

## State first for food safety

**A** Bentleigh café deli is believed to be the first retail food premises in Victoria to meet the State Government's stringent new requirements for safe food handling.

Gioni's Café Deli at 353 Centre Road has used food hygiene consultants Comton Pty Ltd to design and implement a food safety plan, covering all shop operations. All microbiological and health hazards are listed, and the measures and actions to take if something should happen.

This high achievement has earned Gioni's owner Mrs Nicky Petousis-Kyrou the Glen Eira City Council's prestigious five star rating in Council's award-winning Food Hygiene Audit program.

Opened in July 1997, Gioni's staff have already undertaken a food hygiene course at Barton TAFE as well as implemented the food safety plan, which are both required under the new Food (Amendment) Act.

The new State Government regulations require all food shops to do this within the next three years, which should see a dramatic increase in hygiene and safety levels in food shops.

Glen Eira City Council is at the forefront of food safety promotion, piloting programs which are now being adopted by other councils across Victoria. Already running a four-star Food Hygiene Audit, it launched the five star program in mid-1997 and Gioni's was the first food premises to meet the top rating.



Gioni owner Nicky Petousis-Kyrou (left) with Council's Illness Prevention Program Leader Leanne Giroto.

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## Snakes! In the library!

**F**or hundreds of Glen Eira children it was back to school last week and many will regale their class with abundant "show and tell" stories from the activities of Council's School Holiday Program. One such event was captured by photographer Peter Bury at the Bentleigh Library.

Wild Action's Kate Garton enthralled about forty children with her live menagerie of Australian animals. The guests of honour ranged from shy Jerome, the baby ringtail possum, to Big Bertha the Water Python (shown left making friends with an audience member).

Kate discussed habitat and eating habits, special characteristics, predators and lifespans with the children and encouraged them to touch and hold several of the animals.

The menagerie also included two lizards (Mr Stumpy and Spikes), Terrance the long-necked turtle, a green tree frog called Freddo (of course), Brett the carpet python and Max the green python, and

special guest Moriarty the 18 month old crocodile. Among the still exhibits were a number of preserved animals, both native and introduced, such as wombats, birds and foxes.

Library branch leader Linda Baker said the Wild Action activity was a great success and was always popular with the children.

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# Mayor's Column

Mayor's Column



## New sporting and recreation centre proposed

An initial concept proposal for redeveloping Princes Park and vicinity sport ovals and recreation centres into a sporting complex appropriate for community use into the next millenium has been presented by community-based sporting group Maccabi Group. Council has held two consultative meetings and received many fruitful comments which need to be assessed. The next stage will be to invite expressions of interest from any other interested parties who would like to redevelop the area.

Our recreational and sporting facilities are around 30-50 years old and can benefit from a capital injection. By developing partnerships with community groups, we can provide the upgrade needed. But I must stipulate one condition - that our community can use these new facilities.

## Mayor for a day

Nearly 200 entries were received and an 11 year old boy won the opportunity of becoming Mayor for a day. This idea brought an awareness of the roles and responsibilities of the Mayor and Council, which is what I aimed to achieve. As a result, I have spoken to schools and community groups on Council's functions.

## Friendly Cities relationship a success

Ten years ago, we commenced a sister city relationship with the City of Ogaki in Japan. Council agreed this association be continued. To reaffirm our friendship, my wife and I visited Ogaki in January this year and signed a Declaration of Continued Relationship. I also launched our Internet Home Page developed by Kilvington Baptist Girls' Grammar School in Japanese to provide the latest community information about City of Glen Eira. Several other exciting cultural projects were discussed and I will bring you more news on these soon.

- Cr Alan Grossbard



Ogaki Mayor Mitsuru Ogura (right) and Glen Eira Mayor Cr Alan Grossbard sign the Declaration of Continued Relationship in Ogaki.

## DEADLINE FOR THE NEWS

Editorial contributions and advertisement bookings are welcome for the Glen Eira News. Please submit material at the beginning of the month prior to the issue in which you wish it to appear. The next issue of Glen Eira News will be released on 2-4 March. The deadline is Monday 9 February. Advertising rates are available on application.

To submit editorial material for consideration, fax 9523 0339, email on mail@gleneira.vic.gov.au or write to PO Box 42, Caulfield South 3162.

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## Biblical Roots of Civilization The Noahide Laws

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Sunday 22 February, 1998 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Grand Hyatt Melbourne, 123 Collins St., Melbourne

A conference on the concept of civilization biblically mandated by the Noahide Laws. The "Seven Laws of Noah" comprise the prohibitions on idolatry, blasphemy, murder, theft, sexual immorality and cruelty to animals and the positive injunction to set up processes of justice. These laws, distinct from the specific precepts set out in the bible for the Jewish people, relate to all humanity. The conference is open to all interested members of the general public.

Under the auspices of the Institute for Judaism and Civilization in conjunction with the Australian Noahide Association and the Australian Centre for Jewish Civilization, Monash University.

### PROGRAMME

#### MORNING SESSION

*Civilization and the Noahide Laws*  
10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

#### Conference opening

**The Rt. Hon Sir Zelman Cowen**

#### Introductory remarks

**Mr. Kimball S. Monger**

Director, Australian Noahide Association

#### "Discovering G-d in the new Millenium"

**Mr. J. David Davis**, Director of "Emmanuel", a major North American Noahide group

#### MORNING TEA

*"On the idea of civilization"*

**Rabbi Dr. Shimon Cowen**

Director of the Institute for Judaism and Civilization, Associate of the Kollel Menachem Lubavitch and the Australian Centre for Jewish Civilization, Monash University

LUNCH 1 P.M. - 2 P.M.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

**The individual Noahide laws 2 - 5 p.m.**

*The prohibitions of idolatry and blasphemy*

**Mr. J. David Davis**

*Principles of order: the prohibitions of murder and robbery*

**The Hon Dr. Barry Jones AO, MP**

*Sexual morality*

**The Hon Justice F. Vincent**

Justice of the Supreme Court of Victoria

#### AFTERNOON TEA

*Processes of justice*

**Mr. Steven Stern**

General Counsel and Secretary to the University Council, Victoria University of Technology

*The prohibition of cruelty to animals*

**Rabbi Chaim Gutnick**, President of the Rabbinical Council of Victoria

*Concluding remarks, Rabbi Dr. S. Cowen*

## REGISTRATION BY 16 FEBRUARY 1998

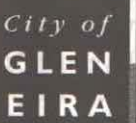
To register please send your name, address and contact numbers with a cheque for \$50 per person made out to "Kollel Projects" to Rabbi Dr. S. Cowen, 92 Hotham St., East St. Kilda, Victoria 3183

Australia by Monday 16 February, 1998. Conference fee includes lunch (kosher) and morning and afternoon tea. Concessions available for groups, pensioners and students.

ENQUIRIES: Rabbi Dr. S. Cowen Telephone (61)-03-9522-8222 Facsimile (61)-03-9522-8266 (BH)

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## Glen Eira City Council Heritage Advisory Service



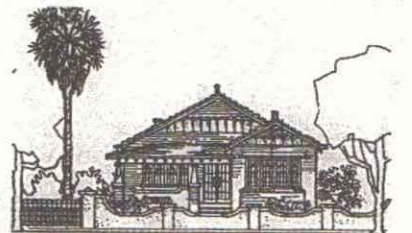
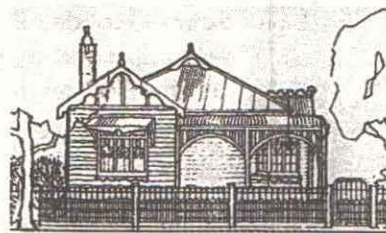
Glen Eira City Council provides a free heritage advisory service. Heritage Adviser Andrew Ward is a well known architect and architectural historian.

Andrew can offer free advice:

- to property owners with respect to any alterations and conservation work, and
- to builders and trades people on relevant conservation/restoration techniques and material sources for specific tasks.

Andrew is available for on-site meetings or can be visited at the Council offices. Please ring in advance for an appointment.

For bookings or further details contact Council's Strategic Planning Department on 9524 3412 or by fax on 9524 3432.



## Quick Quiz No. 4

Of people who travel to the City of Glen Eira on public transport each day, what will most of them be doing: working, studying, shopping or socialising? Answer, page 11.

The information in this publication is of a general nature. The articles contained herein are not intended to provide a complete discussion on each subject and/or issues canvassed.

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## The big dry – help save our trees!

**D**ue to the extreme heat and dry conditions expected for the rest of summer and autumn, Glen Eira City Council's Park Services and Glen Eira Trees team are asking residents to help save our streetscapes by watering trees on the nature strip outside their home.

Glen Eira Trees endeavours to water all newly planted and young trees, although with about 1000 trees being planted each year, this becomes a huge task. The Council's water tank is already working flat out watering these trees in the hot, dry conditions.

Council's parks facilitator Jens-Peter Coombes said: "We are asking residents to help out and water trees on nature strips regularly. This is easy for most newly planted trees because they have a black agricultural pipe placed at the base of the tree, which directs water straight to the root zone where it is needed most.

"10 to 20 litres of water twice a week in hot weather should go a long way towards ensuring a healthy long-lived tree."

Councillor Veronika Martens, whose portfolio covers parks, said: "The Council and community can work together to protect our streetscapes during the driest weather in Melbourne for nearly 100 years.

"Without heavy and consistent rain soon, our trees will be in trouble – some already are. Trees are one of the City's best assets, and we need to all help water them to keep our beautiful streetscapes for the future."

Cr Martens said it was also important for traders to get involved. "Business owners can do the right thing and water trees outside their premises, and help save the trees in our strip shopping centres," she said.

### Some "waterwise" tips for your garden

**Lawns:** Deep watering early in the morning 1-2 times per week is the key to maintaining healthy lawn areas in summer. Deep watering encourages deep roots, which helps lawns survive in hot weather. Another hint is to raise your lawnmower cutting blades, allowing the longer grass to shade the root zone, thus reducing evaporation from the soil.

Melbourne Water recommends 10 millimetres of water to be sufficient to maintain a healthy lawn in hot weather. One way to measure this is to place an ice cream container under your lawn sprinkler. When the container has filled to a depth of 10 millimetres, you can turn off the sprinkler.

**Trees and shrubs:** Deep watering is also the key to healthy deep-rooted trees. In particular, young and recently planted trees are expected to suffer in hot and dry conditions.

Other methods of maintain healthy trees and shrubs includes not allowing lawns to grow right up to the base of trees and out-competing them for moisture, as well as mulching around the base to help conserve water and reduce evaporation. Remember to keep mulch away from the trunk of trees to reduce the chances of collar rot occurring.

### More free mulch

Glen Eira Park Services will hold another free mulch day, after the huge success of their November day. It will be held on Saturday 7 February from 7.30am to noon, at the rear of Caulfield Bowling Club, Caulfield Park (enter via the driveway on Balaclava Road). Residents are welcome to bring a trailer as often as they like during the morning, or bring a wheelie bin, garbage bag or car boot, and staff will load up the free mulch. The mulch comes from woodchipped prunings from around the City.

# Singing to celebrate

**T**housands turned out for the 1997 City of Glen Eira Carols by Candlelight on 21 December at Caulfield Racecourse.

Event co-ordinator Peter Regan from the Arts team put on another great show, including Maria Mercedes, Sun Aria winner Natalie Jones, MC Denis Walter and some great local talent.

Peter was delighted with the good weather, great crowd and top entertainment - "everything was a highlight," he said.

The sale of candles and programs by the Girl Guides raised \$2217 for the Glen Eira Community Information and Resource Centre's emergency relief work.

The Victorian Amateur Turf Club provided the excellent facilities, and major sponsors included Tattersall's, Bernie's Music Land, Leader Newspapers and Noel Jones. Congratulations to Peter and the Arts team for a great night out.



Ranger Felicity Gayland lights candles for Tattersalls Public Affairs Manager Lance Behan (left) and Mayor Cr Alan Grossbard.

## SNIPPETS

### Council meetings

Glen Eira City Council will meet every third week in 1998, on the following dates:

- Monday, 2 February
- Monday, 23 February
- Monday, 16 March
- Monday, 6 April
- Monday, 27 April
- Monday, 18 May
- Tuesday, 9 June (Monday - Queen's birthday)
- Monday, 29 June

Meetings are held in the Council Chambers, at the Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn roads, Caulfield, at 7.30pm.

### Collectors – be wary

Charitable collections play an important role in assisting worthwhile causes in our community. Throughout the year, many collections take place in Glen Eira including street "tin shakes", highway collections, raffles or door-to-door collections.

Residents sometimes raise concerns about whether the collector is appropriately authorised or carries the proper credentials. Council advises that every collector who solicits donations must have received prior approval from the Office of Fair Trading and Business Affairs and obtained a permit from Council's Local Laws office.

Collectors must carry adequate proof of identity on behalf of the charity they represent and produce evidence of authority if requested.

If you are unsure of the bona fides of any collector who approaches you, or if they are unable to produce proof of authority on demand, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333. A Local Laws officer will be sent out to investigate.

### Mayoral and Councillor allowances

The State Government has accepted the recommendations of a review panel of mayoral and Councillor allowances and determined that Councillor allowances will remain between \$5000 and \$12,000, while mayoral allowances have been set at three times this amount, ie ranging from \$15,000 to \$36,000.

The panel comprised council representatives, local government industry groups, the community and various interested parties.

Other recommendations included a Mayoral entitlement to a car and mobile phone (a package of between \$10,000 and \$14,000 annually), and an allowance of \$20 per approved council meeting or function (up to \$2000 per year) for councillors living more than 50km from the municipal offices.



Slava Grigoryan

# Young artist recognised

**G**ardenvale resident and classical guitarist Slava Grigoryan was recently awarded the National Medibank Private Arts Award in the 1998 Young Australian of the Year awards.

Slava said receiving the award was a great honour, not only for himself but for all classical guitarists, as this type of music doesn't generally get such recognition.

One of three Victorian finalists in the awards, Slava is already an accomplished guitarist at only 21 years old. He is described as an "electrifying performer with phenomenal technique and great musicality" and has performed publicly since the age of 12. He made his formal debut at aged 14 when he began performing as a soloist overseas.

Since recording his ARIA nominated debut *Spirit of Spain* at 16, Slava's career has progressed rapidly to encompass his debut in the Tokyo Guitar Competition; an Australian tour in 1996; feature soloist with the Australian Chamber Orchestra; and regular UK and European festival appearances.

Victorian Tan Le, winner in the Community Service category, was named the overall Young Australian of the Year, while another Victorian Ross Cunnington won his category - ACTEW Corporation Science and Technology Award.



## Resource Guide 1998

Work is beginning on the next Glen Eira Community Resource Guide. The popular guide lists all Council services and contact numbers, as well as a Community section covering activity groups, service clubs, sporting organisations, health and community care, volunteering, churches and much more. It is delivered to all homes and businesses in Glen Eira.

Council is sending letters to groups and organisations listed in the last Resource Guide, asking for up-to-date details on addresses, phone numbers and contact names, to include in the new edition. The deadline for entries is 28 February 1998.

If your group would like to be listed but was not included in the last edition, or you do not receive a letter from Council, please write the details and the section you would like to be listed under, and post to: Glen Eira Community Resource Guide, Glen Eira City Council, PO Box 42, Caulfield South 3162, or phone our Resource Guide hotline answering service on 9524 3492.

Below we have listed several amendments to the 1997 Resource Guide edition, as a forerunner to the next edition, which will be ready for distribution in about May 1998.

### Not included/ additions:

#### page 45 (under Music)

##### City of Glen Eira Band

PO Box 305

CARNEGIE 3163

Phone: 9878 8099

Contact: Graham Patching

#### page 68

##### 5th Central Moorabbin Scout group

Halley Park Cnr Jasper Road &

Mortimore Street

MOORABBIN 3819

Phone: 9557 2089

Contact: Helen Chaberka

#### page 46 (under Other Groups)

##### McKinnon Scrabble Club

100 Wheatley Road

MCKINNON 3204

Phone: 9578 6767

Contact: Lesley Mack

#### page 55 (under

##### Information Centres)

##### Glen Eira Community

##### Information & Resource

Centre also at:

9 Godfrey Street

BENTLEIGH 3204

Phone: 9557 6836

10am-2pm Tuesday

12noon-4pm Thursday

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##### Rotary Club of Caulfield Inc

PO Box 281, CAULFIELD

SOUTH 3162

Phone: 9568 7190

Contact: Heather Welsh

#### page 95 (under Justices of the Peace - Caulfield)

##### Mr Herschel Davis JP

2/53 Snowdon Avenue, Phone:

9528 1318

### Incorrect information:

#### page 45

##### Caulfield City Choir Inc

Is now known as Glen Eira

City Choir

#### page 80

##### Rotary Club of Glen Eira Inc

details should be:

PO Box 55 GLEN HUNTLY

3163 Phone: 9523 6270

Contact: Barry James

### To be deleted:

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##### Rotary Club of Caulfield-

Rosstown Inc

PO Box 281 GLEN HUNTLY

3163 Phone: 9528 3208

Contact: Rev G Fitzgerald

9528 5988

## MMC Precinct Structure Plan approved

**G**len Eira City Council has approved the Monash Medical Centre Precinct Structure Plan - a document which outlines a specific area around the Monash Medical Centre where medical centres and related uses are preferred.

This document acts as a guide to developers, Council planners and residents when submitting planning applications for such uses to Council.

Council hopes the Structure Plan will help to curb the encroachment of medical centres into residential streets surrounding the hospital by ensuring new medical centres are only developed within the defined precinct.

The Structure Plan contains a set of objectives and policies for the development of medical and related uses within this precinct. Proposals located outside, but in close proximity to, the precinct will be

discouraged. Proposals for medical centres within the Precinct will still require a planning permit and neighbours' rights of objection have been maintained.

The objectives of the Structure Plan, together with the guidelines for development in the newly approved Non-Residential Uses in Residential Zones Policy will ensure that any new developments are well designed and landscaped and have appropriate on-site car parking and hours of operation for the particular locality.

Copies of both the Monash Medical Centre Precinct Structure Plan and the Non-Residential Uses in Residential Zones Policy can be purchased from the Town Planning Counter at Glen Eira City Council for \$5.

If you have any queries regarding this structure plan, please contact Jacqui Brasher, Glen Eira Strategic Planning Department on 9524 3441.

## Street Tree Strategy

Glen Eira's tree-lined streets will benefit from a long term vision with Council's new Street Tree Strategy.

The strategy aims to avoid an ad hoc approach to tree selection and to minimise any negative impact of trees and maximise the benefits to the community. It presents a long term plan for attaining consistent avenues of appropriate tree species throughout the city.

Copies of the report are available at all libraries in the municipality, and at the Council's service centre and Town Planning counter, at the council offices.

## 4-year-old kindergarten central enrolment system



Forms and detailed information is now available from Glen Eira City Council by calling 9524 3333 or from your local kindergarten.

- Children who turn three during the period 1 May to the following 30 April can be enrolled at any time during that period.
- The Central Enrolment fee is \$8 per child (\$5 for health care card holders)
- Central Enrolments for 4-year-old kindergarten in the year 2000 will open from 1 May 1998
- Enrolments for 4-year-old kindergarten in 1999 are now being processed
- For 3-year-old kindergarten enrol directly with the kindergarten of your choice



## New contracts awarded

**Council in December awarded two contracts for traffic management and animal control services to outside tenderers, while the Local Laws contract went to an in-house team, Glen Laws.**

Acting Mayor, Cr Barry Neve said: "Whilst the parking officers are no longer Council employees, they are still bound by Council policies and practices in terms of issuing and processing parking infringement notices.

"As far as the public is concerned there will be no discernable difference. Parking and traffic offences will incur an infringement notice now under exactly the same circumstances as before."

ECT, a company which has won similar contracts at neighbouring municipalities (Kingston, Monash and Stonnington), tendered successfully for traffic management, while the Lost Dogs Home was awarded animal control services.

Council found the Lost Dogs Home displayed an impressive attitude to pet ownership rather than focusing solely on the statutory requirements of dog and cat registration.

Residents are likely to see Lost Dogs Home employees in Council parks and gardens.

The tendering process will result in improved service delivery in all three areas of traffic management, animal control and business services. Cr Neve said this was the prime reason for awarding the tenders.

"In addition, these services will be delivered with considerable cost savings to rate payers – in the order of \$200,000. These cost savings could not responsibly be ignored," he said.

## Princes Park, Maple Street



### Community Consultative Committee

Nominations are invited from residents to serve on a Community Consultative Committee to examine possible development of Princes Park and the Council's Maple Street facilities.

The Consultative Committee is being formed to allow community input into Council's consideration of proposals to develop a sporting and recreational complex at the above facilities.

The Consultative Committee will comprise broadly based community representatives, representatives of users of the facilities, Councillors and Council Officers.

Nomination forms for the Consultative Committee may be obtained from Recreation Development, Glen Eira City Council, PO Box 42, Caulfield South, Vic, 3162 or by telephoning 9524 3470.

**Nominations close on Friday, 6 March 1998.**

## The festival city...

A grand day at the fair was had by all... as Glen Eira residents and traders enjoyed four festivals at the end of last year; the McKinnon Village Fair, and the Elsternwick, Carnegie, and Bentleigh festivals.

Barbara Douglas, member of the McKinnon Village Association, said the seventh McKinnon Village Fair attracted about 10,000 people. She said the day was generously supported by traders, residents, police and Council.

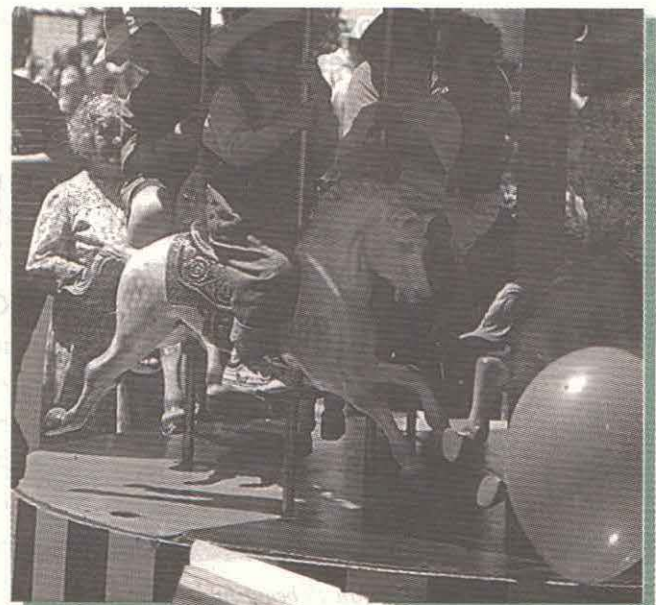
An estimated 20,000 people attended the Elsternwick Festival in Glen Huntly Road to enjoy a variety of stalls and access to most traders.

Sara Jones (Elsternwick Main Street Committee) said the festival included a poetry reading presented by local schools and was a great show of community support and participation.

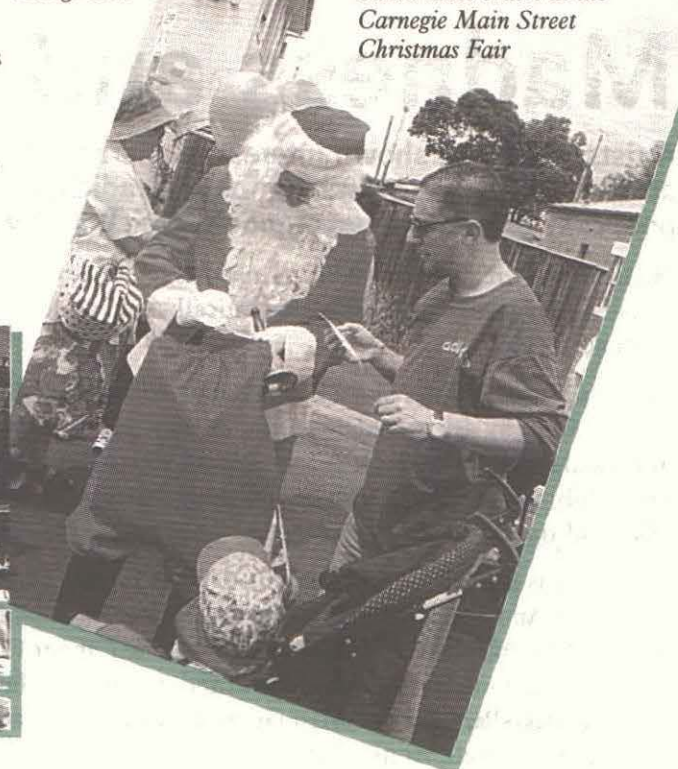
A little rain was not enough to dampen the spirits of people attending the Carnegie Main Street Christmas Fair – they simply put up umbrellas! And Humphrey Bear was not deterred but continued his performance under the shop verandahs.

The fair involved retailers, local community groups and organisations and both Father Christmas and Saint Nicholas attended the day.

Mark Mackie said the estimated 25,000 people who attended the Bentleigh Festival were very lucky with the day as perfect weather prevailed. He said the festival was a great success and surpassed previous years.



Carousel riding at McKinnon Village Fair



Santa takes orders at the Carnegie Main Street Christmas Fair



Crowds of fun in McKinnon Rd

## Park development proposed

**Council will call for Expressions of Interest to develop the Princes Park/Maple Street facilities. The move comes after a proposal from Maccabi Victoria to develop the facilities, and after two public meetings held late last year.**

A Community Consultation Committee will also be established in March to review development proposals, and to ensure that the views of all the community are considered.

Victoria Maccabi, an organisation which co-ordinates Jewish sporting clubs, approached Council in early November 1997 with a proposal to develop the sporting and recreational facilities at Princes Park and Maple Street in South Caulfield.

Council held two public meetings in December 1997 to gauge public response before Council Officers examined the concept in any depth, and for representatives from Maccabi to explain the concept.

Many people expressed concern about increased traffic, noise, parking demand and alienation of public open space. Others welcomed the concept as an ideal chance to replace rundown inefficient facilities with a state-of-the-art complex at little cost to the City of Glen Eira.

The Maccabi concept suggests replacing the existing Maple Street facilities with a modern recreation centre which includes a multi-use recreation area, a

gymnasium, change rooms, sports medicine clinic, function and meeting rooms and parking. The facilities would also include a 350 seat theatre and a bistro.

Offices and meeting facilities for other Jewish organisations, which would not be open to the general community, are also part of the redevelopment concept.

The Bricker Pavilion in Princes Park would be replaced with a larger complex to house indoor basketball, table tennis, change rooms and club rooms. The concept would also relocate two tennis courts.

All of the proposed development's sport and recreational facilities would be open to the general community and access rights to existing tenants and users would be guaranteed.

Glen Eira Mayor Cr Alan Grossbard stressed the City of Glen Eira would benefit by having a first-class development provided for the community at very little cost.

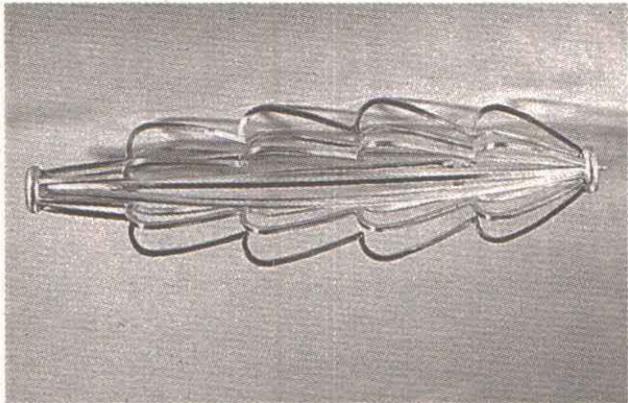
The concept envisages ownership of the land and facilities being retained by the Glen Eira City Council, and the balance of management control remaining with the Council. An independent professional venue management company would be engaged to operate the complex.

Details for Expressions of Interest will be published in the next issue of *Glen Eira News*.



# Arts Simply the best

Three exhibitions programmed by the Glen Eira Arts Complex Gallery set up 1998 to be one of the best. These shows launch a policy of presenting the highest quality of Australian art alongside our regular program of community and artist initiated events.



An example of Carlier Makigawa's beautiful jewellery – the silver brooch, 1996. Other works are also featured in *Containment*.

## Inside and out

Open since early January, the stylish and engaging *Containment* has attracted strong audiences, and good press.

*Containment* is an exhibition that teases by playing on concepts of inside and outside. Despite its rather dry name, it does get down to asking some pertinent questions: What is the skin or the outside of an object hiding from our view? Can we judge the contents by the packaging? Can our eyes be trusted?

Curated by the University of Tasmania and toured by Contemporary Arts Services Tasmania, *Containment* includes ceramics by Gwyn Hanssen-Piggot and Zsolt Faludi, paintings by Debra Dawes and Mary Scott, and jewellery by Carlier Makigawa. *Containment* continues until 22 February.

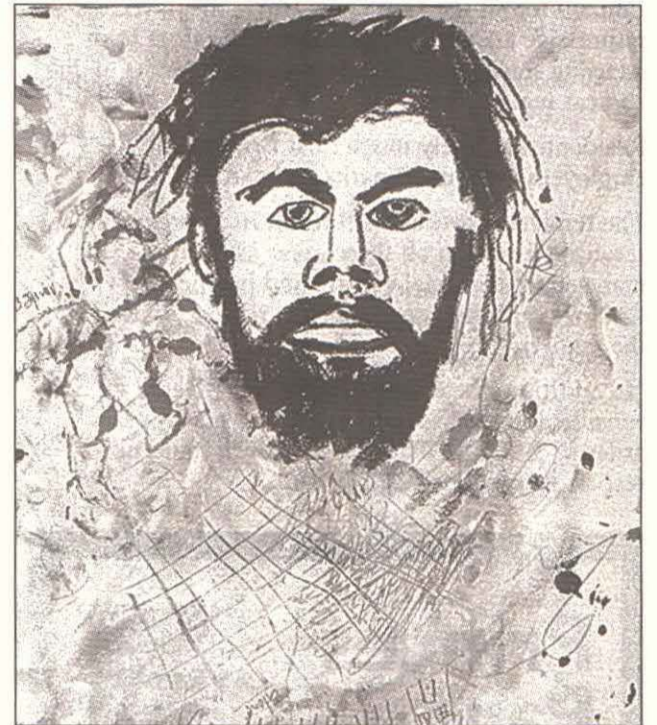
## Madness and creativity

Artists have long shown interest in alternatives to conventional social and community attitudes. They are searching for contradictions in received wisdom, sometimes poetically presenting new models, which ask: What if..?

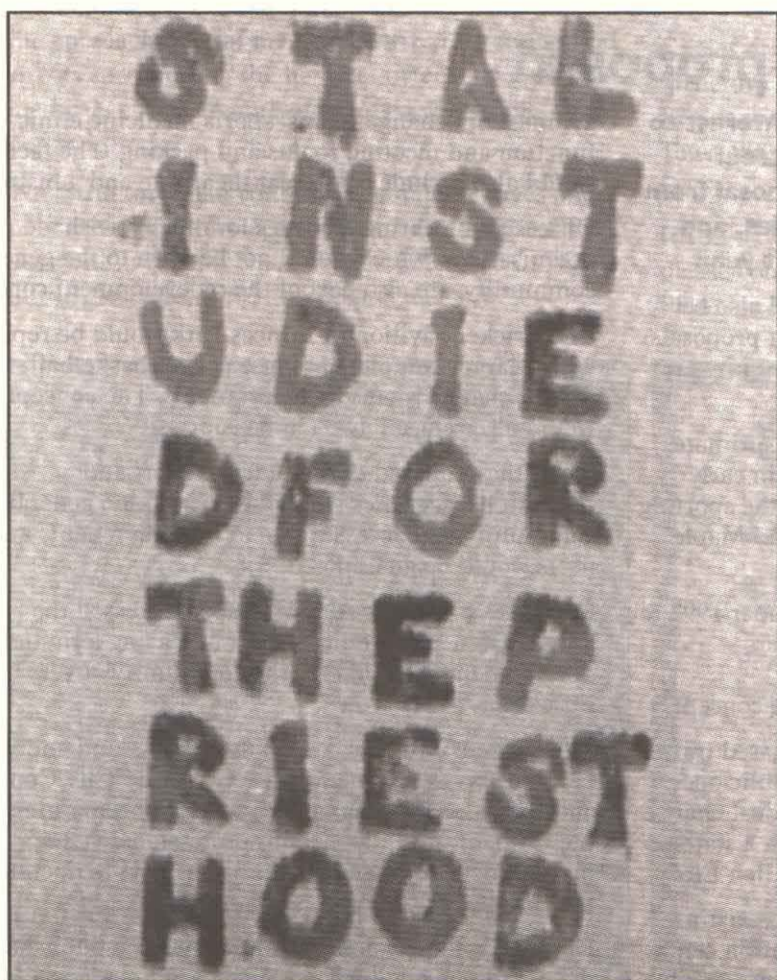
Madness and creativity have been linked together as concepts since the time of Aristotle and regularly updated ever since. Madness is romantically seen as offering special insights into the truth of human existence.

The exhibition *Episodes* (4–22 February) is an attempt to ask questions about art's interest in "madness". It features work by artists who have, and have not, experienced mental illness, and provides important insights into mental illness. It keeps at arms length the romantic and traditional stereotypes of art and mental illness. The exhibition catalogue includes an essay which maps social attitudes to the mentally ill, by outlining the history of treatment.

This event is funded by the Australia Council, and is one of the very first in a new wave of community art projects in Australia. The exhibition has been curated by David O'Halloran of the Glen Eira Arts Complex, and the Arts Officer of the Tasmanian Trades & Labour Council, John McQueenie. Artists featured in the exhibition include Gordon Bennett, winner of the 1997 James McCaughey prize at the National Gallery of Victoria, Mike Parr, British artist Graeme Harwood, Jane Burton, David Cavanagh and Rebecca Greenwood with Cindy Bennett, Annie Cornelisse, Sarah Gamble, Paul Malcom, Miki Parker and Colin Van Der Woude.



Above, *Suburban Alienation* 1995. Gordon Bennett – from *Episodes*.



## Reading into what you see

The written word, both handwritten and text organised as type, has long been utilised by artists. Staged to accompany the readings of the winning entries from the Glen Eira Writing Competition, *Talking Pictures* presents some examples of the use of written text by contemporary artists.

The phrase "down there in black & white" is evidence of the authority of the written word, which seems to so finally and completely provide unequivocal meaning. It is this sense of completeness, of the finality of the written text, that visual artists often wish to disrupt.

The exhibition includes work by New York artist Jenny Holzer, Mladen Stilinovic from Zagreb, and Australian artists, John Nixon, John Barbour, Richard Grayson, Suzanne Treister, Peter Tyndall, Greg Deferos, Lee Smith as well as recent VCA graduates Terry Eichler and Michelle Tonkin.

The text in these visual art works ranges from merely a label, through to political slogans, and jokes. *Talking Pictures* opens 6pm February 24 and continues to March 15.

Work about the Real World, 1995. Potato print by Richard Grayson from *Talking Pictures*



## Sunday concerts in the parks, 1-3pm

The City of Glen Eira Band conducted by Len Russell with soprano Elena Xanthoudakis invites you to join them for a series of **FREE** summer concerts in three of Glen Eira's beautiful parks.

<b>Sunday 1 February</b>	Joyce Park Jasper Road, Ormond
<b>Sunday 15 February</b>	Caulfield Park Hawthorn Road, Caulfield
<b>Sunday 1 March</b>	Hopetoun Gardens Victoria Street, Elsternwick

Bring along a picnic and enjoy a relaxing afternoon of popular music in delightful surrounds.

Contact: Peter Regan, Events Coordinator on 9524 3371.

Proudly supported by the City of Glen Eira.

# Everyday in your street

## What's in your street?

A classic or a clanger, a bizarre building or a genteel garden, a delightful detail of times past or a contemporary castle? The Arts programmers are currently researching Glen Eira's streets and parks to prepare for bus tours of our fair city in June. We want to know all about people, places, tall stories and sober truths!

Four artists are currently creating an exhibition on everyday life in Glen Eira and their work will be on show as Everyday at the Glen Eira Arts Complex Gallery from 8-21 June. In an innovative approach to Arts programming, we will be running four bus tours of the City to accompany the exhibition. Each day we will explore a different angle in our city's development, and all trips will include a visit to the exhibition.

So let us know if there's somewhere or someone or something you think would be of interest to others. The following may help:

**Old Glen Eira:** (To Federation) The swamps, aboriginal people, settlement, railways, market gardens, Melba and mansions...

**The Wars:** Hope of a new century, sacrifice, the 20s and the Depression, war and peace, My Brother Jack and the Boyds...

**Migration:** From all over the world, for so many reasons, to settle here...

**The Suburban Dream:** The changing face and pace of the suburbs, AV Jennings, TV, the Olympics, the 50s, today...

Please send information, illustrations, stories etc to:

Arts Programmers, Glen Eira City Council, PO Box 42, Caulfield, 3162.  
Contact: Susan or Deborah on 9524 3402

# Glen Eira Writer's Competition

We have had a wonderful response again this year for the Glen Eira Writer's Competition with over 280 entries across the four categories. It is even more pleasing that half the entries were submitted from local writers or students. The mammoth task of reading the works submitted falls to our volunteers and committees which include local writers, members of the Caulfield Writer's Group, teachers and local librarians. Their support is invaluable.

It is a difficult job to select 20 stories from the 180 sent in for the My Brother Jack Short Story Competition. The responsibility of judging the creative efforts of another writer's work is coupled with the immense pleasure and privilege derived from reading these unpublished stories.

Each of the children's entries whether they are stories or poems is a gift, and many, many more than those finally chosen deserve to be selected.

By the end of January, the short listed entries were handed over to the judging panel, which includes Arnold Zable, My Brother Jack Short Story Award; Jennifer Dabbs, Youth Short Story Award; and Hazel Edwards, Children's Poetry and Short Story Award.

# Readings

**For the My Brother Jack Award:**  
East End Booksellers, Mason's Book Centre, Meanjin

**For the Youth and Children's Awards:**  
Child and Adult, Corporate Express, Group Newsagency Suppliers, Express Media - Voice Works, Jetsetter Magazine, PanMcMillan Books, Penguin Books Pty Ltd, Random House

A highlight last year was the reading of all the winning entries. We are pleased to announce that this year's category award winners and runners-up will be announced and will then have their works read by professional actors on **Thursday 5 March** in the Theatrette.

The winning entries in the Youth and Children's Short Story Awards and the Children's Poetry Award will be read at 6pm followed by the presentation of prizes and certificates. The My Brother Jack Short Story Award will be read at 6.45pm. Light refreshments will follow.

A special exhibition titled Talking Pictures will coincide with the readings of the writers competition and will be open to view on 5 March.

Special thanks to our sponsors for their generous support.

**Brought to you each month by the Glen Eira Arts Complex**

Corner Glen Eira Road and Hawthorn Road, Caulfield

Phone: 9524 3287 Fax: 9524 3399 Email: rverde@gleneira.vic.gov.au

Website: [www.citysearch.com.au/mel/gleneiraarts](http://www.citysearch.com.au/mel/gleneiraarts)

## Youth orchestra

The new Glen Eira Youth Orchestra will be formed in February with Wesley College Elsternwick acting as the host of the group through the Elsternwick Community Arts Program. All students who play an orchestral instrument and are under the age of 19 are encouraged to audition.

The first concert will be held on Sunday 29 March, 1998 in the Auditorium of the Glen Eira Arts Complex at 2.30pm and will include a solo performance by Australian pianist Michael Keiran Harvey.

## Youth music composition competition

To coincide with the formation of the orchestra and concert performance, a statewide youth composition competition has been created. The following criteria applies:

- Entrants must be residents of Victoria
- The composition is to be for solo piano of maximum five minutes duration
- The composer to be under the age of 25 on 29 March, 1998
- The winning entry will receive \$750 prize money and have their composition performed by Michael Keiran Harvey at the concert
- The winning composer must be able to attend the concert.

For further information on the orchestra and competition and entry form contact: Deborah Vanderwerp, on 9524 3402, or Dennis Freeman, Wesley College, Elsternwick on 9528 2522.



# Volunteers Lions to help Bethlehem

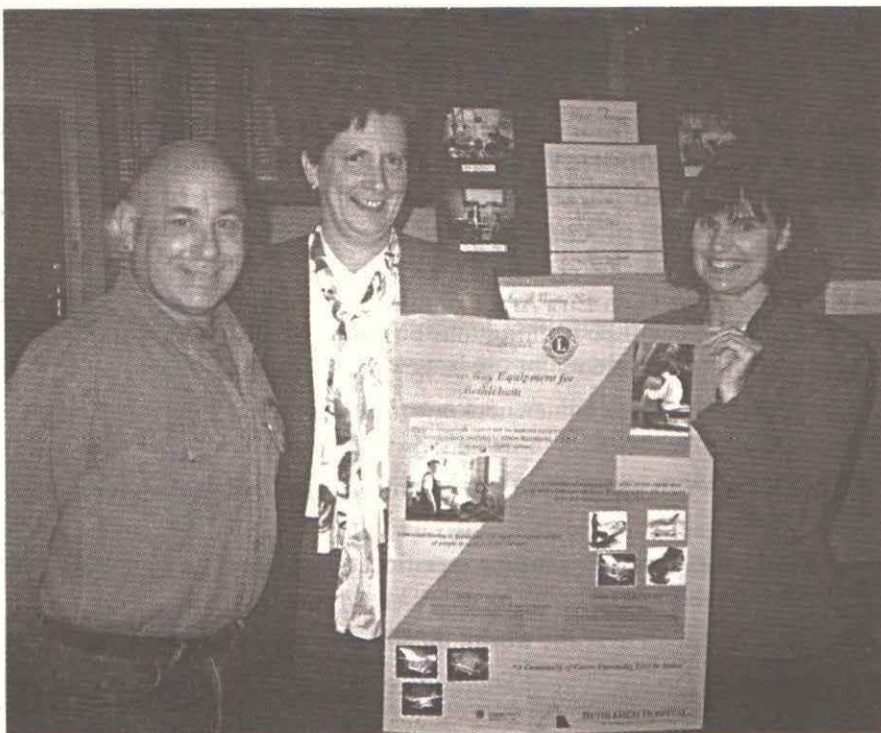
**C**arnegie Lions Club has made fundraising for the Bethlehem Hospice Home Care Service its major service project for 1998.

In particular, the club will raise funds to buy specialist equipment to assist people with motor neuron disease, multiple sclerosis and cancer, to help them stay in their own homes.

Based in Caulfield, the Bethlehem Hospice Home Care Service covers the cities of Glen Eira, Stonnington, Bayside, and parts of Kingston, Melbourne, Monash and Port Phillip. It helps care for people in their own home, from palliative care nurses and volunteers, to social work and pastoral care.

The service needs specialist equipment, including manual and electric high-low beds with knee and head elevation, reclining shower commode chairs and special toiletry equipment. This equipment helps nurses and carers to treat people in their own home.

Catherine O'Sullivan, Clinical Director of Nursing, Community Nursing Service, and Kathryn Turner, social worker for Home Care, Bethlehem Hospice, visited Carnegie Lions Club recently and spoke on



Catherine O'Sullivan and Kathryn Turner with Lions president Geoff Goldsmith.

the importance of home care for patients.

Ms Turner said: "A number of our clients are severely disabled with advanced motor neuron disease and multiple sclerosis. Generally this group of people have very poor sitting balance, and slump forwards or sideways. They also have great difficulty holding their heads up. A reclining shower commode chair is adjustable and can be easily modified to suit different people's needs, providing safe and comfortable support."

# Margaret – keen as mustard

**M**argaret Farrands of Narong Road, Caulfield has been an Arthritis Victoria volunteer for three years.

She says: "I spend two days a week here, on average, and thoroughly enjoy myself. I've met wonderful people. I have a strong belief in contributing to the community and, at my age, volunteering gets me out of the house and keeps boredom at bay."

Margaret's cheery personality pervades the Arthritis Victoria offices in Kooyong Road, Caulfield.

She is well known for her favourite phrases such as "Love you, darling", "She's top dog", and "You're true blue" and for referring to the staff as "Flossy Blow" or "Dear Heart".

Margaret's work is very much appreciated by Arthritis Victoria and is always conducted at full steam.

Everyone from babies through middle-aged to older adults can suffer from this potentially debilitating, often painful, and sometimes fatal disease.

It gives volunteers great satisfaction to know that they are helping people with a common chronic illness.

The more people can help themselves the greater the chances of reducing the annual cost to the community, which is approximately \$4.5 billion.

Arthritis Victoria works with sports and arts organisations to promote a healthy lifestyle message: the benefits of exercise. VicHealth provides the funds for the sponsorship but pairs the sponsored organisation with a health agency such as Arthritis Victoria.

Arthritis Victoria needs more volunteers, particularly in health promotion and fundraising, to support the services available to Victorians with arthritis or diseases affecting the muscles, bones and joints.

A volunteer is needed to work for six to 10 hours per week to help administer the health promotion area and the fundraising unit needs volunteers to help with administration.

To become a volunteer telephone Arthritis Victoria on 9530 0255.

– Janet Miller



Margaret Farrands – strong belief in contributing to the community.

## Recognising our volunteers

Glen Eira City Council honours the work of volunteers each year with a Community Services Recognition Scheme Ceremony.

Volunteers are an important part of this community and make an invaluable contribution through a wide variety of organisations. Council will again hold a ceremony in 1998 to honour that work and organisations are invited to nominate volunteers.

Nominations can be made for 500, 1000 or 2000 hours of service or for a special category which recognises voluntary work that does not fit into numbers of hours of service categories, but which organisations feel merits particular recognition.

Non profit, community-based organisations are invited to send nominations, on the appropriate forms, to Council for consideration. Information and nomination forms are available from the Service Centre, or by calling: 9524 3333.

The ceremony will be held during National Volunteers Week in May. Nominations close on Friday 3 April.

## Citizen of the year

**Pam Rivers was named Glen Eira's Citizen of the Year at the Australia Day Breakfast on 23 January.**

Pam was nominated for her "lifelong commitment to the interest and welfare of other people".

As an active community member Pam has been a Quota member for 22 years, and has been involved in Moorabbin Association for the Intellectually Handicapped (more than 20 years), the Deafness Foundation of Victoria (18 years) and Ormond Christ Church and East Benteigh Community Health Centre.

Pam has been particularly acknowledged for her work for deaf and hearing impaired people of Victoria and for her book for parents by a nomination for the Advance Australia Award in 1991.



### Extended Tours Dates

March 23-27 (5 Day) \$420 High Country Special  
 May 31- June 6 (7 Day) \$550 NSW Central Coast  
 Nov 19-22 (4 Day) \$325 Mystery Tour

For further details of the above tours contact Peter Lewis on 9569 7941

April 27-29 (3 Day) \$265 Gippsland Lakes

For further details of this tour contact Karen Sauvarin on 9568 3596 after 6.00pm





## Championships here

**M**oorabbin Softball Association will host the Victorian Under 13 softball championships on 21 and 22 February for the first time at Bailey Park, East Boundary Road, East Bentleigh.

Two years ago, Moorabbin's representative Under 13 team won the state C grade championship and followed up by winning B grade last year. This season, they are in the running to win A grade at their home ground.

Four of the team's members took some time out with their coach over the holidays to have a bit of a practice. The girls (from left front) Susan, Erin, Sharon, (from left back) Madelene and coach Jenny are pictured here at Bailey Reserve.

Coach Jenny Young said the girls were looking forward to the championships. She said the majority of the team members had been playing together for about three years and "had a ball" at the championships last year.

"They certainly enjoy the competition but they also have a lot of fun and enjoy the friendship of the team as well," she said.

The Victorian Softball Association annual championships in Under 13, Under 16, Under 19 and Open grades, in both women's and men's softball, are held at different locations around the state.

The Moorabbin Softball Association committee is working towards making this a great weekend, with the assistance of Glen Eira City Council, and they are confident of success.

For more information please contact Raelene Turpin from the Moorabbin Softball Association on 9570 4472 or Gary Lehmann, Glen Eira City Council's Sports Liaison Officer, on 9524 3455.

## Councillors get into the splash!

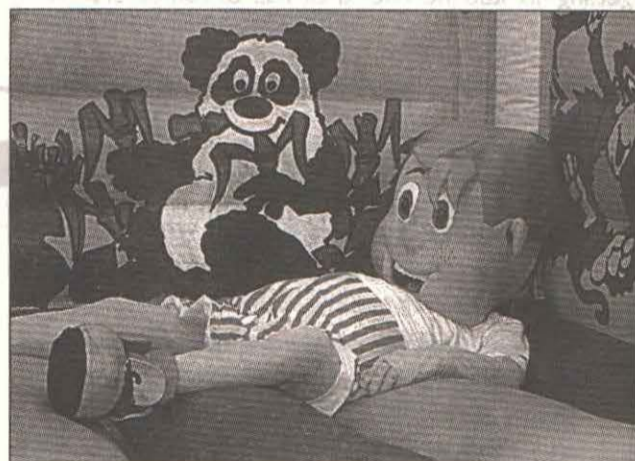
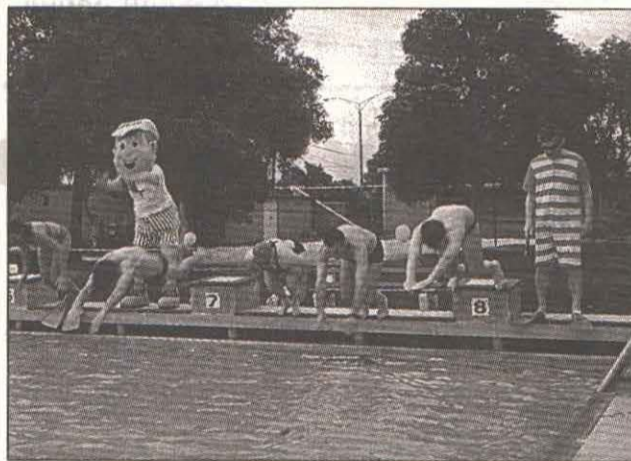
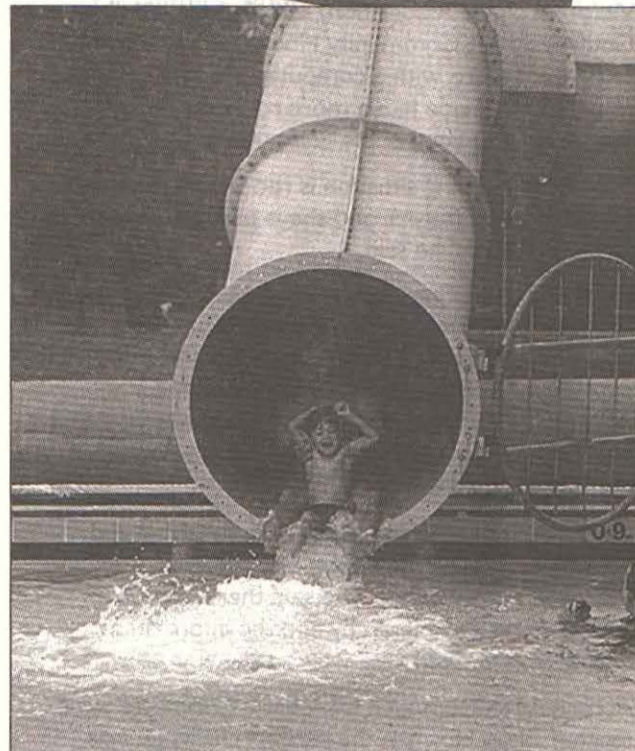
**A** Councillors' race and the Mayor wearing turn-of-the-century swimming gear were highlights of the reopening function for the East Bentleigh Swim Centre in East Boundary Road on 7 December.

The Inaugural Glen Eira Councillors' Challenge 50 metre race (open to Councillors or their proxies!) was won by Nicholas Kennedy, 17 (son of Cr Norman Kennedy), closely followed by James Longmuir, 13 (son of Cr Russell Longmuir), David Kennedy, 16, and Cr Norman Kennedy himself, while East Bentleigh pool manager Libby Lewin and Council's PR and publications co-ordinator Petrina Dakin were in the thick of the contest.

Glen Eira Mayor Cr Alan Grossbard, dressed in red and white striped neck-to-knee bathers, stood on the blocks but did not make the splash. However, some children and pool mascot Splasha had different ideas, giving Cr Grossbard a friendly dunking beside Nessie the floating sea monster.

Cr Grossbard had earlier unveiled a plaque and officially reopened the pool, as part of a program of activities to welcome back the pool after one season's closure.

Council pool manager Libby Lewin, RANS Management, local businesses and community organisations were all involved in putting on the day.



## Swimming with safety

A distressing number of drownings have been reported in Australia over the summer break. In response to this, Kidsafe has mounted an Internet Awareness Campaign to highlight the importance of swimming between the flags. The web site can be found at: <http://www.greenweb.com.au/freddo/> and is recommended as worthwhile for both children and adults to visit.

## LEARN JUDO

(self defence, concentration, discipline, co-ordination, self-esteem, enjoyment)

Littlies, teenagers and adults  
Beginners to Black Belt  
Caulfield Recreation Centre

9578 4460

## U3A Bus Tours

11 March 8am-6pm

Golden Gardens Tour

Sovereign Hill and Begonia Festival, Ballarat

(incl. all entry fees and lunch)

Informative tour of Sovereign Hill Classic Gardens. Plenty of time to visit the shops full of unique gifts. After lunch, we depart Sovereign Hill for the Begonia Festival at the Botanic Gardens. Highlights include the famous conservatory with its delightful begonia display, the garden fair with its floral carpet centrepiece, art & craft show and music.

Due to the popularity of this tour, payment is required at the time of booking.

Inquiries: 9572 0571 or 9523 7862 (a/h).

## GLEN EIRA CHELTENHAM ART GROUP INC.

*Friends in art.*

ART CLASSES - DAY & EVENING  
IN ALL THE FOLLOWING MEDIA

Oils, Watercolour, Acrylics, Folk Art, Calligraphy, Drawing/ sketching & intro to various painting techniques

Beginners welcome in all classes  
Costs: Annual Membership \$30.  
All classes \$54 per term

Term 1 commences Monday Feb 2nd  
Room S2., Robert Flavell Wing  
Moorleigh Community Village  
92 Bignell Rd, East Bentleigh, Melway 78 B5

Further information - 9563 7621

## Notice to pool patrons

City of  
GLEN  
EIRA

Caulfield and East Bentleigh pool patrons who have purchased multiple season booklets prior to the 1997-98 season are advised that these passes will be accepted for the 1997-98 season only.

After the 1997-98 season, tickets purchased during this and previous seasons will no longer be valid.

New tickets sold will be clearly validated for this season only. Queries regarding the validity of multiple seasons' passes should be directed to pool managers on:

**Caulfield Memorial Pool, Carnegie,**  
**ph: 9571 8143, East Bentleigh**  
**Memorial Pool, ph: 9570 7394**



# Adult learning Never too old to learn

**R**eturning to school or formal study after an absence of many years has become more acceptable, particularly in computer and literacy courses. The prospect is challenging and quite daunting but fears can be overcome with time and the help of a patient and understanding teacher.

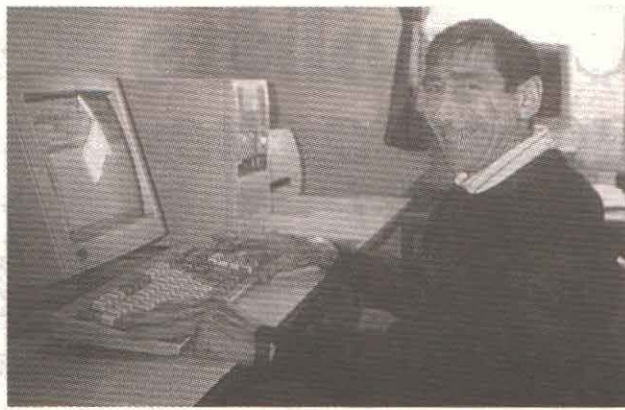
Alan Morris (retired pharmacist and president of the Victorian Lupus Association) said the relaxed classes at Godfrey Street Community House have enabled him to do a lot more with a computer. He said going back to basics has made him a more rounded person: "better able to control the computer".

"The adult learning situation is reciprocal-I am learning from Margaret (tutor), and she is picking up interesting facets from me," he said.

Godfrey Street Community House tutor Margaret Smith teaches on an individual basis. She said adults returning to study often felt a high level of anxiety but teaching one-to-one allowed her to cater for all different levels, personalities and learning styles. She said taking a slow pace and having a good sense of humor was the key.

Margaret finds teaching adults very satisfying and enjoyable because they often disclose their fears and then gain in confidence. She said there was no "student/teacher" hierarchy and the information exchange was often two-way.

According to Moorleigh U3A Basic Computer Skills teacher Brian Horman the hardest challenge was getting his students over their fear of computers. He



Alan Morris - adult classes have helped him do much more with computers.

tells them the worst they can do is corrupt a program which can easily be rectified by re-installing software.

Brian teaches four students per session, accommodating different abilities and learning rates. He said some students have been away from the learning environment for 50 years, and while some take to it "like a duck to water", others need to progress more slowly.

Another adult student Geraldine Hogbang was already computer literate but needed to bring her skills "up to scratch" to rejoin the work force. She said she enjoyed learning by choice and feeling relaxed. Her new skills will help her acquire a job.

Geraldine recommended this learning situation for adults without computer skills because of the individual teaching and the low cost: "If the inclination is there, give it a go, you have little to lose," she said.

Classes are offered at Moorleigh and Glen Eira U3A, Caulfield Adult Literacy Group, and Community Houses at Caulfield South, Godfrey Street, and Moongala. **- Deborah Randa**

## Sharing at playgroup



**A mother talks about playgroup...**

Seven years ago I joined Carnegie Playgroup- just after my second child was born. I became part of a "new mothers group" needing a place for our very active two-year-olds and ever-enlarging group.

Over the years, other parents joined our group as we met each week to share the joys (and despairs) of parenthood and ideas on discipline, schools, children's concerts, recipes, tapes, gardening- in fact, absolutely anything.

Fitting in at Carnegie Playgroup is easy; the friendly informal setting allows us to sit and have coffee while the children play with their friends. We share the responsibility for running our group, all helping to pack up, washup and round up each time we meet and take turns at being Group Leader.

The activities vary depending on the children's needs. Sometimes we just open the toy cupboard, or set up painting, water play, or special activities like "Messy Days". While participating in all these activities the children are learning to share and communicate with other children.

When my third child was born four years ago with a moderate physical disability, playgroup was a haven where our established friends provided a wonderful support group.

Families who want to see what playgroups have to offer can contact: Margaret Roche at Glen Eira City Council on 9524 3448 or Vivian Evans at Carnegie Playgroup on 9568 1715.

# Glen Eira Community Learning Network

## A Community House is a place where...

- People can socialise, drink coffee, volunteer, share and learn skills, and gain self confidence to return to work or study.
- Established groups meet and new groups and activities can start.
- The environment is safe, informal, caring, welcoming, friendly and fun, created by a variety of people of all ages with diverse interests.
- People come together, to meet other people, to know and belong to a community.
- There is personal growth and learning, and people share skills and knowledge in trust and openness.
- You might take your first step to University or TAFE!

Glen Eira has three community houses and each has its own unique and individual style and programs, with its own special atmosphere developed by its users:

### Caulfield South Community House

A self-help organisation run by a community-based management committee, with activities and classes that come out of the expressed needs of the community. Special programs: opportunities for women looking for social, intellectual and creative stimulation; New Age activities, including Expressive Dance.

450 Kooyong Road, Caulfield South 3162, Phone 9596 8643.

### Moongala Women's Community House

A place for women to gather and support each other, make friends, to learn and share skills, and gain confidence. A new program each term is designed by and reflects the needs of the community. In particular, Moongala offers occasional child care and a friendship group for the more mature woman.

824 Centre Road, East Bentleigh, Phone 9570 3468.

### Godfrey Street Community House

A new program in first term 1998 will be based around the needs of the community, with the main focus on self-help groups. In particular, the house offers: stress management and personal development programs; occasional child care for course participants, enabling women to have time for themselves.

9 Godfrey Street, Bentleigh 3204, Phone 9557 9037.

All community house organisations are here to meet your needs. So if you are new or wish to meet new people, come and talk to us about it - drop in, join a group or start one of your own, or volunteer in one of the many areas of the houses.

### University of the Third Age — Moorleigh and Glen Eira

Are you 55 and over and like to revive old interests or instigate new ones? The University of the Third Age offers learning or teaching opportunities along with social activities.

Courses cover history, literature, art, computers, languages, music, games, current affairs, health and fitness, textiles, films, wining and dining.

All this and more for a low annual subscription. Meet new friends and socialise in pleasant surroundings. New members always welcome.

U3A Moorleigh Inc, 92 Bignell Road, East Bentleigh 3165, Phone 9570 3929.

U3A Glen Eira, 1151 Glen Huntly Road, Caulfield 3162, Phone 9572 0571.

### Adult Literacy Group Inc

An adult education facility that focuses strongly on the English language, offering:

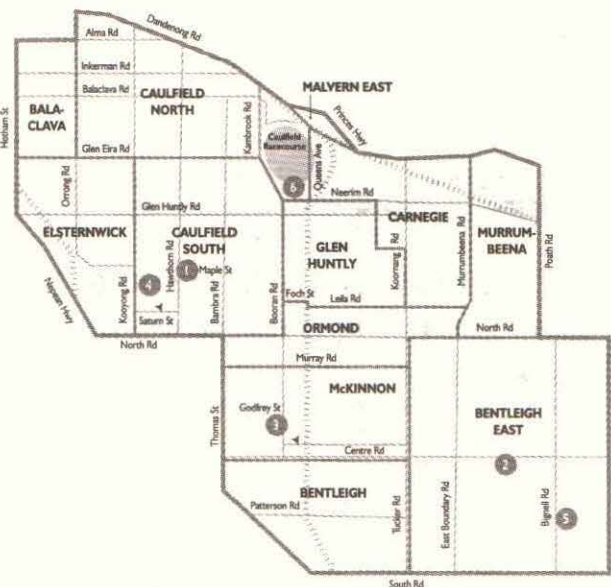
- literacy support to English born speakers
- teaching English to people from a non-English speaking background.

This is done through a range of classes or tutoring in the students' home by qualified volunteer tutors. Classes are offered Monday to Friday morning, afternoon and evenings.

4 Maple Street, Caulfield South 3162 Phone 9532 8319

#### Legend

1. Caulfield Adult Literacy Group
2. Moongala Women's Community House
3. Godfrey Street Community House
4. Caulfield South Community House
5. U3A Moorleigh
6. U3A Glen Eira





# Community Diary

## COURSES

**Bentleigh Calisthenics College** offers movement to music, dancing, singing, and performing classes at reasonable rates. No prior experience necessary. Classes from "Tinies" to "Seniors". Contact: Toni on 9557 6579 or Judy on 9563 7271.

## MEETINGS & CLUBS

**Caulfield Photographic Society** meets every two weeks at St Peter's Church Hall, cnr Neerim & Ames Avenue, Murrumbena. All welcome. Contact: 9580 0308 (AH).

**Centre Bentleigh Garden Club** meets first Tuesday each month, starting 3 February, at 1.30pm in St Johns Church Hall, corner Centre and Tucker roads, East Bentleigh. All welcome. Contact: 9570 4963 or 9578 6081.

**Caulfield Garden Club** meets first Tuesday each month at the Elsternwick Uniting Church Hall, cnr Glen Huntly Rd and Foster St, Caulfield. Inquiries welcome: Mary Franklin on 9532 7438.

**Emmanuel Calisthenics** welcomes new members to its competitive club. Groups from 3 years to senior championships 16+. Also introducing Calisthenics Masters Modified Australian Calisthenics 35+, an Active for Life Sports Grant Program. Contact: Donna on 0414 250 932 or Sarah on 9530 6307.

**LOCAL Ladies Of the City Action League** is a non-party political group which aims to encourage and support women to participate in local government and to ensure that women's perspectives influence community decision making. Join us now and help us to support and train women as Council candidates. A new group is starting in Glen Eira. Contact Janet Cox on 9791 1408.

## VOLUNTEERS

**Red Cross Calling** seeks volunteer collectors for the annual March appeal. Red Cross offers a range of free emergency, community and humanitarian services - all delivered by volunteers. Volunteers have the opportunity to win a trip for two to London. Register now on free call: 1800 811 700.

## Glen Eira Community Information and Resource Centre

Your community needs you! Would you like the opportunity to:

- use your existing job skills, life experience, and personal skills?
- gain new skills in these areas?
- work with a diverse and interesting group of local residents?
- give service to the local community - particularly those experiencing difficulties?

(People of non-English speaking background are particularly encouraged to apply.)

Please contact the Glen Eira Community Information and Resource Centre 256 Hawthorn Rd Caulfield 3163. Phone Laurel to discuss the selection and training procedure: 9524 3267.

**Do Care** volunteers are urgently needed to offer ongoing companionship and support to socially isolated people living locally. Contact: 9532 8499.

**MS Society** needs volunteers to visit isolated residents in nursing homes. Training and support provided. Twelve months commitment required. Contact Judy 9828 7222.

## SERVICES

**Caulfield Toy Library** is now located in the multi purpose room at the Caulfield Memorial Swimming Pool, Moira Ave, Carnegie. Vacancies exist for children birth to 9 years. Contact Margaret on 9568 7393.

**Moorabbin Toy Library** is open for 1998 in the Moorleigh Community Village, 90-92 Bignell Rd, East Bentleigh Tues. 1.15-2.45pm, Wed. 7.30-8.30pm, Thurs to Sat. 9.30-11am, and Sat. 1.30-3pm. Contact: Marianne on 9570 6825.

**The Association for the Blind** provides services and facilities for people with sight loss, including: Low Vision Clinics, Rehabilitation, ADAPT Centres (providing devices to make life easier for people with vision loss), telephone support, the Braille and

Talking Book library, Information Radio, Newsline newspaper information access via the telephone, day centres and nursing home and hostel accommodation. Contact: 9822 1111.

**City of Glen Eira Neighbourhood Support Program** - for information regarding our Fathers' Group, Chinese Mothers' Group, Young Mothers' Group, and Solo Mothers' Group contact Judy White or Maureen Carolan at Caulfield Maternal and Child Health Service on 9524 3403.

**WHY? Stop Youth Information Centre** is now open Monday to Friday, 2-6pm. It offers a fantastic range of information on services available to assist and support young people between the ages of 12 and 25 and their families. Information on heaps of youth matters are available, such as housing, training, recreation and leisure, and lots more. No appointment necessary, just ring or drop in. Volunteers and Youth Worker Jody are available each afternoon. 54 Rosstown Rd, Carnegie (close to Carnegie station). Contact: 9572 5389.

## ARTS, FETES & ACTIVITIES

**A Twilight Fair** will be held by Ormond East Primary School on Friday 27 February from 4 to 10pm, at 253 Tucker Rd, Ormond. Includes: food/craft stalls, ferris wheels, Harley rides and other activities, culminating in a fireworks display. Activities from: 20c to \$4. Funds raised will support the development of the Keys to Life early literacy program and to expanding the school's Information Technology Centre.

**International Women Writers and Artists** will hold a poetry, short stories and articles reading on Saturday, 21 March, 2-5pm, at St Kilda Library, 150 Carlisle St, St Kilda. Guest of honour: Mayor Cr Alan Grossbard. Book sales and raffle. The organisation publishes the work of its members. New members welcome. Contact: Tova Grosman on 9578 9700.

**Historic "Box Cottage"** at Joyce Park, Jasper Rd, McKinnon will be open Sunday 22 February from 2 to 4.30pm. Pioneer memorabilia on display. Donation: 50c to the Moorabbin Historic Society. Contact: 9578 7060.

**Glen Eira City Choir** 1998 season starts this week. Rehearsals held Monday evenings from 8 to 10pm at St Stephen's Uniting Church Hall, Balaclava Rd, Caulfield. Vacancies exist in all sections, especially first Sopranos and both male divisions. Contact: Linda Atkinson on 9570 8997.

**Bentleigh Calisthenics Costume Sale** will be held Sunday 22 February from 2 to 4pm at Farm Road Campus, South Oakleigh Secondary College (Melway Ref. 78 G2).

## GLEN HUNTLY Friendship Group

99 Grange Rd, Glen Huntly

Welcome to the first of 1998's programs starting with a get together fun day in the hall on **February 12**. Competitions, games, sing-along, share your most humorous story or experience, bring a photo of yourself as a child. 10am-noon, morning tea. Cost: \$2.

**February 26** Bus trip to Kinglake National Park. We visit the beautiful hill country north east of Melbourne taking in Tourourong Reservoir, Mason's Falls, Mt Sugarloaf lookout, Mt Slide and Yarra Glen. BYO lunch. Departs: 9am from 99 Grange Rd, Glen Huntly and 9.15 from 185 Poath Rd, Hughesdale. Return: 5pm. Cost: \$25.

Bookings: Margaret 9596 6124

## Senior Citizens Week '98 on the move

Glen Eira City Council is planning Senior Citizens Week 1998 and with the impressive response from our many community groups, it is looking set to be a great week for our senior residents.

Council has allocated grants to 17 community groups who will organise events as part of the Senior Citizens Week '98 celebrations. Events will include a Twilight Dance, concert, picnic, art and craft display, a Polish play, open days, and much more.

Council is also organizing an afternoon tea dance, a picnic in the park, two pleasant morning walks, "come and try" sessions, and free entertainment for our local hostels and nursing homes.

Further information will be available in the March issue of the Glen Eira News and a brochure with full details will be available in late February. If you would like to place your name on the Senior Citizens Week mailing list, please contact Cheryl Kennedy, Older Adults Recreation Officer, on 9524 3356.

**Quick quiz answer**  
According to a survey by the Transport Research Centre in the Faculty of Business at RMIT University, one third of non-residents who travel to Glen Eira by public transport come for education. Other figures were work (14 per cent), socialising (17 per cent) and shopping (7 per cent). These findings were published in the December 1997 edition of Super Service magazine.

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## February

- 1-22 *Containment* exhibition of beautiful and modern craft works continues. Arts Complex Gallery.
- 3-22 *Episodes* - An exhibition that examines visual arts interest in mental illness. Features works by artists who have and have not experienced mental illness. Arts Complex Gallery.
- 14 February-15 March Talking Pictures exhibition looks at the creative use of text in visual art (also staged to coincide with the readings of the Glen Eira Writers Competition winning entries).
- 15 Music in the Parks with the City of Glen Eira Band - Caulfield Park

## March

- Senior Citizens Week activities
- 1 Glen Eira Cup, Caulfield Racecourse
- 1 Music in the Parks with the City of Glen Eira Band - Hopetoun Gardens
- 5 Readings of winning entries in *My Brother Jack* competition - Theatrette
- 14-22 Red Cross Calling door knock for Australian Red Cross
- 15 Installation of new Mayor
- 18-29 Noela Stratford drawings, paintings and sculpture from the use of stone fences made by scoria of ancient volcanic eruptions. Arts Complex Gallery
- 18-29 *A journey*, an exhibition by Erna Roche features oil paintings of Victorian bush scenes. Arts Complex Gallery
- 18-29 Landscape paintings by Keith J. Reed. Arts Complex Gallery
- 20-22 & 26-28 Jacaranda Theatre perform *Nuts*, Arts Complex Theatrette
- 21-27 Food Safety Week and launch of 1998 Food Shoppers Guide

## April

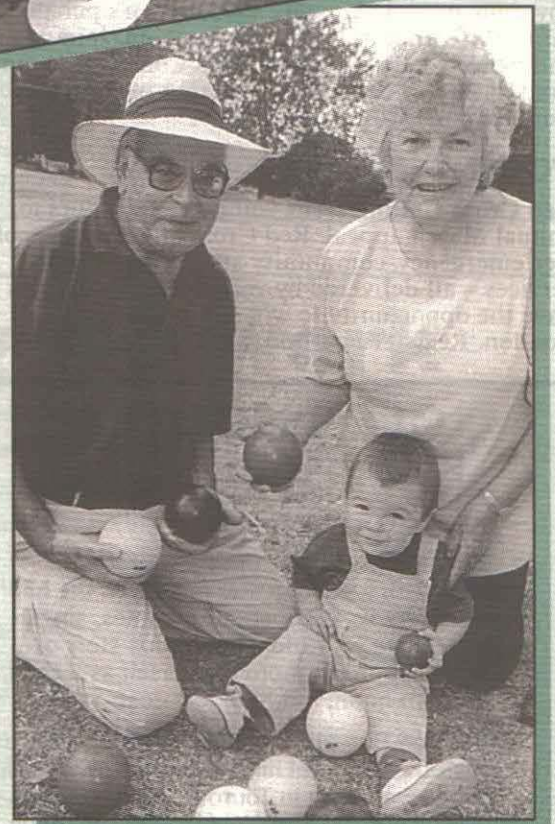
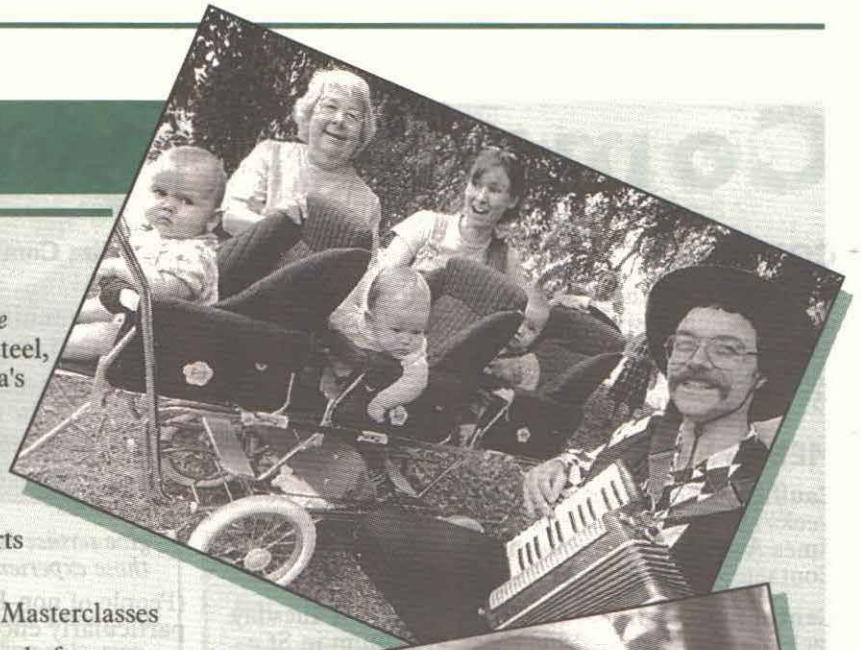
- 14-24 School holiday programs
- 2-19 *The Australian Craft Showcase* features jewellery, tapestry, steel, silks and ceramics. Glen Eira's Craft Fair for 1998! Arts Complex Gallery
- 5 *Australian Craft Showcase: Artist Talks and afternoon tea.* Theatrette, Glen Eira Arts Complex, 2.30-4.30pm
- 14-18 Craft workshops, Youth and Masterclasses Oak Tree House, mornings and afternoons
- 25 Anzac Day

## May

- National Volunteers Week
- Volunteer Recognition Scheme Awards
- 4-24 *Di and John Koenders* exhibition featuring Australian wildlife
- Glen Eira City Choir concert - Glen Eira Arts Complex Auditorium
- 30 The Piano recital series, Glen Eira Arts Complex Auditorium - Rita Reichman

## June

- 3-28 *Everyday* in Glen Eira exhibition
- 8-28 Don Copeland exhibition
- 9-19 Themed bus trips of Glen Eira, including visit to *Everyday* exhibition
- 28 Tea Dance with the Ted White Big Band - Arts Complex Auditorium
- 12-14 & 18-20 Jacaranda Theatre perform *Lipstick Dreams*, Arts Complex Theatrette
- 29 June-10 July School holiday programs



This Calendar of Events covers events run by community groups, associations, Council and other organisations for the next five months. The aim is to help groups plan ahead and avoid clashing dates for big events.

Glen Eira News will publish another half-year calendar in the July issue, to cover the remainder of 1998. The next calendar will also include advertising.

If you would like your event listed in the July issue, please send details by 8 June, 1998 to: Calendar of Events, Glen Eira News, PO Box 42, Caulfield South 3162. For advertising inquiries, phone 9524 3431.



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