

The Glebe Society **BULLETIN**

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VENETIA

When the Society over a year ago saved "Venetia" from "accidental" internal demolition - almost irreparable damage was done by Parkes Developments sub-contractors' agents - we urged that serious moves be made to take advantage of the developers agreement not to demolish this uniquely placed and historic building.

An architect member of the Society viewed "Venetia" recently and was greatly dismayed by the deterioration of the building. Tiling has been destroyed, the roof is falling in and woodwork has been vandalised - much during the ownership by the developers.

The developers owe a debt to Glebe and this is their opportunity.

The Council should seize the opportunity offered by the developers agreement not to demolish "Venetia" by allowing and organising a community use of the property.

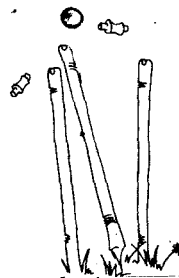
It will cost money. The developers should have long ago secured the property against vandalism and the elements. The Council should pursue the development of community uses and be prepared to pay for Glebe citizens to have this facility available.

Otherwise "Venetia" will fall down and the developers will point out our apathy and the location with the best view in Glebe will be lost to this community.

The Town Clerk says it is not his responsibility. The Council should tell him that it IS.

J. Coombs.

CRICKET



Our cricketers last year were rained out, confused with directions to Callan Park (flannelled fools?), negotiated with Italian soccer players by the storm-water channel and barely won, giving our best players to the other side. This year the Balmain Association launched an all-out assault. They advertised for players, secured the beautiful Birchgrove oval, and prevailed upon the sun to shine. The challenge was issued and accepted. The Balmain Association had no less than twenty-three players itching for the fray. We accepted a few of their players and it was fifteen a side. Balmain won the toss and sent the Society in.

The Society XI (or thereabouts) had a local flavour with the bowling strength of Peter Manning, the wicket-keeping of Les Carr (though there are still problems with some deliveries!) and Norm Rowe's prowess with bat and ball. The Secretary assumed the mantle of captaincy with his usual alacrity and his style is evidenced by the presence in the eleven of an anaesthetist and a retired central banker of the same surname as himself (nepotism?). The Society's body showed with the batting excellence of Sydney University's Professor Worsley and the bowling mastery of our historian, Max Solling, and ADP consultant, Peter Moye. All suggestions of racialism were allayed by the presence of the sweetly spoken Michael Kennedy.

The honour of receiving the first ball was accorded to the Captain by popular vote.

The bowling of Haines and Cameron was hostile but the storm was weathered. Poor running saw stalwart Les Carr back in the pavilion and then a steady partnership saw our score advance to the twenties. Jim Coombs finally left the professor by holing out at 3rd man where most of his eleven runs had been scored. Peter Worsley batted soundly for twelve and wickets tumbled. There were four "ducks". Jerry Coombs chanced his arm with valuable success and top-scored with twenty-one, being caught on one of his mighty hits. A valuable eighteen was scored by Terry McDonald, nine by Peter Manning (with two being fours) while Balmain's Richard Norman scored seven runs which included the winning margin. All out for the low score of 89. Successful bowlers for Balmain were Welch 3-16, Phair 2-3, Scard 2-12, McLeod 2-15.

A tight bowling performance was required. Manning and Moye toppled wickets quickly. Balmain were in trouble at 4-13 and 7-47. Their honour was retrieved by solid batting by Carpenter (12), Catts (15), Garrett (14) and Haines (9). The return of Moye and introduction of McDonald with Rowe chinning in saw the 14th wicket fall at 84. Too late the talent of Colquoun and Stevens (13 each) were discovered. Our best bowlers were Peter Moye 4-12, Peter Manning 3-16, Max Solling 3-21, Terry McDonald 2-6.

A great victory. Yet they demand a replay!

J. Coombs

BALMAIN ASSOCIATION

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| 1 N. McLeod | Bowled Moye | 2 |
| 2 R. Scard | lbw b Solling | 9 |
| 3 W. Welch | b Manning | 1 |
| 4 L. Creek | c b Manning | 4 |
| 5 G. Kendall | lbw b Manning | 1 |
| 6 W. Carpenter | c b Solling | 12 |
| 7 R. Catts | b Solling | 15 |
| 8 J. Garrett | b Moye | 14 |
| 9 F. Haines | c b Moye | 9 |
| 10 B. McDonald | b Moye | 0 |
| 11 V. Reid | Run Out | 1 |
| 12 K. Campbell | caught b Rowe | 0 |
| 13 G. Phair | lbw b McDonald | 1 |
| 14 S. Burt | b McDonald | <u>7</u> |

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Batting On

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|----------------|--------------|-----|---------|
| 15 J. King | b Jim Coombs | 2) | Not |
| 16 P. Colquoun | Not Out | 13) | Counted |
| 17 T. Stevens | b Carr | 13) | Counted |

SUNDRIES

9
85

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| Manning | 3-16 |
| Moye | 4-12 |
| Rowe | 1-12 |
| Solling | 3-21 |
| Worsley | 0-10 |
| McDonald | 2-10 |
| Coombs | 1-2 |
| Nicholson | 0-8 |
| Carr | 1-1 |

GLEBE SOCIETY

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|-----------------|------------------|----|
| 1 L. Carr | Run Out | 0 |
| 2 Jim Coombs | c b Phair | 11 |
| 3 P. Worsley | c b Scard | 12 |
| 4 M. Kennedy | lbw b Phair | 0 |
| 5 N. Rowe | stumped b McLeod | 1 |
| 6 Jerry Coombs | c | 21 |
| 7 P. Moye | b Scard | 0 |
| 8 M. Solling | Run Out | 0 |
| 9 H. C. Coombs | Run Out | 1 |
| 10 T. McDonald | caught | 18 |
| 11 C. Nicholson | c b Welch | 5 |
| 12 P. Manning | b Welch | 9 |
| 13 Cameron | c Welch | 0 |
| 14 Norman | b Kendall | 7 |
| 15 King | Not Out | 0 |

BYES

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89

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|---------|------|
| Haines | 1-10 |
| Cameron | 0-10 |
| Phair | 2-3 |
| Creek | 0-8 |
| Scard | 2-12 |
| McLeod | 2-15 |
| Welch | 3-16 |
| Catts | 0-8 |
| Kendall | 0-1 |

L to R

M. Solling, P. Manning, N. Rowe, M. Kennedy, J. Coombs (c), P. Moye, P. Worsley, H. C. Coombs

Absent: L. Carr, J. H. Coombs, C. Nicholson (at pub)

BIDURA

GOVERNMENT RETURNS TO GLEBE

The latest announcement that the Department of Youth and Community Services is planning a major facility in Glebe is something Society members may wish to consider. A complex which will replace the children's court/remand centre at Albion Street, Surrey Hills is to be built on the Bidura property. Statements so far suggest that the building "Bidura" will be retained. It is difficult to see how the remainder of the site will accept an unobtrusive development.

With examples now sprouting out of the ground of commercial "minimum architecture" development, we should now urge that some community consultation by the Department should take place to ensure that this development is of a scale and style in keeping with the character of Glebe. Very few would disapprove of the use proposed. In Glebe we anticipate and welcome a variety of activity, and only oppose that which attacks the amenity and character of Glebe.

GROUP NEWS

MONDAY GROUP

This group has been reformed from the Ladies Group in order to invite men to join in their monthly meetings, usually held on the second or third Monday in the month. At the meeting on 14th March everyone is invited to help arrange a programme for the next few months. Contact Pat Moore (660.4178) or Gwen Knox for further details.

GARDENING GROUP

Theo Ahlston has resigned as convenor of the gardening group after putting in much hard and appreciated work. Would anyone interested in taking on the convenorship of this group please contact Jim Coombs on 660.0026.

TENNIS

It is hoped to get a group together to play at the weekend. If you are interested please ring Max Solling, 660.1160.

BULLETIN

One more distributor is required for the Bulletin to service the area of Bridge Road, Gottenham Street and Colbourne Avenue. The distribution takes about half an hour per month, and would be most easily handled by someone living in the area. Please contact Dorothy Perkins (660.7623) if you can help.

If you know of anything that may be of interest to readers of the Bulletin, please contact the editor, Joey Rowden at 4 Leichhardt Avenue; phone 660.5704.

FOR YOUR DIARY

PLAY READING

Tuesday, March 1st at the home of Sue Johnson, 2/381 Glebe Point Road.

MORNING COFFEE

Saturday, March 5th at the home of Maureen Colman, 15/148 Bridge Road. Members who would like to offer their homes for morning coffee can ring Dorothy Perkins (660.7623).

Monday, 14th March. First meeting of the year for the Monday Group. All welcome for tea and discussion at the home of Anna Forknall, 21 Ferry Road at 2.30 p.m.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Monday, March 28th at Glebe Rowing Club, Ferry Road. New members - FREE, Old members - \$2.00. Commences at 7.30 p.m. Supper at 8.00 p.m. Talk by Max Solling on history of Glebe Rowing Club at approximately 9.30 p.m. Letters of welcome will be sent to new members. Old members are encouraged to come to meet the new members. For catering purposes, please RSVP by 14th March to SOCIAL ACTIVITIES, GLEBE SOCIETY, Box 100 P.O., Glebe or phone Dorothy Perkins, 660.7623.

BENEVOLENCE

Our Norman Lindsay raffle was drawn at the Christmas Party and was won by Jeanette Knox. A total of \$49 was collected and will be used for a publication on the Glebe Estate. Ideas for a historical and promotional monograph are now being discussed by the Management Committee.

FOR SALE

One of our members, Mrs. Wargenau is returning to Scotland to live and is offering the contents of her flat for sale. Anyone wishing to see the items on offer should ring 660.1229, or call at 23/75 St. John's Road.

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Annual Subscriptions: Ordinary \$2; Household \$3; Student 50c; Pensioner 50c

MEMBERSHIP FORM

I wish to join the Glebe Society

NAME..... PHONE.....

ADDRESS.....

I enclose cheque/postal note/cash for for my annual subscription as an ordinary/household/student/pensioner member.