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40th Birthday Celebration at Margaretta Cottage



Many of the Society's former presidents and Honorary Life Members attended the celebration. From the left: Andrew Wood, Neil Macindoe, Mavis McCarthy, Bruce Davis, Bob Armstrong, Jeanette Knox, John Buckingham, Jim Coombs, Edwina Doe, Andrew Craig, Jan Macindoe, Tom Uren, Jack Mundey, Albert Mispel, Peter Strickland, Albert Renshaw.

On 28 June, a sunny winter Sunday afternoon, more than 60 people gathered at the beautiful *Margaretta Cottage* for a Musical Reception and Champagne Celebration in recognition of the work and achievements of many Glebe Society members and in particular the Honorary Life Members and Past Presidents.

Among the many attendees were Honorary Life Members Jack Mundey, involved in the imposition of Green Bans on two proposed and subsequently abandoned freeways crossing Glebe and Tom Uren, instrumental in saving the Glebe Estate. These actions significantly contributed to Glebe remaining the historical and eclectic village it is today. Past Presidents attending went back to the early

What's coming soon?

Sunday 2 August onwards – Sesquicentenary celebrations. See pages 9-10.

Sunday 30 August, 11am - AGM, *Benledi*. See page 5.

days of the formation of the Glebe Society. Two of the earliest Past Presidents at the Celebration were Jeanette Knox and Jim Coombs.

Annette Tesoriero and Nigel Kellaway presented a program of music celebrating two auspicious dates - the establishment of Glebe in 1859 and the founding of the Glebe Society 110 years later in 1969. The first half of the concert was a glimpse of some of the music being performed in Sydney around 1859, referencing several operas that were toured to Australia by English singers of the period, as well as songs that were popular in more domestic settings and even the taverns. The second half of the program was dedicated to popular songs of the 1960s, many of which were first released in 1969. It was a rich and delightful performance.

Andrew Wood, a Past President and Honorary Life Member, in proposing a Toast to the Glebe Society, spoke about its achievements

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over 40 years in helping to save, restore and maintain many of the buildings in Glebe.

The event was punctuated with wine and food fitting for such a special event. It was only the heavy rain arriving unexpectedly late in the afternoon that brought an end to this most enjoyable occasion.

We thank David McIntosh, Kathy North and Robert Dowsett for allowing us to use *Margaretta Cottage*.

- Susan Cleary

The Glebe Society Roll of Honour

Honorary Life Members

Albert Mispel, Jack Mundey AO Albert Renshaw, Alan Robertson Max Solling OAM, Tom Uren AO

Past Presidents

1969-71 Bernard Smith*

1971-72 Sam Conlon

1972-74 Peru Perumal*

1974-75 Bernard Smith*

1975-77 Jeanette Knox*

1977-78 Jim Coombs* Ralph Kaye

1978-79 Eric Sandblom

1979-81 Tony Larkum

1981-82 Maureen Colman

1982-83 Doris Sharpe

1983-84 Peter Martin

1984-85 Neil Macindoe*

1985-87 Edwina Doe*

1987-89 Peter Strickland

1989-91 Andrew Wood*

1991-93 Ted McKeown*

1993-94 Vacant

1994-95 David Browne

1995-97 Mavis McCarthy

1997-99 Russell Stewart

1999-01 Bruce Davis

2001-02 John Buckingham*

2002-04 Andrew Craig

2005-06 Bob Armstrong

2007-08 Jan Macindoe

* Indicates also an Honorary Life Member

Why the Glebe Society has lasted for 40 years

The following is the text of Andrew Wood's toast to the Society at Margaretta Cottage.

It is an honour to have been asked to say a few words and propose the toast at this wonderful 40th birthday celebration which recognises such a significant landmark in the history of the Glebe Society.

As a suburb, Glebe is perhaps unique in that its history and character have been so well documented in at least five major books and numerous other publications and University dissertations. The first European owner of Glebe, the Church of England, was not too pleased to receive it as a grant of Crown land from Governor Phillip. The Reverend Richard Johnson, who was the only clergyman to accompany the first fleet, said of the grant 'four hundred acres for which I would not give four hundred pence'. More than 200 years later, most of the buildings constructed on this land grant have been saved and restored and are generally well maintained due, in no small way, to the efforts of the Glebe Society over the past 40 years. Our suburb now has some of the most outstanding 19th century suburban streetscapes in the country and is one of the most enjoyable suburbs in which to live.

When I received the Society's invitation to propose this toast I was working at a University in Philadelphia. A colleague commented: 'Isn't it remarkable that a voluntary organisation such as the Glebe Society has been so well managed that it has been able to survive for 40 years'. This compares

A message from Germany

I forward to the Glebe Society my congratulations for the 40th birthday celebrations. In former days, one used to send a 'telegram with congratulations'. Would you please pass on my congratulations from Bonn, in Germany. Then it is international!

Marianne von Knobelsdorff Former Glebe Society Vice with the gross mismanagement we have recently seen of some of the world's gigantic banks and corporations. Thankfully the Society has never been financially innovative - no subprime mortgages or collateralised debt obligations and we have not gambled with and lost our members' funds (as for instance did a large Church in Sydney).

Why has the Glebe Society endured? Obviously it is related to all those who have worked for and encouraged the Society over these 40 years. There has always been a sense of support for the common good, which has been accompanied by an extraordinary level of expertise and vision in a whole range of areas – planning, heritage, management, foreshore access for the public, and the environment – to name a few. Just look at the back page of any of the Society's *Bulletins* to see the extensive list of sub-committees.

Also our constitution has resulted in an excellent management structure — as a time-consuming issue arises a new sub-committee is formed and the work load is distributed amongst further members. I know that our management structure has been admired by other resident action groups and was just recently copied by a group in Chippendale.

The Society's endurance is also related to the social events that it arranges for its members that have led to long-lasting friendships. I speak from personal experience in saying that these events have provided a welcome time of fun and relaxation, especially when there have been some defeats and we have failed in our endeavours to save a heritage-listed building or to prevent an unsympathetic development.

Over the years, the Society has always been able to attract many new members. It must continue to maintain a public presence and tell the people of Glebe about its work, as sometimes there has been an inaccurate perception that the Society is unfriendly and does not adequately welcome its new members. On weekend mornings, it is important to continue to set up a table in Glebe Point Road so that the Society can let residents know what is happening in

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their suburb. The plans in progress to muster resident involvement in the consideration of developments at Harold Park is a wonderful initiative. Perhaps the Society could consider holding meetings of the residents of particular streets to keep them informed of the proposed changes and to seek their support in preventing a development that could adversely affect the amenity of our suburb.

We have also had a sense of humour and of the ridiculous. One of my favourite stories occurred in the early 1980s when Edwina Doe was the President and I was a member of the Management Committee. Relations with Leichhardt Council were frosty as the Mayor had stated that the Council had been elected to represent the people of Glebe and to make decisions for its residents. Who was the Glebe Society and what right did they have to speak for Glebe? At the time the Council had decided to remove the original historic sandstone kerbs from Wigram Road, replacing them with concrete ones. The Convenor of the Planning Subcommittee, typed (in those days using a typewriter and not a computer) a letter of objection for Edwina to sign which included the following 'and what is going to happen to the sandstone kerbs? Will their sale be used to line the pockets of Council employees?' Edwina, not surprisingly, took some 'white-out', covered the offending words and signed the letter which was delivered to Council. Unfortunately when the letter was copied and included in the Council minutes the 'white-out' had been scraped off by Council and the words could be clearly read. When I asked Edwina to recount this story she said it was 'the highlight of her presidency'.

Looking forward to the next 40 years, will the Glebe Society still be creating a better future for all of the residents of our suburb? Without doubt the answer is 'yes', if I paraphrase my primary school's pledge 'if we all work together doing our best for the common good there is no limit to what our Society can achieve'.

Would you now please raise your glasses in a toast to celebrat e the 40th birthday of the Glebe Society. To the Glebe Society!

- Andrew Wood

Night Portrait wins Society's art prize

The Glebe Art Show, in its tenth year, continues to attract great support. Over 280 entries were hung in this year's display, which was opened by Lord Mayor Clover Moore on Friday evening, 3 July. The large crowd which attended enjoyed wine and nibbles while inspecting the offerings and chatting with friends.



Glebe Sesquicentennial Painting Prize winner, Ross Skinner, with President Lesley Lynch.

The Art Show Committee is to be congratulated on yet another successful occasion.

A special Glebe Sesquicentennial Painting Prize was provided this year by the Glebe Society. It was presented by Glebe Society President Lesley Lynch to the winner, Ross Skinner, for his oil painting *Night Portrait*. All the prize winners are listed below. Congratulations to the winners.

- Jeanette Knox

Prizes awarded at the Glebe Art Show 2009 Open Prize

Presented by the Glebe Art Show Committee

Joint Winners: Leonora Howlett - *Darkly* and Raquel Mazzina – *Gotcha*. Highly Commended: Carole Griffen, Brandt Lewis and Kevin McKay.

Glebe Sesquicentennial Painting Prize

Presented by the Glebe Society

Winner: Ross Skinner - Night Portrait.

Highly Commended: David Wilsher and Amalea Manifis – Robustus.

Works on Paper Prize

Presented by the Glebe Chamber of Commerce

Winner: Lynne Sung - South Coast Series.

Highly Commended: Pamela Neville and Bridgette McNab – *Little Steve*, Enrique Del Val and Aaron Matheson.

Photography Prize

Presented by the Toxteth Hotel

Joint Winners: Julia Hush - *Keyhole* and Richard Glover - *Newtown Wall*. Highly Commended; Christine Pizzuti and Dominic Kavanagh (also Youth Prize).

Youth Prize

Presented by Dr David Nguyen

Winner: Natasha Wills - Untitled.

Highly Commended: Nicholas Chen - *Kitchen*, Naomi Mikhaiel – *Chair* and Natasha Wills – *Portraits*.

Judge's comments

An excellent and diverse group of works. It was very difficult to choose, so I have split the open prize between two works which illustrate both the vibrancy and subtlety of painting.

The works on paper and photography entries were of high quality, as were the works submitted for the youth prize. Natasha Wills' painting was outstanding amongst these.

I commend the organisation of this excellent Show which, with record numbers of entries, has been a logistical nightmare to hang.

- Deborah Beck

People's Prize

Presented by Ray White Real Estate. Winner: Dennis Meagher

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Orphan School Creek Corridor

Members in Forest Lodge have identified an opportunity to extend the Orphan School Creek corridor, so the Society has written to support them as follows:

9 July 2009 Monica Barone CEO City of Sydney

Dear Monica

Extension of Orphan School Creek Corridor, Camperdown

The possibility exists of extending this corridor from Larkin Park (Bridge Road) to Arundel Street, where there is a pocket park. This would bring this key open space corridor to within a block of Parramatta Road, from whence it continues through St John's College and Sydney University. The corridor is part of the Glebe to Rosebery corridor, one of ten corridors in the Liveable Green Network described from pages 50 to 53 in the Sustainable Sydney 2030 Vision, and is also in Part C of the Public Domain Improvement Plan (Western District).

To extend the corridor between Larkin Park and Arundel Street requires three actions by the City:

- 1. The warehouse at 12 Larkin Street currently occupies the entire site. In any revised DA the City would need to impose a condition requiring an open space dedication at the eastern end of the warehouse to create a pathway through to Larkin Lane.
- 2. 1 Sparkes Lane currently has an application for six townhouses. Orphan School Creek passes through the site. The status of the site is uncertain, but the City would need to acquire the site or at least create or re-establish a right of way through to ...
- 3. ...the pedestrian lane that joins 1 Sparkes Lane to Arundel Street. The status and ownership of this lane is unknown, but it is probably a right of way that has been blocked at the Arundel Street end. Access will need to be re-established.

All the above are part of the pedestrian route indicated in the Public Domain Improvement Plan and the Glebe to Rosebery corridor. In the case of 1 Sparkes Lane the City needs to act urgently. The Society asks the City to establish if the corridor can be extended in the manner described, or by some other method. Clearly it is a worthwhile objective fully in accord with Council's policy, and deserves serious and prompt investigation.

Yours faithfully

Neil Macindoe Planning Convenor

Visit the Bays Precinct website

The Bays Precinct website is interactive and users can express views about different parts of the bays precinct and comment on other views on the site.

There will be several levels of consultation on the bays precinct, ie, the interactive website, a public exhibition process, specific consultation with industry groups and a community reference group. It is proposed to conclude the consultation process in 2010

but the on-line forum will be available only until the end of October 2009.

Go to http://www.shfa.nsw.gov.au/sydney-Our_places_and_projects-Our_projects-Bays_Precinct.htm.

- David Mander Jones

(**Note:** The Glebe Society has been invited to nominate a representative on the Bays Precinct Community Reference Group.)

New U3A Courses

City University of the Third Age, founded largely by Glebe Society members, has been conducting courses in the inner city since the beginning of 2009. Now in the second half of the year we are expanding our courses and our venues.

Anton Crouch, a longtime Society member and well-known Glebe identity, will lead an exploration of the origins of jazz in St Helen's Community Centre, 184 Glebe Point Road, on Tuesdays at 3.30 pm from 28 July to 25 August. This is the first course to be run in Glebe itself.

Also new this term are an introduction to *Mah Jong* at Sydney Mechanics' School of Arts, 280 Pitt Street, and a class in Digital Oral History at the Old Fire Station, Mitchell Street, Glebe.

In term four Glebe Society foundermember and noted scientist and author, Tony Larkum, continues his Darwin series with a course on *The Origin of Species*. There will also be a series on astronomy to commemorate the 400th anniversary of Galileo turning his telescope to the sky. Find out more from the City U3A website, www.cityu3a-sydney.u3anet.org.au, or by phoning Jan Macindoe on 9660 0208

- Neil Macindoe President, City U3A

Return of the Green Bans

A green ban has been imposed on the site the State Government has chosen for the Pyrmont CBD Metro station.

On Monday Construction Forestry Mining and Energy Union members decided to refuse to take part in the demolition of four Victorian terraces in Union Square, where the Government plans to build the station entrance.

The ban was imposed after a meeting between Transport Minister David Campbell, the union and community representatives on Monday with green ban pioneer, Jack Mundey, reportedly instrumental in gaining the union's support.

From Sydney Morning Herald website, 17 July

Law change may prompt review of Society's rules

The Glebe Society is incorporated under the NSW Associations Incorporation Act 1984. The Minister for Fair Trading has advised that a new law has recently been passed by State Parliament which will introduce a number of changes to help associations run more effectively. It is anticipated that the new Associations Incorporation Act 2009 will come into effect during late 2009. Most of the changes are designed to modernise the law, reduce red tape and allow more flexibility for associations. The Office of Fair Trading advises that most of the day-to-day procedures and operations of associations will not be directly impacted. To ensure there is no unnecessary work for associations, the current Rules of an existing association will be taken to comply with the requirements of the new Act until the association chooses to lodge changes. When the association lodges changes they will need to ensure all other aspects of the constitution comply with the new requirements

In view of these changes, it may be timely for the Glebe Society to take a fresh look at its existing Rules which were adopted in 1999.

- Liz Simpson-Booker

Glebe Post Office

The Glebe Society has recently renewed its representations to our Federal Member regarding the maintenance of the historic Glebe Post Office. Subsequently, Tanya Plibersek has passed on to us advice from Australia Post that arrangements have been made to commence restoration work on the exterior of the Glebe Post Office. Work has now begun and while there are significant visual barriers in the form of scaffolding and screens, physical access should not be affected.

The Post Office was designed by Government Architect James Barnet in the Italianate style and was completed in 1888. It forms part of a group of items classified by the National Trust.

- Liz Simpson-Booker

40th Annual General Meeting

Notice of meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of The Glebe Society Incorporated will be held at 11am on Sunday 30 August 2009 at *Benledi* (next to Glebe Library) at 186 Glebe Point Road. The agenda for the meeting is published below.

Nominations for Committee

Office bearers of the Society and other members of the Management Committee will be elected at the AGM, and a nomination form is enclosed with this *Bulletin*. Members are warmly encouraged to consider the benefits of active participation in the Society. Nominations close on Friday 14 August 2009.

Invitation

All members of the Society are invited to the AGM. Only financial members are entitled to vote.

Agenda

- 1 Present
- 2 Apologies
- 3 Confirmation of the minutes of the 39th Annual General Meeting held on 31 August 2008
- 4 Presidents' reports
- 5 Sub-committee reports

Some Sub-committee reports are published in this and the next *Bulletin*. Others will be provided to meeting attendees. Those Chairmen and Convenors who are present at the meeting can provide updates and/or answer questions.

6 Treasurer's report

Motion: That the Balance Sheet as at 30 June 2009 of the Glebe Society Incorporated Income and Expenditure Statement for the year ended 30 June 2009, be received.

7 Election of Office Bearers

8 Awards

- **8.1 Motion*:** That Eric Sandblom be elected as an Honorary Life Member of the Society in recognition of his contribution to improving planning policies and procedures in the then Leichhardt Municipality in the 1970s as an Independent Alderman on Council and subsequently as Planning Convenor and President of the Society.
- **8.2 Motion*:** That Liz Simpson-Booker be elected as an Honorary Life Member of the Society in recognition of the outstanding work she has done as Secretary of the Society for ten years, during which time she has not only been efficient personally, but also a great support and adviser to the President and Committee members. She has initiated a number of activities, ensured that decisions are followed up, and over her time as Secretary has been unfailingly calm, tactful and a pleasure to work with.
- **8.3 Award:** The Awards Sub-committee also recommended that Roberta (Bobbie) Burke be awarded the Glebe Society Commendation in recognition of the work she has done over many years in connection with the Jubilee Fountain and Foley Park and for the benefits the Society has received from her desktop publishing talents in her design of flyers, invitations, leaflets etc for us which have been outstanding and always produced in good time.

9 Close of meeting

Guest speaker

We are delighted that Ian Carroll OAM, President of the National Trust of NSW has accepted our invitation to speak to members, following the conclusion of the formal meeting agenda. Ian's talk is entitled *Sense of place and belonging*.

Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of Ian's talk.

* Special Resolution, as required under the Glebe Society Rules, paragraphs 6.6 and 35(a).

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Reports to the 2009 AGM

Planning

Harold Park

Much of 2008 was filled with idle speculation about whether or not the trots would move to Menangle, and it was a relief when the move was finally announced on 26 October. There followed a lengthy pause until Anzac Day this year, when the Harness Racing Club announced its intention to ask the Minister for Planning, Kristina Kenneally, to rezone the site under Section 3A of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act. The Society immediately opposed this move, and began to campaign for a plan for the entire site to be prepared by the City, as it had already suggested in 2008.

The City was happy to adopt this idea and on 29 June Council approved a Minute by the Lord Mayor for the City to prepare a Local Environment Plan and Development Control Plan for Harold Park. However it is the Central Sydney Planning Committee that will have carriage of the matter, and this committee has a majority of members appointed by the Minister.

Nevertheless there are important advantages for the residents in any rezoning remaining with the City. First, the City has committed itself to consult with all stakeholders, and we have specifically requested Leichhardt Council and the residents of Annandale be included, as well as those of Glebe and Forest Lodge. Second, the City planners have had time to familiarize themselves with both the site and the surrounding area through the Urban Design Study. Finally, even though the committee has a majority of ministerial appointees it has acted in a responsible and accountable manner, and its reports and meetings are open to the public.

The Minister has since gone to considerable lengths to distance herself from the committee and deny any wish to interfere. This is certainly

politically wise: there are plenty of people who will be watching the process closely.

First meeting with Harold Park Working Party

On Thursday, 9 July, four representatives from the Society's Working Party met with senior planning staff at Town Hall House. The Society requested additional information and research, which the planners agreed to supply, and also raised the issues published in the *Bulletin* in June, and a number of others raised in the interim.

The planners outlined the public consultation process which will take place during preparation of the LEP for Harold Park, expected to take at least a year. In addition to the formal exhibition of the draft next year there will be two public workshops this year, the first based on site analysis and the second on planning options. The workshops will be similar to those held for the Urban Design Study. The Society asked, and the planners agreed, to include Leichhardt Council and Annandale. It was made clear that the Society would continue to make comments in addition to these public forums.

There is considerable convergence between the views of the Society and the City, and hopefully ongoing discussions will overcome any serious differences or conflicts.

Second meeting with the University of Sydney

Once the Harness Racing Club announced it was seeking a rezoning, the Society thought it prudent to meet with the University see what stage their planning had reached. We met with Colin Rockliff, the new Director, Campus Infrastructure and Services who, unlike Professor Richmond Jeremy, is a professional project manager. It became clear that while the University still has many

irons in the fire, the necessary detailed consultation with staff about their needs had a long way to go.

In discussion afterward we concluded the University would not have its plans ready by the time Harold Park came on the market. However Sydney, like the other nearby educational institutions, including the other two universities, is keen to acquire more student housing. Recent concerns about the safety of overseas students are likely to add to this demand. Hence it is certainly not impossible that at least some of the site could be acquired for student housing. In the present financial climate it is also possible the purchaser of Harold Park may be a consortium rather than a single buyer, and this increases the likelihood of a range of uses and housing options.

Proposed CityPlan

The Society made a gallant effort to form a united front with the Paddington Society to obtain improvements to the CityPlan. It didn't work, probably because the interests of the two Societies are too divergent, but we did manage to secure a meeting to discuss the CityPlan with the Lord Mayor on 6 August. I should be able to report on this at the AGM.

In a nutshell, both Societies are concerned that the type of controls used by the City effectively encourages developers to construct buildings to the limit of those controls. We believe it is worth trying an alternative approach which allows development within a predefined building envelope, but not otherwise. This approach appears to be more appropriate to conservation areas.

Other developments in Glebe

As a result of the economic downturn it has been a quiet year. Restoration of *The Abbey* and *Reussdale* proceeds at a stately pace, and the new owners

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of the Hellenic Herald building, 1-9 Glebe Point Road, continue to attempt to defer the evil hour when they will have to follow the conditions imposed by the Court.

With the very welcome assistance of Forest Lodge residents it looks as though the Orphan School Creek corridor may be extended toward Parramatta Road. A number of controversial proposals have been withdrawn during the year, always a good sign, and there are modest signs of business recovery along Glebe Point Road. We are still waiting for appropriate uses for *Bellevue* and the Incinerator.

The Wider Picture

The extension of arbitrary power by the State Government in planning matters continues to be of concern. Their attempt to demolish the Glebe Island Bridge is an indication of the deteriorating situation in relation to heritage. NSW Maritime circulated a card to residents that has the Bridge airbrushed out.

Neil Macindoe Convenor, Planning Sub-committee

Community Development

The Community Development Subcommittee is a new group which aims to strengthen the Glebe Society's engagement with the community and pursue two of the objectives in the Glebe Society's Strategic Plan - to extend support services, networks and facilities, and celebrate Glebe's diverse population and perspectives.

The group will endeavour to do this by collaborating with other local community groups, organisations and institutions in Glebe, and work with them on specific issues and projects as opportunities arise. Those opportunities might involve joint efforts by the Society's subcommittees, and working with members of FLAG (Forest Lodge and Glebe) and CoGG (Coalition of Glebe Groups). As a new group, our initial efforts are aimed at widening the involvement and interest of members of the community in Sesquicentenary celebrations.

> Robyn Kemmis Convenor, Community Development Sub-committee

Glebe Society history

Short version launched, now for the full story

Unfortunately little progress has been made with the history during the past year, and it was not completed in time for the 40th anniversary celebrations as originally planned. I do hope to get back to it during the second part of the year. Some of the work already done has, however, been useful for checking queries that arose in the course of celebration planning.

In the meantime, under Jan Macindoe's energetic leadership a small group comprising Jan, Neil Macindoe, Ted McKeown and myself put together the booklet *Celebrating Conservation and Change in Glebe: 40 years of the Glebe Society.* This was launched at *Benledi* in April by Tony Strachan. His talk, which alerted newer members of the Society to the achievements of some of its earlier years, was published in the *Bulletin*.

- Jeanette Knox

Wren Habitat Working Bee in Paddy Gray Reserve

Join the Superb Fairy-wren Habitat group on Sunday 6 September, between 10 am and midday in Paddy Gray Reserve for a Working Bee to consolidate and extend all the wonderful work done on National Tree Day 2008. Early birds will have all the choices – weeding, planting, mulching, learning about habitat enhancement. A Planet Ark/Glebe Society Project.

Hoping to see you there!

- Jan Craney Wren Habitat Group

Wren sighting

As I walked past the hedges in Jarocin Avenue, Glebe, on the morning of 29 June, I passed three wrens - all brown in colour. I watched as they darted back and forth between the hedges both sides of the laneway until a noisy

miner swooped from on high and then all went quiet.

The Wren Habitat group's online system for reporting wren sightings is no longer operating, but you can report birds you see in your back or front garden or adjacent to your house to: http://www.birdsinbackyards.net/ surveys/backyard-birds.cfm. Birds in Backyards is a research, education and conservation program focusing on the birds that live where people live. You can become a member (free) and take part in simple online surveys and other activities. This wonderful website has information about Australian birds and their habitats and how you can create bird-friendly spaces in your garden and local community.

And you can be involved in habitat enhancement here in Glebe on 6 September.

- Fiona Campbell



Lord Mayor Clover Moore wields a shovel at the July 2008 tree planting. Watching on are Jan Macindoe (centre) and Robyn Kemmis. Photo: Carmelo Aquilina.

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Glebe Sesquicentenary

Although various events are planned to celebrate our 150th anniversary, we are unlikely to match the pomp and ceremony of the celebration of the 50th anniversary - the Jubilee of Glebe in 1909. Lyn Collingwood provides an account of the occasion.

Unveiling the Jubilee Fountain

Back in 1909 when it was installed, the fountain at the intersection of Glebe Point and Parramatta Roads was connected with the water supply. Its unveiling on Monday 2 August 1909 by the State Governor marked the 50th anniversary of Glebe Municipality.

Flags, streamers and bunting hung from buildings and crowds gathered in the streets to greet Baron Chelmsford and his wife, Glebe MLA and Education Minister James Hogue, Mayor S L Cole, and local dignitaries. Invitation cards had been sent out featuring pictures of the Glebe Town Hall in St Johns Road and its predecessor, a single-storey cottage on Glebe Road. Hours before the event, cadets from Glebe Public and Forest Lodge schools took up position under the command of Captain Shiells to form a guard of honour for the vice-regal visitors who arrived promptly at 3pm. After being welcomed by the mayor, the Governor made a speech praising those who, 'prompted by municipal patriotism', stood for public office. He was cheered and applauded by Glebe's welcoming committee for his remarks on ratepayers who were apathetic (they didn't vote but complained about how things were run) or too 'busy' to participate in municipal affairs (the busiest men did the best work). He then unfastened the wrappings around the fountain, the Glebe Municipal Band struck up Advance, Australia Fair, the tap was turned and, 'without flinching', Chelmsford drank Pure Cataract from a carved coconut cup mounted in silver. His wife followed suit. (Pure Cataract came from the Cataract Dam on a tributary of the Nepean, which became operational in 1907.)

Mayor Cole addressed the crowd, praising George Wigram Allen who had served a 17-year mayoral term and pledging loyalty to 'the great British Empire' and 'the grand old flag' and a commitment to keeping Britain mistress of the seas and guardian of

the peace of the world. He then read a detailed paper on the history and statistics of the municipality (its population was 20,000 compared to 3,750 in 1859 and the death rate 7.1 per 1000, presumably a good statistic). He pointed to the stone marking Sydney's 1833 western boundary (removed from the footpath at the corner of Broadway and Bay Street) and mentioned that he had received a congratulatory letter from Newcastle, also celebrating its half century.

The party then went to Glebe Point where Lady Chelmsford planted a sapling pine ('Lady Chelmsford's



Photo: Rod Holtham

Tree') at the Eglinton Road entrance to the reclaimed land renamed Jubilee Park. It then moved to Glebe Town Hall for afternoon tea, the Chelmsfords excusing themselves from attending a ball there that night.

The Secretary of the ladies' committee which organised the afternoon tea party and ball was Kathleen Artlett, whose father Frederick Lewis was a Glebe Point Road real estate agent, later Mayor and vice-president of the Glebe Local Distress Society.

Some of the day's characters:

London-born Frederic John Napier Thesiger who became **Baron Chelmsford** had been Governor of Queensland before crossing the border to take up the same post in New South Wales. 'Pale, slim, handsome, cultivated', he played the cello, organised chamber music concerts at Government House and was keen on cricket. He was viceroy of India 1916–21.

Before his election as Member for Glebe **James Hogue** had been editor of the Evening News. In this capacity he was charged with contempt after his paper published an article accusing MPs of drunkenness and gambling in the parliamentary refreshment rooms. Hogue refused to apologise or name the author but was dismissed by the House (after nearly seven hours' debate) to forestall more bad publicity. Nicknamed 'Dismal Jimmy' because he was always cheerful. Hogue was a flautist, rower, State bowls champion, shooter and cricketer. Widely read, he took an interest in the building of Mitchell Library.

Glebe Mayor Stanley Llewellyn Cole was born in Victoria at Gardiner's Creek, at the time bushranger Frank Gardiner was marauding the district. Apprenticed to a druggist, he moved to Sydney and became a seaman. His first trip was to China. Cole married the niece of Alexander Kethel, a shipmaster, timber merchant turned conservationist, and Member for West Sydney 1885-9. He sat on the first Arbitration and Conciliation Board, and in 1889 became secretary of the Master Carriers' Association and a Glebe alderman. He died at Granville in 1942.

- Lyn Collingwood

Editor's apology

Unfortunately the reading list was cropped at the end of the history of the Harold Park tramsheds in the last *Bulletin*.

The main source of original documents was: State Records Authority of NSW transport files 8/1400, 8/1439, 8/1492, 8//1541, 8/1548, 8/1576, 10/30588.

Glebe Sesquicentenary

A Celebration of 150 Years of Glebe's History

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Invitation to the Community

2009 is the 150th anniversary of the creation of Glebe as a municipality. Residents, Government agencies, schools, community groups and local businesses are invited to join in the celebration of Glebe's rich and vibrant past and present.

History

In 1859 the residents of Glebe presented a petition to the Governor, requesting that Glebe be incorporated as a suburb. The Proclamation incorporating *The Glebe* was signed by Governor Denison on 1 August 1859 and was published in the Government Gazette the following day.

As Lyn Collingwood tells us, fifty years later, in 1909, the suburb celebrated its Jubilee in style. The Governor of the day opened the fountain that still marks the start of Glebe Point Road and an honour

guard of students from Glebe Public School lined the road for the occasion

There will be a series of events organised by the community in conjunction with City of Sydney throughout August and September. These will include art, cultural and sporting events. See pages 9 and 10 for more details.

The first event will be the burying of a Time Capsule by the Lord Mayor, assisted by local historian Max Solling.

Location: Jubilee Fountain in Jubilee Place (Gateway to Glebe Point Road).

Date: Sunday 2 August 2009

Time: 11 - 11.45am

- Jan Wilson

On behalf of the Glebe Sesquicentenary Committee

'Glebe Bytes' Launch - Come and listen to stories about Glebe

Glebe Youth Service, 84 Glebe Point Road

Wednesday 5 August 2009, 12.30 - 2pm

I love Glebe. I love the people of Glebe. I can't fault Glebe. The only way I'll be going out of Glebe is in a box.- Gladys McDonald, 94, Glebe resident.

- Stories of love and hardship;
- Family and school;
- SP bookies and housing squats;
- Artists and activists; and
- a penny for the tram up Glebe Point Road.

All are Glebe stories and all are welcome to come and hear them.

For more information please contact Anna on 9660 3943 or email glebespace@gmail.com

Come and celebrate

A Glebe Sesquicentenary Hockey Event ...

... at Jubilee Park on Saturday 15 August starting at 9.30am.

To mark its role in the sporting history of Glebe, the Glebe District Hockey Club is holding a hockey morning at Jubilee Park, with help from the Council of the City of Sydney. It is a history of which we can all be proud – and everyone's invited!

The Glebe District Hockey Club was founded in 1931. It has won **thirty** Club Championships, **twenty-nine** first grade premierships, **twenty-four** second grade premierships, and **twenty-two** third grade premierships. And Mark Paterson, a former Glebe Minkey player and 2008 first grade captain, is a member of the 2009 Australian Hockey Team!

Quite an achievement!

Program

9.30am Minkey (our Under 9s)

10.20am U13A Glebe Redbacks v St George

11.30am U11A Glebe Redbacks v Sutherland Blue (Jubilee 1)

11.30am U11B Glebe Hornets v UNSW (Jubilee 2)

There will be a video running on the day showcasing the recent 1st grade grand final wins, as well as historical photos of the Club and copies of a book on the Club's history to buy or peruse. The games will be followed by a BBQ for the hockey club and the community.

- Anne Fraser

Celebrations at the Valhalla!

There are two guided tours of the *Valhalla* as a reuse project conducted by the architect Megan Jones, at 4pm and 5pm on Sunday 2 August. There is no need to book, just turn up on the steps of the *Valhalla* for either time. These tours are for anyone interested.

Also, W Property invites Glebe Society members for drinks to celebrate the completion of the *Valhalla*:

Date: Sunday 2 August

Time: 6-8pm

RSVP: admin@wproperty.com.au or call Lee on 9966 9388.

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Glebe Sesquicentenary

Rowing Regatta on Blackwattle Bay

As part of the celebrations for the Sesquicentenary of Glebe, the Glebe Society, Sydney University Women's and Glebe Rowing Clubs are planning a regatta to be held on the morning of Saturday 29 August. The long association between rowing and the Glebe area makes this a fitting celebration, with the aim to recreate some of the excitement and enthusiasm for competitive rowing that once drew crowds of spectators to Glebe shores.

The regatta will feature eights, quads, doubles and single sculls with University and Glebe crews racing against rowers from other local clubs. Rowers visiting from other clubs to race in the regatta will be hosted jointly by the Sydney University Women's and Glebe Rowing Clubs. Races will start in line with the Sydney University pontoon and finish in line with *Bellevue* in Blackwattle Bay Park allowing



spectators an excellent vantage point from the foreshore. Barbecues and refreshments will be available in the courtyard of *Bellevue*.

The NSW Rowing Association is submitting the necessary Application for an Aquatic Licence to NSW Maritime for this particular regatta. Other applications have been denied in the past, but this is a special occasion and we are hoping that the licence will be granted. If not, we will have to be creative, and some form of racing will take place on shore – shades of 'Henley-on-Todd' perhaps.

Glebe is a wonderful place to row and we look forward to seeing our local community at the regatta, whatever form it takes. Come to *Bellevue* in Blackwattle Bay between 10.30am and 12 noon.

Summary of Sesquicentenary events

See other pages in this *Bulletin* for more information. Some events are yet to be confirmed, and further details will be posted as they come to hand.

July 31 to August 11 – Elsie Women's Refuge Quilt and Children's Drawings from Elsie, at Art Almanac Window and Historical Photographs of Tranby College at Gallery Red. Both exhibitions are at 131-145 Glebe Point Road and will be opened by Eva Cox on Friday 31 July, 6 – 8pm.

Throughout August – Youth Around Glebe, photographs by Patricia Baillie. 53 Glebe Point Road Window.

Sunday August 2 - Glebe Sesquicentenary Celebration Day

9.30am – Interdenominational Service at St John's Church.

11am - burial of Time Capsule by the Lord Mayor of Sydney, Cr Clover Moore MP, at the Jubilee Fountain, in Jubilee Place (southern entrance to Glebe Point Road).

4pm and 5pm – conducted tours of the former cinema, the Valhalla, 166D Glebe Point Road.

Further details of events on 2 August will be published on the Society's website as information becomes available.

August 4 to 16 – Sculpture and collage by Richard Black. Glass Artists' Gallery, 70 Glebe Point Road.

August 5 12.30 - 2pm – Glebe Bytes: Launching stories from the neighbourhood, Glebe Youth Service, 84 Glebe Point Road. Hear stories about Glebe. All welcome!

August 6 to 23 – Local Artists Responding to Glebe. Artists include Peter Travis and Reg Mombassa. Gallery Adagio, 91 Glebe Point Road. To be opened by Roelof Smilde.

August 5 to September 4 – The Teapot Show. Inner City Clayworkers Gallery, corner of St Johns Road and Darghan Street,

August 13 to 16 – Get Off Your Arts. Glebe Café Church, 37 St Johns Road.

August 15, 9.30am – Hockey Tournament. Jubilee Park, followed by BBQ.

August 29 – Regatta on Blackwattle Bay, followed by BBQ.

Through September – Glebe 150 Photographs, historical and local identities. Glebe Point Road.

September 27 – Wentworth Park Games Day.

Note – the official opening of Foley Park and the Wireless House, planned for Sunday, August 2, has been deferred. A new date will be announced as soon as possible.

Where we fit into history ...

4 June 1859 - Queensland was established as a separate colony from NSW.

11 July 1859 - London's Big Ben first struck the hour.

1 August 1859 - the Proclamation incorporating The Glebe was signed by Governor Denison.

19 June 1969 - the Glebe Society's first general meeting was held.

21 July 1969 - Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin walked on the moon.

Other Glebe Events

2009 Glebe NAIDOC Week

Honouring our Elders, Nurturing our Youth

On Saturday 4 July 2009, the Glebe community came together to celebrate 2009 NAIDOC week at the Peter Forsyth Auditorium. The event was planned by the Glebe NAIDOC week Committee which included representatives from the local indigenous community and agencies such as the Glebe Youth Service, Glebe Schools Community Centre and Aboriginal Employment Service, Glebe Public School, Tranby, Eora TAFE and the Glebe Community Development Project.

The event itself featured a three-onthree basketball competition, music and games for the younger children. Deputy Lord Mayor Marcelle Hoff extended the celebrations into the evening by opening the Short Black film night. Those who braved the winter chill were treated to a community hot dinner which featured kangaroo stew, chicken curry and hot scones for dessert.

As part of the lead up to the event the Committee held an Art Competition to design the 2009 Glebe NAIDOC poster. Over fifty entries were received from local schools including, Forest Lodge, Glebe and St James Primary and Sydney Secondary College. The winner was Glebe Public School pupil Hafiroh Santoro. 2009 Glebe NAIDOC marked the first time that local community members and agencies have worked together to hold an event in Glebe and it is hoped that a bigger and better event will be held in 2010.

Thank you to all the community members who attended and supported the event. Special mention to the City of Sydney and the Glebe Chamber of Commerce for their generous support of the 2009 Glebe NAIDOC celebrations.

Anna Mattiuzzo Coordinator, Glebe Community Development Project University of Sydney

The Abbey at Annandale

Two groups of a dozen or so people enjoyed the opportunity to be guided round *The Abbey* at Annandale on 18 and 19 July. While the external appearance of this Victorian Gothic Revival fantasy building (with elements of romantic Scottish Baronial) is familiar to most of us, the chance of seeing what the interior holds was one not to be missed. Thanks to Fay and David Mander-Jones for organising this with William Davis, son of the late owner.

The house was built by John Young a prominent builder and public figure in Sydney in the latter part of the 19th century. He bought the land from architect Charles Blackman in 1881 and the house was built 1881-1882. There are suggestions that the design was that of William Wardell, architect of many important Sydney buildings of the period. The interior features Arts and Crafts decoration (with a Pugin theme), Minton tiles with scenes from Shakespeare and Sir Walter Scott, stenciled walls, stained glass windows and etched glass panels.

William described the house as rambling, and indeed it is. Constructed in three sections, on several levels and with some 50 rooms, it must have been an amazing place for children to grow up in. The house is now empty of most of its contents following the recent auction, although quite a lot of books and records still remain. The late owner, Doctor Geoffrey Davis was an enthusiast in many fields and an avid if not obsessive collector, particularly of books. When he moved into part of the house in 1959 (a unit in the west wing), the building had been subdivided into numerous small flats which were still occupied. As part of the subdivision many additions to the original building were made to provide bathrooms and kitchens etc. As the other flats were vacated, Dr Davis gradually moved into more of the house.

He and son William prepared a restoration plan for *The Abbey* and were working on its implementation up to

the time of Dr Davis's death. The unsympathetic additions to the building were removed and work began on uncovering the original Victorian decoration buried under later paintwork. However, this work ceased two years ago and no-one has been living in the main part of the building since then. As a consequence, the building fabric is beginning to deteriorate in some rooms.

Even in its present sad condition, enough of the decoration remains to be an impressive example of Victorian medievalism. Restoring the house will be a major undertaking, but those of us who saw it last weekend hope that a buyer can be found with both funding and enthusiasm for the task.

- Jeanette Knox

The 20th Annual Glebe Music Festival 8 November to 6 December 2009

This year marks the 20th anniversary of the annual Glebe Music Festival. Highlights include the Europe-based Lyon Trio on 1 December at Gleebooks (also touring with Musica Viva), the Charisma Trio (soprano, clarinet, piano) and the piano duo Robert Weatherburn (touring from Europe) and Wojciech Wisniewski (from Poland) on 29 November at Margaretta Cottage, the Michelangeli Ensemble (strings, flute, harp) on 27 November at the Old Court House, Bel a cappella and Coro Innominata, both at St Scholastica's, and the Glebe Society Concert on 8 November at The Great Hall. Further details in future Bulletins and at www.glebemusicfestival.com

- David McIntosh



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News and Notes

Thirsty Thursdays

Members and friends are invited to meet for dinner in Glebe on the first Thursday of each month at 7pm, to eat and talk with other people who live in Glebe. We visit a different restaurant each month, varying cuisines. Put these dates in your diary now.

On **Thursday 6 August** we will share curry dishes at *Darbar*, 134 Glebe Point Road, on the corner of St Johns Road.

On **Thursday 3 September** we will go to a new restaurant, Teriyaki Japanese Fusion, at 144a Glebe Point Road.

And on **Thursday 1 October** we will enjoy dinner at *The Olive Tree*, the Greek restaurant upstairs in the Excelsior Hotel, 101 Bridge Road, under the railway bridge.

Please email me or ring me on 9660 7066 by the Tuesday before the dinner to let us know that you are coming.

- Edwina Doe

Welcome to new members

The following people were accepted as members of the Glebe Society at the July Management Committee meeting:

- Mark Gibbins
- Peter Gowers

We look forward to seeing them at future Glebe Society functions.

You know who you are

To our generous and supportive members who send a donation with their annual subscriptions - a huge thank you! Fundraising takes us away from the many pressing and important issues with which the Glebe Society deals, so it is a double bonus when members show their support through donations.

Although donors are individually acknowledged, a public tribute to the generosity of these members is also appropriate.

- Liz Simpson-Booker

Christmas Party Forward Notice!

This year's Glebe Society Christmas Party will be held on Friday 11 December. It will take the form of a three course dinner with lots of fun included and lots of opportunity to make contact with everyone at the end of the year. It is expected to cost \$50 a head which is cheap for a three course dinner with some wine included. However, it would be a good idea to build it into the budget and note it in your diary now.

Looking forward to a great night.

- Anne Fraser Christmas Party Committee

Players in the Pub

The series of occasional moved readings, hosted by Lyn Collingwood in the upstairs Media Room at the Toxteth Hotel, is becoming very popular. These are not static readings but theatrical presentations using minimal props and furniture. Admission is free.

Next up at 7pm on Tuesday 11 August is *A Walk in the Woods* by Lee Blessing.

The play depicts the developing friendship between two arms limitations negotiators, one from the USA, the other from the USSR. It resonates today with President Obama meeting his Russian counterpart to discuss nuclear arms reduction. *A Walk in the Woods* was nominated for both a Pulitzer Prize and a Tony Award.

The next moved reading is scheduled for Tuesday 16 September.

Justice of the Peace

Glebe Society member Phil Young, Justice of the Peace, is available to witness documents etc (no fee).

Our local Member of Parliament

State Member for Balmain, Hon. Verity Firth MP. Office address: 112a Glebe Point Road, Glebe 2037. Senior Electorate Officer: ph 9660 7586, fax 9660 6112, email balmain@parliament.nsw.gov.au

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For your diary ...

Sunday 2 August – Sesquicentenary celebrations, including Time Capsule burial. See pages 9 - 10 for this and other Sesquicentenary events.

Wednesday 5 August, 12.30 - 2pm – Glebe Bytes Launch. See page 9.

Thursday 6 August, 7pm – Thirsty Thursday – *Darbar*, Glebe Point Road.

Tuesday 11 August, 7pm – Players in the Pub – Toxteth Hotel, Glebe Point Road. See page 12.

Wednesday 12 August, 7.30pm – Management Committee Meeting – The Old Fire Station, 115 Mitchell Street.

Saturday 15 August, Hockey tournament starting at 9.30am - Jubilee Park. See page 9.

Sunday 23 August, 1.30pm – National Trust/Glebe Society Walk – meet at Glebe Town Hall. See Bulletin 4/2009.

Saturday 29 August – 10.30 - noon - Regatta on Blackwattle Bay - Bellevue. See page 10.

Sunday 30 August, 11 am – Annual General Meeting, Benledi, 186 Glebe Point Road. More details next month.

Thursday 3 September, 7pm – Thirsty Thursday – Teriyaki Japanese Fusion, 144a Glebe Point Road.

Wednesday 9 September, 7.30pm – Management Committee Meeting – The Old Fire Station, 115 Mitchell Street.

Tuesday 16 September, 7pm – Players in the Pub – Toxteth Hotel, Glebe Point Road.

Thursday 1 October, 7pm – Thirsty Thursday- The Olive Tree, upstairs in the Excelsior Hotel, 101 Bridge Road.

8 November to 6 December – 20th Annual Glebe Music Festival. See page 11.

Wednesday 14 October, 7.30pm – Management Committee Meeting – The Old Fire Station, 115 Mitchell Street.

Friday 11 December – Glebe Society Christmas Party Dinner. More details later.

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Website

The Society has a growing website (www.glebesociety.org.au) for the information of members and anyone with an interest in Glebe. The website will only flourish if members use the site. Send contributions or comments to webmaster@glebesociety.org.au

The Bulletin

We are glad to publish letters or articles on any matters of interest to Glebe, any topic raised in the *Bulletin*, or any issues relating to the Glebe Society, within the Guidelines published on our Website. Write to the address above or email editor@ glebe society.org.au

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The next edition of the Bulletin will be published at the end of August.

The deadline for contributions is Wednesday 19 August.

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Download a Membership Form from our website (www.glebesociety.org.au/AboutTGSI/Membership/Membership_application.pdf).

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If you have a matter that you would like to discuss with the Management Committee, please phone the Secretary.

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