



# THE GLEBE SOCIETY BULLETIN

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## MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETINGS - APRIL AND MAY

As the reports in this Bulletin show, the Committee is continuing its watchdog role. Several new matters have come to our notice recently and are covered in reports elsewhere in this Bulletin.

Further correspondence has been received and sent on many other areas of interest, including

- maintenance of Jubilee Park facilities and provision of further parks in Glebe.
- Squatters in Federal Road.
- Proposed use by TAFE of part of the Glebe High School site.
- Traffic problems in Glebe.
- The poplars in Glebe Point Road.
- Parking outside Wentworth Park Kindergarten.
- Projected developments of the Homeopathic Hospital.
- Second Glebe Food Fair on 21st September, 1985.
- Noise at Max Factor's building.
- Untidy litter bins in Glebe Point Road.

All Committee members are looking forward to the Meet the Members evening and the opportunity it will provide for members to participate more fully in the Society's efforts to improve conditions in our area.

**GARAGE SALE - SATURDAY, 29TH JUNE**  
9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Outside Record Reign Hall, St. John's Road, Corner of Derwent St. (Inside the Hall if it's raining).

Bring any unwanted but saleable items from 8.30 a.m. on the Saturday. Helpers for the stall are also needed - please ring Alan Hunt - 660 2407.



Kingaroy Kid.  
N. G. Scales, Sydney;  
1949.

## Roasted PEANUTS

The advertisement shown below  
appeared in The Glebe, May 29th.

### *Social Evening*

at Toxteth Road Uniting Church  
**FRIDAY 7th JUNE, 1985, 7-10pm**

Home made soup, bread rolls, wine, tea, coffee, etc., will be served (no charge).

Come along and let us have your suggestions as to how Glebe may be made an even better place to live.

Come along and meet the members of the GLEBE SOCIETY (you don't have to join), and meet the people who have areas of special interest, such as

TRAFFIC PROBLEMS  
HISTORY OF GLEBE  
HOUSE INSPECTIONS  
BI-CENTENNIAL PARK  
PARKS AND OPEN SPACES  
PLANNING  
SOCIAL EVENTS, ETC.

Come along and bring your friends.  
— EVERYONE WELCOME —

NOTE: Forget the charge for food mentioned in last month's Bulletin. We want as many people as possible to come, so the evening is free.

## ROZELLE BAY BICENTENNIAL PARK

The long-awaited MSB report on future port uses to the Minister, Laurie Brereton, did not live up to his promise of a realistic survey. The Minister has requested reasons from the MSB for wanting to keep Rozelle Bay, as none are given in the report.

The Society is making determined efforts to interest the new Minister for Planning and Environment, Bob Carr, in the projected park: his department is currently preparing a brief for him. The support of this highly-regarded Minister would add considerable weight to the Society's case.

It appears the MSB is searching desperately for reasons to retain this land. A report circulated last week that the Board was looking for a site in Rozelle or Blackwattle Bays to replace Goat Island, currently the site of their launch-building and repair activities. Even if the MSB were to hand over Goat Island to Sydney Harbour National Park, there are plenty of sites apart from the Rozelle Bay park area suitable for relocation of the Goat Island facilities.

## BELLEVUE/VENETIA

The probable future of this beautifully-sited house now appears a little clearer.

Last year the Society surveyed local residents and community organisations, and offered their collated suggestions to Council, who prepared some preliminary sketch plans.

The Blackwattle Bay Park Convenor, Bob Armstrong, and the Management Committee thought the sketches showed too little space available for public use. Council prepared further sketches giving all the upper storey to the public, and these were approved by Chris Hosking, architect advising the Society.

The Committee has presented a scheme for funding to Council, and the initial response has been favourable. For further developments watch the Bulletin.

## ORPHAN SCHOOL CREEK PARK

Leichhardt Council has earmarked \$140,000 of developers' open space contributions for Stage One of this park, which is much needed in Forest Lodge.

Unfortunately, voices from the Children's Hospital are contradictory, some bureaucrats being happy to exchange land and so permit the park to proceed, but others unwilling to concede the need for a park and wanting to use all hospital-owned land for income-producing housing.

The Hospital's planning scheme is now being re-examined by the Health Department, and the Minister is familiar with the Society's views. Members in the Forest Lodge area might like to write to Mr Mulock in support of the park.

## THE GLEBE ESTATE

The Committee received a response from the Minister for Housing, Frank Walker, to its letter of introduction and congratulation. The Minister urges us to contact a member of his personal staff to discuss policies to be pursued on the Estate.

## DARLING HARBOUR

Mr Hank Laan, General Manager of the Darling Harbour Redevelopment Authority, has written thanking the Committee for its two letters commenting on the plans, especially regarding public access and facilities for residents. Mr Laan has also offered to meet the Society for talks in due course.

## SIGN ON UNIVERSITY HALL

A new and prominent sign advertising cigarettes has appeared on top of University Hall, which is subject to a permanent Conservation Order. The Heritage Council has no power to order its removal. The Society has written to Leichhardt Council to ascertain if permission was sought, and if so, why it was granted. Leichhardt Council has the power to order removal of unauthorised signs, and this one contravenes Council policy.

## FOCUS ON GLEBE

### ON LOCATION

Seeing several ABC vans with sound and film equipment on Glebe Point Road at 7 a.m. the other Sunday morning, we inquired and were told that a movie was to be made using Toni's Delicatessen. The story is about a dancer who comes to live in Sydney and goes to do her shopping - at Toni's of course! We expect it won't be on T.V. for a few months, but watch the Bulletin for further details.

### MARCHANT'S GARAGE

For almost sixty years the garage has been in the Marchant family, having commenced business in 1926 at the corner of Bridge and Glebe Point Roads. Its present site at 176 Bridge Road was previously the site of Bushells' Tea Stables.

Ray Marchant has decided it is time to move on and has made way for his long-time employee, Frank Cutri to take over who, it is expected, will continue the excellent personal service that has always been a feature of this business.

We wish Ray Marchant a happy retirement and extend our best wishes to Frank Cutri.

### IMPROVING GLEBE BRANCH LIBRARY

- Neil Macindoe

While I was perusing Council Papers in Glebe Library, I saw two stately and dignified women looking the place over, and sure enough, they were senior librarians from Leichhardt wondering how to boost custom. As with so many public areas in Glebe, activity and planning was suspended while amalgamation with the City seemed a possibility.

Bring your suggestions for a re-vamped and improved branch library to the Meet the Members evening on 7th June - preferably pay a visit first to improve your store of facts about what it offers and doesn't offer at present.

## MONDAY GROUP MEETINGS

17th June - 1 p.m. Visit to the Music Recital, St Stephen's Church, Macquarie Street. If you would like to lunch in town first, join the group at the Hyde Park Barracks Cafe at 11.45 a.m.

15th July - 2.30 p.m. Afternoon tea at Sally Nelson's, 1 Allen Street.

### BIRTHDAY PARTY

The 16th Glebe Society Birthday Party will be held on Saturday, 20th July, 7 for 7.30 p.m. at the Glebe Rowing Club. The founders of the Society, Kate and Bernard Smith, will be in Sydney at this time and we are hoping very much that they will be able to attend.

The set menu is Minestrone soup, Chicken Riverina (chicken with apricots and almonds), Pavlova and coffee. The cost is \$9.50 per head. Please make reservations as soon as possible with Betty Wright on 660 1875 as seating is for 60 only. (Pay at the door).



Flour.  
Cate Brand  
J. J. Sullivan Ltd, Sydney  
1918.

### ST SCHOLASTICA'S

Alan Hunt, on behalf of the Australian Catholic Historical Society apologises to those members who went to St Scholastica's on Sunday, 2nd June. The planned exhibition and afternoon tea were postponed because extensive renovations to the Convent were not completed to schedule. Anyone who is renovating will sympathise.

### GRACE BROS CLOCKS

The clocks on the twin towers flanking Bay Street were removed some time ago. It took the Committee some weeks to send off a letter, but fortunately it seems GB's always intended to restore them. They are now both back and keeping good time.

**Glebe is a great  
place to live -  
let's keep  
Glebe clean!**

Leichhardt Council provides a FREE

- ★ Household clean-up service – for details ring Council.
- ★ Weekend tipping service for Glebe residents' convenience – the tip is located at Moore Street, Annandale, close to Catherine Street and is open on weekends.
- ★ Removal of abandoned cars and rubbish from streets and reserves is only a phone call away – contact your Aldermen.

Leichhardt Council ..... 560 4100

Aldermen-Glebe Ward  
Ivor Cawley (messages) ..... 560 4100  
Brian Thompson ..... 660 1226

ALDERMEN - WHERE ARE YOU NOW?

**PEOPLE TO CONTACT FOR AREAS OF  
SPECIAL INTEREST:**

- Bi-centennial Park -  
John Buckingham - 660 7780
  - Blackwattle Bay Park -  
Bob Armstrong - 660 4189
  - Harold & Wentworth Parks -  
Gideon Rutherford - 692 0239
  - Jubilee Park -  
Tony Larkum - 660 7030
  - History Group -  
Alan Hunt - 660 2407
  - Planning -  
Alan Robertson - 660 6149
  - Traffic -  
Jeanette Knox - 660 6149
  - Monday Group (Social) -  
Sally Nelson - 660 6138
  - Meet the Members Evenings -  
Alan Hunt - 660 2407
- The Committee is anxious to form groups to cover other interest areas. If you are willing to help form a sub-committee on any matter concerning The Glebe, contact Neil Macindoe (660 0208).

FOR YOUR DIARY

Full details elsewhere in Bulletin.

Friday, 7th June - 7 p.m.

'Meet the Members' Meeting, 19  
Toxteth Street.

Monday, 17th June - 1 p.m.

Monday Group Recital, St. Stephen's  
Church.

Tuesday, 18th June - 7.30 p.m.

Committee Meeting - 56 Wigram St.

Saturday, 29th June - 9 a.m. - 1 pm

Garage Sale, Record Reign Hall.

Saturday, 20th July - 7 p.m.

16th Glebe Society Birthday Party  
at Glebe Rowing Club.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE:

- President : Neil Macindoe  
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660 1875 (H)

Membership of the Glebe Society costs \$8 per year (individual membership). For information, ring Betty Wright on 660 1875.