

GLEBE SOCIETY COMMUNITY FESTIVAL

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS

23-30 June 2019, Harold Park Community Hall, Tramsheds, Forest Lodge
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When did that happen? by Lyn Collingwood

Glebe and Forest Lodge stand on the traditional land of the Wangal / Cadigal people

- 1790 Governor Phillip gives 400 acres beyond Blackwattle Creek to First Fleet's Rev. Johnson
- 1803 Grose Farm and nearby land leased for orphan institution
- 1813 Grose Farm used for grazing horses and oxen
- 1817 weir built on Orphan School Creek to water crops and fruit trees
- 1826 Church and School Corporation given control of Glebe land
- 1828 Church land subdivided and auctioned
- 1829 bush track (later Glebe Point Road)
- 1829 publican George Williams' *Hereford House*
- 1831 solicitor George Allen's *Toxteth Park* on 95 acres
- 1832 Customs House official James Brown's *Glebe Cottage* (renamed *Rosebank*)
- 1836 druggist & dentist Ambrose Foss' *Forest Lodge*
- 1836 Betts family's *Kew Cottage*
- 1837 surgeon James Bowman's *Lyndhurst*
- 1837 "gentleman" John William Woods' *Glenwood*
- 1838 druggist & dentist Ambrose Foss' *Albion Cottage* (renamed *Rose Cottage*)
- 1838 banker George Miller's *Avon House* and *Forsyth Cottage*
- 1841 merchant Joseph Hickey Grose insolvent; his Bishopgate Estate subdivided
- 1842 subdivision of St Phillip's Estate
- 1842 soap manufacturer Richard William Robinson's *Guildford Lodge*
- 1843 Wesleyan chapel on Toxteth Estate
- 1844 sailmaker George Linley Robinson's *Llangollen*
- 1844 *Glebe Tavern* on the corner of Crown and Cowper streets
- 1845 first subdivision of Forest Lodge Estate
- 1846 Glebe's population = 1055
- 1846 Jonathan Howard runs omnibuses from Bay Street to Queen's Wharf, Circular Quay
- 1849 birth of Edmund Barton, first Prime Minister
- 1852 mail deliveries to Glebe
- 1854 Grose Farm cleared to build Sydney University's Quadrangle and Great Hall
- 1855 landowner & politician George Wigram Allen's *Lynwood*
- 1856 subdivision of Bishopthorpe Estate
- 1856 Legislative Assembly clerk Richard O'Connor's *Maryville*
- 1857 causeway and bridge across Blackwattle Swamp linking Glebe to the city
- 1857 Glebe Island Abattoirs
- 1858 Glebe Public School
- 1858 architect Edmund Blackett's *Bidura*
- 1859 Glebe proclaimed a municipality
- 1859 first Glebe School of Arts
- 1859 builder Michael Golden's *Dellwood*
- 1860 gas street lighting
- 1862 town water
- 1862 Glebe Island Bridge
- 1862 ironmonger Lewis Moore's *Briarbank*
- 1867 Glebe's population = 3700
- 1867 Colonial Architect James Barnett's *Braeside* @ Ross St and new Parramatta Rd
- 1870 St John's Bishopthorpe, architect Edmund Blackett
- 1872 Henry Hoyt's "Sydney Tramway and Omnibus Co." with two-horse-drawn buses
- 1876 sewerage pipes and stormwater drains laid
- 1877 St James Catholic Church on Woolley Street
- 1878 first subdivision of Lyndhurst Estate
- 1879 Presbyterian Church @ Glebe Point Road and George Street West (Broadway)
- 1879 Glebe Rowing Club
- 1879 Sydney Hospital for Sick Children @ Glebe Point and Wigram roads

1880 Glebe Town Hall; Glebe Post Office (closed in 2011)
 1880 subdivision of Guildford Lodge Estate
 1880 St James School
 1881 subdivision of Lynedoch Estate
 1881 Princes Albert and George (later King George V) visit *Toxteth Park*
 1882 steam tram service
 1883 Forest Lodge School
 1883 Glebe Police Station
 1885 Wentworth Park proclaimed
 1885 Grace Bros opens a small shop on George Street West (Broadway)
 1885 subdivision of York Estate; second subdivision of Lyndhurst Estate
 1889 Glebe Courthouse
 1890 Harold Park Paceway
 1891 Glebe's population = 15 000
 1896 steam tram route extended to Leichhardt Street Glebe Point
 1897 Record Reign Hall
 1898 first Sze Yup Chinese Temple
 1899 subdivision of Avona Estate
 1899 electric tram service
 1902 steel Pyrmont Bridge
 1902 St Scholastica's College
 1904 Rozelle Tram Depot
 1906 Royal Alexandra Hospital for Children at Camperdown
 1907 *Kew Cottage* deliberately burned to the ground
 1907 subdivision of Braeside Estate
 1908 subdivision of Golden Estate
 1909 Jubilee Park and Jubilee Fountain
 1911 electric street lighting
 1912 subdivision of Glenwood Estate
 1920 Glebe's population = 23 000
 1921 Glebe War Memorial commissioned by Glebe residents
 1922 goods line railway tunnel completed at Jubilee Park
 1924 new School of Arts @ 191 Bridge Road
 1932 the Great Depression ~ 40% unemployed in Glebe
 1932 greyhound racing at Wentworth Park
 1933 Walter Burley Griffin incinerator
 1934 Rest Park Wireless House
 1947 Glebe's population = 20 510
 1949 Glebe municipality merged with City of Sydney
 1952 *Clyne Place* Housing Commission flats @ Hereford Street and Walsh Avenue
 1955 new Sze Yup Chinese Temple
 1956 Glebe Public Library replaces School of Arts @ 191 Bridge Road
 1960 Sydney City Council *John Byrne Court* overlooking Wentworth Park
 1965 Hilda Booler Kindergarten
 1966 Sydney Fish Market relocated from Haymarket
 1968 Glebe municipality absorbed into Leichhardt Council
 1969 Glebe Society
 1974 Glebe Estate bought from Church by Whitlam Government
 1974 Glebe listed by the National Trust as a Conservation Area
 1974 *Elsie* women's refuge
 1979 Glebe High School
 1985 Glebe Estate transferred from Commonwealth to NSW Department of Housing
 1986 Glebe's population = 11 454
 1994 *Benledi* saved from demolition
 1997 new Glebe Public Library @ Glebe Point and Wigram roads
 1997 International Grammar School relocates to Kelly Street Ultimo
 1997 Inner West Light Rail Central-Wentworth Park on old freight line
 2000 Inner West Light Rail extended to Lilyfield
 2004 Glebe municipality absorbed into City of Sydney
 2007 major upgrade of Glebe Point Road at cost of \$15 million
 2007 Valhalla cinema turned into office space
 2010 Harold Park trotting track closes with camel races
 2014 *Bidura* sold to developers
 2016 Glebe's population (census) = 11 532