

# THE GLEBE SOCIETY BULLETIN

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## MARINA AND BICENTENNIAL PARK

The sub-committee formed as a result of our Marina Meeting on 14th February (see report on P2 of this Bulletin and last month's Bulletin) is at work developing an alternative plan to the options presented by the Public Works Department. We are working on a variation to the P.W.D.'s Option 3, which we believe offers the greatest potential for an acceptable marina.

Whilst all members of the committee will contribute to the alternative plan, individual members have been charged with the separate considerations of design, engineering, landscaping, ecology, traffic, law, town planning and the responses and attitudes of the Glebe Rowing Club, the Unions, the maritime industry, the Maritime Museum and the leisure boating industry.

The committee will dedicate itself to acting in the positive fashion dictated by the Glebe Society's meeting on 14th February. With sympathetic design and appropriate controls over its size and activities, the marina should enhance, rather than detract from, Rozelle Bay.

The Marina proposal is inextricably linked to the acquisition of the Bicentennial Park. Rather than risk another decade or two of derelict waterfront (or worse, a revival of factories and storage along our waterfront), we are determined to secure the land for the Bicentennial Park and the \$1 million available for its construction.

Since we have never expressed 'territorial ambitions' over the land on Rozelle Bay north of Johnston Street, and since that is the land proposed for the marina, we are in no position to reject a marina. However we do intend to make sure the marina is one the residents of Glebe and Annandale can be proud of, rather than just accept as something that has been imposed on them. It is our belief that with proper design and controls the marina can be made to enhance, rather than detract from, the amenity provided by the Bicentennial Park.

John Buckingham.



## NEW BULLETIN EDITOR NEEDED

Gwen Geschmay, our Editor for the past year, has decided to move to Queensland and will have to hand over the Bulletin.

We will be sorry to say farewell to Gwen, who has been an enthusiastic member of the Society and its Committee and we wish her well in her new life.

Meanwhile - who would like to edit the Bulletin? We need someone who is able to attend Committee meetings, who can type or can persuade someone else to do the typing, and who has a few hours available each month to take on this most enjoyable task.

If you would like to be Editor, or have material for next month's Bulletin, please ring Edwina (922 3877 W or 660 7066 H).

## MEET THE MEMBERS EVENING

The guest speakers for this year's first Meet the Members Evening, on Tuesday 10th March are you, the Members. Come along and give your points of view on any matter which affects our life in Glebe, or about the Society, so we can all discuss them.

7.30pm - Lyndhurst. Committee Members please bring a 'plate'.

FEBRUARY 1987.

This meeting, called at short notice, was well attended by Society members and other concerned residents of Glebe and neighbouring suburbs.

The plans of the three options proposed so far for the Marina (enclosed with this Bulletin) were explained and discussed. The following Groundwork Motions were then presented to the meeting and passed unanimously:

1. It is the purpose of this meeting to establish the machinery for the Glebe Society to make a considered, educated response to the general proposal and to specific plans as they become available. (This could include submitting alternative plans).

2. The basic mechanism shall be a sub-committee of 'experts' formed from the meeting (or dragooned with the authority of the meeting). The sub-committee should be restricted to no more than seven people and might include people involved in boating, as well as people knowledgeable in such areas as marina architecture, landscape architecture, engineering, marine biology, chemistry, law, physics, etc. Plus the president of the Glebe Society, or her designated alternate, and the Bicentennial Park Co-ordinator shall be ex-officio members of the sub-committee.

3. This sub-committee shall, as far as possible:

- a) work within the parameters of the demands/suggestions contained in the Glebe Society's initial response to the proposal (see the February Bulletin);
- b) include the ideas/suggestions that receive the support of this meeting;
- c) consult members and experts as the need arises;
- d) consult the officers of the P.W.D. and M.S.B. who are responsible for the planning of the Marina and also representatives of the Glebe Rowing Club and relevant unions.

4. All existing amenities in the area should be retained and/or improved.

5. The sub-committee shall report monthly to the Management Committee of the Glebe Society.

6. The President of the Glebe Society shall advise the sub-committee at its first meeting of its operating budget.

Sufficient people either volunteered their services, or were suggested by those present, for John Buckingham to form a sub-committee, to meet at a date to be announced.

All present thanked John Buckingham for the excellent work he has done so far regarding the Marina proposal and for convening this, the first Marina meeting.

URGENT NOTICE

One item that caused grave concern at the Marina Meeting was the proposed D.M.R. access road to Glebe Island Container Terminal. Both the Glebe Society and the Annandale Association have written to the D.M.R. suggesting a more suitable route for this proposed road, but have not yet received replies. This road is a separate development from the Marina.

The present access road joins The Crescent not far from the White Bay intersection with Victoria Road, on the northern side of Rozelle Bay. The extensive works associated with the proposed City-West Link Road require the present access road to be relocated.

The most recent D.M.R. proposal is that a new access road for container trucks should also link up with The Crescent, but at a new intersection to be constructed at the junction of Johnston Street and The Crescent. This would enable container trucks to enter the City-West Link Road via a large new intersection with The Crescent that forms part of the Link Road proposal, or to go through Glebe via The Crescent or through Annandale via Johnston Street.

To achieve this junction, a new bridge must be built over Whites Creek (N.W. corner of Rozelle Bay) and a new road, with long gentle curves to allow large container trucks to turn, must be built between The Crescent and Rozelle Bay, using most of the available land. This means that all the present Marina options require further filling of Rozelle Bay up to 1.3 hectares.

The Society regards any additional filling of the bay as undesirable. It has therefore suggested the current D.M.R. proposals be dropped and direct access be provided to the new City-West Link Road for container trucks by reconstructing the present road and another access road to pass under the proposed new Glebe Island Bridge.

(The map for Option 1 of the proposed Marina, enclosed with this Bulletin, shows the road to the Container Terminal.)

Please write urgently to as many as possible of the following, supporting an alternative route:

Commissioner Fisk,  
Department of Main Roads,  
309 Castlereagh Street,  
Sydney 2000.

Hon. Laurie Brereton.  
Minister for Roads.

Hon. Pat Hills,  
Minister for Industrial Relations.

Peter Crawford, M.L.A.

- all at Parliament House  
Macquarie Street,  
Sydney, 2000.

SUGGESTIONS FOR THE MARINA

Please contact John Buckingham (660 7780) immediately with any ideas, comments or suggestions regarding the Marina. Act NOW before we get a development we regret.

THREAT TO ROTHWELL LODGE

This important mid-19th century villa, at 24 Ferry Road, has been advertised for auction as a possible development site.

The Society was alerted to possible demolition 7 months ago and immediately requested a conservation order, a request renewed several times since. An order requiring notice of demolition now appears likely, but members should keep a close watch on the building. The factory at the back was partially demolished several years ago, so please don't report that.

Ring a Committee member, the National Trust, (27 5374) and the Glebe Police (660 4811) if you notice any damage or threat to this or any other historic building.

Members will recall that Leichhardt Council has refused to fulfill its promise to undertake a traffic study of Glebe, the only area in the Municipality that has not been studied.

In exasperation, the Department of Housing has had to divert precious funds to commission a traffic study in Bishopthorpe and St. Phillips (known collectively as the Glebe Estate).

Members who live in or near these areas should take their traffic problems to:

Colston and Budd,  
Consultant Engineers,  
47 Neridah Street,  
Chatswood, 2074.

HILDA BOOLER TOILETS, JUBILEE PARK

Everyone who uses Jubilee Park will be pleased to hear that these toilets have been repaired and re-opened after being locked for the past four years.

Dear Management Committee,

Re: November 86 Bulletin

Whilst I have admired the Society's efforts over the recent years aiming at improving the facilities and living conditions in our suburb, I am getting increasingly frustrated about the narrow mindedness of the team who runs this society.

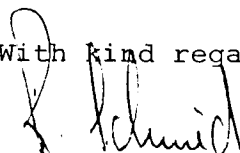
There is certainly a point to express your opinion about issues which affect us, such as i.e. the monorail. However the society does not seem to realise that the monorail is only a minor example of a much more serious problem - the lack of planning in the overall development of our city. What about all the ugly highrisers which pop up every few months? Is there an infra structure which i.e. caters for the moving of people who work or live in these buildings? Who sets standards about the size, shape, energy efficiency, effects of shading, etc. of such buildings? The list of questions could be expanded considerably.

Are you really serious about Pink Panther? What a great addition to the dreary Parramatta Road. Do you want us to live in uniformly painted boxes? How about institutional green .... Ever seen the movie "The Swiss Makers"? You must be kidding if you advocate the need for planning permissions for paintwork.

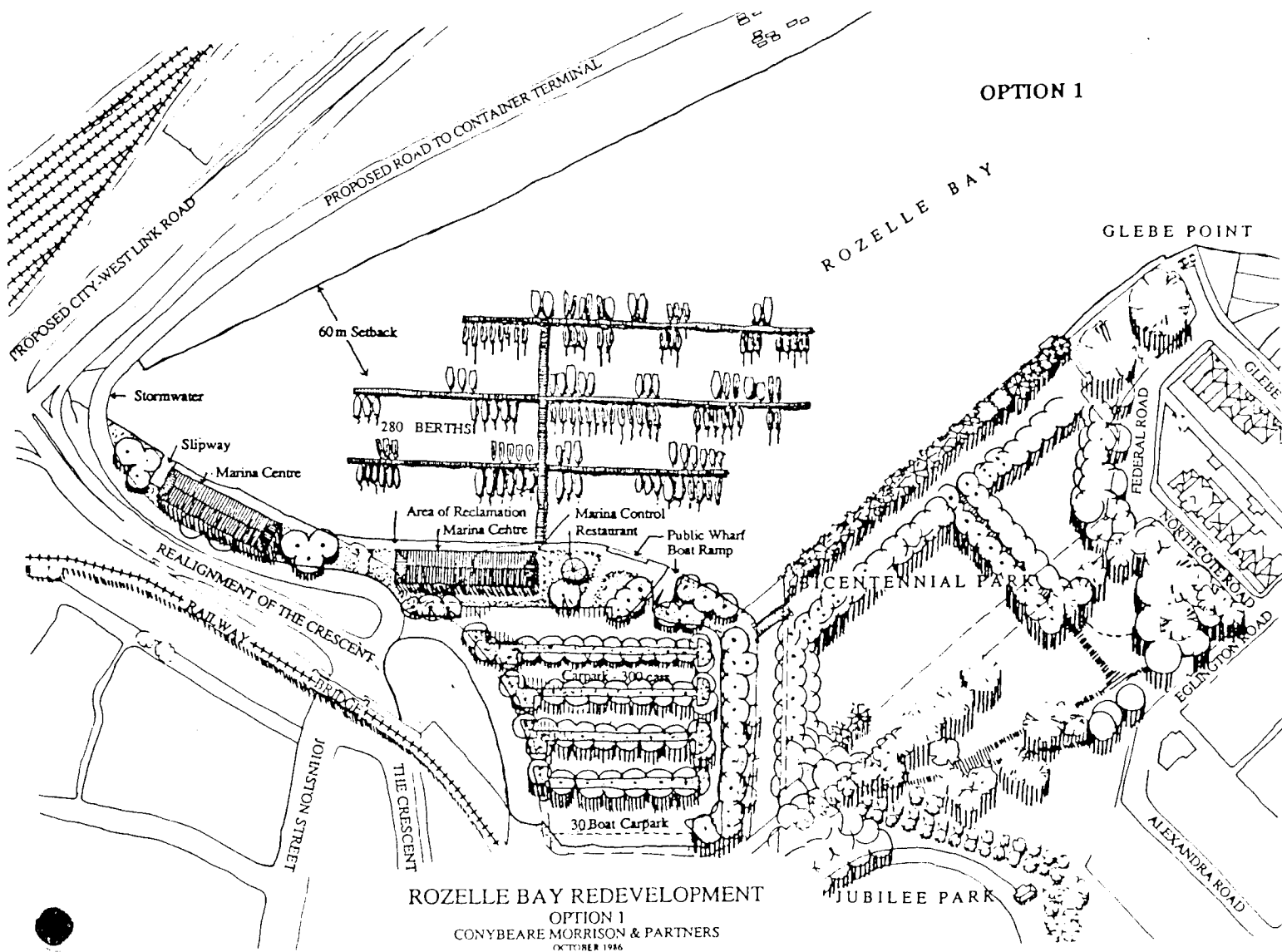
I hope you get a better start in 1987 and focus on the real issues.

LETTERS FROM OTHER MEMBERS  
OF THE SOCIETY ARE WELCOME

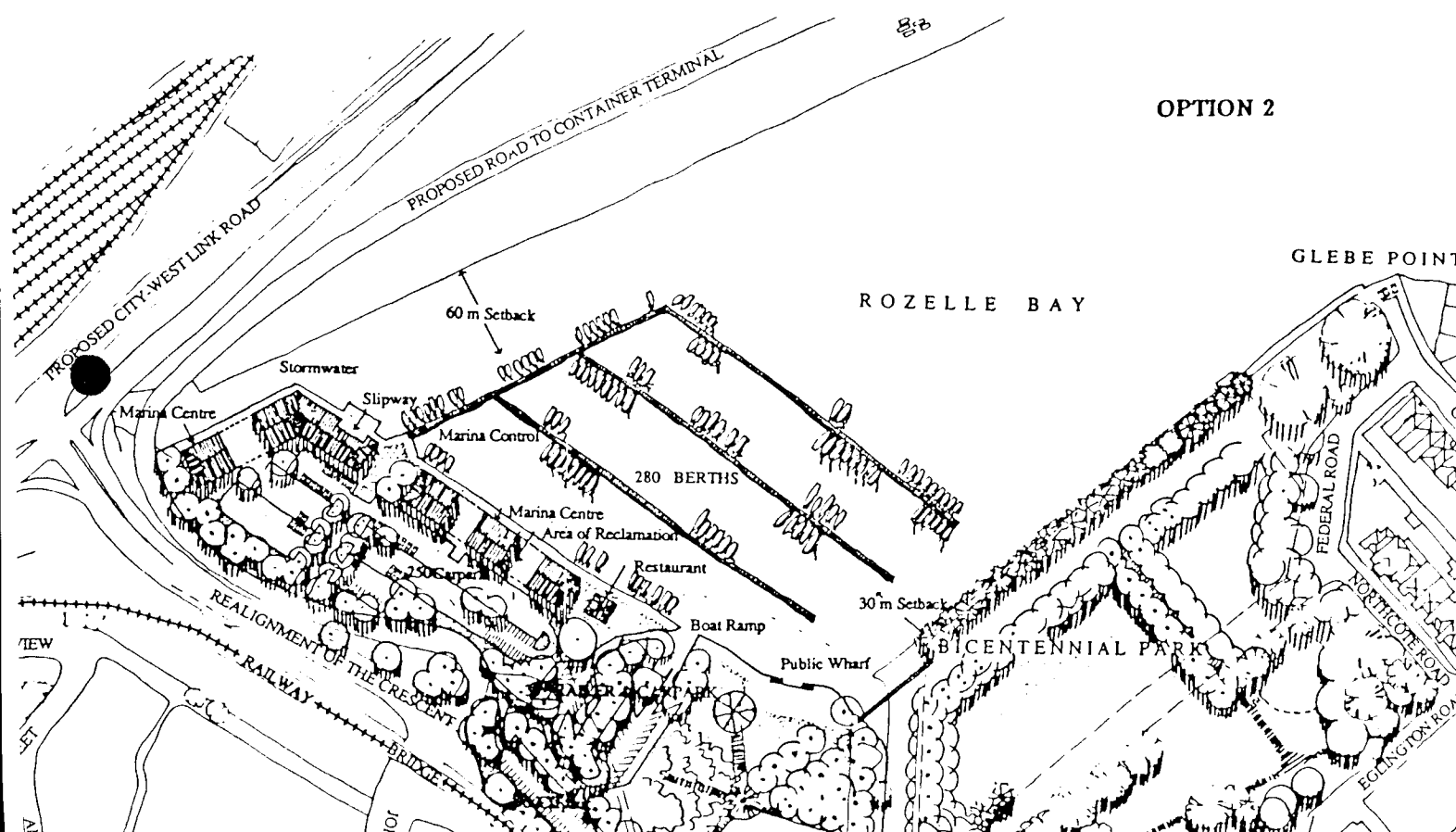
With kind regards,



Roland Schmid

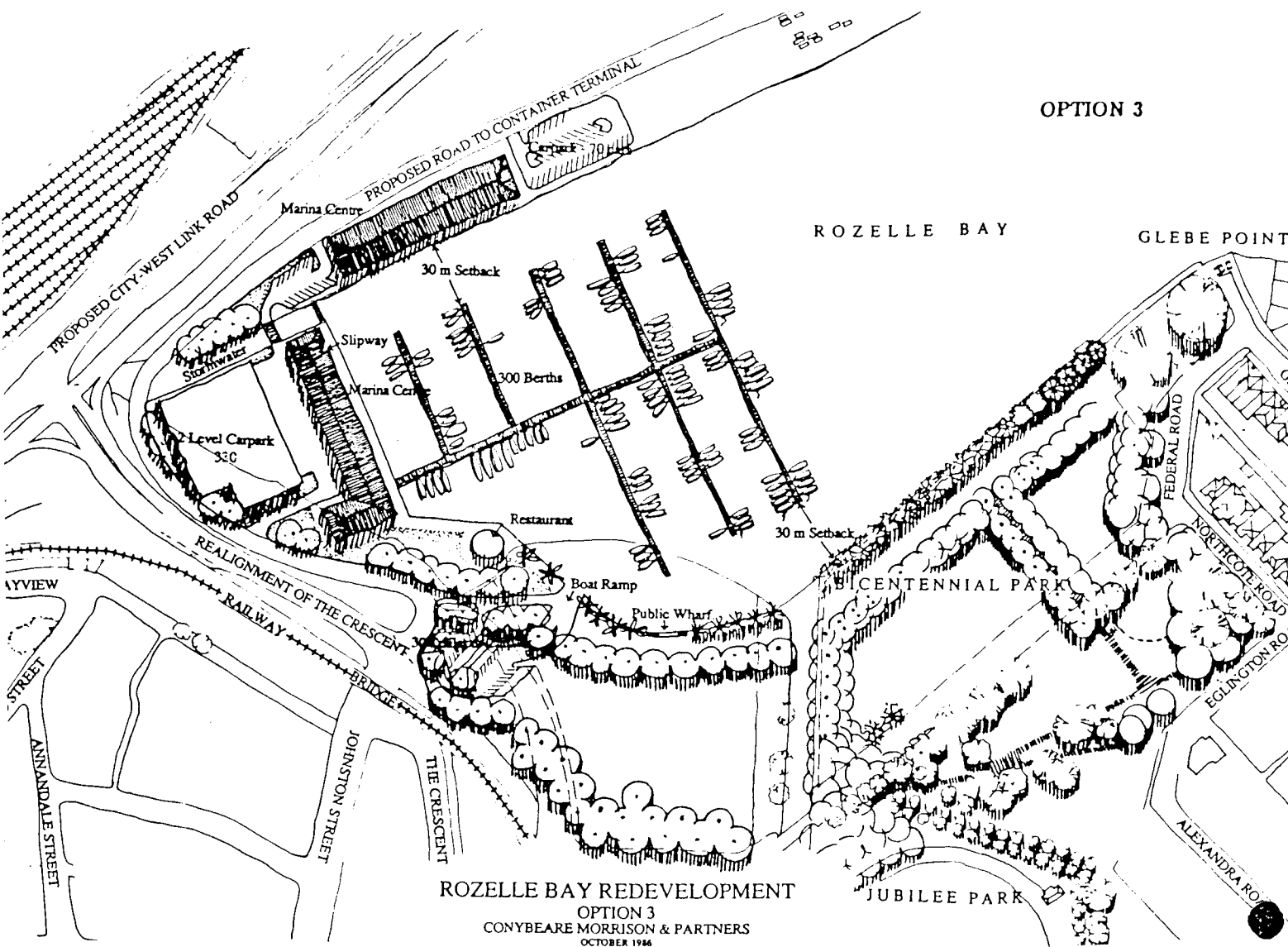


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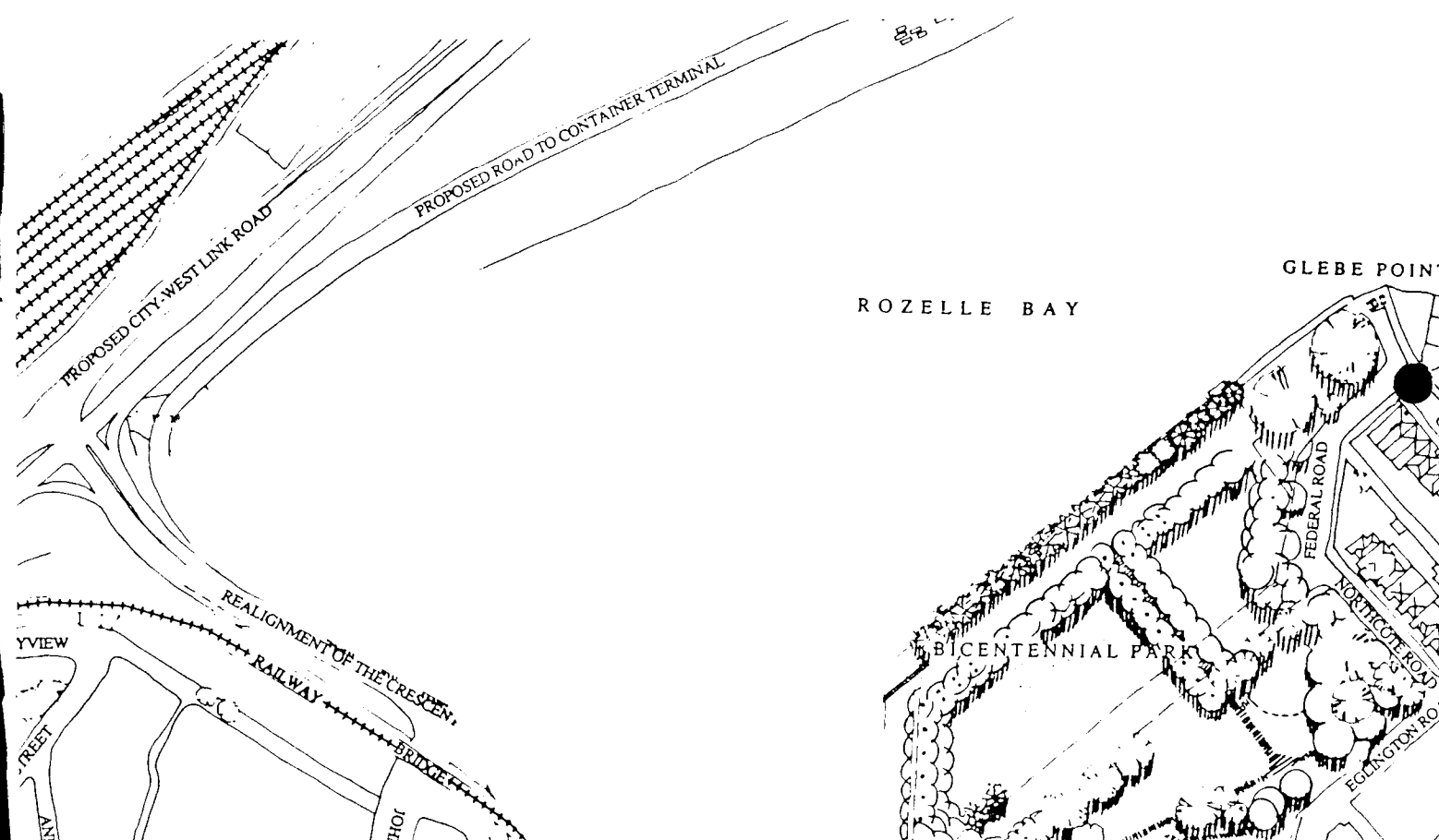


OPTION 2

OPTION 3



ROZELLE BAY REDEVELOPMENT  
OPTION 3  
CONYBEARE MORRISON & PARTNERS  
OCTOBER 1986



## MONDAY GROUP

The next meeting of the Monday Group will be at the home of Sally Nelson, 1 Allen Street, Glebe on 16th March at 12 noon.

Please bring a small plate (as much food as you could eat yourself).

This meeting was originally to be held at Jean Mackenzie's place, but unfortunately Col and Jean had a fire, starting in the insulation of their refrigerator, and their unit is still in a mess.

## A MORNING AT ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

The Rev. Hugh Scott, Mrs Pamela Scott and members of the Church Restoration Committee have invited members of the Society to a guided history tour, organ recital, morning tea and possibly a carillon recital on Saturday 4th April from 10am to 12 noon.

This is a wonderful opportunity to find out more about the Church, an outstanding architectural feature of our suburb.

## PEOPLE TO CONTACT FOR AREAS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

### BICENTENNIAL PARK

John Buckingham - 660 7780

### PLANNING

Neil Macindoe - 660 0208

### TRAFFIC

Jeanette Knox - 660 7781

### BLACKWATTLE BAY PARK

Bob Armstrong - 660 4189

### HAROLD AND WENTWORTH PARKS

Gideon Rutherford - 692 0239

### JUBILEE PARK

Tony Larkum - 660 7030

### HISTORY GROUP

Ian Edwards - 660 6406

### MONDAY GROUP

Sally Nelson - 660 6138

The Committee is anxious to form groups to cover other areas of interest. If you are willing to help form a sub-committee on any matter concerning The Glebe, contact Edwina Doe, 660 7066 (H), 922 3877 (W)

## FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday 8th March - 7.30 pm. - Play-reading. Ring 692 0101 for details.

Tuesday 10th March - 7.30 pm. - Meet the Members Evening - Lyndhurst, Darghan Street.

Monday 16th March - 12 noon - Monday Group - 1 Allen Street.

Tuesday 17th March - 7.30 pm. - Committee Meeting - Lyndhurst, Darghan St.

## BULLETIN DEADLINE

Saturday 4th April - 10 am. - 12 noon - Morning at St. John's Church.

Monday 6th April - 6.30 pm. - Monday Night Out at Rasputin - 101 Glebe Point Road. (Licensed.)

November - House Inspection (We decided to stick to the 'traditional' timing and hold it in November.)

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## KEEP

## GLEBE

## CLEAN

## MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

President:	Edwina Doe	660 7066 (H)
		922 3877 (W)
Imm. Past Pres:	Neil Macindoe	660 0208 (H)
Sen. Vice Pres:	Eileen Lacey	692 0173
Jun. Vice Pres:	John Stander	692 9927 (H)
Secretary:	Doug Disher	690 1933 (H)
		660 1044 (W)
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	Ian Edwards	660 6406 (H)
	Nita Marisich	662 4511 (W)

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New Members Rep: John Stander 692 9927 (H)

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AND PENSIONERS \$4. FOR INFORMATION RING  
JOHN STANDER - 692 9927 (H).