

The Glebe
Society

BULLETIN

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Eighth Annual General Meeting of the Society will be held at the Glebe Town Hall on Wednesday, 10th August at 8.00 p.m.

At this meeting you will be voting for a new Management Committee for the next 12 months. Nominations for election to the following positions are open to all members:-

- President
- Senior Vice-President
- Junior Vice-President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- 4 Committee Members

Nominations for positions on the Management Committee must comply with Clause 10 of the Constitution. This means they must be signed by the nominated person (with occupation and address) and two proposers, and must reach the Secretary at least 14 days before the A.G.M. i.e. 27th July, 1977.

Only positions for which no nominations have been received in advance will be open to nominations from the floor at the Annual General Meeting.

A suggested nomination form appears below.

GLEBE SOCIETY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE 1977-78 NOMINATION

WE, and being members
of the Glebe Society, hereby nominate as
..... of the Society for the forthcoming year.

DATED SIGNED and

I, of
(name in full) (address)
..... consent to this nomination.
(occupation)

SIGNED

N.B. This form must be lodged with the Secretary, Jim Coombs at 56 Boyce Street, Glebe by 27th July, 1977.

WHAT THE MANAGEMENT DID

1. Venetia. We are still pursuing the Lands Commission, although they seem less enthusiastic about purchasing Parkes lands.
2. Our submission to the Local Government Boundaries Commission will be made shortly.
3. The High School. We understand that the Education Department is seriously proceeding to the purchase of H¹ site.
4. Lyndhurst. We believe Mr. Wran has decided to have the building preserved.
5. David Reeve is to be the new editor of the Bulletin, with Sue Robey in charge of the distribution.

National Heritage

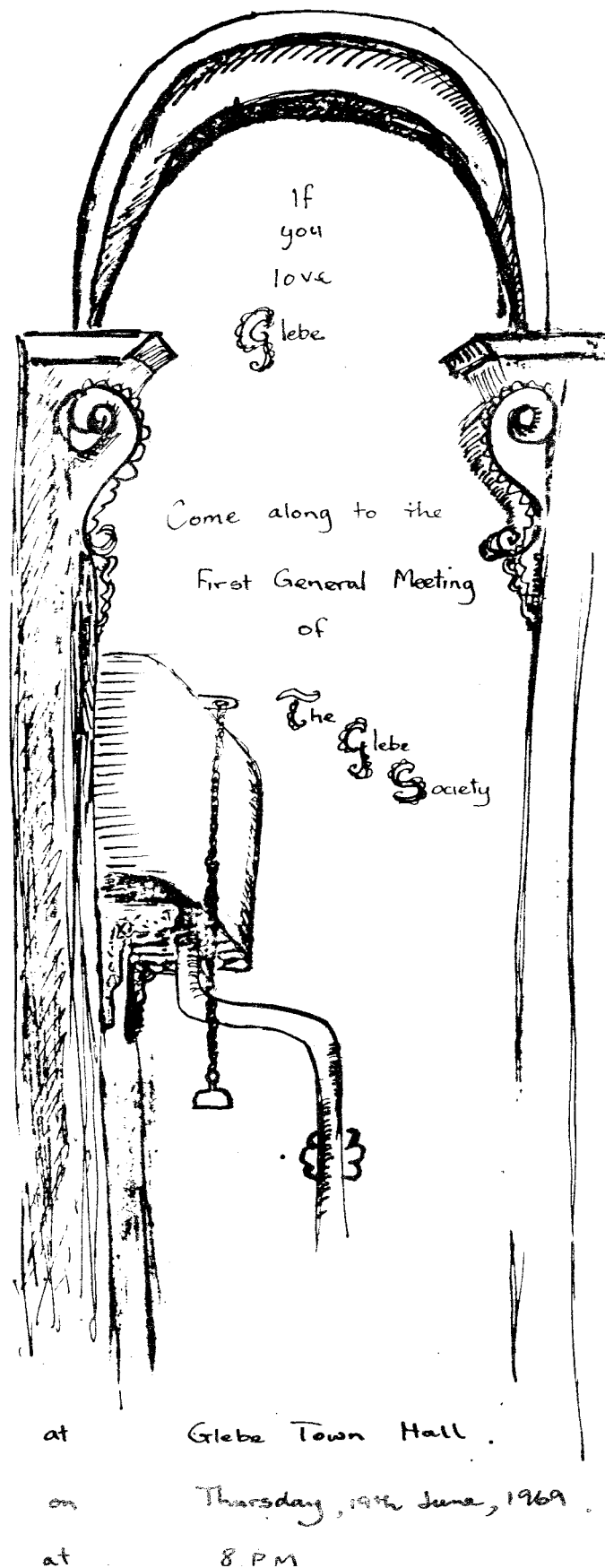
Tony Strachan has informed the Management Committee that Glebe has been included in the National Heritage listing as a Conservation area.

GROUP NEWS

Betty Wright of 120 Bridge Road would like to hear from anyone interested in forming a group to play Bridge. Betty has offered her home for the first game.

The crocheting ladies of the Monday Group are hard at work crocheting woollen squares to make blankets for Elsie - the women's refuge in Derwent Street. Anyone who would like to help should contact Pat Moore on 660.4178.

from the archives



GARDENING

A Garden in Glebe

Sally and Bill Nelson have been gardening at 21 Alexandra Road for two and a half years.

The front garden has a westerly aspect, and has a thin, damp layer of topsoil on a rock shelf. The soil was in poor condition - full of oxalis. Two concrete pathways partially filled the area.

Weed killer was needed to start oxalis control. One sidepath was removed, and they excavated the north west corner to make two levels, the principal area being 12" higher. The soil was enriched and finally planting commenced.

The aim is for low-maintainence, predominantly grey foliage and white and blue flowers, perennials and permanent ground cover. Plant heights vary from the latter to two trees (necessary for shade); a melaleuca and hymenospermum ("native frangipani").

The whole effect is pleasing and the plants are growing well. Further contrast is provided by a cumquat in a tub and the lower corner's pebbles and stones. The rose and gardenia plants in particular need regular feeding.

The back garden (about 12 x 6 m) has an easterly aspect. An old washhouse and large privet were removed and soil shifted about until two levels were created with the help of a retaining wall. Oleander, hydrangeas, cassia and crepe myrtle growing along the northern fence were allowed to remain and now give a screen, and shade for plants selected by the Nelson's to grow beneath. Those plants include impatiens bush orchids, shrimp plant, begonias and coleus.

The garden now has natural sandstone plus pebbles and sandstone-slabs underfoot in the central area and a path on the lower level that runs parallel to the fence for some distance - however, the planted area is greater than the paved area. The soil was enriched with blood-and-bone and poultry manure, and planting began a year ago. The garden's content is already a well-established pleasing

arrangement of ground covers (including greyvillea "gaudi-chaudi", myoporum paruifolium, juniper conferta), a variety of shrubs (e.g. thryptomene), and trees (encalyptus scoparia, bought in an advanced state of growth; has a bare trunk) (water-box tree). Native Australian plants that hasten the greening and filling-out of garden beds predominate.

A small path winds through the greenery to the birdbath. Six bulbulls filled the bath recently; blue wrens and honey eaters visit the garden.

The southern garden fence is a strong brick retaining wall in three steps that display interesting rocks, driftwood and shells. A garden is beside the wall, planted with a wattle, smaller shrubs and some succulants and ground cover.

Attractive potplants merge the patio with the garden. The carport in the south-east corner is partially hidden by plants. A bush-house in the north-east corner is being organised and future plans are to establish ferns and orchids under shrubbery, a pond, and resumption of the final small grassy area for pebble ground cover and planting by the back fence.

Unwanted insects are picked off by hand but if a heavy infestation occurs minimal quantities of carbaryl and benlate are used. Soapy water is a useful control too.

A passionfruit vine is growing extensively beside the house and looks lush and green.

Oxalis is continually weeded out although its growth is now retarded by ground cover plants.

The Nelson's aim is to create a rich, healthy environment and encourage birdlife in the garden which they have already achieved.

A. McKeown.

Footnote: Sally Nelson has two healthy frangipani plants that she would like to give to someone. Please telephone her on 660.0038.

FOR YOUR DIARY

Saturday, 2nd July. 10.30-12.30. Coffee morning will be held at the home of Betty Wright, 120 Bridge Road.

Sunday, 3rd July. The first outing of the Cycling Group will be a ride from St. Ives to the Newport Arms. For further information see elsewhere in the Bulletin.

Wednesday, 6th July. The Solling Lectures. Lecture 6 - Transport, Communications and Earning a Living. 7.30 p.m. at Forest Lodge State School. Visitors Welcome.

Wednesday, 13th July. Lecture 7 - Education, Social Welfare and Living Conditions. The last in the series by Max Solling will be given at 7.30 p.m. at Forest Lodge State School.

Saturday, 6th August. This month's coffee morning will be held at Theo and Jean Ahlston's, 58 Toxteth Road.

CYCLING



Cycling Group

The first meeting of this newly formed group within the Society, will be a ride from St. Ives Shopping Centre to the Newport Arms on Sunday, 3rd July. The Group's convenor, John Peterson, has informed us that there is only one hill to be negotiated and if someone with a car can collect you from Newport, the ride will be approximately 15 miles. Hardy swimmers should bring their costumes, and all cyclists are reminded not to forget their puncture repair kits. Meet at 10.30 a.m. between the two sets of traffic lights in St. Ives Shopping Centre. For further details phone John on 660.6213.

NEW MEMBERS

Richard RAWLINGS
Marianne VON KNOBELSDORFF
Ms Jan ELEMENT
Ms C.P. BROWN
Rosa CARRUTHERS
Hartono (Totty) TYAHYOPRAMONO
Jane ELDERSHAW
Bagjo RAHARDJO
Kateryna TRYHUB
Ms Lyndal SMITH
Susan ROBEY
Janis DERRICOTT
Brenda SHELDRICK
Michael and Eileen KENNEDY

BULLETIN

With this issue, Joey Rowden retires as editor of the Bulletin, and wishes success to David Reeve who has taken on the job. Joey would also like to record appreciation to John Bushell for his help on many a harrassed publication day! David can be contacted on 660.2207.