

It's a tough job... — but someone's got to do it!

Every week day our faithful "garbos" rise before the dawn and fire up their trucks. Each truck covers 170 kilometres, criss-crossing the City's streets; together they collect 160 tonnes of garbage per day.

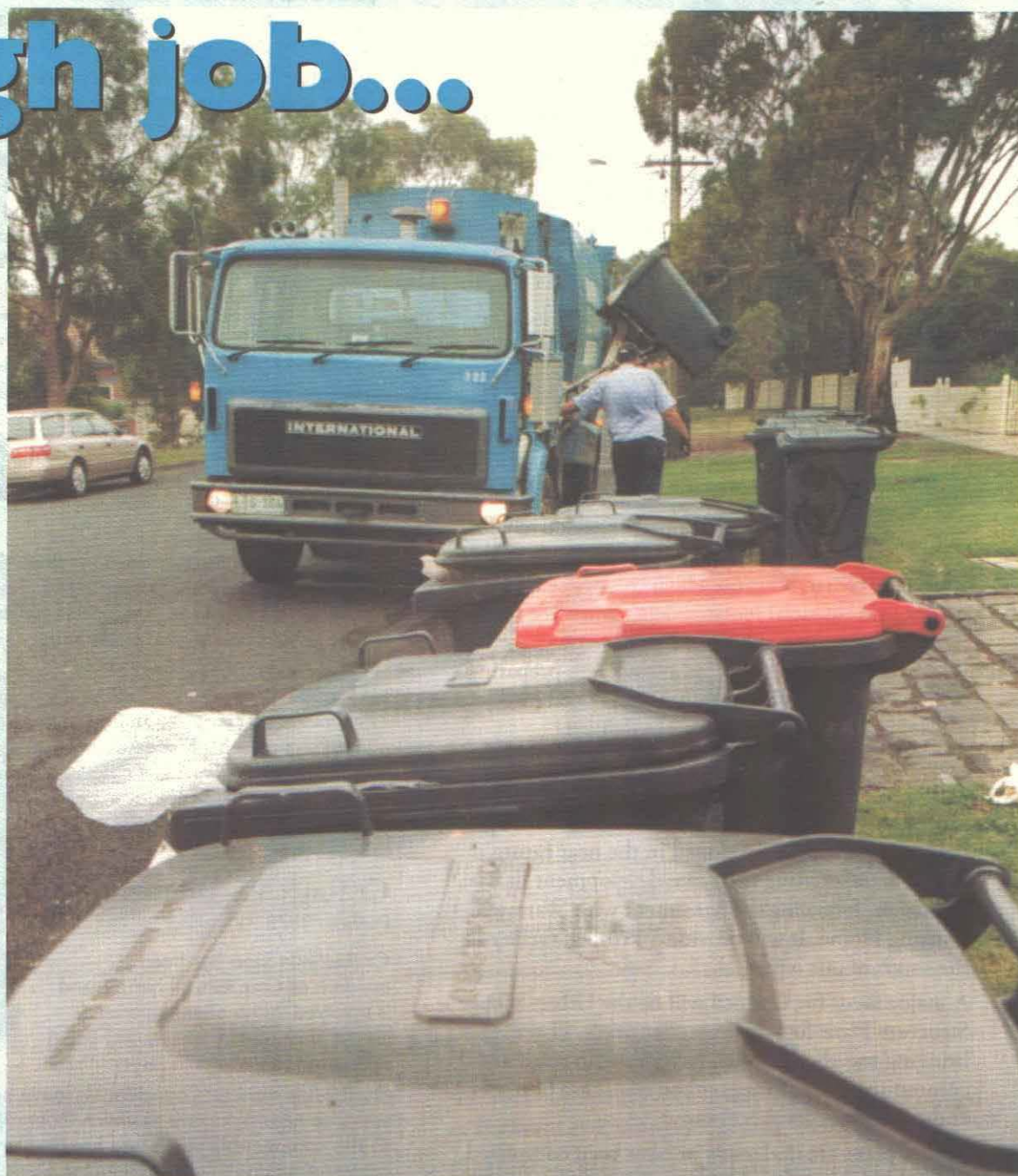
Glen Eira City Council's garbage collection service is handled by two contractors— Cleanaway in the north of the city and Pacific Waste in the south. Between these two services, an average of eight drivers make their way around every street in Glen Eira, collecting rubbish from a total of 49,000 bins per week. Over the course of one year they handle 39,000 tonnes of household refuse and empty more than 2.5 million bins.

The garbage collection service is just one of the ways in which Council keeps the City clean. Turn to Page 4 of this issue for more information on other services:

- chemical collection day;
- autumn leaf clean up;
- new litter bins; and
- street tree power line clearance works.

*Cleanaway driver and operator
Steve Slusarek begins his early
morning household garbage pickup.*

Photo: Bernie Bickerton



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Green waste gets green light

Council approved the introduction of a separate green waste collection service at its meeting last month.

Green waste— which includes lawn clippings, weeds, leaves, small branches, and prunings— will be collected fortnightly via a separate 240 litre mobile garbage bin. The bin will be supplied and maintained by Council.

Participation in the service is voluntary and is expected to cost no more than \$2 per collection. The final cost will be determined when tenders are received for the collection contract.

Council's Waste Management Engineer Doug Griffiths said: "Diverting green waste from landfill is part of the South Eastern Region Waste Management Group's strategy to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from landfill sites within the region. The green waste will be transported to a

mulching facility and turned into compost for commercial use."

He said the open air composting process produces much less methane (a greenhouse gas) than would be generated if the material were buried at a landfill.

Brochures detailing the service have been posted to every residential property. The brochure contains a registration form for those residents wishing to participate in the service.

Collections will not commence until the beginning of spring but registration forms need to be lodged with Council as soon as possible to enable the successful contractor to plan for the collection.

"This is a very worthwhile service that will improve our environment and provide a convenient service to residents at an affordable cost," Mr Griffiths said.

MAYOR'S column



The newly-elected Council held its first meeting last month, making its first decisions for the 2000–2003 term, including approval of a new voluntary kerbside collection of green waste, due to start in September.

The new Council has grown from six to nine Councillors, increasing representation for

our community. There are now three Councillors in each Ward.

The cornerstone of Council working effectively for the community is teamwork and enthusiasm. We have an excellent basis on which to start— Council is on a sound financial footing, being debt-free from March, and, with a substantial portion of infrastructure “catch-up” completed, it is preparing some significant new recreational and aged care projects to benefit the people of Glen Eira.

Council has almost completed preliminary consultation work on a proposed indoor sports facility at Princes Park, South Caulfield, and if agreed, design plans will be developed in the near future. Ahead is the exciting aged care development in East Bentleigh, following the agreement with Warrawee Nursing Home. It will provide a 110-bed facility in the south of our city.

A major focus for Council will be the Urban Village Structure Plans for Carnegie, Bentleigh, Elsternwick, bringing together Council facilities with retail and community hubs, to strengthen our sense of place and benefit our local economy.

Master plans are underway or have been completed for eight major parks. Community consultation is a key feature, and public meetings have just been held on Murrumbeena Park and Duncan MacKinnon Reserve, to gain residents’ opinions before a landscape architect brings together their ideas into a draft master plan.

As Mayor, I was honoured to take part in the Anzac Memorial Civic Service at the Caulfield Park Cenotaph on Sunday 16 April. I was particularly pleased to see the number of young people who attended, and took the time to pay their respects to the people who died defending this country.

I was also delighted to present a certificate and flowers to Carnegie couple Gordon and Betty Macdonald, on their 65th wedding anniversary—an amazing milestone.

I am proud to lead the City in 2000–2001 and I am accessible to the community. I can be contacted at the Town Hall through Mayoral Secretary Michelle Hurd on 9524 3225 or email mayor@gleneira.vic.gov.au

Cr Veronika Martens
Mayor

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Jasper Ward

Cr David Bloom

Ph/Fax: 9597 9825

Cr David Bloom has lived in Jasper Ward for more than 25 years with his wife and two children, and for more than 20 years has served on the boards of community organisations including kindergarten, scouts, hockey and a local community religious group.

He looks forward to talking with people in Glen Eira to develop an understanding of how local government needs to operate within a changing community.

Cr Bloom wants to see local business development and smaller shopping centres included in future planning. He is also interested in planning for senior and aged care facilities, developing youth programs and establishing a cultural and community centre in Jasper Ward.



Cr Eamonn Walsh

Ph/Fax: 9597 9826

Cr Eamonn Walsh said he was honoured to be elected as Councillor, having lived in Jasper Ward for 30 years. He looks forward to the next three years— working as part of a dedicated team.

Cr Walsh is committed to working towards a more accountable, accessible and responsive local government. He believes community feedback and involvement is crucial and he will endeavour to develop closer links with the community.

He is particularly interested in greater protection of neighbourhood character and respect for citizen’s concerns in planning processes and in ensuring Council-operated services meet the changing needs of youth, families, elderly citizens, carers and small business operators.



Cr Rachelle Sapir

Ph/Fax: 9579 7218

Cr Rachelle Sapir has been a resident of Glen Eira all her life and is involved in the community as a Guide leader and a community radio presenter. She works in Jasper Ward.

During her term as Councillor, Rachelle hopes to establish regular forums at which Councillors can listen to the community’s needs and establish greater communications.

She is committed to improving parking in local shopping areas for the benefit of both business and consumers. She will focus on increasing opportunities for Glen Eira youth by encouraging additional venues and youth clubs.

Cr Sapir said: “I shall always have an ongoing commitment to the safety and well being of all Glen Eira residents.”



Orrong Ward

Cr Alan Grossbard

Ph/Fax: 9533 0052

In 1996, Cr Alan Grossbard helped create a vision (and a publication) as to what Glen Eira should offer in the next 20 years. This has now become the City’s Strategic Plan.

This is not just Cr Grossbard’s vision. He wants people to have the opportunity to share their views of the way they would like the City to develop.

Now, Cr Grossbard wants to see a new state-of-the-art recreation centre built in Princes Park, an aquatic centre in Carnegie, the City have an urban village look, improved Council services including an expanding arts and cultural program.

His commitment to Glen Eira covers scouting, science, sports, arts, education, business and Council.



Cr Dorothy Marwick

Ph/Fax: 9596 1459

Cr Dorothy Marwick has lived in Orrong Ward with her husband and three children for 23 years.

She hopes to meet more community groups and get to know the city better, including Jasper and Mackie wards. She said Councillors have issues from every corner placed before them, which require careful consideration and knowledge that extends beyond each Councillor’s immediate ward boundaries.

Cr Marwick believes Council should reflect the aspirations of the people it serves. She wishes to see Glen Eira’s heritage recognised, planning outcomes reflect more closely a balance of views, immunisation rates improve, trees outlive people and the people of Glen Eira participating in the community.



Cr Noel Erlich

Ph/Fax: 9533 0054

Cr Noel Erlich is an accountant and retailer and enters his third term as Councillor.

He said he is proud of the performance of the previous Council in establishing an environment whereby Council can undertake major capital projects, and well satisfied with Council’s financial position. Cr Erlich is looking forward to Council becoming more involved in areas such as arts, culture, and strategic planning.

Cr Erlich is committed to public consultation and is readily available to the public. He is looking forward to the next three years, in particular working with the “excellent and talented” staff at Glen Eira City Council.



Mackie Ward

Cr Norman Kennedy

Ph/Fax: 9564 8395

Cr Norman Kennedy is a graduate of RMIT (B. Eng.) and Manchester University (MSc). He is married to Nola and has two sons Nicholas(20) and David(18). He lives near Boyd park in Murrumbeena and “enjoys” a jog around it in the morning before work.

Cr Kennedy studied and worked in England before joining the Telecom Research Laboratories. He has held a number of Telstra positions in engineering and management, including three years in Saudi Arabia during the Gulf War. He currently manages Telstra’s Litigation Support Group.

He has contributed to many community groups and looks forward to continuing that commitment over the next three years.



Cr Peter Goudge

Ph/Fax: 9568 5472

Cr Peter Goudge is 38 years old and lives in Murrumbeena with his wife Ricki and two daughters Kalliah and Dana.

Cr Goudge is a member of several community organisations which include the National Trust and Amnesty International. He is also a local Justice of the Peace.

As a new City of Glen Eira Councillor, Peter’s priorities over the next three years include: the improvement of local roads, footpaths, parks and Council Services; the upgrade of local strip shopping centres; ensuring that the views of local people are respected with all town planning decisions; and the development of a local drugs policy.



Anzacs remembered

Australia and New Zealand soldiers lost at war were remembered in ceremonies across the City last month.

Memorial services and marches were held at Bentleigh and Carnegie RSLs and at the Cenotaph in Caulfield Park.

Mayor Cr Veronika Martens and Crs Kennedy, Grossbard, Erlich, Bloom, Goudge, Marwick, and Walsh attended the cenotaph service, which was addressed by Caulfield RSL president Tom McLean. The requiem was read by Carnegie RSL president Pat Murphy to about 250 attendees.

Cr Martens said at the ceremony: "I would like to thank you all for your participation today, particularly Mr Tom McLean for his fine address, the RSLs, the armed forces, the Glen Eira City Choir and the Glen Eira City Band.

"And a special thank you to the representatives of the Glen Eira schools, guides and scouts— it is very pleasing to see such a large number of our youth taking the time to pay their respects to those who lost their lives fighting for their country. Many of those who went to the wars were only a few years older than many of the young people here today.

"Let us all hope that never again will circumstances arise which will call upon our youth to lay down their lives, as those, to whom we pay tribute today, did."



Returned servicemen march to the Cenotaph in Caulfield Park.

A soldier keeps his post at the Cenotaph despite the inclement weather.



Mayor Cr Veronika Martens and acting CEO Andrew Newton lay a wreath during the ceremony.

Photos: Jim Hooper

Council wins on Kittens case

On 6 April, the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal upheld Glen Eira City Council's moves against table top dancing at Kittens Nightclub in Glen Huntly Road.

The appeal hearing raised complicated legal planning issues around the existing permit and the ability to conduct table top dancing from the premises. Council's victory was emphatic on both these important issues.

In its decision, VCAT:

- Firstly, agreed to an enforcement order for Kittens to stop conducting sexually explicit entertainment without a permit. Kittens has been given 30 days to stop these activities.
- Secondly, upheld Council's refusal of a Kittens application for a permit to allow table top and lap dancing entertainment at the premises (Kittens had appealed against the refusal).

Mayor Cr Veronika Martens said: "Council's position was clear, that it did not believe table top and lap dancing are appropriate uses in a local shopping centre near a residential area, and that Kittens was operating unlawfully.

"I am sure our residents will be pleased that Council has protected their position.

"This has been a protracted issue, involving a great deal of time and effort, and we are relieved to have received a final decision from VCAT, in Council's favour."

Deadlines for Glen Eira News

The deadline for the next issue of the Glen Eira News will be **Monday 8 May** for delivery 6-8 June.

Coming deadlines:

July: Tuesday 13 June. Delivery: 4-6 July

August: Monday 10 July. Delivery: 1-3 August

For advertising contact Margaret on 9524 3224.

To submit editorial material write to: Glen Eira News
PO Box 42, Caulfield South 3162.

Pool and spa amnesty expires

The State Government's three-month amnesty on pool safety barriers pools and spas constructed prior to April 1991, expired on 18 April.

As a result, all swimming pool and spa owners who have not now complied with the regulations to erect or alter safety barriers to protect children up to five years from drowning, will face tougher penalties, starting with a \$200 fine per offence.

If owners still do not comply, they face prosecution in the Magistrates Court where fines of up to \$10,000 can be imposed.

The amnesty was introduced by the State Government in January this year in direct response to

the alarming statistic that seven children had drowned in backyard swimming pools since October 1999.

Building regulations covering the fencing of existing pools and spas came into effect on 1 July 1997, but various surveys of local Councils by the media showed many pools and spas did not comply with the regulations.

Council's Municipal Building Surveyor John Bordignon said the amnesty had been successful, with 150 pool owners coming forward during the three-month period and Council being able to provide them with information about safety barriers.

He said owners of pools built prior to 1991, may need to only make a couple of minor changes to comply: "Safety barriers refers to ensuring that general access to the pool and surrounding area is restricted. It may be sufficient to use existing features of the house and yard; such as fitting locks to doors and windows and repairing fences through which the pool can be accessed."

Mr Bordignon was concerned that hundreds of pool and spa owners in Glen Eira who did not come forward during the amnesty, may still not have compliant safety barriers.

He warned that Council will continue its campaign of spot checks on backyard pools and spas, and anyone found not complying would be fined and given 30 days to rectify this; otherwise the matter would be taken to court.

Community Grants 2000/2001

City of
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EIRA**

Local, non-profit community organisations and groups are invited to apply for funds through Council's Community Grants program.

An information package with application forms is available from the Service Centre or by telephoning 9524 3333.

Closing date: 5pm 30 June.

(Late applications will not be considered.)

Autumn— beautiful but messy

Autumn has arrived and winter's not far away—that means all those beautiful golden leaves will soon be falling, leaving us with leaf-strewn streets and potentially blocked drains.

To keep the impact to a minimum, Council sweeps the streets on a monthly cycle with additional sweeping in areas of heavy leaf fall during autumn. Council's cleaning contractor also uses a leaf vacuum to remove leaves from the footpath and naturestrips.

Residents can help out by raking leaves into a pile on the naturestrip where it is much quicker for the leaf vacuum to collect them. It is important that leaves are not raked onto the road as parked cars and traffic compact the leaves and make it difficult for the mechanical street sweepers to suck them up.

Council also requests that residents be patient during this period. Streets become inundated with leaves after a windy day or an autumn downpour. The contractors will be working



overtime during these periods but, unlike the falling leaves, they can't be everywhere at once!

New litter bins *for parks*

Over the past month new large 240 litre litter bins have been installed throughout many of Glen Eira's parks, replacing the small, open-topped litter bins. The open-topped bins, generally scattered throughout the parks, have now been removed as they had deteriorated in appearance, were attracting more dumped rubbish than litter, and allowed material to be blown out of the bins.

The larger bins have been placed in more strategic locations on a stand which is fitted with a mechanism to discourage rubbish dumping and prevent litter blowing around.

The bin replacement follows a study by EcoRecycle, into littering habits which found that a lack of bins is not a major factor in littering—litter often occurs within five metres of a bin. The study also found many people were not consciously aware of their littering behavior and that the major task in reducing littering was to educate people.

The South Eastern Region Waste Management Group has appointed a litter and recycling education officer to assist member Councils with education programs.

City of Glen Eira Building Design Awards 2000

Glen Eira City Council will recommence its annual Building Design Awards which recognise excellence in the field of design and construction within the City.

The awards were an annual event in the City of Caulfield from 1990 to 1994, but have not been awarded since the inception of the City of Glen Eira. This year, five separate awards will be given to developments in the categories of:

- Best new residential development: multi-unit development;
- Most respectful residential or non-residential development;
- Best new residential development: 1–2 dwellings;
- Most respectful residential or non-residential conservation; and
- Best non-residential development.

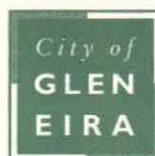
The Building Design Awards are considered beneficial as they promote good design within the City and reward designers and builders for their efforts. Council is well aware of resident dislike of some development in some instances, thus it is keen to promote innovative and sympathetic development of a high standard, as well as refusing unsympathetic developments.

Entries will be assessed using criteria based on the *Good Design Guide for Medium Density Housing* and the *Burra Charter*. Compliance with all relevant planning permit conditions will also be an important consideration.

Eligibility: all developments nominated must be in Glen Eira and be completed and occupied, or ready to be occupied by 30 June, 2000. (Note: as this award has not been presented since 1994, any developments completed between 28 August 1995 and 30 June 2000 may be entered).

Nomination forms are available from the Strategic Town Planning counter at the Town Hall. Entries close 30 June 2000.

Contact: Kelvin Walsh, Strategic Town, Planning Department
Glen Eira City Council, corner Hawthorn and Glen Eira Roads, CAULFIELD 3162
Phone: 9524 3441 Fax: 9524 3432



Chemical collection cleans up

Free household chemical collections will be run by EcoRecycle Victoria in conjunction with Glen Eira City Council and local industry.

The service collects surplus or unwanted household chemicals, such as polishing products, insecticides, weed killers, batteries, oils, paint, and swimming pool chemicals.

Farm chemicals and commercial waste is not included in this collection and needs to be disposed of through other means. Commercial users are advised to check the Yellow Pages or contact the EPA.

EcoRecycle Victoria reports that more than 250 tonnes of unwanted household chemicals are successfully collected from across Victoria through this collection service every year.

Residents of Glen Eira are invited to bring as many items as they wish to the collection days, but no single item should exceed 20 litres.

Once collected, the chemicals are immediately sorted, according to the chemical properties, and, if the container is considered unsafe, the material is repackaged.

Collected materials are not just disposed of, but in some cases put to further use. Some chemicals can be used for energy recovery—waste solvents can be burnt in industrial processes. Sometimes it is possible to recycle the chemicals for use in other applications—used motor oil can be reformulated for lower grade uses. The metal in paint tins can also be recycled and the paint itself can be separated so that solvents can be reused.

Other materials are treated to render them non-hazardous, and once treated, can be safely discharged into the sewer system or taken to landfill.

For further information about the free household chemical collections, contact Council on 9524 3333 or EcoRecycle on Freecall 1800 35 32 33 (within Victoria only).

EcoRecycle Chemical Collection Day
Glen Eira City Council Depot
Manchester Grove, Glen Huntly
Sunday, 28 May 8am–4pm

Overhead powerline clearing



Glen Eira City Council will begin its annual program to clear street trees from overhead powerlines this month.

This work is undertaken to minimise the risk of power disruption and this year will be carried out by CityWide Service Solutions.

The program should be completed by the end of September 2000, and is not expected to cause any interruption to normal power supply.

Please note: branches pruned from street trees may remain on nature strips for up to four working days until removed by the contractor.

For more information contact the Service Centre 9524 3333.

Florence revisits history

Florence Pollock was born in Newcastle, more than 1000km from the City of Glen Eira. It's ironic then, that she ended up settling only a couple of kilometres from where her ancestors arrived by ship 160 years ago—and in a suburb and street named after the ship that brought them to Australia.

Florence lives in Glen Huntly Road, Glen Huntly, and last month took part in the 160th anniversary celebrations of the arrival of the *Glen Huntly* on 16 April 1840 at what is now Point Ormond in Elwood.

Seven of her ancestors were aboard the ship, which was flying the yellow flag to signal typhoid fever. The mother of the family and Ms Pollock's great-grandmother, Euphemia Brisbane, had died of the illness only nine days before the ship completed its four-month voyage from Scotland.

Florence's great-grandfather James Brisbane, his three sons John, Peter and James, and two daughters Elizabeth and Euphemia, were housed in the convalescent camp on their arrival at Point Ormond (then known as Little Red Bluff).

A member of the Brisbane clan laid a wreath at the pioneers' memorial at St Kilda Cemetery during the 160th celebrations. Convener Olive Moore said she was delighted with the turn out. More than 200 people took part including some from interstate.

Florence came to Melbourne during World War II as a member of the Air Force, and later ran the Graceful Lingerie Salon in Collins St for 34 years, before closing the doors in 1987. Today, Florence is a member of the Wartime Women's Auxiliary for the Australian Air Force. She has been an active member on committees for their 40th and 50th anniversaries.

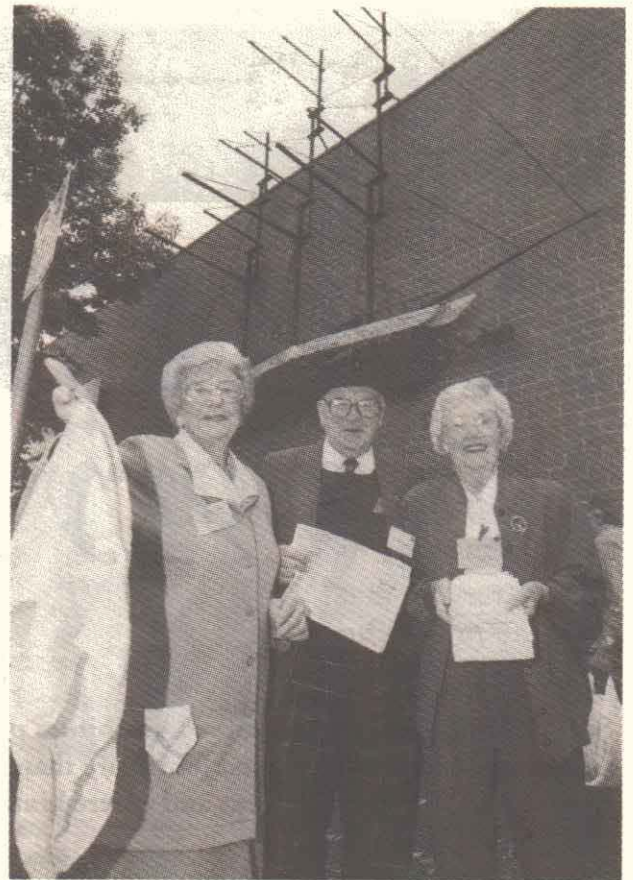
She has lived in Glen Huntly Road for about 20 years. "For some reason, here I am living in this area

where my ancestors arrived. It is all just meant to be," she said.

Reminders of the *Glen Huntly* are all around her. The local post office has a drawing of the ship as its postmark. The wall of the Coles supermarket in Glen Huntly Road has a sculpture of the ship, erected after the 150th anniversary, and a replica anchor is found at the corner of Grange Road.

Last month, Florence remembered not only her *Glen Huntly* ancestors, but also on Anzac Day her "dear brother Harry who was killed in the war in Greece. It's a fitting time to remember all of those who have struggled and strived to carry a family name on."

(From left) Descendents Florence Pollock and Donald Moore with convener Olive Moore "fly the yellow flag" in front of the Glen Huntly sculpture in Glen Huntly Road.



Mayor Cr Veronika Martens (centre) welcomes the Glen Huntly descendants to Glen Eira at the replica of the ship's anchor in Grange Road.

Photos: Bernie Bickerton



Is your pet registered?

Glen Eira dog and cat owners should move quickly to have their pets registered for 2000-2001, if they wish to avoid being fined.

The deadline for registrations was 10 April, but Council did not begin a doorknock of pet owners' homes until Monday 1 May—in effect offering residents a three-week extension.

Local Law Co-ordinator Carl Russo said owners found with unregistered pets would be given 72 hours notice to pay the registration, otherwise they would receive a \$200 fine. Where no-one is at home, he said a notice would be left advising the pet owner of the potential fine.

Mr Russo said that of the 20,291 pets registered in Glen Eira, more than 8,500 dogs and cats had not yet been re-registered. He said registering pets was

required by State Government legislation—*Domestic (Feral and Nuisance) Animals Act 1994*. He stressed the value of keeping registration up to date as the best way to ensure animals which escaped from owners' properties or were lost could be safely returned.

"Owners who have not already re-registered their pets are encouraged to do so as soon as possible. Fees have not changed from last year, with reduced fees \$17 for cats and \$27 for dogs, or \$6 and \$11 respectively for owners who are pensioners," he said.

Reduced fees apply to animals under the following categories: sterilised, micro-chipped, over 10 years old, registered with Victorian Canine Association, have undergone obedience training that complies with the regulations, working animals, domestic animal business conducted on registered premises.

Payments can still be made by one of three ways

1. Mail

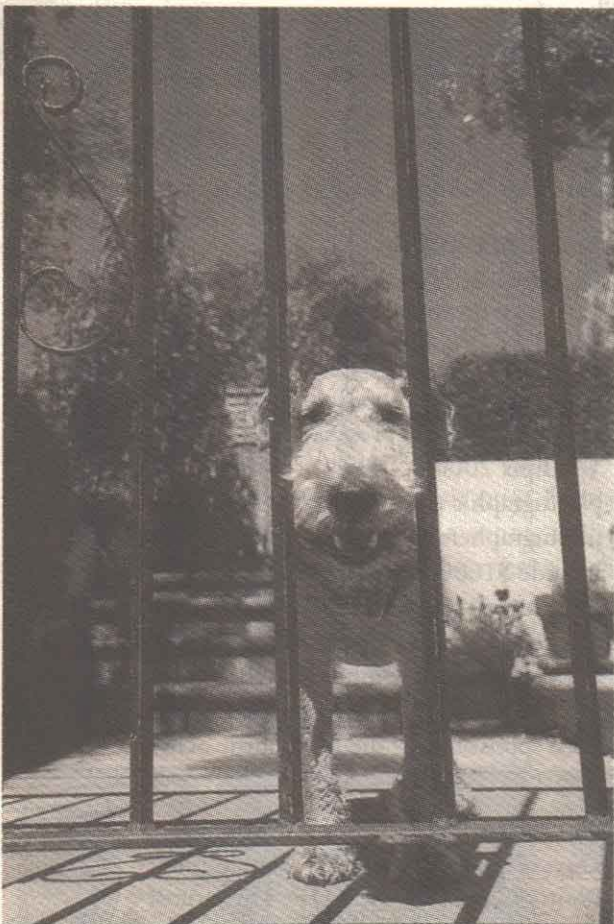
Make cheque payable to Glen Eira City Council, crossed "not negotiable" and mail with the completed entire form to Glen Eira City Council, PO Box 42, Caulfield South 3162. Tags will be returned by mail.

2. In person

Present the entire form and make payment at the Service Centre at the Town Hall on the corner of Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield from 8am to 5.30pm Monday to Friday or from 8am to 7.15pm on Tuesday.

3. At Post Offices

Payment can also be made in person at Australia Post Offices but **ONLY** for **RENEWALS** (NOT new registrations) and **ONLY** if **NO CHANGES** to details are made.



Fees:	Dogs	Cats
Maximum	\$81	\$53
Maximum—pensioner	\$40.50	\$26.50
Reduced fee	\$27	\$17
Reduced fee—pensioner	\$11	\$6

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a history for today**

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Open 10am-5pm daily

See the internationally-acclaimed exhibition promoting tolerance, democracy and human rights. Join more than seven million people who have visited this moving event and entered into the world of history's most famous teenager.

Anne Frank's Diary has become a universal message of courage and hope in the face of adversity. Conceived and developed by the Anne Frank House in Amsterdam, *Anne Frank—a history for today* shows how differences existing in all societies can lead to persecution, and how individuals can act to preserve freedom.

"The content of Anne Frank's legacy is still very much alive and it can address us fully, especially at a time when the map of the world is changing and when dark passions are awakening within people."

Vaclav Havel—President of the Czech Republic, playwright and author

Admission:

Adult	\$6
Concession	\$5
Family (2 adults / 3 children)	\$14
Child (15 years)	\$3.50

A comprehensive education program and teachers' kits are available for primary, secondary, tertiary and adult students. Discounts for education groups. Bookings essential.

For further information contact:
03 9347 7399 or
www.annefrank.com.au

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**Exhibitions**

Glen Eira City Gallery: corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads Caulfield.

Hours: 10am-5pm Monday to Friday, 1-5pm Sat/Sun/Public Holidays. Contact: David O'Halloran on 9524 3214.

Legs Eleven: En Route
3 to 14 May

This curiously named artist collective comprises seven artists based in Albury/Wodonga. The show is remarkable for the deeply personal motivation that is clearly communicated in the work.



Susan Morris and Barbel Ullrich combine printing methods with mixed media to create complex layered surfaces that reveal mesmerising images. Olga Juskiw, Melody Jones and Rita Lazauskas explore the medium of drawing, developing elaborate images of intricate line that seduce the viewer with a richness of texture while allowing the process and presence of the artist a prominent position. Jan Lieber's strengths in drawing are combined with the translucent qualities of works of immense power. Ken Raff combines a range of materials in sculptural works that engage the intellect through the juxtaposition of diverse imagery and delight the senses with their variety of surface.

This is a wonderful opportunity to view the work of accomplished regional artists without leaving the big smoke.

Look at me now
3 to 14 May

Discover the diverse art form of Australian basket-making from the members of the Basket Weavers of Victoria. Plant materials harvested by each maker form an integral part of most of the work included in the exhibition. Some members produce embellished gourds, masks and rustic furniture rather than containers that could be classified as baskets.

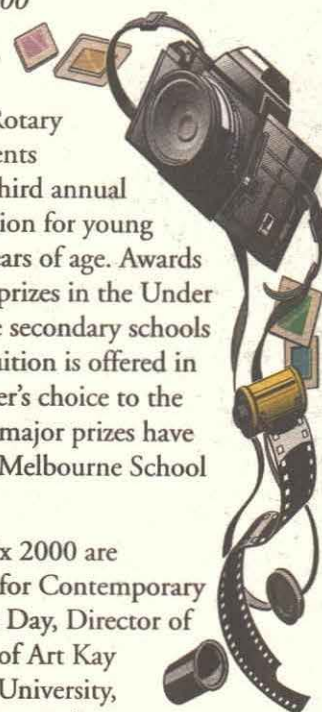
**Youthpix 2000**

Entries close: 31 July 2000

The Glen Eira Arts Complex in conjunction with the Rotary Club of Caulfield presents Youthpix 2000—the third annual photographic competition for young photographers to 25 years of age. Awards include \$1600 in cash prizes in the Under 25 category and for the secondary schools division (Years 7-12) tuition is offered in any course of the winner's choice to the total of \$2000. All the major prizes have been sponsored by the Melbourne School of Art in Elsternwick.

The judges for Youthpix 2000 are Director of the Centre for Contemporary Photography Charlotte Day, Director of the Melbourne School of Art Kay Brewster, and Monash University, Faculty of Art and Design Gallery Manager Malcom Bywater.

To register your interest contact: David O'Halloran on 9524 3214.



Glen Eira Arts Complex,
corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield
Website: www.gleneiraarts.citysearch.com.au



Klezmania

— performing new tracks from their latest CD

Sunday 21 May at 2.30pm

Glen Eira Auditorium

Klezmania are Australia's top exponents of Klezmer music featuring Yiddish songs mixed with the traditional sounds of folk music from East European villages and a dash of Australian spice.

The four-piece band is led by Australian born Freydi Mrocki on vocals, brother Lionel on clarinet, Ukrainian accordionist David Breytman and multi-instrumentalist David Krycer.

Tickets: \$15 adults \$12 concession.

Bookings: 9524 3371.



Australian String Quartet

Saturday, 27 May at 8pm

Glen Eira Auditorium

The Classic Virtuosi Series is now in its third year and has brought many big names to the Glen Eira Arts Complex including Rita Reichman, Geoffrey Tozer, Roger Woodward, Australian Classical Players and Asmira Woodward-Page.

This month, we are delighted to present Australia's longest-standing, full-time professional string quartet—The Australian String Quartet.

The Quartet presents chamber music repertoires, which it performs with distinguished guest artists, both Australian and international. Leading Australian musicians David Pereira (cello) and Paul Wright (viola) join the Quartet for one of its year 2000 subscription season concerts.

ASQ is committed to making its performances as accessible as possible and performs in a wide variety of contexts. In August 1999 it toured to the outback, performing in mining townships, in bush settings and at an historic station property. In March 1999 the Quartet undertook a seven-concert tour of the UK, Germany and Malaysia, its 15th overseas tour in its 14-year history, a tour which cemented its international reputation as one of Australia's finest ensembles.



Australian String Quartet from left: Peter Tanfield, James Cuddeford, Keith Crelin, Niall Brown

Program

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| Beethoven | String Quartet No. 7 in F Op. 59 No.1 ("Rasumovsky") |
| Roger Smalley | String Quartet No. 2 (1999) Melbourne Premiere commissioned by the Australian String Quartet |
| Shostakovich | String Quartet No. 10 in A flat |

Tickets: \$28 adult, \$22 concession.

Credit card bookings contact: 9524 3287.

Art Courses at Glen Eira



From the beginning of this year, the Glen Eira Arts Complex has been running art courses for adults and children in mosaics, life drawing, painting and picture framing. The mosaic course proved very popular and enrolment numbers exceeded the maximum capacity.

The expertise and enthusiasm of mosaic tutor Amanda Neville (pictured below, second from left) proved to be a winner with all the students. Amanda has 20 years of professional experience in the graphic design industry and began working with mosaics four years ago leading to several major commissions. She has exhibited her work for the past two years at Waterside Woodworks (Williamstown) and Charles Smith Gallery (Fitzroy).

We hope those who participated in our Term 1 art classes had a wonderful experience producing some masterpieces of their own and we welcome their feedback. The Glen Eira Arts Complex will continue to encourage the community to fulfil their creative passion, as we believe we are all born with talent, we just need somewhere to enhance and express it.



Enrolments are being taken for art courses for Term 2. Spaces are limited so book now to avoid disappointment.

Further information and bookings contact Claudia Mazzotta on 9524 3402.



2000 Glen Eira Literary Awards

Winners of the fifth annual Glen Eira Literary Awards will be announced on Wednesday, 10 May from 6pm in the Glen Eira Theatrette. The evening features readings of the winning stories and poems by actors Alan Hopgood (pictured) and Rachel Forgasz. Winners' names will also be published in The Age Saturday Extra on 13 May.



For further information contact: Rosanna Verde on 9524 3287.

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LIBRARY News

More to learn on the internet

Glen Eira Library and Information Service has launched an addition to its popular internet course program— *Further Steps on the Internet*.

Developed as a progression from the introductory courses that have been running for some time, the course runs for two and a half hours and explores search engines in detail, to help you improve search strategies to obtain more useful results. The session also reviews newsgroups, chat, email, downloading and Australian sites on the net.

Further Steps on the Internet was successfully launched on 29 March and participants were very impressed at the comprehensive manual they received to take home.

Coming sessions: 31 May, 29 June and 26 July at 10.30am

Cost: \$55 Venue: Caulfield Library.
Contact: 9532 9466.

Introduction to the internet

This session is specifically designed for people with little or no internet experience. The session provides the experience to browse the web and acquire basic skills.

Coming sessions: 5 May at 11am; 17 May at 7pm; and 25 May at 2pm

Cost: \$30 Venue: Caulfield Library.
Contact: 9532 9466.

Remember Library Week

Libraries: here for the long run is the theme of Australian Library Week 15 to 21 May. To mark Australian Library Week, every library service in the state will host a special preschool story time on Thursday 18 May at 2.15pm. Come to Caulfield Library and be part of this fun event— it will be a story time with a difference!

Crime and Suspense with Kerry Greenwood

Popular crime writer Kerry Greenwood will present a free talk as part of Australian Library Week on Tuesday, 16 May at 7.30pm at Caulfield Library. Kerry introduced her famous detective Phryne Fisher to Australian readers in *Cocaine Blues* in 1989. Its success was followed by seven other Phryne Fisher novels, the latest is *Raisins and Almonds*.

Kerry has contributed to many anthologies and published numerous books, including a cookbook and detective story pastiche called *Recipes for Crime*. She has also edited a book of essays on female murderers called *The Things She Loves*.

FREE event/bookings essential: 9532 9466.

For full details of other events across the state refer to the [librariesvictoria website](http://librariesvictoria.vicnet.net.au) www.librariesvictoria.vicnet.net.au or watch for details at branches.

Great fun during the holidays

The April school holiday program proved a great success with more than 300 children enjoying activities at our library branches.

Wonderfully creative masks were made, fun cartoons drawn, the web travelled and plenty of dancing enjoyed with the Jump 2 it! gang. Tickets sold fast so remember to come in early for the June holidays. Tickets will be on sale from branches on 1 June.

It's Heart Week again

7-13 May

Here is some food for thought in honour of Heart Week...

♥ Australians currently spend one third of the food dollar on meals away from the home. Look out for Glen Eira's "Taste 4 Health" awards in restaurants, cafes, delis and other food outlets when you want a healthy choice for dining out or takeaway.

♥ 1995 surveys showed that:

- over half of males aged 12-44 and approximately a third of children aged 4-11 had not eaten fruit products in the past day, and
- more than 20 per cent of under 21 year olds had not eaten vegetable products in the past day.

Eat more fruit and vegies to lower the risk of heart disease!

♥ About 63 per cent of men and 47 per cent of women were found to be overweight.

Almost half of adult men and one third of adult women have high cholesterol levels— associated with a high saturated fat intake— contributing to increased artery disease and heart attacks.

Major sources of saturated fats are cheese, butter, pastries, full cream milk, fried foods and meat and poultry fat.

Eat less fat!

♥ High salt consumption can increase blood pressure and the risk of stroke. Heavy alcohol consumption increases the risk of heart attack and stroke.

Drink in moderation and eat less salt!

**Bon Appetit and a healthy heart from
Glen Eira City Council Health Promotion Unit.**

Food seminar

Council's Environmental Health Department hosted a Food Safety Seminar for Environmental Health practitioners last month.

The seminar addressed health-related issues including current policy principles of food safety within the context of the Australian Institute of Environmental Health (AIEH) charter; the State Government's local government policy and professional accountability; and initiatives being undertaken by the AIEH at both national and state levels to develop the Environmental Health profession.

Participants included Environmental Health practitioners from eastern and southern regions, representatives from Department of Human Services and representatives from Food Safety Victoria. The seminar provided an opportunity for health practitioners to discuss the guiding principles and associated food safety issues.

Environmental Health Officer Mark Saunders said: "Council's Environmental Health Department is committed to maintaining its status of industry leaders and this event has helped ensure the success of Council's newly created Public Health Unit."

"Benchmarks of industry best practice and professional practice standards are extremely important to the environmental health profession. These principles must continue to underpin Council's public health policy to ensure consistent and effective application of legislation and the achievement of environmental health outcomes".

Assistance required

Are you an organised person?
Do you enjoy keeping things up-to-date?
Do you like to know where things are?
Do you believe information is important and should be accessible?

Not everyone prizes these qualities, but at Community Information Glen Eira your skills will be positively valued! We need people who can devote four hours a week to help keep our database and printed information current.

If you are available during the week, if you enjoy working with people, and are in a position to make this valuable contribution to your local community please telephone Laurel Thompson on 9524 3200 or 9524 3272.

Community Information Glen Eira
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256 Hawthorn Road
Caulfield 3162

Immunisation dates for May

Bentleigh Baptist Church
10 Vickery Street Bentleigh

Monday 5 June 1.30-2.30pm

Glen Eira Town Hall (entry via Glen Eira Road)
Corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield South

**Tuesday 9 May 6-7.30pm
Wednesday 7 June 9.30-10.30am**

Murrumbeena Baptist Church
44 Murrumbeena Road Murrumbeena

Monday 8 May 9.30-10.30am

Bentleigh Bayside Community Health Service
Gardeners Road, East Bentleigh

**Tuesday 16 May 9.30-10.30am
Saturday 27 May 9.30-11am**

Glen Huntly Maternal and Child Health Centre
Corner Royal and Rosedale Avenues, Glen Huntly

Wednesday 24 May 9.30-11am

Please note:

1. Preschool immunisations are now recommended at 4 years old. The immunisation team will be visiting all kindergartens in Terms 2 and 3 where immunisation is requested for a minimum of 20 children. Parents will be contacted through the kindergartens.
2. The new NHMRC recommended immunisation schedule for ages 2 to 18 months will apply only to children born from 1 May 2000.

Council launches "home secure" advice for older residents

Mayor Cr Veronika Martens, Glen Eira Police District Inspector Greg Parr and Senior Constable David Michelson from the Moorabbin Community Policing Squad recently launched a Home Secure package for older residents.

The Home Secure package was collated by Senior Constable Michelson and produced by Glen Eira City Council as an initiative of International Year of Older Persons. It was launched at the U3A Glen Eira Open Day, as part of the City's Senior Citizens' Week celebrations.

The package includes brochures on safety in the home, a checklist of home safety requirements, and information on accredited security companies in Victoria.

For a copy of the Home Secure package, contact Community Development Officer Lynne Howard on 9524 3230.



(From left at front) Senior Constable David Michelson, District Inspector Greg Parr, Mayor Cr Veronika Martens and Glen Eira U3A President Margaret Robinson launch the Home Secure package with other members of U3A Glen Eira. Photo: Jim Hooper

"Foothold" moves to Glen Eira

The Foothold on Safety project funded by the Department of Human Services and supported by Councils and community agencies in the Cities of Glen Eira, Stonnington and Port Phillip, will shift its office to the Caulfield Community Health Centre in June.

About 28,000 Victorians injure themselves from falls each year, costing Victoria an estimated \$1,206 million in treatment and other costs.

Medical experts estimate that about 50 per cent of falls and broken bones could be avoided. Most falls can be attributed to reduced balance and agility and often occur in the home. Hazards such as slippery or uneven flooring contribute to falls.

In consultation with the Inner South East Melbourne Division of General Practice, Foothold on Safety recommends a range of measures to reduce the risk of elderly people falling and breaking bones. At a preventative level older people should:

- maintain an active lifestyle;
- remove hazards from the home;
- wear sensible shoes;
- be informed about medicines (consult their GP or pharmacist);

- have their eyesight checked;
- have an annual health assessment from their GP; and

enjoy a diet high in calcium and vitamin D. The frail elderly and the elderly who fear falling should:

- see their GP;
- see a physiotherapist for advice about exercise, walking sticks and frames; and
- consider wearing a hip protector, which could prevent hip fracture.

To help older residents reduce the risk of falling, a strength training program is available at Caulfield Community Health Centre. The program focuses on weightlifting and exercise under supervision, to strengthen muscles and increase confidence.

For further details contact: Project Worker Bernadette Byrne on 9525 1300.

4-year-old kindergarten in 2002



Council operates a central enrolment system for community-based kindergartens in the City of Glen Eira.

Applications opened on 1 May for parents to enrol their children to attend 4-year-old kindergarten in 2002.

Children who were born between 1 May, 1997 and 30 April 1998 (inclusive) are eligible.

Central Enrolment fee: \$8 per child (\$5 for health card holders)

Enrolment forms available from community-based kindergartens or Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

Enrolments for 4-year-old kindergarten in 2001 are presently being processed.

For 3-year-old kindergarten enrol directly with the kindergarten of your choice.

Mothers coffee morning



A coffee morning for mothers with young babies will be held at the Town Hall Maternal and Child Health Centre on the first Wednesday of each month, from 11am to noon.

Morning tea provided.

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

Fathers also most welcome.

Listening and learning

— Human Services Community Conversations

Council's Human Services Director and all managers make themselves available to the community on a regular basis to discuss issues from the Division and to hear concerns from the community.

Two meetings have been held already this year. In February topics included:

- community transport initiatives from the Inner South and Coastal Community Transport Co-ordinator, Brett Wake;
- Copelen Family Services Men's Group worker and planned associated seminars; and
- aged care developments, accreditation and major capital expenditure by Council in East Bentleigh.

In March, the first daytime session was held and focused on Cultural and Linguistic Diversity. This well attended session considered Council's draft plan and identified strategies for how the plan could be implemented.

The next Human Services Community Conversation will be held on:

Wednesday 31 May at 8pm
Bentleigh Senior Citizens Centre
2 Arthur Street
Bentleigh

Further information contact:
Margaret Roche 9524 3448.

COMMUNITY *Diary*

Events

An Afternoon with Gilbert and Sullivan will be held in St Giles' Uniting Church Hall, 117 Murrumbena Road, Murrumbena, on Sunday 21 May at 2pm. Performance by the Concert Party of The Gilbert and Sullivan Society of Victoria. Off-street parking available. Wheelchair access. Tickets: \$8 adults, \$4 youth (10-17), under 10 free. Contact: 9578 4217 or 9570 4737.

The Glen Eira Choir will present Antonio Vivaldi's Gloria and Joseph Haydn's Missa Brevis— St Joannis de Deo at Glen Eira Town Hall, 2pm on Sunday, 28 May. Contact: Jill Clarke 9502 7707 or email jmclarke@tpg.com.au

Play School Concert will be held at St Anthony's Hall, corner Neerim and Grange Roads, Glen Huntly on Thursday, 1 June. Tickets: \$5.50 adults and children (under 12 months free). Ticket sales: Galatis Pharmacy, Koornang Road, Carnegie. Bookings for 10am and 11am concerts: 9561 4002. Bookings for 11.30am concert: 9571 7127.

An Emergency Services Family Display Day will be held by the Bentleigh Traders Association on Sunday, 28 May. The Victoria Police, Fire Brigade, Ambulance and others will attend. Entrance is free. Contact: Richard Atkinson 9557 9822.

The City of Glen Eira Band invites all residents to an open rehearsal on Wednesday 17 May at 7.30pm, Caulfield Park band room (off Balaclava Rd). BYO instrument or just sit back and enjoy the music— supper provided. Contact: 9571 7168.

Courses and classes

Club 66 holds old time-modern-new vogue dances, with live band, on first and third Saturday of each month at Bentleigh Uniting Church Hall, Centre Road, Bentleigh (opposite the RSL) at 8pm. Cost: \$6. All age groups welcome. Contact: 9587 1092.

Four informal parenting talks will be run by the Maternal and Child Health Service and Caulfield Community Health Service at 6 Jersey Parade, Carnegie, on Tuesdays from 23 May from 1.30-2.30pm. Topics: *Ages and stages; Encouraging self esteem; Communicating with your children; and Encouraging positive behaviour (discipline)*. Each session followed by coffee and chat. Cost per session: \$2. Bookings: Judy White 9524 3403.

Meetings and clubs

Caulfield Combined Probus Club meets in the Gladys Machin Senior Citizens' Club Hall, 8-10 Cedar Street (off Glen Huntly Road), South Caulfield on first Wednesday each month at 10am. New members welcome. Contact: Secretary Bob Parnell 9569 4971.

VIEW Club of Australia (Voice, Interests and Education of Women)— small, friendly social club, meets for lunch on first Tuesday of the month. Guest speakers and outings. Assists the Smith Family in helping others. New members welcome. Contact: Val 9578 1302.

Nursing Mothers' Association of Australia—Bentleigh/Moorabbin Group will meet on Monday, 8 May 7.45-10pm for *Mothers' Night Out*. Also, lunch and discussion on Monday, 22 May 12.30-2.30pm. Invite your mother as a special guest for lunch. Contact: Sonia 9555 6804.

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Caulfield Recreation Centre
6 Maple St, Caulfield South
9578 4460

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BEGINNERS TO BLACK BELT – From 4 years old

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. Contact: 9557 2562 or 9563 2554.

Scout vacancies— 12th Caulfield Scout Group, Beavis Street, Elsternwick, meets Thursday 7-9pm and has vacancies for 11 to 15 year olds. Exciting and educational program plus camps. Contact: Peter 9596 3357.

Neighbourhood Support Program— Young Mother's Group commenced in March. For information about this new group and about our Fathers' and Chinese Groups, contact: Maureen Carolan on 0419 348 936 or Judy White on 9524 3403.

Volunteers

Six volunteers required for Copelen Family Resource Centre and Prahran Windsor Primary School's program: *Families and schools together* to be held at the school Tuesday evenings, 2 May to 20 June 6-8pm. Volunteers needed for child care, meals assistance, transport and general support. Contact: Bernadette Froder or Karen Anderson 9521 5666.

Interchange urgently needs volunteers to care for children with a disability for short regular periods (ie a day/weekend per month), in their own home. Training and ongoing support provided. Give a kid a break, give a family a break and give yourself a great experience! Information session soon. Contact: 9532 0155.

Leaders wanted— 12th Caulfield Scout Group seeks enthusiastic people for rewarding and fulfilling positions working with children. Contact Peter: 9596 3357.

Do Care needs volunteers to visit, or take on outings, socially isolated people. Daytime training in Bentleigh and evening training in Caulfield this month. Contact: 9532 8499.

Southern Citizen Advocacy seeks volunteers— giving your time would assist an adult with a disability to participate in community life. Contact: 9576 0155.

Voluntary tutors urgently needed— University of the Third Age (U3A) Glen Eira seeks a voluntary tutor to teach Beginners Spanish to senior citizens. Classes held once a week for two hours. Contact: 9572 0571.

Community

For hire— Scout Hall, day or evening, casual or permanent. Very reasonable rates. Ideal for meetings and parties. Contact: Lorraine 9532 9931.

Enrolments for 2001— Valkstone Primary School, Valkstone Street, East Bentleigh will run an Early Bird Tour at the school on Thursday, 11 May at 9.30am. Also: talk with Prep Teachers on Saturday, 27 May 10-11.30am. Bookings: Kaye 9570 3986.

Glen Huntly Friendship Group

99 Grange Road, Glen Huntly
Activities May/June

Thursday, 25 May: Joan Smith from Guide Dogs and her dog Danny will capture your hearts with their amusing and heart-warming stories. Morning tea. Cost: \$2. 10am-12noon. 99 Grange Road, Glen Huntly

Wednesday, 7 June: Visit the Jewish Museum of Australia A guided tour of the Australian Jewish History Gallery presents the richness and diversity of Jewish life and culture. A light luncheon before a brief inspection of the Synagogue at St Kilda. A short journey takes us to Como historical house and garden at South Yarra.

Dame Nellie Melba often sang from this family home. Cost: \$28 includes entries, lunch and transport 9.30am from 99 Grange Road, Glen Huntly

Bookings Margaret 9596 6124

10 year milestone for club

The Ladies Probus Club of Caulfield recently celebrated 10 years of friendship, outings, trips and guest speakers at a luncheon for 90 members. Honorary Secretary Chris La Ponder said the club began in March 1990 as the result of a steering committee meeting convened by the Rotary Club of Caulfield.

"The idea of starting a Ladies Probus Club in Caulfield was so popular that we soon had a waiting list of 50," she said.

Probus clubs are a local association of retired and semi-retired professional and business people who meet regularly for fellowship and an extension of their interests. The name is an amalgam of the abbreviation of the words professional and business and Probus is also a Latin word meaning "honest and virtuous".

Ms La Ponder said 44 of the founding members are still active in the Caulfield club and were honoured at the luncheon. She said the club's anniversary was not only an acknowledgement of the 10 year milestone, but of the friendships that had been formed.

"Our club is certainly here to stay, and will surely continue to promote friendship and happiness amongst all its members," she said.

Ladies Probus Club of Caulfield meets in the Gladys Machin Senior Citizens Club Hall, 8-10 Cedar Street (off Glen Huntly Road), South Caulfield on the third Thursday of each month at 10am. New members are welcome. Contact: Chris La Ponder 9596 8200.



The past seven presidents of the Ladies Probus Club of Caulfield celebrate 10 years.

U3A BUS TOURS

14 June 9.15am-3pm
Crown Casino

For just \$6 (travelling expenses) you can visit Crown Casino and take advantage of this generous Meal/Games Package.

July/August

Please note there are no bus trips planned for July/August pending the finalisation of the GST.

20 September 8.30 am-5pm
Phillip Island Seal Rock Life Centre

Opportunity for you to visit this unique interactive all-weather display of fascinating marine life surrounding the Nobbies and Seal Rock. Includes: bus, entry fee, lunch at the Centre (and GST).

18 October 8.30am-5.30 pm
Point Lonsdale/Queenscliff

We travel to Point Lonsdale and historic Queenscliff— after a leisurely visit we return by CAR FERRY over the bay to Sorrento. Includes: bus, ferry (and GST).

Contact: 9572 0571 or (AH) 9523 7862

Glen Eira

Youth Page



Contact us!

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 Post Box 42, Caulfield South 3162
 email: jbruce@gleneira.vic.gov.au

National Youth Week 2000 Youth Support Expo

Last month, Rotary Clubs from Bayside, Glen Eira and Kingston and Youth Teams from the cities joined forces with Southern Family Life to host a Youth Support Expo for young people, youth workers and local residents.

The Expo opened with a lively performance by members of the High Wire Circus who flipped and juggled to introduce the theme of Youth Week—Count me in!

The Youth Support Expo was launched by Federal Minister for Education and Training Dr David Kemp and the audience gained insight from a number of the youth professionals who helped the Columbine students after the school shootings in Colorado.

Young people and workers from Taskforce Drug and Alcohol Agency, local government and the Department of Human Services spoke on a range of youth issues, such as homelessness, drug use and services available in the community.

During breaks, participants were able to visit the exhibition stalls set up by youth organisations to obtain information on the services and innovative programs available to young people and parents in the South Eastern suburbs.

Many thanks to Terry Harwood from Cheltenham Rotary and the working group members for organising this important event which revealed the great work of many youth-oriented organisations in our area.

A number of great initiatives have come out of the day including the development of a video on homelessness; quarterly youth organisation and service club update meetings; and the development of a 24-hour weekend outreach service for young people.

There are plans on the board for the year 2001, so if you are interested in becoming involved contact Youth Services Co-ordinator Jodie Belyea on 9524 3321.



Artwork: Arlo Chase.

Websites for young people

This month we introduce a new feature for the *Why Gen Youth Page*— regular profiles of new and exciting websites designed specifically for young people. We would love to hear from young people about great websites out there on the internet. So send in the site address and some information about it— let us know what you like about it and why it's good for young people. Here is our first profile...

Somazone

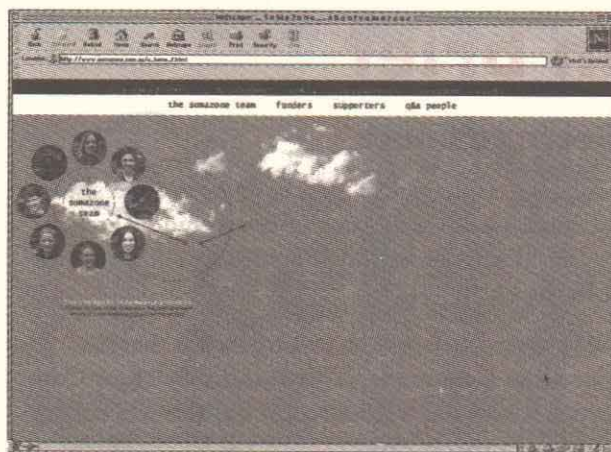
www.somazone.com.au

The Australian Drug Foundation have commissioned a group of young people aged 17 to 22 years, to design and maintain the Somazone website which aims to address young people's health issues with information, a question/answer service, personal stories and interactive programs.

The site aims to assist young people in an anonymous, non-judgmental manner. It focuses on young people's health and welfare concerns by providing young people with the opportunity to have questions answered online by a variety of health professionals.

Somazone is not an online counselling service but it does address matters raised by young people and provides information on youth-friendly services where young people can access more assistance with their issues.

Young people can submit questions on a range of topics including body image, sexual health, mind health, general health, drugs, relationships, harassment and independence. The questions are



A page from the Somazone website.

answered by experienced medical practitioners, legal practitioners, drug and alcohol counsellors, community health workers and youth workers and are published anonymously on the site.

Somazone has been a very successful project as it has received more than 419,000 hits and has had almost 150 questions answered and published for young people since its launch in late 1999. The project has been established by the Australian Drug Foundation and has been funded by the Department of Human Services, Community Support Fund, Turning the Tide and Quit.

Continue to support the site by checking it out and writing in to Somazone with your feedback.

Low cost short courses in your local community at

Godfrey Street Community House

- Discovering your Community \$2 per session
- Incentive to lose kilos/well-being \$5 per session
- Cryptic crosswords \$2 per session
- Stockmarket investing \$10 the session
- Feldenkrais \$10 per session
- Feng Shui \$20 per session
- Wise Woman/Career Moves \$15 per session
- Drama \$10 per session.

For more information phone 9557 9037
 Enrolment at 9 Godfrey Street, Bentleigh
 on 8 May 2000

Toilet training

— a young child can be a challenge

CHN/Psychologist from Caulfield Community Health Service Jenny Burley will speak on:

Toilet training— the essentials

Date: Tuesday 9 May

Time: 1.30–3pm

Cost: \$3

Venue: Glen Huntly Maternal and Child Health Centre, corner Royal and Rosedale Avenues, Glen Huntly

Contact: 9572 5126

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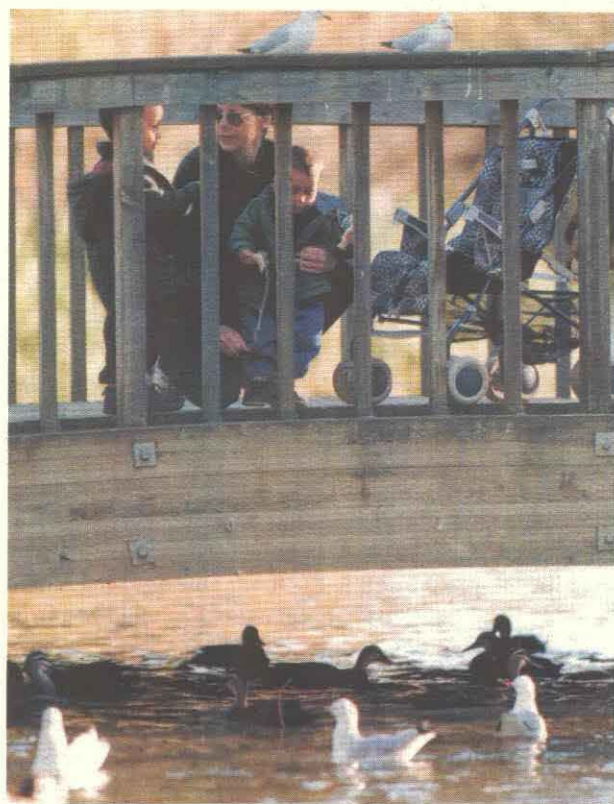
Recreation News

Caulfield Park— creating the future

— from a swamp to significant park used by thousands

by Byron Douglas

After many months of research, extensive public consultation and design, the draft master plan for Caulfield Park is on display. Council invites all residents and key stakeholders to review the draft master plan during May and forward any comments to Recreation Services.



Caulfield Park, formerly known as Paddy's Swamp was used in the 1860s for picnics, fishing, duck shooting and strolling. Commercial fishermen also fished the swamp and sold their catch locally.

Today, Caulfield Park caters for hundreds of people playing sport each week, joggers and walkers keeping fit, picnickers enjoying the amenities, children playing on the equipment and people simply delighting in the park's landscape. The park is however showing signs of ageing and needs improvements to maintain and develop as a park for both now and for future generations.

Council is committed to developing park master plans through its Corporate Goals and Open Space Long Term Strategy. Once adopted, the Caulfield Park Master Plan—the culmination of extensive research, consultation and design—will direct the development of the park for the next five to 10 years.

Caulfield Park covers more than 25.8 hectares and has a significant heritage area at the western end. A master plan for a park of this size is a considerable undertaking and will cover:

- a site survey;
- a tree survey of 870 trees including their botanical and common names, maturity and condition;
- heritage survey;
- recommendations for the configuration of sports grounds;



- recommendations for the future development of public toilets;
- playgrounds;
- access roads and car parking;
- walking trails;
- maintenance regimes;
- consolidations of buildings;
- war memorials;
- general landscaping; and
- key features.

Comments regarding the Caulfield Park draft master plan are most welcome and can be directed to Recreation Services, PO Box 42, Caulfield South 3162, on email to recservices@gleneira.vic.gov.au, or by phone on 9524 3470.

More master plans

Recreation Services is undertaking two further master plans—Murrumbeena Park and the Duncan MacKinnon Reserve. These master plans are currently in the design stage with the research and first community consultation stages having been completed. Once finalised these draft master plans will be displayed for further community comment.

A master plan for Princes Park will be undertaken in conjunction with the design phase of the new multi-purpose sports stadium. A landscape architect will undertake research and community consultation to ensure the final park design meets the needs of residents and park users.

New park draft master plan on display

Glen Eira's newest park, the Duncan MacKinnon/Packer Park Linear Link draft master plan will be displayed for public comment during May.

This new park will feature a walking track with native bushes and grasses. It will link the popular Duncan MacKinnon Reserve with Packer Park while at the same time creating a green belt between these two parks. Public comments are most welcome and should be forwarded to Recreation Services.

In brief

Get in to bocce

Glen Eira residents will soon have greater access to the traditional Italian game of Bocce and its French "cousin" Petanque, with the installation of courts for both games.

Two Bocce courts will be constructed at the Moorleigh Community Village and a Pentaque Court (which is very like a Bocce court but shorter) will be built at Harleston Park.

The games are quite similar and both are becoming increasingly popular recreational pursuits. With these facilities publicly available, Glen Eira will no doubt foster the growth of these great games.

Bike strategy underway

Bike riders will be pleased to know that the Glen Eira Bicycle Strategy is well under way. The consultants hope to report back to Council by the end of June with a draft that will direct the future development of services for bicycle users over the next 10 years.

Getting your message across

In order to retain the natural amenity of Glen Eira's parks, no advertising signs are permitted. Community

advertising signs are allowed only in two designated reserves, the Duncan MacKinnon Reserve and East Caulfield Reserve. Bookings and permits are necessary for any community advertising. For further information, please contact the facilities booking officer on 9524 3253.

Did you know?

Council often gets calls from enthusiastic joggers and walkers regarding the distance around some of our most popular parks. The walking track around Caulfield Park is 1.98km while the Duncan MacKinnon Reserve track is



1.208km. Remember, just 30 minutes a day is enough exercise to significantly reduce the risk of heart disease. So get those walking shoes on!