# THE GLEBE SOCIETY BULLET N

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## FOR YOUR DIARY

- Sunday, 30th September: Not going away for the long weekend? Then take one day off for a day in the Blue Mountains. A few of us are are planning to drive up in time to look at the Everglades (Leura) in their spring dress on Sunday morning, and then drop in at Norman Lindsey's (Springwood) on the way back after lunch. Ring Jeannette Knox if you would like to go and have no transport; also if you would like to go and have any space in your car. (Phone 660-7781)
- Saturday, 6th October: Then you can tell everyone else all about it at the October COFFEE MORNING. To be held at Lyn and Sam Conlon's, 42 Toxteth Road. Usual time (10.30 to 12.30), usual charge, 20c.
- Friday, 19th October: at Adrian and Maureen Colman's, 48 Boyce St., an informal WELCOME to NEW MEMBERS PARTY. Long-standing (even short-standing) members to come along and do the welcoming please!
- Saturday, 3rd November: COFFEE MORNING at Julie and Evan McConnochie's, 50 Boyce St.
- Sunday, 4th November: HOUSE AND GARDEN INSPECTION, 10a.m.-1 p.m. and 2 p.m. 5.30 p.m. the first Sunday of daylight saving. Members who are willing to sit in a garden for one hour (or two, or three) please contact Marie Webb (660 6483).

# THE NEW GLEBE SOCIETY Management

PRESIDENT
Peru Perumal, 12 Lodge Street

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Maureen Colman, 48 Boyce St.
660 4824

660 6060

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660 0026

Julia McConnachie

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MEMBERS PLEASE NOTE: A RED CIRCLE HERE MEANS YOUR S	SUBSCRIPTION IS NOW DUE.
MEMBERSHIP FORM	
I wish to (commence membership of the Glebe Society.	
NAME:	PHONE
ADDRESS:	
I enclose cheque/postal note/cash forfor ordinary/family/student/pensioner member	my annual subscription as an

### THE CONSTITUTION

At the recent Annual General Meeting a motion was moved and passed to the effect; .... "That an extra-ordinary general meeting of the Society be called as soon as possible for the purposes of amending its constitution to provide, amongst other things for the appoint-ment of an auditor by the Society in general meeting."

Members are therefore invited to submit suggested amendments to the existing constit—ution (printed in this issue) to the Secretary who will call an extra—ordinary general meeting for this purpose in the near future.

#### THE GLEBE SOCIETY CONSTITUTION.

- 1. The name of the organization shall be THE GLEBE SOCIETY (hereinafter called "the Society").
- 2. The Society shall not be associated with any political party.
- 3. AREA. "Glebe" shall be taken to embrace the area bounded by Wattle Street, the Harbour, Johnston's Creek and Parramatta Road.
- 4. The broad objects of the Society are: to promote the general well-being of the citizens of the Glebe area; to preserve the natural assets of the area; to stimulate interest in the history and character of the area; to encourage town planning and good architecture; and to protect the residents from anything detrimental to the enjoyment of their dwellings. To achieve these objectives the Society shall, among other things, make representations to or consult with persons and other bodies.
- 5. MEMBERSHIP. Any person who endorses the objectives of the Society shall be eligible for membership on the payment of an annual membership fee which shall be determined from time to time provided that the management committee (see below) has the right to establish a lesser fee and provided that the management committee reserves the right to refuse or cancel membership subject to confirmation by a majority of members present at a general meeting convened to consider such expulsion. There shall be six classes of member:
  - Ordinary (all individuals not falling into any of the other categories);
  - (2) Family (covering husband and wife and all children. Husband and wife are entitled to one vote each at meetings, and to one copy of each bulletin of the Society);
  - (3) Student (defined as a person pursuing a fulltime course of study at a recognised educational institution and not yet twenty-five years of age);
  - (4) Pensioner;
  - (5) Institutional (a retail or wholesale establishment, school, college, club, or other establishment approved by the Committee. An institution may nominate up to five voting members; for each of which a fee shall be paid);

- (6) Life (ordinary or family membership may be converted to ordinary life or family life membership upon a fee equal to twenty times the annual fee for the particular category of membership in the year in which life membership is applied for).
- 6. The administration of the Society shall be vested in a management committee. All members shall work in honorary capacities and will be reimbursed only for out-of-pocket expenses as approved by the management committee.
- 7. The management committee shall consist of the President, a senior Vice-President, ajunior Vice-President, a Secretary, a Treasurer and four other members provided that the immediate past President and all convenors of sub-committees are members ex-officio of the management committee.
- 8. The management committee shall have the power to appoint convenors of sub-committees of the Society.
- 9. An annual general meeting shall be held every calendar year within eight weeks of the end of the financial year on June 30 with the exception of the first annual general meeting. At the annual general meeting the annual report and balance sheet shall be presented and officers, committee and auditor shall be elected. Each annual general meeting shall elect the management committee for the following year. Vacancies on the management committee shall be filled by the management committee as it may decide between annual general meetings. A vacancy on the management committee shall be deemed to have occurred if a member: resigns from the committee by notice in writing to the president; or fails to attend three consecutive meetings of the management committee of which due notice has been given him unless he has been excused by the management committee; or if he is removed from office at a special general meeting.
- 10. Any two members of the Society may nominate another member for election to the management committee. Such nominations shall be signed by the two proposers and shall bear the written consent of the nominated member and shall be posted or delivered to reach the Secretary at least fourteen days before the annual general meeting except in the case of the first annual general meeting for which nominations will be accepted up till the time of election. The nomination shall include the address and occupation of the member. Notice shall be sent to each member fore the annual general meeting of the names of the members correctly nominated. If insufficient nominations are received those nominations shall be declared elected and nominations for the vacant positions shall be called for at the annual general meeting.
- 11. METHOD OF ELECTION. Each member at an annual general meeting shall be entitled to record his votes by marking crosses in squares opposite the names on the ballot papers of the members he desires to be elected. There shall be one ballot paper for the election of President and one for the

Senior Vice President, Junior Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer and one for the other four members of the Committee if there shall be more than one nomination for each of the office bearers and more than four nominations for the members of the Committee.

- 12. The president shall not be eligible for reelection for more than two consecutive terms.
- 13. MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE. The management committee shall have the power to appoint such sub-committees as it deems desirable.
- 14. QUORUM. At a general meeting (including annual general meetings) a quorum shall be twenty (20) members or twenty percent of the current membership, whichever is the lower figure. At a management committee a quorum shall be five.
- 15. Notice of the annual general meeting and a special general meeting shall be given by letter at least twenty-eight (28) days before such meetings except the first annual general meeting. A general meeting shall be called at the instigation of the President and Secretary. A special general meeting shall be called by the Secretary on the receipt of a written request signed by twelve (12) or more members within a periof of one month from the date of receipt of such request which shall set out clearly the purpose for which the special general meeting shall be called.

The Secretary shall inform all members of the purpose of the special general meeting. The special general meeting shall be confined to the business it was called for and its decisions must be carried by a seventy-five per cent majority of those present.

- 16. Notice of motion shall be given to the Secretary fourteen (14) days before a general meeting provided that the chairman may accept at his discretion motions from the floor.
- 17. The funds of the Society shall be banked in name of the Society and any two of the President Secretary and Treasurer shall be authorised to operate thereon by the management committee.
- 18. Accounts shall be presented and passed at management committee meetings and such approvals recorded in the minute book and the management committee shall meet not less than every three months.
- 19. The Society shall be dissolved on the vote of a seventy-five (75) percent majority of members present at a special general meeting called for the purpose. The Society shall be dissolved if membership falls below twelve (12) members.
- 20. The constitution may be changed at an annual general meeting or special general meeting. Notice of motion must be forwarded to the Secretary at least twenty-eight (28) days before the required date and circulated to all members.

# MANAGEMENT MEETING

We hope to have the space to spare in the Bulletin each month to give a brief summary of business discussed at Management Committee meetings. The following is a summary of the meeting held on 26th August 1973.

Meeting Attenders: Members are welcome to attend the following meetings on behalf of the Society: Leichhardt Council - Council meetings, Town Planning committee; Tree planting and preservation committee; Schools Working Group; Anti-Urban Radial Expressway Group; and Coalition of Resident Action Groups. Contact the Secretary.

"Historic Area" Submission: The Society has been requested by The National Trust (NSW) to prepare a list of buildings of architectural and historical merit. In line with the Society's view that the mere classification of isolated historic buildings is inadequate, we are preparing a detailed submission dealing with the Glebe area as a whole, and in particular identifying historic townscapes. The submission will also be presented to the Federal Inquiry into the National Estate and to Leichhardt Council. Convenor: Peru Perumal.

Committee of Enquiry into Local Government Areas. Submission dealing with citizen involvement in local government being prepared. Convenor: Peru Perumal.

<u>Darghan Street Adventure Playground</u>: The Management Committee is giving consideration to organizing a working bee to clean up and improve this now very derelict site.

<u>Litter and Garbage</u>: An enquiry into the present unsatisfactory state of affairs. Convenor: Maureen Colman.

Social Welfare: The question as to whether the Society should take a direct or indirect interest in the "social welfare" type of issues and activities in the community was discussed. Members with views and interests in this area are invited to contact Margaret Coombs (660 0026). Margaret has a particular interest in the child welfare homes in the area.

Building Restoration Leaflet: Considerable preparatory work has gone into the preparation of a pamphlet offering advice to residents who wish to undertake restoration or renovation work in a manner that is sympathetic with the visual character of Glebe. Convenor: Tony Strachan.

<u>Finance</u>: The present healthy financial position of the Society was noted. Discussion followed on the desirability of the Society having a specific financial policy covering fund-raising and the disposition of funds to other organizations, causes or activities in the local community. Comments to the Secretary please.

Next Management Committee meeting: 23rd September.

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#### HOW DOES YOUR GARDEN GROW?

A W.E.A. course conducted by R.S.Vickery, BSc(Agric) PhD, should be of special interest to members who are coaxing their gardens along. For further details phone W.E.A. House, 26 2781.

#### ANNA RUSSELL FOR ONLY \$2!

Our next theatre party will be to see Anna Russell in a new programme she is taking to America directly after a short season at the Independent Theatre, South Sydney. Tickets are only \$2 (a saving of \$1) and bookings may be made by contacting Albert Renshaw at 259 0454 during business hours; or at P.O. Box 100 Glebe. I must have your bookings by October 2. please.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE SHEET for the period July 1st, 1972 to June 30th, 1973. (See previous Bulletin).

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from:	current a/c	\$332.19	
	cash	101.30	433.49
to:			
	current a/c	\$415.69	
	cash	17.80	433.49

the auditor has supplied the following certificate:

"I repart that I have audited the books of account of the Glebe Society for the year ended 30 June 1973, and that in my opinion the Income and Expenditure sheet is properly drawn up.

> J. Thorpe, A.A.S.A. (Hon.Auditor) 31 August, 1973"

A Music Group is being formed within the Glebe Society with the following purposes in mind:

- 1. To provide an opportunity for both listeners and performers to meet together to enjoy music.
- 2. To discover the ethnic music and dance groups in the community and provide opportunities for the community to hear them.
- 3. To bring music and dance to those children in the community who would otherwise not have the experience to relate emotional expression or to communicate through this aspect of our culture.

Morrice Shaw is interested in playing chamber music. Anyone else similarly inclined could contact him on 660 8772 during working hours.

Anyone wanting to form a motel choir could contact George Pereira on 660 4555, ext 256 during working hours.

We should be pleased to hear from people interested in providing entertainment in which children can participate.

If you are interested in joining this group or have suggestions or criticisms to make, please contact Dorothy Perkins, 660 7623, after hours.

LETTER FROM ADVISORY ART COMMITTEE

Dear Mr Robertson,

On behalf of the Art Committee I would like to thank the Glebe Society most warmly for the generous donation towards the running expenses of the Municipality of Leichhardt Art Exhibition.

I would like to take this opportunity of extending an invitation to the management committee and members of your Society to attend the opening of the Exhibition to be held at 5 pm on Sunday 4th November, 1973, at the Glebe Town Hall. We will look forward to meeting you at that time.

With very many thanks,
Yours faithfully,
Betty Mason
Organising Secretary.

#### GLEBE POINT EAST DEVELOPMENT

Leichhardt Council has approved in prin-ciple the development application for 222 home units on the former Vanderfield & Reid lands. The application has been refered to the State Planning Authority for an "expression of views" and to the Maritime Services Board for its "information". If a zoning change is approved the development application will have to be resubmitted to Council, giving the opportunity for further public comment and criticism.

The developer has offered to landscape the waterfront land surrounding "Venetia", 57 Leichhardt Street (saved from demolition by the Society) for use as a public park. A landscape architect's proposal will be submitted to Council for its approval and then the park constructed.

#### MEALS ON WHEELS

For two years a small group of members has represented the Society on this community service. Their numbers are decreasing for various reasons and it would be unfortunate if we had to discontinue. Would any members with  $l\frac{1}{2}$  hours to spare the third Wednesday of each month please ring Kathy Mispel, 660 5996.

#### PLAYREADING GROUP

Inaugural meeting to be held on Monday, October 15th, 8 p.m., under the leadership of Pauline Smith. Any members interested in this kind of activity, come along to Albert Renshaw's, Unit 14 Ellangowan, Mary Street, to discuss a programme. Bring along any plays you would like to read.