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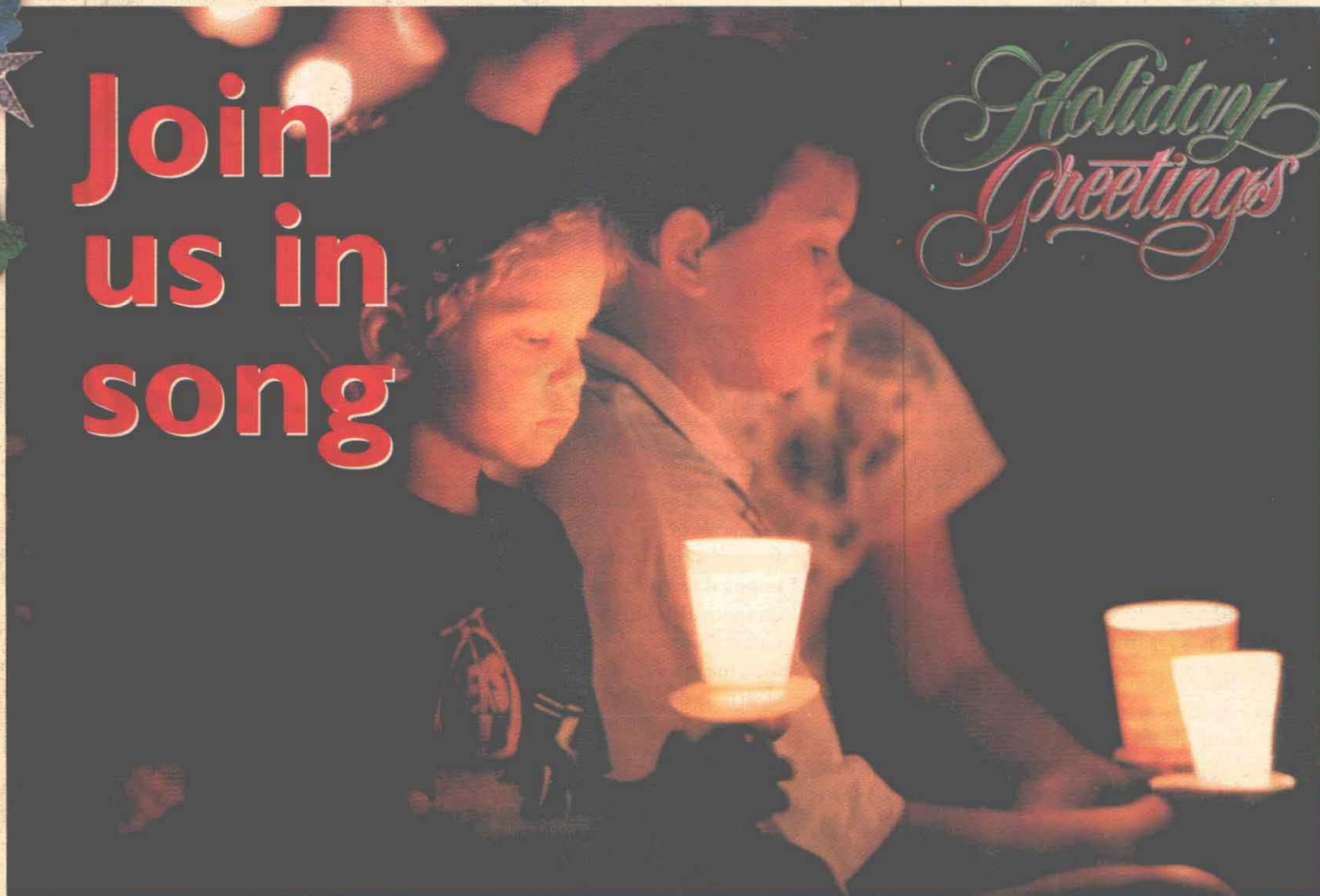
# Glen Eira News

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## Join us in song

*Holiday  
Greetings*



**F**or the second year running, Glen Eira City Council, in conjunction with the VATC, will hold its annual Carols by Candlelight concert at the Caulfield Racecourse.

To be held on Sunday 20 December, the event looks set to be bigger and brighter than ever with more than 200 cast, crew and volunteers involved in the preparation and presentation.

Producer Peter Regan said the concert will comprise three choirs, including the Victoria Chorale (directed by Val J. Pyers), and entertainers Rhonda Burchmore, Tony Fenelon, Tiffany Speight and Terry Gill. Denis Walter will again compere the night. Other entertainment will be provided by the Glen Eira City Choir, Young Voices of Melbourne (conducted by Mark O'Leary), Humphrey B Bear and rumour has it there will be a special appearance by Father Christmas.

Glen Eira City's Choir will combine with the Glen Eira City Band to present pre-carol entertainment, presenting music from stage and screen, and children's entertainer Sacha Lefevre, will help gear up the night.

Undercover seating will be available for about 2000 people and concert-goers are encouraged to take rugs and chairs.

"We hope people will bring along a picnic and enjoy a family evening of entertainment and community carols on the beautiful lawns of the Terrace Whittier Stand," Peter said.

Entry to the concert is free. Programs and candles will be sold by Caulfield Girl Guides and District Scout Association of Glen Eira prior to the commencement of the concert.

1998 Glen Eira Carols by Candlelight is sponsored and supported by Tattersall's, Victoria Amateur Turf Club (VATC), Bernie's Music Land, Noel Jones Real Estate, Leader Newspaper Group, Magic 693 Radio, Coles Stores Elsternwick, Print Synergy, Southern FM Radio, Golden Days Radio and Victoria Police.

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# MAYOR'S column



*I had a great time trying the climbing wall at this year's Children's Fun Day. See our photo spread of the big day on page 7.*

1998 is fast coming to a close. It is during the following months that we take time to celebrate, not only the religious festivities such as

Christmas and the Chanukah, but also the New Year and the traditional holiday season.

We, in Australia, indeed have many things that we can celebrate. Our freedom, our liberties and our way of life. And while we are celebrating it is worth reflecting on how lucky we are, and giving thought to those people in the world who are suffering—those who live in poverty, in war, in tyranny.

The holiday season is also a good opportunity to get together with friends and family, and make good use of the facilities our city offers—parks and gardens, barbecues and playgrounds, and sporting reserves. These are provided by the community for use by the community. Why not visit the Glen Eira Arts Complex, or National Trust properties, Rippon Lea and Labassa or the Racing Museum at Caulfield Race Course—these are wonderful opportunities for families and friends to spend time together.

As Mayor, and on behalf of the Mayoress, Councillors, Management and staff of the City of Glen Eira, may I wish you all a Merry Christmas, a happy, safe and prosperous New Year.

— Barry Neve  
Mayor

## Celebrate Australia Day with us

Glen Eira City Council will celebrate Australia Day at a breakfast on **Friday 22 January from 7.30am.**

Guest speaker will be Di Fleming, Principal Kilvington Girls School and Telstra Australian Business Woman of the Year. Citizen and Young Citizen of the Year will be announced.

Tickets available from the Service Centre. Cost: \$25 per head and the proceeds will go to the "Make a Wish" Foundation.

Auditorium, Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield.

**More information contact:**  
Susan Albrow on 9524 3225.

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Murrumbeena Children's Centre is among five Council Child Care Centres which run "special events weeks" based around current events—like this case of "Footy Fever" during AFL Grand Final week. The children enjoyed singing team songs, discussing their favourite players and attempting to kick goals through cardboard goal posts! Other special events planned for the children throughout the year include a Grandparents and special friends week.



## From the Chamber... Recent Council decisions

### Fees and guidelines set for use of footpaths

A new set of fees has been adopted for the use of footpaths by commercial properties. The fees are imposed on businesses that place goods and furniture on footpaths outside their premises. They cover Council's costs in regulating and in ensuring that such use is safe to customers and pedestrians. Tables, chairs, umbrellas, windbreaks and retail goods are becoming increasingly popular at most of our strip shopping centres and Council also adopted a new set of guidelines to assist traders with acceptable standards when applying to use footpaths.

### 1997/98 Annual Report available

Council held a special meeting to discuss the outcomes of the City's 1997/98 Annual Report. The Annual Report provides a comprehensive summary of Glen Eira's performance over the last financial year and assesses the extent to which Council has achieved the objectives previously set in its Corporate Plan.

The Annual Report has been produced in two

volumes—an operating summary and financial statements—and is now available free of charge from the Glen Eira Service Centre and at branch libraries.

### Final Council meeting

The last Ordinary Council meeting for 1998 will be held on Tuesday, 15 December at 7.30pm in the Council Chamber at the Glen Eira offices, corner Hawthorn and Glen Eira Roads, Caulfield. The meeting is open to the public.

### Deadline for Glen Eira News

Editorial contributions and advertisement bookings are welcome for the Glen Eira News.

The next issue will be released on 2-4 February, 1999.

The deadline is **Monday 11 January, 1999.**

Advertising rates are available by contacting Robyn on 9524 3281.

To submit editorial material for consideration, fax 9532 8367, email on [mail@gleneira.vic.gov.au](mailto:mail@gleneira.vic.gov.au) or write to:

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# Council to sell house

**G**len Eira City Council recently decided, as a last resort, to move to sell a \$900,000 private property to recover outstanding rates and charges going back nine years.

The property, adjacent to the "Golden Mile" of Caulfield, has an outstanding debt of \$31,484.30. No rate payments have been received since September 1989, making it one of the largest and lengthiest rate debts in the municipality.

This is the first action by Council under its tough new policy to pursue ratepayers who have been in default of their obligations for many years.

Overdue rates and charges accrue a 12.3 per cent interest charge. However, Council would prefer to collect the outstanding debt, so that the funds are available to be spent on the community.

In a report to Council on 4 November, corporate assets manager Tim Frederico wrote: "The decision to move to sell a property to recover a debt is not taken lightly. This does not appear to be a case of financial hardship or extenuating circumstances."

Mr Frederico wrote: "Several judgments have been obtained in the Magistrates Court. However no attempt has been made to tender any payment. While

most ratepayers will make contact and attempt to negotiate an outcome, no contact has been received from the owner."

"In reaction to receiving the 1996 and 1997 rate notices, the owner lodged objections to the valuation (both were disallowed) but made no attempt to discuss, or pay, the debt... it is considered that the only course of action available is to move to sell the property to recover the debt."

Council is now awaiting a hearing date for judgement in the Magistrates Court within the next few weeks.

The property has a land area of 2100 sq metres (more than half an acre), and has a brick attic style post-Edwardian residence of about 39 squares. It has a Capital Improved Value of \$900,000.

Council will obtain a valuation by an independent assessor and appoint a real estate agent to proceed with an auction. Other councils—Whittlesea, Knox and Manningham—have followed this course to recover debt, and found that in a great majority of cases, the debt is paid prior to the sale proceeding.

It is anticipated that if the sale is to proceed, the auction will take place in February, 1999.

## Can you help?

**T**he search is on for any information regarding an historic tablecloth which was embroidered by women in the Caulfield area during World War I. Lent to the City of Caulfield some years ago, the tablecloth's whereabouts are now unknown.

The Hamilton Tablecloth comprises patches of hand-worked linen sewn around a central panel containing the logo or coat of arms of the City of Caulfield. The finished work is believed to measure about 5' by 9' (1500cm by 2700cm) and consist of approximately 15cm squares.

Each patch, so one story goes, bears the signature of a City of Caulfield Councillor or a contributor to campaign funds. Another version of the story says the signatures were of soldiers recovering at the Repatriation Hospital. The signatures were believed to be embroidered in blue with the coat of arms embroidered in red.

In 1989, Elizabeth Hamilton (who it is believed worked on the tablecloth) lent it to the City of Caulfield for the benefit of present and future citizens of Caulfield. Then in 1992, the City of Caulfield sent the tablecloth to the Centre for Conservation of Historic and Artistic Works for "stain removal, cleaning, repair, lining".

Records show it was returned from the Centre, but has not been seen since. Council is keen to hear from anyone who may have information regarding how or why it came into existence or any details which might lead to its return.

Mrs Hamilton's son, Mr William Hamilton, is anxious that the work be found. So is Glen Eira Council. Readers who have seen the cloth or had any involvement with it at any stage in its long history, are invited to write in sharing their experiences. In addition to providing information on what it looks like, being able to trace its movements and when it was seen will be valuable in helping locate it. We would like to be able to document the full background of the piece.

Of course, best of all would be the reader who rings to say "I know where it is."

Please write to: Paul Hedger at Glen Eira City Council, PO Box 42 Caulfield South 3162.

## Visitors enjoy our open space

**F**our Ogaki Assemblymen recently enjoyed a luncheon with Mayor Cr Barry Neve and Mayoress Jane Neve, Councillors Veronika Martens, Norman Kennedy and Russell Longmuir, and senior council officers (pictured here).



The luncheon was part of a day's visit to the city which included a tour of the city, and visits to Rippon Lea and the Racing Museum at Caulfield Racecourse.

The assemblymen are the equivalent, in Ogaki, of our elected Councillors—although Ogaki has 65 to our six. In his address Shoji Yamagishi acknowledged our "beautiful city" and said he was impressed by the amount of open space we enjoyed.

Ogaki, a city of 168,000 people, is only a fraction of the size of the whole of Glen Eira, and has very dense housing. In contrast, Glen Eira has only 121,000 people.

Cr Neve welcomed the guests and wished them well on the rest of their Australian visit. He was pleased to receive an "Ogaki" pin from Assemblyman Kazuo Hori (left).



## Who will be Glen Eira's Citizen and Young Citizen of the Year?

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As part of the 1999 Australia Day Celebrations in the City of Glen Eira, Council is seeking nominations for the Citizen and Young Citizen of the Year Awards.

You are invited to nominate citizens who you believe have made noteworthy contributions to the community in the current year, or who have given outstanding service to the local community over a number of years.

Nominees must be Australian Citizens and, unless there are exceptional circumstances, must be residents of Australia. To be eligible, nominees for Young Citizen of the Year must be under 27 years of age on 26 January 1999.

Nominations close on 18 December 1998.

Nomination forms are available from the Service Centre at City Hall. If you require further information please contact Susan Albrow, Mayor's Secretary, on 9524 3225.





# Doing Business



## And the winner is... *the City of Glen Eira!*

What value do we put on partnership between Council and the local business community? Council's commitment towards business development was a winner at the recently held 1998 Glen Eira Strip Shopping Centres Conference and inaugural Business Awards.

At the Conference, Council and sponsors, 2020 Communications and Peter McNabb & Associates, hosted more than 130 delegates from across Victoria and gave away over \$5,000 as prize money for the winners of the Awards. It is hard to believe the Business Development Unit at Council was formed only 18 months ago, as a result of the increasing demand from the commercial sector of the city.



Glen Eira Business of the Year Award finalists from left to right (front:) Dr Mark Mackie, Joseph Orlando, John Presutto, and Herman Klein; (centre:) Gerald Galatis, Sandra Biagioni and Peter Haley; and (back:) Frank Penhalluriack, Michael Toubmourou and Michael Farnacci. Photo: Leader Newspapers.

Glen Eira is the only Council to support its shopping strips with a specifically tailored conference for business owners and to sponsor business awards with cash prizes. Throughout the day, delegates heard entertaining and informative addresses on changing thinking patterns, tackling stress in the workplace, motivating staff, improving customer service, how to use PR, interior design and workplace relations.

All Conference participants with businesses over two years old were eligible to enter the Business Matters Award. Proving that running a good business is just as important in the country as in the city, was the winner, Tini Cook from Town & Country Gallery in Yarragon. This unbelievable strip is situated immediately beside the Princes Highway between Warragul and Moe in Gippsland. Tini took home \$1,000 and a framed certificate.

Kellie Youngs titled her entry "A dream made into reality" which was certainly the case when she took out the Award for Best New Business in Glen Eira. Kellie is the owner/operator of The Horn of Plenty at 50 Koornang Road in Carnegie. This cafe stands out in the strip shopping centre with home-made, nutritious food and a relaxing decor featuring a lounge area and a massive wrought iron light fixture.

About to celebrate two years in business, Kellie says that winning the Best New Business Award has been a

great thing for the Cafe with many people offering their congratulations.

"I think it is terrific for a Council to support local businesses this way—it shows they recognise the importance, and benefits, of encouraging new businesses in strips. The Conference was also a great day and I will definitely be attending the next one!" Kellie said.

Kellie received \$1,000 and a framed certificate.

The evening ended with the announcement of the 1998 Glen Eira Business of the Year. Ten finalists were chosen from the many entries, with guests enjoying a special video presentation featuring these finalists and their businesses.

The judging panel found it so difficult to separate the winner from these entries that three Achievement of Excellence awards were handed out: Penhalluriack's, John's Pharmacy and Victoria Body Corporate Services.

However, at the end of the night there can only be one winner and Steve Danzig from 2020 Communications announced Bumps Ski & Surf as the 1998 Glen Eira Business of the Year. The owners of Bumps, Peter and Glenda Haley follow the simple philosophy that you can never stop learning, and after 16 years in business they have learnt how to run an incredibly successful store.

Bumps found a niche market which focuses on computer-fitted product—it is still the only store to offer a written ski boot fit guarantee.

"I have long been involved with trader associations in my shopping centre which

have been about businesses striving for excellence through self-help. But it is fantastic to see that Council is also trying to encourage growth and development in small business, through the Glen Eira Strip Shopping Centres Conference and the Business Awards, and backing it up with financial support," said Peter.

### PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

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Capture an outstanding image of Glen Eira and win prizes totalling \$500!

Entries are invited to the City of Glen Eira Business Directory/ Community Resource Guide Photographic Competition. The winner's photo will feature on the cover of the new directory in April 1999.

The theme is:

**Capture an image that celebrates the life and lifestyle in Glen Eira.**

You could win:

1st prize	\$300
2nd prize	\$150
encouragement prize	\$50

The competition is open to anyone who lives, works or studies in the City of Glen Eira. The winning colour photograph will be selected by a panel including a professional photographer, Council officer and a representative of adNet Media.

Closing date: 20 January 1999. Winner announced in the February Glen Eira News.

Inquiries: Andrew Millen 9524 3384 or Petrina Dakin 9524 3447

### Capital works in shopping centres

Glen Eira City Council will commence physical works (including paving, landscaping and installation of street furniture) in the Bentleigh, Alma Village and Elsternwick Shopping Centres in February/March 1999.

These shopping centre works are part of the 1998/1999 Council Capital Works Program.

Prior to the commencement of any works, Council will notify those affected.

If you have any questions or want to discuss any of the Capital Works Projects, please contact Andrew Millen (Business Development Planner) on 9524 3384.

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# Disability Action Plan *launched*

The Glen Eira City Council Disability Policy and Action Plan was launched by Mayor Cr Barry Neve and chairman of the Human Services Advisory Committee, Cr Noel Erlich, at an enthusiastic breakfast meeting last month.

The plan—which tackles issues of access and inclusion—has been produced in a large print format to make it accessible to people with sight impairment. Braille and audio tape versions will be released soon.

The Disability Policy and Action Plan was developed by the Human Services Committee, made up of Cr Erlich, Council staff and community members. Pictured are: consultant Val Johnson, Brian Caulfield, Sharon Granek, Valda Bawden, Cr Erlich, Laurie Harkin, Debbie Panakos, Russell Oke and Judy Moylan.

Initiatives have already included disability training for Service Centre staff; \$250,000 allocated to improve access to buildings, planned upgrades to a number of



parks, Library and Information Service pilot projects and the Access for all Abilities recreation program (with three neighbouring Councils).

Council has appointed Sharon Granek as Disability Advisor for 12 months, who will help guide the implementation of the plan.

For details, phone 9524 3339.

# Sun safe *under sails*

Bailey Reserve Kindergarten held a Family Fun Day last month to launch the new Shade Sails by "Ako Shade". The sails were erected thanks to a grant from Glen Eira City Council and the fund raising efforts of the kinder families for 1998. Mayor Cr Barry Neve, Cr Norman Kennedy and Cr Veronika Martens joined in the festivities and are pictured here enjoying the shade with children and teachers.

It was a great day with plenty of sunshine with the new sails providing much needed shade for the many families attending. Activities of the day included a Jumping Castle, jelly bean competition, fabulous face painting and a free sausage sizzle.

Bailey Reserve Kindergarten is located at 202 East



Boundary Road next to the East Bentleigh Swim Centre and is currently taking enrolments for 3 year olds for 1999.

also located at Godfrey Street Community House, Godfrey Street, Bentleigh. The agency is currently seeking volunteers to work a four-hour period per week either morning or afternoon to assist with information management and conducting telephone and personal interviews. Training is provided and will commence in the new year. Please contact co-ordinator, Laurel Thompson on 9524 3200 between 9.30am and 4pm.

## Remembrance Services

On 11 November Remembrance Day ceremonies were held in Caulfield Park and at the Cenotaph in Bentleigh.

Mayor Cr Barry Neve laid a wreath on behalf of the City and gave a brief address at the Cenotaph in Caulfield Park. This year's attendance was significantly higher than previous years, with almost 100 people including residents, returned servicemen and women and representatives from Parliament, Legacy and schools. Cr Neve said it was "particularly pleasing" to see the large number of schools

# Major change for food shops

Under new State Government requirements under the Food Safety Act, food premises will have to gain approval for Food Safety Plans.

Council's Environmental Health Department has responsibility for administering the Act for the State Government. Characteristics of the new Food Safety Plans include: -

- identification and management of food safety hazards
- increased training and education of food handlers
- audits to verify compliance with the approved Food Safety Plan
- annual review of the Food Safety Plan

Council's City Development Director Jeff Akehurst said: "The above measures are totally supported as a means of improving food hygiene standards and minimising the risks of food poisoning outbreaks in the community."

The State Government has established four classes of food businesses, with the following deadlines to implement Food Safety Plans. The classes relate to risk.

Class A (eg, nursing homes)	31 March 1998
Class B (eg, most restaurants and cafes)	30 September 1998
Class C (eg, takeaway businesses)	30 June 2000
Class D (eg, businesses selling pre-packaged food products only)	31 December 2000

Glen Eira has 720 food premises to which the legislation applies.

Council has a clear role under the legislation — that of review and approval of Food Safety Plans.

It is likely that many small businesses will have to seek expert assistance and advice in preparation of their Food Safety Plans.

In practical terms, compliance with the State Government's Food Safety Act will translate into additional costs for food related businesses in terms of both Food Safety Plan preparation — by individual businesses and approval — by Council.

Mr Akehurst said: "Council has an excellent record in the area of promoting food hygiene with initiatives including "Five Star Food Hygiene Audit", "Shop of the Year Program" and the "Food Shoppers Guide". In addition, Glen Eira has the first shops in Victoria to achieve the Food Safety Plan requirements."

"In summary the legislation is supported as a means of improving food hygiene standards but it comes at an additional cost to food businesses which may eventually flow on to the community."

• Glen Eira City Council's Environmental Health department will host a seminar for food business owners on the changes to the Food Safety Act on 15 December, 7-9pm. For details, phone 9524 3274.

represented. He said: "It indicates the significance of Remembrance Day is gaining recognition with young people."

Council also provided individual fresh flowers for people to lay on the Cenotaph and many school children took up the offer. Music for the Last Post and the Reveille was played by Bob James from John Allison Monkhouse.

Bentleigh MLA Inga Peulich congratulated the Bentleigh RSL for organising another successful Remembrance Day Service. She said many local students, residents and war veterans attended the service which was conducted by president of the Benleigh RSL Perc Brierley and secretary Ian Butcher.

"The laying of wreaths by local students from Prep to Year 12 recognises the importance for young Australians to continue to commemorate both Remembrance and ANZAC days," Ms Peulich said.

"Remembrance Day is a tribute to courage, a celebration of peace, and a time to remember," she said.



## Phone number correction

Glen Eira Community Information and Resource Centre's new name and phone number was published last issue. Unfortunately one of the phone numbers was wrong. We apologise for any inconvenience this may have caused. Please note the organisation's details are as follows:

Community Information Glen Eira  
Oaktree House, 256 Hawthorn Road, Caulfield  
Phone: 9524 3200 or 9524 3272  
Opening hours: 9.30—4pm Monday to Friday

Community Information Glen Eira is the local information and referral agency and distributes emergency relief in the municipality. The service is



# Heritage amendment on *exhibition*

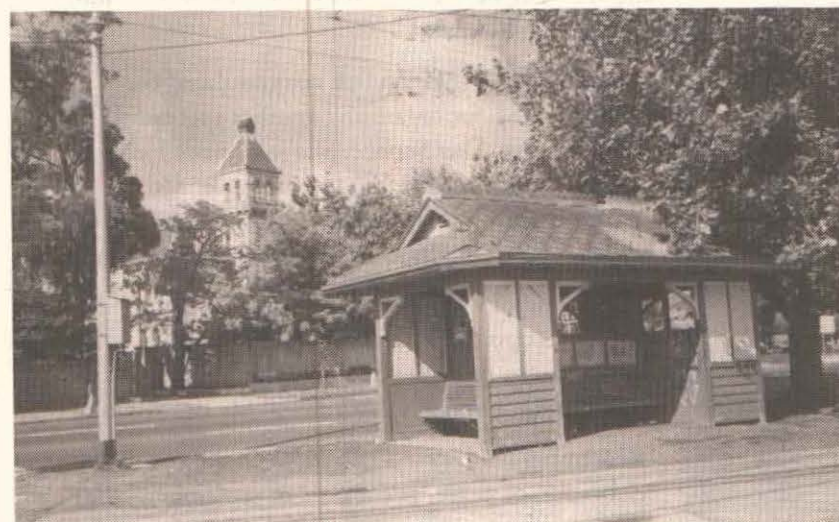
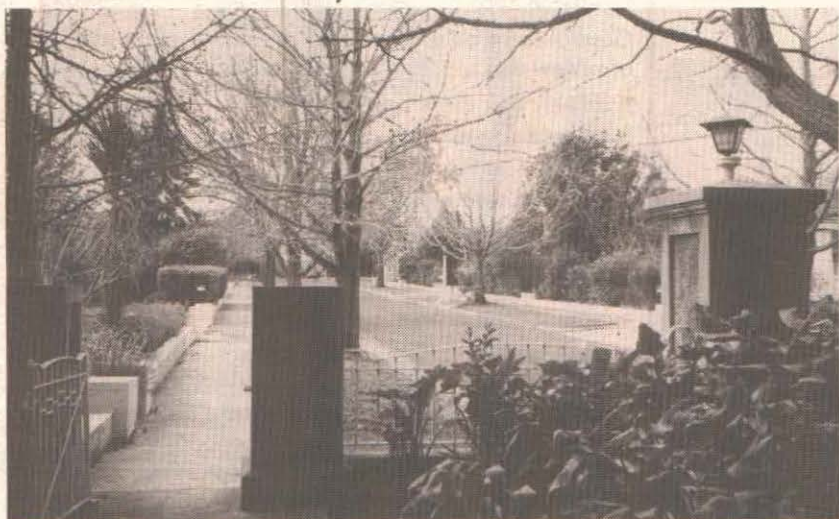
**G**len Eira City Council recently resolved to act on a number of the recommendations of the Glen Eira Heritage Management Plan. As the major part of this, Planning Scheme Amendment L33 has been prepared to introduce heritage overlay controls to the areas and properties identified in the heritage plan.

The Glen Eira Heritage Management Plan identifies 17 Heritage Areas and initially some 70 individually significant sites in the City of Glen Eira. The areas were selected because they demonstrate important eras in the growth of the municipality and survive with a comparatively high level of integrity. The individual properties have been identified for their local, regional or statewide heritage significance.

Amendment L33 commenced its exhibition period on Thursday 19 November 1998 and submissions will be received until Wednesday 23 December.

## What controls will be introduced?

The heritage overlay controls that will be introduced into the Glen Eira Planning Scheme by Amendment L33 are based on controls prepared by the State Government and are the standard provisions to be used throughout Victoria. Amendment L33 will affect all properties located within the 17 heritage areas and those individually listed.



The new controls will require a planning permit for the following:

- demolition of buildings,
- subdivision or consolidation of land,
- construction of a building,
- external alterations,
- displaying signage, and
- painting of previously unpainted surfaces.

In most circumstances, a planning permit would be required to undertake any of these works for properties within the areas or individually listed. Properties which are not in a proposed heritage area or individually listed in the Heritage Plan are not subject to these heritage controls.

Some of the individually listed properties have more specific controls proposed which relate to internal alterations, paint colours and tree protection. Owners of these properties have been advised of the proposed controls.

To assist Council in assessing applications for works, Heritage Guidelines are being developed which will provide advice on maintenance and repair of buildings and the design of alterations and new buildings.

## Interim demolition controls

A major concern when introducing heritage controls is that properties of heritage significance may be demolished before the amendment to introduce heritage overlay controls to protect such houses has been exhibited and debated.

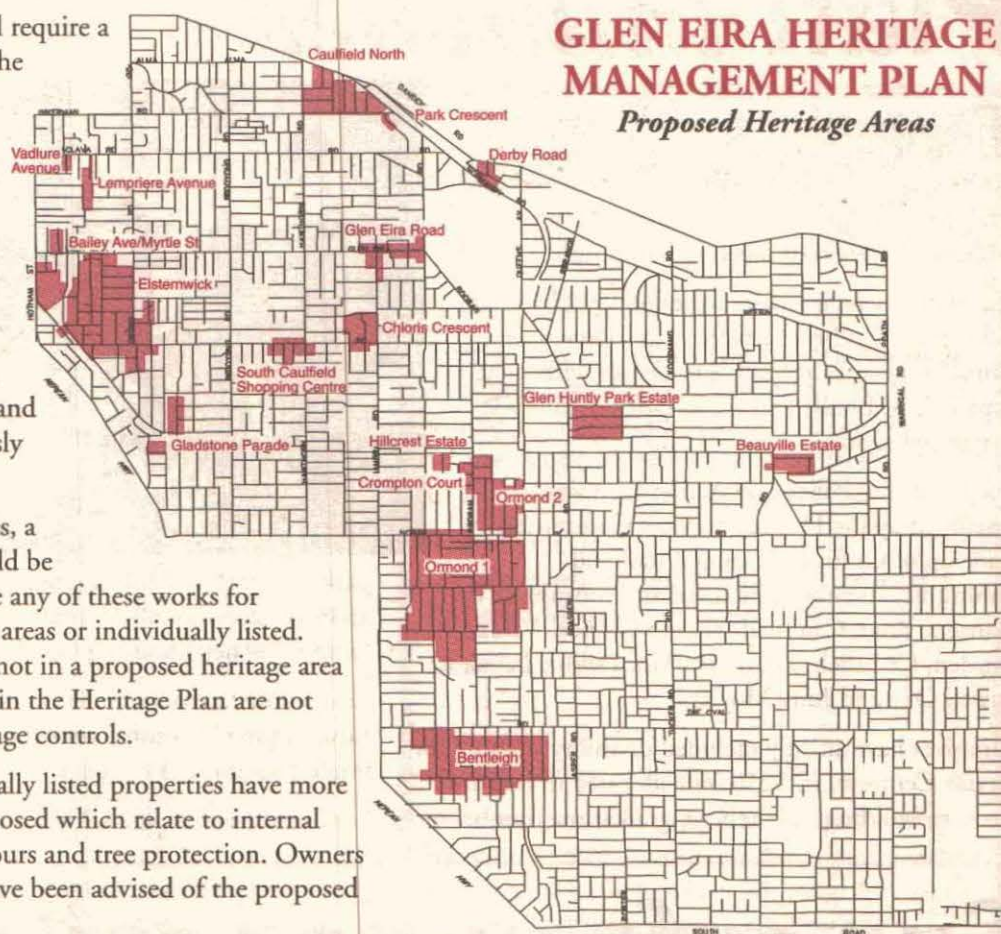
With this in mind, Council has requested that the Minister for Planning approve an interim short-term amendment which requires a planning permit to be sought for the demolition of a building located in a proposed heritage area or individually listed in the main amendment L33. The interim demolition controls commenced on 20 November and will operate for a period of nine months.

## What is the Glen Eira Heritage Management Plan?

The City of Glen Eira Heritage Management Plan is an overall strategy to maintain and enhance buildings and areas identified as having historic significance. It is comprised of a Conservation Policy which provides Council direction and a Conservation Strategy including both statutory and non-statutory initiatives. The statutory initiatives include amending the Glen Eira Planning Scheme to introduce Heritage Overlay controls. The non-statutory measures include detailed

## GLEN EIRA HERITAGE MANAGEMENT PLAN

*Proposed Heritage Areas*



policies and guidelines, the Heritage Advisory Service and the establishment of a reference library of conservation literature.

The Heritage Management Plan identifies, and recommends for designation, 17 Heritage (or Urban Conservation) Areas and a number of individual properties, identified for their local, regional or statewide heritage significance.

## Your rights—how to have your say

Your views on the Heritage Management Plan and its implementation are important to Council.

With the introduction of heritage controls, Council will have the right, for the first time, to take heritage matters into consideration when deciding upon specific planning issues. Residents will have the right to participate in the development process in their neighbourhood in areas where previously no rights existed.

During the exhibition period for Amendment L33 you have the opportunity to view the amendment and its accompanying documents and make a submission which will be taken into consideration by Council when it next considers the Amendment.

When the controls are introduced you will, depending on the particular proposal, have the ability to comment on some proposals. If the proposal is a formally advertised planning permit, you will be able to make submissions to Council and have the right to appeal any Council decision.

The amendment is on display:

- at the Planning Department Counter, Municipal Offices, Town Hall,
- at the five Municipal libraries, and
- at the Department of Infrastructure, Nauru House, Collins Street, Melbourne.

*Submissions about the amendment can be sent to:*

The Strategic Planning Department  
Glen Eira City Council  
PO Box 42  
Caulfield South 3162.

*Submissions to be received by Wednesday 23 December*



# Fun for all!

The Glen Eira Children & Family Services Network in conjunction with the Glen Eira City Council organised a free Children's Fun Day at Princes Park, Caulfield South on Sunday 25 October. Sunday was also National Family Day and marked the start of Children's Week.

The weather was perfect and almost 30 community groups provided a wide array of free activities for children to choose from including: face painting, mask making, seed potting, bird feeders, bubble blowing, paper quilling, plus a range of recreation centre activities such as rock climbing, trampolining and Kids Aerobics.

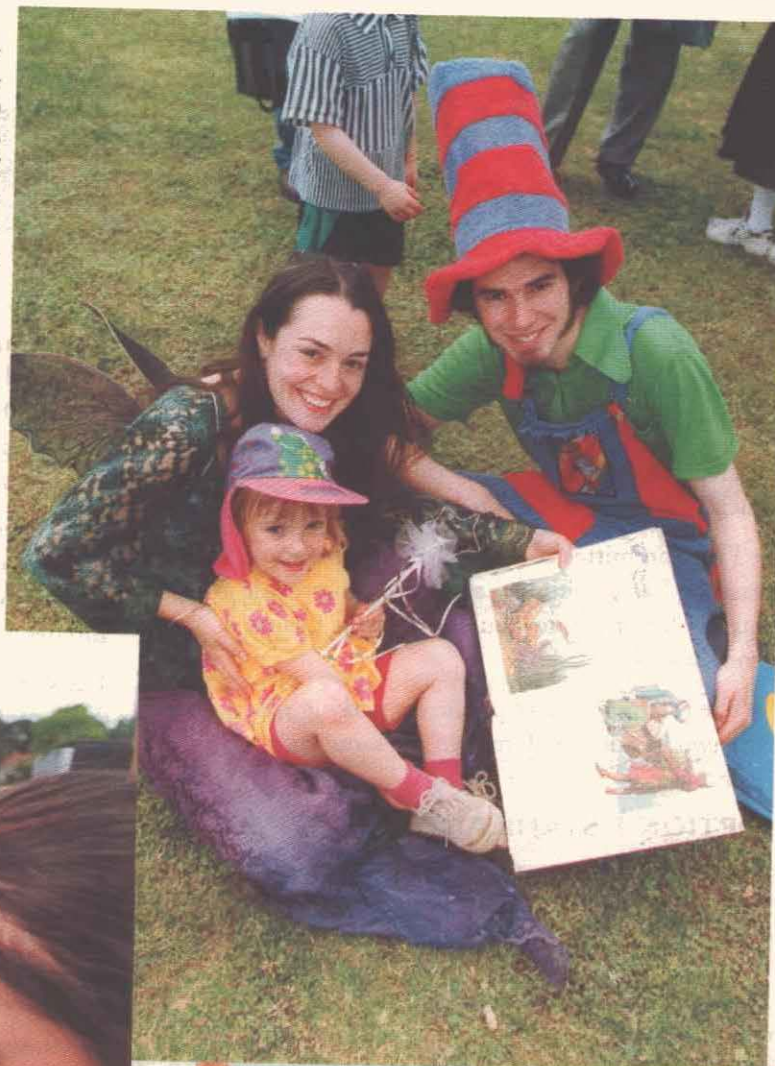
The Mayor and a number of Councillors enjoyed participating with the large crowd. And Prickly Protector (State immunisation mascot) arrived to judge the Sun Smart colouring competition and awarded prizes to six lucky winners from

*Careful concentration goes into a new face.*

nearly 100 entries. The Victoria Police, State Emergency Service and Fire Brigade also attended and many children queued to have a turn in the respective vehicles and operate the sirens.

Winners of the colouring competition (of Sid the Seagull): Katerina Karabatos (first), Anne Younes (second) and Erin Nicholson (third).

*Entertainers the Cat in the Hat (Benjamin Knights) and a Fairy (Jo Gallagher) spend some time over a good book with an enthusiastic reader.*



Family Fun Day



(From left) Council officer Alan, Cr Noel Erlich and Cr Alan Grossbard take up the challenge of Japanese game kendama with a couple of friends.



Prickly Protector makes some new friends at the Fun Day.

## Holidays packed with activities

Are you looking for School Holiday Care in January? Not sure where to go? Throughout the City of Glen Eira a great range of programs are offering a variety of activities to ward off the school holiday blues.

All programs have carefully planned activities catering for a wide range of interests, including sports, craft, cooking and many other great activities, such as excursions, to keep your children entertained during the school holidays.

Fees vary from program to program and most programs listed offer Child Care Assistance—a fee subsidy from the Federal Government. To find out if you are eligible for Child Care Assistance you will need to contact the Child Care access hotline on 1800 670 305. Your Notice of Assessment must note the program you are going to attend.

**Two new programs will be operating this January located at:**

**Bentleigh West Primary School, 23 Brewer Road Bentleigh West \***  
Dates: 4-22 January  
Contact: Anne O'Brien on 9563 9161.  
Cost: \$18 per day, sibling discount.

**Carnegie Primary School, Truganini Road Carnegie \***  
Dates: Last two weeks of January  
Contact: Yvonne Buckley on 9571 2662 or 015 529 987 between 3pm and 6pm  
Cost: \$20 per day, extra for excursions.

**Other programs are located at:**  
**Shelford Anglican Girls College, 3 Hood Crescent Caulfield \***  
Dates: 18-29 January  
Contact: Carol Anderson on 9528 5329  
Cost: \$35 a day for school aged, \$36 a day for preschool aged

**Yeshivah College, 92 Hotham Street East St Kilda \***  
Dates: 11-22 January  
Contact: Mrs Bendet on 9522 8222  
Cost: \$140 per week, second child \$130 per week. Excursions included in this cost.

**St Patricks Primary School, 3 Dalny Road Murrumbeena \***  
Dates: 11-22 January  
Contact: Natasha and Gale on 9568 3397  
Cost: \$20 per day per child

**Valkstone Primary School, Valkstone Street East Bentleigh \***  
Dates: 11-22 January  
Contact: The school on 9570 3986  
Cost: \$18 per day, extra costs for special activities

**Caulfield Recreation Centre, 6 Maple Street South Caulfield \***  
Dates: 29 December-22 January  
Contact: Andrew Gray on 9524 3277  
Cost: \$22 a day for centre activities, \$35 a day for excursions.

**Action packed school holiday programs**  
**Murrumbeena Primary School, Hobart Street Murrumbeena**  
Dates: 4-22 January  
Contact: Fiona Finger on 9560 9275 or 0417 595 818 or during the holidays on 9568 1300  
Cost: \$16 for first 2 children, \$12 for any additional children. \$2 per child for extra care, 7-8.30 am, 4.30-6pm

\* Child Care Assistance available at these programs. Wesley College and Caulfield North Primary School will be running holiday programs from April 1999.







# Japanese life *an education*

Last month we published a selection of stories from exchange students recently returned from Japan. The following stories are from the remaining students who participated in a visit to Glen Eira's sister city Ogaki...

## Tokyo Disneyland

by Kerry Firman

Year 11, Shelford Anglican Girls School



The day had arrived, we were at Disneyland! No one could stand still, we were all handed guide maps and then we were off to explore, and most importantly, have the time of our lives.

After purchasing the usual souvenirs we waited in a queue for an hour for our turn to experience Space Mountain, a "high speed turbulent roller coaster". A long list of warnings displayed everywhere made us rather nervous...

We boarded the ride which began to climb slowly up a slope. By the time it reached the top the nervous smiles had disappeared—everyone was terrified. The ride was in complete darkness, except for a few stars. But, by the end of the ride everyone had huge smiles on their faces and were laughing out loud, except for the odd scream here and there! As we all stepped out of the ride, the adrenaline was pumping and all that each of us could say was: "Where's the next ride?"

## A day in Japanese Junior High

by Tessa Chong

Year 8, Shelford AGS

After our day of strolling among the temples of Kyoto, we were in for a day of fun with students from Nishi Junior High, Ogaki.



Students in Japan wear slippers inside at school, so when we arrived at the door we had to put on slippers that were too big for me and too small for some of the others! You could tell this was something we were definitely not used to, because every so often some one would stumble or a slipper would come off. We received a warm welcome from the Principal and then Susan and Toshiko left us to fend for ourselves, however, we were extremely well looked after.

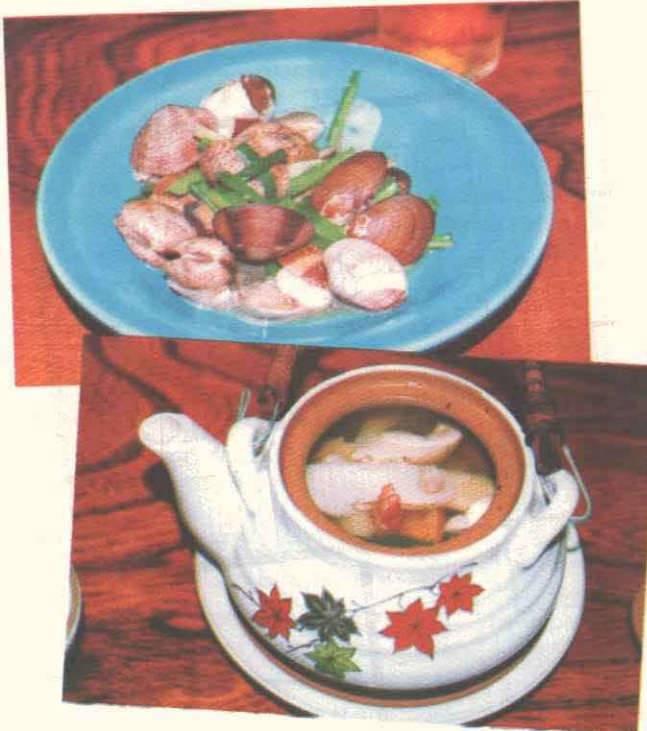
After our day's lessons, homeroom, and cleaning up a part of the school (which is a normal aspect of everyday school life in Japan) we swapped names and addresses and said our last goodbyes. We assembled to take part in our last activity of the day—Kendo club. It is compulsory for students in Japan to take part in an after-school club, these include table tennis, basketball, volleyball, choir and soccer, just to name a few.

## Food Glorious Food

by Johan Jegarian

Year 10, Brighton Boy's Grammar

The staple diet of a Japanese person includes a bowl of rice and a bowl of mizu/miso soup. The rice is sticky. This is vital, as it enables you to pick up large amounts of rice with your chopsticks. The rice is white and you usually get one serve. Some families have rice every meal, however most families are becoming "Westernised"



and have rice only once a day. Mizu soup is also decreasing in popularity. It mainly consists of a weak (bean) gravy substance with tofu pieces in it. It is common practice to eat the tofu using your chopsticks and then drink the soup.

In Japan there are many side dishes to accompany the rice. These are all delicious. One of the better known is Tempura. Usually you dip the side dish into a sauce, some special dishes have special sauces, however the most common is Soy sauce. Without different side dishes the Japanese diet might be monotonous.

## Everyone needs a friend



Imagine living on your own for a week or even a month without a knock at the door or a single telephone call to brighten your day. Sounds a bit daunting, doesn't it?

Do Care is a social support service under the auspice of Wesley Central Mission offering a companionship service to frail older people and adults with disabilities who are socially isolated.

Do Care volunteer Trudy is pictured (above) with Sheryl, a young Carnegie resident born with cerebral palsy who finds mobility difficult. They go out each week for lunch or to explore the shops.

Sheryl said she really enjoys Trudy's company: "I look forward to Trudy's visits and going out for lunch. It is nice to have a friend to talk to over a meal."

Reliable open-minded men and women of all ages and from all walks of life are needed to spend some time with one of the many people waiting for someone to knock at their door.

Each volunteer receives training and support on a regular basis and can choose from a number of options including weekly visiting, accompanying one or more people on outings, helping out with transport and providing support to the Coordinator in the office or in publicity.

Do Care Coordinator for the City of Glen Eira Carole Smith can be contacted on 9533 0231. The Do Care office is located within the Caulfield Community Care Centre at 240 Kooyong Road, Caulfield.



Glen Eira

# Youth Page



## New website — a webteam member writes...

by Niranjana Ponniah



Writer Niranjana Ponniah surrounded by members of the youth web team (clockwise from left) Hieu Lam, Chris Anderson, Anita Sridhar, Stewart Smith, Youth Project Worker Judith Bruce, Shireen Wahid, and Aitran Nguyen.

**D**o you have problems bothering you at the moment? Are you bored and want some fun? Why don't you look up Glen Eira Youth Service's new, cool and wicked website? It's specially designed for young people.

Hello! My name is Niranjana Ponniah and I am from Kilvington Girls Grammar. My friends from school, Shireen Wahid, Hieu Lam, Aitran Nguyen and Anita Sridhar, along with Stewart Smith and Chris Anderson from McKinnon Secondary College, worked together to produce a website for Glen Eira Youth Services. It rocks, and it was heaps of fun constructing it. Working on the web site gave us an opportunity to display our creative and technological skills and work with other people.

There is a page about the 'Why? Stop Youth Information Centre' which offers counselling services, links to other services, information on youth issues, a Clothes Library and more. This is followed by the 'Emergency Contacts and Links' page. The 'Program and Services' page lists all the programs organized by Youth Services which will definitely shake you out of boredom. Also included on the website is the 'Youth Services Resources' page which includes the WHO Youth Information Card and the WHY Gen? Youth Page.

The 'Upcoming Events' page and the 'Youth Worker and Health Professionals' Noticeboard' will keep you up to date with all the cool weekly programs, gigs, network meetings and conferences. The 'Ask a Youth Worker' page is kept confidential so you can email youth workers who will reply promptly with the information you need.

Check out the 'Web Team and Shameless Plugs' page that is dedicated to the fabulous people who designed this site. Also on this groovy page, there is a hidden alien game for you to amuse yourselves. The 'Feedback' page encourages readers to express their opinions on our site. We need to know if things should be improved, added and what people like about it. We will acknowledge all comments, suggestions and questions.

Come to our site and you will discover a whole realm of things you have never seen before. Don't forget that address!

<http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/youth/index.html>

### Grant winner thank you by Dean Podger

I would like to thank the council for acknowledging my basketball efforts with a Youth Excellence Foundation Grant. The Grant enabled me to travel to Terrigal NSW to compete for Vic Metro under 16s in the Australian Basketball Championships. We had trained four days a week for eight hours and had practice matches against under 18 teams to make us all work harder.

### End of the year already?!?

Hi there! We hope you have enjoyed the first four editions of the WHY Gen? Youth Page and look forward to reading more work from young people and hearing about Youth Services.

One of our projects for the new year, is to publish the second edition of the Y files, an information directory for young people in Glen Eira. It will contain information on youth services, agencies that assist young people and recreation opportunities. We would like to decorate the pages with your illustrations, photographs, cartoons and poetry. If you would like to contribute your work to this important community resource, please call Judith on 9524 3283.

Youth Services wishes you all Happy Holidays and New Year. Let us know what's happening over the holidays and feel free to write about it for the WHY? Gen Youth Page.

Best wishes from the Youth Team,  
Jodie Belyea Jody Laughton  
Isabel Machuca Judith Bruce  
and our editor Daniel Piekarski

Yes, our under 16 Victorian Basketball team won the Australian Basketball Championship and I was a part of it.

We were famous for a week, because everyone knew who Vic Metro was, having won the same Championship last year. When we first arrived we felt intimidated and did not think we would make the finals.

At the Championship, we stayed in the motel as a team and watched basketball videos on the other teams' strengths and weaknesses. Some days we had training at a private court and we always had a swim after each game to help our recovery.

As the week progressed we grew in confidence. We referred to the team not as a group of individuals but as a machine working together. This machine won every game, culminating in a 61 to 58 victory over NSW Country in the Grand Final.

I feel very proud that I have done my best for my family, school and my state of Victoria.

### Contact us!

Daniel Piekarski –

email: [pike@eisa.net.au](mailto:pike@eisa.net.au)

Judith Bruce – Glen Eira Youth Services

Phone: 9524 3283 Fax: 9523 0339

Post: Glen Eira Youth Services  
PO Box 42, Caulfield South 3162

email: [jbruce@gleneira.vic.gov.au](mailto:jbruce@gleneira.vic.gov.au)

Website:

<http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/youth/index.html>

### Moorabbin South Springvale Employment Development Group Jobs Pathway Program

Jobs Pathway Program assists school leavers seeking employment with:

- Resumes and interview techniques
- matching
- months ongoing support

JPP is a **free** service funded by DETYA

To register phone Jane or Therese 9553 4433

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WEARY FEET IN A NICE  
HOT BOWL OF CHICKEN SOUP.





# Childhood memories — truth or fiction..?

by Robyn Szechtman

*Goat on a Hill* is full of warm and funny stories capturing a family and community struggling to deal with the aftermath of war. It is full of the scrapes and adventures of a childhood where kids had to create their own entertainment, even if at the expense of others!

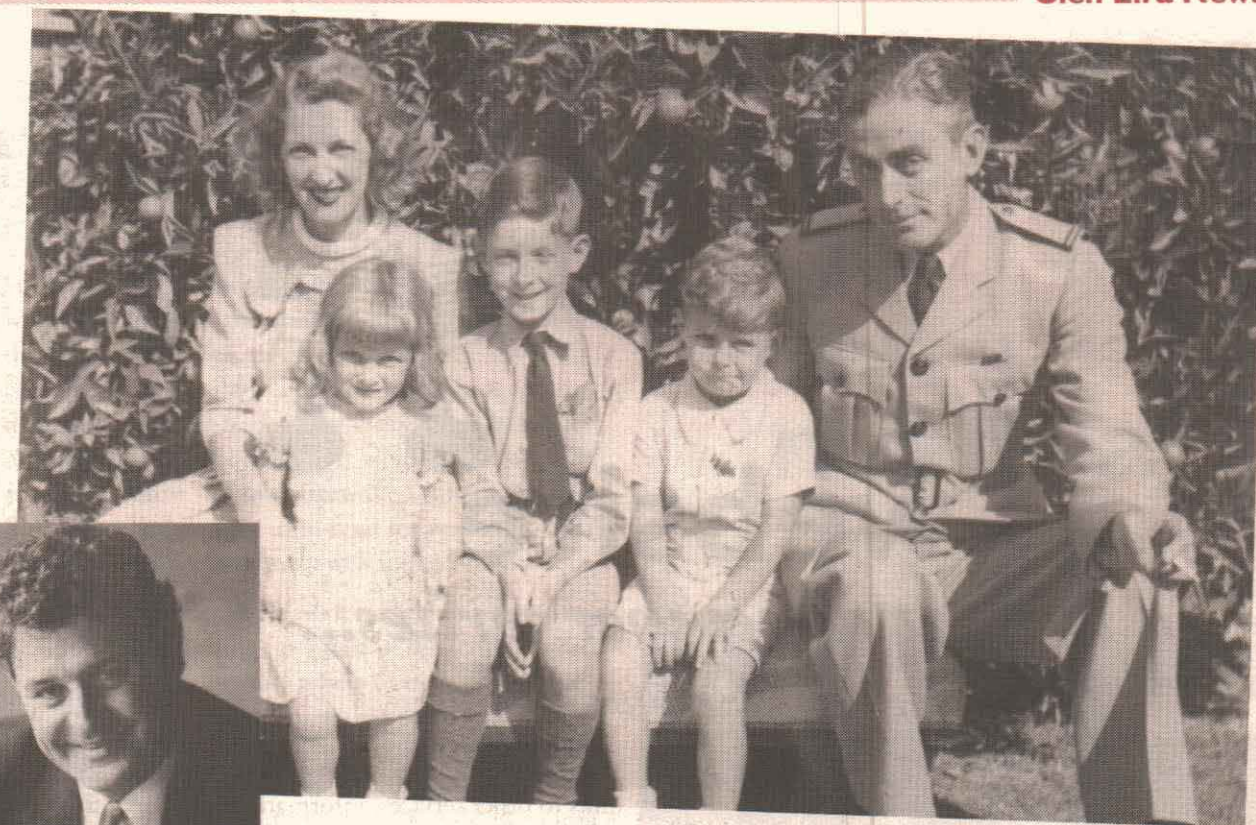
In writing an autobiographical account of his life, Robin Stewart discovered how difficult it is to decipher fact from fiction. Many of his viewpoints about his childhood and family life were contradicted by other members of the family, so in the end he decided to turn his book into a work of fiction. In doing this, he feels he may have inadvertently ended up with a closer version of the truth.

*Goat on a Hill* is about a young boy growing up in Caulfield in the late 1940s and early 1950s. The book starts three years after the return of Robin's father Race, from World War II. Robin remembers that as a child, ex-servicemen appeared very mysterious and frightening. "The one thing they all had in common was their silence." They were full of secrets and a deep melancholy and could stop a mischievous lad dead in his tracks with just a glance.

Haunted by his war time experiences, Race began drinking as a coping mechanism in the Air Force when stationed in New Guinea. Robin explained that this was very common. "They used to drink before they went flying, and he was up there as a navigator trying to figure out where he was going. It was the only way they survived it. When they came home, they just turned up and were expected to go back to normal again."

This was to prove impossible for Race and the many men who returned psychologically scarred from the war. Race continued to drink at home, which caused a lot of tension within the household.

Robin believes neither of his parents could truly understand what the other had gone through. The war for his mother meant sharing a house with her parents and three children. Her last two children, twins, were born on the eve of her husband going away and they didn't see each other for five years,



except for one brief leave. She lived on a meagre wage and had shortages to cope with. And, according to Robin, "she didn't take to it too well!"

But, her husband Race saw her as having a trouble-free war, with none of the horrors he had to contend with. Unfortunately, he wasn't able to communicate with her, saving his stories for other servicemen down at the local club over a couple of drinks and a bet on the horses.

Like many who lived through childhood during the war, Robin grew up in a house where three generations were thrown together. This made for torrid family dynamics at times but gave the added benefits of having other family members to turn to when his parents were too caught up in their own affairs. Robin's mother's parents also lived in the house and Robin's love for his Grandpa comes across very clearly in the book. Robin describes him as a "physically hard old man" who dispensed wisdom with great humour. Although in his nineties he would cut wood for the family every morning in the woodshed, a place of great significance for Robin as this is where all the great family secrets were unraveled bit by bit.

"The terrible sisters," Robin's aunts were also an important part of his childhood and their presence always added extra drama and glamour to any family function. Robin remembers his aunts as "having a particular talent for warfare" and following their trials and tribulations in the book provides wonderful insights into the difficulties women of the era faced.

"Half the sisters were divorced, and the other half

lived in fear of divorce." Divorce was granted only in strictly defined circumstances, the most popular being adultery, but this had to be proved with photographic evidence. Robin tells what happens when one of the sisters has finally had enough of her philandering husband, and they set off on a family hunt for the adulterer. The scene where they find him is well worth reading!

Robin recalls Caulfield as being a very sectarian place where migrants were viewed with much suspicion at first, but gradually these barriers were slowly broken down and friendships formed. One of the first girls Robin had a crush on was a little Jewish girl in Grade 6 who had a number tattooed on her arm which he did not fully understand the significance of until he was much older. She gets taken home for lunch and given a sample of his mother's cooking, which according to Robin was enough to stop a potential romance in its tracks.

Robin remembers his father as an eternal optimist who lived on the dream fed to him by his mother that he had noble blood running through his veins and would some day receive the inheritance and title due to him. The title of the book was based on an expression Robin's exasperated mother used to describe his father. She would scoff at her husband's claims and say: "He has high ideals, like a goat on a hill." As it turns out, there was truth to the story but we have to wait for the sequel to the book that Robin is currently writing to find out if his dreams were ever fulfilled.

*The book is available at Dymocks in Elsternwick and Cosmos in St Kilda.*

## LIBRARY News

The Hey-dee-ho ho ho Christmas Show brings the festive spirit to Bentleigh Library on Wednesday 16 December. Renowned storyteller Morgon Blackrose will perform her All I want for Christmas show at Caulfield Library on Monday 21 December. Both shows start at 7pm and don't be surprised if a special guest drops in!

Beat the heat during January with the terrific range of fun activities at the libraries:

- Sail the seven seas with Pirates, Whales and Fishy Tales and join in the magic of Sleeping Beauty at Caulfield Library
- It's a world of magic and imagination at Bentleigh Library with the Abracadabra Magic Show and Kidz Fantasy Dress-ups workshop

- Celebrate Caribbean culture, songs, stories and dance at Elsternwick Library with Jamaica Eyrie
- Make your very own scary mask at the Monsters and Aliens mask-making session at Carnegie Library

Tickets for these events are on sale from Tuesday 15 December \$3 for members or \$5 for non-members (and remember, membership is free). Age limits apply for some activities. For times and details, check the holiday program available from all branches of the Glen Eira Library and Information Service.

**Pyjama Pranks** bedtime stories will be held at Caulfield Library on Monday 18 January, 15 February and 15 March and Bentleigh Library on Wednesday 20 January, 17 February and 17 March. All sessions start at 7pm and are free.

**Annual Statewide Summer Reading Club:** this year's theme is Quest IV: Into the Deep and children who start this underwater reading adventure at any branch will receive bookmarks and stickers and have the chance to win great prizes including Gameboys and book vouchers. To enter, children need to read

ten books, complete a reading record and return it to the library.

### Holiday opening hours

All branches of the Glen Eira Library and Information Service will close at 3pm on Thursday 24 December 1998

- Carnegie and Elsternwick Libraries will be closed until Saturday 2 January 1999
- McKinnon Library will be closed until Tuesday 5 January 1999.

Hours over the Christmas period:

Tuesday 29 and 10am-6pm

Wednesday 30 December

Bentleigh and Caulfield Libraries

Thursday 31 December

10am-3pm

Bentleigh and Caulfield Libraries

Friday 1 January

CLOSED

Saturday 2 January NORMAL HOURS RESUME

*Don't forget our new opening hours— details from your library.*



# Recreation News

(Left to right) Recreation Program Officer Deb Watson, President of the 30Plus Table Tennis Club Alex Joy and Access for All Abilities Program Co-ordinator Paul Dunn.

## A call for sports clubs to take up a new challenge

"Never before have sports clubs in Glen Eira had such an opportunity to encourage people with disabilities to be involved in sport at their clubs," says Paul Dunn, the coordinator of a new Access for All Abilities Program.

This new service, funded by Sport and Recreation, works across the municipalities of Glen Eira, Stonnington, Bayside and Port Phillip and aims to open up opportunities for people with disabilities to participate in sport and recreation programs.

Speaking at a recent forum Paul Dunn encouraged clubs to think of ways they could help people with disabilities enjoy the challenges of sport. Already a table tennis club has run a Come and Try Day, whilst the Caulfield/Carnegie Cycling Club has a strong involvement of people with disabilities.

Quite a lot of interest was sparked by Paul's short and enthusiastic challenge to clubs: "The aim is for clubs to take one step at a time. We can help in a number of key ways."

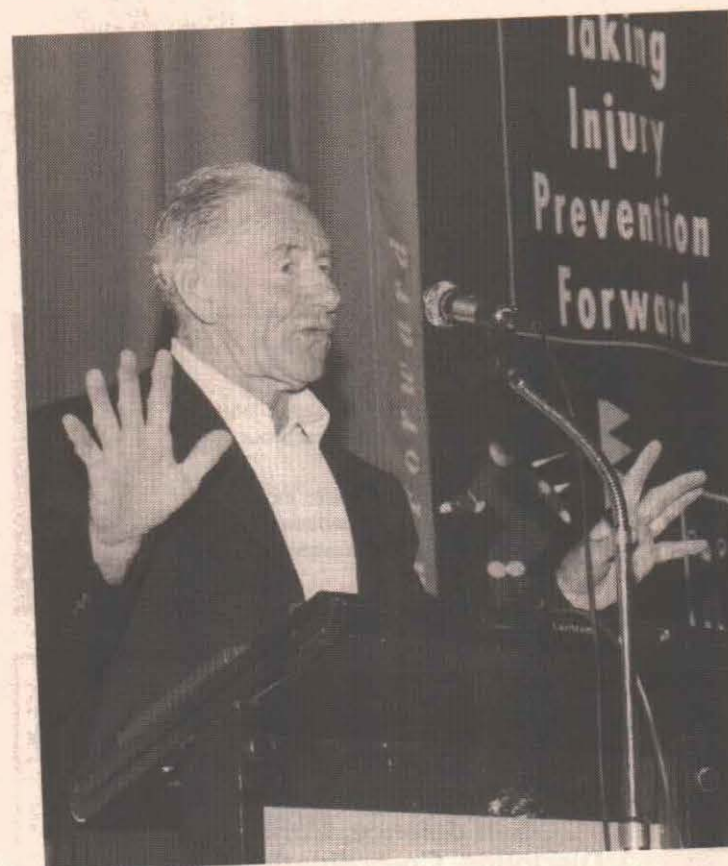
The Access for All Abilities Program offers:

- training and development opportunities for club members focusing on disability awareness,
- access to networking opportunities,
- assistance with access to funding and resources, and
- planning and consultations.



For more information about the Joint Councils' Program and how they can assist sporting clubs, please phone Paul Dunn on 9209 6753 or Ann Carroll on 9209 6572.

## In brief



Football personality Tom Hafey speaks on the importance of sports injury prevention.

### Over 200 people take sports injuries seriously

A recent Sports Injury Prevention Seminar conducted by the Cities of Glen Eira, Kingston and Bayside, and the Department of Human Services was a great success. More than 200 people gathered to hear former footballer and coach Tom Hafey, physiotherapist Tony Ward, netballer Eloise Southby and basketballer Paul Maley discuss important issues around preventing sports injury.

Since the initial seminar additional workshops have been specifically run for club administrators, coaches and trainers. In February Glen Eira City Council will hold a seminar for players and in March a seminar for netball and basketball clubs. These two seminars will highlight the specific sports injury prevention issues and will provide practical ways to reduce injuries.

For a brochure for these free seminars please contact Nicole on 9524 3470 or email [recservices@gleneira.vic.gov.au](mailto:recservices@gleneira.vic.gov.au)

### Velodrome—cycling into the next century

Major works to completely resurface the Glen Eira Velodrome in Packer Park have just begun. These works will necessitate the removal of the existing surface and sub-surface and the construction of root barriers. The new track will have a synthetic plexipave surface, which will be a pleasure to race and leisurely ride on.

The work has been made possible through funding from Sport and Recreation Victoria, Glen Eira City Council and the Carnegie Caulfield Cycling Club. The track will be closed for the duration of the construction project, which it is anticipated will take from 23 November through to 18 January 1999. The new track will be open to both the public and the cycling club. We ask that you always wear a cycling helmet while riding on the velodrome and vacate it during club training times. This new work might be a great opportunity for you get out there and ride your bike.

### Grants for sports clubs announced

Sport and Recreation Victoria has announced the 1999/2000 Minor Facilities Grants Scheme with \$2.5 million again available for distribution. The Scheme aims to improve sport and recreation opportunities at the local and community level.

Council will have the opportunity to submit up to five projects for consideration under the Scheme. Requests of up to \$50,000 per project will be considered although successful projects are generally in the range of \$5000 to \$30,000. The maximum allocation is 50% of the total cost of the project.

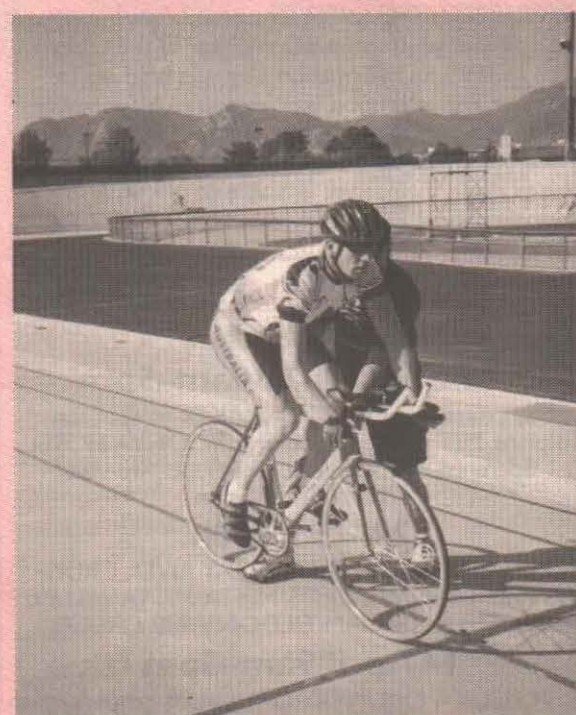
For more information or an application form, contact Nicole Hambling on 9524 3470 or email [recservices@gleneira.vic.gov.au](mailto:recservices@gleneira.vic.gov.au). Although applications don't close until 9 February 1999, clubs are asked to make applications as soon as possible.

## Three world cycling records!

Members of the Carnegie Caulfield Cycling club Peter Homann and Paul Lake recently competed in the International Paralympic Committee World Championship at Colorado Springs in America. Over 300 of the world's top disabled cyclists competed in road and track races.

This was the first time the event was held in the USA. The IPC World Cycling Championships take place every four years, two years prior to the Paralympics.

Both Peter and Paul were very successful in their events. Peter won gold and broke world records in the one kilometre time trial and the 3000m pursuit. He also won gold in the 20km-road race and silver in the 5km-road time trial. Paul also broke a world record, won silver in the 4000m pursuit, bronze in the 20km time trial and came fifth in the 70km road race. We extend our congratulations to these two promising cyclists.



Peter Homann in Colorado Springs training for the world record



# COMMUNITY *Diary*

## Meetings & clubs

**Indoor Carpet Bowls for Vision Impaired and Blind People** are held on the first and third Fridays of each month at St Stephen's Church Hall, Balaclava Road, North Caulfield at 10am-2pm. Contact: Neil on 9576 1469.

**12th Caulfield Scout Group**, Beavis Street, Elsternwick have vacancies for Cubs (aged 8 to 11), Scouts (11 to 15) and Venturers (aged 15 to 18) and for Leaders in all sections. Contact Murray: 9820 2682.

**The Victorian Lupus Association Support Group** will meet on Sunday 13 December at 2pm. Contact: Enid 9509 2753.

**Central Shule Chabad** — Come home to Shule on Friday Evening with Brett Kay and Choir. Friday evenings at 7pm and Shabbat Morning at 9am at 133 Hawthorn Road, Caulfield Junction. Contact: Rabbi Rosenberg on 9522 8275.

## Services

**URGENTLY WANTED — Volunteers to deliver meals on wheels.** Drivers and Jockeys needed weekends and weekdays. All enquiries to Glen Eira Food Services Volunteer Coordinator between 9 am and 1.30 pm on 9563 6611.

**Scout Hall** for hire, weekdays or weekends, day or evening, reasonable rates. Contact: Lorraine on 9532 9931.

## Something for everyone

Caulfield Adult Literacy Group celebrated two events recently: Adult Learners Week and an information day to lead up to International Year of the Older Person 1999. Both involved sharing information, skills and activities.

Adult Learners Week offered an opportunity for the group to open its doors to the community and demonstrate some of the exciting activities happening within. Throughout the weekend there was something for everyone from Indian Embroidery, Shiatsu and gardening to activities arranged and carried out by the students. Delicious meals from all over the world were prepared and eaten (participants are shown here, enjoying the gourmet diversity).

Then, as a lead up to International Year of the Older Person in 1999, an information Day was held on 16 November. The afternoon was organised for members of the community in the 50 plus age group. Service providers in the areas of education, health and leisure activities made themselves available to talk with participants about their services.

**Birthwise** provides preparation for childbirth classes for pregnant women and their partners and/or support person. Dates for 1999: 18 January, 19 April, 12 July, 4 October. Classes held at the East Bentleigh Community Health Centre or Monash Link Community Health Service. Contact: 9579 2333.

**Volunteers needed for Music to Enjoy** — friendly musical group providing social outlet for frail, older people. Volunteers assist with transport and provide companionship and support to participants. People with a musical background are particularly welcome. Thursdays 1.30-3.30pm at St David's Uniting Church, corner Grange Road and El Nido. Cost: \$3. Contact: Rosemary on 9598 2155.

**Do Care needs you!** Become a Do Care Volunteer. You can provide social support to an isolated person in your local area. Training and ongoing support provided. Contact: Judy on 9532 8499 or Carole on 9533 0231.

## Events and activities

**Adelphi Players Theatre Company** presents the pantomime Goody Two Shoes by Fred Rome playing at Labassa, Manor Grove North Caulfield on 12 December at 2pm, 13 December at 4pm and 19 December at 2pm and 4pm. Tickets: adults \$6 and children \$4. Bookings: 9690 1593 or 9578 0952.



Watch out for events coming up in 1999. For details contact: 9532 8319.

**Food Safety Act:** Council's Environmental Health team will host an information session for food business owners on the changes to the Food Safety Act, at the town hall on Tuesday 15 December, from 7-9pm. For details, phone 9524 3274.

**Tea Dance, Old Time and New Vogue**, held every second Sunday every month. Live music by Bill Kerr at the Organ, Moorabbin Senior Citizen Building, Nepean Highway, corner Exley Drive, Moorabbin. Contact: 9798 5994.

**Christmas at St Agnes** includes Carol Service on 20 December at 7.30pm, Blessing of the Crib on 24 December at 11.30pm, Eucharist and Christmas Hymns at 8am and Solemn Eucharist for children at 9.30am on 25 December. 116 Booran Road, Glen Huntly. Contact: 9571 3932.

## Arts Diary

### Glen Eira Arts Complex

**Saturday 12 December, 7pm**

50s Rock'n'Roll evening — includes free dance tuition 6-7pm. Bookings and information: 9852 1122.

**Sunday 13 December**

Shalom Association performance. Bookings and information: 9532 9033

**Thursday 17 December, 11am and 1pm**

**Christmas Spectacular** — a show full of entertainment with the joy and spirit of Christmas. Bookings and information: 9557 5493.

### Art Studio, Murrumbeena

(For children and adults)

Children school holiday classes in January 1999 (Painting, drawing, watercolour, screen printing)

Beginners and ongoing classes including technical guidance in all mediums — beginning February 1999 (evenings)

For details phone Anne on 9564 8119.

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**17 February 7.30am-5pm**

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**22-25 March**

MYRTLEFORD, ALBURY, MURRAY RIVER CRUISE, RUTHERGLEN WINERIES, MITTA MITTA VALLEY, DARTMOUTH DAM, EILDON WEIR CRUISE.

**14 April 9am-5pm**

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ENQUIRIES: 9572 0571 OR 9523 7862 (AH)

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	Underarm \$7
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<b>Gel nails (Bio Sculpt)</b>	
Overlays	\$30
Extensions	\$45
Eyelash Tint	\$8
Eyebrow Tint	\$6

### SENIOR CITIZENS WEEK 1999

13 - 28 March

Glen Eira City Council is currently planning events for Senior Citizens Week 1999 including a Picnic in the Park. Council is also pleased to be supporting many of our senior citizens clubs and groups who are holding events including open days, luncheons and picnics. If you would like your name placed on the mailing list to receive a brochure in late February please contact:

**Cheryl Kennedy**  
Recreation Officer for Older Adults  
Telephone: 9524 3356

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# ARTS Arts

## Talking Textiles—the seminar!

Last year's successful seminar was testament to the broad and passionate appeal of textiles. An audience of artists, practitioners, students and textile lovers came to the complex from all over Melbourne and country areas to meet, eat and delight in the presentations and an exhibition of work by graduates of the Melbourne Institute of Textiles.

This year's exhibition, *Ink and Thread*, (3-13 December) will again showcase young textile designers exploring their chosen medium. The diversity and vibrancy of the contemporary textiles scene will also be illustrated by a specialist bookshop, foyer displays and illustrated talks by three leading textile artists.



**Rose Chong** is a highly respected theatrical costume maker whose film, television and theatre credits are extensive. These include an AFI award (1986) and the prestigious 1998 Best Practice Award from the Department of Industry, Science and Tourism (TCFUA Division). She will discuss innovation in her work and in the development of her company.

**Kerrie Peters** has worked and exhibited internationally as a textile designer and artist. She is currently Chief Designer for Dakee International and Rugs by Design. Her work is influenced by extensive travel throughout Europe, Asia, India, North America

and the Middle East. Kerrie's carpets can be found at Crown Casino, hotels (pictured right), banks, corporate offices worldwide and most recently and spectacularly, in the palace of the Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi.



**Gabriella Verstraeten** is an established textile artist, designer and writer, based at the Metro! Craft Centre. Specialising in machine embroidery, she has won several national and international awards and is represented in many collections and publications. For the last two years she has led a textile interest tour along China's Old Silk Road and will take us on this journey, focusing on traditional and ancient oriental textiles. Four thousand year old preserved mummies, delicate designs, gorgeous brocades and intricate weaving are highlights not to be missed.

**Talking Textiles—the seminar**  
Sunday 13 December, 2-5pm  
Theatrette  
Glen Eira Arts Complex  
\$15 (includes afternoon tea)

For bookings contact:  
Susan Pilbeam on 9524 3402.

## Design a Rug Competition **rugs** BY DESIGN



December is textiles month at the Glen Eira Arts Complex and we are delighted to have the support of Dakee International and Rugs by Design in launching a special competition. This is a wonderful opportunity for textile designers, students and artists to see their design concept turned into a custom-made quality carpet.

The winning entry will be made up into a 1.7 x 2.4m carpet by Rugs by Design, displayed and when sold, the designer will receive \$500.

To enter the competition simply submit a full colour, scale design for a 1.7 x 2.4m rug to:

Design a Rug Competition, C/- Rugs by Design, 1349 High Street, Malvern Vic 3144.

Entries close 5pm Thursday 31 December.  
Enquiries and entry forms: Susan Pilbeam on 9524 3402.



Embroidery from the Northern Wei Dynasty 386-543 AD

## Exhibitions

### Ink and Thread

4 to 13 December 1998

Opens Thursday 3 December at 6pm

*Ink and Thread* is an annual exhibition celebrating the work of graduating Melbourne Institute of Textiles students in the schools of Studio Textiles and Screen Printing Design.

This year's exhibition will include a range of designs from quiet sophistication to bold and lively statements. Designs will feature creative exploration as well as inspiration drawn from current fashion trends in textiles. For many students, this exhibition provides the first opportunity to display their talents as designers, artists or craft persons in their chosen field.

### For the Love of Colour

16 to 20 December

Opens Tuesday 15 December at 7pm

Three local artists, Margarita Krivitsky, Geraldine Knight, and Nickolas Belog, have come together to

stage an exhibition energised with colour and stamped with individuality.

Krivitsky and Belog both have a strong European sensibility. Belog paints sometimes sombre, history-laden laments of European landscapes once seen and lived. His paintings are romantic yearnings of remembered places.

Krivitsky is carving out an approach that blends her Soviet realist art training with dynamic western abstract approaches. Her work often looks at women's lives and the passages they traverse, including her own. Krivitsky has also created large mural works and recently completed a ceramic mural at Bialik College's Early Learning Centre.



Margarita Krivitsky's "Music"

Geraldine Knight also uses brilliant colours in her loose expressive style. Her paintings include landscapes and interior domestic scenes. Despite her training in Fine Art at RMIT she too displays somewhat of a continental sensibility in her work combined with bright Australian summer colours.

### Red Yellow Blue, RGB and CMYK

16 to 20 December

Opens Tuesday, 15 December at 7pm

Red, yellow and blue are the primary colours of light, but other systems of colour are available and in use today; a computer monitor uses red, green and blue whilst the printing industry uses cyan, magenta, yellow and black. Trinh Vu explores these three systems of primary colours in her large 'paintings' which are the result of painting techniques as well as contemporary digital technologies. Trinh Vu is currently undertaking her Masters at the Victorian College of the Arts and lectures in animation and digital technologies at the Melbourne School of Art.



# CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

## PROGRAM

- 6.30pm Sale of programs and candles by the Caulfield Girl Guides and District Scouts Association of Glen Eira
- 6.35pm **Pre-Carols entertainment**
- City of Glen Eira Band conducted by Len Russell with soloist Elena Xanthoudakis
- Glen Eira City Choir conducted by Peter Mousaferiades accompanied by Joan Shewan
- Sacha Lefevre— Children's entertainer
- 8.30 to **Carols by Candlelight**
- 10.15pm Rhonda Burchmore Tony Fenelon  
Tiffany Speight Terry Gill  
Victoria Chorale Humphrey B Bear  
Young Voices of Melbourne

### ADMISSION IS FREE

Programs \$1 Candles 50 cents

Proceeds will be donated to Community Information Glen Eira for Emergency Relief.

**Public car parking** for the concert will be through Gate 2 in Station Street with pedestrian access to the stage area. Entry is also available through Gate 23, the main Gate in Station Street.

**Enquiries:** Peter Regan Producer 9524 3371.



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## Glen Eira Writers Competition



### My Brother Jack Short Story Award

Open to all residents of Australia

1500-3000 words

1st prize \$2000 (and story published in Meanjin)

2nd prize \$750

3rd prize \$250

Judges: Arnold Zable and Stephanie Holt

### Glen Eira/Dymocks Short Story Award

Open to residents/students of the City of Glen Eira only

1500-3000 words

\$500 book voucher from Dymocks, Elsternwick

Judge: Jennifer Dabbs

### Children's Short Story Award

Open to children aged 10-14 years and residents/students of the City of Glen Eira only

250-500 words

1st prize \$30 gift voucher plus packs of recent books and stationery

2nd prize \$20 gift voucher plus packs of recent books and stationery

Judge: Hazel Edwards

### Children's Poetry Award

Open to children aged 10-14 years and residents/students of the City of Glen Eira only

Max. 36 lines

1st and 2nd prizes packs of recent books and stationery

Judge: Hazel Edwards

**The competition closes Friday, 29 January 1999.**

**Entry forms are available by contacting Deborah Vanderwerp on 9524 3402.**

The opportunity to have work published is what makes this competition unique. Our association with

Meanjin, Australia's leading literary journal, continues with the publishing of the winning entry in the My Brother Jack Short Story Award.

Entrants in the Children's Awards are encouraged to send their work to Jetsetter magazine for publication, and will also have their works reproduced on the Glen Eira City Council web page.

The winner of the Glen Eira/Dymocks Short Story Award will have their story printed in the April 1999 edition of the Glen Eira News.

Proudly sponsored by:

**My Brother Jack Short Story Award:** Mason's Book Centre, Eastend Booksellers, Meanjin, City of Glen Eira

**Glen Eira/Dymocks Short Story Award:** Dymocks, Glen Huntly Road, Elsternwick

**Children's Short Story and Poetry Awards:** Child and Adult, Group Newsagency Supplies, Jetsetter Magazine, Pan MacMillan, Penguin Books Pty Ltd, Random House, Toyworld.

## Christmas Spectacular

Thursday 17 December  
11am & 1.30pm

Such a delightful finale for the year, this show will be full of the joy and spirit of Christmas. A show packed with superb entertainment, singalongs, and special surprises. Again in keeping with the Christmas season, Shortbread and Christmas Cake will be served at this concert.



**"This will be the highlight show of the year."**



## Magic Melodies

### DAYTIME CONCERTS

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(former Caulfield Town Hall)

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**'SHOWS INCLUDE A LOVELY MORNING OR AFTERNOON TEA'**

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### COST OF TICKETS

Individual tickets \$10  
Groups (10 plus) \$9

## Bookings and information

**9557 5493**

**or purchase tickets at the door**