



Glebe Society Bulletin

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Glebe groups meet with Lord Mayor

A meeting was held in the Sydney Town Hall reception rooms at 12.30 pm on Thursday, 1 May between a small group of representatives of the City and representatives of Glebe community groups. The Lord Mayor, Lucy Turnbull, chaired the meeting. Glebe community groups represented included The Glebe Society, the Glebe Chamber of Commerce and some of the Precinct committees.

It appeared that, from the City's point of view, the main purpose of the meeting was for officers and the Lord Mayor to familiarise themselves with the community issues and groups in Glebe. The Glebe Society used the meeting as an opportunity to communicate its concerns on key issues and the strategic approach it is taking on addressing the needs of the people of Glebe.

Discussion tended to be informal and the agenda was not set firmly. The meeting was minuted ("noted") and these notes are expected to be distributed. There were approximately 15 people present so there was limited

time for discussion. The meeting was nevertheless orderly and there was general agreement amongst community group representatives.

In an informal discussion with two of the CoS officers after the meeting, the issue of direct representation was discussed. One had the firm view that the current CoS system was more representative and more accountable than the Ward system. This will be an issue for debate later.

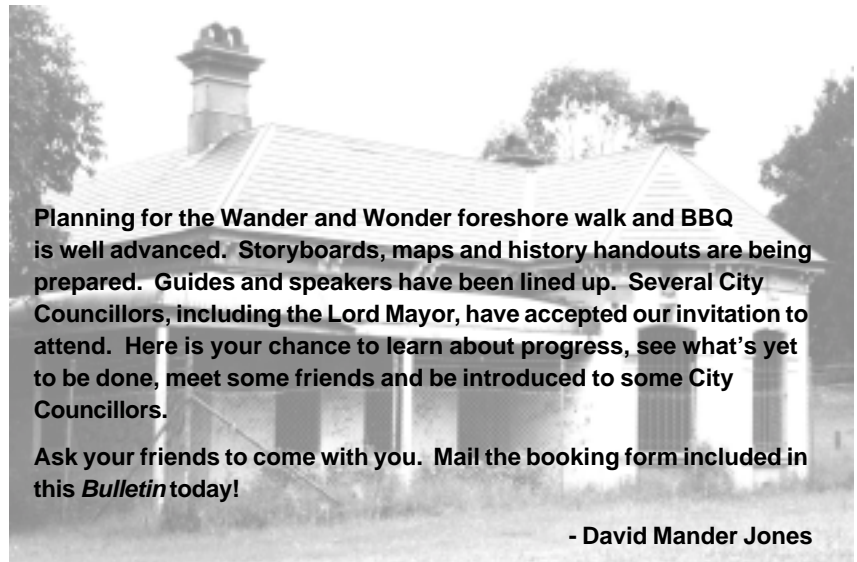
The City representatives complimented TGSI on its preparation for the meeting and its thoughtful, strategic approach to the main issues that concerned it.

The City indicated that the process of communication and interaction with Glebe was yet to be set up but would be done in a similar manner to that in other residential parts of the City.

- Andrew Craig

A summary of the main issues that arose is published on page 2.

"Wander and Wonder" generates interest



Planning for the Wander and Wonder foreshore walk and BBQ is well advanced. Storyboards, maps and history handouts are being prepared. Guides and speakers have been lined up. Several City Councillors, including the Lord Mayor, have accepted our invitation to attend. Here is your chance to learn about progress, see what's yet to be done, meet some friends and be introduced to some City Councillors.

Ask your friends to come with you. Mail the booking form included in this *Bulletin* today!

- David Mander Jones

Wide range of issues discussed with City

Issue	General discussion	Glebe Society contribution
Petty Crime	Impacts on businesses and residents in Glebe. Leichhardt undertook some positive measures such as the After Dark service. The kids are not bad; they don't have enough to do and are not positively directed.	Crime in Glebe needs a highly coordinated approach involving all agencies. All issues impacting on crime in Glebe must be acted on together. CoS should take the key coordinating role.
Revival of Glebe Point Road (GPR)	Consistent zoning of GPR needed and faster processes for retail & commercial DA approvals. Local & overseas tourism to be encouraged. B&Bs to be revived	GPR needs a strategic plan aiming towards a concept synergistic with Glebe's assets such as its diversity, heritage, foreshore walks and the Fish Markets, Heritage Fleet, etc.
Access to City representatives	An office to be set up at the old Glebe Town Hall. Permanent representative in Glebe will be Marcello Massi, available on 0439 621 757.	Location is unfortunate. A longer term solution needs better parking. Should preferably be in GPR. TGSi wants high access with direct representation.
Parks & Gardens	Improved maintenance needed, some parks dangerous and/or unpleasant to play on. CoS prefers that dog racing goes. Meantime, the City plans progressive improvements to the parks (especially Wentworth Park) to a plan.	Urgent need for attention, especially maintenance, in most smaller parks. Long term commitment to maintenance and improvements needed.
Foreshore Access & Walk	Important tourist potential	Full implementation with consistent planning desired
Infrastructure	Improvements needed to the pavements and the like, especially in GPR	The solution to GPR is a mix of commercial, social, infrastructure and creative solutions. Infrastructure is important but all other facets need to be brought along with it.

Contact with our new Council

Here is some useful information you may need when dealing with our new Council:

Neighbourhood Service Centre: The new Neighbourhood Service Centre for the Glebe and Forest Lodge precinct is open from 8.30 am to 6 pm, Monday to Friday, in the Glebe Town Hall. The Centre provides residents and ratepayers with access to an extensive range of council services and information. The phone number there is 9298 3190.

The Centre is managed by Marcello Massi. Marcello has the authority to make decisions on many local issues and to ensure appropriate focus is given to community needs.

Council meetings: City of Sydney Council meetings are held every third Monday, currently being held in the Lord Mayor's Reception Room, Level

One, Town Hall, starting at 5:30 pm. These meetings are open to all residents. The next two Council meetings are on Monday 2 June and Monday 30 June. A schedule of Council meetings is available from the Neighbourhood Service Centre or the Web (www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au).

Other meetings listed on the schedule include Briefings (internal only), Committees and Central Sydney Planning Meetings. For further information about attending a Committee or Central Sydney Planning Meeting, contact Lyndal Roots, Committee Secretary, on 9265 9310.

Welcome by the Lord Mayor: The Lord Mayor, Lucy Turnbull, will be writing to residents to invite them to meetings where she will welcome them to the City of Sydney, so watch your mail box.

A meeting for residents of Forest Lodge and Camperdown will be held early in June and one for Glebe residents at the end of June.

Sporting facilities: The contact person at the City for booking sports field facilities, such as the Jubilee Oval, Glebe and Federal Park, Annandale and park issues is Jonathan Langan, (phone 9265 9550, mobile 0418 418 961, email jlangan@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au). The contact person at the City for Peter Forsyth Auditorium bookings is David Cornett (ph 9298 3106, mobile 0418 483 146, email dcornett@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au).

Our thanks to Sarah Stratford, at the City of Sydney Council, for her assistance in providing this information.

-Edwina Doe

Society protests against proposed boat ramp

The Society has protested against a Government decision to locate a boat launching ramp under the city approach to the Anzac Bridge. The following is the text of our media release issued on 26 May.

The decision by the NSW Waterways Authority to establish a boat ramp under the city approaches to the Anzac Bridge will compromise the planned waterfront walkway from Glebe to the City.

Waterways plans to dump a car park in the middle of one of the most interesting harbourside walks in Sydney," a spokesperson for the Glebe Society said today.

"The ramp must be scrapped or moved to a more suitable site.

"It is astonishing that a NSW government body would compromise a project that has the support of the Premier, and has overwhelming public support."

The plan to build the boat ramp was announced by Waterways Chief Executive, Matthew Taylor, on 28 March and came as a surprise to local groups and other government authorities. It had been expected that the land, located on the approach to the old Glebe Island Bridge, would become a community park. The decision to transfer it from the RTA to

Waterways was made without public consultation during the State election campaign.

"The Glebe Society accepts that boat launching facilities in the Harbour are limited and new ramps are needed. But the site chosen by Waterways is hardly in the middle of boat-owner territory.

"Public foreshore access has been a priority for Sydney people for many years, and a park at the northern entrance to Blackwattle Bay would be a highlight of the walkway from Glebe to the City. Now Waterways plans to concrete the site and turn it into a car and trailer park."

Many elements of the walkway are in place or are on the drawing board. Residential development sites on the south-western shore of Blackwattle Bay have been required to provide public foreshore access, and it is understood that foreshore access will be incorporated in the plan to upgrade the Sydney Fish Market.

The Glebe Society said the very significant increase in the number of power boats using Rozelle and Blackwattle Bays as a result of new facilities planned by Waterways would also disrupt other craft using the bays, particularly rowing boats and dragon boats.

Harbour walk should be linked to suburbs

The walkway and cycleway linking Glebe to the City must be more than a path along the waterfront, the Glebe Society has told the Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority. In a letter to the officer preparing a report on implementation of the walkway around Blackwattle Bay, the Society says: "It is important that planning also makes provision for frequent and convenient access to the walkway from the residential and commercial areas close to the Harbour.

While access points already exist, the Society says it is not aware of any planning to link the Glebe light rail stop to the walkway at the end of Blackwattle Bay.

"The best opportunity for linking the walkway to its hinterland is at Wentworth Park. Here there is an opportunity to open up views to Blackwattle Bay from the park as well as providing pedestrian access from the park over Bridge Road," the letter states.

Global Garbage

The City of San Francisco (SFO) is about to introduce a new approach to litter management that may well provide a model for our "new" city government. Both the City of San Francisco and the City of Sydney are faced with continuing litter problems and both cities have Mayors who have promised cleaner streets for their constituents. Employment of environmental officers to sift through dumped garbage is just one practice we have in common, though it is more vigorously pursued in SFO.

Already the City of SFO issues fines for a wide range of littering offences, from overstuffed bins to illegal dumping in back streets, but



until now, most of these fines have been evaded or lost in red tape. Now SFO proposes to tackle the prosecution and collection of

these fines by introducing a new Litter Court based at City Hall (our Town Hall) with a neutral "hearing officer" (US terminology) to pursue issued fines and the City Treasurer is to collect these fines.

Ultimately it is hoped the new Litter Court will bring in sufficient funding to maintain a staff of ten environmental officers, a far better option than abandoning the program that currently costs SFO about US\$1.7m per annum.

What lessons can the City of Sydney learn from our counterpart on the other side of the Pacific Rim and what support can we expect from our state government should our city decide to "get tough" on litter issues?

- Cynthia Jones (our roving reporter)

Environment sub-committee – draft policy statement

The members of the Society's Environment Subcommittee have prepared the draft policy document printed below. They invite members to contact the Secretary of the Society with their comments before the next Management Committee meeting, on Wednesday 11 June.

-Andrew Wood

DRAFT POLICY

The environment has a primary influence on the current and future amenity of Glebe. The Glebe Society Inc. will act to ensure that our local environment is protected, sustained and enhanced.

The Environment Sub-Committee will initiate action in response to environmental issues arising in, but not limited to, the following areas:

1. The removal of **litter and rubbish** (including litter, abandoned cars and supermarket trolleys) from streets, parks and waterways. The Society supports a reduction in waste, recycling and restrictions on junk mail.
2. The removal of **graffiti and illegal posters** from private and public buildings. The Society

supports the use of anti-graffiti measures including the supervised painting of appropriate murals under Council's supervision and the growth of plants over walls.

3. A reduction in acts of **vandalism and other crime**. The Society believes people should be safe in the streets and in their homes.
4. Improvements in **air quality** and the control of global warming. The Society supports a reduction in air pollution, the promotion of energy conservation, the increased use of renewable energy sources and a reduction in the use of motor vehicles.
5. Enhancing the **appearance of Glebe** by reducing visual pollution. The Society supports the planting of street trees, the burying of utility cables, the elimination of billboards and other commercial street advertising, the proper maintenance of public buildings, the rationalisation of street signs and the inconspicuous location of communication towers.
6. The responsible ownership of **companion animals**. The

Society supports the minimisation of the effects of companion animals on the environment.

7. The return of **native flora and fauna**. The Society supports measures designed to promote the return of native flora and fauna to our suburb. The planting of traditional exotic flora that do not threaten native species is also supported. *
8. A reduction in **noise pollution**. The Society supports a reduction in extraneous noise, especially that arising from aircraft, traffic and mechanical plants such as air conditioners.
9. Improving the **water quality** in our Bays. The Society supports the improvement of the water quality in our Bays, including the implementation of stormwater management plans aimed at reducing the volume of water runoff and the entry of pollutants.
10. **Other environment groups**. When appropriate, the Society will provide support for the work of other community, non-government, government and international environment groups.

* See the flyer about gardens included in this Bulletin

Planning report



A very brief report this month, but an important one. On 21 May City Council advertised a DA for the demolition of two Victorian semis, currently let as rooms, at 77-79 St Johns Road, between Glebe Fire Station and a modern block of units. The proposal is for seven two-bed and two one-bed units, but when I went to inspect it there were no details accompanying the plans. All I can say is we should all write to Council or email

arobb@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au objecting to the proposed demolition.

"The sun never knew how wonderful it was," the architect Louis Kahn said, "until it fell on the wall of a building."

I think we could also confidently say it is an overdevelopment.

Objections are due by 5 June, which is before I can publish further details

in the Bulletin. I have asked for all the details of this and other applications to be forwarded to the Neighbourhood Service Centre in the Glebe Town Hall, so they should be there soon. However, by the time you receive this Bulletin you may not have time to go to the Town Hall, and if that is the case please go ahead and object anyway.

- Neil Macindoe

Two degrees of separation

The Sydney Hospital for Sick Children, Glebe 1880-1906

Jill Brown gave a talk to the Friends of Benledi on 10 March 2003. She has kindly written an article for the Bulletin based on her talk.

In 1878 Mrs W C Browne, wife of the Member for Singleton, gathered together a group of women to discuss the merits of establishing a children's hospital in Sydney.

With the support of the medical establishment and a number of prominent Sydney citizens, a committee was formed that set about raising the funds required to purchase a suitable building. Within eighteen months the committee had raised £4,500 to which the government added a further £4,250 by way of a grant.

On 1 January 1880 *The Sydney Hospital for Sick Children* opened on the southern corner of Glebe Point Road and Wigram Road, where the Glebe Library and surrounding gardens now stand.

The hospital building had originally been erected by the builder J P Walker for use as a boys' boarding school and had only been completed in early 1878. At the time the building was described as -

*Elegant and extensive with a delightful view of the surrounding country, even as far as Pennant Hills. The City of Sydney lies in front, and a splendid view of it and the adjacent suburbs can be obtained from the balconies and windows of the second floor.*¹

The large classrooms and dormitories were easily converted into a forty bed hospital with ample room for nurses' quarters. An addition, probably designed by Horbury Hunt, was also added and dedicated to the businessman Thomas Sutcliffe Mort who had died on 9 May 1878.²

Sir George Wigram Allen was appointed the first President and the Allen family maintained close links with the hospital for many years, often entertaining the hospital staff and convalescing children at *Toxteth Park*.

When the hospital opened in 1880 there was no Health Act in New South Wales, no branch of the Medical Association and no medical school for training doctors. The training of nurses was still in its infancy and it was not until 1889 that a program of tuition at the hospital was formalised through lectures and certification.

As the first children's hospital in New South Wales, it catered to the children of the poor and destitute of Sydney and rural New South Wales. Run as a charitable institution with inconsistent government subsidies the hospital struggled for survival, with low admissions during the first few years.

The hospital's annual reports record admissions for a variety of medical conditions and trace the history of infectious and often deadly childhood diseases of the period. Infants were also admitted for corrective surgery due to accidents, congenital abnormalities and conditions caused by malnutrition.

Infectious diseases dominated work

Infectious diseases dominated the hospital's work with diphtheria being the most common. Patients were also admitted suffering from the usual childhood illnesses of whooping cough, measles and mumps often complicated by the onset of pneumonia. Admissions for polio varied as the disease came in epidemics every few years, and hospital records show a low but regular annual intake of children suffering from scurvy, rickets and malnutrition.

The hospital soon outgrew its physical boundaries. Whilst maintaining the Glebe site, facilities were leased in Camden as a convalescent hospital and a large outpatients department was opened in Quay Street at the Haymarket.

The difficulties of isolating the diphtheria patients from the general

hospital population were alleviated in 1893 when *Kew Cottage*, situated in Glebe Point Road almost opposite the main hospital, was purchased from the Betts family. It was converted into a twelve bed isolation unit with surgical and pathology facilities.

Consolidation of the hospital's scattered amenities and expansion were discussed for almost two decades before the Board raised enough money to purchase six acres of land on the Lucas Estate at Camperdown and preparations for a 175 bed hospital with state of the art facilities were finally undertaken.

In January 1907 the last patient was transferred from Glebe to the re-named *Royal Alexandra Hospital for Children* at Camperdown, which has since been re-located to Westmead.

The hospital building at Glebe, initially purchased for £6,250, was sold in 1907 for £2,468.14s and subsequently used as a boarding house or flatettes. It was demolished in about 1963 to make way for extensions to the Homoeopathic Hospital. The plans did not proceed.

Kew Cottage was deemed by the government to be unfit for use as a residence after the patients were relocated to the new hospital in Camperdown. It was subsequently demolished by fire in 1907.

The annual reports and Minutes of Meetings for *The Sydney Hospital for Sick Children* are still held in the archives of *The Royal Alexandra Hospital for Children* at Westmead. For a more detailed insight into the hospital and its medical and nursing staff Dr. P L Hipsley's book *The Early History of the Royal Alexandra Hospital for Children Sydney 1880-1905* is invaluable.

¹ *Town & Country Journal*, April 220 1878, p.744.

² *Leichhardt Historical Journal* No. 1 November 1971, p. 7.

“President in all but name”

Blackwattle Bay Park

Since the mid 70s, the battle was on for the Blackwattle Bay Park against Parkes Development. This was a joint effort of The Glebe Society, local residents, the Foreshore Committee, the Builders’ Labourers who, under Jack Munday, imposed the “Green ban”, and other bodies. We have been able to enjoy the marvellous result since the official opening of the park on 7 August 1983. The fight was extremely well organised with a pyramid calling system. People planted small trees and stood in front of the bulldozers as shown on the front page of the *Sydney Morning Herald* the next day.

The fate of *Bellevue*, the Italianate villa built in 1890 with sweeping views over Blackwattle Bay, is a sad one. The residents who created Blackwattle Bay Park, saved *Bellevue* from demolition by the developer and the house then went into Council’s ownership in order to keep it for the public. Apart from a new roof some years ago, it has been allowed to deteriorate further.

Land and Environment Court

In early 1989, a DA was brought before Council for a boat repair yard and long marina at the bottom of Cook Street, hence known as “29 Cook St.”. Andrew Wood, then President of The Glebe Society, Robyn Mackney, President of the Glebe Rowing Club, and myself formed a little team in 1990 and fought tooth and nail against this unsuitable proposal in a now medium density residential area.

The DA was rejected unanimously by Council. However, when it went to the Land and Environment Court, where I represented The Glebe Society in June 1990, the DA was approved ... However a recession set in and it became financially unviable to build a boat repair shop. It became more lucrative to go for a residential development. .

[A residential DA lodged for the site

wound up in the Land and Environment Court and once again Marianne found herself in the witness box]. My shattering experience was that the barrister on the other side only tried to make you contradict yourself and thus be discredited... The greatest achievement was that the developer had to hand over the foreshore strip of approx 15 metres to Council, i.e. to the public, with a clear demarcation fence.

President in all but name

[Andrew Wood was elected to President in 1989. He asked Marianne if she would fill the vacant position of the Senior Vice-President and chair the next meeting, as he had to travel interstate.] He assured me that I could resign anytime. Under that condition I accepted and it lasted for more than four years. [When Ted McKeown completed his presidency,

The second of two articles by Marianne von Knobelsdorff

The Society was unable to find a new President, and Marianne became President in all but name.]

The years 1993/94 were difficult, particularly for me. I felt I could not fill the shoes of a President with all the responsibilities which go with it, as well as my 60 hour a week job. I did as much as I could, collected the mail daily, read it, photocopied the important things and distributed them to the “right” people on my bicycle.

[With the help of other members, she kept things going.] I chaired the meetings at times, had meetings about saving the Homoeopathic Hospital for a library and arranged the Glebe Society’s 25th birthday party and AGM at Darling Mills on 28 August 1994. I invited Prof. Bernard Smith, the founder of The Glebe

Society, and flew him from Melbourne, to honour him and to be our guest speaker. I delivered the first and hopefully last Vice-President’s “Year in Review”, which, I think, was far too long, but so many things had happened or had not happened.

Reintroduction of Ward system

In 1994 we managed to reintroduce the Ward system. How did this happen? John O’Connell, a long term Glebe Society member, was convinced that the wards should be reintroduced. I brought it up at The Glebe Society committee meeting and it was agreed. Neil Macindoe, as a Councillor, presented it to Leichhardt Council. A vacancy had happened through the unfortunate death of Cr Nick Masterman which required an election and, at the same time, the Ward system was reintroduced.

More foreshore walks

[In the 90s, Marianne was involved in efforts to improve the design of the development proposed for the “Harbour Lighterage” site and to save the Hardy’s Timber Yard (Fink) site. Both are now occupied by flats, but the Society achieved foreshore access in both cases.]

Street stalls and membership drives

In 1998, Ian Edwards, then Convenor of the Foreshores Sub-committee, found out that the Society had lost 40% of its members in only four years. I took on the task to regain those members, as I found out most of them did want to stay on... We managed to get a lot of the lost members back and attract new ones, partly through the street stall which Andrew Wood, and later Christine Whittemore and myself, organised up to September 2001, proudly displaying “The Glebe Society Banner”, organised by Alison McKeown.

In conclusion

I really like the village character and community spirit in Glebe,

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From the archives

Bulletin 3/1983 gives an indication of the wide range of social activities in which members of the Society participated 20 years ago.

MONDAY 9 MAY 5.30 - 7 PM

Happy Hour at the home of Chris Jones, 242 St. Johns Road, Glebe. The house was built in 1873 and has only recently been restored (1980/81). It is a delightful old house so come along and meet other members of the Society and have a drink in fascinating surroundings. Donation \$ 1.00.

SATURDAY 14 MAY

The Steam Train Ride will take place. Booking forms enclosed. Ron Best is co-ordinating it and any enquiries can be made on 660 1676 (home) or 268 6157 (work). Everyone should come along and make this a great day out.

MONDAY GROUP

The Monday Group had a pleasant relaxed afternoon at the home of Jean McKenzie on 18 April. It was agreed to support the Benevolent Society of N.S.W. by donating craftwork. Several members of the Group are accomplished at crochet and progress was made on a rug of 'granny squares'. Other members sewed the squares together.

MONDAY 20 JUNE 2.30 PM

Members will visit Sally Nelson at 21 Alexandra Road, Glebe. New members always welcome. Ring Sally on 660 0038.

HANDICRAFTS

Or the third Tuesday of each month at 7.30 pm, anyone who would like

to bring their spinning wheel, embroidery or even knitting in order to start a group of people doing something creative is welcome. Later it is proposed to have one evening devoted demonstration of how to make recycled paper, how to start growing bonsai and anything else any of the group can teach us. Perhaps one of our men would show us how to do simple carpentry, etc. No charge. Come to the side gate in Alexandra Lane (address is 3 Victoria Road Glebe) as the workroom is under the verandah. Inquiries ring Bara 660 8120.

MONDAY 16 MAY

The Monday Group will visit the Rocks, including the new Regent Hotel. Catch the 10.22 am 431 bus in Glebe Point Road. New members are always welcome on outings and stay-at-home occasions.

YOGA

To start the old blood flowing, on Mondays (except Public Holidays) Bara Marsh will be on her back verandah doing simple yoga exercises. Anybody is welcome to join her. No charge – any suitable loose clothing and a yoga mat or thick rug to lie on are all you will need. If it takes on, we could perhaps later employ a qualified teacher. The address is 3 Victoria Road, Glebe, but come to the side gate in Alexandra Lane and let yourself in. Ring Bara on 660 8120 to arrange or inquire about anything.

community with lots of social activities and friendships...

I wish The Glebe Society, its members and my friends well in the never-ending battles and I am sure they will uphold "eternal vigilance," particularly now as Glebe is being transferred to the City of Sydney Council. ■

Former incinerator may become a museum

An innovative use which allows community access with some permanent commercial activity seems to be the likely outcome of discussions over the future of the remains of the Walter Burley Griffin incinerator which lies at the heart of Australand's "Glebe Harbour" development.

A meeting organised by the developer at Benledi on 21 May was briefed on construction plans for the site at the bottom of Ferry Road and Forsyth Street – the last major waterfront development site in Glebe.

The meeting was told that Leichhardt Council had directed initially that the former incinerator be available for commercial use, but this had been later modified after suggestions from Australand and the architects that this might not be appropriate.

Australand and its heritage consultant recommended that this was the time for the community to consider possible uses for the former incinerator and come up with proposals to the Sydney City Council. One possibility mentioned was a museum of Glebe or harbourside industry with a coffee shop.

The meeting was also told:

- The "interpretation" of the long-demolished incinerator chimney (actually something to remind us of what once existed) is also still under discussion. Apparently the council has suggested that the tower proposed in the current architect's sketches needs a little more cladding before it will be recognisable as a chimney; and
- The "sheds" which stretch in two arms from the incinerator to the water are in such disrepair that they would have to be dismantled and replaced with an alternative interpretative construction. Discussions on this are currently under way with the council.

- Mack Williams

Continued from page 6 Marianne's story

represented by The Glebe Society. I believe that the Society is primarily an action group which has a voice that is highly respected and listened to, and one can fight for things one believes in, thus making an impact and a change. It also provides a close-knit

News and Notes

Lyndhurst

The Society has written to Sandra Nori MP seeking assurances and inquiring about the future use to which *Lyndhurst* might be put. As reported previously, the Historic Houses Trust will be moving from *Lyndhurst* to new premises in The Mint in 2004.

Lyndhurst is the work of architect John Verge. The Regency style villa was built (c1835) for James Bowman, principal surgeon at Sydney Hospital and son-in-law of John Macarthur.

Lyndhurst is one of the few extant pre-1850 buildings in Glebe. It is listed on the State Heritage Register, the Register of the National Estate and is classified by the National Trust.

The Society has noted that the State Government has recently embarked on a major project to assess, reallocate or sell off public buildings (SMH 13/5/03).

Given our instrumental role in the preservation and restoration of *Lyndhurst*, the Society holds a particular affection for this building. We urge the State Government to retain *Lyndhurst* in public hands.

Recital by Roger Woodward

The Hunter Baillie Memorial Presbyterian Church (corner of Johnston and Collins Streets, Annandale) will be hosting a recital by Roger Woodward on 22 June 2003 at 3 pm. The concert will raise funds for the restoration of the historic 1890 William Hill & Son organ.

The program includes works by Liszt, Beethoven, Debussy, J S Bach and Chopin.

Enquiries : Ralph Lane, Artistic Director, Hunter Baillie Spring Festival of Music, phone 9660 8907.

Land Titles Office - workshop

The Royal Australian Historical Society (with which The Glebe Society is affiliated) is holding a workshop on Saturday, 19 July 2003 on land titles, Torrens title and much more for those researching house histories.

Peter Chadwick, from the Land & Property Information Office, will talk about the kind of information held at its office, the importance of Primary Applications for family researchers and different issues relating to Torrens title.

The workshop runs from 10 am to 3 pm. at History House, 133 Macquarie Street, Sydney. Cost is \$33 for 3 members of an affiliated society. Bookings on 9247 8001.

Annoyed by Telemarketing?

There is a national register of phone customers who do not want to be called by telemarketers. This register can be contacted via www.adma.com.au or on 1800 646 664.

See you at the Toxteth Thursday, 3 July

As you can see from this month's extract from the archives, the Society had many more social activities in 1983 than we do today.

This is about to change. As a start, all members are invited to meet for dinner in the restaurant at the Toxteth Hotel on the first Thursday in July (3 July) and the first Thursday of each month after that. No bookings are needed – just turn up. We will pay for our own meals and there is no BYOG.

The main purpose of the dinner is to talk and eat with other people who live in Glebe. However if the talk gets serious, issues can be referred to the next Committee meeting, on the second Wednesday of each month.

If you have any questions, or suggestions for other 'social' events, please ring Edwina Doe on 9660 7066.



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For your diary ...

Monday 2 June, 5.30 pm City of Sydney Council Meeting – Level One, Town Hall.

Wednesday 11 June 7.30 pm Glebe Society Management Committee meeting, upstairs meeting room, Toxteth Hotel.

Sunday 22 June 10.30 am-1 pm Foreshore Walk and BBQ – see flyer enclosed.

Sunday 22 June 3 pm - Recital by Roger Woodward - The Hunter Baillie Memorial Presbyterian Church.

Monday 30 June 5.30 pm City of Sydney Council Meeting – Level One, Town Hall.

Thursday 3 July 6.30 for 7 pm – Dinner at the Toxteth Hotel (see page 8).

Saturday 19 July Land Titles Office workshop (see page 8).



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.

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