

## CRICKET

### ALBERT COTTER



Albert "Tibby" Cotter (1883-1917) earned his place in the N.S.W. XI at the age of 18 years after collecting many wickets for Glebe with a fine rhythmical, somewhat roundarmed, bowling action. He played his first Test against England in 1903/4 and his last in 1911/12 and took 89 wickets in 21 Tests. Classed with Harold Larwood for pace, Cotter was one of the fastest of all Australian bowlers. On his first visit to England in 1905 he took 121 wickets with a best Test performance of 7 for 148 at The Oval. Captains frequently called upon Cotter's great strength and stamina to perform lengthy bowling spells in the international cricket arena.

The Cotters lived at "Monteith", now 266 Glebe Road, and Albert attended Forest Lodge Superior School where a class mate was the headmaster's son, Warren Bardsley (1883-1954). Bardsley became a member of the Glebe first XI at the age of 15 and, with Cotter, was a member of the Glebe premiership team in 1908/9. Another Forest Lodge pupil and international cricketer, Charlie Kelleway was also in that team.

A left handed opening batsman, Bardsley became the first batsman to score a century in each innings of a Test match when he made 136 and 130 against England in 1909. In 1926, on his fourth and final tour of England, Bardsley carried his bat through an innings at Lords and at the time of his retirement he had more centuries (53) to his credit than any other Australian.

Albert Cotter was killed in action while serving in the Australian Light Horse during the Beersheba Charge in 1917.

Max Solling

### THE CRICKET MATCH - A BELATED REPORT

The Annual Glebe Society v Balmain Association cricket match finally took place on 28th March (after Birchgrove Oval, the usual venue, suddenly became unavailable, and after the sun shone on a quagmire at Jubilee Oval) at a venue aurally booked as Callan Park (Rozelle) but literally as Cohen Park (Annandale). One's reflections upon cricket's "flannelled fools" saw realisation as many players and supporters flocked to a non-fixtured in the charming grounds of the psychiatric hospital.

Meanwhile at the true venue, concrete-pitched poplar and storm-water channel-lined Cohen Park, our organisers discussed booking arrangements with an Italian Sunday Morning Soccer Club in occupancy. A compromise was found amidst flashing dark eyes, could Franz Kafka have devised the sequence of events, and the mats were laid and stumps standing by 11.15. We agreed, with a transfer of, and infusion of, young talent from Glebe to Balmain, that there be ten men a side. The Glebe pace battery, the fiery Peter Manning (better deliveries than

the Local!) and Don Plowman cut early into the Balmain batting soon reeling at 4 for 18. Errol Pickard held on stubbornly for 12. The attack slackened and Glebe transferee, Norm Rowe, batted to obligatory retirement at 31 with three fours and a six. Balmain's tail pushed up, with McCann scoring 16 and (Glebe's) youthful Dell scoring 21 not out, to a very respectable 115.

Glebe lunched on a challenge.

All looked well as Jim Coombs (patiently) and Don Plowman (vigorously) pushed the score to 1 for 70. Plowman retired with a six on 35 (three sixes, two fours) and then the struggle became harder, especially with Manning gone for 9 (two fours) and Jim retired at 30 (three fours). The middle order collapsed and Warren Dell (9) and Rick Sandblom (N.O. 5) (who for equity batted for both sides) saw out a close victory, by three runs. Sundries scored well with the short boundaries, scoring 25 for Balmain and 18 for the Society.

Despite dire forecasts the sun shone, and whatever clouds there were scudded over harmlessly.

And the Society remains undefeated in this fixture.

The scores:

#### Balmain Association

|                |                 |     |
|----------------|-----------------|-----|
| Pickard c      | b Dell          | 12  |
| Catts c        | Carr b Manning  | 2   |
| Porter b       | Plowman         | 5   |
| M. Stevenson b | Manning         | 0   |
| G. Stevenson b | Manning         | 0   |
| R. Sandblom c  | Carr b Solling  | 3   |
| N. Rowe        | retired         | 31  |
| McCann         | bowled Sandblom | 16  |
| K. Dell        | N.O.            | 21  |
| S. Wallace c   | Manning b Dell  | 0   |
| Sundries       |                 | 25  |
|                |                 | 115 |

#### Glebe Society

|                 |                |     |
|-----------------|----------------|-----|
| J. Coombs       | retired        | 30  |
| L. Carr b       | Rowe           | 3   |
| D. Plowman      | retired        | 35  |
| P. Manning b    | Rowe           | 9   |
| M. Solling      | run out        | 8   |
| B. Jorgensen b  | Catts          | 0   |
| J. J. Wallace b | Catts          | 0   |
| M. Sandblom c   | & b Catts      | 1   |
| W. Dell c       | Catts b Porter | 9   |
| R. Sandblom     | N. O.          | 5   |
| Sundries        |                | 18  |
|                 |                | 118 |

Bowling analyses were luckily not kept.

## LETTERS TO THE MANAGEMENT

36 Wigram Road,  
Glebe.

660.1969

Dear Sir,

I am most interested in the Glebe Society and its aims. I conduct an Interior Design business from my home and would like to offer my assistance to the Society and its members.

The correct use of colour and the style in which our houses are decorated is most important if Glebe is to retain any of its original beauty. Feel free to telephone me at any time and I will co-operate to the fullest.

Mark A. Higgins

## POSITIONS VACANT

Penographers: Three required, to spend up to a half hour once a month, (December and January excluded), addressing envelopes. Successful applicants will need to provide own pen, ink, and workplace - envelopes and address lists will be supplied. RUSH applications to Albert Renshaw at 660.0682 (home), or 259.0741 (bus.).

#### Bitumen Beaters and/or Pavement Pounders:

Two required. One for the area generally adjacent to Glebe Point Road south of St. Johns Road and Campbell Street, (a dozen points); one for the area bounded by St. Johns Road, Wentworth Park Road, Railway line, and Darling Street, (fifteen deliveries). Successful applicants will need to provide own feet - object is to poke the monthly issues of The Glebe Society Bulletin into various letterboxes in those areas mentioned. Reply as per "Penographers" advertisement above.

(REWARDS associated with the above five positions are far too numerous to mention.)

If you would like to make a verbal contribution to your Bulletin, please contact the editor, Joey Rowden at 4 Leichhardt Avenue, phone 660.5704.

# GLEBE HIGH

## GLEBE SOCIETY APPEALS TO STATE GOVERNMENT OVER HIGH SCHOOL DISPUTE

The Glebe Society has appealed to the new State Government to overrule Maritime Services Board objections to the construction of a high school on the old George Hudson timber yard at Glebe.

A spokesman for the Society said the Maritime Services Board was blocking the Education Department's efforts to obtain the site for construction of urgently needed secondary school accommodation.

The land, bounded by Bridge Road, Taylor Street, Ferry Road and Blackwattle Bay, is now in the hands of a receiver following the collapse of the Hudson company. The eight-acre property is zoned "water-front industrial" and must be re-zoned before it can be purchased by the Education Department for use as a school.

Efforts to re-zone the land are being opposed by the Maritime Services Board which would prefer to keep it available for industrial use. Clarence Free Stores Pty. Ltd. has now applied to use the land for a container storage area, a move which is strongly opposed by local residents and Leichhardt Municipal Council. Clarence Free Stores has threatened to take legal action if the Council continues to oppose its application.

"The Maritime Services Board has adopted a very arrogant and selfish attitude in refusing to acknowledge the very great needs of the area for extra schools," a spokesman for the Glebe Society said today.

"Use of the land as a container storage depot, with its large numbers of heavy trucks, would add to the already considerable problems which this suburb and the entire inner city already faces."

"The Glebe Society applauds the published statement of the new State Premier, Mr. Wran, that he intends to build more schools and hopes that he and his new Minister for Education, Mr. Bedford, will take steps to ensure that the Department of Education's efforts to obtain this land will be successful," the spokesman said.

"The Hudson land is the only site in Glebe which meets all the Education Department's

requirements for a high school. The Department says that site clearance would be comparatively simple, and that the land is close to transport, playing fields and the harbour."

"The residents of Glebe are right behind the Education Department in this fight with the Maritime Services Board and will do all we can to block the use of this land for any form of industry," the spokesman added.

Ian Evans

Editor's Note: The Management Committee has since heard that the application for a container terminal on Hudson's site has been sent to the Local Government Appeals Tribunal.

## A.G.M.

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 1976 Annual General Meeting of the Glebe Society will be held at Glebe Town Hall on Wednesday, 4th August at 7.30 p.m.

At this meeting voting will take place for candidates to serve on the Management Committee for the forthcoming year. The following offices are to be elected and may be filled by any member of the Society:-

President  
Senior Vice-President  
Junior Vice-President  
Secretary  
Treasurer  
4 Committee members  
Auditor.

Please send your nominations for any or all of the above positions to Jim Coombs, P.O. Box 100, Glebe, or deliver by hand to 295 Glebe Point Road.

All nominations must be signed by the nominated person, (with occupation and address), and two proposers, and must reach the Secretary (Jim) 14 days prior to the Annual General Meeting, i.e. 21st July.

Positions for which no nominations have been received in advance will be open to nominations from the floor at the Annual General Meeting.

## FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday, 27th June. Delving into History with Max Solling - or a light hearted look at tombstones. Meet in the garden of Margaretta Cottage, 6 Leichhardt Street at 10.00 a.m. See Bulletin No. 4 for further details.

Friday, 2nd July. A theatre party to see Maxim Gorky's outstanding play Vassa Zheleznova - an extraordinary complexity of greed, love, jealousy, murder, and suicide, in a family dominated by one woman. Set in a commercial town on the Volga in Imperial Russia, the play takes its title from the central character - Vassa - who runs the family shipping business. She is a tough, ruthless woman, forced by circumstances to devote her life to acquiring money, property, and social status.

The play is running at New Theatre, 542 King Street, Newtown; the Herald critic was not over-impressed by it; if you wish to join our theatre party please book with Albert Renshaw **STRAIGHT AWAY** (tickets \$3 each), at 660.0682 (home), or 259.0741 (bus.).

Saturday, 3rd July. The combined coffee morning and gardening group meeting for July will be held at Peru and Dagmar Perumal's, 12 Lodge Street from 10.30 - 12.30 p.m. Tea, coffee, biscuits and congenial company for 20¢.

### COFFEE MORNINGS

Any member, new or old, who would like to have a coffee morning at their home is invited to ring Dorothy Perkins on 660.7623.

### WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS:

Robert Alexander  
Peter Garnett  
Brigitte and Jeff Wake  
Thomas Laming and family  
Lionel Macey  
Roger Morris  
Elizabeth and John Fletcher  
John and Roslyn Gonczi  
Joan Hamilton  
Peter and Elizabeth Harbison  
Miss R. Duncan  
Geoff Lynraven  
Liselott Muhlen  
Bryden Allen

## TRAIN RIDE



Saturday, 24th July. Please note the amended date of the long awaited train ride. Tickets are rapidly being sold by Jim Coombs, 16 Eglinton Road. (660.0026) at the cost of \$3 per head or \$8 per family. This activity is open to everyone, bring all your family and friends, and a picnic lunch. The day will be rounded off by the Society's Seventh Birthday Party. We are at present negotiating for this to be held in the open-air, with a large barbecue. Ring Dorothy Perkins for further details. (660.7623).

Saturday, 7th August. A combined coffee morning and gardening group meeting will be held at Peter and Jenny Pockley's, 19 Mansfield Street. Other details as the 3rd July.

## POWER LECTURE

Bernard Smith, first President of the Glebe Society, will give the Power Lecture in Contemporary Art for 1976.

The title will be: The Death of the Artist as Hero, and will cover art in the community.

It will be given in Lecture Theatre 5, Carslaw Building at 8.15 p.m., Wednesday, 7th July.

Last year Bernard edited the first six Power Lectures under the title Concerning Contemporary Art. They are available in paperback at the University Co-operative Bookshop, Bay Street, Glebe.

He has just received news from the publishers, Clarendon Press, Oxford that the lectures will be translated into Spanish.

As Bernard is retiring at the end of this year, and will be leaving Glebe, this will be one of the last opportunities for members to hear a lecture by one of our most valued founders.