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## Leading ladies to star in *Carols*



Marina Prior



Rhonda Burchmore

Two leading stars of the Australian musical theatre— Marina Prior and Rhonda Burchmore— will headline our annual City of Glen Eira Carols by Candlelight, on Sunday 19 December at Caulfield Racecourse.

Rhonda Burchmore makes a welcome return following her recent title role in the hit musical *Mame*. She is joined by Marina Prior who has just completed a national tour as the lead in *The Merry Widow*.

Hosted by Radio 3AW personality and recording artist Denis Walter, the evening also features the 90-member National Boys Choir who have achieved international recognition with their recent Qantas television commercials.

Popular organist Tony Fenelon joins us after a most successful tour of England and America to promote his latest CD recording *Collections* along with the Glen Eira City Choir, Terry Gill, and children's favourite Humphrey B Bear. Of course, the night would not be complete without the man himself, Father Christmas.

The evening officially starts at 6.30pm with candle and program sales by the Caulfield Girl Guides and District Scouts Association of Glen Eira (programs \$1 and candles 50 cents— proceeds will go to Community Information Glen Eira for emergency relief). Pre-entertainment begins at 6.45pm with lots of fun for the children with popular entertainer Sacha Lefevre and music from the Glen Eira City Band, and the concert begins at 8.30pm.

Carols by Candlelight producer Peter Regan said: "We hope families will bring along a picnic and enjoy an evening of entertainment and community carols on the beautiful lawns of the Terrace Whittier Stand."

Undercover seating will be available for approximately 2000 people. Entry to the concert is free.

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The first Council term will end in March 2000— turn to pages 8 and 9 for a "report card" on some of our major achievements in just under three years.



# MAYOR'S column



Citizen of the Year, Skye Holcombe, for Young Australian of the Year.

Council is calling for applications for Citizen and Young Citizen of the year. These awards will be presented at the Australia Day breakfast to be held on Friday 21 January. Please consider nominating someone you know who has contributed to our community. I was pleased to nominate this year's Young

So pencil in the date for the Australia Day Breakfast; details will appear in the local press during December.

The Mayoress' lunch was held last month to recognise people who help make our city a "community"—120 people joined Nola for a wonderful luncheon.

The Decision Makers Dinner was also held and about 80 people attended, including advisory committee members, traders representatives, MPs, school principals and other community leaders. I was pleased to be able to report on Council's achievements over the last two and a half years. We have fixed enough footpaths to stretch from here to Geelong and resurfaced a million square metres of road pavement which is enough to resurface the MCG 50 times!

Last month we issued our annual report; our report card to all of you. Copies can be viewed at Council's libraries and will be available on our web site in the near future. I am proud of the achievements it shows.

On 11 November we remembered all those who have given their lives for their country at a memorial service at the Cenotaph at Caulfield Park. I think it is important not to forget and to resolve to work towards peace in our world.

Last month I also ventured onto the Yarra Yarra Golf course in the first Glen Eira charity golf day. The proceeds went to the Caulfield General Medical Centre. I expect the day to grow in strength in the coming years and thus make a real contribution to worthwhile organisations in our city.

I am looking forward to this year's Carols by Candlelight to be held at the Caulfield Racecourse on 19 December; it is a great family event. Put it in your diary now!

My best wishes go to all those students who have completed their VCE and are now waiting for their results.

— Norman Kennedy  
Mayor

## Here's to shared ideas and goals

Glen Eira's Mayoress Nola Kennedy (pictured centre) hosted a luncheon last month in recognition of the valuable contribution made by community organisations. About 120 people, representing a variety of community organisations, joined her for lunch at the Auditorium. The guests included Mayor Cr Norman Kennedy, Helen Erlich, Mandy Longmuir, Jane Neve and Council's Chief Executive Margaret Douglas.

In her invitation Mayoress Kennedy said: "A community is not merely an organisation with a membership list. A community is people—people who share ideas and goals; people who feel part of each other's lives and dreams; people whose individual ideas and personalities can unite to work towards a richer, stronger world."



The Mayoress and her guests were entertained by pianist Mark Jones and comedian Ray Gilson.

## Minister approves move to nine Councillors

The State Government has given approval for the increase in Glen Eira Councillors from six to nine at the next Council elections, to be held in March 2000.

Minister for Local Government Bob Cameron approved the change in the Orders in Council published in the Victoria Government Gazette on 28 October 1999.

Mayor Cr Norman Kennedy said: "I am pleased that the Minister has accepted our proposal to increase the number of Councillors to nine. This move is designed to provide better representation for our 120,000 residents. Our community endorsed this proposal as their preferred option during the community consultation held earlier this year."

Cr Kennedy urged Glen Eira residents to consider standing for Council next March. "This is a valuable way to contribute to our community. From next March we will have three Councillors in each of the three wards: Mackie, Jasper and Orrong."

Glen Eira City Council's elections will be run by the Victorian Electoral Commission and be conducted by postal vote. Voters will receive ballot papers, statements and indications of preferences supplied by candidates and reply paid envelopes, by mail.

Prospective candidates may be interested in obtaining an information kit comprising a range of publications released by Council about its services. If you would like to receive a kit, call Tim Presnell at the Council offices on 9524 3202.

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# Parks go online

In what could be an Australian first, Glen Eira's Parks and Leisure Guide has gone online on the web. In an exciting joint project with computer students from Monash University's Caulfield Campus and Council, an interactive leisure guide has been developed for residents and visitors to the city.

This project began in March with an assessment of Council's needs and a discussion on what was possible with the internet. The aim was to construct a user-friendly interactive leisure guide to provide up-to-date information on parks and be integrated with the new Out and About Leisure Guide.

The interactive map will take people into the heart of recreational possibilities in Glen Eira and the guide can be accessed through the internet from either a home computer or through facilities at libraries.

The main map displays places of interest in Glen Eira with hot links to websites—click on the Rippon Lea icon and you'll find yourself in the Rippon Lea web site. There are four key areas of the guide, including a map of parks, dog walking areas, the interactive map and a park search facility.

Major parks and their services are listed individually, including links to the appropriate sports clubs and contact details and training times. Parks can be searched either by suburb or facilities.



(From left) Douglas Grgas, Craig Lush, Matthew Doran, Council's Recreation Officer Byron Douglas, Professor David Abramson (Head of School—Computer Science and Software Engineering at Monash University), Stephen Pearson, Karen Millard, Jason Ceddia (School of Computer Science and Software Engineering at Monash University, Caulfield Campus), and Mayor Cr Norman Kennedy take a look at the Recreation interactive website. Photo: Penny Stephens—courtesy of the Age.

This new system will be a great asset to all residents. From the comfort of your own home you will be able to find the best places to visit in the City of Glen Eira. So why not fire up the computer and take a

look—click on the "Leisure Guide Interactive Map" icon on Glen Eira's home page or go to: [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/project](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/project)

## GlenCare funding—Crs call for help

by Myrine Hawksworth

A new Department of Human Services funding system will continue to leave Council's home and community care unit GlenCare with insufficient funding.

Council's Human Services Director Laurie Harkin said the demand for services was already higher than Council could provide: "All disability, home care and adult day care services currently have waiting lists and referrals for new clients has increased by 20 per cent in the last year."

"But government funding for these services has increased by only 2 per cent over the last three years," he said.

"The government funding system has changed over the last couple of years, and all home and community care services will be funded for the next financial year in a significantly different way from the 1999–2000 financial year. The new system is based on a unit cost for service arrangement which has been determined by the Department of Human Services.

"But in introducing the Unit Costing system, the Department specified an amount that was below the industry benchmark. We've already negotiated a unit cost that is closer to the benchmark for the current financial year, but the Department won't increase the funding to meet that amount—instead we will be expected to reduce the amount of service hours we provide to fit the current funding."

Council's GlenCare Unit currently provides 175,000 hours of service per year, representing assistance to more than 4000 people. About 24 per cent (almost \$800,000) of the total \$3.5 million GlenCare budget is provided by Council itself.

GlenCare provides a comprehensive and integrated range of support services for frail aged and other people with disabilities and their carers; services which enhance their quality of life, help them be

more independent, and assist them in remaining connected to their local community.

A report to Council recommended having Councillors pursue appropriate avenues of additional funding by directly lobbying the relevant local parliamentary members, government departments and by actively lobbying through the Municipal Association of Victoria.

Cr Noel Erlich, whose portfolio is Human Services said: "Council is dependent on government funding for more than 60 per cent of its community care programs. Council's contribution of \$800,000 is well in excess of the minimum Government requirement."

"Measures are already being taken to improve efficiencies in the home care program—we've achieved a lower unit cost than the Department's specified amount in both the Home Maintenance and the Adult Day Centre programs. For example, our actual cost for home maintenance is \$28.97 per hour compared to the Department's \$31.57 per hour."

"We're working hard to increase the number of hours of service we can provide, but there is a limit to what we can achieve. We'll be calling for the Department to further review its contribution and more realistically address its responsibilities," he said.

### Deadline for Glen Eira News

The deadline for the first Year 2000 issue of the Glen Eira News will be **Monday 10 January** for delivery 1–3 February, 2000.

#### Coming deadlines:

March: Monday 7 February. Delivery: 7–9 March  
April: 13 March. Delivery: 4–6 April

For advertising contact Margaret on 9524 3224.  
To submit editorial material write to:  
Glen Eira News PO Box 42, Caulfield South 3162.

## \$1 million children's centre to open

Glen Eira families, child care staff and maternal and child health nurses will celebrate the opening of the new Murrumbeena House with a teddy bears' picnic on Sunday 12 December.

Mayor Cr Norman Kennedy will unveil a plaque to mark the opening of the \$1 million facility, which brings together maternal and child health, child care, family day care playgroup, parents' groups, occasional care, and community meeting facilities.

Glen Eira City Council provided \$700,000 for the project, while the Federal Government contributed \$300,000, under its Capital Replacement and Upgrade Program. The new child care centre will provide 45 places and replaces the former Ormond and Murrumbeena children's centres.

Maternal and Child Health has been operating in a refurbished Edwardian house on the new site at 105–107 Murrumbeena Road since August. The new section for child care and other services is now complete and will open its doors on Monday 13 December.

Cr Noel Erlich, who is chair of Council's Human Services Advisory Committee, said: "This is an integrated solution to the provision of family services in the City of Glen Eira.

"The new building has been designed to blend in with its surroundings. For example, Council has sourced second-hand terracotta tiles and chosen bricks that blend with the older building which houses maternal and child health. The design also takes advantage of natural light and energy efficiency, and has full disabled access."



# What do Portfolio Advisory Committees do?

This month we publish the final in our series on Council's Portfolio Advisory Committees and their input into Council's activities and services—covering Business Development, Arts and Culture and Recreation Advisory Committees. Council's Advisory Committees comprise Councillors, community representatives and consultants and Council staff, and meet to discuss issues and make recommendations for future directions.

## Business Development Committee



**Portfolio and chairperson:**  
Cr Alan Grossbard

Committee members (as at end June 1998): Cr Norman Kennedy, Shirley Caulfield, Gerald Galatis, Michael Henry, Professor Bruce McKern, Michael Nazzari, Clionda Rae,

Margaret Seedsman, Council's Chief Executive Margaret Douglas, Executive Director Andrew Newton, and Manager—Business Development Unit Andrew Millen.

The Business Development Committee was established by Council specifically to develop a Business Development strategy for the City, and comprised a cross section of local business representatives. The strategy developed by the Committee, sets the blueprint for the next three to five years and was approved by Council in August 1998.

This Committee evolved into an Implementation Work Group, the task of which is to complete the actions of the Business Development Strategy, according to the five Strategy Objectives, namely to:

- attract investment;
- build on existing strengths and develop local resources;
- promote self sufficiency amongst businesses;
- enhance and promote shopping centre business precincts; and
- create effective linkages to encourage business development.

The Implementation Work Group now comprises Business Consultant Peter McNabb, Council's Executive Director Andrew Newton, and Manager—Business Development Unit Andrew Millen, under the leadership of Cr Alan Grossbard.

Council's Business Development Unit has been in operation at Council for about four years, and with the direction of the Committee and later the Work Group, is well advanced with the implementation of its actions. Some of its key achievements are:

- beautification and physical works in Carnegie, Bentleigh, Alma Village, Caulfield South/Hopetoun Gardens and Elsternwick Shopping Centres;
- the development of the new format 1999 Glen Eira Guide/Business Directory;
- the establishment of the business membership Buy Local Alliance and Business Events Calendar 1999/2000;
- the establishment of the Business Development Unit brand to the business and residential community;
- the development of information and business related publications including the Glen Eira Economic brochure and the Business Development Unit information brochure;
- public forums on business developments held in the Town Hall;
- Business Victoria grants to assist business exceeding \$50,000; and
- further enhancement and development of the Glen Eira Mainstreet Program.

Other exciting projects to be completed later this financial year, include the Glen Eira Retail/Commercial Strategy and business sector, industry and community profiles.

The Business Development Implementation Group is strategically focused with a plan to attract investment, support existing businesses and to provide exceptional leadership for the City of Glen Eira now and in the future.

— Cr Alan Grossbard

## Arts and Culture Advisory Committee



**Portfolio and chairperson:**  
Cr Barry Neve

Committee members: sponsorship consultant Andrew Porter, Kay Brewster, Sylvia Kolarik, Margaret Lambert, Richard Zimmermann, Greg Mills, Council's Director City

Development Jeff Akehurst and Manager Arts Programs and Development Judith Buckeridge.

The Arts and Culture Advisory Committee has assisted Council in considering issues surrounding the provision of quality arts programs and management of venues.

The Committee's main consideration has been to enlist support and advice on the implementation of the Arts and Cultural Strategy for the City of Glen Eira and to deal with other issues as they have arisen.

These include the establishment of a Friends of Glen Eira group and a Caulfield Cultural Forum; the marketing of the Arts Complex venues and its programs to Glen Eira and the wider community; to oversee the refurbishment of Oak Tree House; and the preparation and implementation of a Business Plan and marketing strategy for Oak Tree House.

As a result of the interest expressed in having a closer working relationship with our sister city Ogaki, an extremely successful Japanese Festival was held in March 1999. This event attracted more than 3,000 people (including 500 students) and attracted wide media coverage.

The Arts Advisory Committee has tackled many arts and cultural issues such as the refurbishment and development of the Town Hall facilities, a marketing strategy for the Theatre, membership of the Committee itself, the formation and support of the Glen Eira Youth Orchestra, programming opportunities, and the marketing opportunities for a consortium of south eastern suburbs cultural institutions including the Glen Eira Arts Complex, Australian Racing Museum, Jewish Museum of Australia, the Holocaust Museum and Research Centre and Rippon Lea Estate.

The opportunity to participate in the arts and cultural activities of Glen Eira has always been paramount to this community. The Arts Advisory Committee looks forward to ensuring these services continue to provide the City with quality special events and programs.

— Cr Barry Neve

## Recreation Advisory Committee



**Portfolio and chairperson:**  
Cr Veronika Martens

**Committee members:** Jack Sheahan, Danielle Hastings, James Barrett, Joan Hardy, John White, Council's Director City Development Jeff Akehurst, Recreation Services Manager, Linda Smith and Open Space Planner Lynette Neivandt.

The major project undertaken by the Recreation Advisory Committee was the Glen Eira Long Term Open Space Strategy which was passed and adopted by Council in December 1998 and implementation is well under way.

Open space is an important issue for all residents. Glen Eira is fortunate to have quality parks and open space that is the envy of other municipalities. To ensure these areas are used to their full potential, the committee identified the need to have a proper long term strategy for open space that enables Council to make budget provision for projects to go ahead.

After extensive public consultation a draft report was written and Council called for public comment. Most of the responses received expressed support for the strategy's broad principles which are to:

- retain existing open space;
- discourage alienation of public open space for restricted uses;
- encourage local users of sports facilities;
- create trails and links between open space;
- increase landscaping in parks; and
- increase community involvement in the design, development and management of open space.

Since the adoption of the strategy, Council has undertaken the development of master plans for six parks. As identified in the open space strategy, master plans for parks enable their redevelopment (where necessary) in a staged process. Together with Council, local residents and park users identify the needs for each park. A landscape architect then prepares a draft report and a plan for community comment. The final plan and report is then adopted by Council. Council places a high priority on community participation.

The committee is pleased to see that the groundwork put in to develop the long term open space strategy is already bearing fruit through the establishment of these park master plans. A direct result of the Allnutt Park planning process has been the complete redevelopment of the park. From the successful upgrade of this park it is quite clear that the planning approach undertaken by Recreation Services is a success. The committee is delighted to see the results of the process established by the strategy which it was instrumental in putting in to place.

As Chairperson of the Recreation Advisory Committee Cr Martens also chaired the Princes Park Community Consultative Committee that assessed expressions of interest into proposed development of Princes Park. This committee comprised Councillors, local residents, sports clubs and Council staff.

— Cr Veronika Martens



# ADASS celebrates Carers Week

Glen Eira City Council's ADASS centre recently celebrated Carers Weeks with an afternoon tea for carers to recognise the enormously valuable service being performed by carers in the community. About 60 people attended and were entertained by music students from De La Salle College.

Human Services Advisory Committee chairperson, Cr Noel Erlich, said: "Glen Eira's adult day centre provides programs for older people or people who have a disability and are unable to participate in community activities.

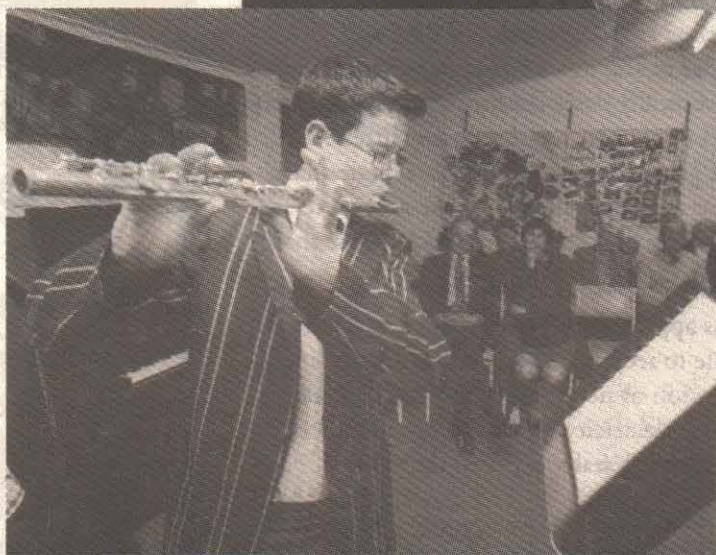
"Participants enjoy a broad range of activities such as gentle exercises, music therapy, creative art, t'ai chi, outings to restaurants, beaches and other places of interest. The centre also provides the opportunity to meet new people, make friends, and have fun. All this activity adds an extra dimension to the lives of the group members."

Cr Erlich said the day centre also provided a vital "time out" for the carers. This respite allowed them the chance to undertake their own activities and social outings, and recharge before resuming what is usually an extremely demanding full-time role of caring for their partner or family member.



Above: Mayor Cr Norman Kennedy enjoys a cup of tea and a chat with ADASS participants to celebrate Carers Week.

Left: A student from De La Salle College entertained carers and participants at ADASS for Carers Week at the end of October. Photos: Bernie Bickerton



## Council and local food businesses

— working together for improved hygiene in a changing world

Our eating habits are changing. Increasingly, more meals are prepared and consumed away from the home and the demand for convenience foods of all kinds has increased.

But, without proper food handling and hygiene, risk of food poisoning also increases. The Public Health Association of Australia reports that 11,500 individuals become ill every day after consuming contaminated food or drink. Food borne illness, including food poisoning and gastroenteritis, costs the community more than \$2.6 billion each year.

Now for the good news. Council congratulates Glen Eira's food businesses for their co-operation with Council to meet the required hygiene standards.

The City of Glen Eira has 66 A class food businesses (refer to table). All A class food businesses have submitted food safety programs to Council for approval. Council's Environmental Health Department has assessed the content of these programs for compliance.

Council will continue to work with local food business to ensure high levels of hygiene are maintained.

Council's Environmental Health Department has conducted a number of food safety workshops to help local food businesses understand and comply with the Victorian food laws. These food safety workshops will continue to run in early 2000.

Environmental Health Officers are also currently inspecting all local food businesses to assess hygiene standards and to provide information about how to improve hygiene standards.

Local food businesses are encouraged to develop and submit food safety programs as soon as possible and

introduce new hygiene management practices. Council has already received food safety programs from 26 B class premises and 13 C class premises. Council's Environmental Health Officers are currently assessing these programs.

All local food businesses complying with the new food laws and following good hygiene practices are eligible for a 5 Star hygiene rating. All 5 Star food businesses are awarded a certificate that is usually displayed inside the premises.

Council also produces the Safe Food Guide which provides details of all local businesses of 5 Star rating. This guide is also available in Council's resource guide.

The Victorian Government has introduced dates when food businesses must submit food safety programs to Council. This applies to all Victorian food businesses.

Class	Business description	Compliance date
A	Businesses selling food to vulnerable groups	31 March 1999
B	Businesses selling potentially hazardous foods which will not be cooked or treated prior to consumption	20 or more full time staff: 31 December 1999 19 or less full time staff: 31 March 2000
C	Businesses selling potentially hazardous foods which are intended to be cooked prior to consumption and businesses selling non-potentially hazardous foods	20 or more full time staff: 30 June 2000 19 or less full time staff: 30 September 2000
D	Businesses selling packaged food only	31 December 2000
E	Voluntary organisations with a turnover of less than \$21,000 per annum and which operate more than 12 times per year	31 December 2000
For further information contact the Environmental Health Department: 9524 3405		

## Celebrate Australia Day with us

City of  
GLEN  
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Glen Eira City Council will celebrate Australia Day at a breakfast on Friday 21 January from 7.30am. Glen Eira Citizen and Young Citizen of the Year will be announced at this event.

Nominations for these awards are now being sought— why not nominate a citizen who you believe has made a noteworthy contribution to the community in the current year, or who has 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 2000. Nominations close 13 December 1999 and forms are available from the Service Centre.

For information on the citizen awards or for details of the breakfast, contact: Mayor's Secretary Michelle Hurd on 9524 3225.

## Mothers of new babies coffee morning

City of  
GLEN  
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The next coffee morning will be held at the Town Hall Maternal and Child Health Centre on Wednesday 26 January 2000, from 11am–12noon.

Morning tea will be provided.

Bring your baby and have a chat over coffee about how your life has changed!!

Fathers also welcome.



# Help us help— recycle your newspaper

Council's paper recycling collection is not being as well-utilised as expected, according to Waste Management Engineer Doug Griffiths.

The service was changed from a monthly collection of all paper and cardboard to a fortnightly newspaper and magazine collection about four months ago. Although more newspaper has been collected than for the same period last year, the increase has not been as significant as expected.

Mr Griffiths said the response was disappointing because customer surveys had indicated that the convenience of a fortnightly collection would encourage more residents to participate.

He said newspaper recycling is the most efficient form of recycling: "Because newspaper is heavy and Council receives a good return on the sale of the collected material, recycling newspaper gives the greatest reduction in tip fees at the least cost."

"Newspaper is also the largest part of the general household waste stream that can be recycled," he said.

Mr Griffiths reminded people that only newspapers and magazines were now being collected. Cardboard and all other paper, such as envelopes and office paper, should be placed in the regular garbage bins. Council ceased collecting cardboard because a reliable market could not be found for the collected material.

"The specification for the paper we can sell to Fletcher Challenge Paper is very strict. People need to be sure bundles contain only the right material. If

they contain contamination of envelopes or the like, they cannot be collected and the newspaper is wasted," he said.

Telephone books are not collected either and should be taken to BP service stations and placed in the "book muncher" bins for separate recycling. These bins are made available for a short time when new phone books are issued.

## Paper recycling crate

In addition to the "paper baler" which has been available for some time, Council has now also made a "paper recycling crate" available for purchase. The crate is similar in size to the black recycling crate but has been specifically designed for paper—eliminating the need to bundle paper and reducing litter. A government grant provided the original crates, but similar grants are not available for the new crate. Council is selling the crates for \$6 each—less than the cost price.

Mr Griffiths appealed to residents to purchase a crate and continue to recycle newspapers and magazines: "The production of newspaper from recycled paper uses much less electricity, thus helping to reduce greenhouse gases. It really is worth the effort."

## Government House Open Day invitation

His excellency the honourable Sir James Gobbo, AC, Governor of Victoria and Lady Gobbo invite all citizens of Victoria and visitors to the state to visit Government House

on Australia Day, Wednesday 26 January from 10am to 4pm.

Visitors are welcome to picnic on the lawns of Government House.

Access for disabled people. Refreshments available.

**Free entry.**

Enter via Government House Drive, off St Kilda Road, and from Dallas Brookes Drive.

**Contact: Julie-Ann Wills on 9651 4211.**



The countdown to December 31 1999 is underway, and many Glen Eira residents will be at parties or major public events, celebrating the arrival of the Year 2000 as the clock ticks over at midnight.

It's also the countdown to whether the so-called "Millennium Bug" has an impact on a large range of utilities. After careful reviews and planning during 1999, Glen Eira City Council is in a state of Y2K readiness, through its Municipal Emergency Management Plan.

Council has followed the lead of the emergency services and is not anticipating a "Y2K emergency" on New Year's Eve or New Year's Day. Rather Council will be prepared to deal with any emergency that happens, irrespective of its cause.

Should the need arise to communicate with the community at large (if other communications systems are not working), Council has put up community notice boards at Centre Road Bentleigh (Bentleigh Plaza rotunda) and Glen Huntly Road Elsternwick (at the corner of Staniland Grove). Another board will soon be erected in Carnegie at the corner of Koornang Road and Jersey Parade.

However, the major impact on New Year's Eve is probably going to be the extraordinary level of revelling throughout the community. The sheer numbers of people crowded together, coupled with enthusiastic consumption of alcohol by many, is bound to cause a number of emergencies.

With this in mind, Council wishes the community a Safe and Happy New Year—take care on the road and keep your family safe to enjoy the new millennium.

## Volunteers wanted



### — to deliver meals on wheels

Can you spare some time monthly, fortnightly, weekly or on weekends?

Glen Eira Food Services needs **Volunteer Drivers** to help deliver its Meals on Wheels Service seven days per week. Meals are delivered to the East Bentleigh, Bentleigh, Carnegie, Caulfield, Glen Huntly, Elsternwick, McKinnon, Ormond and Murrumbeena areas.

If you are able to provide assistance or would like more information, contact the Volunteer Co-ordinator on 9563 6611 (Monday–Friday 9.30am–1.30pm).

## Meals on Wheels



(★★★★★

5 Star Rating)

### "Committed to Quality and Service"

Glen Eira Food Services is pleased to offer residents the support service of Meals on Wheels—catering for a wide range of diets including reduced fat, high fibre, diabetic and vegetarian. **No assessment is required to receive this service.**

Meal choices are made easy with help from two diet monitors, available Monday to Friday.

For just **\$4.90** you receive a main meal, dessert, fruit or juice. Meals are delivered every day—cold meals on weekdays and hot meals seven days per week, every day of the year including public holidays.

### Contact:

Glen Eira Intake Officer on **9524 3220** and Glen Eira Food Services on **9563 6611**.

## Councillors visit Salvo's hostel

As part of Council's commitment to developing residential aged care in Glen Eira, Councillors recently visited a 99 bed low care (hostel) facility run by the Salvation Army in South Blackburn.

Mayor Cr Norman Kennedy, Crs Noel Erlich, Barry Neve, and Russell Longmuir, along with Council's Chief Executive Margaret Douglas and Human Services Director Laurie Harkins, were shown over the Salvation Army Inala Village site where the new facility has been constructed.

The facility is built around three 30-bed areas, each with its own dining room and meal preparation area, and nine separate lounge/visitor areas for family and friends.



Councillors were impressed with the design and presentation of the facility and of the model of care provided to residents. The visit gave them an opportunity for a further look at the many forms of delivery of residential aged care services.



# Charity day a big hit

by Petrina Dakin

The attraction of playing at Yarra Yarra Golf Club and being part of a charity event were all the inspiration I needed to dust off the clubs and pack my golf bag.

Many Glen Eira business people were equally enthused: 96 people teed off in the inaugural Glen Eira Corporate/Charity Golf Day on 15 November and raised more than \$6000 for Caulfield General Medical Centre.

The event was held in sunny conditions, and part of the fun was competing on different holes for the longest drive, nearest the pin and the oh-so-tantalising hole-in-one, which offered a car donated by Ken Morgan Nissan.

While no-one went home with the car, everyone received a video of the day, showing every player in action, including Mayor Cr Norman Kennedy and Cr Barry Neve.

The Caulfield Lions Club did a great job, making sure we had enough soft drinks (and chocolate) to get around the course, as well as selling raffle tickets for more than 30 top prizes. The golf was followed by a dinner in Yarra Yarra's function room, attended by 120 people, including Cr Alan Grossbard, Cr Russell Longmuir and Cr Neve.

Cr Grossbard, who is chairman of Council's Business Development Advisory Committee, told those gathered the golf day had been a wonderful success and augured well for an even bigger charity event

next year. Cr Grossbard said the event had provided an excellent opportunity for business networking, and he particularly thanked the support of the sponsors.

The evening included a sports memorabilia auction, with the main item a framed cricket bat signed by Sir Donald Bradman. The big day was organised by Council's Business Development Manager Andrew Millen and event management consultant Richard Atkinson, with assistance from Yarra Yarra Golf Club.

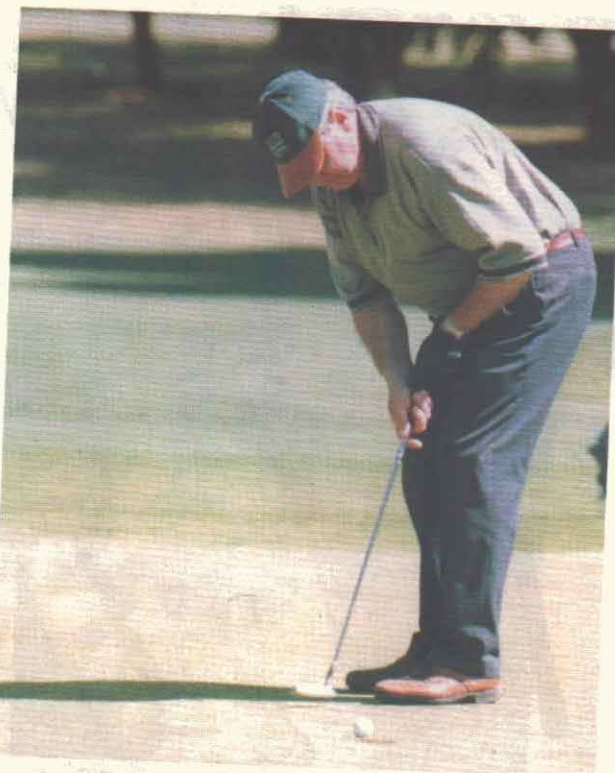
It was an ambrose event and the winning team was Jaydo Construction comprising Glen McCann, Peter Doble, Glen Beckett and Dirk De Haan.

Runners-up team: Caulfield Medical Centre comprising James Arnott, Steve Borg, Phillip Penny, and Neville Blair.

Closest to the pin: Elias Arapoglou and Mal Parkhill.

Longest drive: Jeff Gross and Dirk De Haan.

Glen Eira City Council would like to acknowledge the outstanding support of the following sponsors: Lions Club of Caulfield, Insport Promotions, Interleave Computers, Rotary Club of Elsternwick, Banner Images, VATC, Oakleigh Recyclers, Ken Morgan Nissan/Daewoo, The Greatest Game, Leader Newspapers, Bio-Wood Communications (Buy Local Program), P & O Services, Caulfield General Medical Centre, Becton Group of Companies, and Colin Plant Plumbing.



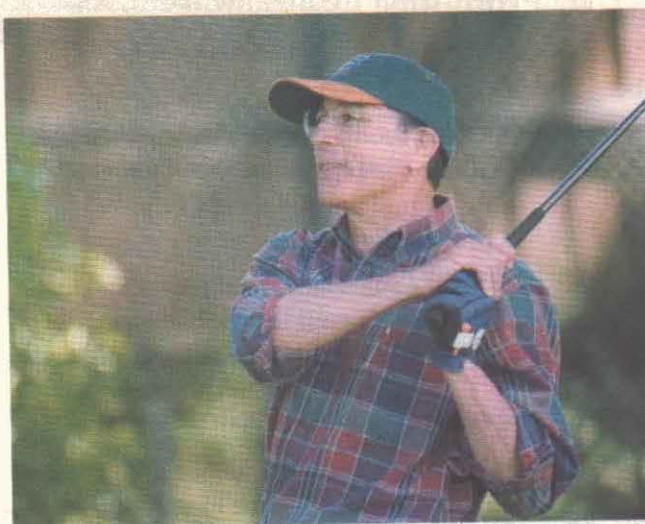
Cr Barry Neve taps in for his team.



From left: Norm McQueen, Cr Alan Grossbard and Charlie Campbell enjoy dinner.



Event co-organiser Richard Atkinson proudly displays the Don Bradman bat before it goes under the hammer.



"Did you see where it landed?" — Mayor Cr Norman Kennedy hits a good drive.



Hole in one? With this wind blowing?



Cr Russell Longmuir and Council's Communications Co-ordinator Petrina Dakin share golf stories at the dinner.



The winning team: Jaydo Construction comprising Glen McCann, Peter Doble, Glen Beckett and Dirk De Haan.

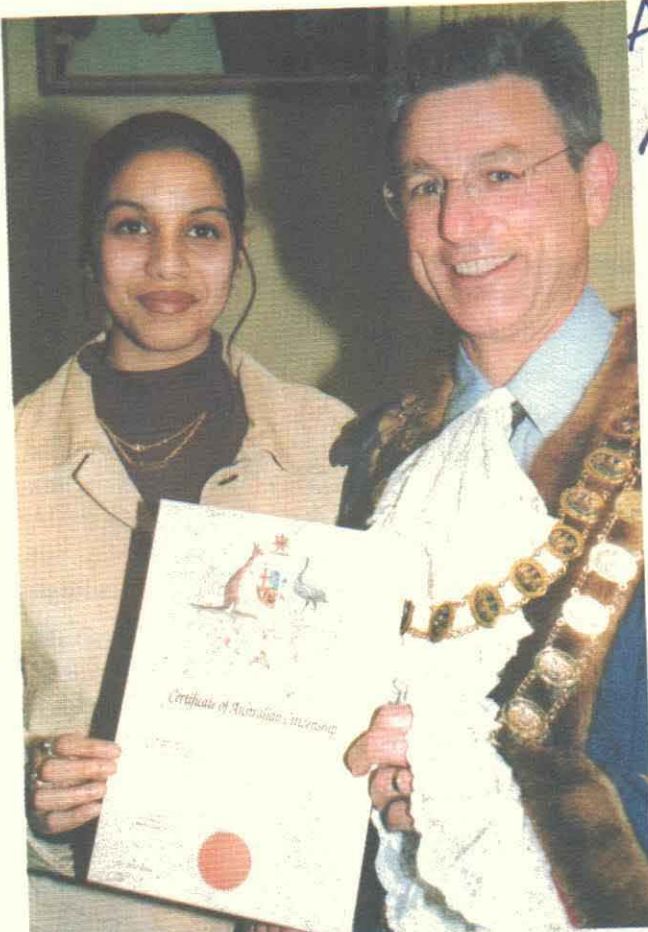


Berkeley Challenge



Photos: Bernie Bickerton





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## End of Term Report Card for:

Glen Eira City Council

March 1997–March 2000

## General comments:

Glen Eira City Council has demonstrated its ability to operate effectively and efficiently in providing services and facilities to the community. It has performed well against the targets it has set for itself and against those required of it by others. Council has been rated the best in Victoria for customer contact and achieved an overall community satisfaction rating of 83%. A great term's work.

✓ **1. Willingness to support the community**

Throughout its term, Glen Eira City Council has demonstrated a commitment to the community through the following projects:

Community Grants— **more than \$600,000** worth were awarded.

Volunteer Recognition Scheme— Council has presented **486 awards** to acknowledge the significant contribution volunteers make to the life of the community.

Disability Policy and Action Plan— exceptional work. The policy was launched in November 1998 and implementation is well under way addressing building access, staff training, recreation and more.

✓ **2. Promoting health awareness**

Immunisation— **more than 11,000** people have been immunised.

Implementing State Food Safety legislation— Council has taken on implementation of these regulations with enthusiasm and should be proud that the City had the first shop in Victoria to comply with the new food safety rules.

**Special achievement:** Council has the highest rate of implementation of all Victorian Councils.

✓ **3. Developing new facilities**

Council has almost completed work on the \$1 million Murrumbeena House— due to open on 13 December. The centre will provide child care, maternal and child health and community facilities.

✓ **4. Willingness to support individuals**

Council has shown consistent commitment to addressing the needs of individuals in the community.

Service Centre— continuous improvement. Now takes almost **1000 calls or visits a day**. Most calls are handled by the staff member who answers the phone— well done!

Libraries— outstanding work! **One million** visits are made to Council's libraries each year.

Meals on wheels— more than **430,000 nutritious meals** delivered to Glen Eira residents. A great effort.

Maternal and Child Health— Council has assisted **more than 1000 families**.

Aged care— Council is working on a new project to build a \$6 million Aged Care residential facility in Bentleigh.

Citizenship— **nearly 2,000 people** have become Australian citizens through ceremonies auspiced by Council.

✓ **5. Commitment to the environment**

Making Glen Eira a clean, safe and enjoyable place to be has taken a high priority for Council.

Parks— Council has commissioned two new parks: Memorial Park (Kooyong Road) has been completed and another is under way near the former Murrumbeena High School.

Council has really cleaned up!

Street cleaning— **900 kilometres** of kerbs and gutters on the City's roads have been cleaned **12 times each year**; 8 kilometres of shopping centre kerbs, gutters and footpaths have been cleaned **six times per week**.

Recycling— **22,000 tonnes** of recyclable material has been collected.

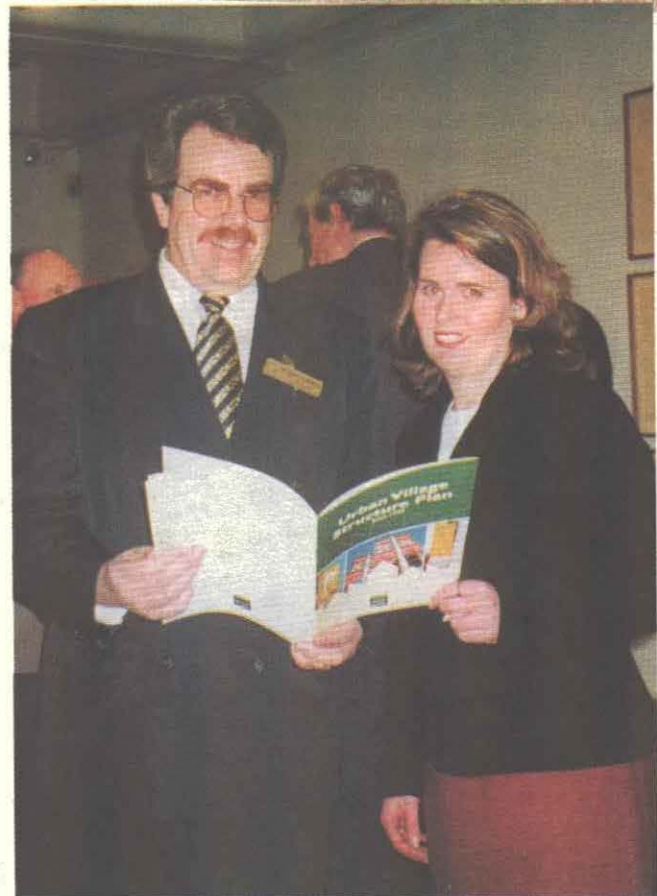
Garbage collection— **120,000 tonnes** of rubbish removed.

✓ **6. Supporting commercial enterprise**

Council has supported the development of commercial enterprise in the City. Some \$2 million has been spent on physical improvements to retail shopping strips through Council's Mainstreet Program.

**Special acknowledgment:**

Feedback from other Councils, shopping centre managers and business operators has confirmed the Mainstreet programs in Bentleigh, Carnegie and Elsternwick are among the most successful in Victoria.







## 7. Awareness of physical world

What an impressive effort!

**Footpaths**— Council has fixed enough footpaths to stretch **from here to Geelong!**

**Roads**— **a million square metres** of road pavement has been resurfaced. That's enough to resurface the MCG about 50 times!

**Drains**— Council has cleaned on average **1200 drainage pits** and replaced 240 lids per year. Some 600 major drains are cleaned each year, representing an average of **21,000 metres** of drains.

## 8. Ability to plan ahead

Council has put enormous energy into planning over this time. The Planning Department has overseen more than \$300 million worth of development.

It should be proud of the very low rate of planning appeals by objectors.

### Other achievements:

Adopted new Glen Eira Planning Scheme.

Adopted Urban Village Structure Plans for Bentleigh, Carnegie and Elsternwick.

## 9. Ability to take fiscal responsibility

Council has worked hard to address the financial position of the City and made significant progress during this term, by:

- paying off \$6 million of inherited debt and not borrowing a cent. Council is on schedule to be **debt-free** in March 2000, and

- last financial year, Council moved its Operating Result into **surplus**.

**Rates**— Council has held rates at an average of \$10 per week. This provides ratepayers with rubbish collection, access to libraries and reserves, street lighting, street cleaning and much, much more. Excellent value for money.

### Special achievement:

Rates in Glen Eira are still 13% below the levels of 1993/1994 (after inflation).

Rate cuts during that period have passed \$30 million. That represents \$30 million in ratepayers' pockets to be spent, often, in the local community.





# Recreation News

## Allnutt Park a winner

by Byron Douglas

**T**he decision was unanimous—Allnutt Park is a winner!

Mayor Cr Norman Kennedy officially opened the park redevelopment at a recent celebration. Although heavy rain was present for an hour or so, the general enthusiasm was not dampened as participants enjoyed performances by students from Katandra Primary school, McKinnon Kindergarten, and Bentleigh West Playgroup.

The redevelopments have been brought about through careful planning and community consultation. This process, identified by Recreation Services and the Open Space Strategy, recommends master plans be created for parks to ensure proper staged developments.

Allnutt Park is the first park to undergo this process from planning through to the completion of building works. Planning began in October 1998 and the final plans were endorsed by Council in April this year. The main construction work was carried out through June and July and minor works have since been completed—bringing the park back to life through innovative planning, design and works.

A significant amount of unseen work has gone into Allnutt Park's refurbishment; irrigation and drainage systems have been installed to help maintain the park. Many of the changes are obvious—the extensive tree planting program, the new and upgraded playground, new park furniture (including barbecue shelter and pathways). A toilet has also been installed and the park has been designed to give maximum access to people of all abilities. The new play equipment is wheelchair accessible and everything from drink fountains to toilets have been considered to enable maximum access.

Allnutt Park has been upgraded with good planning and community consultation—a partnership which has rejuvenated an important Council asset.



Mayor Cr Norman Kennedy geared up to receive a cheque for \$30,000 from Caulfield Carnegie Cycling Club president Bob Beattie.



Entertainer and master balloon-twister Anthony de Masi delighted children and adults alike at the launch of the recently refurbished Allnutt Park. Photos: Bernie Bickerton

## In brief

### State cricket played at Caulfield Park

Victorian Spirit and Western Fury played in the Women's National League cricket competition at Caulfield Park on 6 and 7 November. Caulfield Cricket Club hosted the Victorian and Western Australian sides, who played two one-day matches. Glen Eira City Council has recently completed an upgrade of Caulfield Pavilion, including women's change rooms for lacrosse players and access improvements.

### Get fit this summer

There is a park near you where sport is played. In Glen Eira this summer you are able to play softball, baseball, netball, cricket, tennis, lawn bowls, croquet, athletics, golf and cycling just to mention a few! There is always the option of a walk in the park or a swim at one of Council's swim centres. So get out and about in Glen Eira!

### Sports forum kicks goals

Hosted by the Mayors of Stonnington and Glen Eira, the Sports Forum gave local clubs insight into the benefits of having people with disabilities as club members and participants.

Paralympic hopeful and sailing champion Anna Healy enthralled listeners with her sports involvement while a panel comprising local clubs told personal stories of encouragement.

Joint Council's Access for All Abilities program coordinator Paul Dunn said: "The night was a great success. Local clubs are really enthused about including people with disabilities."

Contact: Paul Dunn on 9209 6753.

For further information please contact Recreation Services 9524 3470.

## Wheels spinning freely

**T**he Caulfield Carnegie Cycling Club presented Mayor Cr Norman Kennedy with a cheque for \$30,000 (left) as part of its contribution to upgrading the velodrome at Packer Park, Murrumbena.

The project was jointly funded by Sport and Recreation Victoria, Glen Eira City Council and the cycling club at an approximate cost of \$160,000.

The velodrome refurbishment has included removal of the original surface and sub-surface and the construction of root barriers, a drainage kerb and channel, and a total upgrade and reshaping of the velodrome.

Cr Kennedy said: "The new track has a synthetic

plexipave surface, which is a pleasure to race on and great for a leisurely ride for non-racers."

"The upgrade to the velodrome creates a facility of significance for the community and the region. It's very popular with the cycling community—it's not unusual to see past or present Olympians training at the site."

The track is open to the public except during club training times and race days. The Caulfield Carnegie Cycling Club is looking forward to a big season this summer on the new track. New members are always welcome, contact: Bob Greenwood on 0412 939 616.





# LIBRARY News

Seasons Greetings from all the staff at Glen Eira Library and Information Service!

## Christmas/New Year opening hours

To give you the greatest opportunity to visit our libraries over this period, we have extended the holiday opening times at Bentleigh and Caulfield libraries till 9pm.

Friday 24/12/1999	All Libraries open 10am–3pm
Saturday 25/12/1999	All Libraries closed
Sunday 26/12/1999	All Libraries closed
Monday 27/12/1999	All Libraries closed
Tuesday 28/12/1999	All Libraries closed
Wednesday 29/12/1999	Bentleigh and Caulfield Branches open 10am–9pm Carnegie and Elsternwick closed
Thursday 30/12/1999	Bentleigh and Caulfield Branches open 10am–9pm Carnegie and Elsternwick closed
Friday 31/12/1999	Bentleigh and Caulfield Branches open 10am–3pm Carnegie and Elsternwick closed
Saturday 1/1/2000	All Libraries closed
Sunday 2/1/2000	Bentleigh and Caulfield Branches open 12–5pm Carnegie and Elsternwick closed
Monday 3/1/2000	All Libraries closed
Tuesday 4/1/2000	All Libraries open usual hours

## It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas!

FREE shows for all the family

**Monday 20 December, 7pm at Caulfield Library**

### *All I want for Christmas*

Join in the songs, stories, and rhymes to celebrate the Christmas season with acclaimed storyteller Morgan Schatz-Blackrose. Keep an eye open for the surprise visitor in the red suit!

**Wednesday 22 December, 7pm at Bentleigh Library**  
*The hey dee ho, it's Christmas! show*

Be part of the spirit of Christmas with music, songs and dressing the Christmas tree. A jolly surprise guest in a red suit will drop in too! Ho! Ho! Ho!

## Blast off to your libraries!

Summer holiday fun at the libraries

### Statewide summer reading club

Blast off— into the new millennium!

Why not join the greatest reading club around? Great prizes and lots of fun activities. Enter at Bentleigh, Caulfield, Carnegie and Elsternwick libraries.

The following sessions are available for:

- children 6 years and older (Event code S), and
- family events for all ages (Event code F)

Cost: \$3 per child for library members and \$5 for non-members (unless otherwise stated). Children less than 1 year admitted free to family events.

Tickets on sale from Tuesday 7 December.

### Wild Action: nature close-up! (S)

Ever touched a snake or crocodile? If not, here's your chance! Join in this fascinating interactive wildlife education program. Carnegie Library, Monday 17 January, 11am.

Tickets from Carnegie Library (places are limited).

### Beach party (F)

Dress up in your favourite beachwear and be part of this musical adventure under the sea and sailing in a boat. Elsternwick Library, Tuesday 18 January at 11am.

Tickets from any branch.

### Wriggle Jiggle Woo Show featuring Chester the Bear (F)

Delightful entertainment for all the family. Caulfield Library, Wednesday 19 January at 10.30am.

Tickets from Caulfield Library.

## Free fun for summer days and nights

### Share a story, sing a song

Join in the stories, songs and craft activity at our weekday storytimes

- Monday, 2pm at Bentleigh Library
- Tuesday, 2pm at Caulfield Library
- Wednesday, 11am at Elsternwick Library
- Thursday, 11am at Carnegie and Bentleigh Library
- Friday, 11am at Caulfield Library

### Bedtime storytimes

Summer evenings of stories and songs for all the family

- Caulfield Library: Mondays 17 January, 14 February, 13 March at 7pm
- Bentleigh Library: Tuesdays 18 January, 15 February, 14 March at 7pm

Contact: Clinton Walsh at school 9509 6872 or fax 9576 1623.

### Sholem Aleichem College

11 Sinclair Street, Elsternwick  
16 and 17 December and 20–23 December  
Contact: Bella or Janette 9528 5230 or Joan 9528 6390.

### Valkstone Primary School

Valkstone Street, East Bentleigh  
Monday 10 January to Tuesday 25 January  
Contact: school on 9570 3986 or 0418 386 420.

### Wesley College

5 Gladstone Parade, Elsternwick  
Monday 13 December to Friday 28 January  
Contact: school on 9528 2522.

Other programs will be operating in the City— please check with your local school.

# Governor-General opens Glen Eira research centre

Governor-General of Australia Sir William Deane recently opened the new Hadasa and Szymon Rosenbaum Research Centre in Elsternwick.

About 700 people, including Glen Eira City Councillors and Israel Ambassador Gavriel Levy, attended the official ceremony which was televised live from the marquee into the auditorium.

Describing the afternoon as a "very special occasion", Sir William unveiled a commemorative plaque. The new two-storey building has six 6 metre columns; *Pillars of Witness* created by sculptor Andrew Rogers, and an arresting eternal flame by sculptor Peter Schipperheyn.

The new building will play a major research role and assist with visits by people studying the Holocaust, Nazism and combating racism and intolerance. Since its inception in 1984, more than 210,000 students from Victorian schools have visited the Holocaust Centre, which, except for a paid secretary, is run by 80 volunteers, mainly Holocaust survivors.

*Sculptors Andrew Rogers (left) and Peter Schipperheyn at the entrance to the new centre. Contributed photo.*



# School holiday programs in Glen Eira

The following holiday programs will be run:

### Ormond East Primary School

253 Tucker Road, Ormond  
Friday 17 December to Friday 24 December  
Contact: school on 9578 1851.

### St Patrick's Primary School

3 Dalny Road, Murrumbeena  
Tuesday 4 January to Friday 21 January  
Contact: 9569 7487 or 0418 304 608.

### Carnegie Primary School

Truganini Road, Carnegie  
Monday 10 January to Friday 21 January  
Contact: school on 9571 2662 or (during the program) Yvonne Buckley on 015 529 987.

### Caulfield Junior College

Caulfield North Campus  
186 Balaclava Road North Caulfield  
Monday 3 January to Friday 21 January

## Child care services

## Enrolments for 2000 now open

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### Child Care Centres

- Carnegie: 15-17 Truganini Rd
  - Caulfield: Rear Town Hall
  - Elsternwick: 269 Kooyong Road
  - Murrumbeena: 105 Murrumbena Rd
- Top Accreditation

### Family Day Care

Small group child care provided in a home environment.

For enrolment application: 9524 3461



# Did you 'number it in November'?

Glen Eira Mayor Cr Norman Kennedy last month backed the Neighbourhood Watch campaign "Number it in November" to encourage residents to improve street numbering on their property.

Cr Kennedy said: "This is an important initiative, because every day, the response times of emergency services are severely hampered because residents don't have clearly visible house numbers.

"For the police, ambulance and fire brigade, not being able to find house and shop numbers quickly can lead to critical delays. Instead of attending to the fire, intruder, medical emergency or other call-out, the officers sometimes are forced to use valuable time driving slowly up and down a street looking for house numbers."

Glen Eira City Council strongly supports the proper identification of house numbers and is soon to consider introducing a new Local Law requiring residents to prominently display house numbers.

Large-sized house numbers of white or reflective materials are easier to read whereas brass numbers on a dark brick background are almost impossible to detect at night time.

"Shop and business owners can also make a huge difference by prominently displaying their street

number— and it's good for business to make it as easy as possible for customers to find premises.

"Help to make our community safer and check your own house or shop numbering— your life might depend on it," Cr Kennedy said.

Neighbourhood Watch State Co-ordinator, Acting Senior Sergeant Karen Rendell, was involved in promoting the "Number it in November" campaign and encouraged people to make a concerted effort to ensure their own and their neighbour's house numbers are clearly seen.

She said the following checklist would help people ensure their house could be found in an emergency.

Think about you own house number now and go outside and look to see if:

- your house number is clearly visible;
- the number can be clearly seen by passing motorists;
- the number is visible/reflective during the evening.

If your home has a lane or right of way at the rear, paint your house number and street name on the back fence or garage door.

If you live in a block of flats or units, make sure it is easy for the street number, block number and individual flat numbers to be identified.

## New faces at Glen Eira's immunisation sessions

Two new members have recently joined the team at Glen Eira City Council Immunisation Sessions.

Jayne Giurina is the immunisation nurse and Kirsty Douglas is the administrative assistant. They lead a strong team with Council Medical Officer of Health Dr Mark Faigan participating at designated sessions.

In response to a customer survey, the sessions at Glen Huntly and East Bentleigh (Saturday morning) have been extended by 30 minutes and the staff will be implementing new ideas to reduce waiting times at all sessions.

The team also started pre-school immunisation at kindergartens this year with very encouraging results, and the schools program for years 7 and 10 has continued as usual.

Glen Eira Council's immunisation program will continue to aim for improvements to an already safe, efficient and convenient service.

## Never too old to learn



A day full of fun, information, food and fundraising helped to celebrate Adult Learner's Week at the Glen Eira Adult Learning Centre open day.

Organisers said an estimated 400 people attended the various activities on the day; including a demonstration of T'ai Chi (pictured) performed in the park by a group who learn under Li Wong.

The Glen Eira Adult Learning Centre offers Education Programs with a strong language focus for people from non-English and English speaking

backgrounds and an Outreach One-to-One Volunteer Tutor scheme. Students and anyone interested in volunteering can ring Helen on 9532 8319.

Moorleigh U3A celebrated the week with an arts and crafts day— displaying a range of students' work. The recorder group provided live entertainment for visitors.

Secretary Lois West said the day had been very successful and the standard of work on display had been "first class". For details of classes contact Moorleigh U3A on 9570 3929.

## Immunisation dates for December

**Glen Eira Town Hall**  
Corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads  
Caulfield South  
(entry via Glen Eira Road)  
Tuesday 14 December 6-7.30pm

**Bentleigh Bayside Community Health Service**  
Gardeners Road East Bentleigh  
Saturday 11 December 9.30-10.30am  
Tuesday 21 December 9.30-10.30am

**Murrumbeena Baptist Church**  
44 Murrumbeena Road Murrumbeena  
Monday 27 December cancelled due to Public Holiday. Merry Christmas!!

**Glen Huntly Maternal and Child Health Centre**  
Corner Royal and Rosedale Avenues Glen Huntly  
Wednesday 22 December 9.30-10.30am

## Last chance for 1999!

Take advantage of our December offer on frozen meals!



**Buy 5 Main Meals and 5 Desserts and receive 1 Main Meal and 1 Dessert Free!**

**\$4.50 for Main Meal & Dessert**

Types of meals available: roasts, casseroles, vegetarian and assorted desserts (menu subject to availability).

Ordering is easy! Phone 9563 6611 or fax your order to 9569 2223.

Pick up meals from Glen Eira Food Services, 15 Truganini Road, Carnegie (10am-4pm Monday-Friday). Note: No deliveries available for frozen meals.



Glen Eira

# Youth Page



## Let's 'get wet'! graffiti diversion program

Schools, the Victoria Police and Glen Eira Youth Services have recently pursued a new tactic in the fight against graffiti in the community by developing the "Get Wet Graffiti Diversion Program".

The program encourages young people to design and display their creative talents through the painting of legal "community art pieces".

The Victoria Police, Police Schools Involvement Program (PSIP) in conjunction with Glen Eira College have worked with 12 students on creating legal pieces in the community and raising awareness of the consequences of engaging in illegal graffiti. The police also invited members from the Transit Police and Glen Eira Youth Services to talk about the costs faced by Council and the community in monitoring and cleaning graffiti.

Students were encouraged to develop a folio with their ideas and sketches and to pool their talents in order to paint their own "legal wall". "Get Wet 99" also provided students with information on legal graffiti walls in Melbourne and how to organise legal walls with the consent of Council and local shop owners.

The program concluded in early November with the Victoria Police, Glen Eira Youth Services and students from Glen Eira College "getting wet" as they painted their own legal wall at Glen Eira College.



Making their mark—two students work on a panel for the "legal wall" at Glen Eira College.

The Caulfield Police and Glen Eira Youth Services are now working on a similar program with Caulfield Park Community School. Stay tuned for more information and pictures from this program in next year's editions of the Why? Gen Youth Page.



Members of the Glen Eira Youth Services team try some "high wire" tricks outside the Why? Stop Youth Information and Referral Centre.

## ROLL UP! ROLL UP! Don't forget the High Wire Circus End of year performance!

This annual event promises to be great fun for all. Come see our talented, hard-working members display the skills they have gained throughout the year.

Where: Bentleigh McKinnon Youth Centre  
When: Sunday 12 December  
Time: 3.30pm  
Cost: \$2 (\$5 family ticket)  
Contact: Judith 9524 3283

Looking forward to seeing you there

### Contact us!

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

## School Focused Youth Service

The School Focused Youth Service for the Cities of Glen Eira, Port Phillip and Stonnington, is in the process of distributing brokerage funds to assist schools and agencies in the development of programs as part of new initiative between the Departments of Human Services and Education.

A total of 27 schools and agencies applied for assistance through the brokerage scheme—all have been successful with a total of \$57,000 being allocated to school-based programs.

More than 1000 young people are expected to participate in the programs aimed at the promotion of positive mental health and resilience. Many of these programs will help students develop conflict resolution and problem solving skills, relationship and life skills.

Other students will participate in tutoring programs, counselling sessions, recreational activities and camps. Families will also benefit from the brokerage funds through a series of parenting programs being offered by several schools and agencies.

The following schools and agencies have been successful in the first round of SFYS brokerage:

### Primary Schools:

Armada Primary School; Coatesville Primary; Currajong School; Galilee Regional Catholic College; Katandra School; Lloyd Street School; Melbourne Grammar—Grimwade House; Moorabbin Heights; Murrumbidgee Primary School; Prahran Windsor Primary; South Yarra Primary School; Valkstone Primary; and Yeshivah College.

### Secondary Schools:

Albert Park College; Bentleigh Secondary College; Beth Rivkah Ladies College; Elwood College; Glen Eira College; and McKinnon Secondary College.

### Community Agencies:

Anglicare Southbridge; Ardoch Youth Foundation; Caulfield Community Health Service/Taskforce; Family Mediation Centre; O@SYS; Obsessive Compulsive and Anxiety Disorder Foundation; Stonnington Leisure and Youth; and The ALSO Foundation.

SFYS will have bi-annual rounds of brokerage available to assist schools and agencies in developing programs for youth "at risk". The next brokerage round will be released in April 2000. For more information contact SFYS Project Co-ordinator Carmen Stewart on 9524 3392.

## Australia Day Dinner

(JOINTLY SPONSORED BY CITIES OF BAYSIDE, GLEN EIRA & KINGSTON)

To be held at Moorabbin Hall

Friday 21 January 7-7.30pm start

Cost: \$40 per head (3 course meal including drinks)

Guest Speaker: Tony Charlton

(Well known radio and television personality, sporting commentator and Australia Day ambassador).

Entertainment: Moorabbin Brass Band, Joyful Strains, Musical Group "Chardonnay"

Any monies raised will be distributed to local charity "Trevor Barker Foundation"

Enquiries and bookings: Marilyn Brownlees  
9583 4355 or Len Higgins 9583 3674



# COMMUNITY *Diary*

## Events and activities

**The first Glen Eira Human Services Community Conversation** for 2000 will be held on Tuesday 29 February in the new Murrumbeena House at 105-107 Murrumbeena Road, Murrumbeena, starting at 8pm. Come along to view the centre.

**Carnegie 3-year-old Activity Group** at 6 Jersey Parade, Carnegie, Monday and Friday 9.30-11.30am and Monday afternoon 12.30-2.30pm. Year 2000 enrolment enquiries: Anita 9568 1109/9571 7127 or Bea 9578 2005.

**Adelphi Players Theatre Company** will present *Old King Cole* at the National Trust Property Labassa, Manor Grove, North Caulfield in December; Saturday 11 at 2pm, Sunday 12 at 4pm and Saturday 18 at 2pm and 4pm. Cost: \$6 adults, \$4 children. Bookings: 9690 1593 or 9578 0952.

**Glen Eira City Choir Christmas Concert** will be held on Sunday 12 December at 2pm. Afternoon tea provided. Tickets: \$15/12 at St Mary's Anglican Church, Glen Eira Road (corner Hood Street), Caulfield. Contact: Cathy Pearce 9578 2443.

**Bentleigh Life Activities Club** offers opportunities to meet new friends and enjoy social activities such as carpet bowls, table tennis, scrabble, solo, canasta, music, craft, golf, armchair travel. Details: 9557 2562 or 9563 2554.

## Meetings and clubs

**Caulfield Community Toy Library** will hold an open day on Saturday 22 January 10am-12noon at the Caulfield Swim Centre, corner Moira Avenue and Lyons Street, Carnegie. Toys for lending and sale. Memberships available. Contact: Cathie Tolnai 9578 7673.

**Glen Eira Cheltenham Art Group**— Learn to paint, enter exhibitions and take part in other activities. New members welcome. Classes and workshops begin January 2000. Moorleigh Village, 92 Bignell Road, East Bentleigh. Contact: Jenni 9557 8949 or Val 9570 3596.

**Nursing Mothers' Association of Australia** Moorabbin/Bentleigh Group will meet Monday 14 February 2000 7.45pm-9.30pm and Monday 28 February from 12.30-2.30pm with lunch and a discussion on teething. Contact: Group Leader Anne 9579 4763.

**Centre Bentleigh Garden Club** meets on the first Tuesday of each month. First meeting for 2000: at St John's Church hall, corner Centre and Tucker Roads, Bentleigh on 1 February at 1.30pm. Floral displays, speakers, demos and a "cuppa". All welcome. Contact: 9578 6081 or 9570 4963.

**Caulfield Writers Group** welcomes writers of all ages and offers a fortnightly opportunity to read and workshop work. Contact: John on 9889 7922.

## Community

**Neighbourhood Support Program**—These groups will be in recess over January and will resume in the first week of February 2000. For information about our Father's Group, Chinese Group and our Tuesday afternoon Drop-in-Centre, contact Maureen Carolan or Judy White on 9524 3403.

**Alcoholics Anonymous in Glen Eira**— meetings held weekly. Mondays/Thursdays/Saturdays 8pm at Church Hall 1 Foster Street, Elsternwick; Tuesdays 8pm at St Paul's Church Hall, Dandenong Road (opposite Glenferrie Road); Fridays 8pm at Reform Presbyterian Church Hall, 261 McKinnon Road, McKinnon and Sundays 8pm at St Anthony's Church Hall, corner Neerim and Grange Roads, Glen Huntly.

**Share your home and make a new friend**— house a student from Hiroshima, Japan. December 28 to 7 January. Students based at Murrumbeena Baptist Church on weekdays for English classes and excursions. Contact: Christine Thompson on 9568 8817.

**Glen Eira U3A** seeks volunteer tutors to teach Beginner French and Computer Skills to retired senior citizens, beginning February 2000. Weekly classes of two hours. Contact: U3A on 9572 0571 Monday to Thursday 10am to 3.30pm.

**U3A Moorleigh** offers summer school program in January, includes day coach tours to Marysville and MCG; music; walking; classroom courses. Bookings by 10 December at 92 Bignell Road East Bentleigh. Contact: 9570 3929.

## Your plaque for posterity

Here's a unique way to commemorate the new millennium. These individualised stone plaques can be placed in a garden or incorporated into a wall or walkway and offer a permanent record of your family's place of residence on 1 January 2000.

Rotary Club of Caulfield are selling the *Turn of the Millennium* plaques as a fund raiser for their community work.

A Rotary spokesperson said: "The interest has been fantastic. We have had requests as gifts for friends, for grandparents and even pets. It's a wonderful Christmas or New Year gift the whole family can share. They are also ideal to place in your own time capsule."

The plaques are made by Mark Makin and cost: \$60. For details and orders: contact Graham Sicklemore on 9570 5207.



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## Neerim Business Community

SUNDAY 20 February 2000 at The Bentleigh Club  
Yawla Street, Bentleigh  
**GST DISCUSSION FORUM**

- ☐ Have you had a chance to find out about GST?
- ☐ Do you know how it may affect your business?
- ☐ Are you a home or small business?

Our panel of experts will talk about GST and Tax Reform and will answer your specific questions.

**Entrance: \$10 with light lunch. Members: \$8**  
**RSVP: 1 February 2000**

For more info on Forum phone Di 9578 4664 or Kevin 9578 9324

**FOR INFO ON NEERIM BUSINESS COMMUNITY RING OREK 9578 3531**

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## U3A BUS TOURS

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**16 February 2000, 7.30am-5.30pm**

*Spot the dolphins.* We cruise on the "Moonraker" from Sorrento out into the Bay. Morning Tea on board. BYO lunch or buy at Sorrento. After lunch we will visit Sunny Ridge Strawberry Farm. Advise early bookings.

**15 March 2000, 9am-5pm**

*Healesville Wildlife Sanctuary.* Opportunity for a close encounter with some of our unique native animals in their delightful bushland setting. Includes entry fee, lunch, guided tour and special demonstrations.

\*\*\* Forthcoming Trip For April 2000 \*\*\*  
Lorne and surroundings.

**ENQUIRIES: 9572 0571 or (A/H) 9523 7862**



# Glen Eira City Gallery

## - year in review



Herbert Kruckman: Naomi's daughter.

In 1999, the Glen Eira City Gallery presented an exciting and diverse program of exhibitions which included regular events: Australian Craft and Design Showcase in April, annual artist survey show featuring pop art painter Jon Campbell in August, Youthpix 99 photographic award and exhibition in September, and the Alice Bale Art Award in November/December.

The gallery also welcomed back quality indigenous work from Outback Aboriginal Art, and the colourful mix of jewellery, artefacts and paintings from Africa to Tasmania. The stirring and remarkable paintings by victims of the Holocaust featured in the Children of Terezin exhibition. The gallery also paid homage to New York Jewish artist Herbert Kruckman.

This year several graduate exhibitions have been highlighted. The Photographic Imaging College show in November proved highly popular. The gallery was also proud to display the work of Victorian College of the Arts Master Candidates Ingrid Braun, Cathy Horsley and John Byrne. RMIT's photographic studies students exhibited in December.

Two exciting events will be held in the Glen Eira City Gallery in 2000.

From mid-May to mid-August we are thrilled to present Anne Frank—a history for today. This exhibition has toured throughout the world and comes to Australia in 2000. The Glen Eira City Gallery is one of only two galleries in Victoria (one city, one regional) to host the event—a rare privilege.

In August, the annual artist survey will feature John Dunkley-Smith whose paintings are fresh and contemporary and feature in many private and public art collections.

The gallery will be closed for minor refurbishment in January and the first exhibition is scheduled for Monday 14 February 2000.



David Ray: Australian Craft and design showcase.



Jon Campbell: We wanna be free.

Children of Terezin.



## Exhibitions

Gallery hours: Monday–Friday 10am–5pm; Saturday and Sunday 1–5pm.

### RMIT Photographic Studies Graduates

15 to 19 December

This exhibition will display a collection of photographic work produced by the 1999 graduate students of the Bachelor of Arts—Illustrative Photography. The course is dedicated to “commercial” photography that encourages its students to focus on a range of industry fields including: fashion, still life (table top), portraiture, digital imaging, photo-journalism, and styles that delve into a combination of the above.

The exhibition will consist of 90 works (two pieces from each of the 45 participating students), features a creative use of unusual lighting and will be complemented by an intriguing entrance.

Come and view the wonderful mix of work by these young photographers!

### John Byrne

15 to 24 December

Work submitted for his Master submission—Victorian College of the Arts. John Byrne's oil paintings have previously examined the male nude as posed throughout art history. In this new body of work—paper collages featuring layered imagery of men's clothing and body adornment (including piercing and jewellery)—the artist goes beyond the surface of the skin to x-ray Homo-erotic desire. This focus on decoration of the male body does not simply represent the artist's sexuality, but also desire—barely disguised within traditional and classical representations of men. Beautiful layered collages from this Irish-Australian artist.



## 2000 Glen Eira Literary Awards

The Glen Eira Arts Complex is pleased to announce the fifth annual Literary Awards.

### Open Section

My Brother Jack Short Story Award  
1500–3000 words

### Local Award

(open to residents of Glen Eira only)  
Glen Eira Short Story Award  
1500–3000 words

### Youth Awards

(14–18 years)

Youth Short Story Award  
750–1500 words

Youth Poetry Award  
Maximum 50 lines

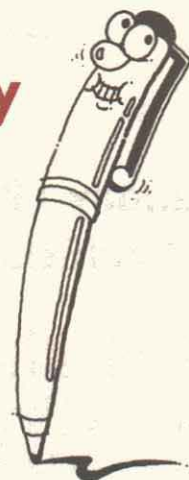
Children's Awards  
(8–13 years)

Children's Short Story Award  
250–500 words

Children's Poetry Award  
Maximum 36 lines

**CLOSING DATE for entries:**  
**Friday 17 March 2000.**

To register your interest telephone Rosanna Verde on 9524 3287. Entry forms will be available in January.



## Glen Eira Arts Complex

is offering exciting new courses in 2000

VCE figure drawing  
mosaics - painting - ceramics

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and secondary students

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For information telephone 9524 3402

## Farewell and thanks!

After 33 years of Christmas Hamper raffles the City of Caulfield Lions Ladies Auxilliary have gone into retirement.

At a recent meeting of the Lions Club the auxilliary presented a resuscitation bag and a digital camera, representing a donation of \$1500, to the Metropolitan Ambulance Service.

The donation was received by Group Manager 2 Andrew Watson who said: “The camera will help in imaging patient condition and accident examination.”

Money was also sent to Santo Island Vanuatu to purchase medical supplies for cataract surgery.



# Carols by Candlelight

**Sunday 19 December  
at Caulfield Racecourse**

## Program

6.30pm Sale of programs and candles by the Caulfield Girl Guides and District Scout Association of Glen Eira

6.45pm Pre-carols entertainment

Glen Eira City Band conducted by Len Russell with soloist Elena Xanthoudakis; Sacha Lefevre.

8.30–10.30pm Carols by Candlelight  
Marina Prior, Rhonda Burchmore, Denis Walter, National Boys Choir (directed by Peter Casey and Philip Carmody), Tony Fenelon, Terry Gill  
Glen Eira City Choir (conducted by Peter Mousaferiades)  
Humphrey B Bear  
Father Christmas.

**Admission is Free**

Programs: \$1

Candles: 50 cents

Proceeds donated to Community Information Glen Eira for emergency relief.

Public car parking is available through Gate No 2 in Station Street.

Pedestrian access is through Main Gate No 23 also in Station Street.

**Contact:**

**Peter Regan on 9524 3371.**

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