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THE GLEBE SOCIETY NEWS BULLETIN

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

ROLL UP ! ROLL UP ! ROLL UP !

The Society's Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday August 27th, at 8 p.m. at the Town Hall, St. John's Road. We hope for a large turn-out to discuss the Society's activities and plans for the coming year, so please make every effort to attend. Coffee will be served after the meeting, and we hope to have a display of maps and photographs on show.

Nominations are called for in writing, signed by the nominee and nominator and secondor, for the following positions on the Management Committee : President, two vice-presidents, Hon. Secretary, Hon. Treasurer, and four ordinary members. Please send them to The Hon. Secretary, the Glebe Society, Box 379, P.O. Broadway.

PRESIDENT'S TRIP TO ITALY

Dr. and Mrs. Smith have taken a party of Fine Arts students on a month's tour of Italy. Unfortunately, they will be unable to get back in time for the A.G.M. They deeply regret this but the Society is bound by its constitution to hold its A.G.M. within a certain period after June 30th, and there was no way of holding it later. Dr. Smith

has prepared his report on the Society's activities during the year, and the Acting President, Rob Darroch, will present the report in his place.

#### HOME-UNIT SEMINAR

Several members of the Society attended the all-day seminar on home units arranged by the Civic Design Society at the University of New South Wales Roundhouse on Saturday August 8th.

It was an important meeting because it brought together for the first time developers, aldermen, civic society representatives, architects and town planners to discuss the problems of home units. And after listening to everyone's ideas, there is no doubt that there are problems

The terrace and town house were suggested as a better solution to housing medium or high density populations. The same number of people can be housed per acre in town houses as in home units.

It was refreshing to hear so many people calling for a more rational approach to planning. Area plans for individual suburbs were urged by both town planners and aldermen. The Glebe Society's plan for Glebe is an example of this approach.

Although most discussion was enlightening, it was a little worrying that some town planners seem to regard people merely as the little coloured dots that liven up perspective drawings of proposed buildings. A few more sociologists at the seminar might have been useful for pointing out the human needs in the well-planned city of the future.

But the seminar was a valuable day of discussion and exchange of ideas. It is a hopeful sign that Sydney is becoming more aware of its environment.

#### MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Although many new members have joined the Society recently, there are still many membership subscriptions v need renewing. Please remember that a Society such as th relies on its membership for its strength, and return the enclosed form with your subscription; or, if you have all done so, try giving the form to a friend.

#### POLLUTION MEETING

The Annandale Association has invited the Glebe Society and other civic groups to organise a meeting on pollution at the Teachers Federation Hall, Sussex Street, on Tuesday August 25th at 8 p.m. The meeting will call f more severe penalties for polluters and will suggest that "citizen's bill of rights" on pollution be drawn up. Eve one is invited to attend, and Glebe Society members are a to tell their friends.

#### FERRY TRIP

This year's ferry trip is on September 19th, leav the Rowing Club wharf, Ferry Road, at 10 a.m. and arrivin back at about 4 p.m. The ferry will visit Clarke and Sha Islands and maybe Middle Harbour. Bring your own picnic barbecue food and refreshments. Tickets : \$1.50, childre 60c.

#### GARDEN COMPETITION AND FLOWER SHOW

Last year's Garden Competition was such a success that we have decided to expand it this year to include a flower show as well. The exact date is yet to be decided but it will be around mid-October. More details, and ent: forms, will be included in next month's bulletin. Remember that there is a section for every type of garden from the smallest pot plant garden or vegetable patch to the full: garden.