

Our green waste is the best!

Glen Eira's voluntary green waste collection is one year old and has proved an enormous success. The kerbside collection, which began in September last year, has almost 7000 subscribers throughout the City.

An average of 160 tonnes of green waste is transported each month to the South Eastern Regional Waste Management Group's mulching facility in Dandenong South.

More than 1920 tonnes of waste has been turned into a valuable commodity—compost. Residents who sign up for the service help save landfill space and decrease harmful greenhouse gases, all for less than \$1 per week.

Waste Management Engineer Doug Griffiths said Glen Eira's green waste had been rated the best quality in the region for composting: "We're leading the way among other Councils, including Kingston, Dandenong, Casey and Boroondara, in having the least amount of contamination."

Council's collection service is conducted by Cleanaway on a fortnightly basis and residents can sign up for \$48 per year. Contact the Service Centre on 9524 3333.

This month we take a look at how Council looks out for the environment—converting landfill gases into usable electricity, recycling, tree planting days, and all the processes we have in place to work towards environmental sustainability. Turn to pages 6 and 7 for details.



Bentleigh East resident Susie Ellis is among 6800 green waste subscribers in Glen Eira.



Up, up and away... the Cleanaway truck collects another bin load of green waste for composting.

Photos: Myrine Hawksworth.

Cardboard collection will resume in 2002

Council will resume kerbside collection of recyclable cardboard, office paper and telephone books from households in 2002.

Council has decided to resume the collection following an upturn in the market for recyclable cardboard.

In 1999, Council stopped collecting recyclable cardboard from households due to high costs, poor markets and doubtful environmental benefits at the time.

The decision was made at a time when the market for recyclable cardboard had collapsed, resulting in recyclable waste cardboard from Glen Eira being exported to third world countries.

Since ending the service, Council has closely monitored recycling trends and markets, keeping the situation under constant review.

At its meeting on Monday 3 September, Council considered tenders for new recycling services contracts to begin in early 2002. The tenders submitted to Council indicated the collection of recyclable cardboard had once again become economically viable. As a result, Council resolved to restart the collections when the new contracts begin next year.

Council has been able to secure long term recycling contracts that are highly favourable to Glen Eira residents. Details on the collections will be publicised closer to commencement of the collection.

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MAYOR'S column



Sitting down to write my column this month, I began to flick back through my diary to reflect on the last few weeks.

And what a busy few weeks they have been. I was privileged to be invited to the annual general meetings of a number of community groups and have attended numerous openings, launches and

gala nights. Included in this was an invitation from Monash University to join in multicultural week celebrations at the Caulfield Campus and I was guest at the university's multicultural night. As well, the National Council of Jewish Women invited me to speak at their new South African women's group "Mitzah".

I announced the winners of the City's Building Design Awards—which acknowledge the contribution of local architects and designers to our built environment (see Page 4). One of the most wonderful duties Council performs is to welcome people into the Australian family and I was pleased to officiate over another citizenship ceremony. As many of you will know, 2001 is the International Year of Volunteers and among the many celebrations in which I have taken part was a gathering in Caulfield Park to say thank you to the volunteers who give so much of their time to support the people of their community.

The activities of the younger members of our community also featured in my diary. I was part of celebrating the contribution of our creative young people at the opening of the Youth Photographic Exhibition and attended a cocktail party to launch *Ripper Art 2001* at Ripponlea Primary School.

In addition, I have maintained your Council's leading role in the Mayors' Inner South Metropolitan Forum and have visited a number of Council facilities and attended committee and Council meetings.

Whilst month to month my life is busy and challenging, it is also very rewarding—particularly because I meet so many members of our community. But, one tragic event needs to be mentioned. The horror that has recently been visited on New York and Washington has undoubtedly impacted on us all. Our thoughts and condolences are with all of those people affected by this huge tragedy whether in the United States or here at home in Glen Eira. My fervent hope is that we can continue to support each other, both on a community level and in the wider world, and embrace and acknowledge our differences in a positive way.

— Cr Noel Erlich
Mayor

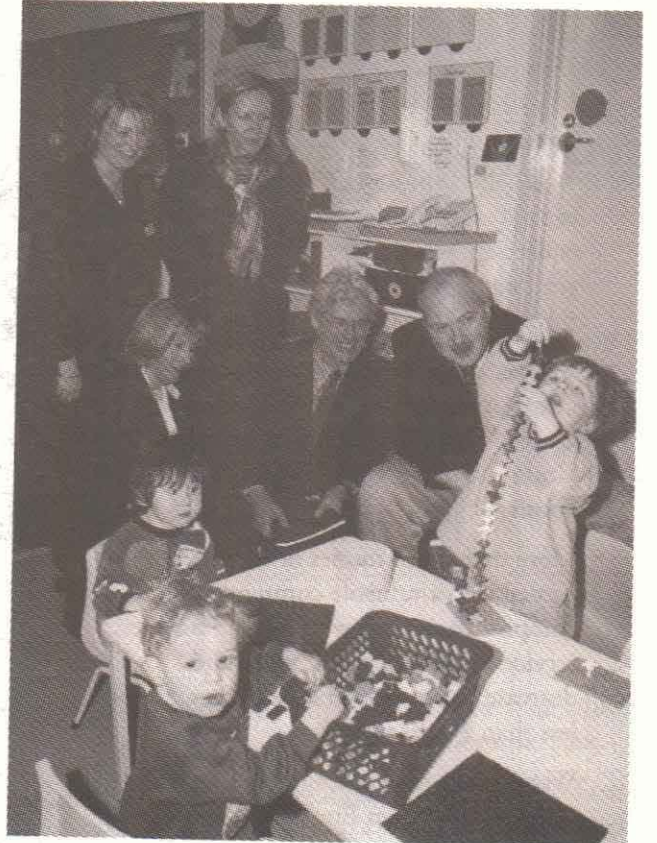
International visitors for Murrumbeena House

Murrumbeena Child Care Centre was recently visited by a delegation of family care representatives from the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) in Paris, as part of its "family-friendly" policy review.

Council's Children Youth and Family Services Manager Marg Sullivan and Murrumbeena Children's Centre co-ordinator Elissa Stafford were pleased to take Dr Willem Aderna (OECD) and Peter Scherer (Department of Employment, Labour and Social Affairs), both from Paris, through the facility with Federal Department of Family and Community Services (Melbourne) representative Rita Nobes.

Ms Sullivan said: "The visit to this facility acknowledges the professionalism of our staff and Council's commitment to providing high quality family friendly services. The issues discussed included local government involvement in family services related programs—particularly child care. The

delegates were keen to understand what options Council makes available to parents, and were particularly interested in Council's relationship with State and Federal Governments and the mechanisms we use to influence the policy makers."



(From left at back) Elissa Stafford and Rita Nobes, with Marg Sullivan, Dr Willem Aderna and Peter Scherer take time to talk to children at Murrumbeena House.

Coming Business Development events

All events will be held in the Caulfield Cup Room at the Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield. Supper will be provided and bookings are essential. Please contact the Service Centre 9524 3333.

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Wednesday 10 October 6pm.

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Glen Eira Womens Business Network

IBM—e-business

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Wednesday 24 October 6.30pm–8.30 pm.

Cost: \$20 (incl. GST).

Marketing your business

Presented by Gary Copolov from Gold Medal Marketing

Wednesday 14 November 6pm–9.30pm.

Cost: \$20 (incl. GST).

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Older drivers get wise

A group of 20 drivers with an average age of 65 have undertaken a safer driving course to raise their awareness of road safety and improve their driving skills.

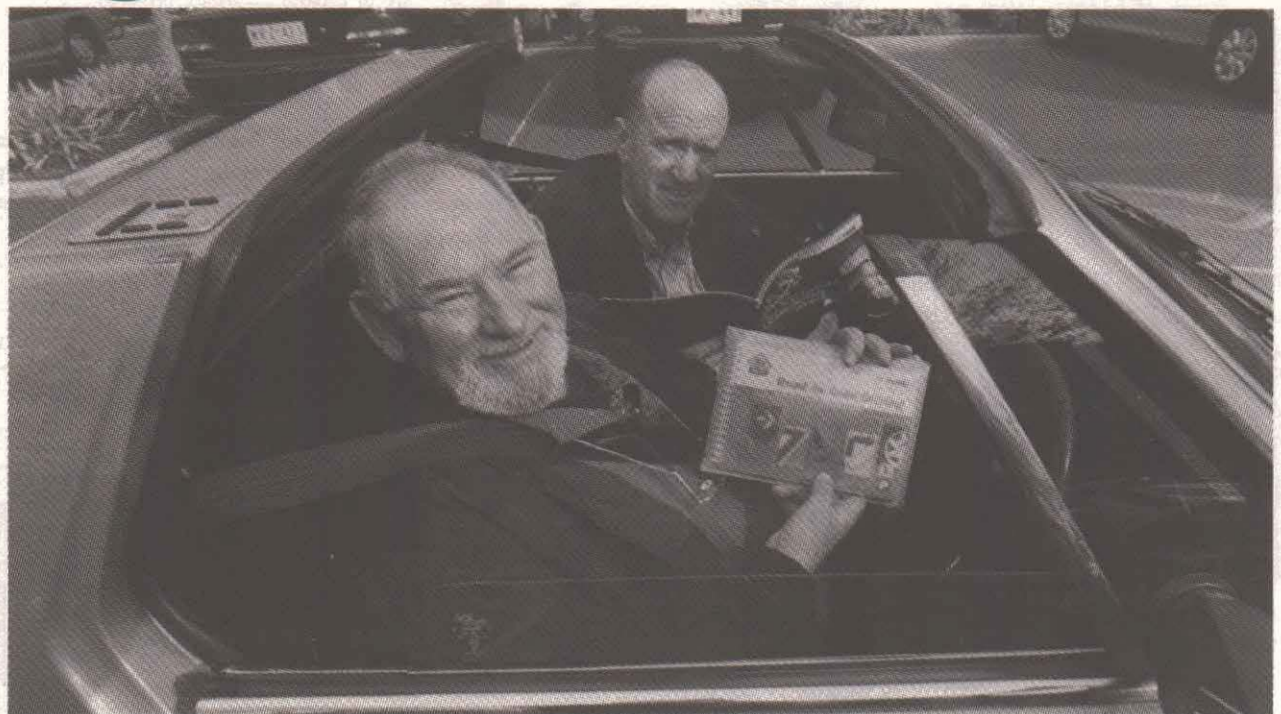
Council provided the venue and support for the VicRoads sponsored program— The Wiser Driver program— which began last month as part of Council's *Road Safety Strategic Plan*. Five of Council's own school crossing supervisors are among those attending the course.

The Glen Eira *Road Safety Strategic Plan*, adopted by Council in April 2001, identified that every three days someone is seriously injured or killed on Glen Eira roads. Manager Statutory Services Duncan Turner said human behaviour was estimated to be a contributing factor in 70–90 per cent of crashes.

"A key theme of Council's road safety plan is to promote safer driver habits in the community and in particular, provide older drivers with information to help them make sound decisions about their driving practices," Mr Turner said.

VicRoads Road Safety Co-ordinator Pierre Castelino, who co-ordinates the courses, said: "The majority of older drivers are rightly proud of a good driving record, and while old age in itself is no reason to restrict driving, we must continue to encourage responsible, roadworthy drivers."

He said statistics showed that as roads get busier, older motorists are more likely to be at risk should an accident occur, and more likely to be at fault.



Wiser driver course participant school crossing supervisor Robert Carnie (driver's seat) with course Facilitator Ian Hall.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

"The course is developed for older people by older people and facilitated by older people too. It's about drivers retaining their licence as long as possible. We hope the course will put drivers in a position to make their own decision about when to stop driving, rather than being forced to surrender their licence because of doctor's advice, or worse, an accident," he said.

The course, which was developed by the Hawthorn Community Education Project, is conducted by

RoadSafe Inner South East and comprises a number of seminar sessions on the changes that have occurred in road laws and usage since the participants got their licence— for many of them this is more than 40 years ago— and changes to licence testing.

Community groups with 15–20 people interested in participating in a Wiser Driver Course are invited to contact VicRoads Road Safety Co-ordinator Pierre Castelino on 9881 8016.

Food premises embrace smoke free

Council environmental health officers have conducted education and enforcement visits at more than 280 food premises since the smoke free dining laws were introduced on 1 July 2001.

Environmental Health Co-ordinator Mark Saunders said only nine premises had so far failed to display the no smoking signage required by the tobacco legislation.

"The Public Health Unit has received only two complaints in relation to people smoking in prohibited areas, in three months of smoke free. We think this is a positive reflection of Council's education program and the good will officers have built up with local food establishments over a period of time," Mr Saunders said.

He said, according to the legislation, restaurant managers and owners are not to provide ash trays, matches, cigarette lighters or any other assistance to facilitate smoking.

"They are also required to ask individuals who do smoke in dining areas to extinguish the cigarette or temporarily move outside the dining area if they wish to smoke. And, of course no-smoking signs are to be displayed in each dining area at all times."

Glen Eira has about 400 food establishments with one or more dining areas— all will be visited by health officers before the end of the year.



Environmental health officer Lyle Clausen discusses smoke free dining laws with Sofi of Peter and Sofi's Fine Food Café, Elsternwick. Photo: Myrine Hawksworth.

Penalties under the smoke free dining laws are:

- for individuals who smoke in banned areas— an infringement notice carrying a \$100 fine or a fine of up to \$500 to be decided by a Court;
- for occupiers (that is, people 16 years or older who are or appear to be in charge) who permit smoking in a banned area— an infringement notice carrying a \$100 fine or a fine of up to \$500 to be decided by a Court; and
- for occupiers who breach the no-smoking signage requirements under the new law— an infringement notice carrying a \$100 fine or a fine of up to \$500 to be decided by a Court.

Council supports City amenity

Council has stepped up efforts to ensure Glen Eira is a clean and amenable place to live. Melbourne Magistrates' Court has affirmed Council's stance on City amenity by returning convictions on two separate matters relating to defacing and polluting public places.

Council's Civic Amenity Manager Carl Russo said Council had local laws which aimed to protect public property from being degraded, defaced or polluted.

"The community rightly expects that our urban environment will be protected and to this end our streets are regularly patrolled," Mr Russo said.

"While we respect the reasonable rights of individuals, the Local Law has been written in the interests of the broader community and our urban environment. Clearly Council values our City's environment and will take steps to protect it."

In the first matter, a man was convicted and fined a total of \$1400 with \$200 costs for unlawfully placing advertising material on public land on three separate occasions. Sean Russell Fenech was found guilty for bill posting without consent, failing to state his name and address when requested and unlawfully assaulting an authorised officer of Council.

The second matter involved the dumping of building material on public land in Trevelyan Street, South Caulfield. The matter proceeded to court as the original penalty notice was not paid. Mr Ioan Ghent pleaded not guilty to having building materials on Council land without a permit. Magistrate Ms Lesley Fleming found Mr Ghent guilty and fined him \$300 with \$34 costs.

Innovation and renovation— good design acknowledged

Designers and builders in Glen Eira have been acknowledged for their contribution to “good design” in the 2nd annual Glen Eira Building Design Awards.

Mayor Cr Noel Erlich, who recently announced the winners said: “It’s great to be able to acknowledge and promote designers and builders who really try to make a difference to this municipality.”

The awards aim to acknowledge, reward and promote designers and builders who are responsible for high quality, innovative and sympathetic development in Glen Eira, which add to the City’s urban character and “livability”. Entries are judged alongside the guidelines outlined in Council’s Municipal Strategic Statement and the Good Design Guide.

The awards take into account several criteria including whether the designer has demonstrated sensitive consideration of the building’s context, public space, local

landmarks and vistas. Other aspects include pedestrian spaces, heritage considerations, light and shade, energy and resources efficiency, architectural quality, innovation and landscape character.

The awards judging panel included Cr Dorothy Marwick, Council planning and urban design staff, Council’s Heritage Advisor and three local residents with planning and design expertise who volunteered their time to inspect and comment on a variety of developments.

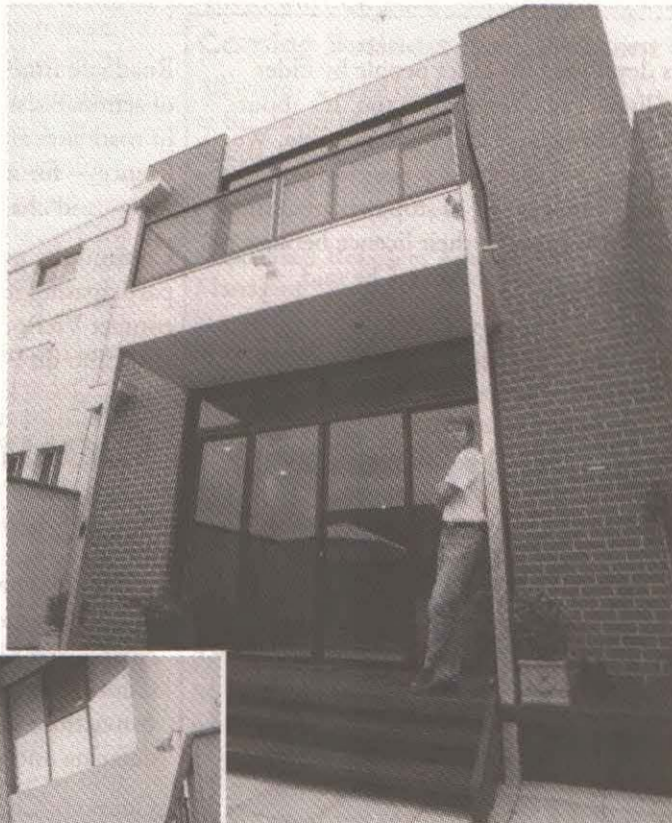
For photos of the Building Design Award winning entries and more information visit Council’s website at www.gleneira.vic.gov.au

Council’s Strategic Town Planning Department has begun accepting nominations for next year’s Building Design Awards. Nomination forms are available from Council’s website or on 9524 3423.



Right: Best Mixed Use Development was awarded to 356 Neerim Road, Carnegie. Patrick van Maanen of Vision Projects (pictured) accepted the award as designer and builder of the development. This development was considered to be an outstanding example of a mixed use development— consisting of a shopfront office and dwelling to the rear. It represents contemporary architecture creating a feeling of spaciousness and light and makes full use of the rear northern aspect of the site.

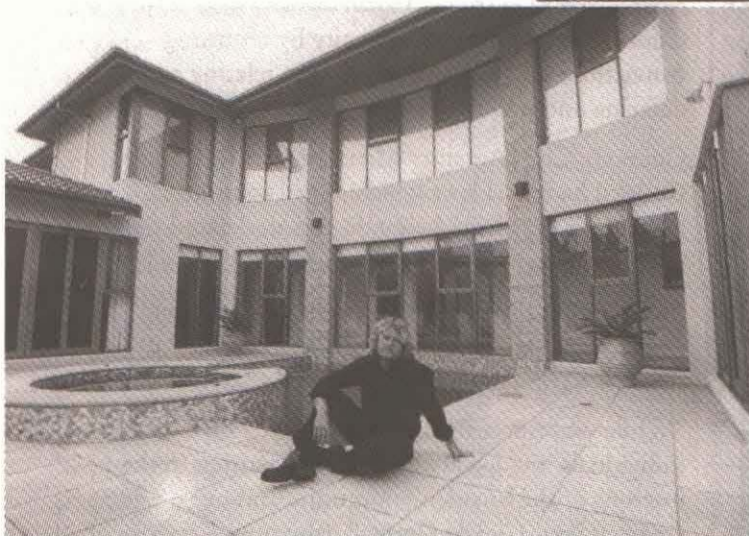
Photos: Bernie Bickerton.



Above: Mark Dall (builder) is pictured at Brighton Classic Residences 3–7 Brewer Road, Bentleigh— awarded Best Major Project and developed by Becton Constructions (builder) and Billard Leece (architect). This major development incorporates a wide variety of dwelling types for older persons, together with facilities such as a restaurant, billiard room, shop, pool, and gymnasium in an urban parkland environment. The retention of mature trees, high energy efficiency rating, quality of finishes and the innovative re-use of an existing building on the site, all impressed the judging panel.



Above: David Klein (builder) is pictured at 17 Penton Road, Caulfield North which was awarded Best Heritage Renovation. Quentin Duffy (architect) and Marni Firestone (interior designer) were also involved in the project. The integrity of this period home was well retained with a resulting light and bright rear extension that blends well with the existing dwelling.



Left: Best Residential Development— 1–2 dwellings was awarded to Adam Tugendhaft (architect) and Ellington Building Design Excellence (builder) for their dwelling in Palm Avenue, Caulfield North. Adam is pictured here at the tuscan-inspired villa which is well oriented to maximise sunshine and has a pool as its focal point which can be seen from almost every room in the house.

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Corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield

Sunday 4 November at 2pm

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Sky fills with "thank you" balloons

About 250 volunteers and managers of volunteers, representing more than 40 community service organisations, took part in celebrations at Caulfield Park last month, to acknowledge 2001 as the International Year of Volunteers.

Organised by managers of volunteers and members of the community to

acknowledge the contribution volunteers make within the Glen Eira community, the event was marked by

the release of 300 blue and orange IYV 2001 balloons— which were fully biodegradable and certified safe for release.

Mayor Cr Noel Erlich, who officially opened the event, said: "The balloons represent the reaching out of volunteering across our City. Volunteers play such an important role in our community— enriching the lives of the people they work with and rarely expecting anything in return. To all of you, we say thank you for your generous and dedicated contribution to our community."

Morning tea was served to entertainment provided by brass band *The Huffers and Puffers*. The morning also featured an interactive Israeli dance session, led by Rose Tusia, in which many of the attendees participated.

(From left) Cr Rachele Sapir and Mayor Cr Noel Erlich prepare to release a balloon with volunteers Scouts Australia District Commissioner Glen Eira District Keith Smithers and District Commissioner Girl Guides Ros Smithers.



Council's Community Development Officer Margaret Roche struggles with a fistful of balloons at Caulfield Park. Photos: Bernie Bickerton.

For information about volunteering in Glen Eira, call Anita Mumme at the Glen Eira Volunteer Resource Service on 9524 3303.

Help plan your suburb's future

Council's Strategic Town Planning Department seeks community input to develop planning policies for each suburb to help guide development as part of Council's *Housing and Residential Development Strategy*.

Residents are invited to contribute their thoughts about their suburb, its distinctive character, what would improve its character and where new development should occur.

Community input July and August

Work on the strategy began earlier this year and workshops were held late July and early August to get a range of views on big picture issues for the strategy, including the rate of development, options for development (a targeted or dispersed approach) and criteria for deciding where multi-unit developments should be located (see July *Glen Eira News*).

Common themes emerging from the workshops included:

- a general recognition that further development is inevitable in Glen Eira and is needed to house existing and future population;
- preference for a targeted approach to residential development (nominating preferred locations for multi-dwelling developers); and
- a request for greater certainty from both residents and developers.

Identifying suburb character

The strategy has been considering big picture issues for the whole City, but needs to also focus on and develop directions for each suburb. Glen Eira's suburbs are distinctly different in terms of who lives there, housing types and styles, shopping and community facilities and neighbourhood character.

Mayor Cr Noel Erlich said: "It's very important that we recognise Glen Eira comprises many distinctive areas, each with their own characteristics. We're very keen to get residents' views on what makes their area special so we can protect and enhance these diverse

features. It's important everyone feels they have a say during the development of this strategy as it will have a big impact on the type of developments that occur in their street."

How to have your say

A questionnaire is available from the Service Centre at the Glen Eira Town Hall, corner of Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield and can be downloaded from Council's website at www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/planning

Further information is available on Council's website or by calling the Strategic Town Planning Department on 9524 3441.

Suburb workshops

Evening workshops will be held for each suburb and residents are encouraged to attend the relevant session.

Caulfield North, Caulfield East, Caulfield and Caulfield South

Caulfield Cup Room, Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Hawthorn and Glen Eira Roads, Caulfield on Wednesday 17 October, 6.30pm–8.30pm.

Carnegie, Murrumbeena and Glen Huntly

Duncan Mackinnon Reserve Social Room, corner North and Murrumbeena Roads, Murrumbeena on Wednesday 24 October, 6.30pm–8.30pm.

Elsternwick, Gardenvale and St Kilda East

Caulfield Cup Room, Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Hawthorn and Glen Eira Roads, Caulfield on Thursday 25 October, 6.30pm–8.30pm.

Bentleigh, Bentleigh East, McKinnon and Ormond

Moorleigh Village Pavillon Social Room, 92 Bignell Road, Bentleigh East on Wednesday 31 October, 6.30pm–8.30pm.

Please register your attendance by Friday 14 October by contacting 9524 3476.

Access awards— nomination call

Council is calling for nominations for its newly introduced Access Awards to publicly recognise efforts made by businesses and organisations in the City which promote access for people with a disability.

Anyone who spends time in Glen Eira will have the opportunity to nominate local businesses and organisations which provide good access and service for people with disabilities.

Guidelines for effective access includes things such as wider doorways, ramps and lifts, clear access and signage, space for manoeuvrability (of wheelchairs and the like), disabled toilets (where toilets are provided), and staff awareness and training.

Nominations can be made under one of three categories:

1. Small business/commercial
2. Clubs/community groups
3. Community service provider

To assist businesses and service providers to be in the running for an award, Council will conduct a series of workshops in the coming months. These workshops are designed to increase understanding of the needs of people with disabilities, awareness of the Disability Discrimination Act and other relevant legislation and practical advice on how services and facilities can be made more accessible.

The awards are planned to be presented in December, to coincide with International Day of People with a Disability.

For more information contact Access and Equity Officer Sharon Granek on 9524 3339 or Manager Business Development Lynda Bredin on 9524 3384.

Nomination forms have been distributed and are also available from Council's Service Centre, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads Caulfield. Nominations close Friday 26 October.

Turning garbage into "gold"

by Myrine Hawksworth

Site manager at Clayton Landfill Damien Edmonds loves talking rubbish—and about the way in which household refuse processed at the facility contributes to protecting the environment by reducing greenhouse gas and producing extra electricity.

The facility, co-owned by Glen Eira City Council with other south eastern councils, contributes to saving huge amounts of green house gas from reaching the atmosphere. Up to 800,000 tonnes of gases are collected per year from this, and several other landfill sites, and diverted to two Energy Development Limited (EDL) power plants, where the methane is used to generate 20 megawatts of electricity—sufficient to power 10,000 households.



Household rubbish—making its mark on the recycling process as the basis for electricity-producing methane.

All putrescible landfill sites generate large quantities of methane which is a potent green house gas, said to contribute to the depletion of the ozone layer. Mr Edmonds said the collection of this gas was initially intended to reduce the smell often associated with landfill sites.

Clayton Landfill has been operating for nine years on a site previously used as a sand quarry, and now deals

with an average of 1000 tonnes of domestic and commercial garbage each weekday. Mr Edmonds said residential garbage was sorted so that, where possible, recyclables weren't included in the landfill.

"Vegetation actually produces a lot of methane, so we recycle as much of that as possible. It gets taken away, along with glass, cans, plastic and paper to recycling plants. Then we infill sealed sections of the landfill site with biodegradable garbage. Each cell is lined with concrete and clay-based slime. Then layers of garbage are covered over with earth until the cell is filled," he said.

He said a minimum of about 300mm of earth is used to cover the garbage—representing 300 tonnes each day. A grid of agricultural pipes runs under the ground through each landfill "cell" and connects to exposed gas extraction manifolds—raised pipes that are under vacuum to draw out the gases collecting inside the sections of landfill. The cells are completely contained to avoid any risk of contamination or leakage.

"Only about 58 per cent of the gases we collect are actually methane, the rest is carbondioxide and general gases. But these cells will continue to produce enough methane to justify collection for probably the next 15 to 20 years. After that, collection will slow down, but we could be utilising this site for up to 30 years," Mr Edmonds said.

Station operator at EDL's Ryans Road plant John McLucas said a number of landfill sites contributed to the methane processed at the Ryans Road site. He said the facility was one of many run by EDL to contribute to the electricity grid. The facilities



Site manager Damien Edmonds checks a gas extraction manifold at Clayton Landfill.

were set up near landfill sites and could be moved to other sites as needed.

"Once we're set up and generating, we're actually fully self-sufficient. The methane is used to power the turbines then the rest of the plant is run by the power it generates. There are 10 turbines at this plant, each one generating one megawatt—that's 10 million watts of power. When you think about one 60 watt light globe that's a lot of electricity!" he said.

So the next time you turn on a light or use an electric appliance in Glen Eira, think about the source of that power—it might just be the garbage you put out last week.



The huge turbines—each one capable of generating 1 million watts of electricity from methane. Photos: Bernie Bickerton.

85 per cent say recycling is working

A survey of Glen Eira residents has revealed 85 per cent of respondents are happy with Council's bottle and can recycling collection services. The survey results have prompted changes to recycling services which will be implemented early next year.

The results of the survey confirmed Council's expectations that the service was well received.

According to Waste Management Engineer Doug Griffiths about 96 per cent of people said they recycled bottles and cans using Council's black crate, and 69 per cent recycled paper each fortnight.

He said Council's voluntary green waste collection, currently at about 15 per cent, would level out at about a third of the community.

"People who weren't recycling bottles and cans were most likely to say it was because they didn't have a black crate. We expected a lower proportion of people to recycle paper and magazines through Council's collection service—but of those who do, about two thirds were quite happy with the service.

"About 15 per cent of people who use the service said they would like to see the paper collection improved, and the most likely suggested improvement was increasing the frequency.

"Interestingly, about 78 per cent of people who don't currently recycle paper said they probably would if Council supplied a crate for paper collection, and a similar proportion of the overall

community thought a crate for paper collection was a good idea," Mr Griffiths said.

As a result of the survey and subsequent review of Council's waste management services, a contract has been signed with Cleanaway to provide recycling services from March next year. The service will include two 60 litre crates (a new crate for paper and the existing one for bottles and cans) which will be collected weekly. Council will continue with the current 240 litre general waste bin and the voluntary green waste bin services.

"It has been a really positive exercise. Glen Eira residents are obviously keen to contribute to reducing waste and recycling and reusing where possible. Generally, people thought recycling was a good idea, and in only a few months we will have the services in place to help them maximise their contribution," Mr Griffiths said.

Sustaining a healthy environment

Taking care of the environment

Council engages in many practices that address issues of environmental sustainability. Everything from effective waste collection and recycling, through to energy conservation to biodiversity. You'll be surprised just how much Council contributes to taking care of all aspects of the environment. Here are just a few of its current strategies.

Keeping the City clean and green



Council implements and enforces Local Laws relating to keeping animals and cleaning up after them.

- Council has implemented and enforces Local Laws relating to burning off and lighting fires; interfering with water courses; dumping litter or pollutants; keeping animals; and cleaning up after them.
- Litter controls are in place to protect waterways, litter bins are located outside food premises and at barbecue facilities, shopping centres are regularly swept and litter collected, all streets are swept at least monthly to collect litter and leaf fall, and litter traps at two major shopping centres prevent litter from entering drains.
- Council supports biodiversity—four of our parks have specific indigenous vegetation sections. Parks and Gardens staff assist community environmental groups with materials and plant storage.
- Council is investigating tree retention controls and a significant tree register to further protect existing vegetation.
- A comprehensive bicycle strategy is being introduced to promote this healthy and clean form of transport. More than 70km of on-road and off-road cycle paths will be developed to link in with major bicycle routes in adjoining Councils.

Conserving energy

- Council's Urban Village Policy increases the use of existing public transport systems, reduces urban sprawl and supports urban consolidation, reduces the need to build new infrastructure and provides a mix of workplaces, housing, shops and accessible public transport. The policy encourages environmental sustainability and a reduction in green house gas emissions through the co-location of work, leisure, community and residential uses and developments.

- Standards in Council's use of *ResCode* provide for new energy efficient dwellings and the protection of energy efficiency of existing dwellings.
- An energy audit was conducted in all Council-owned facilities (more than 200) to ensure maximum energy efficiency and use of facilities.

- Council is a key member of a government working group looking into the cost and efficiency of street lighting.
- Heat loss from Glen Eira's two public swimming pools is minimised by the use of overnight thermal blankets.

Conserving water

- Most sports grounds have been fitted with computerised reticulation systems to increase water conservation by watering at night, when evaporation loss is minimised, stopping watering when it rains, and optimising flow rates.
- Drought resistant grasses are planted in ovals and parks, and garden beds are heavily mulched to conserve water use.
- Wood chips created from Council's bundled branch collection are available free to ratepayers to use on garden beds to help conserve water.

Reducing, reusing and recycling

- Council provides a responsible kerbside recycling program for residents, collecting more than 3900 tonnes of recyclable bottles and cans that would otherwise end up as landfill. Council also collects 2800 tonnes of paper for recycling, and will be re-introducing cardboard collection next year.
- Council also minimises landfill by collecting almost 2000 tonnes of green waste that is converted into mulch and used by local nurseries after being treated.



Recycled plastics are used for all park signs.

- Council has instigated the introduction of the EcoRecycle Waste Wise program into local schools.
- Council uses recycled plastics for all park signs, and for soft fall areas in playgrounds and Glen Eira roads comprise 20 per cent recycled asphalt or 10 per cent recycled rubber tyres.

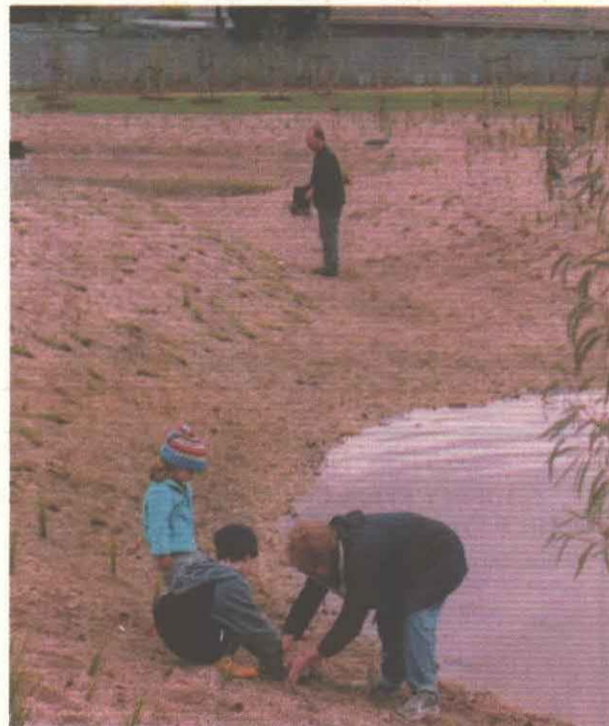
Healthy living and eating

- Environmental health officers conduct about 730 food safety inspections to ensure food sold in the City is safe to eat, and randomly sample 350 foods from local food establishments each year to analyse the quality of food sold and integrity of business operations.
- Officers also inspect 31 skin penetration and acupuncture premises and 10 per cent of all hairdressers and beauty parlors (184 total) each year to ensure correct infection control practices are maintained.



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- Public swimming pools and spa pools are inspected each year to ensure correct chlorinating and disinfecting procedures are maintained—water analysis is undertaken to assess bacteria levels.
- Council officers investigate about 30 infectious disease and gastroenteritis outbreaks per year (as required by the infectious disease regulations 2001), and about 355 complaints per year from the public in relation to food, water, sewerage, noise, asbestos, needles and syringes.



Indigenous plants and drought resistant grasses are planted in ovals and parks.

Tree planting— it's on again

Council will conduct another community planting day at Packer Park (Carnegie) and nearby Mallanbool Reserve (Murrumbeena) on Saturday 7 October from 10am to 1pm, with more than 5000 indigenous plants available for planting.

This is another great opportunity to meet people, participate in your community, and be part of these exciting new landscapes as well as being able to watch them grow before your eyes. Visit the new green corridor in Glen Eira, which will not only become an important place for flora and fauna in Glen Eira, but also in greater Melbourne.

Barbecue and light refreshments will be provided. Meet at: Packer Park Reserve, Leila Road, Murrumbeena (Melways Reference Map68 J8).

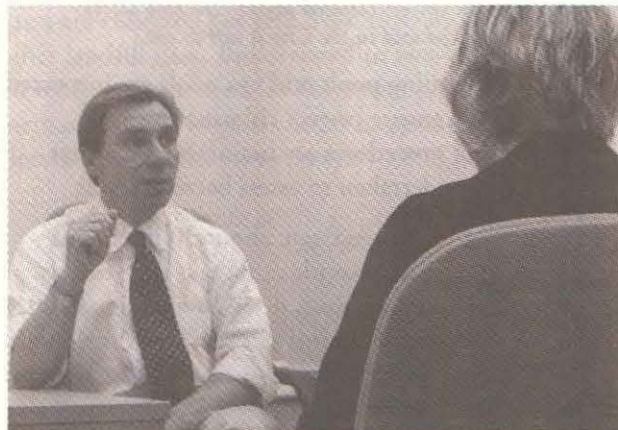
Contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

Focus on *mental health*

Mental Health Week 7-13 October

Mental health problems—including depression and emotional disorders—were identified as major health issues as part of the development of Council's 2001-2004 *Municipal Public Health Plan* and form the focus of Mental Health Week, an initiative of the Mental Health Foundation of Australia.

Mental health was shown to be the third largest health problem in Glen Eira, affecting people of all ages—trailing only behind cardiovascular diseases and cancers. These findings reflect national statistics



Mental health problems are definitely treatable—Dr Paul Morgan, SANE Australia.

which estimate one in five people will experience a mental health problem at some point in their lives.

Deputy Director of mental health charity SANE Australia Dr Paul Morgan, who will attend at a community breakfast in Glen Eira during Mental Health Week, said depression and anxiety were the two most prevalent mental health problems and both were definitely treatable.

"Mental health problems can be treated, yet more than half of people experiencing symptoms do not seek help, often due to the stigma associated with having a mental illness. Unfortunately, people tend to think that only others they perceive as 'crazy' experience mental health problems, but that simply isn't true. Anyone can experience times in their lives when their mental health is affected, just as we all experience physical health problems from time to time," he said.

Dr Morgan said everyone experienced a normal range of ups and downs, but if symptoms interfered with a person's day-to-day life, the first step was to visit the local doctor who could suggest methods of treatment.

Council's mental health strategies, as outlined in the *Municipal Public Health Plan*, during the next three years will be based on a holistic understanding—investigating a range of determinants such as emotional, social, physical and environmental factors. A key strategy will be to work in partnership with community organisations to demystify mental ill health and to make mental health information and community services more accessible.

A number of community-based activities will be held during Mental Health Week in Glen Eira to raise awareness of mental health issues—including a community mental health breakfast, a seminar on post natal depression and a free yoga class for parents. Contact the Service Centre on 9524 3333.

A new me—the old me

by Zoe Webber

When things are going badly it is natural to try to find the cause. For me, I think it was a severe anxiety attack which I had on a 36-hour bus trip to Uluru in 1999. All I know is that somehow an incredible fear had crept into my life and while I worked to conquer it, the fear began to conquer me.

I began structuring my whole day to accommodate any chance of having a panic attack. I avoided going anywhere unfamiliar and restricted my movements to such a degree that a walk down to the shops was carefully planned.

Close friends began noticing my change in behaviour—going from "party girl" to "anxious recluse". I realised something was definitely wrong. People should not be ruled by fear. I consulted a doctor who advised me to see a psychologist and surprised me by saying how common my illness was for young people my age, about one in five.

The psychologist met with me for about a month before helping me decide that medical treatment would aid my depression and mood swings. The toughest hurdle was my misinterpretation that drugs would change who I was as a person. My psychologist explained that people with migraines receive treatment to soothe pain and lead a normal day-to-day life, so why should I deprive myself of the same relief? In our society, we tend to incorrectly assume that mental disorders are the fault of the patient, unlike physical illness.

Free Mental Health Information Kit

available to the community.

Contact: Glen Eira Service Centre
on 9524 3333.

The kit is available in five community languages including English.

Looking for HELP?

The following services provide confidential advice on a range of issues that may affect mental health.

Kids Help Line 1800 551 800

Web Site: www.kidshelp.com.au

• 24-hour telephone counselling service for children and young people

Care Ring 13 61 69

Web Site: www.carering.org.au

• 24-hour telephone counselling service aimed at helping people in Victoria. Care Ring provides compassionate and responsive telephone counselling to all people in personal crisis, with information referral to relevant services.

Griefline 9596 7799

• Open 12pm-12am, seven days per week.

Lifeline—Suicide Helpline 1300 651 251

SANE—Australia 1800 688 382

Website: www.sane.org

• The only national 1800 referral and information service in Australia dedicated to mental health issues.

Gambler's Help 1800 156 789

Website: www.problemgambling.vic.gov.au

• Telephone crisis counselling and referral service for problem gamblers and anyone affected by their behaviour.

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Peter Stevens 9531 9381 Harvey Same 9509 0539

CARNEGIE LIONS CLUB

Norm Robinson 9568 6786 Glenys Needham 9569 7269

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- What you need for the journey

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Program 2: Saturday 27 October—Saturday 17 November 1.30pm-4pm

COST \$50 + \$5 materials

Facilitator: SHIRLEY FRANKLIN

Creative Arts and Tactile Therapist.

ENROLMENTS: Shirley Franklin

9 GODFREY STREET EAST BENTLEIGH

TEL: 9557 9037 FAX 9557 1734

Glen Huntly Friendship Group

99 Grange Road, Glen Huntly

Activities for October

Thursday 4 October:

Better Health Made Easy with Margaret Page. Simple inexpensive and easy to implement ways of improving your health. Morning tea. 10am-12 Noon. Cost: \$2.50: 99 Grange Road.

Tuesday-Thursday 16-18 October

Treat yourself to a 3-day holiday! Good company. Good food and comfort at Mary Lyn resort at Marysville - Scenic tours, entertainment and excellent menu ensure a great time. Cost \$209 twin share. \$11 per night extra single supplement. Including 2 breakfasts, 2 dinners and 3 lunches. Full amount payable by 11 October. Depart 9.30am from 99 Grange Road, Glen Huntly, 9.45am from 185 Poath Road, Hughesdale.

Contact: Margaret 9596 6124

Recipe for a stress ball

Squeezing a stress ball is a great way to manage and reduce stress. Stress balls are easy to make at home at little cost, why not make your own! To make your own stress ball, just follow these steps.

You will need (for each stress ball):
5 or 6 balloons
1/2 a cup of rice
scissors
a pencil
a funnel (or top of a plastic bottle)
wooden spoon



Glen Eira

Youth Page



LIBRARY News

Youth and Library news

Workshops in schools

Glen Eira Youth Services continues to maintain an active role within the school community, with an initiative that provides for the delivery of an Anger Management Program to local schools.

In September, Why? Stop youth workers were invited to participate in a health day for students at Bentleigh Secondary College, aimed to provide VCE students with information and strategies to assist them in coping with the pressures of study.

The school asked youth workers Simon Vella and Emely Saad to run a workshop on anger management

for a group of more than 20 VCE students. The program presented students with positive approaches to dealing with frustrations, and strategies to help maintain their emotional wellbeing. The program was well received by both students and teachers and overflowed with positive and enthusiastic discussion.

This and other programs are offered free of charge to schools and colleges in Glen Eira. Contact Why? Stop Youth Information Centre on 9572 5389 or email ystop@gleneira.vic.gov.au

Walking toward mental health

Mental Health Week is a strategy being undertaken as a part of the recently endorsed Glen Eira Municipal Public Health Plan, and an initiative of The Mental Health Foundation of Australia, promoting recognition of the mental health needs of the entire community.

Glen Eira Youth Services is actively working to increase awareness within the local community of the mental health issues affecting young people. To support Mental Health Week, Youth Services will undertake a number of activities aimed to educate and actively involve the local community, including a walk to raise awareness for mental health.

Primary and secondary schools have been invited to participate in promoting mental health by nominating a class to make badges and walk to raise awareness. Circus trainers from Glen Eira Youth Services Flying High program will be on hand to teach circus skills, and at the conclusion of the walk the Youth Services team will hold a barbecue. Community members who wish to offer support are invited to attend on the day.

When: Thursday 11 October, 11am-1pm.
Where: Caulfield Park, corner Hawthorn and Balaclava Roads, Caulfield.

Contact Simon Vella at the Why? Stop Youth Information Centre on 9572 5389 or email ystop@gleneira.vic.gov.au

Do you need support?

If you would like to talk to someone regarding mental health issues or emotional wellbeing, the following services may be of assistance:

Alfred Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service	9526 4400
Anxiety Disorders Association of Victoria	9853 8089
Bentleigh Bayside Community Health service	9575 5333
Caulfield Community Health Service	9523 6666
Pace Clinic	9483 4556

Information brochures, support and referral on mental health and wellbeing also available from the Why? Stop Youth Information Centre on 9572 5389 or email ystop@gleneira.vic.gov.au

Internet classes

Two *Introduction to the Internet* courses suitable for people with little or no Internet experience are open for bookings:

- Wednesday 10 October 11am-12.30pm
- Thursday 18 October 11am-12.30pm

You will achieve a basic understanding of the Internet and acquire skills to browse and search the Web. Cost: \$33 (incl. GST). Book at any branch or call 9532 9466.

Recommended reading

Along Came a Spider by James Patterson. The first in the Alex Cross series. A suspense filled thriller with twists and turns that keep you turning the pages. Now a major motion picture starring Morgan Freeman.

Olivia's Luck by Catherine Allott. Olivia is in the middle of renovating their dream house when her husband has a mid-life crisis and leaves. Olivia is left with four strange builders, a 10-year-old daughter and a house and life in tatters. A hilarious story of Olivia's journey to find herself and finish the kitchen!

Finn and the Big Guy by David Metzenthien. Finn comes to the city for his first big break— as a stable hand at a large racetrack. Working with the horses he loves, Finn feels valuable for the first time in his life. But there's trouble at the track, and Finn finds his resources pushed to the limit... Classed as a winner by a 12 year old who just couldn't put it down!

The Last Time They Met by Anita Shreve. Anita Shreve specialises in writing about relationships, the gut-wrenching, heart-breaking kind. If you've ever wondered what would happen if you met your first love after many years apart, you'll love this book. Similar in theme to some of her other books, *The Last Time They Met* has a twist at the end that will astound.

Lambs of God by Marele Day. Best known for her crime novels, Marele Day is an Australian writer who has branched out with *Lambs of God*, a beautifully written book that defies classification into the normal genres. It tells of what happens when the tranquillity of an isolated group of women is disturbed by the presence of an outsider.

India— Lonely Planet Travel Guide 8th ed. 1999. The definitive guide to the subcontinent for the practical traveler. Where to go, what to do, where to stay, and (perhaps most importantly) what not to eat!

The True Story of Jimmy Governor by Laurie Moore and Stephan Williams. Explores the myths and truths behind the man who inspired Thomas Keneally to write *The Chant of Jimmie Blacksmith*. An interesting account of Australia's dark past.

My Life in Dog Years by Gary Paulsen. Funny and sad stories about the author's many moments with dogs. Recommended for reader's 10 years and older (especially if you love dogs!).

For details on how to borrow any of the books listed, talk to our friendly staff at any of our branches. Books currently on loan can be reserved— a fee of \$2.20 applies.

Step 1: Begin by blowing up a balloon and letting the air out (to stretch it) then attach the balloon to the bottom of the funnel.



Pour the rice through the funnel into the balloon. Use more or less rice as required, the size of the ball is up to you. Using the end of the pencil, force the rice into the balloon— this is the most difficult part of the process and takes a little time and patience. Stretch the balloon as you go to force the rice down. Be patient, it will work.



Step 2: Once you have the balloon full to the size you want the stress ball, tie the end of the



balloon off and cut it off above the knot.

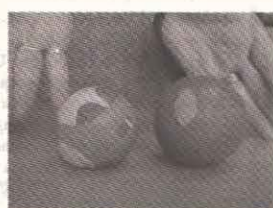
Step 3: Cut the top off a couple of other balloons and stretch them over the rice filled balloon. Different colors are beneficial, as these colors will be seen later.



Step 4: Now cut the top off a third balloon and carefully cut small pieces out of the balloon. Stretch this balloon over the outside of your rice filled balloon.



Repeat this step two or three times to create a pattern on the rice filled balloon— your very own stress ball!



COMMUNITY *Diary*

Meetings and clubs

Over 40s Club dance— all ages— old time; modern; new vogue at Ormond Uniting Church, corner North and Booran Roads, Ormond on second and fourth Saturdays of each month at 7.45pm. Supper and live music. Cost: \$7. Contact: 9570 4564.

Bentleigh Lawn Bowling Club has vacancies for men and ladies for pennant bowls, social bowls, cards and carpet bowls. Contact: Bruce 9557 6200 or the club 9557 4418.

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

Bentleigh Life Activities Club offers opportunities to meet new friends and enjoy social activities. The annual general meeting will be held on Wednesday 31 October. Contact: 9557 2562 or 9563 2554.

Caulfield Life Activities Club will meet at Gladys Machin Hall, Cedar Street, Caulfield on Wednesday 17 October at 7.30pm. Guest speaker. Supper served. New members welcome. Contact: 9569 5249.

15th Brighton Scout Group will hold a gala trivia night at Caulfield Recreation Centre, 6 Maple Street, South Caulfield on Saturday 27 October at 7.30pm. Cost: \$15 per head. Contact: Gary 9576 9114.

Events

Allan T Marriott Foundation will hold a fundraising/auction evening at the Bentleigh Club, Yawla Street, Bentleigh on Wednesday 14 November at 7.30pm. Guest speaker: Vinny Lauwers. Contact: 9578 7557.

Bentleigh Organ Club presents award winning accordionist Bernadette Conlon in concert at Coatesville Bowling Club on Melbourne Cup Eve, Monday 5 November at 8pm. Contact: 9532 9297.

Hughesdale Art Group will hold two events at Hughesdale Community Centre, corner Poath and Kangaroo Roads. Talk by Dr Ruth Beilin *Art into Landscapes* on Wednesday 10 October at 7.30pm. Demonstration in pastels by Lorraine Wigraft on Wednesday 24 October at 7.30pm. Annual Exhibition opens on Tuesday 6 November at 7.30pm. Contact: Pat 9885 6407.

St James the Great holds the 8th annual blessing of animals at 435 Inkerman Street, East St Kilda on Sunday 14 October at 2pm. Admission free, donation appreciated. Contact: Fr Roger 9527 1017.

Glen Eira Cheltenham Art Group will hold its annual art show at the Kingston Arts Centre, corner Nepean Highway and South Road, Moorabbin from Friday 26 October to Sunday 18 November. Opening Sunday 28 October at 2.30pm. Contact: Jill 9579 0967 or Val 9570 3596.

Christ Church Ormond with St Mark's East Brighton is celebrating the centenary of its Ormond Church, corner of North and Wheatley roads, Ormond from Sunday 14 October to Sunday 21 October. Special services on both Sundays and Family Carnival and Flower Festival on Saturday 20 October. Contact: 9578 1417.

Melbourne Meccano Club will hold a Centennial Meccano Exhibition at Brighton Philatelic Society Hall, 80 Gardenvale Road, Gardenvale on Saturday 13 October from 9.30am to 4pm. Meccano models, historic Meccano literature and products of the Meccano Company on display. Contact: Co-ordinator 9578 6850.

The 13th annual Bentleigh Art Exhibition (and handcrafts) will be held at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart College, corner Jasper and Patterson Roads, Bentleigh. Opening night: Friday 12 October 7.30pm–11pm. Cost: \$13 per person or \$25 per couple. Contact: (bookings required for opening night) 9563 9522 (BH).

Immunisation dates for October

Murrumbeena Baptist Church
44 Murrumbeena Road, Murrumbeena
Monday 8 October 10am–11am

Glen Eira Town Hall
(entry via Glen Eira Road)
Corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield
Tuesday 9 October 6pm–7.30pm

Bentleigh-Bayside Community Health Service
Gardeners Road, East Bentleigh
Tuesday 16 October 10am–11am
Saturday 27 October 9.30am–11am

Glen Huntly Maternal and Child Health Centre
Corner Royal and Rosedale Avenues, Glen Huntly
Wednesday 24 October 9.30am–11am

Bentleigh Baptist Church
10 Vickery Street, Bentleigh
Monday 5 November 1.30pm–2.30pm

Low cost courses and activities at Godfrey Street Community House

8/11 Oct	Occasional Child Care - Mon/Thurs	\$8 session \$3 p/h
10 Oct	Gentle Yoga - Wednesday x 11 weeks	\$99 course \$11 session
11 Oct	Women's Discussion/Current affairs	\$3 session
12 Oct	Computer Spreadsheet/Excel x 8 hours	\$70
15 Oct	Interest Group x 5 weeks; Retail skills	
	Belly dance, Grooming, Tapestry, PR	\$gold coin
15/17 Oct	Computer for Beginners x 8 hours	\$60 course
15 Oct	Women in the 21st Century	\$3 session
17 Oct	Back to Fun for adults	\$3 session
18 Oct	Women's Group	\$3 session
22 Oct	Parenting Support Group	\$3 session
23 Oct	Belly Dancing x 4 weeks	\$30 course
26 Oct	3-year-old Kinder - Friday x 10 weeks	\$80 term
21/27 Oct	Self Discovery, Creative Arts - 4 weeks	\$55 incl. materials
13 Nov	Film & Video Group	\$ gold coin
2 Nov	Tapestry x 4 weeks	\$20 course
19 Oct	NEW Volunteers' Open Day - meet & workshop	
16 Nov	Volunteer Presentations to past & present volunteers	
Wednesday	Massage by appointment	\$10 per 1/2 hour
	Painting & Drawing - self help group	\$2.50 session
Thursday	Singing for Enjoyment	\$gold coin
Friday	Reflexology Counselling	\$10 per 1/2 hour

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9 Godfrey Street, East Bentleigh Tel: 9557 9037 Fax: 9557 1734

Caulfield Photographic Society will hold three events at St Peter's Church Hall, corner Ames Avenue and Neerim Road, Murrumbeena— an open competition and exhibition on Monday 8 October at 7.30pm; a field trip to Lerderderg Gorge on Sunday 14 October; and its annual general meeting on Monday 22 October at 7.30pm. Contact: Paul 0409 425 700 or 9571 3969.

Holy Cross Parish of South Caulfield celebrates 75 years with a mass at the Holy Cross Parish Church, 707 Glen Huntly Road, Caulfield on Sunday 21 October at 3pm. Contact: Margaret 9528 6872.

Volunteers

Southern Citizen Advocacy seeks volunteers to assist adults with a disability in representation, support and friendship. Commitment is usually two to three hours per week. Contact: Kerry 9576 0155.

U3A Glen Eira urgently requires volunteers to teach painting to retired senior citizens on Monday and Thursday afternoons. Contact: 9572 0571.

Deadline for next Community Diary is Monday 8 October for publication 6–8 November.

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Introduction to Internet & Email (4 week course):	Cost: \$62
Introduction to Excel (6 week course)	Cost: \$71

We only have 4 students per class

ADULT EDUCATION

Improve Your Reading & Writing (8 week course)	Cost: \$24
English for Visitors (6 week course)	Cost: \$90

HEALTH & PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

T'ai chi (8 week course)	Cost: \$48
Mediation & Spirituality (6 week course)	Cost: \$40

ART & CRAFT

Make your own Christmas cards using rubber stamps, stencils & glitter glue — 3 hours workshop 22 November
Cost: \$24 + \$5 material fee

Knitting Circle meets fortnightly— Ring for dates & times

WOMEN'S ACTIVITIES

Women's Scrabble Group meets Wednesdays 1pm
Bookings essential

Women's Lunchtime Network meets monthly
Ring for dates & times

For more information and bookings ring 9596 8643

TERM DATES: 8 October–21 December
House open 10am–4pm
Monday, Tuesday and Thursday
During school terms

U3A BUS TOURS

Tuesday, 20 November 8am–4.30pm
SAN REMO TOUR AND CRUISE

We depart San Remo Fishermen's Wharf on board the "Kasey Lee" for a 1-hour cruise in Westernport Bay's Eastern Channel. This is an opportunity to see spectacular views of areas not accessible by land. After our cruise we will watch the FEEDING OF THE PELICANS at the Fishermen's Co-op, before our 2-course bistro lunch at the Westernport Hotel. Includes bus, cruise and lunch.

Note: This tour is on a **Tuesday**.

12 December 10am–3.30pm
CHRISTMAS AT THE CUCKOO RESTAURANT, OLINDA

Our last bus trip for the year! Come and enjoy this fun day out at the Cuckoo Restaurant. There will be a delicious smorgasbord lunch and some bright entertainment.

Remember, you don't have to be a member of U3A to book any of these bus trips.

Enquiries: 9572 0571 or (A/H) 9523 7862

Backmasking

The Art of STIEG PERSSON

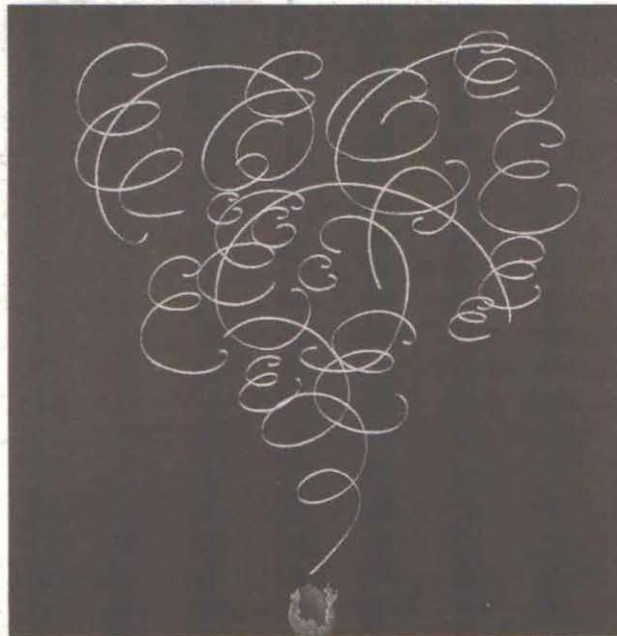
Opening: Thursday 18 October at 6pm by Virginia Trioli

Continues until 11 November

Each year the Glen Eira City Gallery presents a survey exhibition of the work of an important Melbourne based artist— this year's artist is one of Victoria's first post-modern painters Stieg Persson. The exhibition will present 20 years of his art, displaying his eclectic interest in illustration, heavy metal iconography and Dutch still life painting.

Persson uses collage to bring together popular and fine art sources in a collision of ideas. In the early 1980s, he, like many artists, was concerned to undermine the romanticism that burdened painting and ideas of creativity. He used landscape and signs of transcendent light— the star, sunset, lightening— to discuss this romanticism. In later work, heavy metal iconography comes to the fore. He employed gothic metal symbols as a way of discussing a suburban tribe that, like art itself, has evolved an elaborate visual imagery of its own.

Works are based on poems by John Donne addressing the themes of God and death. Stieg's fascination with "death" began in the 1980s with post-modern ideas of the "death of the author" and developed to a more



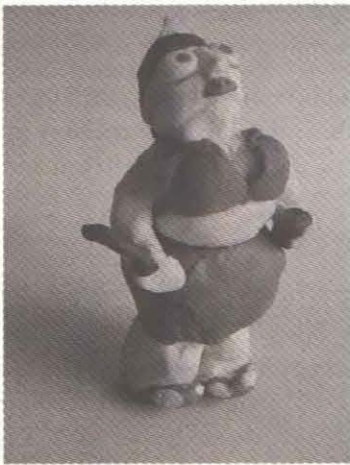
traditional fine art interest in human frailty and sickness.

The exhibition presents recent and new works, never exhibited art works, and early works from many private collections.



Term 4 art classes

Oak Tree House is again offering a range of programs for children, secondary school students, young people and adults.



- Creative writing
- Animation
- Ceramics and mosaics
- Painting and drawing
- Candlemaking
- And much more!

Day, afternoon and evening classes. Tuition by qualified artists and teachers.

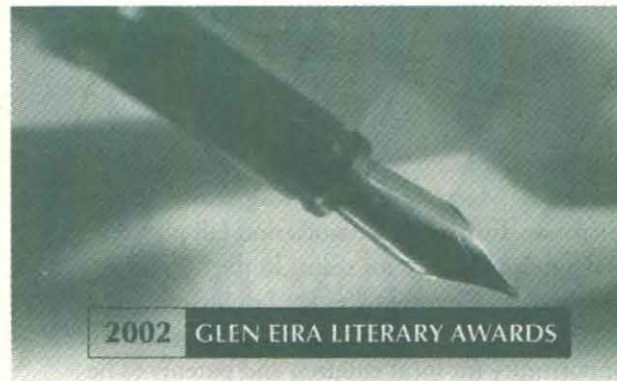
For full program details and enrolments contact: Anthony McInnery 9524 3402.

Bonsai show at the gallery

13-14 October (weekend only)

Everything you have ever wanted to know about the art of Japanese Bonsai. Sale of trees and tools for cultivating your own. Come and get some handy tips from bonsai experts or just come and see the gallery filled with greenery— Melbourne's best Bonsai exhibition. Cost: \$5 all adults, children with an adult admitted free.

2002 Glen Eira Literary Awards



The 7th annual Glen Eira Literary Awards focus on "short" writing mediums— short stories, screenplays and poetry and are dedicated to giving new and talented Australian writers an opportunity to have their work recognised and rewarded by a judging panel of some of Australia's best-selling authors.

The feature award, the *Caulfield RSL My Brother Jack Short Story Award*, invites entries from contemporary Australian writers on any theme. It was established in honour of George Johnston's classic Australian novel set in what is now known as Glen Eira between the two world wars.

Locally, Council is proud to again offer children's and youth short story and poetry awards and the *Eastend Booksellers Local Short Story Award* for adults.

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30 SECONDS TO 3 MINUTE SHORTS

Glen Eira Film Festival
9-11 November

The Glen Eira Film Festival and its major event **CINEMA SPRINTS**— shorts of 30 seconds to three minutes duration— provide filmmakers with an opportunity to develop, produce and exhibit films. The festival will be showcased in the Glen Eira City Theatre, alongside a number of contemporary international programs from Russia, Japan and Mexico. Award finalists will be screened on Sunday 11 November.

Seven prize categories are offered including Best Film, Best Director, Best Original Music, Best Editor, Best Screenplay, Best Actor/Actress and Best Comedy. Audience prizes will also be awarded during the event. A total of \$13,000 in cash and prizes will be awarded.

Full program details available from 30 October. Keep informed— contact: 9524 3287 or 9524 3390 or log on to www.cinemasprints.com

Volunteers
CINEMA SPRINTS organisers would like to hear from individuals interested in undertaking volunteer work during festival time. If you are passionate about film and would love to gain some experience please contact the co-ordinator on 9524 3287.

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Rotary Club of Caulfield will hold the 4th Rotary Concert Music Spectacular

— featuring some of Australia's leading performers such as **Rod McLennan, David Hobson, John O'May, Petrunka, Tivoli Lovelies** and more. This major fundraiser for the Rotary Club is produced and directed by Nehama Patkin OAM.

Sunday 26 October at 2.30pm.

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

Cost: Adults \$20, concession and students \$15, children under 12 \$10 and children under 5, free.

Contact: 9573 1902.

Categories

Caulfield RSL My Brother Jack National Short Story Award

\$3000 prize pool
1500-3000 words

National Short Screenplay Award

\$1000 prize pool
Maximum duration: 10 minutes

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\$750 prize pool

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Recreation News

Let there be light(s)!

Kings Park Tennis Club's lights were officially "turned on" recently by Australia's Davis Cup Captain John Fitzgerald, in a ceremony attended by more than 130 people including Mayor Cr Noel Erlich.

The tennis club now has lighting on four of its eight competition standard tennis courts in King George VI Reserve East Boundary Road, East Bentleigh.

Kings Park Tennis Club provides excellent clubhouse and court facilities, plus expert tennis tuition for all levels, and a friendly, relaxed family atmosphere. New memberships are now available in junior, senior and family categories for competition or social play.



(From left) Davis Cup captain John Fitzgerald with Kings Park Tennis Club president Hayley Peters.

Get ready for summer—already!



Glen Eira's swim centres will re-open for the summer season on Thursday 1 November and will operate until 31 March 2002. Both Caulfield and Bentleigh Swim Centres are popular with residents of all ages.

Both facilities feature heated 50m Olympic swimming pools, learners and toddler pools, and are equipped with water slides. Both provide a great opportunity to get fit for summer, learn to swim or simply picnic on the grass— plenty of fun for all ages.

Hours: 6am–7pm Monday–Friday
8am–6pm Saturday and Sunday
8am–6pm public holidays

If the forecast temperature is a 30 degrees Celsius or above, pool hours will be extended to 8pm.

Make sure you splashdown in a Glen Eira pool this summer!

Night tennis is available on Monday, Wednesday (competition) and Friday evenings. Permanent or casual court bookings can be made on Mondays and Fridays by members and non-members at a hourly rate of \$10 members and \$15 non-members.

For membership and court bookings contact: Anne Nolan on 9504 2896.

For tennis coaching contact: Colin Price on 9588 0660.



Lights, action! Players at the Kings Park Tennis Club can now enjoy a well lit game.

Young athletes set to take off

More than 250 young people from special schools will participate in Glen Eira's annual Athletics Carnival on Friday 12 October at Duncan Mackinnon Reserve in Murrumbeena.

The carnival has been funded by Glen Eira City Council Community Grants Scheme and Victorian Primary and Secondary Schools' Sports Association and is supported by Southern Schools' Sports Association and Athletics Victoria.

As an initiative of the Glenhuntly Athletics Club and Joint Councils Access for All Abilities program, the carnival provides students with an intellectual disability the opportunity to participate and compete in a genuine track and field event.

This year the athletics carnival has been officially endorsed by School Sport Victoria, and the first two

athletes in each event will qualify for the state athletic finals to be held later in the year at Olympic Park.

JCAAA Sport and Recreation Development Officer Fiona Allan said: "This year's carnival is a huge step forward for students with disabilities who have a talent in athletics. For the first time, students participating have the opportunity to progress through to the state finals."

"The special schools who have participated have gained much confidence and enthusiasm for the event and this year's carnival is destined to be a truly memorable day for all of the students."

This is an exciting Glen Eira event and Glenhuntly Athletic Club welcomes any interested people to come along between 10am and 4pm on the day.

In brief

Murrumbeena Cricket Club

Murrumbeena Cricket Club is looking for players and volunteers for the season starting in October.

The club seeks junior and senior players of all standards. Murrumbeena has four senior teams in the Victorian Turf Cricket Association (all play on turf) and a number of junior teams in the Southern District and Churches Cricket League ranging from U12s to U16s. The junior program provides a great opportunity for local children and parents to be involved. The club also expects to have a Milo *Have a Go Program* for juniors.

Volunteers are needed to help with various club tasks including, scorers and managers (positions suitable for retired men or women).

Contact: Geoff Hay on 9569 6387 (AH) or David Hardham 9813 8959 (AH).

Croquet turns 90

Elsternwick Croquet Club (ECC) at the rear of Hopetoun Gardens will celebrate 90 years of croquet on Saturday 13 October. The first minuted meeting of the ECC, on 10 October 1911, was held in the Elsternwick Bowling Club and an indenture between the City of Caulfield and three woman trustees was

signed on 6 November 1911. The rent was 1 shilling and member fees were one Guinea per year.

Since 1911, the club has had many milestones including the 1941 extension to the lawns, and a new club house erected in 1971. Former members and friends of the club are invited to join club members on their special day from 10.30am. A carvery lunch will be included. Tickets: \$16.50. Bookings essential. For new member enquiries or tickets please call club secretary Minn Stewart on 9578 4774.



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