic Primary School, Street. Parents and Friends Associa- ts on the second Wednesday of the school terms. Parents and inter- ople in the Parish are welcome to Fund raising and study of current methods are some of the activities. cks, 660.3315.

e Primary School Parents & Citizens ion, Derwent Street. Information available at the time of printing. those interested could contact the er, Mr. James, 660.4549.

The Woolley Centre, 48 Glebe Point Road. A centre for adults and children offering community art, craft and entertainment (current funding by the Schools Commission). A full programme of fun activities and weekend camps planned this year. Newly appointed director Walter Faillee is eager to meet local people. Need: lots of people to enjoy activities. Suggestions and re- quests for projects welcome, cash donations welcome. More people to use the centre for own clubs, meetings, hobbies, etc. (Maximum use of facilities is encouraged) Contact Walter Faillee at the Centre, or Secretary Kerri Heavens, 24 Cross Street, Forest Lodge.

Australian Assistance Plan. The Glebe- Annandale working group meets monthly at the Community Care Centre, 184 Glebe Point Road and discusses ways of implementing the plan in this area. Delegates attend Regional Council meetings. Child care, pensioners needs, etc. are discussed locally, and ways of funding welfare pro- jects are investigated. A permanent office and small staff is being decided. Need: All people are welcome. Individuals and organisations may like to refer their particular needs to the A.A.P. to use it as a resource for their own projects. Contact Liz Varry, C/- Community Care Centre, 660.5455.

The Metropolitan Girls Shelter, 8A Avon Street. A remand home for teenage girls appearing before the Children's Court. Approximately two-week stays whilst reports are prepared to assist the Court in making appropriate decisions on girls' future care. Need: mature volunteers with genuine interest in teenagers for the girls. Monday fort- nightly group, 6.30-8.30 p.m.; painting, dancing, music and typing are popular. Contact Matron August, 660.1613, or Julia McConnochie, 660.7605.



#### THE HOMOEOPATHIC HOSPITAL

Residents of Glebe have been invited to attend a public meeting at the Hospital, 186 Glebe Point Road, on 19th February at 7.00 p.m. The Hospital is keen to involve as many residents as possible in its Auxilliary's fund raising activities. Incidentally, the name "Homoeopathic" is derived from a benefactor's wish. The Hospital, however, treats medical and general cases. Its work is res- tricted by its lack of expensive recovery facilities.

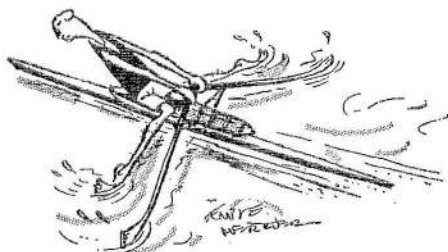


## GLEBE ROWING CLUB

Glebe Rowing Club in Ferry Road is the oldest sporting club in Glebe, and in fact the oldest rowing club in Sydney still on its original site.

In 1876, when quarryman Edward Trickett became Australia's first undisputed world champion by beating Joseph Sadler on the Thames, rowing in the Colony gained a great boost. At this time self confidence in Australia was manifested particularly in its cricketers and rowers, and a peak of pride was reached as a result of the exploits of the 1878 Australia cricket team in England.

It was against this background of national self confidence and widespread enthusiasm for out-door sport that steps were taken in the growing suburb of Glebe to form a club for rowers. The club was opened in July 1879.



Glebe has played an important part in the history of rowing in New South Wales. The club has enjoyed moments of glory, such as the successes of its crews in championship events and selection of members to represent the State. It has also felt the bitterness of despair, such as in 1897 and again in 1953, when its premises were completely destroyed by fire. After its club house was rebuilt in 1897, the club prospered and in the 1901 and 1902 seasons became the premier club of New South Wales.

Amateur rowing was strictly true blue, and it was argued that "people confined in an office had no show against men who worked with their arms or their hands or in the sun all day". Patron of Henley, Prince Albert, had decreed that anyone who was "by trade or employment for wages, a mechanic, artisan or labourer" was not a bona fide amateur, and therefore ineligible. The debate over what should constitute an amateur rower began with the fiercely competitive intercolonial races in the 1870's, and it was not until 1934 that men "working in or about boats for money or wages" came within the definition of amateur in New South Wales.

Internal dissension within Glebe Rowing Club arose over the conscription issue in 1916, and with evidence of sectarianism in the selection of crews, championship successes eluded Glebe until 1921 when Glebe, stroked by George Hancock, won the Champion Fours.

While not being a big club in terms of membership, Glebe has achieved a number of notable successes in the last half century, and has produced a number of fine oarsmen - John McGregor, Jack Scott, George Hancock, Arthur Merrington, Charlie Paull, Wal and Cec Jordan, Bill Middleton, Wal Mackney, Reg Stride and Dick Bendy to name a few. Glebe's most notable recent success was Islay Lee's win in the National Sculling Championship in 1972.

In terms of time and energy devoted to supporting the club, three men in particular stand out - Jack Mitchell, Doug Keys and Charlie Smith.

A feature of Glebe Rowing Club has always been its great concern for the recreational aspect of rowing, rather than placing the emphasis on winning, and for this reason Glebe has held many more of its "old supporters" than other clubs.

Glebe has made its facilities readily available to schools - Sydney High was coached from the shed when it won the Head of the River from 1925 to 1927, and Fort Street and Cleveland Street High Schools still operate from the club.

A highlight of the club's year is its annual regatta held on Blackwattle Bay (since 1879) in December, and Glebe residents are welcome to watch the exciting sprint races.

In 1963 the club obtained a liquor licence. It is the only licenced club in Glebe and has a current membership of about 450. Anyone interested in joining as a rower or social member should contact the Secretary/Manager at the club.

It is anticipated that a well illustrated history of the club will be published this year.

Max Solling



### Anything to declare?

The Editor of the Glebe Society Bulletin is Ted McKeown. Would all copy be directed to him at 10 Albert Street; phone 660-3917.