

## Getting into the 'swim' of things

**G**len Eira's pools have been enjoying record attendances this summer as people have taken advantage of the City's facilities to relax and cool off in the hot weather. Both the Bentleigh and Caulfield Swim Centres reported higher than average numbers for November and December registering an attendance of almost 44,000 people.

The change rooms at the Bentleigh Swim Centre have recently been upgraded and large shade umbrellas have been installed at both pools. All the favorites are operating, including toddler pools, water slides and outdoor heated pools.

The swim centres are open from:  
6am–7pm Monday–Friday  
8am–6pm Saturday and Sunday  
8am–6pm public holidays

If the forecast temperature is 30° Celsius or more the pool hours will be extended to 8pm.

Contact the pools on:  
Caulfield Swim Centre 9571 8143  
East Bentleigh Swim Centre 9570 7394

Photos: Bernie Bickerton.



## Making our roads *safer* for all

— *pedestrians, cyclists, the elderly and around schools!*

### Glen Eira City Council Road Safety Strategy

**O**n average someone dies every 10 weeks from a road crash in Glen Eira and every three days someone is seriously injured on Glen Eira's roads. These are two of the alarming statistics highlighted in the draft Glen Eira City Council Road Safety Strategy.

Mayor Cr Veronika Martens said: "Pedestrians, cyclists, the young and the elderly are the most vulnerable groups in our City. Fifty two per cent of persons killed on our roads are pedestrians, with 46 per cent of all pedestrian fatalities involving persons over 75 years of age."

At a meeting in December, Council resolved to put the draft Road Safety Strategy on exhibition for public comment. The strategy aims to co-ordinate Council's efforts more closely with those of the police, VicRoads, schools and community groups, to make Glen Eira roads safer, and to encourage people to use roads more safely.

Cr Martens said: "To tackle the road safety issue effectively we need a co-ordinated approach from key government agencies and a commitment from community groups, schools and individuals. Council is taking a leadership role to facilitate action and has the support of police and VicRoads."

"With this support we can achieve a lot, but ultimately we need individual drivers, pedestrians and cyclists to start acting responsibly on our roads and for schools and community groups to help get the road safety message out to their communities."

In August 2000, Council hosted a Road Safety Forum with participation from schools, community groups, traders, neighbourhood watch and government agencies. The participants debated the key road safety issues for Glen Eira and actions to tackle these issues. This work has formed the basis for the development of the action plans in the draft Road Safety Strategy.

The draft Strategy includes action plans for six key themes including: Co-ordination and Leadership, School Road Safety, Traffic Management, Young Children, Pedestrian Safety, and Bicycle Safety.

Cr Martens said: "We need community input and commitment to help achieve safer roads in Glen Eira. Road safety is more than just building more speed humps or roundabouts. It requires a multi-pronged approach and a change in individuals' behaviour."

The draft Strategy is on exhibition at libraries and the Service Centre until the end of February and submissions are sought from interested individuals, groups or organisations. Inquiries can be made to Duncan Turner on 9524 3239 and submissions addressed Glen Eira Road Safety Strategy, PO Box 42, Caulfield South 3162.

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**So what does an average week at Council involve?  
Turn to pages 6 and 7 to find out just how much  
your rates dollar achieves.**

# MAYOR'S column



Depending on your point of view the Millennium year has either just finished or just begun. But whichever perspective you subscribe to, 2001 promises to be a challenging and exciting year for Council.

In December *News* we published an article

about the impact the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT) was having in the City when it, not Council, determined Planning Applications. I expressed my concern that what Council sees as unsatisfactory or inappropriate development, VCAT may deem otherwise. Often, the result in Council's view, is less than desirable and against residents' interests.

I have written to both VCAT and the State Minister for Planning. Their responses are totally unsatisfactory. The response from VCAT was particularly galling as its attitude appears to be that no-one is entitled to question its decisions except in the Supreme Court!

Until VCAT adopts a more transparent operating method paying due respect to our residents' interests, this Council will continue to raise this matter with the relevant State Government Ministers. Particularly the Minister for Planning who must take responsibility for his portfolio.

The project to add 60 beds to the Warrawee complex is underway. Having the second highest number of elderly people, this City needs to ensure it has the facilities to meet residents' needs— particularly high care nursing beds. A planning application is being processed and I hope the builders will shortly be on site to begin construction.

At the other end of the age spectrum, Council's proposal to build a multi-use sports facility in Princes Park is also progressing. For too long our younger residents' needs have been overlooked. Providing this facility will benefit the health and well being of young people— encouraging them to participate in a wide range of sports. Two hurdles still need to be jumped: the masterplan for the park and the planning application process. Both processes will involve significant input from the community. I am especially keen to ensure young people become actively involved in this exciting project— it is time for them to be heard.

Late last year the Federal Government announced a four-year program of funding for roads. Glen Eira will receive \$1.9 million, but we are still waiting for the Federal Government to advise the conditions of use for this funding. As soon as we receive the funding it will be put to good use. We will keep you informed.

I trust everyone had a happy festive season and I hope all of us have a prosperous and successful year ahead.

— Cr Veronika Martens  
Mayor

## Taste 4 Health

Council's Public Health Unit joined Mayor Cr Veronika Martens and CEO Andrew Newton at the presentation of the award for the best Healthy Nutrition Project in the Heart Foundation Kellogg Local Government Awards for Council's 'Taste 4 Health' Nutrition and Food Safety program late last year.

Details of the *Taste 4 Health* program can be found on Council's recently released Public Health Unit website at <http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/publichealth.htm>

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.



## Stop press!!

Glen Eira's Citizen and Young Citizen of the Year were announced at Council's Australia Day breakfast last month.

Mayor Cr Veronika Martens presented the Young Citizen of the Year award to Samantha Phillips for community and youth work, and the Citizen of the Year award to Geoff Patience JP, BEM, OAM for many years of service with Lions and extensive community work.

Council's Australia Day breakfast was enjoyed by almost 160 guests. Chancellor of the University of Ballarat Professor Geoffrey Blainey spoke about the year of federation and what Australia means to Australians.

Details of the breakfast and Glen Eira's Citizens of the Year will be published in the next issue of the Glen Eira News.

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## Meeting dates

City of  
**GLEN  
EIRA**

Ordinary Council meetings of the Glen Eira City Council will be held on the following days for the first half of 2001.

Monday, 26 February  
Monday, 19 March  
Tuesday, 10 April (Monday: 2nd night Passover)  
Monday, 30 April  
Monday, 21 May  
Tuesday, 12 June (Monday: Queen's Birthday)

All meetings are open to the public and will be held in the Glen Eira Council Chamber, corner Hawthorn and Glen Eira Roads, Caulfield at 7.30pm.

## Deadlines for Glen Eira News

Deadline for the next issue of the Glen Eira News will be **Monday 12 February** for delivery 6–8 March, 2001.

### Coming deadlines:

Tuesday 13 March. Delivery: 3–5 April.  
Monday 9 April. Delivery: 1–3 May.

For advertising contact Margaret on 9524 3224.

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# A wonderful day for pets

Llamas, lizards, snakes and cignets— all creatures great and small turned out for the inaugural Glen Eira Wonderful World of Pets day. The day included a range of activities from pet registrations and microchip IDs, to pet care and training, and included free giveaways and a display of "alternative" pets.



*Dressed for a special day is three-year-old Pomeranian Milly with her owner Dilys Clark.*



*Lisa Brasic nurses a 12-week-old signet at Wonderful World of Pets Day.*

*Up close and personal— with a llama!*

*Photos: Bernie Bickerton.*



Pets day

## 50km/h speed limit now a reality

The new 50km/h speed limit for residential streets which took effect on Monday 22 January was welcomed by Mayor Cr Veronika Martens.

"Under the new regulations, 50 km/h has become the 'default' speed limit in residential streets," Councillor Martens said. "This means that if there is no sign, it's 50km/h."

"The State Government's move to lower the default speed limit to 50km/h in residential streets in built-up areas will improve community safety, and has the strong backing of this Council."

"60km/h signs are being progressively installed to clearly identify those roads that will retain a 60km/h speed limit. Most, but not all, of these signs should be in place by the end of January. But, motorists are in any doubt as to the speed at

which they should be travelling, I would urge them to 'Think Safe. Think 50'," she said.

In conjunction with RoadSafe Inner South East, Council will undertake publicity to help the community understand the new regulations and to encourage people to comply with the speed limit.

"These are our neighbourhood streets— where you and I live, and where our children play. We all need to remember that it is never acceptable to speed through residential streets and the reduced speed limit of 50km/h is a maximum guide only. It's vital that we all obey the new speed limit and work to keep our community safe."

There is capacity for speed limits to be reviewed over time. Any changes will involve extensive consultation between community groups, local police and local governments.



*Now that's obedient— dogs from the Bayside Companion Dog Training School get ready to go through their paces.*

## Seniors Citizens' Week!

16–30 March, 2001

Glen Eira's senior residents are invited to join in the many fun-filled activities taking place again this year as part of Senior Citizens' Week Celebrations.

The two weeks of celebrations will be officially opened at the St Patrick's Day Eve Afternoon Tea Dance on 16 March at the Glen Eira auditorium. Residents will be entertained by the McKinnon Secondary College Choir, violinist Igor Oskolkov, singer Jennifer Lee and six-piece band, the Mountain Valley Swingtets. Bookings are essential for this wonderful event.

Many of our senior citizens' clubs and groups will be involved in the celebrations, offering residents opportunities to join in a range of activities including concerts, come 'n' try activities, picnics, barbecues, Israeli dancing, social dancing, computer classes, art classes, open days and much more.

Older Adults Recreation Officer Cheryl Kennedy said: "This is a wonderful opportunity for residents over 50 to find out more about what's on in their municipality."

If you would like to receive a Senior Citizens' Week 2001 brochure detailing all events contact the Service Centre on 9524 3333.

## Host families needed

A delegation of senior high school and university students and young adults from Glen Eira's sister city Ogaki, Japan will visit in early March.

Council is planning a range of activities to offer a wide experience of our City to the students and is seeking local families who would be interested in hosting a student for four nights from Thursday 8 March. The visitors will be involved in day time activities on the Friday and Saturday, but would spend Sunday 11 March with their host family before returning home on Monday 12 March.

If you are interested in hosting a visitor from Ogaki, for this or other delegations, please contact Mary Apps at the Mayor's office on 9524 3224.



## Don't forget!

— change to collection days

Garbage and recycling collection days have been changed. From 1 January collection days were spread across five days, allowing more economic use of resources, later starting times and improved scheduling.

Council awarded a garbage collection contract to Cleanaway at the end of last year, replacing two separate garbage collection contracts and allocating the new collection areas and days.

A brochure detailing the collection service and indicating which days the fortnightly paper and green waste collections will take place was sent to residents late last year.

Anyone who did not receive the brochure can contact the Service Centre on 9524 3333.



## Much more than tin rattling

Glen Eira resident, 30 year old Sharon Henderson (above) writes about her experience as a volunteer.

As a volunteer with the Make A Wish Foundation, which grants wishes to children with a life threatening illness, I help out with data management for the organisation.

People might think volunteering their time to one of the many worthwhile organisations that need help means finding themselves shaking a can, manning a raffle booth or participating in a door knock to raise funds.

But volunteering offers a wide range of options for helping out. In the few times I have volunteered my services over the years I have given facials and manicures to the aged (with the Red Cross Cosmetics Program); fought bushfires in the dead of night (alongside the Volunteer Bushfire Brigade); and worked with data and information management (my current role with Make A Wish Foundation).

I have always volunteered my time when I have been temporarily unemployed. I find unemployment a very isolating experience and, facing rejection after rejection makes it a very demoralising experience too. Volunteering has always helped me keep a positive frame of mind and made me feel useful, during these times.

I believe the trick to volunteering is choosing a cause and activity that you can be passionate about. In this way, volunteering can be an enormously rewarding and satisfying experience. Sharon Henderson — volunteering is a very positive experience.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

### Acknowledging our volunteers

Community organisations are invited to nominate volunteers for the Council sponsored Community Services Recognition Scheme which honours the contribution made by volunteers to community life in Glen Eira.

Volunteers are an important part of this community and make an invaluable contribution through a wide variety of organisations. Nominations can be made for 500, 1000 or 2000 hours of service or a special category (for work which organisations feel merit recognition but does not fit into numbers of hours of service).

A ceremony will be held in May in National Volunteers Week to acknowledge those nominated.

Information and nomination forms available from the Service Centre on 9524 3333.

Applications close Monday 2 April at 5pm. Late nominations will not be accepted.

# A year for our vital volunteers

The year 2001 has been named the International Year of Volunteers — a year dedicated to acknowledging the work of millions of volunteers from all walks of life and to building global networks among them.

The City of Glen Eira boasts hundreds of community groups and organisations which, without the unstinting support of volunteers, would be unable to continue their work.

Volunteering gives people the opportunity to return something to the community, to use their talent and to find personal fulfilment. The work is interesting and rewarding if skills and interests are matched with opportunity.

Over the coming months, community organisations within Glen Eira will focus on following IYV 2001

themes, with activities and events organised around highlighting particular areas of volunteering:

**February: Arts and Heritage/Tourism** — including those working in theatre, community magazines, arts festivals, art galleries, radio, film, historical societies, conservation trusts and museums.

**March: Environment** — representing a range from local conservation groups to national environmental lobby groups.

**April: Young people** — including Youth Week in April. Recognising the wide range of volunteers involved with young people's activities and to encourage others to become involved.



2001

International Year of Volunteers

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Año Internacional de los Voluntarios

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## A place for everyone

Volunteers are always sought to offer their skills and support in a range of areas. People from all different backgrounds and areas of skill can become a volunteer — everyone has something to offer.

### Activities-art-craft

Working with activity and socialisation programs for older people, for those in rehabilitation programs, for younger people with a disability, for people in hospital, for isolated residents and for those with psychiatric or intellectual disability. Opportunities include knitting or crocheting garments for needy people or tutoring others in a craft or skill.

### Advocacy

Representing the interests of those with a disability and providing friendship, support and social contact.

### Children

Supporting programs for children and young people while they continue their education. Caring for a foster child or hosting a child with a disability. Granting a wish for a child with life threatening illness.

### Clerical-administrative work

Sharing skills and gaining experience while assisting with administrative duties — bookkeeping, reception work, data entry and word processing, telephone support, special projects, mail outs.

### Committee work

Participating in management committee work.

### Counselling-support-information

Providing telephone support to isolated residents and those who have been bereaved. Visiting and supporting those with mental illness and their families. Offering specific information and advice for those seeking assistance. Working with young people who have drug and alcohol related problems.

### Driving

Providing transport, for elderly people and those with a disability, to and from medical appointments and recreational programs. Delivering meals to clients' homes.

### Environment

Volunteers help to promote conservation of the environment and take part in practical activities such as seed raising and tree planting.

### Fundraising

Raising funds for hospitals and welfare agencies through opportunity shops and specific projects.

### History-heritage

Glen Eira is fortunate to have two National Trust properties where volunteers work as tour guides, in administration, catering and the retail shops. Local Historical Societies rely on volunteers to assist with cataloguing and recording local information.

### Hospital-health

Volunteers provide support and practical assistance to patients in hospital and at community health centres and work with St Johns Ambulance at special events in the community.

### Radio

Volunteers work with local community radio as presenters and assist with technical and administrative support.

### Tutoring-teaching

Volunteer tutors share their knowledge and skills assisting others in activity programs and interest groups. They work as literacy teachers for those of non-English speaking background and assist others to develop their language skills.

### Visiting

For older people who are isolated at home or needing companionship within residential facilities volunteer visitors are a lifeline offering friendship and support.

The Department of Family and Community Services (DfaCS) which will operate as the national co-ordinating body for IYV 2001 is offering a program of small grants of up to \$5000, to help community organisations celebrate the year.

**To discover more about volunteering, for assistance in selecting an area to suit you, or to get involved in International Year of Volunteers activities, phone the Glen Eira Volunteer Resource Project Co-ordinator on 9524 3303.**



# Keeping the flame alight

Chip buckets, polystyrene coffee cups, cut-down soft drink bottles— Glen Eira folk at the City's annual Carols by Candlelight showed their ingenuity by using whatever they had to hand to protect their candle flame in the swirly wind.



In the lead-up to the biggest community event of the year, the weather had ranged from sweltering during the day, to a windy change early in the program, and then one or two spots of rain threatened.

But the elements settled and conditions at Caulfield Racecourse became ideal for a great evening's entertainment.

Flickering candles were everywhere among the audience sitting on the lawn and in the Terrace Whittier Stand as happy faces glowed in the candlelight. Young and old laughed, sang, or watched entranced by the colour and sound on stage.

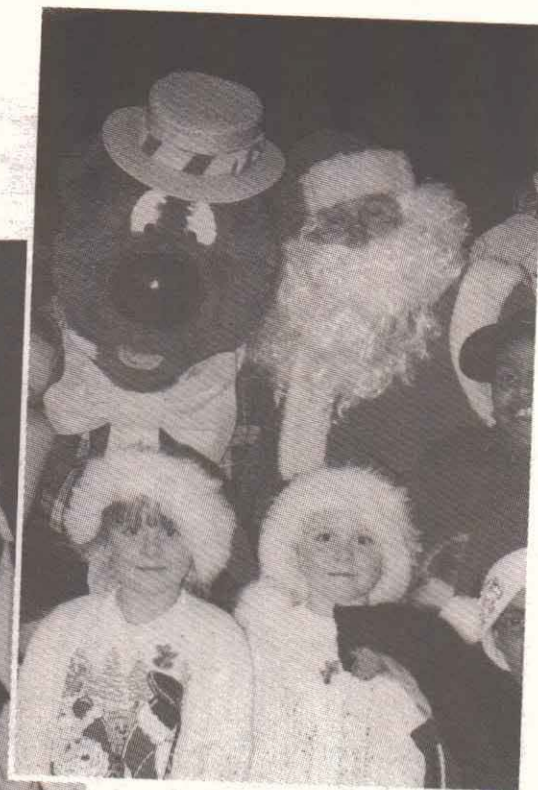
Children surrounded the stage when entertainer Sacha LeFevre hosted the fun in the pre-Carols entertainment, and again dashed forward when Humphrey B Bear and Santa made their much-anticipated appearance later in the evening.

The Carols starred Rhonda Burchmore, Denis Walter, Silvie Paladino, Terry Gill, the 90-member National Boys Choir and organist extraordinaire Tony Fenelon. Pre-carols entertainment was provided by the McKinnon Big Band, Glen Eira City Band with soloist Elena Xanthoudakis.

Proceeds of the sale of programs and candles by the Caulfield Girl Guides and District Scout Association of Glen Eira have gone to Glen Eira Community Information for its emergency relief work.

Glen Eira would like to thank Carols by Candlelight sponsors Tabaret, Victoria Amateur Turf Club, Bernie's Music Land, Noel Jones Real Estate, Leader Newspaper Group, Myer, McCall Security Group, Coles Stores Elsternwick, Golden Days Radio, Southern FM Radio and Victoria Police.

*Photos: Peter Bury.*



Carols by Candlelight



## Good behaviour bond in dog attack case

Glen Eira City Council successfully prosecuted a Brighton dog owner over a dog attack in Glen Eira in July.

Kay Flanagan of 56 Glencairn Avenue, Brighton, was placed on a good behaviour bond for 12 months, fined \$100 and ordered to pay \$322.60 costs, by Magistrate Mr Peter Mealy in Melbourne Magistrates Court on 6 December last year.

Ms Flanagan was found guilty on four charges:

- allowing a dog to attack another animal;
- two counts of allowing a dog to roam at large at night; and
- failing to register a dog.

Ms Flanagan received a good behaviour bond on three charges, and was convicted and fined \$100 for failing to register a dog—a female Siberian husky.

A fifth charge of failing to register a dog—a male Siberian husky—was dismissed.

The charges followed an incident at approximately 10pm on 20 July 2000 in Whitmuir Road, Bentleigh. Police received calls that a cat had been attacked by a dog. The police contacted Council's emergency number and the Lost Dogs

Home ambulance was called out and a Council officer assisted in seizing the two dogs and taking them into custody.

The court heard prosecution evidence from the owner of the cat, and a number of other witnesses who saw the two dogs at large, including a Council after hours emergency response officer, a veterinary surgeon who was the animal control officer who impounded the two Siberian huskies; a Council animal control officer, two Senior Constables and a Bayside City Council officer, who was required to give evidence in relation to the two dogs which reside in the City of Bayside. The prosecution was led by a Council Local Law officer.

Ms Flanagan was defended by barrister Mr Hugh Burchill. Three defence witnesses gave evidence: Ms Flanagan, her daughter and an exchange student staying at Ms Flanagan's house.

Council, in the interests of community safety, is continuing its pro-active campaign to prosecute dog owners who allow their dogs to roam or attack. All cases taken to the Magistrates Court in the past three years have been successful.

## Will your club or organisation be in the 2001 Glen Eira Resource Guide?

Clubs and community organisations which appeared in last year's Guide should receive a registration form for inclusion in the 2001 Resource Guide this week. To ensure your club's details are included, complete the form and return your slip no later than Friday February 23. (Don't forget to return the registration form even if your details remain unchanged!)

Post to:

**Belinda Foley**  
**GE Resource Guide**  
**PO Box 42**  
**CAULFIELD STH VIC 3162**

If you do not receive the registration form by Monday 12 February, or if your club was not in last year's Guide and you would like to be included, contact Belinda Foley on 9524 3219 for a registration form.

**Please note:** Registration forms for listing in the Business Directory section of the Guide will be sent to all businesses registered in the City of Glen Eira in late February.

## Good behaviour bond for spitting

An East St Kilda man was placed on a 12-month good behaviour bond for spitting—an incident which occurred while remonstrating with a parking officer over a parking infringement.

Mark Burgio, of East St Kilda, pleaded guilty in the Melbourne Magistrates Court to offensive behaviour, in that he spat in a public place in Selwyn Street, Elsternwick, on 30 May 2000.

Magistrate Mr Roger Franich placed Mr Burgio on a 12-month good behaviour bond and ordered him to pay \$500 to the court fund and \$180 costs.

Mr Burgio was represented by legal counsel.

In Glen Eira City Council's summary to the court, Council's prosecutor said Mr Burgio had pleaded with a Council parking officer for a parking infringement to be withdrawn. However, when the officer advised he could not do this, Mr Burgio became abusive and spat.

# A week in the life... of Glen Eira City Council



**E**ach week Council staff deal with a huge range of inquiries and visits to the town hall and provide services and facilities to hundreds of Glen Eira residents and visitors. The following information was compiled from Council's business units to show you what keeps us on our toes in an average week!

## Home and Community Care

— provides services to elderly and disabled people in their homes.

- 1300 older residents and people with a disability are provided with 1850 hours of support services in their homes.

- 110 older residents attend Council's two Adult Day Centres.

- 110 families of children with a disability are provided with 450 hours of in home respite care services.
- 65 older residents and people with a disability are provided with 90 hours of Home Maintenance service.
- 3700 meals are cooked at Glen Eira Food Services.
- 2000 meals are delivered through the Meals on Wheels program to 400 Glen Eira residents.
- 170 volunteers deliver the meals.
- 1600 meals are provided to external contracts, such as Stonnington Community Care and MECWA Community care.
- 50 assessments are made of residents requesting support services in the home.
- 145 residents receive 24 hour care in Council's low care facilities.
- 30 residents receive 24 hour care in Council's high care facility.
- 87 people are housed in Council's independent units— 50 males and 37 females.
- Hundreds of people in 36 groups participate in programs and activities at Council's Senior Citizens Centres.
- 350 older people participate in organised recreation programs.

## Child care and maternal and child health

— providing services to families

- 329 children are cared for in Council's child care centres.
- 225 children are cared for by family day care.
- 452 babies are seen by maternal and child health officers.

## Recreation services

- About 300 contacts— phone, email, face to face— are made with the sporting community, including schools, club contacts, general inquiries, internal inquiries, planning and development.
- Approximately 20 schools per week use Council ovals.
- 3,000 people play sport in 34 clubs operating with 170 teams.
- About 60 inquiries are made regarding recreation facility hire.
- An estimated 8,000 people use Glen Eira's parks to keep fit via jogging and power walking.
- Uncountable numbers of people use our parks for social walks, playground activities, walking dogs, and taking time out.

## Parks Services

Council proudly maintains the following:

- 50 sports grounds— representing 70 hectares— are mown weekly by tractor.
- 70 hectares of passive recreational turf is mown and maintained weekly.
- 16 turf wickets are prepared weekly during the season.
- 53 planted traffic treatments are maintained fortnightly.
- 2240 square metres of annual garden beds, including 25,000 seedlings, are maintained three times each week.
- 3000 plants in shopping centres are watered three times each week.

- 47 reserves— including 44 playgrounds— are inspected and cleaned daily, and any faults reported immediately.
- 24 barbecue locations with 42 hotplates are inspected and cleaned daily.
- 38 public toilets are cleaned daily.
- 1300 trees— average annual planting— are watered weekly until establishment.
- About 150 street trees have branches trimmed over footpaths and roadways each week.
- About 130 trees are cleared from overhead wires each week.

## Health and safety

Council provides the following to ensure a healthy safe environment:

- Immunisation of 75 children.
- Assistance for thousands of children at school crossings— 43 staffed crossings for 90 minutes per day.
- Penalties for drivers for parking in unsafe places (red signs)— 429 infringement notices are issued.
- Penalties for drivers for overstaying parking (green signs)— 307 infringements are issued.
- Inspections at 26 food premises.
- 32 environmental health notices issued.
- 12 instances of overhanging shrubs addressed with property owners.
- 25 derelict vehicle infringement notices are issued.
- 9 animal infringement notices are issued.
- 9 Local Law notices are issued.

## Recycling, cleanliness and waste management

Council cleans up the town by taking care of the following:

- Emptying 49,227 garbage bins.
- Collecting 750 tonnes of garbage.
- Emptying 23,000 crates.
- Collecting 120 tonnes of recyclables.
- Emptying 2,203 litter bins.
- Sweeping 230kms of residential streets.
- Sweeping 120km of strip shopping centre streets.
- Sweeping 39 car parks.
- Collecting hard rubbish from 210 properties.
- Collecting bundled branches from 115 properties.
- Emptying 2,500 green waste bins.
- Collecting 30 tonnes of green waste

## GlenWorks

Council's depot also helps clean up by handling the following:

- Replaces 575 m<sup>2</sup> of footpaths.
- Repairs 315 m<sup>2</sup> of roadway.
- Cleans 250 drainage pits.
- Makes 26 dumped rubbish collections.
- Picks up 8 dead animals from the roadway.

## Building and planning

Council processes the following:

- 300 planning applications move through the statutory process.
- 14 new town planning applications are lodged.
- 20 planning applications are determined.
- 5 planning items and submissions from parties are considered by Council's Development Approval Co-ordination Committee (DACC).
- 1 appeal submission is presented at Victorian Civil Administrative Tribunal (VCAT).
- 17 building permits are issued.
- 18 building notices are issued.

## Community services— libraries and arts complex

- 15,000 people visit the libraries.
- 24,500 library materials are borrowed.
- 1100 bookings are made to use the PCs in Council's libraries.
- 280 visits are made to Arts exhibitions and programs.

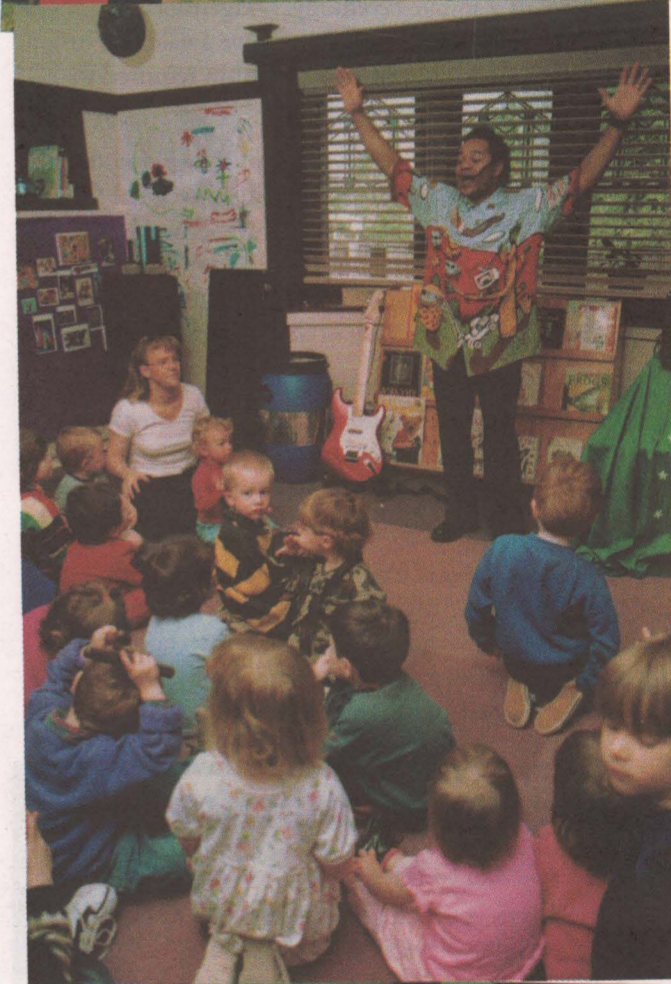
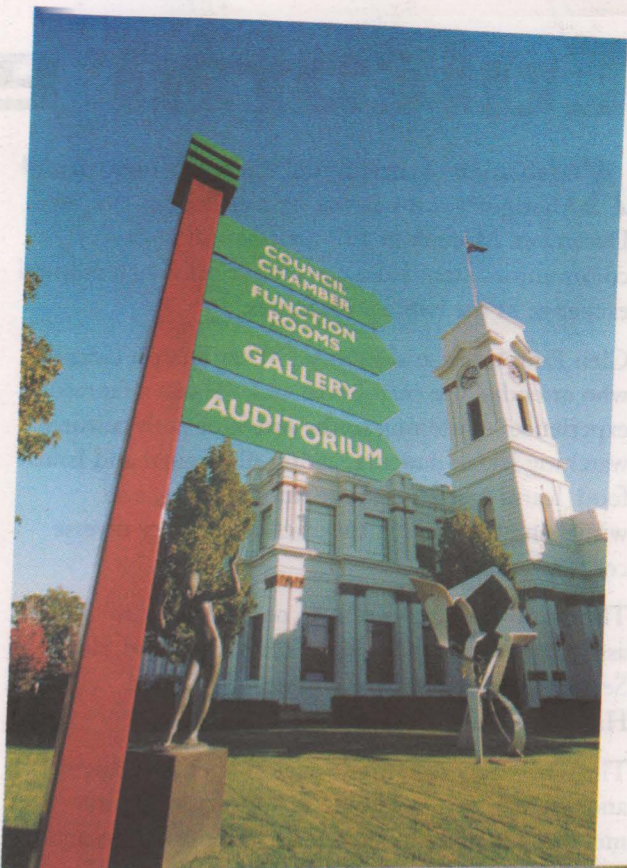
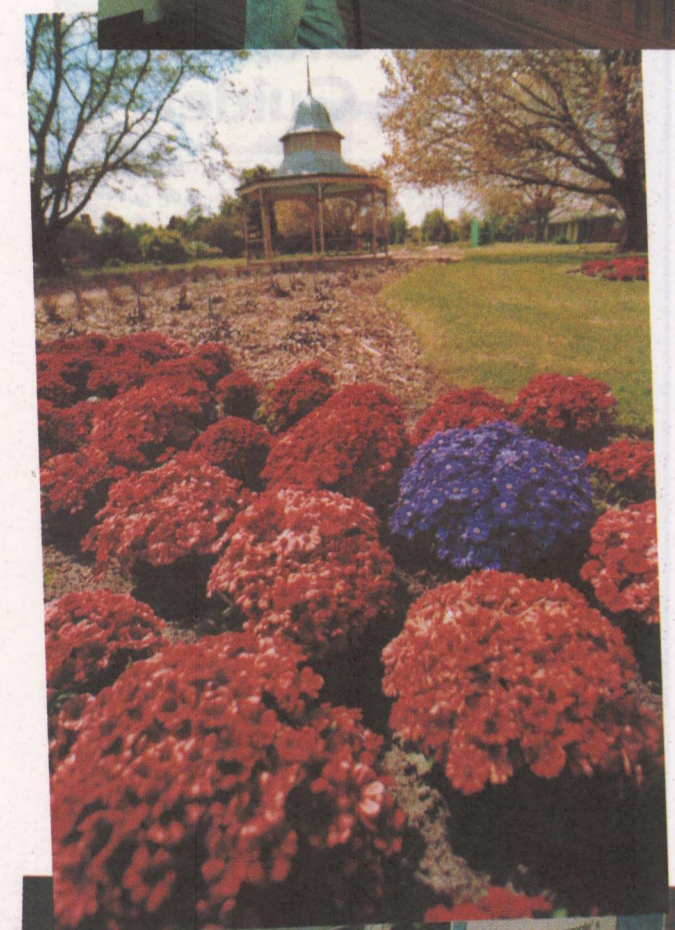
## General inquiries

Council's Service Centre provides the first point of call and resolves most inquiries in one phone call by:

- Handling 3986 calls— 69 per cent of which are handled to completion.
- Taking and actioning 1483 customer tracking requests.
- Dealing with 466 visits to the Service Centre counter at the town hall.
- Processing \$203,829 in monies from the community.
- Sending out 202 items of information.
- Delivering 35 received packages to members of staff.

## ...and what does it cost to achieve all that?

The average ratepayer in Glen Eira pays just \$11 in rates and garbage charges per week.



# Cultural exchange for youth

A celebration of the cultural diversity of Jewish and Aboriginal cultures was held at Princes Park in December. More than 120 members of both communities attended a corroboree offering a cultural exchange of the two communities.

Glen Eira Access and Equity Officer Sharon Granek who attended the corroboree said: "It was a fantastic experience—listening to the music of both cultures, watching Israeli dancing, eating Aboriginal and Israeli food, learning a little about Koori culture, and witnessing the coming together of two very diverse communities."

The event was organised by a committee with the assistance of the Aboriginal Community and Health Services, and Jewish youth groups SKIF and Hashomer Hatzair.

The day began with traditional indigenous dances and a welcome by prominent Koori community member Joy Murphy who made a short speech and performed a smoke ceremony. Didgeridoo and boomerang-making workshops gave a valuable insight into the care, time and craftsmanship required to create these traditional objects.

Activities included traditional basket weaving, Israeli dancing and a range of Jewish and Aboriginal foods from falafel and bagels to emu burgers and kangaroo sausages. The day concluded with a symbolic apêl—in which all participants stood in a circle linking hands—in the tradition of SKIF youth camps.

"Participating in this cultural exchange was a most rewarding experience for all. The corroboree was a day of learning, appreciating and understanding for two very different cultures, both of which have such rich pasts but tragic more recent histories."

"In holding events like these, it is hoped that all members of our diverse community can learn from each other, have needs and concerns recognised and live in harmony together, regardless of cultural backgrounds," Ms Granek said.



Koori dancers give a display of traditional dance.

Photo supplied.

## Residential development for works depot site

At a meeting in late November, Council resolved to take a further step toward selling the obsolete Works Depot in Manchester Grove, Glen Huntly.

Having received the tenders from the tender process, Council exercised its right not to accept any of the tenders and decided to put the property back on the market for private sale. Council resolved that any sale of the land would be subject to a condition that the land would be used for residential development.

Mayor Cr Veronika Martens said: "Council is looking for a top result for the community from this process. Only about 20 per cent of the site is being used so the community is not getting good value for its asset. We have a responsibility to free up this capital for use in meeting the community's needs.

"At the same time, we need to do everything in our power to make sure that what gets built there enriches our community. A residential development would provide options for people already living in Glen Eira or for new residents looking to take advantage of what Glen Eira has to offer. Additional residents would also bring customers for our business community."

In February 1998, Council resolved "that the Works Depot is under-utilised, provides limitations to efficient service delivery and that Council has more capital tied up in this site than is necessary". Since then, Council has spent \$400,000 on decontamination of the site.

After public notice in July, Council resolved to sell the property in August 2000 and advertised it for sale by tender in late September. The tenders were assessed by Council's Tender Evaluation Panel and the decision to re-tender for private sale was made.

The future process will be conducted by Council's agents (Fitzroy's), Council's solicitors, and Council staff. Any sale could only be approved by resolution of the elected Council.

## In this, the International Year of Volunteers...

— please step forward if you have good communication skills and enjoy the company of elderly people.

Community Information Glen Eira seeks people like you to join the Social Support and Monitoring Program to assist elderly or disabled clients living in Glen Eira.

Volunteer tasks include assistance with shopping, transport and friendly visiting.

If you are available for a couple of hours a week, a fortnight, or even occasionally, and have a car, please contact the Volunteer Co-ordinator, Social Support and Monitoring Program at Community Information Glen Eira, 256 Hawthorn Road, Caulfield, or call on 9524 3314 or 9524 3200.

## Opportunity!

Do you like to feel you are making a difference? Revitalise yourself and strengthen our local community—become a volunteer!

Compassionate, self-aware volunteers are needed at Community Information Glen Eira. Gain skills and new friends too, by attending one of our training courses.

**For more information call Laurel on 9524 3200.**

## Celebrate Senior Citizens' Week 2001 with family and friends in a Community walk

to be held at Caulfield Park, corner Hawthorn and Balaclava Roads, Caulfield (Melway Ref. 59 B12) on Tuesday 27 March from 10am to 12noon.

Come and be active in a supported environment and take part in an easy 30 minute walk with assistance available for all ages and levels of fitness.

Information on preventing falls both in the home and out in the community will also be available.

Refreshments will be served after the walk.

For catering purposes please RSVP by 16 March. Contact Council's Public Health Unit on 9524 3484.

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## LEARN TO BOWL — LAWN BOWLS

Bentleigh Bowling Club will be holding learn to bowl classes

**For Men — Ladies — Boys and Girls.**

All classes are FREE, Bowls will be supplied, Qualified coaches will show you the basics of lawn bowling.

Classes are 4 x 1 hour lessons, at our club 1 Higgins Road, Bentleigh 3204

Bookings essential ring  
**JOHN SYKES ON 9570 1346**

## Broken Cords or Balances

### IN DOUBLE HUNG WINDOWS

- ◆ Bottom sash (2 cords) from \$40
- ◆ Both sashes (4 cords) from \$50
- ◆ Tubular balances from \$45 per pair
- ◆ Pensioner discounts available

Price depends on size, condition and number  
Also ◆ Fit heavier counter weights

- ◆ Convert concealed to tubular balances

**John Moline:**  
**9822 3470 AH**

Cut out this ad and keep for future reference

## Movie giveaways

The Glen Eira Arts Complex in conjunction with Newvision Films is giving away 20 double passes to France's smash-hit thriller *Harry He Is Here To Help*.

A suspense thriller directed by Dominik Moll (*Intimacy*), *Harry He Is Here To Help* stars Sergi Lopez (*A Pornographic Affair*), Laurent Lucas, Mathilde Seigner and Sophie Guillemin.

Michel and Claire are facing a tough vacation. It's a heatwave, their three little daughters are cranky and the farmhouse they've been restoring for the past five years is a mine of headaches. It's not surprising they feel stressed, until out of the blue they encounter Harry—an old school friend who will stop at nothing to make Michel happy. For Harry, who has lived an easy life thanks to his father's wealth, there are no problems, only solutions. If your car's broken down, you just buy a new one. If someone is bothering you, well you just get rid of them—like an old car.

After all, Harry is here to help.

Official selection 2000 Cannes Film Festival.

"An elegant black comedy with something of Chabrol, Hitchcock and the Coens."

Peter Bradshaw, *The Guardian*.

To win a double pass write your name and address on the back of an envelope and send by no later than **Monday 12 February** to:

FREE MOVIE PASS  
Glen Eira Arts Complex  
PO Box 42, Caulfield Vic 3162



Claire (Mathilde Seigner) is at first resistant to the "help" Harry (Sergi Lopez) offers.

## Through Women's Eyes

16 February to 18 March

*Through Women's Eyes* features the work of strong individuals and innovators who worked as professional artists and made a significant contribution to the development of art in Australia in the late 19th and 20th centuries.

Artists included in the exhibition are: Florence Ada Fuller (1867–1946), Cristina Asquith Baker (1868–1960), Violet Teague (1872–1951), Ada May Plante (1875–1950), Ida Rentoul Outhwaite (1888–1960), Marguerite Mahood (1901–1989), Pam Hallandal (1929–), and Isabel Davies (1929–).

The exhibition spans 100 years of creativity—including works from as early as 1890 through to works created in the 1990s—from national, state and regional galleries as well as public and private collections around Australia.

Curated by Amanda Snell, this exhibition completes the Presbyterian Ladies College's 125th anniversary celebrations. All of the artists included in the exhibition attended PLC between 1880 and 1946, a period of time that saw fundamental changes in painting.



## Get write into it

— the sixth annual Glen Eira Literary Awards

Entries close: Friday, 23 March

The Glen Eira Literary Awards are considered one of Australia's major literary events. Focussing on the short story medium, the major award: the **Caulfield RSL My Brother Jack Short Story Award** invites entries from contemporary Australian writers on any theme and offers prize money to the value of \$3000.

In a new development for the awards, a Short Script/Play Award will be offered at a national level for the first time. With a maximum duration of 10 minutes and no restriction on theme or genre, it is hoped this award will offer the many screen and play writers of Australia an opportunity to have their work recognised and rewarded.

Closer to home, there are also a series of awards (children, youth and adults) open only to the local community who either reside or go to school within the City of Glen Eira.

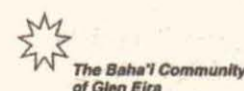
The judging panel for the Awards includes some of Australia's best-selling authors—Arnold Zable, Joy

Dettman, Hazel Edwards and Agnes Nieuwenhuizen.

Entry forms can be downloaded from [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/literary](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/literary)

Contact: Rosanna Verde on 9524 3287 or email [rverde@gleneira.vic.gov.au](mailto:rverde@gleneira.vic.gov.au)

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## CARTOON CORNER

— a new cartooning course at Oak Tree House

Courses commence 7 February

The Glen Eira Arts Complex is pleased to announce an exciting new cartooning course with leading cartoonist and illustrator **Julian Chapple**.

Learn how to:

- develop caricatures and cartoons;
- capture a scene;

- give movement to a character/figure; and
- develop a personal style or learn from other comic artists.

The comprehensive 8-week program will also enable students to learn different styles and approaches, develop stories and storyboards, draw a cartoon strip, and make a model of their final character.

Classes will be held for teenagers (Wednesdays) and children (Thursdays) from 4pm to 6pm. Cost: \$110 (including materials and GST). Limited places available.

For a full program and enrolment details on cartooning classes or other art classes contact Anthony McInnery on 9524 3402.

## Sunday Arvo 2001

The highly popular Sunday Arvo Concerts continue at the Glen Eira Arts Complex in 2001.

Presented by Glen Eira City Council the concerts offer top quality entertainment at a special price, no booking fee, plenty of free parking, and are readily serviced by public transport.

Artists who have appeared in previous series include Vince Jones, Combo Fiasco, Melbourne Welsh Male Voice Choir, Rhonda Burchmore, RAAF Central Band, Colette Mann, Nehama Patkin and the Young Musicians of Excellence and the Ted White Big Band.

Concerts are held in the Glen Eira Auditorium, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, South Caulfield (Caulfield Town Hall) on the last Sunday of every month from 2.30 to 4.30pm. Light refreshments are served during interval. Disabled access is available.

Details of coming programs will appear in the Arts section of the March edition of the Glen Eira News. For further information contact Peter Regan on 9524-3371

# COMMUNITY *Diary*

## Meetings and clubs

**The Caulfield Day View Club** aids the Smith Family and welcomes ladies to meet for lunches featuring guest speakers and varied outings throughout the coming year. Contact: Val 9578 1302.

**Centre Bentleigh Garden Club** meets first Tuesday of the month at 1.30pm in St John's Church Hall, corner Centre and Tucker Roads, East Bentleigh. Next meeting: Tuesday 6 March— speakers, demonstrations, op. table, displays and "a cuppa". Contact: 9557 4738 or 9578 6081.

**Carnegie/Murrumbeena Senior Citizens' Club** meets at 314 Neerim Road, Carnegie. Activities: carpet bowls, card playing, billiards and pool, bingo, bus trips, theatre and cinema. New members welcome. Contact: 9569 7778.

**Over 40s Club** welcomes all ages. Dance old time, modern, new vogue. Held in Uniting Church, corner North and Booran Roads, Ormond at 7.45pm on second and fourth Saturdays each month. Contact: 9570 4564.

**The Ladies Probus Club of Caulfield** meets at Gladys Machin Hall, Cedar Street, South Caulfield on the third Thursday each month. Newly retired professional and business ladies welcome. Contact: Chris La Ponder 9596 8200.

**Bentleigh Life Activities Club** offers opportunities to meet new friends and enjoy social activities such as carpet bowls, table tennis, scrabble, solo, theatre outings, walking. Contact: 9557 2562 or 9563 2554.

**Caulfield Writers Group** welcomes writers of all ages and offers new or established writers a fortnightly opportunity to read and workshop their work. Short stories, children's or adult literature, poetry or biographical. Contact: John 9889 7922.

**Moorabbin Historical Society** will open Box Cottage, Joyce Park, Jasper Road, McKinnon on Sunday 25 February 2pm–4.30pm. Admission by donation. Contact: 9578 7060.

**East Bentleigh Strikers Soccer Club** will hold a Registration Day at Bailey Reserve on Sunday 11 February 10am–1pm. See our ad on page 11. Contact: Michael 9503 8010, Andrew 9782 0821 or Ivy 9503 8263.

**Royal Children's Hospital Auxiliaries (Caulfield Branch)** meets at the Alma Club, 1 Wilks Street, North Caulfield on the third Wednesday each month (February to November) at 1pm. New members welcome. Contact: Olive Swift 9578 2395 or Pat Piper 9571 2666.

**Life Activities Club (Caulfield)** will meet at the Gladys Machin Hall, Cedar Street, Caulfield on 21 February at 7.30pm. Guest speaker. Supper served. New members welcome. Contact: 9568 5849 or 9523 9669.

**Caulfield Garden Club** meets at the Caulfield South Uniting Church Hall, 567 Glen Huntly Road, Elsternwick on the first Tuesday each month. Contact: Ron Abel 9570 4244 or G Lusk 9528 1009.

**Nursing Mothers' Association of Australia (Caulfield Group)** will hold a coffee morning on 14 February 10am–12pm, a New Mothers' Meeting including afternoon tea and general counselling on 21 February 1–3pm and a Night Meeting on 28 February 8pm to discuss breast feeding, the older child and tandem feeding. Contact: 9578 0628.

## Events

**Teddy Bear's Picnic** will be held at Rippon Lea Estate on Sunday 25 February 11am–4pm. Humphrey show at 3pm. Fun for families and bear lovers of all ages. Bring your picnic and rug. Cost: \$14 or National Trust members \$7. Contact: 9523 6095.

**The Australian Welsh Choir** will feature in a concert at Coatesville Uniting Church, corner Mackie and North Roads, East Bentleigh on Sunday 18 February at 2.30pm. Cost: \$14 (concession \$12). Contact: 9579 1669.

**South Oakleigh Club** will host an evening with the Invincibles at 1 Victor Road, East Bentleigh on Saturday 24 February 7pm. Host: Sid Barnes. Featuring: Undeclared 1948 Invincibles Test cricket players Neil Harvey and Sam Loxton. Limited tickets: dinner and show \$45 members (\$50 non-members). Contact Tim Phillips 9579 4855 or email [secmanager@southoakleighclub.com.au](mailto:secmanager@southoakleighclub.com.au)

**Ormond Primary School** will hold the *Ormond Show* corner Wheatley and Murray Roads, Ormond on Sunday 17 March from 2–8pm. Stalls: book, white elephant and clothing stalls. Entertainment: Paul Jamieson. Contact: 9578 1327.

**JUDO** YAMADA JUDO ACADEMY  
Caulfield Recreation Centre  
6 Maple St, Caulfield South  
9578 4460  
Self defence, Concentration,  
Discipline, Co-ordination, Self-esteem,  
Enjoyment, Stress Release  
BEGINNERS TO BLACK BELT – From 4 years old

**Leibler Yavneh College** will hold its annual School and Community Fete at Caulfield Park, Corner Balaclava and Neerim Roads, Caulfield North on Sunday 4 March 10am–4pm. Entertainment for all ages. Guests include: Melbourne Demons' Russell Robertson, Bob the Builder and Blinky Bill.

## Community

**Do Care** needs volunteers to visit older people living at home who are experiencing loneliness. Discover the rewards and challenges of volunteering. Day and evening training sessions held regularly. Ongoing support provided. Contact: 9532 8499.

**Bentleigh Bowling Club** will hold free learn to bowl classes (4 x 1 hour lessons) for all ages, bowls supplied, qualified coaches. Contact: John Sykes 9570 1346.

**Peninsula Community Legal Centre** offers FREE legal advice for Glen Eira residents. Drop-In sessions at 82 Brady Road, East Bentleigh on Monday and Thursday evenings 6.30pm. Or contact: 9570 8455 on Wednesday mornings from 9.30am.

**Deadline for next Community Diary is Monday 12 February for publication 6–8 March.**

## Immunisation dates for February

**Glen Eira Town Hall**  
(entry via Glen Eira Road)  
Corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield  
Tuesday 13 February 6–7.30pm  
Wednesday 7 March 9.30–10.30am

**Murrumbeena Baptist Church**  
44 Murrumbeena Road Murrumbeena  
Monday 12 February 10–11am

**Bentleigh Baptist Church**  
10 Vickery Street Bentleigh  
Monday 5 March 10–11am

**Bentleigh-Bayside Community Health Service**  
Gardeners Road Bentleigh East  
Tuesday 20 February 10–11am  
Saturday 24 February 9.30–11am

**Glen Huntly Maternal and Child Health Centre**  
Corner Royal and Rosedale Avenues Glen Huntly  
Wednesday 28 February 9.30–11am

## Glen Huntly Friendship Group

99 Grange Road, Glen Huntly

Welcome to a New Year 2001  
and to each of you.

We are commencing this year's programs with a bus trip to a Fruit and Berry Farm on Thursday, 8 February. Have some fun picking your own, if you wish, or browse through the gourmet jams, preserves, spiced fruits, etc.

The farm does not use pesticides in its maintenance program.

Further information and details available when booking.

Contact Margaret 9596 6124

## UBA BUS TOURS

14 February 2001 8am–5pm:  
POINT NEPEAN PARK at Portsea

We ride the "Point Explorer", have lunch and are taken on a guided tour, which includes the former Quarantine Station. Great opportunity to visit this truly beautiful coastal area. Includes Bus, Entry, Lunch, ride on the "Explorer" and set of souvenir Postcards.

FRENCH ISLAND CRUISE/TOUR.

Choice of Dates: First Tour 14 March

Second Tour 21 March Both 8am–6.15pm approx  
Includes Bus, Ferry, Island Bus Tour, Morning Tea, Smorgasbord Lunch and Afternoon Tea. Informative guide for intriguing tour of historic Prison Farm. Prolific wildlife, fascinating stories of French Island's rich history. Due to remoteness, price of \$70 is higher than usual. Early bookings advised.

18 April 9am–5pm

MOUNT MACDON REGION

Visit the famous Cross, enjoy lunch at WEST ROCK FARM and GALLERY (home of Athol Guy of The Seekers fame). Plenty of time to wander through the gallery and beautiful garden. Includes Bus, 2-course Lunch.

Contact: 9572 0571 or (A/H) 9523 7862.

## Low cost short courses in your local community at

### Godfrey Street Community House

- Reiki Fundamentals— 12 February \$30 course
- Tai Chi— 12 February \$30 course
- Meditation— 15 February evening \$8 session
- English Conversation— 20 February \$5 session
- Book Club— 12 & 19 February evening \$2 + cost as per CAE
- Film & Music Groups— Tuesday evening \$5 session
- History to share— Tuesday evening \$5 session
- Photography for Beginners— 14 March \$5 session
- Women's Issues Group— 1 March \$36 course
- Inspirational Dance— 26 February \$8 session
- Story Telling: Pitjantjatjara— 24 March \$35
- Astrology— 16 February \$5 session.

For more information and other courses  
phone 9557 9037

Enrolment at 9 Godfrey Street, Bentleigh

# LIBRARY News

Enthusiastic  
young  
readers  
join  
'Eira'

More than 1200 young readers joined *Eira's Escapade*, the summer children's reading program developed by the Glen Eira Library and Information Service.

This is the biggest response ever received to a reading program run by the library and staff at all branches were delighted with the enthusiastic response to reading displayed by children as they selected their books.

We were also please to see so many parents join their preschool children in the *Read Too* section which was developed to encourage the very young to experience the pleasure of reading and books.

We would like to thank our sponsors who helped make the reading program such a success: Mars Confectionery of Australia who supplied every child who read six books with a *Mondo*; Hoyts Cinemas; Lollipop's Playground & Café; and Chadstone.



Children and parents enjoy a Storytime session.

## Change to Storytime

Due to the popularity of our Storytime sessions, additional times have been introduced for 2001.

Storytimes are a fun and relaxed way to introduce young children to the joys of reading. Each session is developed around a theme or story and includes books, music and often a hands-on activity suitable for the age group.

Come and enjoy the adventure, the magic and the tales at these free Storytime sessions:

**Bentleigh Library— Monday 2pm  
Repeated Thursday 11am**

**Caulfield Library— Tuesday 11am\*  
Repeated Friday 2pm\***

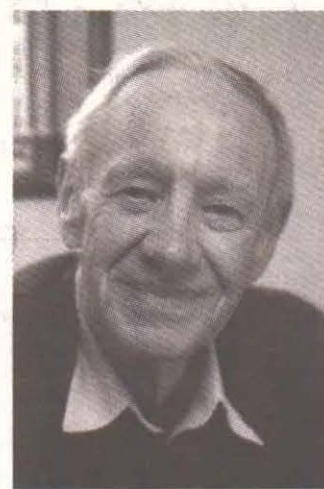
**Carnegie Library— Wednesday 2pm\*  
Repeated Friday 11am\***

**Elsternwick Library— Wednesday 11am**

\*denotes new times.

## Vale John Chapman

3/11/1923–26/10/2000



John Chapman—a life devoted to serving the local community.

On Sunday 17 December, 2000 the family, friends and co-workers of John Chapman met to farewell a wonderful man and celebrate his life.

More than 90 people joined together to hear family members and friends describe a life devoted to the service of family and society, and to local community in particular.

John Chapman joined the Royal Australian Navy in 1942 and served in Australia until he was seconded to the British Navy in 1943. He served in the Coastal Service round the south and east coast of England. During the D-Day invasion he navigated the leading barges towards the French Coast.

John met his wife, Betty, in England and they were married in Melbourne in 1946.

In 1947 he joined the Australian Wheat Board and worked for this organisation for 36 years. He rose to be the assistant general manager in marketing, and spent much of his working career overseas.

John became a volunteer at the then Caulfield Citizens' Advice Bureau in 1987, working as a volunteer interviewer, management committee member and statistician with Community Information Glen Eira for 13 years.

He leaves his wife Betty, seven children, and 12 grandchildren.

## Is your child four years old?

Council's Immunisation Team reminds parents that the following booster vaccinations are required for children at four years of age:

DTP (Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis)  
OPV (Oral Polio Vaccine)  
MMR (Measles, Mumps and Rubella)

All children require a School Entry Immunisation Status Certificate to enrol in primary school. These certificates are awarded on the successful completion of the 4-year-old immunisations. To obtain a certificate, parents are required to bring written documentation of their child's immunisation history to Council or contact the Immunisation Team on the number below.

Council conducts seven community immunisation sessions per month, at a range of venues, on various days and times, including one evening and one Saturday morning session. Toys are available for the children at all sessions. These sessions provide a comfortable environment for parents to network, discuss immunisation and other relevant issues with each other regarding their children. A range of health promotion material is available.

Council's Immunisation Team provides free immunisation information during office hours on 9524 3279. Or for more information about immunisation, logon to Council's new Public Health website at <http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/publichealth.htm>

## East Bentleigh Strikers Soccer Club

**A Friendly Multicultural Club  
PLAYERS WANTED**

Girls and boys aged 5 years and upwards  
Girl's/Women's Team  
Senior amateur men's team

**Annual Registration Day**  
Sunday 11 February 2001 from 10am–1pm  
Bailey Reserve, East Boundary Road,  
East Bentleigh, Mel 68 J12

*Come and play the world's number one sport  
at the club of the future*

Enquiries: Michael (President) 9503 8010 (AH)  
Andrew (Secretary) 9782 0821  
Ivy (Registrar) 9503 8263



## GYMBAROO 4 MTHS TO SCHOOL YEARS

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- Structured program •
- Climbing, rolling, balancing & jumping • Songs, dance and rhythm •

Ample & traffic-free parking  
Operates: Tues, Wed, Thur & Sat

**Starts 6th February 2001**

Moorleigh Community Village Gym  
Rob Flavell Wing, (Cricket Gnd End)  
90-92 Bignell Rd East Bentleigh

**TELEPHONE GAIL 9570 1422**

## CAULFIELD SOUTH COMMUNITY HOUSE

450 KOORYONG RD (Cnr Jupiter St)  
CAULFIELD SOUTH VIC 3162  
Telephone 9596 8643

*Low cost short courses in your local community.*

### COMPUTERS

**Overview & Familiarisation** (2 x 2 week course)  
\$10 per course. 4 hours free practice time  
Starts: 12 February & 26 February

**For Beginners 1 & 2** (2 x 4 week courses)  
\$40 per course. Starts: 13 February & 13 March

**Word Processing 1 & 2** (2 x 4 week courses)  
\$40 per course. Starts: 15 February & 15 March

### HEALTH & PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

**Tai Chi** Introduction session \$5. 15 February  
5 week course \$25. Starts: 22 February

**Reiki Fundamentals**  
Introduction session \$5. 12 February  
5 week course \$25. Starts: 19 February

### NEW INTERESTS

**Conversational English** (8 weeks) \$5 per session  
To improve the communication skills of people from non-English speaking backgrounds, with a basic knowledge of English. Starts: 12 February

**Book Club** (meets monthly) Introduction 13 February.  
Cost as per CAE & \$2 per session.

*For more information ring 9596 8643*

**TERM DATES:** 31 January–6 April 2001  
**ENROLMENT DAY:** Tuesday, 6 February 2001

House open 10am–4pm  
Monday–Wednesday

# Recreation News

## Community work rewarded

by Byron Douglas

Glen Eira Mayor Cr Veronika Martens recently presented Australian Sports Medals 2000 to five local sports club members who have contributed many years of wonderful support and service to their clubs.

The one-off commemorative medal, awarded by the Governor-General, was set up by the Federal Government to celebrate Australia's sporting achievements. It recognises individuals who have made a contribution to Australian sport as a current or former participant or through the provision of support services to sport.

The medals have been awarded nationwide, based on nominations from peak sporting bodies, Members of Parliament and local Councils.

The medals were presented to:

- Michael Holden (Oakleigh South) St Peter's Boys Football Club stalwart
- James Barrett (Carnegie) St John's Elsternwick Cricket Club for 30 years
- Jack Wilson (Murrumbeena) Moorabbin Cricket Club secretary for 37 years
- Beryl Craig (Ormond) 40 years volunteering with Ormond Cricket Club
- Jack Sheehan Caulfield Cricket Club for 30 years

Cr Martens said: "Glen Eira City Council was able to nominate five people and we are delighted that all five have been selected to receive the Sports Medal."

The recipients have all contributed to sport in Glen Eira in a big way. They have been there week in, week

out making sure that club members have an opportunity to play sport to the best of their ability.

One of the medal recipients, Michael Holden, a life member of the club, was nominated for his services to junior sport.

St Peters Boys Club representative Bruce Dare said of Michael Holden: "Mick has the respect and admiration of all at SPBC, and is highly respected throughout the Moorabbin Saints Junior Football League and with other local clubs. His integrity is impeccable, his word is his bond and he would hate to know that he was nominated for an award such as this. Mick has always put the kids playing footy first, and never asked for any rewards or recognition for his efforts."

Holden said he was excited for the club that he had received the award, believing it recognises all the hard work that sports minded people at the club have done over the last 50 years for young people in the area.

Secretary of the Moorabbin Saints Junior Football League Carl Russo said: "Michael's contribution to junior sport was an example of the spirit of dedication and commitment that has made local sports clubs such a success. Michael is a great example to other volunteers and has given generously and willingly of his time to junior football. He is the heart and soul of St Peter's football and it's exciting to see him win this award."

Congratulations and thanks to all the recipients for the work they have done throughout the years to ensure residents of Glen Eira have an opportunity to be involved and participate in sport.



Sports medal winner Michael Holden with (clockwise from left) Ben Fricke, Daniel Beckwith, Paul Fricke, and Jack Beckwith.

## New beginnings for Harleston Park

The dust has settled and the hard work has been done— Harleston Park is looking great! The park's renovation will enable it to better serve the community and meet the needs of park users.

To celebrate Harleston Park's new beginnings, residents are invited to the park opening by Mayor Cr Veronika Martens on Thursday 15 February at 5.45pm. Come along and join in the celebrations, try your hand at bocce, play chess on the giant chessboard (pictured below) or simply enjoy the new surroundings.



## Gold medal performances

More than 200 students from special schools in and around Glen Eira came together to compete in an athletics carnival at Duncan Mackinnon Reserve in Murrumbeena. The meet was hosted by the Glenhenty Athletics Club, together with the joint Councils Access for All Abilities Program, late last year and enjoyed a record number of participants.

The athletics carnival included a wide range of track and field events and concluded with a barbecue lunch.

Tim Matthews, dual gold and bronze medallist at the Sydney Paralympics and Mayor Cr Veronika Martens (pictured right) spoke to the students and presented awards and trophies to participants. Glen Eira Community Grants Scheme and the Victorian Government's DisAbility Services Community Grants Program supported the event.

The day coincided with celebrations for the International Day of People with a DisAbility which aims to unite disability organisations,

From left: Tim Matthews and Cr Veronika Martens with Manager Recreation Services Linda Smith and Recreation Development Co-ordinator Byron Douglas.

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individuals with disabilities, businesses, federal, state and local governments and the community.

JCAAA is an initiative of the Cities of Glen Eira, Port Phillip, Stonnington and Bayside, funded by Sport and Recreation Victoria. It aims to develop a co-ordinated approach to the planning and provision of sport and recreation opportunities for people with disabilities across the four Councils.

For more information contact Co-ordinator Laura Cattapan on 9209 6753, or Sports Development Officer Linda Sedgman on 9209 6552.



## Vacancies on Reserve Advisory Committees

Each of our major reserves has an advisory committee to encourage community involvement in management and development. The 13 reserve committees include tenant clubs, community representatives and Council staff and most meet on a quarterly basis. A number of committees currently have vacancies. If you would like to be a community representative on a park advisory committee, contact Recreation Services on 9524 3470 or email [recservices@gleneira.vic.gov.au](mailto:recservices@gleneira.vic.gov.au)