

Glebe Society Bulletin

10/2000 November/December

Inquiry into inner-city councils

Workshop - Wednesday 22 November

The Glebe Society will conduct a workshop on Wednesday 22 November at 7 pm at Benledi, 186 Glebe Point Road, to devise a submission to the Government's inquiry into the provision of services by inner-city councils (see page 1 of the October/November *Bulletin*).

There is no doubt that there will be a change in our local government system as a result of this inquiry, and the aim of the workshop is to achieve the best outcome for Glebe.

The workshop is open to all members of the Society, and the Management Committee has also invited the Glebe Chamber of Commerce and several other Glebe residents with specialist knowledge.

Judy Vergison, who conducted the Society's strategic planning workshop a couple of years ago, will run the workshop. She will work through a set of processes that will help us identify key issues for the local government of Glebe, such as the preservation of the heritage nature of the suburb, and the balance between effective local representation and the desire for economies of scale in the delivery of services.

While the workshop may propose changes to the present local government system, the Management Committee decided that it would not be practical to prepare a submission suggesting an alternative system.

The workshop will be a structured event, and participants will be asked to think deeply about the issues involved. It will not be a forum for council bashing or lobbying by 'interested parties'.

Copies of the outcome of the workshop will be made available to other Glebe community groups for comment, and a draft submission will be considered by the Management Committee at its meeting on 13 December.

The Committee had hoped to call a public meeting to discuss the issue, but in view of the number of other public meetings, the requirement to finalise our submission by 18 December, and the Society's limited resources, it decided that a workshop was the most practical way to proceed.

If you are planning to attend the workshop, we would appreciate you letting us know, on 9518. 6186, for catering purposes.

Bruce Davis

Leichhardt Council is holding public discussions during November on matters relating to the inquiry at:

GLEBE TOWN HALL MONDAY 20 7 PM
LEICHHARDT TOWN HALL MONDAY 27 7 PM
BALMAIN TOWN HALL THURSDAY 30 7 PM

The Council is encouraging everyone to participate in this debate.

More information from Council's website at
<www.mycommunity.com.au/Leichhardt>

GPR Streetscape Committee ... ABOLISHED!



YOU WOULD THINK, WOULDN'T YOU, that a council with its finances in tatters and facing the twin threats of a local government (read 'boundaries') enquiry and a predatory Frank Sartor would put itself out to be courteous to its constituents - particularly a council which has prided itself on its credentials in 'open council' and 'participatory democracy'?

One of the more successful initiatives of Leichhardt Council in this regard is (or was) the Glebe Point Road Streetscape Steering Committee, on which the Society's representatives are (or were) Fiona Campbell and Ted McKeown. Yet when the members of the committee turned up to a scheduled meeting at Benledi at 7.00 pm on Thursday 26 October they were greeted by a sign on the door to the effect that the meeting had been cancelled and regretting "any inconvenience" caused.

All very mysterious, not to mention irritating, to people who had put themselves out to be there at a pretty inconvenient time, and all of whom could have been reached by that high tech device, a telephone. All the more mysterious, and downright infuriating, to discover that it was not the *meeting* that had been cancelled, it was the *committee* itself - and this had in fact been done by mayoral minute on Tuesday 24 October, two full days before the scheduled meeting. The minute was full of praise for the work of the committee, and resolved to thank its present and past members and to hold a reunion. The only thing it forgot to do was to actually tell the members of the committee that their services had been dispensed with.

WHY WAS THE COMMITTEE ABOLISHED?

And why was the committee abolished? Ostensibly, because (to quote the mayoral minute) "the work of the committee is now concluded as the latest phase of the current masterplan is now underway".

This simply will not wash. The committee has only ever been a consultative and supervisory body. The money has always come from the council and been spent by the council. All that has really changed is that apparently no more funds will be available specifically for Glebe Point

Road upgrade works after 2001. Presumably this reflects the parlous state of the council's general finances.

But it does raise two interesting issues.

First, there is still \$192,000 available for the current year, for which a budget has been approved as follows:

Street tree removal/replacement and guards	\$30,000
Community notification	\$1,800
Footpath upgrades	\$105,000
Custom seating	
Stage 1 readjustment to finished footpath levels	\$9,000
New seats and installation	\$25,000
Street art projects	
Bridge Road railing	\$5,000
Footpath motif inserts	\$5,000
Noticeboards, including installation	\$10,000
Uncommitted (previously proposed as consultancy fees for D M Taylor Landscape Architects Pty Ltd)	\$1,200

Until that money is spent, we would have thought that the committee, comprised of relevant stakeholders, had a continuing interest in overseeing the expenditure. In

particular, additional community noticeboards (a major interest of The Glebe Society) have been a 'carry forward item' for so long that we really wonder if they will ever appear. Now that the supervisory committee

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is no longer in place, we can only hope that the council can resist the temptation to supplement its ailing general finances at the expense of these committed funds.

Secondly, we really query WHY funding is not available into the future. The council has a substantial income stream flowing from its 20 year contract for street furniture and associated advertising with J C Decaux. This of course relates mainly to major roads such as Glebe Point Road, Norton Street, Leichhardt and Darling Street, Balmain, and we understood that the funds generated in those streets would be spent in those streets, rather than being absorbed into general revenue.

This is certainly a question that would have been asked at the meeting on 26 October - if there had been a meeting on 26 October.

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Blackwattle Bay Foreshores

A framework plan being developed for the Bank Street foreshore of Blackwattle Bay will be closely coordinated with plans developed for Glebe foreshores. The Bank Street area is directly across the Bay from Cook Street, and stretches from the Fishmarkets to land zoned open space at the stump of the Glebe Island Bridge. Much of the street is now overshadowed by the approaches to the Anzac Bridge.

The Department of Urban Affairs and Planning

conducted a workshop involving other Government authorities, local government and community groups to discuss the framework plan on 8 November. Discussion was generally supportive of the Society's objective of a foreshore walk and cycle way ... ”

walk and cycle way extending from the Three Bridges Walk in Glebe, across the head of Blackwattle Bay, and on through Pyrmont towards the city. However the meeting was told that there are problems to be overcome with regard to access in front of Glebe High School.

While the Hi-Mix concrete batch plant next to the Fishmarkets is likely to remain for many years, State authorities have been discussing a possible move of the Pioneer batch plant from Blackwattle Bay to Glebe Island. However sites offered by to Waterways so far have not been acceptable to the company. Pioneer's lease expires next year, but the company has been assured that it will not be arbitrarily thrown off the site.

The framework plan is part of the Government's planning process for strategic sites around the Harbour, and will identify broad principles for the future development of these sites.

Other points to emerge from the workshop included:

- The Heritage Fleet's hold on its Rozelle Bay site seems tenuous, as the Waterways Authority appears to favour income-producing tenants for the site. *
- Suggestions that the Glebe Island Bridge should be preserved as a heritage facility and used as limited means of access from Bank Street to James Craig Road were seriously discussed. This could perhaps be achieved by a group of volunteers, similar to the Heritage Fleet group, using the money said to be earmarked for demolition of the bridge. (see Collin Hills' proposal in *Bulletin* 8/2000 pp6-7).
- A decision on the masterplan for the Fishmarkets is expected soon. The plan is will place increased emphasis on retailing and less on the wholesale function, but no actual redevelopment work is likely to occur for some years.
- A discussion on the use of Blackwattle and Rozelle Bays by rowers threw up the interesting point that the problem of wash is mainly due to large ocean-going trawlers whose deep draft makes wash inevitable. The trawlers were relocated to the Fishmarkets some years ago.

Bruce Davis

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JUST WHAT IS (OR WAS) THE GLEBE POINT ROAD STREETSCAPE STEERING COMMITTEE?

It has existed in one form or another and under several names for a number of years. Originally set up to take advantage of Federal funds made available for "main streets in distress", it included representatives of the council, the Glebe Society and the Glebe Chamber of Commerce. In recent years, its membership was expanded to include representatives of the Glebe Tenants' Group, the precincts, and various other council committees. Some major achievements of the committee, and of the council under its guidance, were:

- The *Streetscape Management Plan*, a major study of every property in Glebe Point Road, recording its known history and recommending (in a non-proscriptive way) remedial works that could be considered if ever the property was upgraded.
- The redesign and refurbishment of the heritage fountain and surrounding pedestrian precinct in front of University Hall.

- Obtaining broad community support for a program of removal and replacement of the ailing and ageing street trees (especially the poplars) along the full length of the road.
- Sponsoring and encouraging community art projects, with the fullest possible community participation.
- Seeking and obtaining broad community support for new pavement treatments, new public seating and other street furniture.
- Traffic and parking studies and recommendations.
- Numerous public meetings and community workshops.
- Active involvement in the draft plan of management for Minogue Reserve, and proposals for upgrading Foley Park.

Not a bad record, but apparently not good enough to secure the committee's survival.

Ted McKeown

Glebe's Tramways

The following information is adapted from the the Newsheet provided by Society member and rail enthusiast Philip Vergison; the trip referred to is the special running of Metro Light Rail – Glebe to Lilyfield on 15 July 2000.

A little bit of tram history

While history is being made with the extension of the light rail system to Lilyfield, the suburbs of Glebe and Lilyfield were once served by an extensive government-owned tramway infrastructure.

THE GLEBE POINT LINE

The tramway service along Glebe Point Road to the Point was opened in 1892 using steam tram motors and trailer cars. It was the first western suburbs line to be converted to electric operation in 1900 and it used power from the Ultimo Powerhouse.

A six minute service was provided on weekdays, increasing to four minutes during peak hours and on Saturday evenings. Trams ran every 15 minutes on Sunday mornings, and at six minute intervals for the rest of the day.

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The city terminus of the Glebe Point service was Millers Point, located to the west of Circular Quay. Services continued until 23 November 1958, when buses replaced the then “unfashionable trams” as a method of public transport. Old tram lines still exist under the surface of Glebe Point Road.

THE LILYFIELD LINE

Our journey on 15 June terminated below the Catherine Street overbridge at Lilyfield.

Between April 1909 and November 1958, electric trams provided services from the city to the original terminus at nearby Piper Street, Lilyfield. The track was progressively duplicated and extended to a crossover facility on the deck of the Bridge in 1925.

The road level station and entrance constructed for the Metro Light Rail system stands adjacent to where once ‘light rail’ vehicles of a previous era performed safe working procedures.

The light rail concept

For many years, numerous groups including The Glebe Society made representations to various government authorities to reopen the Western Goods line as a commuter transport corridor.

In 1980, a 40 page submission entitled *Better Public Transport in Sydney's Inner Western and South Eastern Suburbs* was prepared by Dr John Gerofi (a former Glebe Society member). Specific references and maps were made, recommending the use of “the Darling Harbour Goods railway from the eastern end of Wentworth Park to Leichhardt” as the preferred route using light rail vehicles described then, as they now appear, i.e. electrically powered, articulated, double-ended high capacity vehicles.

In 1994, government approval was given for a private company, the then Sydney Light Rail, to construct and operate the line.

CONSTRUCTION OF THE EXTENSION

Asea Brown Boveri (ABB) commenced preliminary work on the extension from the Wentworth Park terminus to Catherine Street, Lilyfield on 11 October 1999. The route utilises the former heavy freight rail corridor between Pyrmont and Lilyfield.

LIGHT RAIL VEHICLES

The Light Rail Vehicle we travelled on in June was one of seven in a fleet designed and built in Dandenong Victoria, by ABB/Adtranz. It is powered by a 750 volt DC overhead system and uses a combination of electromagnetic and hydraulic disc brakes. Each tram seats 74 and allows for 103 standing.

The Changing Face of Glebe

The Society has commented on an amended development application for 461-5 Glebe Point Road (Hardys Timber Yard). The amendments are minor, but The Society has made it clear that if their impacts are adverse they should be rejected. An amended DA does not allow the original DA to be overturned. The original approval still stands. Nevertheless, following discussions with local residents The Society has taken the opportunity to comment on the streetscape impacts and the treatment of the foreshore. It appears the Waterways Authority has rejected the application for a private marina as there is insufficient draught at low tide.

An application for extended hours for Fletchers (Forsyth Street) has been rejected. The amended Masterplan will come before Council on 28 November.

Members should be aware that the realisation of The Society's goal of total public access to the Glebe foreshore is now imminent.

Neil Macindoe.

Meet Chris Windsor – Glebe Ward Councillor

A fourth generation Glebe resident, his great grandfather ran a grocery shop in Colbourne Avenue, his grandfather used to be the caretaker at Glebe Town Hall, his mother was born in Colbourne Avenue and still lives in the same house, and he and his family live next door. He is 45 years old, married with three children aged from 18 to 23.

Chris Windsor has been a fire fighter all his working life. After finishing Year 12 on a Thursday in 1973, he started work with the fire brigade on the Friday. Since then he has worked at city headquarters for 12 years, and at the local brigades at Pyrmont, Balmain, Leichhardt, Ashfield. He is now stationed at Glebe where he has been for the last ten years.

Chris is a very strong union man, “it was drummed into me from my grandfather, and my father, that the first thing you do when you start employment, is you join the union”; he is now Junior Vice-President of the Fire Fighters’ Union of NSW. While he has always been a Labor voter and has worked in many campaigns, he only joined the Labor Party in 1992.

Local government is, Chris thinks, “the closest you can get to real democratic representation, to actually elect a local person who can really represent the area... and under Leichhardt Council’s ward system, in order to stand you have to come from the area.” He stood because he has always been actively involved in local and Labor politics and in local community issues, and friends urged him to “take a forward step instead of staying in the back room”. Chris was Secretary of his local Precinct 14, a member of the Friends of Benledi and Glebe Library, and a long time supporter of the Police and Citizens’ Youth Club and the Glebe Youth Service.

He favours the Ward system, feeling that perhaps there should be as many as seven Councillors for each of Leichhardt’s three wards. While some people are against more government, Chris feels that if you have more representation, there are more people to deal with individual resident’s concerns. Councillors now have to deal with the Dept. of Urban Affairs and Planning, and other State bodies, and are increasingly responsible for community services, e.g. child care which used to be State/Federal responsibility. He complains “we are given responsibility but no funds”.

Chris is apposed to any change to the boundaries of Leichhardt Council which, he feels, could not survive without Glebe. He questions the reasons for the current inquiry into the structure of local government, as well as asking why the City Council wants to take on the alleged problems and associated costs of Glebe. “Ask the residents of Millers Point or Pyrmont about the services they receive from the City, compared to the big money end of town. No local democracy through representation, as we have now in our ward system; no real open

Council; no true say in planning – look at the development in Pyrmont compared to 15 years ago! I’ll fight for the Glebe we have now, because we are a community, and that’s something that the City is not!”

The four Labor Councillors in LMC usually vote as a group, though they can vote independently, without penalty, if they agree on a conscience vote for a particular issue (this happened during the first year of this Council). The four Glebe Ward Councillors get on pretty well, he says, despite clear cut policy differences. With two, Labor has the controlling vote in the Glebe Ward, and the issues have to be carefully considered.

“You have to have a really good case in favour of development to convince me, because I regard the majority of developers as pirates, they come in and pillage the land, put up a building, leave the mess and take off with their chest of treasure.” In his opinion, over-development is the No. 1 issue for the Glebe Ward. As a responsible Councillor he feels he has to ‘horse-trade’, (horse-trade, he insists, not compromise) i.e. find

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something the developer will accept, but something that the community can live with “because Council is not going to win in the Land and Environment Court”.

People mostly consult him about development matters – they may need the rules explained, how DUAP works, what the Local Government Act requires, etc. Chris is prepared to vote against reports prepared by Council staff which, while they may be correct, “may not always be *fair* to the people concerned”.

He is currently working on two particular ideas. One is the Glebe Heritage Tram project – a weekend tram running on Glebe Point Road from Victoria Park through to Bicentennial Park to bring tourists to the area and improve the viability of Glebe small businesses.

Representatives from The Glebe Society, The Glebe Chamber of Commerce and the Glebe Ward precincts are being invited to join a working party to promote this idea.

The other plan concerns Glebe youth. “I believe basically they are all good kids, but some have social difficulties at home. They are angry, and possibly see that society has little to offer them. In the wrong group, those same kids will have to prove themselves by engaging in anti-social activities and crime.”

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He has discussed with Councillor Alice Murphy the possibility of setting up a Youth Council, which would consist of representatives elected by the kids themselves, together with reps from the Glebe Youth Service, the Police and Citizens Youth Club and The Broadway Centre's Youth Worker. "I think kids need a voice. I remember when I was fifteen or sixteen, parents telling me this, people telling me that ... I didn't need any advice, because I knew everything. I'd like to have the kids tell us what they want. They may say they want a park in a certain place, and if we can provide it, then it's *their* park, it was *their* idea, it's *their* basketball court. Instead of reps from the Mayor's Interagency Group telling us what the young people want, *they* would have a voice and we could listen to *them*. We could raise an issue, and they could give us their side of the story and vice versa".

To get the idea off the ground he plans to do some background work with Council's Community Services Section, and try arrange a meeting with the three groups "to see if the idea has legs".

To 'Clean up Glebe' Chris wants to "go back to the guy in the street with a broom and a barrow, already operating on Glebe Point Road". He also believes that every resident and shopkeeper should take pride and some responsibility for the patch outside their property. The fact that Glebe is a Conservation Area is very important, he says, "Without people who care, like The Glebe Society, developers could do what they like. It helps a great deal if Council can say to DUAP 'this has come from the rank and file, this is not the Council's idea, this is people in the street talking.'"

He enjoys being a Councillor because he likes helping people. When asked what pleases him most, he answers without hesitation and with great enthusiasm "When I do over a developer ... winning in the Land and Environment Court, it's the biggest buzz ... because the people won." The attitude of people to their neighbours is the most disappointing thing – "the fact that people who have known each other for 20 years show no consideration for each other – when you live in close quarters, as in Glebe, good relations with your neighbours are very important".

Asked what he thinks of *Grass Roots*, Chris said "It's very close, isn't it? It's sometimes embarrassing, you have to be able to laugh at yourself, and remind yourself of what *not* to do ... it's a good education for anyone who wants to stand for Council."

Chris believes that if you go into politics you have to be passionate about what you believe in. "It's early days for me, I've only been there a year and I'm still on a learning curve. Sometimes I suggest things that have been tried before and haven't worked – but, so far so good."

He is available to speak with residents on the first Saturday of the month at Benledi next to the Glebe Library from 9.30am till 12 noon, and can be contacted on mobile 0407-419-238 and phone/fax 9552-3656.

Bobbie Burke



from the Editor's Desk

TALES FROM SYDNEY COVE

The Society has received a copy of *Tales from Sydney Cove*, a joint book by Professor Smith and his late wife Kate Challis, published in August this year by The Helicon Press.

Bernard and Kate were the joint authors of *The Architectural Character of Glebe*. They were resident in the area when Professor Smith held the chair in contemporary art at Sydney University, and have many friends in the area. They were active members of The Glebe Society (Professor Smith was the first President) and were prominent in the campaign that culminated in the Whitlam government's acquisition of the 17 hectares of Bishopsthorpe, Glebe, the largest urban heritage acquisition in Australian history.

Tales from Sydney Cove is an account of relations between the First Fleet settlement at Sydney Cove and the Aboriginal tribes around the Harbour, the Dahrug, the Kurringgai and the Dharawal. It interweaves the diaries and art of the First Fleet for the very first time. The book's content is topical, in the context of Reconciliation, and the stunning first depictions of Australia's Aboriginal people are of particular significance.

Professor Smith's royalties are being donated to the Kate Challis RAKA Award, the \$10,000 annual prize for Aboriginal artists he founded in Kate's memory. The book can be purchased at Gleebooks and other Sydney booksellers.

ADMINISTRATOR WANTED FOR GLEBE OFFICE

OnLine English, is looking for a skilled office administrator, part-time, who has high-level skills in MS Word and is familiar with the Internet. Short shifts, including evenings, for a total of 9 - 15 hours per week.



Because the administrator will need to make frequent visits to the office, the position would ideally suit a Glebe or nearby resident.

For full details see:

www.oleng.com.au/ole/office.html

A CELEBRATION OF FRIENDSHIP, CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND SPIRITUALITY

A joint art exhibition of paintings and photography by an Aboriginal woman and an Australian/Filipino woman, *Following the Heart*, will be showing at EORA College (TAFE), 333 Abercrombie Street Chippendale from 8 - 15 December.

Ali Golding, who calls herself an adopted elder of the Eora people, originally comes from the Biripai Aboriginal Tribe in north coast NSW; Philippines-born Deborah Wall, a student and Friend of Tranby Aboriginal College will graduate this year with an Advanced Diploma in Applied Aboriginal Studies [see her article *Bulletin 9/2000*, p7]; they became friends during a Women's Reconciliation Network meeting at the Green Iguana Café in Newtown.

An invitation is extended to the opening of the Exhibition on Friday 8 December at EORA College at 6.30 pm. Speakers are key members of the Women's Reconciliation Movement and include Linda Burney, Director-General of the Department of Aboriginal Affairs and Jenny Munro of the Metropolitan Land Council.

GLEBE BUS SERVICES



We have received a reply to our letter of 5 August regarding the fate of Glebe bus services. Dated 23 October, it comes from the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Transport, and the relevant paragraphs are below:

"The new 3.1 km light rail extension operates from Wattle Street, Pyrmont to Catherine Street Lilyfield and cost \$20 million to complete, including \$16 million in State funds. The operator of the service, Metro Light Rail, operates state-of-the-art trams to four new stops that will serve the local community for many years to come. The Department of Transport is already examining the feasibility of extending light rail to Leichhardt and the City CBD.

"The Department of Transport has been working with Metro Light Rail and the State Transit Authority to examine ways bus routes and stops can provide better connections and integrate more effectively with the new light rail system. I am advised the assessment will take some time and therefore any fine tuning of bus services will take place in the latter half of this year. I have forwarded your comments regarding bus services to the Department of Transport so that they may be considered as part of this process."

This is the last *Bulletin* for 2000. The next issue will appear at the end of February (deadline 13 February) following the first meeting of the Management Committee in 2001.

Remember, letters or articles are more than welcome on any matters of interest to Glebe; on any topic raised in the *Bulletin*; or on any issues relating to The Glebe Society – send to PO Box 100, or email <bobbieb@cia.com.au>.

Thanks again to everyone who made it possible to get the *Bulletin* out on time during the year: those who contributed pieces, and those who helped with production – John Sleeman, Paddy McNiece and Gail Pratt, Ian Edwards, and Assistant Editor Cynthia Jones.

Ed.

Notes from the Management Committee meeting held 8 November



INQUIRY INTO INNER CITY COUNCILS

As reported on p1, we will be holding a workshop on Wednesday 22 November at 7 pm at Benledi to discuss aspects of our submission to this Inquiry. We plan to focus on those services and standards which should be delivered by local government and which will maintain Glebe's unique character.

FACT SHEETS ON GLEBE

The Tourism Workshops convened by Leichhardt Council has produced a series of Fact Sheets on Glebe which are available from Leichhardt Council. You can see them at the Library or get them electronically through Council's Cultural Planner Ann Martin at <annem@lmc.nsw.gov.au>

GLEBE NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE COMMITTEE

Leichhardt Council has decided to establish a community based advisory committee to ensure the effective management of the Glebe Neighbourhood Centre. The Society has copies of application forms for the registration of expressions of interest which also provide further details. Please ring Liz Simpson-Booker on 9518. 6186 if you would like a copy.

CENTENARY OF FEDERATION

The Society understands that Leichhardt Council has rejected our April 2000 proposal that the footbridge over Parramatta Road be named after Australia's First Prime Minister, Edmund Barton. Council has proposed that the footbridge be named after the late Charles Perkins.

The Society will be writing to Council suggesting the possibility of both proposals being accommodated. With their agreement, as well as that of the University of Sydney and South Sydney Council, the footbridge over Parramatta Road could be named after Edmund Barton (as originally proposed) and the footbridge across City Road named after Charles Perkins.

Notice Board

CAROLS ON THE POINT

accompanied by Leichhardt Celebrity Brass Band,
and compered by
Julie McCrossin, at



Jubilee Park, Glebe Point

A range of artists will be appearing, including the acapella choir Stairwell to Heaven and the Australian Youth Choir. Mick Conway will provide a children's segment. BYO food and drink.

Sunday 17 December at 7pm
finishing at approx 9pm with fireworks.
This event is organised by Glebe Salvation Army
and sponsored by Leichhardt Council.

THE INNER CITY CLAYWORKERS GALLERY

The Christmas Show

Wed 29 November – Sun 24 December
More info from: www.clayworkers.com.au
Open 7 days 10.30 am – 6 pm
Corner St John's Rd and Darghan St Glebe

Preview Tuesday 28 Nov 4–8
pm

10 % off everything
Champagne and Strawberries
All welcome!



The Messiah

– G F Handel



Celebrating the Sydney
University Sesquicentenary at The
Great Hall Sydney University

Presented by the Sydney University
Graduate Choir and Orchestra

Tickets \$27

Enquiries and reservations:
9327. 1460/ 9331. 7053

Saturday 9 December at 8 pm

From the Library

During the school holidays
(from 19th December to 29
January) there will be board
games in the junior area of the
library – snakes and ladders,
dominoes, battleship, chinese
checkers, ludo, uno – as well as
chess and card games.

**Christmas pre-school storytime
(films, craft and stories) is on
Tuesday
12 December at 11.00 am.**

Leichhardt library and
Balmain libraries are
holding their pre-
school storytime on
the 13 and 14
December
respectively.

There will also be a
storytime for school aged
children on 21 December at
4.00pm



and **DON'T FORGET !**

**Cheese and Wine Appreciation
at Benledi Community Room
7.30 pm Wed 29 November
Cost \$10/\$7 RSVP by 27 Nov
to Allison Chiew 9660. 7869**

SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Leichhardt Council, in conjunction with
the Balmain Swimming and Water Polo
Club, invite the local community to a free
sausage sizzle at

Dawn Fraser Pool, Balmain.

11..30 am

The sizzle will be followed by an official
presentation at 12 noon by the Mayor to
acknowledge the achievements of local
Olympians and community members
who have made an outstanding
contribution to sport at a local level.

Further information contact
Peter Simms 9555 1264

Sunday 26 November 2000

For Your Diary ...

Sunday	19 November	Glebe Street Fair
Monday	20 November	LMC Public Discussion Inner City Councils Inquiry 7pm Glebe Town Hall – see p1
Monday	20 November	<i>Familiar Faces, caricatures and portraits</i> at Glebe Library) see last month's
Tuesday	21 November	<i>Wirrigin: Brother of Fire</i> launch in Benledi) Notice Board
Wednesday	22 November	GLEBE SOCIETY WORKSHOP ON INNER CITY COUNCILS INQUIRY 7pm at Benledi, 186 Glebe Point Road – see p1
Sunday	26 November	Leichhardt Council Free Sausage Sizzle – see Notice Board
Monday	27 November	LMC Public Discussion Inner City Councils Inquiry 7pm Leichhardt Town Hall – see p1
Tuesday	28 November	Inner City Clayworkers Gallery preview current exhibition – see Notice Board
Wednesday	29 November	Cheese and Wine Tasting at Benledi – see Notice Board
Thursday	30 November	LMC Public Discussion Inner City Councils Inquiry 7pm Balmain Town Hall – see p1
Friday	1 December	Glebe Society Christmas Party on the 'Kanangra' BOOK NOW! – see enclosed flyer

ADVANCE NOTICE

Friday	8-15 December	<i>Following the Heart</i> – see p7 Launch on Friday 8 December
Saturday	9 December	THE MESSIAH, Great Hall, Sydney University – see Notice Board
Sunday	17 December	Carols on the Point 7pm Jubilee Park – see Notice Board

We are glad to publish letters or articles:

on any matters of interest to Glebe

on any topic raised in the *Bulletin*, or

on any issues relating to The Glebe Society.

All correspondence should be addressed to:

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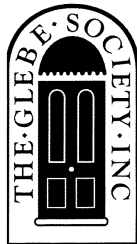
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