he wonderful and talented Rhonda Burchmore will headline the Carols by Candlelight concert at the main oval of Caulfield Park on Sunday, 15 December.

Rhonda has generously donated her time and talent to make Carols a night to remember, along with compere Denis Walter and actor Ian Smith from Neighbours.

Producer Peter Regan has organised a great lineup of talent, including the City of Glen Eira Band conducted by Tom Miller; Denis Walter Youth Choir; Lee-Ora Green; City of Glen Eira Choir (celebrating its 50th anniversary) conducted by Jenny Mathers; Nehama Patkin; Trio Con Brio; and special appearances by Arfa Rabbit and Father Christmas.

The night begins at 6.30pm with pre-carols entertainment by Nehama Patkin and the Young Musicians of Excellence, Sasha, and Silent Running acoustic trio. The Carols by Candlelight are on from 8.30pm to 10pm.

Girl Guides will be selling hot dogs, drinks, candles and programs from 6.30pm at the main oval (corner Hawthorn and Balaclava Roads).

Bring along your own rugs, chairs and a picnic and enjoy a family evening of entertainment and community carols. Candles and programs are \$1, and proceeds will go to the Glen Eira Community Information & Resource Centre for emergency relief.

The Carols by Candlelight main sponsor is Tattersall's. We also thank The Leader Newspaper Group, Southern Cross (Melbourne Independent Newspapers), Elsternwick Express

Shuttle bus to the pool

Council will start a shuttle bus service from East Bentleigh pool to Caulfield pool from 7 December, running on weekends and public holidays until 31 March.

The bus will run half-hourly from 10am to 5pm on weekends and public holidays until Index 31 March 1997, with

the previous evening.

Pool debate

Y Generation

Recreation

Holiday program

Recycle wrap

the last departure from Caulfield pool back to East Bentleigh at

5.30pm.

Between 26 December 1996 and 31 January 1997, the service will also operate on weekdays with forecast temperatures of 25 degrees Celsius or above, as reported on the 6pm television news

Rhonda's our star attraction

One Hour Photos, Coles Elsternwick, FM TV Australia, Dolphin TV & Stage Productions, Jesmond Removals Elwood, Bin 80 - North Road, Terry Abrahams of Melbourne School of Art and Photography, Karl Miller of ABC TV (staging) and Victoria Police.

Denis Walter

wenty-four years ago, Denis Walter burst onto the Australian entertainment scene as the young man with the big voice.

From his early days on Young Talent Time, Denis carved out an impressive list of credits, including many gold records, command performances and has become one of Australia's best known and loved performers. He and wife Annette formed the Denis Walter Youth Choir in Geelong in 1991 to encourage young singers.

Denis is currently heard hosting the morning show on radio station Magic 693 and presents the weather each weekend on GTV9.



rom television to the big screen, musical theatre to opera to cabaret, there are very few entertainment mediums that Rhonda Burchmore has not embraced with her wide ranging talents.

Rhonda has made an impression on audiences with her dazzling dance steps, superb comic timing, effervescent personality and her stunning voice.

Her credits include the Australian production of Sugar Babies opposite Gary McDonald and Broadway legend Eddie Bracken, and in the London production of the same musical which starred Mickey Rooney and Ann Miller.

Some of Rhonda's other stage credits include Song and Dance and They're Playing Our Song, Iolanthe, Die Fledermaus and most recently, Ruddigore for the Victorian State Opera.

Rhonda has featured on almost every television, variety and awards program in Australia and had a role created specially for her by David Atkins in Hot Shoe Shuffle. She is preparing her onewoman show for an Australian tour.





The City of Glen Eira Carols by Candlelight are proudly supported by:





THE SOUTHERN CROSS

Commissioners' REPORT

nother year has passed and it will soon be 1997. Looking back over the year, it's great to see the changes that have been made and the path that is now set for Glen Eira after the return of Councillors on 15 March 1997.

The year has been productive. Most importantly, a process for election of councillors was developed and adopted, after extensive community consultation. The elections will see six councillors elected, two from each of the three wards of Orrong, Jasper and Mackie. Council will be able to operate as a policy making and performance monitoring board, with the detail of day to day management of the municipality being left to a strong management team, assisted by a new customer service function staffed by well-trained and enthusiastic people who have access to a new supporting computer system.

There were other significant achievements in 1996. A recreational needs study was undertaken and now officers will be assessing then implementing the changes sought by the community. To support Glen Eira's local traders, main street programs were set up in Carnegie, Elsternwick and Bentleigh shopping

Another achievement for Council was reaching the Compulsory Competitive Tendering (CCT) target of 30% in the 1995/96 financial year. Council is on track to achieve the 50% target for 1996/97, set by the State Government. This task has been difficult and stressful, but the Executive Team tackled it well, knowing that it will bring continuing advantages to the community.

One event of 1996 was not welcomed. The condition of the City's infrastructure is in need of major spending. It is imperative that our roads, footpaths, drainage systems, swimming pools and council buildings are of a safe standard. Sadly, the East Boundary Road Swimming Pool is unhygienic and can't be used this summer.

Council has advanced into the 21st century with its acquisition of a new library and information services computerised management system, Urica 2000 (Version 6), that will link all five libraries, via a user-friendly graphical interface. In addition, Council is on course to set up its own home page on the internet. The home page will be a fantastic resource to students and residents of Glen Eira. This information can be accessed at any time, by anyone, as long as they're on the 'Net'.

The subject of what Glen Eira will be like in the 21st century has been the focus of a special study called Glen Eira 2020. It has attracted many responses from residents throughout the municipality. The responses have been interesting and varied, promising a great future for the City.

May I extend season greetings to all residents and wish you all a prosperous and happy New Year.

Cliff Caldwell

To Boston, but forget the tea

ouncil's youth project worker Jodie Belyea has been selected to join a Rotary International Group Study Exchange which will take her to Boston, USA in March 1997 to study youth work, youth related organisations, local government and family and cultural life.

Rotary International offer a number of projects reflecting a commitment to community development and the Group Study Exchange provides a team of professionals with the opportunity to enhance their vocational skills through international experience.

As a youth worker for the City, Jodie is responsible for individual case management, and the planning and delivery of programs and services in association with young people, the Victoria Police, local secondary colleges and other youth-related agencies.

The programs include the Transit Stop Youth Outreach Program conducted at local railway stations, the Victoria Police High Challenge Program for Youth at Risk, Links - a Community Education Program, the Breakfast Club and the Y Generation magazine, a newspaper for young people produced by young people.

The selection criteria for the Rotary District 9810 Group Study Exchange is thorough. After lodging an



application form, Jodie took part in an intensive interview process. She was fortunate enough to make it through the first round which was a get together for all delegates, the GSE selection Committee and their partners.

This assessment included the ability to socialise and to present two minute impromptu speeches - the first on a social issue, the second on "Why do umpires wear white coats?". Jodie's second interview, which took place the next day, gave her the opportunity to talk about Australia, Boston and Rotary, and to explain in detail the particular skills she brings to her work and her perception of teamwork and participation.

During her trip to Boston, Jodie will visit Local Rotary Clubs and organisations to present an overview on life and living in Australia focussing on politics and social services.

She will live with five Rotary host families and spend one day a week participating in a youth work program. Jodie hopes to visit local government, youth agencies and 'In Your Words 2', a youth magazine by young people for young people which is similar to the Y Generation magazine recently published by the City of Glen Eira.

Jodie said: "The Group Study Exchange will provide me with an opportunity to learn about family life in America and the policies and strategies that are adopted by American agencies and institutions to assist and empower young people - the leaders and creators of our global future."

Resource guide - a gateway to cyberspace

ook, up into cyberspace. Is it a book? So, get in on the ground floor by updating your A computer? No, it's the Internet, and it's coming to a (desktop) screen near you.

The City of Glen Eira will launch its Internet Home Page in 1997, featuring comprehensive information about the Council's services and facilities, and a guide to what this City has to offer.

In these days of booming information technology, the Internet will complement the ever-popular Community Resource Guide and the computerbased Community Information Service, as another link for community groups and clubs to tell the world about themselves and promote their activities.

The Internet Home Page will draw information from the Resource Guide and CIS listings, and reach the rapidly growing numbers of people surfing the Net.

listing in the next Community Resource Guide. The 1997 edition is currently being prepared and will be released in March (to include details of the new councillors).

Organisations wanting to add a listing, or amend contact names and other details from the 1996 Guide, can write to the Glen Eira Service Centre, PO Box 42, South Caulfield 3162.

The categories range across sporting organisations, religion, politicians, courses, schools, kindergartens, justices of the peace, emergency services, guides, scouts, civil marriage celebrants, police stations, legal services, court houses, parks, interest groups, libraries and service organisations.

The Community Information Service lists community organisations and businesses on a system that is available through Glen Eira's libraries.

The CIS service allows your group to include more information, such as opening hours, membership fees, program of activities, additional contact names and phone numbers, annual general meeting dates,

Please send details or call into the Glen Eira Service Centre to have your listing updated on the spot. The listings are continually updated during the year, to provide the latest information for users.

World-class start for cricketers

Sri Lanka took on a new-look Australian team in an international cricket contest at the new Moorleigh Sporting Pavilion opening on Sunday, I December.

Several former Sri Lankan Test players and friends, led by Ravi Ratnayeke, got together to do battle with Australia, in this contest made up of players from Moorabbin Cricket Club. Leading the new Aussie XI was Moorabbinís former coach Greg Feben.

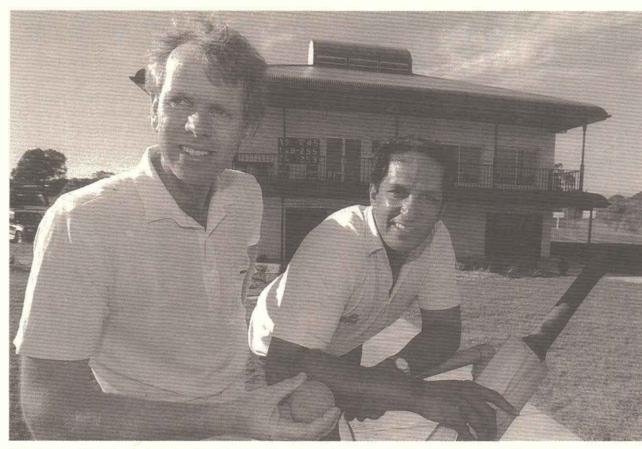
Glen Eira chairman of commissioners Cliff Caldwell officially opened the new \$480,000 pavilion, with its feature first floor balcony overlooking the ground. The pavilion also has a meeting room, changing rooms, social facilities and disabled access.

Council has also installed practice wickets and done landscaping, fencing and other ground works.

The Moorleigh ground and pavilion redevelopment was started by the former Moorabbin City Council, which completed part of the ground works including a sprinkler system and transporting in large volumes of soil.

Mr Caldwell said the facility was a major asset for the community, particularly for people living in the southern area of the municipality.

Moorabbin Cricket Club is the summer tenant and Council is reviewing options to instal a winter tenant.



Greg Feben and Ravi Ratneyeke prepared to do battle in 'Australia v Sri Lanka' at the Moorleigh Sporting Pavilion opening.

Have your say on facilities

G len Eira City Council has undertaken a major review of aquatic and indoor recreation facilities.

Consultants Michael King & Associates have been appointed to conduct the Leisure Facilities Feasibility Study, in conjunction with the local consultative committee.

Public forums will be held in January, where you can be involved in discussing the City's aquatic and recreation facilities.

The public forums will be held on Wednesday, 29 January, 1997 at Moorleigh Community Centre, 92 Bignell Road, East Bentleigh, at 7pm; and Thursday, 30 January 1997, at the Glen Eira City Hall auditorium, corner Hawthorn and Glen Eira Roads, Caulfield, at 7pm.

Residents and ratepayers can also:

- · meet with the consultants at other times
- ring the study Hotline on 9524 3444 and leave your comments
- email submissions via keromle@ozemail.com.au
- or make written submissions to Leisure Facilities Feasibility Study, Jeff Akehurst, Planning and Leisure Services, City of Glen Eira, PO Box 42, Caulfield South 3162

The consultants will also conduct a 600-household survey. The study is expected to be completed by late March.

OVER 50'S WALKING GROUP

The City of Glen Eira is planning a new walking group for residents 50 years and over in the East Bentleigh area. Sessions to commence early 1997 will be led by a qualified instructor and will meet once a week for one hour in the morning (day to be decided). The walk will include warm up exercises, a pleasant walk and cool down.

The City of Glen Eira is interested in hearing from residents who may be interested in placing their name on the list with a view to starting in February/March 1997.

If you are interested in enhancing your fitness level and to meet new friends please contact: Older Adults Recreation Officer Cheryl Kennedy, 9524 3356





City of Glen Eira invites you to the

Carols By Candlelight Concert

in The Main Oval Caulfield Park on Sunday 15th December 1996. B.Y.O. rugs and chairs. (Wet weather alternative, City Hall, Glen Eira.)

Compere: Denis Walter
Special Guest Appearances: Rhonda Burchmore
lan Smith from 'Neighbours'
The City of Glen Eira band conducted by Tom Miller
The Denis Walter youth choir
Lee-ora Green
The city of Glen Eira Choir Conducted by Jenny Mathers
Nehama Patkin
Trio Con Brio
Arfa Rabbit
and Father Christmas!!!

Programme

6.30 pm: Hotdogs, drinks, candles and programmes from Girl Guides.
6.45 – 8.15 pm: Pre Carols Entertainment
Silent Running Acoustic Trio
Nehama Patkin & Young Musicians of Excellence
Sasha
8.30 – 10.00 pm: Carols by Candlelight

Bring along a picnic and enjoy a family evening of entertainment and community carols.

Candles and Programmes \$1.00.

Proceeds will be donated to the Glen Eira Community Information & Resource Centre for Emergency Relief.

Council Decisions

Pool debate attracts large gallery

Council has decided not the open the Northern Memorial Swimming Pool in East Boundary Road, East Bentleigh, for the 1996/97 season.

Council will instead review the long-term future of the outdoor pool as part of the current City-wide Leisure Facility Feasibility Study. A report is expected in March 1997.

Beca Simons consulting engineers, in a report to Council, found that proposed urgent repairs and safety measures, proposed at a cost of \$215,000, could not be completed until at least the end of February, leaving only one month of possible operation during March.

Council will also run a bus service between East Bentleigh and Caulfield pools on weekends and other days, depending on weather conditions and expected demand. A similar bus service will be offered to schools that usually use the East Bentleigh pool.

A huge gallery of about 300 people attended the Council meeting to hear the debate and lobby for the East Bentleigh pool's repair and reopening. Six people spoke at the meeting, including two representatives from the Northern Memorial Action Group.

Beca Simons said the costs of safety and regulatory maintenance works, necessary and urgent repairs, operational efficiency improvements and general maintenance or refurbishment would cost \$215,000 and take at least 14 weeks to complete.

It also found that further works worth \$1.4 million would be needed to make the facility an attractive, serviceable and functional outdoor complex.

Issues included declining usage, continuing losses, the preparedness of people to travel further to more leisure based pool complexes, and the close proximity of the Caulfield outdoor pool (2.7km).

The officer's report said: "It simply does not make economic or social sense to spend the necessary money for a very limited part (possibly March) of the season."

The Leisure Facility Feasibility Study, being undertaken by consultants Michael King and Associates, is a review of major existing leisure and recreation facilities, including both pools, and will make recommendations by the end of March 1997.

Petitions

These petitions were lodged with Council during November:

- Objection to proposed sale of Anarth Park, East Bentleigh (88 signatories)
- Objection to proposed sale of North Avenue Park, Bentleigh (138 signatories)
- Objection to installation of sewerage retention tank by South East Water, Koornang Park (106 signatories)
- Support for retaining Northern Memorial Swimming Pool, East Boundary Road, East Bentleigh (851 signatories)
- Concern over lack of safe pedestrian crossings in McKinnon Road, McKinnon (727 signatories – co-ordinated by the National Federation of Blind Citizens)

Right of way decisions

- Rear 22 Seymour Road, Elsternwick: to be closed to vehicles.
- Adjoining 34 and 36 Crimea Street, Caulfield North: (sale proposed) still required as a road for public use, and will remain open.
- Between St Vincents Street and Lloyds Avenue, Carnegie: (sale proposed) deferred until officer's report on the effect on a planning permit at 12-16 Lloyds Avenue issued in October.
- Adjacent to 117 Eskdale Road, Caulfield: to be sold.
- Rear I-II Centre Road and 205-211 Koornang Road, Carnegie: to be sold.

Decisions and discussion from the Ordinary meeting of the Glen Eira City Council meeting on 12 November 1996

Special rate abandoned

Council has abandoned plans to charge a special rate on Centre Road traders, which was to fund a public car park in 15 Caleb Street, East Bentleigh.

Council will now sell the land. It received 63 submissions on the proposal, with most opposing proposed arrangements for charging the special rate.

Planning amendments

Council will ask the Minister for Planning to appoint an independent panel to consider a proposed amendment to the Glen Eira Planning Scheme, to allow a museum for storing and display of historic horse drawn carriages and artefacts of the timber industry, and timber storage.

Amendment L5 asks for a site specific amendment to 1-3 Lewis Street, Ormond, which is zoned residential C. The proposal is by A Lewis & Co timber works, which adjoins the site.

Council gave in principle support for the museum and timber storage. It received 10 submissions on the issue, including four objections and a petition of 29 names.

Concerns included traffic, access, car parking safety, amenity issues, noise and air pollution, impact on property and land values, and landuse conflict/precedent. The applicant proposes that the museum open only three times a year.

Council has approved Amendment L3 for 14 Clairmont Avenue, Bentleigh, to rezone it from residential C to light industrial zone, to allow a vehicle service centre to be built by the adjoining Southern Mitsubishi car sales business.

The Amendment will now go to the Minister of Planning for approval.

Applicant Frank Penhalluriack asked Council to defer consideration on a proposed retail plant nursery on 333-337 Hawthorn Road, Caulfield, adjoining his hardware store. Council officers had recommended that a permit be refused because of loss of amenity, especially for residents of Briggs Street.

The proposal attracted 22 objections.

Council will restrict opening hours, increase setbacks and require acoustic walls of at least 2.2 metres, in approving a petrol station, convenience store and car wash at 641-643 Centre Road, Bentleigh.

Another section of the land will become six showrooms. The application attracted 15 objections, mostly concerned about the impact on residential areas.

The site is part of the old East Bentleigh Primary School and zoned Restricted Business.

Draft Open Space Strategy

Council resolved not to sell nine pocket parks pending the findings of the Open Space Strategy final report. The issue was referred to the December Council meeting.

Council also decided not to sell 4 Bute Street, Murrumbeena, subject to occupancy agreement with Murrumbeena Tennis Club and marketing/ promotion of the club to improve accessibility to the broader community and appropriate fee arrangements.

The Property Review Panel had earlier recommended the land be sold when the tennis club had been relocated to a more suitable and economic site.

The draft open space strategy attracted 314 submissions and two petitions, including 122 names against the possible sale of Dega Avenue Park, Bentleigh, and one with 88 names opposing the possible sale of Anarth Park, East Bentleigh.

Working at home

Glen Eira City Council held a seminar recently for home-based business operators. About 100 people contacted Council who were interested in forming a network. Sixty people attended the seminar, which outlined planning regulations for home-based businesses.

Ms Margaret Seedsman, executive director of the Home Based Business Association, spoke at the meeting and raised issues concerning set up and problems associated with home-based businesses.

Turning Japanese

Four delegates from Glen Eira's sister city, Ogaki in Japan, visited Council in November. The delegates gave Council postcards of Ogaki, which are on display in the foyer corridor at Glen Eira City Hall.



As part of the 1997 Glen Eira Festival, Council's Maternal and Childcare Services is proud to present -

Dr Rick Jarman on "Positive Parenting in 1997"

Dr Jarman is a highly regarded behavioural and developmental paediatrician and Director of Community Child Health & Ambulatory Paediatrics at Melbourne's Royal Children's Hospital.

Dr Jarman will deliver this expert and entertaining look at pre-school and primary school parenting on:

Thursday 25 February 1997, 7.30-9pm Auditorium, Caulfield Arts Complex Cnr Hawthorn & Glen Eira Roads, Caulfield

Cost: \$7 per person (tickets may be purchased in advance by contacting 9568 6050)

Babes in arms, only, welcome Enquiries: 9524 3403

There may be limited seating for purchase at the door, please enquire closer to the date. Parenting books can be purchased on the night.

In the beginning, there was Y

Youth and Community Services Minister Denis Napthine launched the exciting "Y Generation" Youth Magazine at Glen Eira City Hall last month, saying he hoped other councils would be inspired to follow Glen Eira's lead.

The first edition, aptly subtitled "The Beginning" is a classy 18-page magazine created by youth for youth, containing stories, interviews, photographs, drawings and graphics by a large group of enthusiastic young people aged 12 to 25, covering everything from addictions to local bands.

The magazine is an initiative of Glen Eira's Youth Services Department, and following the fantastic success of the first edition, a second is planned for March 1997.

Youth Services is setting up an advisory committee to manage the magazine and needs enthusiastic, committed, innovative young people 17 to 25 years for the following volunteer positions: treasurer, secretary, advertising and marketing representative, and distribution representative.

People interested in these volunteer positions will go through an interview process. Position briefs and interview times can be organised through Jodie in Youth Services on 9524 3321.

Journalists, photographers and artists 12 to 17 years are also needed to submit articles for different sections of the second edition of Y Generation, so get in touch!

Youth Services' teenage summer holiday program includes:

Swimming with the dolphins Monday, 23 December Learn to surf Tuesday, 24 December Mountain bike riding Monday, 20 January

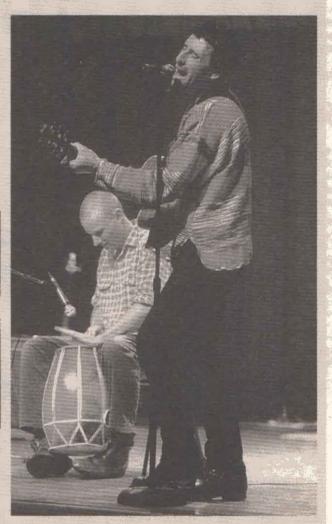
White water rafting Tuesday, 21 January to Wednesday 22 January.

For more details, contact Youth Services on 9524 3321.



Minister Denis Napthine (centre) with some of Y Gen's talented contributors Amber Plum, Jessica Moir, Skye Holcombe, Jackie Anstas, Derek Wiseman and Donna Conolan.

Anthony and Chris from local band Giam belt out some high energy funk rock at the magazine launch.



Elections

he City of Glen Eira is about to return to a democratically elected Council.

On 15 March 1997, six Councillors will be elected, two for each of the city's new wards: Mackie, Jasper and Orrong.

With their task of steering the City through the transition stage now largely complete, the Commissioners would like to encourage members of the community to take up the challenge of spearheading Glen Eira's continuing development.

Nominations to stand for Council open on February 3, 1997, and close at 4pm on February 13, 1997.

You can stand for council if you live in the city or are an owner or occupier of property, aged 18 and over, and an Australian citizen. (People who are not an Australian citizen, however, are entitled to vote). A councillor does not have to live in the ward he/she represents. Prospective candidate information kits are available from the Glen Eira Service Centre.

Enrol to vote now

The City of Glen Eira voters' roll closes on 18 December, the first of several important dates in the lead-up to the first council elections in the new municipality.

The voters' roll automatically includes all residents who are on the State and Federal voters' rolls, and the first named 'absentee' owners and occupiers, ie., people who own or occupy property but don't live there.

The following people may apply to be enrolled on Glen Eira's voters' roll:

- Any person over 18 years old who either owns or occupies rateable land in Glen Eira (this may include shop tenants and non-naturalised citizens).
- Nominees of corporations who either own or occupy rateable property in the municipality.

For an enrolment form or more details, contact the Glen Eira Service Centre on 9524 3333.

Election Timetable

15 March 1997

Listed are key dates in the lead up to Council elections on 15 March 1997:

18 December 1996 Entitlement Day - final date to be enrolled to vote. 27-31 January 1997 The voters' roll may be inspected during this period for any omissions, alterations. 3-13 February 1997 Nominations of candidates to be received. 14 February-Postal voting facilities available 13 March 1997 from the council offices. 3-14 March 1997 Pre-poll facilities open at the

Voting is compulsory for all residents on the voters' roll. Voting is optional if you are 70 years or over, or don't live at the property at which you are enrolled to vote.

Council offices and Bentleigh

Election day (8am-6pm)

STOP PRESS

Glen Eira has decided not to sell eight pocket parks.

The Commissioners at the 2 December Council meeting chose to retain Anarth Park, East Bentleigh; North Avenue Park, Bentleigh; Hall Street Park, McKinnon; Clee Street Park, McKinnon; Clapperton Street Park, Bentleigh; Leckie Street Park, Bentleigh; and Orange Street Park, South Oakleigh.

The Riddle Street Park in Bentleigh will be retained pending a review of its suitability as part of Council's Open Space Strategy.

The proposed sales, suggested by Council's Property Review Panel, attracted widespread community response, including a number of petitions opposing the sales, and more than 300 written submissions on the draft Open Space Strategy.

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t's that time of year again where families are gearing up for their annual pilgrimage to Victoria's beaches and swimming pools. It is a season of laughter and fun, although some families put themselves at unnecessary risk by taking children to the water without them being adequately skilled and trained in water safety.

The Caulfield Swim Centre is preparing itself for the huge influx of children who participate in Learn to Swim lessons every season. Under the guidance of Learn to Swim coordinator, John Beddoe, children will be taught invaluable water skills.

John has been teaching at the Caulfield Swim Centre for the past 20 years and has recently

Open Space Strategy

G len Eira City Council recognises the municipality's network of open space as

a valuable asset and the recently "drafted"

community input on the process which was

very helpful in identifying issues that need to

Over the next 12 months, Council will be analysing

developing policies and priorities to meet current

To produce a strategy which is representative of the

whole municipality, Council believes that public

consultation and community involvement is

essential. Consequently, Council will soon be

undertaking an extensive process of community

consultation, such as a randomly selected household

surveys and meetings with special interest groups.

and future open space/recreational needs of the

recreational facilities throughout the city and will be

Open Space Strategy encouraged broad

be addressed in the final document.

the network of open space and associated

retired as vice principal of the Glen Huntly Primary School to concentrate on his passion for the Learn to Swim program.

The first intensive nine day program will begin on Monday 9 December and finish Thursday 19 December. All children will have a free grading session prior to the program and will then be placed in a group equal to their ability.

All children will be instructed by qualified and experienced staff and at the end of the course will be presented with a certificate.

Complementing the children's Learn to Swim classes will be the Fitswim program for adults who want to improve their swimming ability and fitness.

Fitswim will be instructed by Swedish national champion, Camilla Johansson who is in Australia on a sports scholarship. Camilla will emphasise the

neighbourhoods. The dates for these meetings will

be advertised in the local newspaper early next year.

Everyone is encouraged to come along because your

If you would like any further information or would

like to place your name on a register of interest,

contact Council's Open Space Planner, Lynette

Neivandt on 9524 3401.

say will provide valuable input to the strategy.

Fitswim principles of group training, support, incentives and goals for an achievable means to improve each person's swimming techniques.

Fitswim classes will start early this month. For more information on either Learn to Swim or Fitswim, call the Caulfield Swim Centre on 9571 8143.

Giant Pool Party

A Giant Pool Party will be held at Caulfield Memorial Swimming Pool on Sunday, 15 December The afternoon includes a mobile rock climbing wall, Nessie the inflatable sea monster, jumping castle and many other games and activities. The fun starts at 12 noon.

Admission fee is \$2.50. For further information on the Giant Pool Party, please contact the Caulfield Memorial Swimming Pool on 9571 8143.

Council will also hold a number of public meetings to find out what the community's needs and expectations are with various parks in their

ART & CRAFT EXHIBITION

Glen Eira City Council invites senior residents to be part of our Senior Citizens Week Art and Craft Exhibition in 1997 to be held in the Caulfield Arts

Up to three works may be submitted and can include painting, photography, tapestry, pottery, china painting, etc.

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE 22 DECEMBER, 1996.

registration forms contact:

SENIOR CITIZENS WEEK 1997

6 - 13 March 1997

Complex Gallery.

For further information and/or

Cheryl Kennedy **Older Adults Recreation Officer** on 9524-3356

and enjoyable activities for children aged between 4-12 years, during the school holidays. During the Summer time it is important to be Sun Smart so don't forget to bring your hat and sun block and remember to always wear a hat when you go outdoors.

The Funtastic Holiday Program offers fun

The Arts program is held at the "Old Library" 4 Maple Street, Caulfield, and operates from 8am - 6pm. This program offers interesting and exciting craft activities for two groups of 5-7 year olds and 8-12 year olds with a maximum of 15 children in each age group. Activities for these holidays include making Cleopatra's Pillow, T-shirt painting, making and taping a movie, learning to use a pottery wheel, drama, dance and a whole lot more! You can book in for a morning or afternoon session.

More great programs operate from the Caulfield Recreation Centre, 6 Maple Street, Caulfield and the Moorleigh Community Village program, which is at 90-92 Bignell Road. Both operate from 8am - 6pm.

These centres will offer many sport and craft activities as well as cooking and adventure excursions. Children have a wonderful, fun time at the programs, taking part in cooking, trampolining, archery, outdoor sporting activities, art and craft, and a lot more fun and games! We also have theme days which are wild and fun!

School Holidays December 30 - January 24

The Teenies program is conducted at the Caulfield South Kindergarten at Birch Street, Caulfield.

It caters for 4-5 year olds (not attending school) which operates from 9.00am -3.45pm. A variety of activities are conducted with story telling, cooking, craft and outdoor games. Children have a nap during the day for an hour, so they need to bring a cover sheet and blanket.

Bookings will be held at 4 Maple Street Caulfield commencing on Monday 9 December 1996 from 6pm - 9pm. Bookings will continue on Tuesday 10 - Friday 13 December from 4.30pm - 6.30pm. An additional booking session will be on Saturday 14 December from 9am - 12 noon.

For further information please contact Chris Potiris on 9524 3277.



Double the fun!

Senior Citizens Week in Glen Eira will double in size to two weeks, from 6 - 23 March 1997, to give people the opportunity to be involved in a variety of activities planned locally.

Festivities kick off with the Glen Eira senior residents' Art and Craft Exhibition at the Caulfield Arts Complex Gallery on 6-13 March 1997.

This is a unique chance for residents to exhibit their work in a well known and respected gallery. The

closing date for registrations has been extended to 22 December. If you are interested in taking part in the exhibition and require a registration form, contact Cheryl Kennedy on 9524 3356.

Also on the Senior Citizens Week calendar is A Day in the Park on Wednesday, 19 March, offering fun, fitness and healthy ideas. It will include chair-based exercises and fit active style exercises, a walk in the park, Israeli dancing, gardening tips, general health checks provided by the Glen Eira Health Department and much more.

Council is also pleased to be able to offer limited transport to some of the 'State Week Activities' held in the Melbourne City area as well as some of our own activities. Senior Citizens Week brochures highlighting all our events will be available mid

For residents who wish to be on the Senior Citizens Week mailing list, or for more details about the activities, please contact Older Adults Recreation Officer, Cheryl Kennedy 9524 3356.

Bowl along

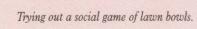
Lawn bowls is a wonderful opportunity to make friends in a relaxed atmosphere, and social games are available five days a week across two venues.

Elsternwick District Bowls at 27 Victoria Street, Elsternwick, has sessions on Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday, bewtween Ipm and 5pm.

Glen Huntly District Bowls, rear 1147 Glen Huntly Road. Glen Huntly, has social lawns bowls on Tuesday and Friday from 1pm to 5pm.

The cost is \$2 per session plus an annual administration fee of \$25 per year.

You can wear casual dress, although flat soled shoes must be worn on the greens. New players are always welcome so drop in or call Cheryl Kennedy, Council's Older Adults Recreation Officer, on 9524 3356.





Grass Roots Cricket The Big Winner

Under the unique Coca-Cola Runs For Australia Grants Fund, Coca-Cola and the Australian Cricket Board (ACB) will reward the Australian team's run scoring efforts in Test and one day internationals with a contribution of \$500,000 to be shared with cricket clubs Australia wide.

Every run scored this season by the Australian team will earn \$100 to go to the Australian Youth Cricket Foundation which is administered by the ACB. State Cricket Associations and the ACB will select clubs to receive the Grants based on their applications.

All cricket clubs in Australia are eligible to apply for projects such as ground and pavilion improvements, new and upgraded training facilities, and coaching and junior development.

For further information contact Ron Rooney at the ACB on 9653 9999.

A keen bunch of riders enjoyed a free healthy breakfast at Caulfield Park recently, as part of Ride to Work Day. The regular Bicycle Victoria promotion encourages people to try riding to work, and Council's Recreation Services department put on the tucker for those who took up the offer in Glen Eira on 13 November. Look out for the next Ride to Work Day.



* Arts

brought to you each month by the Caulfield Arts Complex 9524 3287

CHESS - rapid and musical!

What do Glen Eira and chess have in common?

The Australian Open Rapid Play Chess competition will be played at Glen Eira City Hall on 22-23 February, as part of the Glen Eira Festival.

And, Glen Eira resident Daryl Braithwaite will star in Chess - The Musical, which opens at the Princess Theatre on Wednesday, 19 February (tickets from Ticketek).

And, to top it off, Chess -The Musical has agreed to be the major sponsor for the national chess championship at Glen Eira.

How about that for a triple connection!



Glen Eira resident Daryl Braithwaite will appear in the blockbuster musical Chess

Local artists to vie for award

Entries are open for the City of Glen Eira Local Art Award, which began in 1993 as the Caulfield Artists' Award.

The successful inaugural competition began a tradition which has not only encouraged and supported local artists, it shows the depth and range of talent in the city.

Past winners of the award include well-known sculptor Pamela Irving, whose famous dog sculpture disappeared from Swanston Street and was recently replaced; Carmella Grynberg, whose winning entry **The Thoughts of a Young Woman** was bought by John Alison Monkhouse and donated to the City of Glen Eira Permanent Art Collection; and the young artist Tony Edelman, who recently produced the artwork for the WHO Card - the information card for young people available through Council's Youth Services.

All Glen Eira residents, as well as those who work or study in the city, are eligible for the Local Art Award. The exhibition will be held in the Caulfield Arts Complex gallery from 19 February to 2 March 1997, coinciding with the City of Glen Eira Festival. Prizewinners will be announced on Sunday, 23 February, at the exhibition opening.

Entry forms are available from the Caulfield Arts Complex, Glen Eira Service Centre and city libraries. The sponsors will once again include John Allison Monkhouse, while the judging committee will be drawn from the highest level of art teachers and curators within the community.

For further enquiries, please call Kay Palmer, the Exhibitions Development Officer, on 9524 3287.

Glen Eira Festival

Opportunities are still available to become involved in the City of Glen Eira Festival, from 22 February to 2 March 1997.

If your organisation would like to organise an event or take a stall on Community Day, 2 March, contact Peter Regan on 9524 3371.

Parks and gardens draw the crowds



len Eira has more than 70 public parks and gardens, ranging from small, side street gardens to major thoroughfare reserves. This year, four parks in different parts of the city

were featured in the inaugural City of Glen Eira Garden Festival during November. Each park and its program were carefully chosen to reflect the diversity of the city and its park users.

Five years ago, Boyd Park was a one-kilometre strip of grass. Now, due to co-operation between Council and community groups, it is a delightful indigenous park, linking to the Malvern Valley Wetlands. Representatives from the Wurundjeri and other indigenous tribes celebrated with environmental groups and park users, despite the rain. There was song, dance, storytelling, drawing and educational activities for all ages. The twin ovals of Centenary Park inspired large scale recreational events. Balls, kites, ropes and the City of Glen Eira tree crew, flew through the air. Children and dogs abounded and sausages sizzled, as the City of Glen Eira Band played old and new favourites and the Bentleigh Callisthenics College displayed their rhythm and grace.

Workshops were held in karate and tight-rope walking and information about a wide array of local recreational groups given out.

More than 800 people spent a leisurely afternoon at Joyce Park, enjoying the glorious spring bedding displays and listening to informative and entertaining talks by Gardening Australia's Peter Cundall and Glen Eira Parks Service experts Jens-Peter Coombes and David Edwards.

Box Cottage was open for the day and visitors also enjoyed an art show. The Rotary tea tent and the Garden Club plant stalls were busy all afternoon and sales of compost bins and worm farms (for Recycling Week) delighted the Environmental Health Department.

Glen Eira chief executive officer Margaret Douglas presented the Design a Garden Bed awards and local milliner, Waltraud Reiner presented the SunSmart Garden Hat Competition awards.

Rippon Lea House Museum and Historic Garden is a nationally recognised treasure and the National Trust generously reduced their entry fees to City of Glen Eira residents as a part of the festival. Many took up the invitation to picnic and enjoy the entertainments and the exhibition, Portrait of a Gardener.

The work of local botanical artist, Beverley Graham, was exhibited at the Caulfield Arts Complex throughout the festival. If you missed it, watch out for the Arts and Parks poster she has designed for the City of Glen Eira.

The SunSmart hat competition finalists were also on display as part of the festival and at the Glen Eira council offices foyer. Still on display and looking glorious, are the winning entries for the Design a Garden Bed Competition, planted out at Halley and Joyce Parks and Bentleigh Reserve (Jasper Road).



Members of Bentleigh Garden Club took part in the Garden Festival day at Joyce Park.

Recognition and rewards for writers

Writers have a very tough time finding opportunities to have their work displayed in a public forum. Musicians, actors and visual artists can create performances or exhibitions for the public to hear or see their work, but writers need to find a publisher or become self published for their work to be exposed.

The City of Glen Eira Writers Award provides not only a substantial financial incentive but also the possibility of publication in Meanjin.

The competition also encourages younger writers (under 19 years) of short stories, poetry or picture books to have a go. The winners in these categories also have wonderful prize incentives but of equal importance is the opportunity to have their work published and read. Star Fish Generations and Voice Works will publish the winning youth and children's short stories and poem.

The deadline for all categories is 5pm, 31 December 1996. Send to the Arts Programmer, PO Box 42, Caulfield South 3162, with a completed entry form and fee (\$5 open section, \$2 youth sections).

Entry forms are available from all Glen Eira libraries, the Arts Complex - corner of Hawthorn and Glen Eira Roads - or by sending a stamped self addressed envelope to the above address.

Thank you to the sponsors and prize donors for making the competition possible:

Angus and Robertson - Carnegie; Child and Adult; City of Glen Eira; East End Booksellers; Express Media; Jeffrey's Library Supply; Mason's Book Centre; Meanjin; Melbourne School of Art; Penguin Books; Random House; Star Fish Publications; Victorian Newspaper Suppliers; and Voice Works.

Festive Communities

McKinnon resident and photographer Peter Bury went out and about recently to snap the colour and fun of two community festivals.

Peter reported back that the Family Christmas Festival in Bentleigh Shopping centre, held on Sunday, 24 November, was a huge success.

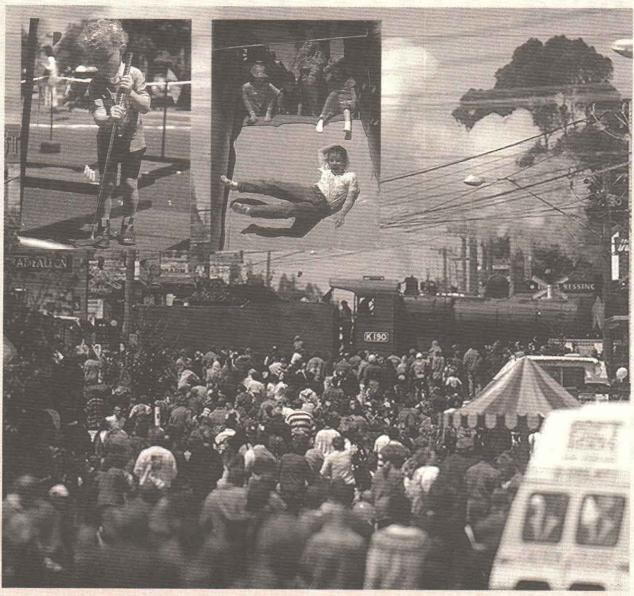
"Centre Road was blocked off for the day with things to play on, listen to and to get the taste buds moving. Local primary schools had plenty of singing and dancing on show at both ends of the Bentleigh shopping centre.

"To amuse the kids for hours there was everything from pony rides to mini go karts, from golf putting to bouncing slides. For the mums and dads, there was great food and wine tasting. Open for the day, the local shops also got into the swing of it all by offering great bargains and displays in products from food to fashion.

"It certainly was a beautiful warm day, and both families and shop traders enjoyed the turnout and entertainment immensely."

Peter also caught the action at the McKinnon Festival on Sunday, 10 November, held in McKinnon Road.





Main photo: McKinnon Road was alive with people at the McKinnon Festival. Insets: Children had fun trying out all the attractions at the Bentleigh festival. Photographs: Peter Bury.

Getting the dirt on worms!

len Eira residents had the chance to try worm farming and composting first hand at the Glen Eira Garden Festival's afternoon at Joyce Park.

As part of National Recycling Week, Council's Environmental Health Services - with the help of local environmental performer Vox Bandicoot - demonstrated different ways to compost garden waste and fruit and vegie scraps using worm factories and compost bins.

More than 60 families in Glen Eira decided they would start up their own worm farms, after seeing them in action at the festival.

A wormery is a great way to reduce the amount of garbage we throw away, not to mention great for your garden and the environment.

Peter from Reln Plastics, the manufacturer of the Worm Factory, answered questions on the day and advised: "The worms in a single wormery could eat all the kitchen waste produced by a household of four and are ideal for people living in flats or houses with small backyards."

Melbourne produces enough garbage to fill the MCG every two months. Half of household rubbish

is made up of food and garden waste and could be going into a wormery. The worms produce "casings" which are wonderful for enriching the garden.

Worm farms and compost bins are available from local nurseries or the Glen Eira Depot, Manchester Grove, Caulfield (worm farms \$60; compost bins \$40).



Entertainer Vox Bandicoot (right) - aka "Eileen Dover" - extols the pleasures of worm farming to local residents at the Garden Festival.

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Briefs

Are you looking out for hazards?

The Association for the Blind says obstacles such as overhanging trees which could be easily cut back, are turning a simple stroll down the street into a nightmare for many people.

Other major concerns are sandwich boards that clutter the streets in shopping areas and vehicles that are parked across footpaths.

Many people with vision impairment are able to travel safely with the use of the white cane using the fence line or the concrete, as a guide.

The cane may detect obstacles in the user's path but not trees which are hanging overhead. These obstacles can also be difficult for older people to negotiate.

Glen Eira City Council supports these safety measures and encourages residents and shopkeepers to keep a clear and safe path for pedestrians.

Putting on a Xmas display

Following the great success of last year's Christmas Window Display Competition, Glen Eira City Council is proud to again sponsor the event. This year's challenging theme is Christmas in Australia. The competition is open to all traders within the Bentleigh, Elsternwick and Carnegie shopping centres. The best window display of each shopping centre will receive \$500. The competition closes on 20 December.

Rates by instalment

A reminder to residents of Glen Eira that the annual rate notices have been issued. If you have not received your notice, please contact the Glen Eira Service Centre on 9524 3333.

If you have received your notice and you wish to pay by quarterly instalments, the first payment is due 31 December. Payments may be made at any bank. The National Australia Bank will not charge a transfer fee.

Are you immunised?

Immunisation Awareness Week from Monday 9 December to Friday 13 December is a good time to think about whether you're immunisations are up-to-date.

Council's Environmental Health Services coordinator, Victor di Paola, is concerned that, many adults tend to forget to have their immunisation boosters and leave themselves open to a variety of vaccine-preventable diseases.

Adult vaccinations are available free of charge at Council sessions, and include tetanus, diphtheria, polio and rubella. Vaccinations are also available from your local GP.

Glen Eira City Council's Health Department holds six immunisation sessions a month around the area for children and adults. Vaccination against Hepatitis B is also available for children and adults at these sessions.

For further information, contact the Health Department on 9524 3279 or your local doctor.

Switch on to Council news

88.3 Southern FM

Glen Eira City Council staff bring you the latest news on Council developments, services and programs through the City of Glen Eira Radio Hour on 88.3 Southern FM.

The program airs bi-monthly on Thursdays from 1-2pm and includes interviews and announcements related to the municipality. So tune in to hear about Council news and issues.

The program times for 1997 are: 30 January, 27 March, 22 May, 17 July, 11 September and 6 November.

Our way of saying thanks

Council honours the work of volunteers each year through its community services recognition scheme.

Volunteers are an important part of this community and make an invaluable contribution through a wide variety of organisations.

Council will again hold a recognition ceremony in 1997 to honour the work of volunteers. Nominations can be made for 500, 1000 or 2000 hours of service or a special category for voluntary work which organisations feel merit particular recognition, but does not fit into the hours of service category.

Non-profit, community based organisations are invited to take part and nomination forms are available from the Service Centre or telephone 9524 3333.

Nominations close 31 March 1997. The ceremony will be held during National Volunteers Week in May.



Lindsay Chalk of Moorabbin Area Toy Library receives her award from Chairman of Commissioners Cliff Caldwell at this year's ceremony.

Sponsor the 1997 Guide

would you like to have your business prominently displayed in a publication which in is every home in Glen Eira throughout the year?

The Glen Eira Community Resource Guide is delivered to 58,000 households and is a popular ready reference to Council services and community groups and activities. The guide is often kept by the phone for 12 months and more.

Glen Eira City Council is seeking a sponsor for the 1997 edition, which will be issued in mid-March.

It's an opportunity to both promote your business and to support this valuable community information service.

Advertising space will be available for a major sponsor on the back page. Other advertising opportunities will be available on the inside covers.

To discuss sponsorship of the Community Resource Guide, phone council's media liaison officer Rosanna Verde on 9524 3476. Closing date is 17 January 1997.

Make it clear... and safer!

Glen Eira City Council encourages residents and business owners to ensure that their properties are clearly numbered.

Clear and visible property numbering ensures:

- emergency vehicles (police, ambulance, fire brigade) are able to locate your address with timesaving accuracy.
- taxis arrive at the correct address.
- couriers, delivery trucks and visitors or customers can easily locate the premises.

It also improves safety on the road, reducing stop-starts, U-turns and other hazardous driving while searching for numbers.

This is particularly important In the evening, when visibility is poor, or when conditions are wet and windy.

Do you know Glen Eira's Citizen & Young Citizen of the Year?

As part of the 1997 Australia Day Celebrations to be held on Friday, 24 January 1997,
Glen Eira City Council is seeking nominations for the Citizen
and Young Citizen of the Year Award.

Organisations and individuals are invited to nominate citizens who they believe have made an outstanding contribution to the community.

Nominees must be Australian citizens and, unless there are exceptional circumstances, must be residents of Australia. To be eligible, the nominees for Young Citizen of the Year must be under 27 years of age on 26 January 1997.

Nominations close 16 December 1996.

For further information or nomination form, contace Rosanna Verde, Media Liaison Officer on 9524 3476.

Recycle that Christmas wrap!

onnes of newspapers, magazines and cardboard are produced in Australia every day - and unfortunately, a large portion of these recyclable materials end up in household garbage bins.

The 1996 Litter and Recycling Research Association Audit and Garbage Bin Analysis, conducted in metropolitan Melbourne, found that approximately 12 per cent of the content of rubbish bins was made up of paper and cardboard products. In other words, recyclable material is ending up as landfill.

Separating paper and cardboard from household waste reduces the burden on Melbourne's metropolitan landfills and provides valuable material for producing recycled products such as newsprint and cardboard packaging.

Householders can be involved in recycling by getting into the habit of separating paper and cardboard and bundling them up for the monthly collection provided by Glen Eira City Council.

The Council currently employs two contractors to collect paper and cardboard from residential areas. Kerbside Papers collects in the north Glen Eira area

and has done so since June 1993. A new contractor, Australian Papers, is starting collections in the south Glen Eira area in January 1997. A 1997 collection calendar is being prepared and will be distributed to residents in mid-December.

Australian Papers won a regional contract to collect paper and cardboard. It will also be collecting for the Cities of Bayside, Casey, Frankston and Kingston. The regional contract represents significant savings for Council.

The quantity of paper and cardboard collected in Glen Eira has steadily increased over the past few years. In 1993/94, approximately 1550 tonnes of paper and cardboard was collected in the former City of Caulfield. In the same area in 1995/96, approximately 2020 tonnes was collected. In the south Glen Eira area, 2050 tonnes of paper and cardboard were collected for the 1995/96 period.

Visy Recyclers started its recycling service in late November to the major strip shopping centres in the municipality. Visy Recyclers will be approaching individual shopkeepers in the selected shopping centres to ascertain whether the shopkeepers wish to use the service. The City of Glen Eira performed reasonably well in the Litter and Recycling Research Association's annual Garbage Bin audit, announced on 21 November. Glen Eira increased recycling levels from 56 per cent in 1995 to 65 per cent, compared to 52 per cent in the overall survey results.

Green waste

However, green waste going into household bins has actually increased to 25.5 per cent, up from 16.5 per cent in 1995. This compares to the overall 1996 survey figure of 14.4 per cent.

This is a concern as a green waste collection service has been provided for the past 12 months and it was anticipated the amount of green waste going into household bins would have decreased.

The major challenge facing Council is the State Government's 50 per cent waste reduction target and it will rely heavily on residents to participate in recycling.

So this Christmas, think twice before tossing out the Christmas wrapping paper and boxes. Think recycling!

Students top off SunSmart message

ix the ingredients of SunSmart awareness, recycling and millinery, and what you end up with are some fantastic hat creations.

Grade 6 students around Glen Eira were invited to put on their thinking caps for the SunSmart Hat Competition at the Glen Eira Garden Festival day in Joyce Park, and they created some colourful, fun - and practical - designs.

The inaugural venture of the Glen Eira SunSmart Promotion Group, the display and competition combined Skin Cancer Action Week and National Recycling Week, so hats which were made of recycled materials which also protected from the sun were chosen as the winners.

Local milliner Waltraud Reiner judged the entries and was amazed by the ingenuity and creativity shown by local students. The winners were the team efforts of Yedida Cooper and Rochel Herbst, and Chevi Rimler and Chami Grossbaum, all from Beth Rivkah Ladies College, and Jacki Xiao from Wesley College.

They received SunSmart prizes donated by the Anti Cancer Council and their hats were displayed at both the Garden Festival tea tent and at the Glen Eira City Council offices foyer.

The SunSmart Promotion Group members are planning more activities to promote sunsmart behaviour.

The members are Sue Hunt, Caulfield Community Care; Jean Simpson, Maternal and Child Health; and Lorraine Llewellyn Jones, East Bentleigh Community Health Centre. City of GLEN DISABILITY
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For a Position Description please contact Lynne Howard on 9524 3230.





Above: Winners, Yedida Cooper & Rachel Herbst, Cheve Rimler & Chami Grossbaum from Beth Rivkah Ladies College, with Waltraud Reiner's apprentice milliner Jenny.

Left: One of the winning SunSmart hats made from recycled materials by students from Beth Rivkah College.

VOLUNTEERS

Godfrey Street Community House (Bentleigh) needs volunteers to assist with childcare. If you are interested in becoming involved for three hours per week, please contact Shirley or Pat on 9557 9037.

Caulfield South and Godfrey Street Community Houses need volunteers for various tasks. All welcome, volunteer training will be held in the new year. Contact Shirley on 9596 8643 or 9557 9037.

Caulfield General Medical Centre would like to hear from anyone interested in becoming a volunteer for the hospital. A range of activities are available including friendly visits, musical entertainment, assisting with group activities, driving the bus, etc. Contact Jeanette Olszanski on 9276 2292.

Caulfield Adult Literacy Group URGENTLY needs a volunteer Bookkeeper/Treasurer for community based education program. Ideally suit retired person. Contact Janeece (Mon/Tues) on 9532 8319.

Southern Citizen Advocacy needs volunteers. Your ability to handle every day orientation program begins soon. Please call 9576 0155 for further details.

CHILDCARE

Godfrey St Community House in Bentleigh will offer an occasional childcare service until 20 December. Available Monday and Thursday 9.30am to 12.30pm. Cost \$7.50 per session, although price is negotiable for special circumstances.

MEETINGS AND COURSES

Caulfield U3A course list for 1997 is now available and can be obtained by sending a stamped self addressed envelope to Caulfield U3A, PO Box 359. South Caulfield, 3162. Enrolment day is Monday 27 January 1997 in the reception room, Glen Eira City Hall, from 10am to 4pm.

Caulfield South & Godfrey Street Community Houses 1997 courses are: counselling skills, communication skills and anger management for women, retail skills training, return to study, and bookkeeping. Please contact Shirley on 9596 8643 for further information.

The Nursing Mothers' Association of Australia -Caulfield Group will be discussing Toddler and New Baby - Early Days at the next meeting at 9.30am, Friday 13 December 1996 at 3 Leura Street, Murrumbeena. New mothers welcome. Contact Tracey on 9568 1058.

BUS TOURS

Caulfield U3A will conduct the following bus tours over the coming months:

- · Seawinds and The Barn for lunch 24 December.
- · Christmas Eve at the Cuckoo Restaurant, Olinda - 24 December
- Dolphins/seals cruise, Sorrento 12 February 1997. For information telephone 9532 8462 or 9523 7862.

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> Viewing: Mon - Sat, 10am - 5pm (closed Thursday), or by appointment.

COMMUNITY HEALTH

Monash BreastScreen is keen to support women in joining its program. To attend for screening mammograms, contact Lisa Scott on 9575 7760 to discuss possible arrangements. Screening appointments can be made by calling 13 20 50.

CONCERTS

"Sundays at Three" 1996 Concert Series, Baroque Concert featuring Miriam Morris (Gamba), Linda Kent (Harpsichord), Jane Edwards (Soprano), Hans-Dieter Michatz (Baroque Flute and Recorder), will perform works by Scarletti, Campra, Leclair and Telemann. Sunday 8 December at 3pm at The Anglican Church of St James the Great, 435 Inkerman Street, East St Kilda. Tickets \$10 (full), \$7 (concession). Phone: 9527 1017.

COMMUNITY RADIO

88.3 Southern FM broadcasts 80 different programs each week with something for everyone. Arts, theatre, community groups, personal development, current affairs, children's programs. All types of sport news and music for all ages. Southern Celebrities are on weekdays 9-11am. So tune in!

99.9FM Golden Days Radio broadcasts a variety of programs for people over the age of 50, midnight Friday to midnight Sunday. Membership costs \$20 per year. Contact Ron Howell on 9572 1466 for more information.

SPORT & ACTIVITIES

Moorabbin Netball Association has a lot to offer -Junior and Senior competition - Netta - development clinics. Enrol now for 1997 season, winter morning -May to September, winter afternoon - March to September. All games held at Dales Park, Warrigal Road. Teams and individual players welcome. Contact Gail Connell on 9570 2262.

MARKETS AND FETES

Eastmoor Primary School in Leo Street, East Bentleigh, will be a polling booth at the Council elections on Saturday 15 March 1997. A Car Boot Sale/Mini Fete will be held at the same time. Other attractions are: Harley rides, sausage sizzle, cake stall, lucky jars, jumping castle, and lots more. Spaces are available at \$10 per car. Bookings can be made by contacting Sharna or Rosalyn on 9570 1494.

CAULFIELD ARTS COMPLEX -

Cnr Hawthorn and Glen Eira Roads, Caulfield South, ph: 9524 3287

Celebrating Glen Eira! The City of Glen Eira Festival has been renamed Celebrating Glen Eira! and will be held from 22 February to 2 March 1997. Community Day will be held at Caulfield Racecourse on 2 March.

If your organisation would like to become involved either by organising an event or taking a stall on Community Day, contact Peter Regan on 9524 3371.

Writers' Competition: Last call for entries! Get them in by 31 December - pick up forms from the Arts Complex, or call 9524 3287. The My Brother Jack Short Story Award is open to all; the Youth and Children's categories are open only to residents and students of Glen Eira.

Exhibitions

Melbourne Institute of Textiles Graduate Exhibition until 15 December.

Outback Landscapes: paintings by Elfrun Lach, 17 - 24 December.

Local Art Award: Open to all who live, work or study in the City of Glen Eira. Entry forms can be obtained from the Arts Complex, or by calling 9524 3287. Closing date for entries 31 January 1997. The exhibition will run 19 February - 2 March 1997.

Theatrette

Glen Eira Youth Drama Group presents Ron Elisha's In Duty Bound, which will now be staged on 10-15 February 1997.

COMMUNITY HEALTH

ACCORD - (Australian Coordinating Committee on Organ Registries and Donation) want to hear from men and women, 18 years and over, who would like to become a potential organ donor. Please register your interest by calling 1800 808 840. Get and Let Live - Decide to Become an Organ Donor and Tell Your Family.

Father Christmas will write to you!



If you are old enough to read this we thought you ought to know that Father Christmas has appointed the Lions Club of Carnegie as his agent in Australia.

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If you would like your grandchildren, niece, nephew, etc., to receive a letter from Father Christmas, just give us their name and address and we will see that he writes before Christmas Day.

It's so easy, simply:

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- · be sure your child's full name and address is written clearly on the letter
- enclose a cheque to the value of \$2 per letter (cheques should be made out to "Lions Christmas Letter".

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CAULFIELD SOUTH PRESCHOOL

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We also have vacancies for the 3 year old groups

To enquire, please call Margaret on 9528 4131

The next issue of Glen Eira News will be published in the first week of February 1997. The deadline for editorial contributions and advertisements is 14 January 1997. Please contact Council's Media Liaison Officer, Rosanna Verde on 9524 3476, fax 9524 3358 or send details to PO Box 42, Caulfield South, 3162. Glen Eira News welcomes story ideas and letters from ratepayers, residents and people who work and study in the City of Glen Eira.

We extend season's greetings to all and wish you a happy, safe and prosperous New Year.