

# Glebe

# Society Bulletin

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## Grist to the Mill

Meetings organised by the Society in February with the Lord Mayor, Cr Frank Sartor, and the Mayor of Leichhardt, Cr Máire Sheehan, succeeded in getting some focus on the main issue being addressed by the Government's inquiry into inner city councils - how can councils provide efficient local government services and facilities? Both speakers proposed 'managerial' solutions.

Cr Sartor sees good staff as the key to the provision of quality services. Routine matters in areas such as Glebe would be handled by officials at local service centres. Councillors' role would be confined to setting policy and ensuring the system worked smoothly. Economies of scale resulting from an expansion of the City of Sydney would provide the funds necessary to provide improved services.

Cr Sheehan agreed that councillors cannot get involved in the nitty gritty of administration these days, but she is convinced that if council areas are expanded, councillors will not be accessible to residents and local democracy will suffer. Cr Sheehan also sees economies of scale as important in providing more cost-effective services, but proposes that they be achieved by an expansion of the co-operative arrangements being developed by existing councils, and outsourcing.

I leave it to members to decide which is the better solution, or whether there is a 'third way'. Both solutions have their problems.

Co-operative arrangements between councils may simply result in bigger units that are not much more efficient than the smaller units from which they grew. Outsourcing is great, provided there is competition in the market place, and the council has the necessary skills to manage large contracts and contractors.

We have often heard governments claim that their election promises can be funded through 'economies'.

When the crunch comes, the economies often prove illusory or are achieved at some-one else's expense.

In Cr Sartor's case, it was interesting that he specifically referred to funding improved services for Glebe from economies of scale, rather than from the surplus that will accumulate now that most large CBD projects are complete. A tacit admission that the big end of town is not anxious to subsidise its poorer neighbours, perhaps?

The Lord Mayor's assertion that the City has more 'clout' in Macquarie Street than a suburban council is no doubt true, but this may only last as long as a personal relationship between Lord Mayor and Premier lasts. Historically, the State Government has kept the City under its thumb.

His management model also places a lot of faith in highly motivated staff dedicated to serving residents. This may not be a problem with the 'best and brightest' who will be attracted to the City because of the opportunity to work on interesting projects. However most of us will deal with staff doing routine jobs behind the counter in a service centre. Experience suggests it will be a challenge to develop a strong client service culture in an environment which has previously been a breeding ground for petty bureaucrats.

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Despite the various criticisms that have been levelled at Cr Sartor's proposals, it is clear that he has a passionately-held vision for the future of Sydney. Leichhardt's view of the future is low key and pragmatic. Some will say this is simply realistic; I thought it was disappointing. Surely the Inquiry is an opportunity for us to think about where we want to be 10-20 years from now and put in place systems that will help us to get there?

Bruce Davis

[For another viewpoint, see "Chalk and Cheese", p3]

# The Changing Face of Glebe

The Minister for Planning, Andrew Refshauge, has approved the new Leichhardt Town Plan, which was gazetted on 22 December. Unfortunately, there is still no new Development Control Plan for Glebe, and if the past is any indication, we could be waiting some time. I will report on the final version of the Town Plan when I have received and studied it.

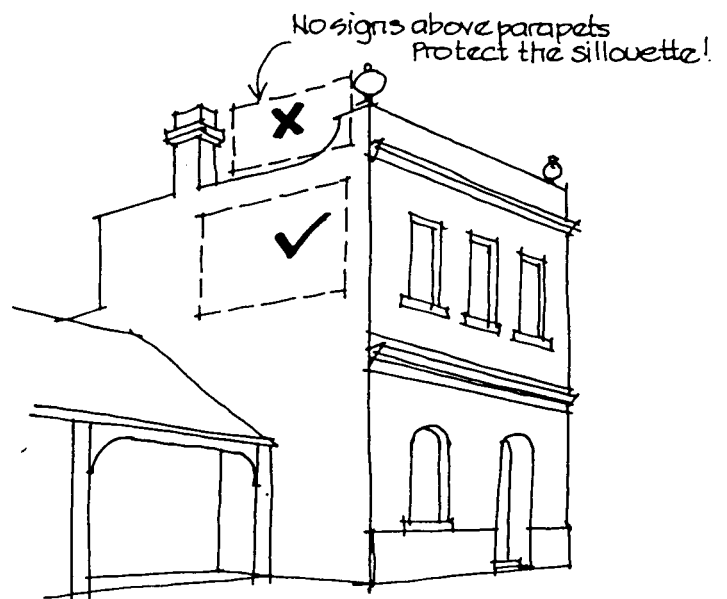
Before Christmas there was a flurry of post-GST applications, mostly revisions of previous proposals. The Society sent two further objections:

- 1) Corner of Forest Street and St Johns Road, Forest Lodge, opposite what used to be the British Lion Hotel, now the Roxbury. This site has a pair of stone terraces, much altered, and part of the original subdivision. Clearly it would be best if they were restored, but the present proposal seeks to maximise development by demolishing them and taking advantage of the business zoning with shops below and residences above.
- 2) Corner Lyndhurst Street and Colbourne Avenue. A prominent site because of its proximity to Bridge Road, this is the latest in a series of proposals to replace a small terrace, rather like the ones above, with a much larger house that makes a variety of incursions onto the adjacent strip of public land. As in the previous proposal, the determination to develop to the maximum has impacts on the neighbours as well as the streetscape.

The Society also renewed its objection to several function centres on the Abbey site, 156-160 Bridge Road, and raised the issue of unauthorised metal shutters on a terrace at 49 Wigram Road with Leichhardt Council and the National Trust. In response, Council has issued an order for their removal, but they are still there (15 February). By the next *Bulletin*, I should know whether the matter will have to go to court. At its meeting on 14 February, the Management Committee resolved to press for a total ban throughout the municipality on these shutters, as has been done by other councils.

## MONTANA

This lovely Federation villa on the corner of Bell and Boyce Streets is a Heritage Item and has figured several times in the Society's Open Days. Members will recall that a previous proposal attracted many objections and was deferred for redesign. The revised proposal has been altered to address most of the objections. Unfortunately it is not possible for Council to require removal of the Nurses' Home, a later addition. The next best thing is to make it as inconspicuous as possible, and retain the integrity of the original building, and this has been



achieved, with the exception of the piercing of a rear lane wall to provide parking.

## FLETCHERS CONTAINER TERMINAL SITE

Also before Christmas Council approved the Masterplan for this site in Forsyth Street, with the Mayor's proposal to put a road through the heritage area deleted. We should expect a Development Application this year, hopefully after a design competition.

## THERE GOES THE WATERFRONT !

The Glebe Society, in or before 1976, initiated the plan to secure public access to the whole Glebe waterfront. This plan was subsequently endorsed by the State Government. Through active campaigning by the Society, most of the Glebe waterfront is now, or soon will be, linked and accessible.

In May 2000, the body corporate of The Anchorage, a block of units which owns a large waterfront site earmarked in Leichhardt's Open Space plan for acquisition, was astonished by an approach from the developer of 461-5 Glebe Point Road (the former Fink site) to buy the site to build additional units. Puzzled, they contacted Council officers, who acted quickly to acquire the site. If they had not done so, the linked parkland on the foreshore would have been lost forever, and replaced by yet another block of units. The Anchorage has now accepted Council's offer.

This is a very disturbing story. It makes it clear that Leichhardt councillors did not follow through on the Council's plans, and were not alert to this unwelcome development. The Society cannot take anything for granted.

Neil Macindoe

# Chalk and Cheese

“Frank Sartor enticed us, courted us with the splendour of it all but, on reflection, the bride from Glebe may end up being just one of many in the city’s harem.”

Frank Sartor had a big audience. It was a hot night, but we sat there somewhat spellbound. It was a glowing picture of what might (Frank says *should*) happen if Glebe were to be incorporated within Sydney City boundaries. Size was the ingredient that promised miracles in the delivery of services par excellence. The ‘big end of town’ would not squelch at any proposal to lever-off some of their largesse towards those less well-endowed. Glebe residents should, therefore, encourage the Commission of Inquiry to push the city’s boundaries to the west side of Glebe.

A somewhat smaller audience came to hear what Leichhardt’s Mayor Máire Sheehan had to offer as an alternative. A somewhat more subdued, but I think more thoughtful and realistic, delivery. Why Máire asks should the big end of town be overly interested in Glebe, in the state of its footpaths or in the collection of its garbage? For sure, she says, there may well be efficiencies of scale to be gained in the delivery of services by increasing the size, and hence enlarging the boundaries of an organisation to deliver such services. In waste collection contracts, in road and footpath maintenance contracts, in a larger planning department that, by its size would, could, attract the very best of professionals.

## Is bigger better?

The City Council’s efforts in regards to Bicycle Planning have been pathetic. They are one of the only councils in NSW not to have a bicycle plan and have refused large sums of money from the RTA (who want them to put in bike lanes) to get some basic facilities for cyclists in the City.

There are 42 lanes for cars running north and south but none for bicycles leading to the Harbour Bridge Cycleway. With 20,000 new residents in the City and many owning bicycles (around 50%), as well as hundreds of commuters riding across the city every day, it is high time something was done to facilitate bicycle use and reduce motor car use. London and Dallas can do it - so can Sydney.

Leichhardt Council at least has a Bike Plan even if they don’t put any money or much feeling into it. South Sydney has more money and interested staff and things are starting to happen. It would be a pity to lose that if amalgamation proceeded and the SCC carosaurus took over.

Living City indeed!

Bob Moore  
Leichhardt Bicycle Users Group

But she said this was already starting to happen *without changing the boundaries*. Neighbouring councils have joined and are joining together to ‘contract out’ their combined areas to the best tenderer for both waste collection and road/footpath maintenance.

Even in the realms of planning, Leichhardt is seconding planners in from other less busy councils to help process development applications. Yes, she admits, there was still a long way to go in this area (Leichhardt having the highest number of development applications per capita of any municipality (or shire) in NSW).

The most interesting point made by Máire Sheehan was her concept of asking us to see local government as being divided into two distinct parts:

- a **REGULATORY AUTHORITY** which under its General Manager administers all Acts and Regulations, plus the delivery of all services.
- a **REPRESENTATION BODY**, a locally elected ‘board’ who:
  - set the policies, objectives and priorities in those areas where State Acts and Regulations do not already hold sway – for instance in the delivery of these much-discussed services;
  - a ‘board’ who can listen to peoples’ concerns about how these services are being delivered, and of the effects of proposed developments.

If we can accept these two distinct parts of local government, then we may see that the boundaries for each can be different – if difference in size will bring us greater satisfaction.

Enlarge the administrative boundaries by amalgamating as many **REGULATORY AUTHORITIES** as required to achieve the efficiencies promised – but retain (or even diminish) the boundaries of **REPRESENTATION** so that they encompass just one ‘community of interest’ and are small enough for our representing Councillors to know our concerns, to be ‘gettable’ at, for us to have a voice.

Frank Sartor enticed us, courted us with the splendour of it all but, on reflection, the bride from Glebe may end up being just one of many in the city’s harem. Máire Sheehan, on the other hand, promised little (and life’s experiences suggests there are no magic cure-alls) but she did implore us to hang on to the smaller boundaries for Representation, while also encouraging the exploration of enlarged boundaries for the Administration.

The meeting did not explore the presumed difficulties of two or three Representative bodies each competing for the one Administration’s attention – but the present collective tendering-out of services over a number of council boundaries suggest that the concept is workable.

David Mander Jones

# Glebe Parking Management Strategy

Leichhardt Council will soon deliver a fact sheet to all its residents explaining the parking management strategies and the staged implementation of:

- new and expanded resident parking schemes to reduce commuter parking and mainstreet parking overflow in the residential side streets;
- additional parking patrol enforcement;
- pay parking in the main streets to encourage turnover, easier access to parking spaces; and in nearby residential side streets to minimise resident impacts in these streets from the main street overflow.

Council has started with the introduction of the Glebe Point resident parking scheme (applying to all areas north of Wigram Rd) at the request of many Glebe Point residents to reduce the incidence of commuter parking. As this is a commuter parking issue only, restrictions in this area apply Monday to Friday from 8.00 am to 6.00 pm.

After Easter two types of parking meters will be installed along Glebe Point Rd and nearby side streets, multi-bay meters (select your bay number and pay for the time required) and pay-n-display meters (there are no bay nos, just pay for the time required and put the ticket on your dashboard for clear display).

## 1) TWO-HOUR PAY PARKING MULTI-BAY METERS in a four to six bay format

Multi-bay meters will be installed along Glebe Point Rd from Parramatta Rd to Wigram Rd. Side streets with multi-bay meters include Cowper St, Mitchell St and St. Johns Rd as far as Campbell St; the commercial frontage of Palmerston Ave; Derby Place and Derwent Lane (commercial frontage), St. Johns Rd as far as Derwent St, Hereford St about midway to Woolley St and Wigram Rd to Church Lane.

**Cost:** \$2.20/hour (GST inclusive) with a two hour limit between 8am – 6pm and a four hour limit thereafter to 10pm. You will be able to pay as little as 20 cents for a short term stay.

## 2) FOUR-HOUR MAXIMUM PARKING (residents excepted) PAY-N-DISPLAY METERS at 80m intervals operating in the following streets:

Cowper St	(Campbell St to Glebe St)
Mitchell St	(Campbell Lane to Glebe St)
Norton St	(GPRd to Glebe St)
Hereford St	(as far as Woolley St)
Lombard St	(full length)
Talfourd St	(full length)

Campbell St	(full length)
Derwent St	(full length)
St. John's Rd	(Talfourd St to Brougham Lane)
Marlborough St	(GPRd to Gottenham St)
Palmerston St	(Lombard Lane to Lombard St)

The installations in residential side streets will, Council hopes, effectively control non-resident parking (ie commuters and/or main street over-flow) which would inevitably occur if these residential streets remained with unrestricted parking. In these streets there will be a maximum of four hours parking between 8.00 am and 10.00 pm (residents excepted) to stop all day commuter parking but allow a certain level of longer stay parking than the main street two hour restriction. Before meters are installed in residential side streets, Council will advise nearby residents and businesses and work through any issues.

**Cost:** \$2.20/hour (GST inclusive) for the first two hours, \$1.10/hour thereafter until 6 pm, and \$2.20/hour from 6 – 10 pm. Similar to the multi bay meters, you will be able to pay as little as 20 cents for a short

### RESIDENT PARKING SCHEME

Free resident parking (up to two permits reducing for each off-street parking space available) will be provided for all resident parking zones, including the new pay-n-display zones. It should be noted that a resident parking permit does *not* afford preferential treatment in any other area. The current \$25 pa for a resident parking permit will no longer apply.

An application with the following documentation needs to be lodged with Council :

- 1 completed Application for Resident Parking Permit [forms will soon be available and delivered to each residence];
- 2 documentation (rate notice/lease agreement/driver's licence, etc.) verifying that the applicant resides at a residential address in the nominated residential parking scheme area;
- 3 documentation verifying that the nominated vehicle is either registered to the nominated residential address or registered to the applicant;
- 4 where the nominated vehicle is not registered to a person residing at a residential address in the nominated resident parking scheme area and is regularly used by the applicant (e.g. a company car) a statement of circumstances by the registered vehicle owner must be submitted with the application.

Maps and descriptions of the resident parking scheme zones will be also delivered to residents and businesses during March.



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Residents will not be entitled to park for free on the multi-bay mainstreet areas – unless they are residents actually living on the main street. For convenience, payment by smartcard will also be available – details will be available shortly.

There will be about 309 metered main street spaces (63 actual meters) and 489 metered resident spaces (58 actual meters) in Glebe. Metering of Glebe Point Rd is to be undertaken in two stages: the first commencing at the Broadway, the second from St. John's Rd northwards.

Business owners will be provided with two free 'special' permits (reducing for each off-street parking space available) to park in the nearby side streets during the day, plus a transferable loading/unloading permit for Glebe Point Rd itself if needed.

The program starts with the introduction of resident parking schemes in Glebe, followed by meters. There will be letterbox drops during March and April (to all residences and businesses directly affected) to explain the operational details of the scheme.

All the new meters are solar powered, so there will be no need for trenching or extensive footpath excavation. Council has employed four new parking officers and is recruiting again for a further eight officers to ensure enforcement of the parking scheme. A full evaluation of the Parking Managing Strategy will take place nine months after operation.

Eligible Leichhardt Council pensioners and all disabled drivers displaying a permit will be able to park in the metered areas free of charge.

Leichhardt Council has guaranteed that the net revenue from pay parking will be spent only on local infrastructure improvements such as new footpaths and improved road surfaces.

### GLEBE'S POPULATION

The following statistics, taken from the 1996 Census indicates the number of people living in the Leichhardt Local Government Area:

Suburb	Population		
	1986	1991	1996
Glebe	11,483	13,626	13,601
Annandale	7,969	7,726	7,876
Balmain	10,239	10,915	10,978
Rozelle	6,824	6,930	6,890
Lilyfield	7,152	7,111	6,917
Leichhardt	12,636	12,156	12,042
<b>Total</b>	<b>56,303</b>	<b>58,464</b>	<b>58,304</b>

### VISITOR'S PARKING PERMITS

Authorised residents of the new 8.00am to 10.00pm seven days a week resident parking scheme areas will be issued with a visitor's parking permit. This is a transferable permit which is to be kept by the authorised resident at the place of residence. It should be noted that the permit does not afford preferential treatment in any other area.

The main purpose of a visitor's parking permit is to provide fee-free parking for visitors of local residents in the parking meter areas. The number of visitor's parking permits is restricted to one permit per place of residence in selected parking scheme areas

The visitor's parking permit entitles the holder to unrestricted legal parking and to fee-free parking (eg parking meter areas) in the streets or area nominated under the resident parking scheme.

There is no fee for the initial issue or annual renewal of a visitor's parking permit.

Details of the Parking Management Strategy were provided by the Leichhardt Council's Director Works and Services, Peter Head, and David Lawrence, community representative on the Parking Implementation Committee. For further information contact Council direct on:

**Parking Management Hotline: 9367. 9006**

## more Traffic Matters

### FRANKLYN STREET

Council has at last started work on the modifications at Franklyn and Glebe Streets where traffic control devices are being installed to stop through runners using these streets as a rat run. Council's landscapers have vetted the scheme but we wait to see how effective it will be.

### LIGHT RAIL

On 14 February some residents were roused in the small hours by noise from work on the tracks near the Glebe stop. This work was to take kinks out of the rail that are caused by thermal expansion. There was a letter drop alerting nearby residents as to what was to happen but clearly this was not distributed widely enough to inform all affected residents. Notwithstanding we hope that this will not be an ongoing feature of the light rail operation. We have corresponded with the Department of Transport expressing our concerns.

### BROADWAY SHOPPING CENTRE

There continues to be problems here as the six month trialling of the two way traffic arrangement in Francis Street approaches its conclusion. The traffic problems have moderated but we are unsure as to whether the Francis Street arrangement is having an impact or whether the result is because of smarter co-ordination of the signals at the car park exit on Bay Street. The RTA is due to report back to us on the trial shortly.

Steve Stewart



## from the Editor's Desk

### BLACKWATTLE BAY PARK

Leichhardt Council has advised it is about to commence works to improve the gardens and pathways in Blackwattle Bay Park.

These works will include :

- the removal of the Melaleuca and Grevillea spp. as well as a number of other plants throughout the park's garden beds which have declined in health over the past few years;
- replanting with more attractive and hardy understorey species which will add colour and amenity to the park as well as habitat for birds and other creatures ;
- upgrading of a number of the degraded paths to asphalt with a concrete border.

These works are in line with the adopted Plan of Management for Blackwattle Bay Park.

Commencement of these works is planned for March 2001. Any person wanting more information in regard to this matter should call the Manager, Parks & Streetscapes, Vince Cusumano on 9367 9013.

### ERRATA

There were more than a few typographical errors in the last *Bulletin* 10/00, most noticeable was in the article "Glebe's Tramways", p4, where different dates (15 July and 15 June) were given for the Society's trip on the Metro Light Rail – the event actually took place on 15 July. [Ed.]

## Clean up Day SUNDAY 4 MARCH

The following sites have been nominated in (and near to) the Leichhardt Municipality; just turn up and register as a volunteer, wear safe shoes, hat and sunscreen; bag and gloves supplied:

#### Balmain –

Cameron's Cove, Meet at the Gate on Jubilee Place 10 – 12noon

#### Rozelle –

Meet at 17 Crescent St at 9-15am working until 6pm

#### Rozelle –

Meet at the end of Point Rd near Rozelle Hospital 9.30am – 1pm

#### Pyrmont –

Meet in front of units 9 and 10, 2 Pyrmont Bridge Rd, 10 – 11am

There are no nominated sites in Glebe, *not because Glebe doesn't need cleaning up*, but because no-one has volunteered to supervise a Glebe site.

More supervisors are needed, contact Meredyth Stitt, phone 1800 – 024. 890

### THE CITY OF SYDNEY FAVOURED OPTIONS

All seven options contained in the Council of the City of Sydney's submission to the Inquiry into Inner City Councils suggest significant boundary changes, and all seven include enlargement of the City's boundaries to include Glebe and Forest Lodge. The City Council favours its options No. 2, 4, and 7.

**Option 2 – Proposes consolidation of the eight inner city councils into four local government areas**, which would result in a City of Sydney Council, the amalgamation of Waverley and Woollahra Councils, the amalgamation of Randwick and Botany Bay Councils, and the amalgamation of Marrickville Council with the remaining part of Leichhardt Council.

**Option 4 – Proposes consolidation of the eight inner city councils into two councils**, the Harbour City and the Port City, along an east-west axis; Glebe and Forest Lodge would be included in the Harbour City Council.

**Option 7 – Proposes consolidation of the eight inner city councils into one regional council**, covering the whole of the inner Sydney region, including the whole of Sydney Airport.

**Public hearings** began on 19 February, the report is due to be handed down at the end of March. The organisers of POLITICS IN THE PUB have scheduled a discussion with Frank Sartor, Lord Mayor of Sydney and Máire Sheehan, Mayor of Leichhardt for Friday 2 March (see Notice Board).

**Submission:** The City of Sydney Council's 177 page submission can be viewed at the Glebe Library; it is also available for download at

<<http://www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/>>

**FOOTNOTE:** During his presentation to Glebe Society members on 7 February, the Lord Mayor confided that he has started work on a proposal that will give us the Wentworth Park we always wanted. He wasn't forthcoming on details - just hints that the dogs should go, and that it would be nice if we could reroute Bridge Road underground and join the park to Blackwattle Bay. Watch this space! B.D.

## THE HODDINOTT POETRY PRIZE

Heather Martin, Principal of Glebe High has advised that the 2000 Hoddinott Poetry Prize donated by the Society in memory of the late John Hoddinott was awarded at the annual prizegiving ceremony on 14 December last to Year 11 student Amanda Lee.

Her poem is printed below.

### THE POWER OF POETRY

Poetry is a form of art,  
that is as delicate as a masterpiece.  
It requires patience and passion.

Poetry is much like food:  
it is something you have to  
sink your teeth into  
in order to get a taste  
of how good it is.

For those who never taste poetry  
I suggest that you find  
the mentality  
to cook one up for yourself now.  
After you taste it,  
you never want to stop eating.

Poetry transforms a person  
in more ways than one:  
it can turn a dud into  
a passionate lover;  
it turns Mr. Speechless  
into Mr. Smooth;  
Miss Smiles into Miss Intricate.

Poetry nourishes the mind  
and soul;  
it reaches deep into a person's heart  
and exposes their  
most passionate side.

Love without poems is like  
life without meaning.  
This, people,  
is the power of poetry.

Amanda Lee

John Hoddinott died on 5 August 1999. In recognition of his work he had been made an Honorary Life Member of the Society; at the time of his death he was Planning Convenor [see *Bulletin* 7/99, p3].

## Notes from the Management Committee meeting held 14 February

### INQUIRY INTO EIGHT INNER CITY COUNCILS

#### Workshop

The Society held a workshop at Benledi on Wednesday 22 November 2000 to give members the opportunity of providing input into our submission to the Inquiry.

The meeting was well attended and gave us the opportunity to identify those things which we value about Glebe.

#### Glebe Society submission

The Glebe Society submission can be accessed via the Inquiry website at <<http://lginquiry.cadre.com.au>> where all submissions are posted. The Inquiry website can be accessed, free of charge, at Glebe Library – however, you will need to ring in advance and book.

Copies of our submission can also be obtained from the Secretary, The Glebe Society Inc., PO Box 100, Glebe 2037.

#### Meetings with Mayors

Two meetings were held in February to provide members with the opportunity to hear first hand the views of two Mayors whose organisations were submitting to the Inquiry. [see pp1,3]

Both meetings were well attended and members were able to question the Lord Mayor of Sydney, Cr Frank Sartor and the Mayor of Leichhardt, Máire Sheehan about their respective submissions and recommendations.

Our thanks to the team who, to save postage costs, letterboxed members with the flyer announcing these meetings.



#### Next steps

It is anticipated that after the Inquiry takes oral submissions, its report and recommendations will be finalised by the end of March 2001 for presentation to the Minister for Local Government, Mr Harry Woods. It is envisaged that the Minister would, in turn, make recommendations to the Government.

### GIFT OF ARCHIVES RE HEREFORD HOUSE

The College of Nursing has vacated 53-55 Hereford Street and moved to new premises. The College had sought permission from Leichhardt Council to pass archival material relating to Hereford House to the Society. Council gave permission and as a consequence some archival material has already been transferred to us.

The Bull family (William and Catherine (nee Rowley)) were the first occupants of No. 53 which was built in 1874. William was a wheelwright and the son of a marine in the First Fleet. The Society's *Historic Glebe* walking guide notes that Lew Hoad learned tennis on the vanished courts of No. 53.

### TGSI WEBSITE

Work has been progressing over the holiday season on our website. Our web administrator, Cynthia Jones, has been working on the scope and design of the content. Member Chris Korgemets is kindly providing technical assistance.

**'Clean Up Glebe'**

**THE SOCIETY'S 'Clean Up Glebe' PROJECT TEAM  
NEEDS A CONVENOR, AND MORE MEMBERS.  
ANYONE INTERESTED? CALL LIZ ON 9518. 6186**

# Notice Board

## IS BIGGER BETTER? THE CITY OF SYDNEY DEBATE

The organisers of "Politics in the Pub" has scheduled this discussion with Frank Sartor, Lord Mayor of Sydney and Máire Sheehan, Mayor of Leichhardt at:

The Gaelic Club  
61 Devonshire Street, Surry Hills

If you missed the Mayors' presentations to Society members, here is a second chance. The discussion starts at 6 pm and will finish promptly at 7.45 pm.

**Friday 2 March**

## "A History of Glebe"

The Royal Australian Historical Society has invited community historian Max Solling to speak on "A History of Glebe" at History House Auditorium, 133 Macquarie Street, Sydney



Max has been recording the history and heritage of his suburb for many years, and the RAHS issues an open invitation to come along and hear him speak with passion about the suburb he knows so well.

Cost: \$4.40 members: \$6.60 non-members.

Bookings to 9247. 8001 or Email: [history@rahs.org.au](mailto:history@rahs.org.au)

**Wednesday 7 March**



## BE ACTIVELY GREEN on St. Patrick's Day

with a free tour of Community Gardens in the Leichhardt Municipality.

A bus will leave Leichhardt Town Hall (Marion St. side) at 9 am, to visit the Annandale Community Native Nursery, the Annandale Wetland, the Nelson Street corridor, Glovers Garden at Leichhardt, the Callan Park replanting programme, the Glebe Community Garden, Whites Creek Valley Park, and Arthur's Garden at Lilyfield.

Speakers and lunch provided, with Irish music.

Leichhardt Council is supporting this Seniors' Week activity. Bookings should be made at the Community Services Department LMC 9367. 9306; a detailed itinerary is available from Valerie Joy, phone 9367. 9043

**Saturday 17 March**



## News from the Library

### SENIORS' ART EXHIBITION

Leichhardt Mayor Máire Sheehan will launch the exhibition on

**Wednesday  
14 March at 6pm**

All are welcome.  
The exhibition will run from  
14 - 27 March

### CHILDRENS' HAPPY HOUR

The theme for  
March is COMEDY CAPERS.  
There will be stories and film for  
school age kids.

**Thursday 22 March at 4pm**

## The Inner City Clayworkers Gallery

Cnr St John's Rd and Daraghan St  
Glebe NSW 2037  
[www.clayworkers.com.au](http://www.clayworkers.com.au)

Opening : Sunday 4 March at 2 pm

## hit the road, jack

new work by Jane Crick  
- Ellen Westcott - Aleida Pullar

The Gallery is open Wed - Sun,  
10.30 am - 6 pm

Ph/ Fax : 02 9692 9717

**Wed 28<sup>th</sup> February  
- Sun 25 March**

## "STOP! IN THE NAME OF SONG"

The Musaeus Vocal Ensemble will present a concert in St Scholastica's Drama Theatre, 1 Avenue Road, Glebe.

The concert will include hits from the 50s and 60s, toe-tapping greats, and repertoire from popular musical theatre and film.

Tickets \$10/\$6 bookings 9212. 6463.

**Sunday 11 March at 2.30 pm**



## For Your Diary ...

Thursday	1 March	<b>Glebe Community Garden meeting</b> - all welcome 7-8pm, enquiries to Elizabeth 0414 - 885. 210.
Friday	2 March	<b>Is Bigger Better? Council debate</b> – see Notice Board
Sunday	4 March	<b>Clean up Australia Day</b> – see details p6
Sunday	4 March	<b>Inner City Clayworkers' Gallery Opening</b> – see Notice Board
Wednesday	7 March	<b>A History of Glebe</b> – see Notice Board
Sunday	11 March	<b>Stop! in the Name of Song concert</b> – see Notice Board
Wednesday	14 March	<b>Glebe Society Management Committee Meeting</b> 7.30 pm Toxteth Hotel Meeting Room – all welcome
Wednesday	14 March	<b>Seniors' Art Exhibition running until 27 March</b> – see Notice Board
Saturday	17 March	<b>"Be Actively Green" Tour of Community Gardens</b> – see Notice Board
Saturday	31 March	<b>Commission of Inquiry into Inner City Councils</b> – Report due.

### ADVANCE NOTICE

Saturday	21 April	National Trust Heritage Festival, runs until Sunday 29 April
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**We are glad to publish letters or articles:**

**on any matters of interest to Glebe**

**on any topic raised in the *Bulletin*, or**

**on any issues relating to The Glebe Society.**

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If you have a matter that you would like to bring to discuss  
with the Management Committee, please ring the Secretary  
and arrange to come to a meeting.

### CARE FOR THE COMMUNITY

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