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Glen Eira residents **make a splash!**



Residents of Glen Eira have escaped the heat this summer by flocking to the City's swimming pools in huge numbers.

Over the past three months, around 70,000 people have passed through the gates of the Council's two public pools — the East Bentleigh Memorial Swimming Pool in Bentleigh East and the Caulfield Memorial Swimming Pool in Carnegie.

At the East Bentleigh facility, figures in November 2002 were up by 3,000 compared with the previous year's statistics and by almost 6,000 in December.

Attendance at the Caulfield pool also exceeded the previous year's figures by around 3,000 in November and 4,500 in December 2002.

15-month old Serenity and Penny celebrate summer at the Caulfield Memorial Swimming Pool.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

Council reviews services for **continual improvement**

Glen Eira City Council is reviewing every service it provides, in accordance with the Best Value principles set out by the State Government.

All services are being assessed over a five-year cycle to measure their efficiency and success in meeting community needs and expectations, and to assist Council with planning for continuous improvement.

The application of Best Value principles also allows Council to compare its service performance with other like-sized municipalities.

All Best Value review reports are considered by the elected Council during scheduled public meetings, and the reports are available on Council's website.

Best Value principles have so far been applied to 11 Council services — recycling and paper collection, park maintenance, immunisation, food safety, food services (meals on wheels), valuations, traffic engineering, infrastructure maintenance, fleet and plant, information technology, local laws, parking and animal control.

Points of interest highlighted by these reviews include:

- For a standard immunisation, the Government pays Council \$6 but for the identical immunisation pays a doctor \$46 (\$24.50 for the immunisation and \$21.60 as a Medicare payment);
- Immunisation cover for Glen Eira community (93.57 per cent) exceeds the national target of 90 per cent;
- Council's food services (meals on wheels) achieves a satisfaction rating in excess of 85 per cent;

- The cost of valuing the 56,000 properties in Glen Eira is 10 per cent lower per assessment than comparison councils — a saving of over \$100,000;
- Council will cease the contracted animal control arrangement and manage the service internally to improve co-ordination and efficiency; and
- Glen Eira owns the fewest cars in comparison with its peer councils (see table below), resulting in at least \$1million less capital tied up in its car fleet.

Recent indicators for the overall Council also revealed:

- 88 per cent overall community satisfaction (independently measured by a market research firm engaged by the State Government);
- The lowest cost of day-to-day services compared with peer councils; and
- No debt compared with an average of \$13million.

Council's Chief Executive Officer Andrew Newton said: "Our residents expect reasonable rates and want services that offer good value for money. Council is continually looking for ways to improve the services we provide and meet community needs. Best Value gives us another opportunity to consult with our community and work towards continual improvement."

	Bayside	Boroondara	Glen Eira	Kingston	Monash	Port Phillip	Stonnington	Yarra
Average rates and charges	\$897	\$1,016	\$793	\$740	\$668	\$940	\$844	\$1,106
Parking fees and fines	\$1.2m	\$4.1m	\$2.6m	\$1.7m	\$2.7m	\$19m	\$14.3m	\$12m
Debt	\$18m	\$12.7m	nil	\$23m	\$10m	\$11.5m	\$14.8m	\$21m
Pensioner rebate	nil	nil	\$110	\$15	nil	\$75	nil	nil
Senior executives	14	30	16	15	24	20	20	17
Cars	53	76	37	60	70	150	64	103

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MAYOR'S column



This is the first edition of the Glen Eira News for 2003 so I trust that all residents of the City had an enjoyable and restful festive season and are looking forward to an exciting and successful year ahead.

For many Australians the start of 2003 has been a difficult and trying time.

The terrible firestorms that have seen many hundreds of families lose their homes in our state's high alpine country, in Canberra, the Australian Capital Territory, New South Wales and Queensland have caused a great deal of anxiety.

But as dreadful as the fires have been, the aftermath has again demonstrated the great resilience, character and spirit of the Australian people. It has also reinforced the fact that volunteerism, a key theme during my Mayoral year, is very much alive and well in our country. I am of course referring to the many thousands of men and women of the Country Fire Authority (CFA), a mainly volunteer organisation, who have given up their time to go and help their fellow Australians fight the worst blazes we have seen for many years. The CFA members and their colleagues interstate deserve our thanks and our praise. Their efforts have been mighty!

Volunteerism and service to the community was also the theme of the recent Glen Eira Citizen and Young Citizen of the Year awards. Glen Eira's Citizen of the Year Stan Marks has spent many years giving his time to help others. His activities cover areas from Neighbourhood Watch through to editing the Holocaust Centre's journal and teaching English to newly arrived migrants.

Our Young Citizen of the Year Tom Bunn is also very giving of his time to the community. As a voluntary first aider with St John's Ambulance, Tom has already clocked up over 1,800 hours assisting injured people at events from our local street festivals in McKinnon and Bentleigh to football at the MCG. And despite his young years, Tom also gives up his time to lead a group of 20-30 cadets where he is able to pass on his skills.

Next month will find us all in the midst of Council elections with the election being held entirely by post. From the Tuesday 25 February, all enrolled persons will receive a ballot pack and for your vote to count your completed ballot paper must reach the Returning Officer by 6pm on Friday 14 March 2003. Voting is important and I strongly urge anybody who may be away at the time of the election or may have other difficulties in lodging their ballot paper to contact the Returning Officer as soon as possible. The Returning Officer can be contacted by telephoning 9532 4888.

— Cr Peter Goudge
Mayor

Restoring cemetery gates to former glory



Council's Strategic Planner (Heritage) Jacqui Brasher is pictured at the Hawthorn Road entrance gates to the Brighton Cemetery which will be restored in 2003.

Photo: Kim Gilliland.

The Hawthorn Road entrance gates to the Brighton Cemetery in Caulfield South will be restored following Council's success in obtaining a \$24,000 grant and \$25,000 low-interest loan for the works from the Melbourne Heritage Restoration Fund.

Gates at the North Road entrance to the cemetery were restored in 2000, also funded by a Melbourne Heritage Restoration Fund grant.

Brighton Cemetery Manager Chris Burke said: "The Board of Trustees of the Cemetery is very grateful for the ongoing support we have received from both the Melbourne Heritage Restoration Fund and Council.

The conservation and restoration of the historic buildings and structures at the cemetery is quite

costly and this grant will enable us to restore to these beautiful gates".

The project will begin in early 2003. For further information contact Council's Strategic Planner (Heritage) Jacqui Brasher on 9524 3423.

Deadlines for Glen Eira News

Deadline for the next issue of Glen Eira News will be
Wednesday 12 February
for delivery 7-9 March

Coming deadlines:

Wednesday 12 March. Delivery: 4-6 April

Wednesday 9 April. Delivery: 2-4 May

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Council leads the way for better planning

By Sophie Aristodemou

Applicants in Glen Eira now have the option of lodging their planning applications under an innovative pre-lodgement certification program recently launched by Council.

The program aims to provide planning applicants with an incentive to follow best practice of getting professional help, involving their neighbours and talking to Council before lodging their planning application.

The program is expected to save time for applicants and Council and provide additional opportunities for neighbours to comment early on in the planning process. It aims to allow Council to retain the ultimate decision-making role on planning applications.

Glen Eira Mayor Cr Peter Goudge said Council recognised the need for a better planning process for better plans.

"Council is committed to a process of continual improvement in the delivery of statutory planning services to its community. Glen Eira was the leader in piloting the *Pre Lodgement Certification of Planning Applications* concept with funding from the Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV) and Department of Infrastructure (DOI) through the Continuous Improvement Program."

"The results of the pilot program were impressive with the average application decision time reduced from 80 days with a 70 per cent approval rate to 40 days with a 90 per cent approval rate," Cr Goudge said.

Mr Rob Spence, Chief Executive Officer of the MAV, said that Council should be congratulated for its innovative pre-lodgement certification program "as it represents an excellent example of local government responding to the needs of the community".

The program also received the Royal Australian Planning Institute award for planning excellence and confirmed that it has the potential to deliver real benefits to all users of the planning system.

Glen Eira City Council made some modifications to the program in response to feedback from the pilot



Council's Director City Development Jeff Akehurst, Peter Allen DOI Manager Planning Systems, Rob Spence MAV Chief Executive Officer and Ian and John Buchanek who were among the first to go through the Council's pre-certification pilot program are pictured looking through the booklet.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

and is now offering the pre-lodgement certification option to all planning applicants.

Cr Goudge said: "The program offers benefits to everyone involved in the planning system and for the first time applicants will have a choice about how they lodge their application at Glen Eira."

Council's new booklet *Better planning for better plans* which highlights the pre-lodgement certification process is available from Council's Service Centre, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield, or by phoning 9524 3333.

Minister approves Amendment C16

Melbourne Water Special Building Overlay

On 24 October 2002, Minister for Planning Mary Delahunty approved Amendment C16 which introduces controls for floodprone land into the Glen Eira Planning Scheme.

Properties affected by the overlay control now require a planning permit for building and works.

Some works are exempt from requiring planning approval such as upper storey extensions.

Planning applications affected by the overlay will be referred to Melbourne Water who will ensure that developments are designed in such a way that they will not interfere with overland flows, and that their floor levels are above flood levels.

The intention of the Special Building Overlay (SBO) is to primarily protect all future buildings in the affected areas from flooding.

Building permits issued for properties affected by the SBO that were not acted on by the 24 October 2002 may now require a planning permit before they can commence construction.

The SBO will ensure that property owners, developers and the public have access to information about land subject to flooding, and that flooding issues are considered early in the assessment of planning and building applications.

These new requirements will affect around 9,000 properties in Glen Eira identified by Melbourne Water as being prone to flooding in a one in 100 year severe storm.

Approximately 10,500 owners and occupiers were individually notified of the amendment and a notice also featured in local newspapers.

Council will lobby the State Government and Melbourne Water to prioritise Glen Eira for remedial works, given that the municipality has such a large number of properties affected by the SBO. Council will also request that the City's potential housing diversity areas such as urban villages and neighbourhood centres be given priority when remedial works are planned for Glen Eira.

Discover the Internet classes

The following classes will be held in February at Caulfield Library. Bookings can be made at any branch and the fee is payable at the time of booking.

Introduction to the Internet

Thursday 20 February 2pm-3.30pm
Cost: \$33 (incl. GST)

Further steps on the Internet

Friday 7 February 2pm-4.30pm
Wednesday 26 February 10.30am-1pm
Cost: \$55 (incl. GST)

Web-based email

Tuesday 11 February 10.30am-12noon
Cost: \$33 (incl. GST)



Language Line



Votate nel mese di marzo

Chi risiede nel comune di Glen Eira ed è iscritto alla lista dovrà votare alle prossime elezioni comunali a marzo del 2003.

Verranno eletti tre consiglieri per ciascuno dei tre seggi comunali – Orrong, Jasper e Mackie. I candidati verranno annunciati al chiudere delle nomine ai primi di febbraio.

Voto obbligatorio

Il voto è obbligatorio per tutti gli iscritti (esclusi quelli che hanno 70 anni e oltre).

Voto per posta

Notate che si voterà esclusivamente per posta e i votanti riceveranno le relative schede anche per posta. Il pacchetto di documentazione per il voto verrà inviato durante l'ultima settimana di febbraio.

Sicurezza

L'elezione verrà gestita dalla Victorian Electoral Commission (VEC) per conto del comune. Ogni votante dovrà firmare una dichiarazione allegata alla scheda del voto nella quale affermerà di essere la persona che ha votato. Il personale addetto controllerà e toglierà la dichiarazione dalla busta prima di aprirla. Il personale VEC sorveglierà su ogni aspetto della consegna e della raccolta delle schede per il voto da parte del servizio postale Australia Post.

Ulteriori informazioni

Nei pacchetti per il voto consegnati a tutti i votanti saranno accluse le informative dei candidati oltre alle loro raccomandazioni in quanto all'assegnazione delle preferenze. Per maggiori informazioni leggere l'annuncio VEC alla pagina 5 (pubblicato anche nei giornali locali durante la settimana del 27 gennaio) o telefonare a VEC al 9532 4888 (TTY 9299 0570).

請在三月份投票選舉

在 Glen Eira 市政府登記註冊的居民將須於 2003 年 3 月參加下一屆地方政府的選舉投票。

Glen Eira 市政府的三個選區 - Orrong, Jasper 和 Mackie - 各將選出三位市議員。2 月初提名截止時將宣佈候選人名單。

強制性投票

所有登記註冊的居民都必須投票 (70 歲以上的人除外)。

郵寄選票

請注意，所有投票將通過郵寄進行，選民將收到寄給大家的選票。選票資料集將於 2 月份最後一個星期寄出。

保安措施

維州選舉委員會 (VEC) 將代表市政府開展選舉工作。每個選民須在選票信封所附的宣誓書上簽名，證明自己是投票人。投票站人員將檢查宣誓書，並在打開信封前撕下每個信封上的宣誓書。維州選舉委員會人員將監督選票送到澳大利亞郵局和從郵局取回的各個方面。

進一步的信息

寄給所有選民的選票資料集將包括候選人的書面聲明以及他們的選擇順序意向。詳情可參閱第 5 頁上維州選舉委員會的廣告 (此廣告已刊載在 1 月 27 日起的那個星期中的地方報紙上)，或打電話到維州選舉委員會查詢，號碼 9532 4888 (失聰人士專用電話號碼 9299 0570)。

Голосование в марте

Жители муниципалитета Glen Eira, чьи имена занесены в списки избирателей, должны будут голосовать на следующих муниципальных выборах в марте 2003г.

Три члена муниципального совета будут избраны от трех округов муниципалитета Glen Eira – Orrong, Jasper и Mackie. Имена кандидатов будут объявлены по истечении срока выдвижения, в начале февраля.

Обязательное голосование

Голосование обязательно для всех граждан, чьи имена занесены в списки избирателей (кроме тех, кто старше 70 лет).

Голосование по почте

Голосование будет проходить только по почте. Избирательные бюллетени будут разосланы всем избирателям в последнюю неделю февраля.

Безопасность и конфиденциальность

Выборы от имени муниципалитета будут проводить Избирательная комиссия штата Виктория – Victorian Electoral Commission (VEC). Каждый избиратель должен будет подписать декларацию, подтверждающую, что он на самом деле является тем человеком, который участвует в голосовании. Эта декларация будет прикреплена к конверту, в котором будет прислан избирательный бюллетень. Работники VEC будут наблюдать за всем процессом отправки и доставки бюллетеней по почте.

Дополнительная информация

Вместе с избирательными бюллетенями все избиратели получат письменные заявления кандидатов и их инструкции для тех избирателей, которые хотят за них проголосовать. Дополнительная информация приведена в рекламном объявлении VEC на стр. 5 (это объявление также было помещено в местных газетах в течение недели, начиная с 27 января). Дополнительную информацию также можно получить в VEC по тел. 9532 4888 (для людей, страдающих нарушениями слуха – тел. 9299 0570).

Summer pool activities

Three events offering fun for all the family will be held at the East Bentleigh Memorial Swimming Pool this summer.

Saturday 22 February — Mega Sports Day
Sunday 9 March — Family Fun Day
Sunday 23 March — Mega Splash Day

For more information phone 9570 7394 or visit the East Bentleigh Memorial Swimming Pool at 190 East Boundary Road, Bentleigh East.



Ψηφίστε τον Μάρτιο

Απαιτείται απ' τους εγγεγραμμένους δημότες του Δήμου Glen Eira να ψηφίσουν στις επόμενες δημοτικές εκλογές τον Μάρτιο 2003.

Θα εκλεγούν τρεις δημοτικοί σύμβουλοι για καθεμία απ' τις τρεις έδρες του Δήμου Glen Eira - Orrong, Jasper και Mackie. Οι υποψήφιοι θα ανακοινωθούν κατά το κλείσιμο της υποβολής υποψηφιότητας στις αρχές Φεβρουαρίου.

Υποχρεωτική ψηφοφορία

Η ψηφοφορία είναι υποχρεωτική για όλους τους εγγεγραμμένους δημότες (εκτός από άτομα 70 ετών και άνω).

Ψηφοφορία με ταχυδρομική ψήφο

Σας υπενθυμίζουμε ότι ολόκληρη η ψηφοφορία θα γίνει με ταχυδρομική ψήφο και οι ψηφοφόροι θα λάβουν τα ψηφοδέλτιά τους ταχυδρομικώς. Τα πακέτα των ψηφοδελτίων θα σταλούν την τελευταία εβδομάδα του Φεβρουαρίου.

Ασφάλεια

Η Βικτωριανή Εκλογική Επιτροπή (Victorian Electoral Commission - VEC) θα διεξάγει τις εκλογές εκ μέρους της Δημαρχίας. Ο κάθε ψηφοφόρος θα χρειαστεί να υπογράψει μια δήλωση που επισυνάπτεται στον φάκελο του ψηφοδελτίου δηλώνοντας ότι είναι το άτομο που ψηφίζει. Το εφορευτικό προσωπικό θα ελέγξει και θα αφαιρέσει το τμήμα της δήλωσης από κάθε φάκελο πριν ανοιχτεί ο φάκελος. Το προσωπικό του VEC θα επιτηρεί όλες τις διαδικασίες παράδοσης των ψηφοδελτίων από και προς τα Αυστραλιανά Ταχυδρομεία.

Περισσότερες πληροφορίες

Τα πακέτα ψηφοδελτίων που θα σταλούν σε όλους τους ψηφοφόρους θα περιλαμβάνουν γραπτές δηλώσεις των υποψηφίων καθώς επίσης και τις ενδείξεις των προτιμήσεών τους. Περισσότερες πληροφορίες παρέχονται επίσης στην αγγελία του VEC στη σελίδα 5 (που δημοσιεύτηκε επίσης και στις τοπικές εφημερίδες κατά την εβδομάδα με έναρξη τις 27 Ιανουαρίου), ή τηλεφωνώντας στο VEC στον αριθμό 9532 4888 (TTY 9299 0570).

Volunteering needs you

Volunteering provides a sense of purpose to those who volunteer. At this time, more than ever in the past, we are all looking for meaning in our lives.

In the Glen Eira area, volunteers are teaching English to new migrants, providing companionship to the elderly, supporting people with disabilities in the community and coaching junior sporting teams. These volunteers experience great satisfaction in giving something back to the community and a renewed sense of energy through doing something that is meaningful.

If you have considered volunteering but don't know where to start the Glen Eira Volunteer Resource Service is the place to go. The Volunteer Resource Service has a list of over 150 local organisations currently seeking volunteers.

To discover the possibilities, visit the Glen Eira Volunteer Resource Service at Oak Tree House, 256 Hawthorn Rd, Caulfield or phone 9524 3303.

A sense of satisfaction is guaranteed with volunteering.

Council to provide quality animal management

The provision of the City's animal management service recently returned to Glen Eira City Council, following five years under contract.

Council's Manager Civic Amenity Carl Russo said: "A Best Value review conducted under State Government direction has indicated that Council is in the best position to provide the animal management service to residents of Glen Eira."

"We will strive to provide a high-quality and cost-effective service for our community."

Council's three-person animal management team will be responsible for:

- providing a service for lost and found domestic pets;
- patrolling of all parks and streets;
- ensuring that cats and dogs residing in the City are registered; and
- investigating complaints regarding domestic pets including alleged dog attacks, barking dogs and other animal nuisance.

Mr Russo said a series of planned service improvements included a new schools program to educate students about responsible pet ownership, provided in conjunction with the Victorian Canine Association.

Council is currently investigating the options available for the impounding of animals.

For further information about Council's animal management service or responsible pet ownership visit Council's Service Centre, corner Hawthorn and Glen Eira Roads, Caulfield, or phone 9524 3333.

Animal Management Officer Kate Bell (pictured right) talks about the new service arrangements with Esther and her dog Sam in Caulfield Park. Photo: Kim Gilliland.



Cast your vote in March

Enrolled residents of the City of Glen Eira will be required to vote in the next local government elections in March 2003.

Three councillors will be elected for each of the Glen Eira's three wards — Orrong, Jasper and Mackie. Candidates will be announced when nominations close in early February.

Compulsory

Voting is compulsory for all enrolled residents (except those 70 years or over).

Vote by post

Please note that all voting will be conducted by post and voters will receive their ballot papers in the mail. Ballot packs will be sent out during the last week of February.

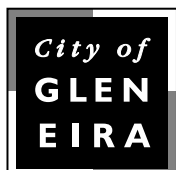
Security

The Victorian Electoral Commission (VEC) will conduct the election on Council's behalf. Each voter will be required to sign a declaration attached to their ballot paper envelope stating that they are the person casting the vote. Polling staff will check and remove the declaration statement from each envelope before they are opened. VEC staff will supervise all aspects of the delivery of ballot papers to and from Australia Post.

Further information

Ballot packs delivered to all voters will include written statements from candidates as well as their indication of preferences.

More information is also available in the VEC advertisement on page 5 (which was also advertised in local newspapers during the week commencing 27 January), or by phoning the VEC on 9532 4888 (TTY 9299 0570).



City of Glen Eira Council elections March 2003

Voting by post

Elections for the Glen Eira City Council will be held in March 2003. The elections will be held entirely by post. If you are enrolled for the Glen Eira City Council elections, a ballot pack will be posted to you from Tuesday, 25 February 2003. For your vote to count, your completed ballot paper must reach the Returning Officer by 6.00 pm on Friday, 14 March 2003.

How to nominate for Council

To nominate for Council, you must lodge a nomination form (together with a \$100 nomination fee), between Thursday, 6 February and 4.00 pm on Tuesday, 11 February 2003. The Returning Officer will be available during this period for the lodgment of nominations at the following address: 1-3 Carre Street, Elsternwick.

If you will be away

If you will be away when ballot packs are mailed from 25 February 2003, or your address has changed since 16 December 2002, you may have your ballot pack redirected by writing to:

Returning Officer
Glen Eira City Council Elections
Locked Bag 7777
Elsternwick VIC 3185

Please include the address for redirection. Each voter requesting redirection must sign the request. Your request must be received by 4.00 pm on Tuesday, 11 February 2003.

Ron Preston
Returning Officer
1-3 Carre Street
Elsternwick
TTY: 9299 0570 (text telephone)

For enquiries in languages other than English call our interpreting service:
• 9209 0100 Arabic • 9209 0101 Chinese (Cantonese) • Hrvatski 9209 0102 Croatian • Ελληνικά 9209 0103 Greek
• Italiano 9209 0104 Italian • Македонски 9209 0105 Macedonian • 9209 0106 Chinese (Mandarin)
• Српски 9209 0107 Serbian • Somali 9209 0108 Somali • Español 9209 0109 Spanish • Türkçe 9209 0110 Turkish
• Việt-ngữ 9209 0111 Vietnamese • All other non-English languages 9209 0112



Victorian Electoral
Commission

Information: 9532 4888
or www.vec.vic.gov.au

Voting is compulsory for enrolled residents

Micromet *ensures* responsible irrigation

Water conservation has become increasingly important to Glen Eira City Council since the introduction of stage 1 water restrictions last year.

Approximately 80 per cent of Glen Eira's major parks and sportsgrounds are managed by a central control watering system.

Five of the remaining small parks were recently linked to a relatively new irrigation management system called *Micromet*, including Gardenvale Park in Gardenvale, Garden Avenue Reserve in Glen Huntly, Greenmeadows Gardens in St Kilda East, Oakleigh Road Reserve in Ormond and Elsternwick Plaza in Elsternwick.

According to Council's Grounds Coordinator Peter Todd, *Micromet*

offers efficient, environmentally responsible irrigation management at low cost.

He explained: "A small controller at each site is linked to the *Micromet* central computer that uses information from local weather stations to accurately calculate the level of irrigation required.

Other factors, including soil texture, root zone depth and the precipitation rate, are also considered."

Micromet will only allow irrigation when the water content of the root zone at each site requires additional supply.

The system also detects rainfall by satellite and stops irrigation when appropriate.



Council's Acting Grounds Coordinator Peter Todd inspects the *Micromet* controller at Greenmeadows Reserve.

Photo: Kim Gilliland.

New bus shelters protect Glen Eira residents

Council will install 75 bus shelters across the City in coming months to protect public transport travellers from all weather extremes.

The first of the new shelters was installed recently in Bentleigh East and the replacement program will be completed by June 2003.



Local resident Artem awaits a ride at one of the new bus shelters on North Road.

Council's Acting Director Infrastructure Kerry Martin said the new shelters were "simple, modern, stylish and unobtrusive".

"The shelters will be lit at night to enhance public safety and they have been designed to meet current standards of access for people of all abilities," Mr Martin said.

The shelters also conform to requirements for use in the City's heritage precincts.

"Shelters proposed for heritage areas will not feature advertising and a town planning permit will be required prior to installation. All advertising on the remaining shelters will also need to be approved by town planning and comply with industry standards for

content and subject matter," he said.

The new shelters will be provided under a contract including installation, maintenance and cleaning. If you see any damage or problems with a shelter, please phone Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

Did your New Year's resolutions include volunteering?

If you have good communication skills and enjoy the company of elderly people, please step forward and volunteer.

The Social Support and Monitoring Service seeks volunteers to provide one to one assistance to elderly or disabled clients living in Glen Eira.

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

If you have a car and are available for a couple of hours a week, a fortnight or even occasionally please contact the coordinator, Susan Rutherford on 9524 3314.

Community Information Glen Eira

Help us to help people

Do you believe access to information and assistance with resources is important?

If you enjoy people, are you a good listener and could spare half a day a week to work with a great bunch of people please contact Laurel Thompson on 9524 3200. A brief training course will be provided.

Recognition for outstanding volunteers

Council will host the annual Volunteer Recognition Scheme Ceremony in May to honour the work of the City's volunteers.

Manager Family, Youth and Community Support Marg Sullivan said thousands of people volunteer their time each year for non-profit services which benefit the community.

"Volunteers are very important to the City of Glen Eira and make an invaluable contribution to our residents through a wide variety of organisations."

Individuals and organisations are invited to nominate volunteers for a variety of awards to be presented at the ceremony.

Nominations will be accepted for awards recognising 500, 1,000 or 2,000 hours of service.

There will also be a special category for those who have achieved 10 or more years of continuous service with an organisation.

Forms are now available from the Council's Service Centre or by phoning 9524 3333.

Ms Sullivan added: "There are hundreds of volunteers in our community who provide outstanding service and I encourage all non-profit organisations to nominate a worthy recipient."

Council's Volunteer Recognition Scheme Ceremony will be held during National Volunteers Week.

Nominations for awards close on Wednesday 19 March at 5pm.

Citizens awarded at Australia Day breakfast

By Sophie Aristodemou



Australian flags, tables draped in green and gold and native flora set the ambiance of Glen Eira Council's 2003 Australia Day Breakfast celebration. One hundred and fifty guests exchanged patriotic stories of

what Australia Day means to them and listened to familiar tunes played by pianist Blanka West.

Mayor Cr Peter Goudge presented the award for Glen Eira Citizen of the Year to Stan Marks and the Glen Eira Young Citizen of the Year award to Tom Bunn, commending them for their tireless efforts as volunteers.

Cr Goudge said that Australia Day is a day of celebration for all Australians.

"It is a day we set aside to reflect on the character of our great nation, our remarkable people and the

institutions that all make Australia what it is," Cr Goudge said.

"Australia is the coming together of a variety of people from more than 140 different countries, particularly since the end of World War II, has led us to become a nation of great diversity yet a nation that has lost none of its characteristic Australianess — we're all 'true blues!'"

Terry McCrann, leading Australian Economic commentator, took the Australia Day breakfast guests on a journey through Australian economic times and spoke about the effects that world terrorism and globalisation have on the Australian economy.

"Challenge creates opportunity in our wonderful country," Mr McCrann said.

"We will get plenty of opportunities in the years ahead."

Guests were entertained by pianist Blanka West, Danielle Matthews and Jedda Wignell who sang *The Prayer* and *If I loved you*. Flags were waiving and voices were raised as guests joined Danielle in singing *I am Australian*.

Photos: Bernie Bickerton.



Residents joined in singing I am Australian during official Australia Day celebrations in Glen Eira.



Leading Australian Economic commentator Terry McCrann was the official guest speaker at the Australia Day Ceremony in Glen Eira.



Stan hits the mark

By Sophie Aristodemou

Glen Eira City Council's Citizen of the Year, Stan Marks of Caulfield South, has donated hours, months and years of his time to a variety of charities and organisations and still remains a modest man.



Glen Eira Citizen of the Year Stan Marks.

When called to the stage to collect his award at Council's Australia Day breakfast, Mr Marks said that he was staggered to have received the award.

Mr Marks started Neighbourhood Watch Area C81 more than 10 years ago and was awarded the Police Distinguished Award for his Neighbourhood Watch activities and looked after the newsletter for the area. He is on the Holocaust Centre's Executive and Board of Management and the Public Officer and Vice President of the Friends of the Holocaust Centre.

Mr Marks has also taught English to migrants at TAFE and given numerous talks on a diversity of topics to schools across Victoria to various community service clubs. He was on the public relations committees for Shelford Anglican School for Girls and King David School.

He was a guide at the Jewish Museum and was involved in fund raising for the United Israel Appeal.

In his speech Mr Marks said he was proud to be part of the city and its diversity.

"I call Glen Eira the City for all reasons and seasons," Mr Marks said.

"I imagine Australia filled with more cities like Glen Eira, I'm proud to live in such a city."

He has promoted Caulfield in particular and Melbourne and Australia in general at home and abroad. He wrote and helped lay out an impressive booklet on Caulfield for the former Caulfield Council.



Citizen of the Year Stan Marks and Young Citizen of the Year Tom Bunn drape Mayor Cr Peter Goudge in the Australian flag during Australia Day celebrations in Glen Eira.

"Saint" Tom

By Sophie Aristodemou

Tom Bunn of Elsternwick is the 2003 Glen Eira Young Citizen of the Year. Tom was acknowledged for the countless hours that he volunteers with the St John Ambulance in Melbourne and country Victoria.

Tom said that he felt overwhelmed and shy in front of the Australia Day breakfast crowd where he received his award although he is definitely not shy when offering his first aid skills in front of tens of thousands at the MCG football and cricket games.

When Tom was in grade five he decided that he needed more in his life than just playing sport on the weekends, so he concluded that volunteer work would be the answer. Since then, the now 18 year old student has served the community of Glen Eira and people all across the State as a St John Ambulance first aider.

Tom has assisted people with injuries from headaches to heart attacks during the 1,800



Glen Eira Young Citizen of the Year Tom Bunn.

hours he has devoted in the past three years.

Tom has recently completed Year 12 at Melbourne High School where he was involved in Melbourne High School's political interest group and played the flute in the school band.

He also received a nomination as the *Leader Newspaper Glen Eira Young Citizen of the Year for 2002*.

This year Tom will be a full-time student at Holmesglen TAFE and part time worker at the Classic Cinema in Elsternwick but he still

finds the time to lead a group of 20-30 St John cadets, attend Monday night meetings and keep up his training.

In collecting his award Tom thanked Council for its support of the youth of today. He hopes to spend the rest of his summer break recruiting young cadets for first aid training.

"Once my cadets reach a certain age they are deemed as adult first aiders — I am losing all my cadets," said Tom.

Festive season celebrat



Leah, Laura and David get into the Christmas spirit.



Friends and families came together for a fun night out to celebrate the festive season at the Caulfield Racecourse.

Carols with family and friends

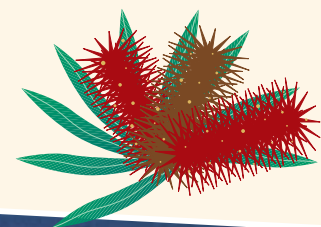
A crowd of 3,000 people sang along at Council's sixth annual *Carols by Candlelight* concert at the Caulfield Racecourse on Sunday 15 December.

The evening, hosted by popular 3AW personality Denis Walter, featured pre-carols entertainment by Sacha LeFevre, the Glen Eira City Band, and students of McKinnon Secondary College Big Band, McKinnon Secondary College Senior Singers and the Sefra Burstin School of Dance.

Throughout the concert, residents and visitors to Glen Eira also enjoyed spectacular performances by Silvie Paladino, Tony Fenelon, Terry Gill, the Three Chinese Tenors, Melbourne Welsh Male Voice Choir and Joining the Chorus Singers.

The much-loved Humphrey B Bear made a special appearance and the children were also delighted when Santa Claus arrived in traditional style.

Special thanks to the sponsors and volunteers of the 2002 Carols by Candlelight, as their valued support enables this wonderful community event to be held each year.



One of the many young performers on stage at Carols by Candlelight.



Santa Claus made a special appearance to the delight of the crowd.



Carols with friends — (from left) Bessie, Zoe, Marrina, Nately and Hayley.



Santa, reindeers and even Humphrey B Bear made it onto the stage at Carols by Candlelight.



Photos: Peter Bury.

Celebrations in Glen Eira

Chanukah fireworks light up Caulfield

Chanukah celebrations



Fireworks lit up the sky during the Chanukah in the Park celebrations organised by the Chabad House of Caulfield in December.

Thousands of people of all ages flocked to Caulfield Park for the festivities, including a food fair, children's carnival, music and a spectacular fireworks show.

Rabbi Joseph Gutnick kindled a special Chanukia to commemorate the "miracle of the oil", which he claimed was the world's largest Chanukiah.

The Hebrew word "Chanukah" means "dedication" and refers to the story of the revolt of the Jewish people against being assimilated into Greek culture in the second Century BC. According to the traditional story, the Jewish fighters who successfully defended their people against the Greek rule, returned to Jerusalem in the month of December to find the holy temple desecrated. When they came to light the menorah, only one small jar of oil bearing the pure seal of the high priest could be found. The story describes the miracle that this tiny jar burned for eight days, until more oil could be brought. Hence the eight-day celebration which Jewish people observe — Chanukah, the festival of lights.

About 16.5 per cent of Glen Eira residents follow the Jewish faith, compared to 1.1 per cent of residents in the Melbourne metropolitan area.

Photos: Bernie Bickerton.



Fun for everyone in Carnegie

Around 30,000 people of all ages enjoyed a great day out at the Carnegie Festival in Koornang Road late last year.

The Carnegie Traders Association organises this annual event to thank the local community for their continuing support.

Centre Co-ordinator for the Carnegie Traders Association Patti Perkins said the event was "extremely successful".



Young basketball players of Glen Eira were keen to get a few tips from Liberty Giants' star Miles Pearce.

"We had great participation and continuous fun throughout the day," Ms Perkins said.

Youngsters were treated to face painting, an animal nursery, clowns, wizards, puppet shows, free rides and amusements, balloons, fairy floss, ad a special visit by Humphrey B Bear.

Meanwhile, adults and older children enjoyed a huge variety of street, stalls, roaming entertainers, wood chopping competitions, tug of war, and much more.

There was plenty of music to pump up the atmosphere, with leading entertainment by the Carnegie Primary School orchestra and choir and the Australian Youth Performers.

The highlight of the festival was the spectacular arrival of Santa in a sleigh pulled by Samoyed dogs, and led by vintage cars carrying Glen Eira Mayor Cr Peter Goudge, President of the Carnegie Traders Association Gerald Galatis, Captain Starlight and Austin Powers.



Thousands of people enjoyed the celebrations in Koornang Road during the Carnegie Festival.

A variety of competitions were extremely popular, particularly the schools' poster competition which attracted around 1,000 entries from students across the City. The entries remained on display in shop windows along Koornang Road during the weeks following the festival.

Ms Perkins said: "The Carnegie Festival was wonderful from start to finish. The weather was perfect and the presentation of the street was mazing. We thrilled that everyone enjoyed the day."



Young children, and even some adults, lined up to have their faces painted in a variety of styles and bright colours.



Wizards, clowns and puppeteers were all part of the entertainment during the Carnegie Festival.



People of all ages raced up and down Koornang Road in miniature mobiles.



Local students entertained the crowds with their musical talents.



Always popular — the giant jumping castle. Youngsters bounced around happily all day!

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Computers for Beginners

Basic Skills	Mon 10 Feb–Mon 3 Mar	10am–12pm x 4wks	\$60
Word Processing	Wed 12 Feb–Wed 5 Mar	10am–12pm x 4wks	\$60
Computer management	Mon 17 Mar–Mon 7 Apr	10am–12pm x 4wks	\$60
File making	Wed 12 Mar–Wed 9 Apr	10am–12pm x 4wks	\$60

Spreadsheets/Excel

	Fri 7 Mar–Fri 28 Mar	1.30pm–3pm x 4wks	\$75
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French for beginners

	Thur 13 Feb–Thur 6 Mar	1.30pm–3pm x 4wks	\$35
	Thur 13 Mar–Thur 3 Apr	1.30pm–3pm x 4wks	\$35

English, Second Language

	Tue 11 Feb–Tue 8 Apr	10am–12pm x 9wks	\$27
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Maths Yr 10 level

	Thu 20 Feb–Th 27 Mar	11.30am–1pm x 6wks	\$13.50
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Small Group Facilitation

	Thu 13 Mar–Thu 3 Apr	1pm–3pm x 4wks	\$32
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Woolcraft-Knit & Crochet

	Mon 3, 17 Feb & 24 Mar	1pm–3pm	\$3
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How to!!!!

Creative writing	Mon 10 Feb	1pm–3pm	\$3
Intro to weight loss	Mon 24 Feb	1pm–3pm	\$3
Intro to Spanish	Mon 31 March	1pm–3pm	\$3
Plan a community garden	Thu 13 Feb	1pm–3pm	\$3
Astrology	Thu 20 Feb	1pm–3pm	\$3
Self-discovery through music	Thu 27 Feb	1pm–3pm	\$3
Relax through fingerpainting	Thu 6 Mar	1pm–3pm	\$3

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Doing Business



Discovery through BusEd

Final year Monash University Information Technology students have designed and developed an impressive website for Discovery Video in Bentleigh, as part of Council's *BusEd — Linking Business to Education* program.

Discovery Video proprietor Anna DeMontignie said her experience with the program was "tremendously successful".

"While it has involved a large investment of time, participating in this program has been one of the best decisions I have made," Ms DeMontignie said.

"The students were very mature and I was impressed by the professional detail of their work. The outcome reached far beyond my initial expectations and I would recommend this experience to any business."

The *BusEd — Linking Business to Education* program is designed to provide students with practical experience in a business environment, while offering business owners an opportunity to tap into a wealth of resources, skills and knowledge to help their business to grow.

New opportunities are now available for businesses in the City of Glen Eira to participate in the program. Students have expressed strong interest for projects involving information technology, management systems, accounting, public relations, marketing, advertising, graphic design and desktop publishing,

event management, manufacturing and engineering, innovation and design, and community arts projects.

BusEd is an initiative of Glen Eira City Council and jointly funded by the Department of Innovation, Industry and Regional Development's StreetLife Program.

For further information phone the Glen Eira City Council Business Development Unit on 9524 3333, or register your project online at www.gleneira.vic.gov.au.



BusEd—Linking Business to Education program participants: Yian San Sim, Frode Haugland, Discovery Video proprietor Anna de Montignie and Lynn Gwee. Absent: Adrian Low and Jess Lee.

Glen Eira Women's Business Network 2003

Self-promotion for businesswomen

Highly-respected businesswoman Sue Barrett will reinforce the importance of self-promotion with members of the Glen Eira Women's Business Network at their next meeting on Thursday 20 February.

As the Managing Director of Barrett Consulting Group, Ms Barrett is Australia's leading speaker on overcoming the fear of self-promotion. She launched her consultancy in 1995 with only \$3,000 and now boasts a multi-million dollar turnover.

"The absent ingredient for growth in many women is their ability to comfortably and consistently draw the attention they deserve to the contributions they make," Ms Barrett said.

"We can help businesses to maximise their performance by challenging and educating individuals to be their best. By liberating human potential within an individual or an organisation, the individual, like a business, is fundamentally changed. This evolution is empowering and is reflected in performance, productivity and profitability improvements as well as better employee retention through effective strategies."

Ms Barrett was inducted into the Businesswomen's Hall of Fame in 2000. She was a finalist in the Telstra Business Woman of the Year Awards in 1998 and 2001, and her company won the 1997 Telstra and Victorian Government Small Business Award.

All businesswomen within the City of Glen Eira are invited to hear Ms Barrett speak in the Caulfield Cup Room at the Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Hawthorn and Glen Eira Roads, Caulfield, on Thursday 20 February at 7pm. Cost \$10.

Council's Business Development Manager Lynda Bredin said the Glen Eira Women's Business Network Group was formed in 2001 to provide a supportive environment and learning opportunities for businesswomen.

"Networking is an important element of business today. It enables people to share ideas, and it provides support and encourages business linkages and friendships. Many business operators feel isolated this

is a great opportunity to spend time with people who are in similar positions," Ms Bredin said.

The Glen Eira Women's Business Network has 120 members and will meet on the following dates in 2003:

20 February	20 March	10 April
15 May	19 June	17 July
21 August	18 September	16 October
20 November		

For further information phone Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

BusEd — linking business and education

Vibrant artwork by the students of Caulfield South Primary School decorated the windows of the Caulfield South strip shopping centre during the Christmas period. Individual works of art were joined to make window banners.

This project was part of Council's *BusEd* program which links education and business in the City of Glen Eira.

Council's Business Development Manager Lynda Bredin said: "The *BusEd* program has had some great success stories and we aim to further strengthen the relationship between our schools and retailers in 2003 with a series of art projects in shopping centres."



(From left) Caulfield Commerce Association Secretary Frank Penhalluriack, Caulfield Commerce Association President Claudio Lupieri, and Caulfield South Primary School art teacher Julie Hoffman.

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Occasional Child Care			
Mon 3 Feb–Mon 7 Apr	9.30am–12.30pm x 9wks	\$8sess	
Thu 6 Feb–Thu 10 Apr	9.30am–12.30pm x 9wks	\$8sess	
3yr old pre-kinder			
Fri 14 Feb–Fri 4 Apr	9.30am–12pm x 8wks	\$64	
Yoga	Wed 5 Feb	6.30pm–8pm x 10wks	\$90
Volunteer Intro/Training			
Mon 24 Feb, Mon 3, 17 & 24 Mar	10am–12pm		
Revue, planning & writing			
Mon 10 Feb	8pm		
CAE book club			
Mon 3 Feb	7.30pm		\$as per CAE
Art class			
Mon 24 Feb	7.30pm–9pm		
Women's issues			
Tue 4 Mar	8pm		\$4
Aust. Literature discussion			
Tue 18 Feb	8pm		\$4
Playgroup			
Wed 26 Feb–Wed 2 Apr	10am–12pm		\$3
Men's Social/Discuss. Group			
Wed 12 Feb	12.30pm–2pm		\$3
Sheila's singers			
Every Thu	10am–12am		\$3
One-to-one computer			
By appointment			\$15p/h
internet/email			\$17p/h

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Panels recommend adoption

Amendments C14 and C25

Council recently received two independent panel reports for consideration, relating to the Phoenix Precinct Policy (amendment C14 to the Glen Eira Planning Scheme) and the Housing and Residential Development Strategy (amendment C25).

The reports recommend that Council adopt each amendment subject to modifications.

When Council receives submissions to an exhibited amendment it must refer them to an independent panel appointed by the Minister for Planning. The panel conducts a hearing and prepares a report for Council consideration. If Council decides to adopt an amendment, either in its exhibited or amended form, it is forwarded to the Minister for ultimate approval.

Council officers are now assessing the C14 and C25 panel reports and anyone who made a written submission in relation to either amendment will have been sent a copy of the relevant report.

Council is yet to make any decision on either amendment and submitters will be notified of relevant meeting dates. Council may decide to adopt, amend or abandon either amendment, however the final decision will require ministerial approval.

Phoenix Precinct Policy (amendment C14)

The Phoenix Precinct comprises the Caulfield Railway Station, Derby Road/Caulfield Plaza shopping centre, Monash University, part of the Caulfield Racecourse, and adjacent residential areas.

In recent years Council, in consultation with the community and major stakeholders, developed an Urban Design Framework providing a future vision for the area.

A policy was developed for the inclusion of this vision in the Glen Eira Planning Scheme and was exhibited as a planning scheme amendment.

Council considered the Phoenix Precinct Policy on 29 April and 11 June 2002 and resolved to refer the

policy to an independent panel. Submissions were heard over four days in September and October 2002, from local residents and representatives of the Glen Eira Residents Association, Monash University, Melbourne Racing Club and Council.

The resulting panel report endorsed the concept of the policy to guide the development of the precinct and recommended:

- An expansion of the precinct to include the whole of the Caulfield racecourse and Monash University, and the preparation of guidelines for all land within the precinct;
- Various changes to the policy affecting building height, setback, land use, traffic and car parking; and
- Further traffic/car parking management, improved public access to the centre of the racecourse, and master planning of the Melbourne Racing Club land.

Housing and Residential Development Strategy (amendment C25)

The purpose of amendment C25 is to implement the outcomes of the Glen Eira Housing and Residential Development Strategy. The amendment comprises two new local planning policies (the Housing Diversity Policy and Residential Character Policy), changes to the Municipal Strategic Statement and the schedule to the Residential 1 Zone (*ResCode* variations).

An independent panel heard submissions over four days in October 2002, from Council, residents, traders, developers, and officers of the Department of Infrastructure.

The panel recommended that the exhibited Amendment C25 be adopted with a number of modifications.

The panel endorsed Council's overall strategy in general, but had reservations about the many minimal change areas where Council wishes to prohibit multi-unit development.

Within these areas the panel felt multi-dwelling development should not be as constrained as Council had proposed.

Further recommendations included:

- Preparation of structure plans for each neighbourhood centre in the municipality to address issues of built form, density, traffic and car parking;
- A review of all local centres and whether they should be included prior to adoption of the amendment;
- Minor re-formatting; and
- Modifications to the state standard zones set by the State Government.

The panel also commended Council for "the commitment to strategic planning it has demonstrated in the development of its Housing and Residential Strategy, and for the scope and thoroughness of its work".

Further information

Copies of the panel reports can be viewed at Council's Service Centre or on the website: www.gleneira.vic.gov.au.

Council explores Bentleigh streetscape options

A review planned for Centre Road in Bentleigh will identify potential projects to help revitalise the shopping strip.

Community consultation was conducted late last year determine the needs and expectations for the area. A report and preliminary schematic drawings will be available for exhibition and public comment at the end of March.

Council's Business Development Manager Lynda Bredin said: "Council recognises that Bentleigh's streetscape has become tired and needs a lift. The centre's traditional red theme has been subjected to varying degrees of fading, giving an inconsistent and aging appearance."

The areas under review include the rotunda, public amenities, outdoor eating facilities and carparks. Street furniture, pavement surfacing, lighting and signage will also be considered.

Ms Bredin added: "Our aim is to create a manageable streetscape, which will enhance the centre and meet the needs of all stakeholders and enrich the economic sustainability of the area."

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Victorian Seniors Festival

The age to be

A special concert, *The Age to be In the Mood*, featuring all the great songs of the big band era, will kick off the 2003 Victorian Seniors Festival celebrations in Glen Eira.

The event will be held on Friday 21 March in the Auditorium, Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield.

Other activities to be held during the two-week festival include free walks, concerts, open days, come n' try activities, afternoon tea and dances.

Older Adults Recreation Co-ordinator Cheryl Kennedy said: "This is a great opportunity for residents to try something new, and discover what Council and senior community groups have to offer."

A brochure highlighting full details of all Victorian Seniors Festival events in Glen Eira will be available late February. If you would like to be placed on the mailing list phone Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

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why? Stop 9572 5389

Welcome to 2003

Glen Eira City Council is committed to assisting and supporting young people between the ages of 10 and 25, who live, work, study or socialise within the City.

Services provided by Council include the provision of information, referrals and targeted programs for young people.

Council's recognises the diversity and skills within the Glen Eira community, and the Youth Services team works in a flexible and supportive way to meet the needs of young residents.

In 2003, the Youth Services team will continue to implement ideas and programs resulting from recent youth consultations and local research. New ideas are always welcome from members of the Glen Eira community.

The further information about the services available, or to speak with a youth worker, The Why? Stop youth information centre is a great place to start.

The Why? Stop is open each Monday to Thursday from 1pm to 6pm and on Fridays from 1pm to 5pm at 54 Rosstown Road, Carnegie. Phone 9572 5389 or email ystop@gleneira.vic.gov.au.

Rythms of Glen Eira

Ba-Doom-Ba-Da! Ba-Doom-Ba-Da!

These are the drum-thumping sounds of West Africa, which will be heard and felt throughout the community this year. Starting on Thursday 13 February, Glen Eira City Council's youth services team will run the *Rhythms of Glen Eira* drumming workshop. Young participants will learn the basic skills of the West African hand drum called the Djembe. A professional drummer will lead the sessions on Thursday afternoons from 4.30pm–5.30pm.

To participate you need to meet at least one of the following criteria:

- be aged 14 to 19 years;
- be prepared to have a great time;
- like to laugh a lot;
- enjoy new experiences; or
- be interested in discovering your hidden talents.

For more information or to sign up, contact The Why? Stop Youth Information centre on 9572 5389.

Soundproof skating



Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

Noise in the area surrounding the Bailey Reserve skate facility will be severely minimised following soundproofing works undertaken by Council in February.

The skate facility has been extremely popular with young residents and visitors since its installation in late 2000.

The *Why? Stop* Youth Information Centre provides free, friendly and confidential support to young people. Find out more about what Council's youth centre has to offer — drop in and meet the youth workers at 54 Rosstown Road, Carnegie (near Carnegie train station).
Phone: 9572 5389 email: ystop@gleneira.vic.gov.au



The Why? Stop Youth Information Centre in Carnegie.

Solve the mystery

Find all the listed words to reveal a secret message within the puzzle! Words can go up, down, diagonally, forwards or backwards. Good luck!

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OCCASIONAL CARE PROGRAM
Caulfield South Community House
450 Kooyong Rd (Cnr Jupiter St)
Caulfield South 3162
Tuesday 9.30am to 12.30pm
Thursday 1pm to 4pm
Regular bookings: \$10.50 per session
Occasional bookings: \$12 per session
For bookings ring: 9596 8643

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Some concession places are available

ADULT EDUCATION

Literacy for life (8 week course) Cost: \$24

Getting started in English (32 week course) Cost: \$72

HEALTH AND PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

Tai Chi (8 week course) Cost: \$48

Meditation and spirituality (8 week course) Cost: \$64

ART AND CRAFT

Knitting circle (meets fortnightly-10.30am)—starts 27 February

Make your own greeting and gift cards (3hour workshop)

Cost: \$25+ \$5 materials fee

GENERAL ACTIVITIES

Women's lunchtime network (meets bi-monthly-12.30pm)—starts 19 Feb

Improve your gardening skills (4 week course) Cost:\$33

For information regarding other courses and to make bookings phone: 9596 8643

SEMESTER ONE: 28 January–27 June

House open 10am–4pm

Tues–Wed–Thurs

During school terms

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 Life Activities Club offers opportunities to meet new friends and enjoy social activities. Members meeting will be held at the Senior Citizens hall, Derry Street, Bentleigh on Wednesday 19 February. New members welcome. Contact: 9557 2562.

Little Steps Playgroup designed for toddlers aged 12 months to 3–4 years, at St Catherines Anglican Church, Kooyong Road, Caulfield South on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9.30am to 11am. Contact: Sally 9532 8759 or Gillian 9572 1926.

Caulfield Garden Club has a yearly spring show, program of speakers, bus trips to gardens, nurseries and other places of interest. Meet at Uniting Church, corner Glen huntly Road and Foster Street, Elsternwick on the first Tuesday of each month at 8pm. First meeting Tuesday 4 February, visitors and new members welcome. Contact: Ron 9570 4244.

Melbourne Scots Dancing Circle offers dance for fun and fitness and great fellowship at Ormond Uniting Church, corner North and Booran Roads, Ormond on Friday 7 March at 8pm. Cost: \$3.

Glen Eira Junior Soccer Club will hold a registration day at Mackie Reserve, corner Mackie Road and Tudor St, Bentleigh East on Sunday 9 February from 9am to 12pm. Goal kick, sub-junior and junior teams for boys and girls up to 18 years. Contact: Mary 9569 0412 or 0413 795 259.

Young Mothers' Group for mothers up to 25 years old meets at Bentleigh Bayside Community Health Service, Gardeners Road, Bentleigh East on Thursdays from 10am to 12noon. Free childcare available. Contact: Denise 9575 5349.

Caulfield Life Activities Club will meet at Gladys Machin Hall, Cedar Street, Caulfield on Wednesday 19 February at 7.30pm. Guest speaker. Supper served. New members welcome. Contact: 9568 5849.

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

Events

Hughesdale Art Group will hold a watercolour demonstration by Malcolm Beattie on Wednesday 12 February at 7.30pm and a demonstration on "Figurative Abstract" in acrylics on board by Karin Rody on Wednesday 26 February at 8pm at Hughesdale Community Centre, corner Poath and Kangaroo Roads Hughesdale. Donation: \$5. Contact: 9885 6407.

Elsternwick Park Bowls Club will hold a free sausage sizzle for anyone interested in 'having a go' at 170 Glen Huntly Road, Brighton on Wednesday 12 February at 6pm. Families welcome, bowls supplied. Contact: 9596 7270.

The National Trust Mansion Labassa will hold an exhibition on vintage toys at 2 Manor Grove, Caulfield North on Saturday 22 February and Sunday 23 February. Guided tours at no extra cost, light lunch and afternoon tea served in old servant quarters. Entry: \$5.50/\$7.70/\$19.80. Contact: 9527 6295.

Glen Huntly Tennis Club will hold a 'play tennis day' at the Glen Huntly Park tennis courts, enter Neerim Road near Booran Road corner, Glen Huntly on Sunday 16 February between 12pm and 4pm. Contact: Graham 9532 8156.

Community

U3A Glen Eira classes for 2003 will commence on Monday 10 February 2003. Offers re-open Monday 3 February. Contact: 9572 0571.

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Activities for February

Enquiries and bookings

Margaret 9596 6124

Welcome to a new year of happy times

Thursday 13 February

Tell us what you did or where you went over the holiday period. Enjoy a good laugh at a video of "the Plank". An old timer but as funny as ever. Morning tea, 99 Grange Road, Glen Huntly. Cost: \$2.50.

Thursday 27 February

Bus trip to Serendipity Lavender Farm at Nar Nar Goon. Walk through the lavender, stroll in the garden. Includes a light lunch, or maybe you would prefer a devonshire tea with lavender scones! How does that sound? Cost: \$30.

Depart 9.15am from 99 Grange Road, Glen Huntly and 9.30am from 185 Poath Road, Hughesdale.

GLEN EIRA 2003 BUS TRIPS

Yes folks, we're on again this year so shake a leg and come and join us. Low budget bus trips travelling with an accredited company.

Tuesday 18 February, 9am–5pm (approx.)

SORRENTO & MOONRAKER BAY CRUISE

Free morning tea at Seawinds Gardens, scenic Mornington Peninsula, bring or buy your own lunch at Sorrento. We explore the southern end of the bay on a 2 hour MOONRAKER cruise. Cost: \$40

Wednesday 5 March, 9am–5pm (approx.)

BALLARAT BEGONIA FESTIVAL

Pleasant drive to Ballarat stopping for morning tea along the way. The Ballarat Gardens are especially beautiful during the Begonia Festival so bring your lunch (or buy it there) and come along. There's plenty to see and do, maybe take a trip on the Lake Wendouree pleasure cruise. We will stop at Bacchus Marsh fruit stalls on the way home. Cost: \$34 incl. entry fees

Air conditioned coaches depart from Glen Eira Town Hall and 10 minutes later from Glen Huntly Station (Tram Stop 60).

**Bookings: BY PHONE OR MAIL 9720 5677 9am–2pm
Glen Eira 2003, PO BOX 221, NUNAWADING 3131**

Chess Education Centre is open throughout the school holidays Monday to Friday with two sessions running per day at 758 North Road, Ormond. Contact: 9576 8177.

Godfrey Street Community House has openings for its playgroup at 9 Godfrey Street, Bentleigh on Wednesday mornings from February. If you are interested in coming along please register. Contact: 9557 9037.

Immunisation dates for February

Glen Eira Town Hall

(entry via Glen Eira Road)

Corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield

Tuesday 11 February 9.30am–10.15am

Tuesday 4 March 6.00pm–7.30pm

Murrumbeena Baptist Church

44 Murrumbeena Road, Murrumbeena

Monday 10 February 10am–11am

Bentleigh–Bayside Community Health Service

Gardeners Road, Bentleigh East

Wednesday 19 February 6pm–7pm

Saturday 22 February 9.30am–10.30am

Glen Huntly Maternal and Child Health Centre

Corner Royal and Rosedale Avenues, Glen Huntly

Wednesday 26 February 9.30am–11am

Bentleigh Baptist Church

10 Vickery Street, Bentleigh

Monday 3 March 1.30pm–2.30pm

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Spotlight on arts

Selected works from the Glen Eira City Council art collection

13 February to 2 March

Opening night Wednesday 12 February at 6pm

To mark the opening of the 2003 exhibition program, Council will turn up the lights, draw the curtains, and reveal some of the finest works from its renowned art collection in *Spotlight*.

Following the enormous success of its 2002 collection exhibition — *Highlights* — the gallery will display a fresh variety of works from leading artists including Ivan Durrant, Leonard French, Erica McGilchrist, Felix Tuszynski, George Johnson and Fred Williams.

In an exciting and rare opportunity, the community will also have the opportunity to view the work of the Boyd family — founded by Arthur Merric Boyd (1862–1940) and his wife Emma Minnie Boyd (1858–1936).

The Boyd legacy has continued through an endless lineage of talents — from sculptors, painters and ceramicists, to writers and architects. The most noted is internationally acclaimed expressionist painter Arthur Boyd (Merric Bloomfield), born in Murrumbena in 1920 and the grandson of Arthur Merric Boyd. His painting *Farm, Murrumbena Road, 1935* is a signature painting of the City's collection.

The Boyd family's national significance is undisputed and their presence in Glen Eira is culturally and

historically important. Merric, son of Arthur Boyd senior and wife Doris Boyd, founded Australia's first major pottery studio called *Open Country* at Wahroonga Crescent, Murrumbena, and later Arthur Boyd junior jointly instigated the Arthur Merric Boyd Pottery Workshop, also in Murrumbena. Among the art works by the Boyds in the Council's art collection is Guy Boyd's iconic bronze sculpture *The Swimmer*, on permanent display at the Town Hall. The family's significance in Glen Eira was formally acknowledged when the outer circle railway land in Murrumbena was renamed *Boyd Park*.

Spotlight presents over 100 years of art from the Boyd family including ceramics, drawings, paintings and prints. This is an outstanding opportunity to see first-hand the creative pursuits of one of Australia's most



Council's Visual Arts Co-ordinator David O'Halloran displays a fine piece of Boyd pottery. Photos: Kim Gilliland.

dedicated and influential artistic families, alongside a broad spectrum of other respected artists from the Glen Eira City Council art collection.

Arthur Boyd was born in Murrumbena in 1920 and as a child attended the Murrumbena Primary School. He left school at 14 years of age to attend night classes at The National Gallery School. The work *Farm, Murrumbena Road, 1935* in the Glen Eira City Council art collection depicts the Murrumbena environs and shows the early influence of impressionist painting.

Boyd's art was to change radically in the late 1930s as a result of meeting German expressionist painters who migrated from Europe to Australia, and through his experience serving in the Australian Army from 1941 to 1944. Boyd became an expressionist metaphysical painter. His themes were moral; his imagery based on his own social and psychological observations.

Boyd gained international renown beginning with his selection as Australia's representative at the Venice Biennale in 1958.



Arthur Boyd's *Farm, Murrumbena Road, 1935* will feature in the *Spotlight* exhibition at Glen Eira City Council Gallery.

Buying a business or franchise?

Under new management workshops

The **Under New Management** program is providing a series of workshops to inform people about the essentials of buying a small business or a franchise or signing a retail lease.

Signing a retail lease Buying a small business

A workshop of 3½ hours with an experienced workshop leader who will guide you through the content. For \$30 per workshop you will receive:

- a comprehensive workbook of information and referral contacts;
- a one-on-one business counselling session with an experienced counsellor; and
- access to online information and publications.

Retail tenancy

Tuesday 25 February 6pm–9.30pm

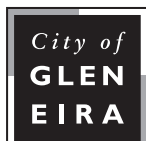
Buying a small business

Tuesday 4 March 6pm–9.30pm

Light dinner included.

Ripponlea Room
Glen Eira Town Hall
Corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads
Caulfield
Limited bookings.
To book call Council's Business Development Unit on 9524 3384

The development of this program was funded by the Minister for Consumer Affairs from the Estate Agents' Guarantee Fund.



Party in the Parks

Free entertainment, fun and activities for the whole family

Glen Eira is a great place to live! So come along and celebrate the good life and meet your neighbours at any one of three *Party in the Park* celebrations organised by Council at the following venues:

Packer Park, Leila Road, Carnegie
Sunday 30 March, 12noon–4pm
Allnutt Park, Wheatley Road, McKinnon
Sunday 6 April, 12noon–4pm
Caulfield Park (Hawthorn Road entrance)
Sunday 13 April, 12noon–4pm

Each event will include hours of spectacular music, dance and circus performances, plus cooking demonstrations, displays and fun activities for children of all ages. Bring a picnic, a rug, and your family and friends!

Community groups, schools and performers are invited to participate in Council's free *Party in the Park* celebrations. For further information contact the coordinator on 9524 3333.

Recreation News

Improving the City's parks

Nine of the City's parks will offer an even more pleasant environment for visitors following upgrades to play equipment, under-surfacing, rotundas and seating.

Reserves with work underway or completed as part of Council's *Small Playgrounds Acceleration Program* include Colin Street Reserve, Marlborough Reserve, Pell Street Park and Wingate Brady Reserve in Bentleigh East, Gardenvale Park in Gardenvale and Elsternwick Plaza Park in Elsternwick. Playgrounds at the Rosanna Street Reserve in Carnegie and EE Gunn Reserve in Ormond will undergo improvements soon.

A special feature at the Elsternwick Plaza Park will be the new red train playground, which is consistent with the railway theme of the nearby Rosstown Rail Trail and the Sandringham Railway line.

Tree planting at the reserves will also be undertaken in autumn.

When completed these small playgrounds and upgraded parks will provide countless hours of enjoyment for residents.



Playground works in Gardenvale Park will result in greater enjoyment for young residents in the area. Photo: Kim Gilliland.

Get into the swim of it!



Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

Glen Eira's swim centres have been a hit with residents of all ages this summer, with both the Caulfield and East Bentleigh memorial pools attracting huge numbers of visitors each day.

Both facilities feature heated 50 metre swimming pools, as well as learner and toddler pools, and water slides.

Council's Manager Recreation Services Linda Smith said: "These facilities offer excellent value family entertainment with plenty of fun for all ages. They also provide a great opportunity for residents to get fit, learn to swim or simply picnic on the grass."

Opening hours
Monday–Friday 6am–7pm
Saturday and Sunday 8am–6pm
Public holidays 8am–6pm

If the forecast temperature is 30 degrees Celsius or above, opening hours will be extended until 8pm.

For further information phone the Caulfield Memorial Pool on 9571 8143 or the East Bentleigh Memorial Pool on 9570 7394, and make sure you get into the swim of things in a Glen Eira pool this summer!

"Banging Out" in Glen Eira

Funding from the Council's Community Grants Program will enable a group of young adults with intellectual disabilities to participate in a vibrant drum and percussion workshop.

Participants will have the opportunity to make and play their own drums and develop new skills during a 12-week project called *Banging Out* at the Caulfield Recreation Centre.

The workshop is an initiative developed by Joint Councils Access for All Abilities (JCAAA) service and Marriott House.

JCAAA is a service of the Cities of Bayside, Glen Eira, Port Phillip and Stonnington that provides opportunities for people with disabilities to participate in sport, recreation and arts activities within their local community.

Marriott House is an Adult Training and Support Service in Glen Eira that works with people with intellectual disabilities to assist them with individual living skills, communication and social skills, employment preparation and recreation.

JCAAA is looking for interested residents to take part in this exciting project.

For further information phone Fiona Allan at JCAAA on 9209 6159.

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Parks meeting sparks interest

Council consulted the views of more than 120 resident on the future management of the Boyd Park Outer Circle Railway, Springthorpe Gardens and Riley Reserve in Murrumbeena at a recent meeting.

The feedback will contribute to the development of a park management plan for the area. Council and the Department of Sustainability and Environment will fund the project.

Landscape architect Mark McWha addressed the meeting, outlining the current condition of the parks and answering residents' questions. Those attending then had an opportunity to discuss how they want the parks to be maintained and what improvements they wanted. The ideas will assist in the development of a draft management plan, which will then be subject to further community consultation.

These parks contain a variety of indigenous plants including remnant Red Gums and swamp gums. The area is very attractive and a popular destination with our residents for walking and picnicking.

By developing a management plan for these parks in consultation with the community, Council will ensure that all works are carried out in a planned manner to protect the landscape for current and future generations.

Council is also in the process of developing an interpretive brochure for Boyd Park.

Jaguars on parade

A procession of more than 200 magnificent Jaguars travelled through the streets of Caulfield in late 2002, as part of the Jaguar Car Club of Victoria's annual Concours and Display Day.

Competitions were held for the Concours d'Elegance or Enthusiasts class vehicles. The overall winner of the Sir William Lyons Trophy was a magnificent E-Type Jaguar owned by Tony Robinson.

For information about membership of the Jaguar Club of Victoria or future club events, email pr@jagvic.org.au or phone 9551 5134.

Venues for hire

Are you planning on holding a family reunion, birthday party, wedding, conference, exhibition, anniversary or special event? Then why not consider hiring one of Council's facilities. They range in size, are located throughout the city and are clean and comfortable.

Council offers a number of rotundas amongst picturesque settings in parks to be hired for a special event or wedding. More information is available on Council's website www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/facilityhire

For a free brochure or further information contact the Facilities Booking Officer on 9524 3253 or email recservices@gleneira.vic.gov.au