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Enjoyment for all at Caulfield Park





playground equipment at Caulfield Park. Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

The Caulfield Park playground before the installation of the new equipment

new all-abilities access playground Ahas been installed at Caulfield Park. The playground is a component of the Caulfield Park master plan approved by Council after consultation with the community.

The design of the play equipment incorporates a ramp for wheel chair accessibility and includes double slides, climbing ladder and rubber pathway.

Council's Acting Director Infrastructure Kerry Martin said the all-abilities access updates Caulfield Park's old equipment with a new, conceptually designed model that the whole community can enjoy.

"All future playground developments will comply with all abilities access requirements," he said.

To date, all-access equipment has been installed at Packer Park in Carnegie and Allnut Park in Bentleigh.

The next stage of redeveloping Caulfield Park will include establishing a barbecue and picnic area and installing a shade structure to cover the playground equipment.

- Kristi High

Council adopts new policy for open space

ouncil has won approval from the Minister for Planning to seek more public open space contributions from developers.

Amendment C20 to the Glen Eira Planning Scheme introduces criteria for determining public open space contributions following land subdivisions.

Glen Eira Mayor Cr Dorothy Marwick said the outcome was great news for the City as it would improve the park areas in the municipality.

Prior to the amendment, the planning scheme did not have a consistent formula that determined public open space contributions.

through improvements to the City's public open space network."

The amendment addresses Glen Eira's deficiency of open space through a fair and logical schedule for open space payments. Under the changes to the planning scheme, Council can now charge up to 5 per cent of land value when subdivision applications are made. Applicants must address criteria listed in the schedule within the planning scheme. The more criteria that can be satisfied, the lower the contribution. The criteria includes the location of the land, the distance of the development from a park, the amount of op space provided in a development and the size of the dwellings.



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Mayor Cr Dorothy Marwick said decisions were being challenged at the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal due to lack of strategic justification.

"As a result, Council was missing out on opportunities to acquire and improve public open space and had to settle for reduced contributions which did not reflect the extra pressure that new development and subdivision was putting on local parks," she said.

The Glen Eira municipality has the second lowest amount of public open space in Melbourne. Cr Marwick said, "The Minister's decision to approve the amendment to the planning scheme will deliver enormous benefits to the Glen Eira community

"The policy provides certainty for all concerned," Cr Marwick said.

"The basic principle guiding the policy is that public open space contributions should reflect the impact that a specific development would have on Glen Eira.

"For example, a large development with little on-site open space that is a significant distance from a park should pay more than a small development which is close to a park and has plenty of on-site open space."

Amendment C20 and the approved policy can be viewed in the planning section of Council's website at www.gleneira.vic.gov.au

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Inter is upon us, but that doesn't stop progress in our City. A number of significant issues have come before Council in the past month, and I'm pleased to report that positive outcomes have been reached.

Firstly, an area in which community and Council

can, and should, work closely together — a review of the Princes Park master plan. In my roles as both Mayor and Councillor, I am a constant advocate for involving the community in Council decisions, and this issue is a perfect example of where the voice of residents can be made clear.

By re-opening discussion on the proposed changes to the master plan and current and potential use of the park, I know we can achieve a positive solution for our City. I encourage residents to become involved in the process and make comment on the master plan, which can be viewed at numerous venues in the City as well as on Council's website.

Council has long been concerned with the upkeep and expansion of the City's parks and open space use — contributing significant funds over the years to improve facilities and public amenity. The recently adopted Amendment C20 to the Glen Eira Planning Scheme ensures a more consistent approach to the impact of development and the public open space contribution required from developers. In the long term, this will improve the park areas in the municipality and is great news for the City.

Speaking of great news, we're pleased at the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal's (VCAT) endorsement of Council's decision to refuse a planning permit application for a sexually explicit adult entertainment venue in Carnegie. A legal loophole existed that would have allowed a table-top dancing venue in a residential zone, and Council argued that the proposal was contrary to Council's policies for the area and the State Government's Melbourne 2030 policy. While the State Government refused to get involved in the case, Council was determined to see it through on behalf of the City and its residents. Thankfully, VCAT saw it our way and the application was refused.

Glen Eira has a proud history of ethnic and cultural diversity, and the vast number of community interest groups is testimony to this. I was fortunate to take part in an 18th milestone celebration for the Caulfield Over 50s Dance Group recently, and was swept off my feet with the enthusiasm and commitment of the group. The efforts and dedication of this vibrant group are to be congratulated.

Over 50s group turns 18

len Eira Mayor Cr Dorothy Marwick joined the Caulfield GOver 50s Dance Group in celebrating its 18th birthday recently.

More than 130 people, many of who have been with the group since its inception, gathered in the Glen Eira Town Hall to celebrate the 18th birthday milestone.

The group started with only 20 members at Curraweena Homes in Caulfield in 1985. Within a year numbers had grown rapidly and

the group moved to Murrumbeena Hall. Demolition of the hall at the beginning of 1988 — to make way for Spurway aged care facility — forced the dancers to relocate to a sport pavilion in Carnegie. Numbers of keen dancers continued to increase and out of necessity the group moved to the newly renovated Town Hall.

Cr Marwick was invited by the group to cut the cake at the birthday celebration and soon after was escorted to the dance floor by the group's President Tony Bell for a modern waltz.

Cr Marwick acknowledged the volunteers who run the committee and the expertise of the dancers in the room.

"I would like to thank the Caulfield Over 50s Dance Group for keeping such as vibrant group alive in our City," she said.

Mr Bell said the weekly event was a social activity that provided companionship, exercise and mental stimulation to all who participated.

Council meetings

Glen Eira residents and business owners are welcome to attend Council meetings, held every third Monday in Council Chamber, Glen Eira Town Hall, corner and Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield. Meetings start at 7.30pm. **Upcoming meetings:** Monday 7 July Monday 28 July



Mayor Cr Dorothy Marwick dances the modern Waltz with Tony Bell. Photos: Bernie Bickerton.



Mayor Cr Dorothy Marwick and President Caulfield Over 50s Dance Group Tony Bell celebrate the group's 18th birthday with the cutting of a cake.

Deadlines for Glen Eira News

Deadline for the next issue of Glen Eira News will be Wednesday 9 July for delivery 1-3 August

Coming deadlines:

Wednesday 13 August for delivery 5–7 September Wednesday 10 September for delivery 3–5 October For advertising contact the PR Unit on 9524 3366.

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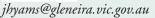
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As always, our City is honoured to play host to the numerous special interest and community organisations that exist in Glen Eira. From trader organisations to book clubs, these groups are a vibrant part of our City and we celebrate them in all their forms.

> - Cr Dorothy Marwick Mayor

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Free vaccines

Council will be visiting local primary and secondary schools over the next six months to immunise children aged between 5–14 years against the deadly meningococcal disease.

About 13,500 Glen Eira students will have access to the vaccine through Council's vaccination program.

Young people aged 15–19 years who attend local secondary school have already been provided vaccines against meningococcal. The vaccine will give lasting protection against the disease.

The meningococcal disease is caused by bacteria called meningococci which is found at the back of the throat or nose mostly in young adults and less often in adults and young children. There are different groups of meningococci however it is mainly serogroup B and serogroup C that cause the disease.

The bacteria is usually 'carried' harmlessly but occasionally it can cause meningitis disease in another person.

From I July all young people aged I–19 years can access the vaccine at one of Council's seven monthly immunisation sessions held at various venues throughout the City.

Council provides all vaccines on the childhood immunisation schedule, which is set by the National Health and Medical Research Council, free of charge. Other non-scheduled vaccines are available at a nominal fee.

For details on immunisation session dates and times see page 14.

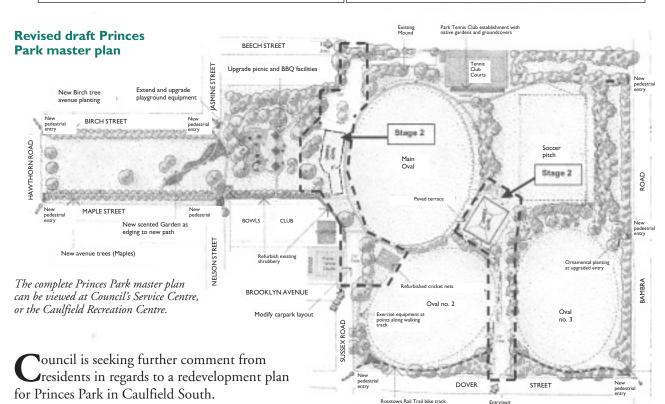


Council will visit all primary and secondary schools in the area over the next six months, offering free vaccines against the deadline meningococcal disease.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.



Landscaping at Princes Park



The revised draft Princes Park master plan has been split into two stages — landscaping works (Stage 1) and buildings works (Stage 2).

ON LEASH AREA

Community consultation on the Stage 1 landscape plan is currently underway.

Residents are invited to provide written comment by Fridady 18 July on the revised draft plan. Future consultation will be undertaken on the Stage 2 buildings plan.

After the March election, the newly-elected Council put the current master plan for Princes Park under

review in an effort to achieve a "win win" solution for the whole community.

OFF LEASH AREA

The Princes Park master plan can be viewed at Council's Service Centre, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads in Caulfield, Caulfield Recreation Centre, 6 Maple Street, Caulfield South and on signs in Princes Park. Copies are also available for viewing at all Council libraries and on Council's website www.gleneira.vic.gov.au

No to table-top dancing

Glen Eira City Council's decision to reject a table top dancing venue in Koornang Road, Carnegie has been vindicated by the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal (VCAT).

VCAT upheld Council's decision to refuse a planning permit application for the sexually explicit adult entertainment venue proposed for the Carnegie Shopping Centre.

VCAT handed down its decision last month, following an appeals hearing in May.

Glen Eira Mayor Cr Dorothy Marwick said Council was delighted with VCAT's decision particularly as it ratified Council's planning policies relating to the Carnegie Urban Village.

"We are extremely pleased at this decision. Council and local residents combined to strongly resist table top dancing in Carnegie. It is a great win for our local community," Cr Marwick said. residential role...and...would detract from the pleasantness of the Carnegie Urban Village".

Cr Marwick said Council's refusal of the planning proposal strongly relied on policy based arguments.

She said Council considered the proposal to be contrary to Council's Municipal Strategic Statement, Council's Urban Village policy and the State Government's *Melbourne 2030* policy.

"Council and residents felt somewhat frustrated by the State Government's refusal to intervene in this process," she said.

"In the circumstances there was an opportunity for the State Government to give clear policy direction. As it has turned out this has been left to VCAT. Fortunately VCAT supported Council's interpretation"

Council invites local residents to attend an information sessions on dietary care for children. Dietitian Ingrid Phyland will be the guest speaker at the sessions.

Date: Thursday 3 July 1.30pm-2.30pm Time: Glen Huntly Maternal and Child Health Where: Centre, Corner Royal and Rosedale Avenues, Glen Huntly Contact: 9572 5123 Date: Monday 21 July 1.30pm-2.30pm Time: Where: Murrumbeena Maternal and Child Health Centre, 107 Murrumbeena Road Murrumbeena

9569 5700

Contact:

"It is particularly pleasing to see that VCAT supported Council's planning policies which promote Carnegie as a family friendly urban village.

"Council totally supports the conclusions VCAT reached in its decision and I'm sure the local community does as well."

In its decision, VCAT concluded that the proposed use would "adversely impact the economic viability of the Carnegie Urban Village as it is considered that a sexually explicit adult entertainment venue would be incompatible with its local retail, commercial and interpretation".

Cr Marwick said the VCAT findings also supported Council's argument that an anomaly existed in the State Government's planning controls — that while table top dancing is a permitted use near a residential zone, both brothels and adult book shops are prohibited."

"This loophole is emphasised by VCAT's acceptance of Council's argument that patrons attending table top dancing venues are likely to have a far worse impact on the amenity of the area than those attending brothels and adult book shops," she said.

"Council has already made a request to the Minister for Planning to close this loophole."





Language Line



Δωρεάν εμβόλια για μαθητές

Στους επόμενους έξι μήνες η Δημαρχία θα επισκεφθεί δημοτικά σχολεία και γυμνάσια της περιοχής για να εμβολιάσει παιδιά ηλικίας 5-14 ετών κατά της θανατηφόρας μηνιγγιτιδοκοκκικής νόσου.

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Бесплатные прививки для учащихся

В течение следующих 6 месяцев в начальных и средних классах муниципалитет будет проводить вакцинацию детей в возрасте 5 - 14 лет от менингококкового менингита.

Прививки против этой болезни уже были сделаны молодым людям в возрасте 15 - 19 лет, которые учатся в местных школах.

Эта форма менингита вызывается особым видом бактерий - менингококк. Эти бактерии находятся на задней стенке горла или в носу, в основном у молодых людей. Иногда наличие бактерий приводит к заболеванию менингитом.

Муниципалитет проводит семь плановых вакцинаций каждый месяц в различных местах, и с 1 июля все дети и молодые люди в возрасте от 1 до 19 лет могут получить там прививку от менингококкового менингита.

Национальный совет по делам здравоохранения и медицинским исследованиям определил основные детские прививки, которые муниципалитет делает бесплатно. Вакцинация против других болезней проводится за соответствующую плату. График проведения вакцинаций в муниципалитете приведен на стр. 14.

Painless Public Speaking

Vaccinazione gratuita per gli alunni delle scuole locali

Nel corso dei prossimi sei mesi gli operatori del Comune si recheranno nelle scuole elementari e secondarie locali per somministrare il vaccino contro la malattia da meningococco ai bambini dai 5 ai 14 anni.

Il Comune ha già provveduto a vaccinare contro il meningococco i giovani dai 15 ai 19 anni che hanno frequentato le scuole secondarie locali.

La malattia da meningococco è causata da batteri chiamati meningococci che si trovano in fondo alla gola e nel naso, specialmente nei giovani adulti. Questi batteri qualche volta possono provocare la malattia da meningococco.

A partire dal 1° luglio tutti i giovani da 1 a 19 anni possono essere vaccinati ad una delle sette sessioni tenute dal Comune ogni mese in vari locali.

Il Comune offre il vaccino gratuitamente secondo il programma stabilito dal Consiglio Nazionale per la Salute e le Ricerche Mediche (National Health and Medical Research Council). Per i vaccini non programmati invece è richiesto il pagamento di una modesta tariffa. Per informazioni sulle date e gli orari delle vaccinazioni vedere pagina 14.

SINGDANCEPLAY

studio in Caulfield offers FREE introductory sessions to parents with babies, toddlers and/or preschoolers.

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HEALTH & PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

學生免費疫苗接種

在今後 6 個月中,市政府將在本地中小學為 5-14 歲的兒童免費接種疫苗,預防致命的腦膜 炎球菌病(meningococcal disease)。

市政府已為就讀本地中學的 15-19 歲的青少年接 種了預防腦膜炎球菌病的疫苗。

腦膜炎球菌病由稱為腦膜炎球菌的細菌所致,該 細菌常發現於喉嚨或鼻子的後部,多見於年輕的 成年人。該細菌有時會引起腦膜炎。

自7月1日起,所有1-19歲的小兒和年輕人都 可在任何一個免疫時間接種疫苗,市政府每月在 不同的地點安排7個免疫服務時間。

市政府免費提供兒童免疫表上的所有疫苗接種, 兒童免疫表由全國衛生和醫療研究理事會制定。 市政府也提供表上沒有列出的其他免疫服務,但 要收取少量費用。有關免疫服務的詳細日期和時 間,請參閱第 14 頁。

Student accommodation required urgently

Monash University Caulfield Campus urgently requires student accommodation for its mid-year intake of local, country and international students.

Would you like a Monash Caulfield student to board with you or your family? Do you have a rental property suitable for student accommodation?

If so, please contact Kristine Papadopoulos from the Caulfield Student Accommodation Service on **9903 2596** or via email **accommodation@monsu.org.au** as soon as possible to register your contact details and information about accommodation that you have available.





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(J) denotes Junior Allocation only

Applications must be lodged at Council's Service Centre by **Friday 8 August 2003.** Application forms are available on Council's website www.gleneira.vic.gov.au or by contacting Council's Recreation Facility Co-ordinator on 9524 3455 or email ljones@gleneira.vic.gov.au



Safe cycling in the City

Council is continuing to roll-out its bicycle Strategy with the installation of a new shared parking and bicycle lane in Caulfield South and an off-road path through EE Gunn Reserve in Ormond.

The Glen Eira Strategic Bicycle Plan was developed to improve cycling facilities within the area and enhance cyclist safety. The strategy aims to promote cycling as an alternative transport method to cars. It enhances routes already developed through VicRoads Principal Bicycle Network where it passes through Glen Eira and also bicycle networks in neighbouring municipalities.

The construction of an off-road bicycle path in Ormond is nearing completion. The path itself is finished and ready for use and Council is currently installing lighting and planting trees.

The path runs through EE Gunn Reserve between Booran Road and Royal Avenue. This path links up with the recently completed Marara Road reserve bicycle path to the west, the Oakleigh Road reserve bicycle path to the east and crosses the Katandra Road–Royal Avenue bicycle path which runs between Glen Huntly and North Roads.

This off-road path runs along the Frankston railway line between Caulfield and Ormond stations. Council has recently received State Government funding to help complete another section of off-road bicycle path that will run from McKinnon to Bentleigh railway stations.

Council has completed a shared parking and bicycle lane along Bambra Road — between North and Balaclava roads — in the Caulfield area. The lane provides a link between the existing shared parking and bicycle lanes in Thomas Street, Brighton East and Caulfield Park.

A shared parking and bicycle lane is wide enough to accommodate a bicycle and a parked vehicle.

Council's Group Manager Statutory Service Duncan Turner said the project enhances bicycles and vehicles sharing the road harmoniously.

"Shared parking and bicycle lanes improve the amenity for bicycles and allows traffic to move freely away from parked cars," he said.

"The construction of these lanes also promotes bicycle usage by designating safe facilities for cyclists."

Works on the Bambra Road lanes also included signage and painted bicycle symbols. Bicycle storage boxes at signalised intersections have been included to allow cyclists to have a head-start at traffic lights, thereby improving cyclist safety.

Mr Turner said many people were not aware of the road rules for bicycles and cars sharing the road. Victorian road rules state that cars must not drive in a bicycle lane. The exemption to this rule is a car can legally travel for a distance of 50 metres if it is:

- entering or leaving the road;
- overtaking a vehicle that is turning right or making a U-turn;
- attempting a legal park; or
- dropping off or picking up passengers.

Council upgrades jet truck

Council's drain jet truck has recently been Upgraded and modified, providing an efficient and effective system for cleaning the City's 360 kilometres of underground drains.

Current drought conditions have caused the City's trees to go on the hunt for water, with many roots finding their way into drains and blocking the system.

The most effective method of removing tree roots and items that find their way into the drainage system is by using a drain jet truck.

The machine uses a turning cutter — a saw-like device — that is propelled by high water pressure to clear drains, mainly of tree roots.



As part of the upgrade the new truck now has an onboard camera and video system that can be reeled down the drain, showing what is underground. The camera and video unit has saved Council both time and money by not needing to hire specialist services to investigate inside the pipes.

The upgrade also involved stripping the old truck and placing the pump motor, water tank and hose-reel onto a longer chassis.





Council has recently completed a new off-road bicycle path through EE Gunn Reserve between Booran Road and Royal Avenue. Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

Blitz to recover *community debt*

Control of the City to collect outstanding warrants which currently amount to \$1.6 million.

The Department of Justice recently called a meeting with a number of Councils to discuss ways to enhance local government services.

The Department of Justice initiated a proposal to carry out a three-week operation, which includes the allocation of 14 Sheriff officers to Glen Eira.

Council's Manager Civic Amenity Carl Russo said the operation was to recover a community debt and was not a revenue-raising exercise.

"A 'road block' that Council carried out earlier this year in Glen Eira — in conjunction with the Sheriff's Office and Victoria Police — was very successful," Mr Russo said.

"The sheriffs executed about \$30,000 in warrants. In an attempt to have fines paid, Council's Prosecutions Officer was also present advising offenders about current outstanding fines not yet sent to PERIN."

Sheriff officers will door-knock people with outstanding debts to Glen Eira City Council each week day between 7.30am and 9pm over a three-week period.

information sessions on foot care for children.A Podiatrist from the Caulfield Community Health Centre will be the guest speaker at the sessions. Date: Friday I July 1.30pm-2.30pm Time: Caulfield Maternal and Child Health Centre, Where: Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield 9524 3403 Contact: Wednesday 23 July Date: Time: llam-l2pm Where: Moorleigh Maternal and Child Health Centre, 92 Bignell Road, Bentleigh East Contact: 9570 3870

Council has upgraded its drain jet truck-an effective and efficient way to clear drains from tree roots. Photo: Maureen Bathgate. Mr Russo said the Sheriff would demand payment of the outstanding warrant within seven days.

"After the seven days has lapsed, if payment is not made the Sheriff can issue a notice of intention to suspend an offender's driver's licence or seize assets," he said. "An offender can apply to PERIN court for a time payment plan."

Offenders who refuse to pay after 28 days' notice may face being arrested and ordered to appear at a magistrate's court or receive a custodial work permit.



A true public convenience

A new fully automated public toilet that is selfcleaning has been installed at Duncan Mackinnon Reserve in Murrumbeena.

The facility, called Exeloo, meets the highest standards of hygiene and safety for users, is accessible for people of all abilities and discourages loitering and vandalism. Similar units have been installed in Caulfield Park in Caulfield, Packer Park in Carnegie and Allnut Park in Bentleigh.

Council's decision to install an Exeloo at Duncan Mackinnon Reserve came after advice from police that it would help prevent anti-social behaviour.

The Exeloo has been relocated away from the main carpark and existing toilet facility, which will be demolished.

Acting Director Infrastructure Kerry Martin said the intent of installing the Exeloo was to replace the existing tired facility with a true public convenience.

Parking demand sparks review

Council has introduced changes to its residential parking permit scheme to reduce the pressure on the availability of onstreet parking in high demand areas.

The number of permits issued to new residents of large developments in high parking demand areas will be limited so they do not absorb onstreet parking spaces to the detriment of existing residents and businesses.

Council operates a residential parking permit system in areas of high on-street parking demand that provides existing residents with access to time-restricted on-street parking spaces in their street.

Council's Director City Development Jeff Akehurst said Council aimed to provide an equitable parking scheme that would meet the needs of existing and future residents.

"In many parts of our City, the demand for parking outstrips the supply and this review is to ensure we make the most of the limited spaces available," he said.

"While large scale residential developments add to the viability of some areas of the City, they can also add to on-street car parking pressures through the oversupply of residential parking permits."

At a recent meeting Council resolved to exclude future residents of two new developments from access to Council's residential parking scheme.

Mr Akehurst said that each new development would be assessed individually on whether its

residents could access the scheme.

"The new toilet is fitted with a loiter alarm that will sound after the default setting time has been reached and the walls are graffiti resistant," he said.

The Exeloo unit is fully electronic with an automated door, a sensor operated wash basin and electric toilet paper dispenser.

Other features include no-touch flushing, electromagnetic locking and slip-resistant flooring.

Basic instructions for the operation of the Exeloo are available at the entry of the unit.





After: The new self-cleansing, safe and secure Exeloo being installed. Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

New works for traffic safety

Road safety and traffic flow has been improved along many Glen Eira streets recently following the completion of several roadworks.

In response to residents' requests, Council has funded the installation of two roundabouts in Mawby Road, Bentleigh East and one at the intersection of Dover and Sussex streets in Caulfield South.

The two roundabouts at Mawby Road were installed at the intersections of Corolla Avenue and Milford Street after residents petitioned Council.

Council's Group Manager Statutory Services Duncan Turner said Mawby Road residents were concerned about the speed and volume of traffic in their street.

"The residents were consulted and after little support for speed humps, the installation of roundabouts was agreed to," he said.

"Recent traffic counts and speed collection of Mawby Road have indicated a significant reduction in the speed of traffic on the road."

The roundabout at the intersection of Dover and Sussex streets was installed to control vehicle speed and improve road safety.

"Roundabouts improve safety at intersections and reduces the severity of incidents that may occur since the traffic slows down considerably," Mr Turner said.

Since these roundabouts have been installed on roads that are part of the local bus route, they are relatively flat to allow buses to safely pass through them. Traffic management treatments, including a speed hump and a slow point — narrowing of the road have been installed at Rosstown Road in Carnegie.



A new roundabout at the intersection of Dover and Sussex Streets in Caulfield South has reduced traffic speed and flow. Photo: Maureen Bathgate.

The risk of vehicles hitting the two traffic islands on Sir Monash Drive in Caulfield has been reduced. Council has replaced these islands located at either end of the pedestrian refuge treatment with low profile traffic islands.

Pedestrian fencing on all four corners at the intersection of East Boundary Road and Centre Road in Bentleigh has been erected to stop people from crossing the road outside the designated crossing areas. This type of treatment has been shown to improve pedestrian safety in these potentially dangerous locations.



with parking permits for its occupants will ensure that the parking demand generated by these developments is met on-site rather than utilising public car spaces that are already in high demand," he said.

Mr Akehurst encouraged people considering moving into new developments in Glen Eira to ensure the property meets all their requirements, including the number of on-site car spaces provided.

"Council believes that developers in high demand areas should meet all residents' parking needs on-site rather than rely on an over-flow onto surrounding streets," he said. Council has constructed a traffic island with a pedestrian path near Ormond Railway Station on Katandra Road (intersection of North Road) as part of the Ormond Shopping Centre Safe Routes to Shops project. This construction allows pedestrians to safely cross the road when walking between the shopping district and railway station.

Vehicles can now more easily depart the roundabout at the intersection of Amelia Street and McKinnon Road in Caulfield South with modification to the kerbing now complete. Une precious moment in time...... A life time of memories..... Photography by Frank Amato Diploma of Illustrative Photography AIPP member Children Family Wedding 14 Riddell Parade Elsternwick (near cnr Glen Huntly Rd) By Appointment 9523 2064 or 9530 3888

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Dogs to be leashed at sportsgrounds

Council is now patrolling sportsgrounds during the evenings to Censure dog owners are complying with leashing laws. This is in response to concersns from some local sporting clubs about dogs being off leash on sporting ovals during training times.

Council's animal management officers are patrolling selected sportsgrounds and parks every day between 4pm and 7pm during sporting club training times.

Owners of unleashed dogs will be asked to leash their animal immediately. If owners do not have a leash, or if they refuse to leash their dog, an on-the-spot penalty notice of \$100 will be issued. Firsttime offenders will be issued a caution notice. Owners may also be fined for allowing their dog to be a nuisance if it injures or endangers the health of any person.

Council is concerned that club members training for sport are at risk of being chased, tripped, or bitten by unleashed dogs.

Under the Domestic (Feral and Nuisance) Animals Act 1994 dogs must be on leash within 50 metres of recreation sporting grounds when clubs are training on them.

Council's Manager Civic Amenity Carl Russo said the laws were designed to ensure public safety and avoid incidents between participants in sport and dogs.

"Responsible pet ownership is about ensuring that dogs do not interfere with the enjoyment, comfort or convenience of any person or group. It also includes respecting other people's rights to use and enjoy facilities in the municipality and ensure that there is no compromise to public safety," he said.



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Council Animal Management Officer Nina Smart patrols the Packer Park Velodrome during club training to check for unleashed dogs. Photo: Maureen Bathgate.

Last chance for pet owners

Council has started door knocking residents with pet registration payments outstanding, reminding them to renew or face a fine.

In May, Council sent reminder notices to approximately 2,000 residents who failed to pay their pet registrations by 10 April. Of these, only 45 per cent had paid by the time Council officers started door knocking homes.

Pet owners who have failed to pay registrations are risking a \$200 on-the-spot fine.

Council's Manager Civic Amenity Carl Russo said almost a quarter of residents own dogs and cats.

"It is imperative that pet owners do the right thing and register their pets," he said.

"Registration helps reduce the number of animals that cannot be returned to their owners and saves a lot of heartache.

"In addition to the personal relief of having a pet registered, there is also a community responsibility to ensure that pets are managed properly, especially in public places.

"In short if you have not registered your pet, please do so immediately — it's the responsible thing to and you will avoid the possibility of a fine."

TTY a vital community service

The letters 'TTY' often appear in Council publications and website as a means of contacting Council's Service Centre.

What many residents do not know is that these letters stand for 'telephone typewriter' and the number that appears alongside them is how hearing impaired people communicate with Council.

Council's Manager Customer Service Centre Greg Goldenberg said some residents who were not hearing impaired were dialling the TTY number as an alternative to the general Service Centre number.

"The TTY number is only for customers who have a hearing impairment and need to communicate over the phone through typewritten messages," Mr Goldenberg said.

"It is an important community service provided by

handset. The text message is then transmitted onto the receiver's telephone typewriter.

Council installed the TTY unit in the Service Centre in 2000.



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Council as it enables hearing impaired customers to make enquiries, lodge requests and seek assistance from Council over the phone.

"Customers who do not have hearing impairments should only call the general Service Centre telephone number — 9524 3333. Otherwise they are restricting access to the TTY service from those people who really need to use it."

The TTY unit looks like a small typewriter with a visual display. Communication is carried out by typing, rather than speaking.

The customer service consultant types messages onto the keyboard which is connected to a telephone Councils Customer Service Consultant Anne Stafford communicates with a hearing impaired customer via telephone typewriter technology. Photo: Maureen Bathgate.



Glen Eira's volunteers 🗕

Celebrating the City's

Council rewards kind-hearted residents

During National Volunteers Week, Council commended the many people within the community who, collectively, have provided 140,000 hours of volunteer work to enrich and support the lives of others.

Of the 207 volunteers nominated for a Glen Eira City Council Volunteer Recognition Award, 172 were present to accept a certificate of recognition at the Glen Eira Town Hall.

At the ceremony Mayor Cr Dorothy Marwick said Council was delighted to have the opportunity to publicly recognise the contribution volunteers had made to the community.

"Volunteers make a valuable contribution to the community and are often on call 24 hours a day, seven days a week 365 days a year in all weather rain, hail and extreme heat," she said.

This year, 45 organisations from the arts and cultural area, community support, family, youth and community services, sporting clubs and senior citizens groups nominated their volunteers. Nominees received awards in four categories: 61 people who contributed 500 hours of service; 26 people who contributed 1,000 hours of service; 42 people who contributed 2,000 hours of service; and 78 people received a special award for achieving 10 or more continuous years of service for an organisation.

"Based on the hours of service, without including the special category, this represents 140,000 hours provided to our local community," Cr Marwick said.

Also in attendance at the ceremony were Cr Robert Bury, Cr Noel Erlich, Cr Margaret Esakoff, Cr Alan Grossbard, Cr Jamie Hyams, Cr Veronika Martens, Council's Chief Executive Officer Andrew Newton and Council's Director of Community Services Peter Jones.

> 207 volunteers were presented with awards from Mayor Cr Dorothy Marwick at a ceremony held at the Glen Eira Town Hall. Photo: Bernie Bickerton.





(L-R) Caulfield Police Constable Simone Field, Neighbourhood Watch volunteer Nola Baker and Senior Constable Sally Slingsby attend the monthly Neighbourhood Watch meeting.

Social support volunteers needed

A good neighbour

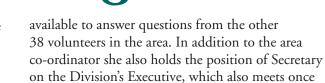
being called for in 1986.

Nola Baker is a familiar face around the City of Glen Eira, mainly for her volunteer involvement with Neighbourhood Watch.

Nola recently received a Volunteer Recognition Award from Glen Eira City Council for contributing more than 10 years of volunteer services to the Neighbourhood Watch program.

Co-ordinator of the Neighbourhood Watch area

covering the block Glen Eira Road–Orrong Road– Glen Huntly Road–Kooyong Road, Nola holds monthly meetings at her home, collates crime statistics, writes the organisation's newsletter and is



a month. Nola joined Neighbourhood Watch when the program was first introduced and volunteers were

"At that time, there were a lot of burglaries in the Glen Eira area," she said.

"An advertisement went up around the area that would teach the program's participants to protect themselves and their neighbours."

Nola spends at least a couple of hours each day dedicated to her Neighbourhood Watch duties.

"Volunteer work keeps me physically and mentally active," she said.

"The work I do with Neighbourhood Watch also keeps me in touch with the residents around me."

to participate in a valuable community service

The Social Support and Monitoring Service, part of the Home and Community Care program (HACC)

is seeking volunteers to assist elderly or disabled residents of Glen Eira.Volunteer tasks include assistance with shopping, transport and friendly visiting.A car is necessary for this volunteer work.

If you have good communication skills, enjoy the company of older people, and are available for a couple of hours a week or fortnight, please contact the volunteer coordinator

Susan Rutherford on 9524 3314.



Nola Baker received a Special Award from Council for her volunteer work with Neighbourhood Watch. Photos: Bernie Bickerton Nola is a retired nurse who trained at the Royal Children's Hospital and spent 40 years working in a number of hospitals around Melbourne. She has received recognition for both her work with Neighbourhood Watch and the Caulfield branch of the Red Cross where she also volunteers her time regularly. In 1992 she received Neighbourhood Watch's first volunteer recognition award from Glen Eira City Council in appreciation of her services to the community. The accolades she is most proud of include an Award for Excellence from the Victorian Police, the 1996 State Award of Honour for Services to Neighbourhood Watch and a certificate of appreciation from the Blue Ribbon Foundation.



volunteers

Volunteers *Do-Care*

For the past six years husband and wife team Isabel and Ron Meland have been visiting and befriending Glen Eira residents through their volunteer work with Do-Care.

Both Isabel and Ron received a Glen Eira City Council Volunteer Recognition Award for providing 500 hours of service to Do-Care, a non-profit organisation that operates as a social support and respite service for socially isolated older people, people with disabilities and their carers.



Do-Care coordinator Angeline Stephens (far right) attends the movie outing with volunteers Isabel and Ron Meland (standing) and client Dawn Stephenson.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton

Together, the Melands visit one resident weekly, and take a small group to a film and about 10 people to a restaurant once a month.

Mrs Meland said, "We are mainly friends for these people. They are often people who don't have relatives and may have a physical or mental disability."

Mrs Meland discovered Do-Care through a friend who had volunteered for the organisation for 20 years. Mr Meland decided too that involvement with the organisation would be a "satisfying way to help other people".

The couple contacted Do-Care and took part in two orientation sessions. At these sessions discussion included the commitment involved in volunteering, the need and rights of people accessing the organisation, how Do-Care operates, confidentiality and communication skills.

Mr and Mrs Meland were very excited to be acknowledged for their volunteer work, which is a major part of their lives.

"Many of the people we visit do not want to get up and go out," Mr Meland said.



service.

Do-Care volunteers Isabel and Ron Meland (standing) take local residents (L-R) Mary Lewsley, Barbara Isiles and Dawn Stephenson to the movies as part of Do-Care's social support Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

"The lady we visit each week is a wonderful person whose face lights up when we arrive at her house.

"Being involved in Do-Care is very rewarding like that, we meet so many wonderful people."

Do-Care began operating in Melbourne in 1977 with the support of Wesley Central Mission. A nondenominational service, Do-Care reaches the lives of more than 1,600 people in metropolitan Melbourne.

Mr and Mrs Meland are also actively involved in the Caulfield Combined division of Probis - a social networking organisation for retired and semi-retired professional and business people.

— Kristi High

Life member honoured by Council

Dam Noden's association with the Glenhuntly Althletic Club began as a teenage competitor for the Glenhuntly Women's Club in 1963.

In 1965 the Glenhuntly Women's Club amalgamated with the men's competition, Glenhuntly Athletic Club, and Pam joined the committee.

At Council's Volunteer Recognition Awards ceremony, Pam was honoured with a Special Award for 40 years of volunteer services to the Glenhuntly Athletic Club.

During the summer competition months, Pam spends every Saturday at Duncan Mackinnon Reserve in Murrumbeena, the club's grounds, volunteering as an official. In addition she has remained part of the committee, which meets monthly to organise the program.

In the off season, the volunteering doesn't stop — Pam still spends a couple of hours each week preparing for the upcoming competition.

Pam said athletics competitions would not survive without the help of volunteers.

events and was part of the Sydney 2000 Olympics and Para-Olympics volunteer teams.

The Glenhuntly Athletic Club recognised the work Pam has contributed by honouring her with a Life Membership in 1980.

— Kristi High

Glenhuntly Athletics' volunteer Pam Nolan has spent 40 years at the club first as a competitor, then as a volunteer. Photo: Jim Hooper



Making diffe ence

hroughout the year the Glen Eira Volunteer Resource Service gives volunteers in the Glen Eira area the opportunity to participate in free training programs to assist with the work they undertake within the community.

Upcoming training sessions

"Volunteers give time — man-hours — that would not be available or possible if we were all paid employees," she said.

"It is time that I can afford and personally I really enjoy it. It gives me time-out in fresh air and I have made many friends through athletics."

Pam was "absolutely thrilled" at being nominated and receiving an award from Council in recognition for her volunteer services, an award her mother has also received in the past.

As well as working with the Glenhuntly Athletic Club, Pam also officiates for Althletics Australia

The programs are funded by the Federal Department of Family and Community Services and aim to provide professional development and training to volunteers.

Training sessions that have been arranged for the second half of this year will provide information about working with people from diverse cultural backgrounds, providing physical assistance to people with disabilities, being on a committee of management, and developing advanced interpersonal skills.

include:

Thursday 17 July — Providing Physical Assistance Safely;

Wednesday 6 August and Tuesday 7 October — An Introduction to Volunteering;

Monday 11 and Monday 18 August — Cultural Diversity (run over 2 sessions);

Wednesday 3 September — Interpersonal Skills for Community Volunteers; and

Tuesday 16 September — Being an Effective Member of a Committee of Management.

All sessions are free to volunteers in Glen Eira and enquiries and bookings can be made by contacting Angela Russell on 9524 3303.



Privileged to be working in aged care

A respite resident once paid Rosstown aged care facility carer Lynne Gowett the highest of compliments — *"Lynne treats me like I'm her father.*"

Formerly a fashion buyer, then a florist, Lynne came to work in aged care when circumstances changed and an opportunity arose — 16 years ago.

After selling the family's Carnegie florist business in 1987, Lynne wasn't really looking for a new career. When she was asked by a friend to help with cleaning at Council's Healthlands aged care facility, which closed last year, Mrs Gowett embarked on a new career.

"I was offered an on-call position at all three of Council's aged care facilities — Healthlands, Campden Court and Rosstown — after the fill-in position cleaning finished," Lynne said.

Lynne finds it difficult to see Rosstown, located in Murrumbeena, as anything less than the residents' home. As a result, she finds time outside her carer's shifts to arrange flowers for display around the facility.

"This place is their home," she said. "I like to make sure the chairs are straight, the flowers are nice and the residents look their best. It is important to the residents that their home is welcoming when their friends and family come to visit."

Lynne looks after up to 17 people during each six hour shift at Rosstown, a low care aged facility for 53 residents.

An average day includes helping at meal times, making beds, administering medication and showering, grooming and dressing the residents.



Rosstown carer Lynne Gowett (right) and resident Joyce Woodrow Photo: Jim Hooper.

"I like to make sure that when the residents are going out that their clothes match, their hair is done, they have lipstick on and they feel good," Lynne said.

"I feel very privileged to be able to share the lives of the residents. There are so many interesting people here at Rosstown who are educated and can talk about the jobs they have held and tell fascinating stories about the places they have traveled."

Lynne said many people were attracted to aged care later in life as it offers on-the-job training while working and can be flexible in the amount of shifts carers need to work.

Council recently recognised the contribution Lynne has made to its aged care team by honouring her with a staff appreciation award for teamwork and initiative.

— Kristi High

Caring comes from within

Warawee carer Trish Ioria loves her job and believes the desire to care for people comes from being a mother.

As a mother of five, Trish chose to work in aged care after the last of her children went to school.



"When you are a mother, the care is already in you," Trish said. "I have a son who was born with a disability and when he was young I worked with him and his physiotherapist," Trish said.

"I decided that when I went back to work it would be to care for people with a disability or in aged care."

Trish started her career in aged care at an aged care hostel, aged 37. For the past 12 months she has worked at Council's Warawee aged care facility in Bentleigh East. At the time of starting work at the hostel, Trish also commenced studying towards the Aged Care Certificate III. She has plans to finish Aged Care Certificate IV, which trains carers in supervisory and administration duties, and later study Diversional Therapy to become an activities or

A gala full of *memories*

ore than 50 wedding and bridesmaid dresses owned by residents from Council's three aged care facilities — Spurway, Rosstown and Warrawee — and dating as far back as the late 1800s were paraded at St Giles Church in Murumbeena recently.

The wedding gala was an idea initiated during a reminiscing session among Spurway residents and co-ordinated by the facility's recreation officer Lynne McDonald.

"A lot of enthusiasm was created when we started talking about weddings and dresses," Mrs McDonald said.

"The idea of a wedding gala started with just a few gowns and as time went by during the organising period, the whole event just kept growing."

Formal invitations were sent to residents and their family and friends a month before the event, which attracted a crowd of almost 80 people.

The Wedding March was played on a keyboard as the models, mainly staff and family members, paraded their outfits on the arms of 'grooms' and 'groomsmen'.



Ensuring the residents at Warawee are well cared for, feel good and look good is all part of the job for carer Trish Ioria (middle) in the on-site hairdressing salon with residents Rose (left) and Joyce. Photo: Jim Hooper.

Personal carer positions regularly become available at Council's three aged residential facilities — Warrawee, Rosstown and Spurway. For more information contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333. recreation officer.

"Every morning I wake up I look forward to coming to work, having a joke with the residents and seeing what they have been doing," Trish said.

Duties during Trish's 7–8 hour shifts include helping at meal times and showering, grooming, dressing and preparing the residents for rest times.

"The ladies love to look pretty," Trish said. "Their physical appearance is very important to them and I really enjoy taking them down to the on-site hairdressing salon, helping them to choose their clothes for the day and little things like putting on their lipstick if they want it." Vivian Monroe (right), with partner Roy, modelled her great-great grandmother's wedding dress at a gala hosted by Council's aged care facility Spurway. Photo: Jim Hooper.

The hall was decorated with all the touches of a wedding reception, including centre pieces on the white cloth-lined tables, flowers, sugar-coated almonds and a tiered cake.

The star attraction of the afternoon was an antique gold silk taffeta wedding dress worn by Spurway resident Flo's great-grandmother in about 1886. Flo's daughter Vivian Monroe modeled the dress, which was covered by a fulllength black lace coat.



Vanuatu benefits from ex-Mayor's community spirit

hospital in Vanuatu has received much needed furniture and supplies thanks to an initiative of former Glen Eira Mayor Geoff Patience and the generosity of Caulfield General Medical Centre.

Wooden crutches, hospital beds, examination tables, walking frames, fans and chairs were transported to the Vanuatu capital Port Villa recently. A hospital in Lenekal will receive the goods.

Builders fined for dodging permits

wo companies have been fined by the Magistrate's Court for carrying out building work on local properties without the necessary building permits.

Obtaining a building permit is mandatory before commencing demolition, renovation or removal of a property.

Hughes Demolition P/L was found guilty of carrying out building works, namely demolition of a dwelling, in Tambet Street, Bentleigh East without a permit.

Council's Prosecutor Alan Katz told the court that Hughes Demolition had applied for a permit to carry out works at the Tambet Street property but at the time it had not been granted.

The court imposed a \$500 fine on company Director Simon Hughes, ordered Hughes Demolition to pay \$1,753 in costs and imposed a fine of \$1,000 with conviction.



Council recently prosecuted two building companies for carrying out work without appropriate permits.

Tarawhite P/L trading as O'Keefe House Removers recently pleaded guilty to carrying out building works, namely house removal, without a permit.

Director of Tarawhite Ralph Ebsworth told the

Mr Patience, who is the past District Governor of Caulfield Lions Club, said the idea came after his wife visited an eye specialist at Royal Melbourne Hospital who had sent unwanted supplies to another South Pacific Island hospital.

"I knew that the City of Caulfield Opportunity

Shop and the Caulfield Lions Club had recently donated \$90,000 to the Caulfield General Medical Centre for the purchase of electronic beds," Mr Patience said.

"I approached them and asked if they had equipment they wished to dispose of."

The Caulfield General Medical Centre was happy to donate equipment and Mr Patience contacted Port



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Geoff Patience and members from Caulfield Lions Club (right) and representatives from Caulfield General Medical Centre stand outside a container filled with hospital equipment that was sent to Port Vila in Vanuatu recently.

Vila Lions Club who was most appreciative of the offer. Port Vila Lions Club covered the cost of the container and shipping freight.

Another container of equipment will be sent to Vanuatu next month. Books have also been sent to a hospital in New Guinea. If people have any toys or books they no longer want the Opportunity shop in Glen Huntly Road, Caulfield South (near Hawthorn Road) is collecting items on behalf of the Lions Club.

Going green for Council purchases

len Eira City Council has joined the ECO-Buy Green purchasing program and developed a policy to buy more environmentally friendly products where practical and economically feasible.

ECO-Buy is an environmental purchasing program that was initiated by the State Government and sponsored by the Municipal Association of Victoria. The program works with Victorian councils to increase their purchase of products that are recycled, and greenhouse and environmentally friendly.

Membership to the ECO-Buy program required Council to develop a green purchasing policy, establish an ECO-Buy committee and implement an action plan.

A committee consisting of representatives from Council formed earlier this year to develop an action plan that is currently being implemented. Included in the action plan is a list of potential products that Council is considering to purchase.

Council has already started buying recycled copy

paper and is replacing the polystyrene cups in meeting rooms with mugs.

ECO-Buy aims to use the combined purchase power of local government to stimulate demand for products that save water, are non-toxic, greenhouse friendly or recycled.

Council's Purchasing Manager Aubrey Jansen said new products, from stationery items to concrete, were being considered and would be purchased where practical and cost effective.

"ECO-Buy has created a partnership between councils to increase awareness about purchasing recycled and greenhouse friendly products," Mr Jansen said.

"The development of policies for purchasing environmental products enhances market development of environmentally friendly products and shows leadership and initiative from Victorian councils that are working together to reduce local government's greenhouse gas emissions."

A new neighbour

court that the removal permit had slipped through their checking procedure and that the company had put steps in place to ensure it didn't happen again.

The court imposed a \$2,000 fine with conviction and ordered Tarawhite P/L to pay \$1,184 in costs.

Council's Manager Building Services John Bordignon said that builders who don't obtain the necessary permits would face the full brunt of the law.

"If building law is not followed, as in these cases, community safety is at risk," he said, "Council simply will not tolerate it."



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Winter Music Series 2003

Winter warm up with Klezmania

Popular local Klezma band, Klezmania, will return to the Glen Eira Town Hall as part of Council's *Winter Music Series*.

Australia's leading Klezma band will perform their style of vibrant Yiddish music in the tradition of Eastern European Jewish folksongs mixed with a dash of Australian spice on Sunday 27 July at 2pm.

Klezmania's energetic, passionate, witty and soulful style will include everything from lullabies to whirling dance tunes, sweeping the audience along in crescendos of hand clapping and foot tapping.

Klezmania have performed at events such as the Melbourne International Festival, the Boite World Music Café and the Port Fairy Folk Festival.

Ticket can be purchased from Council's Service Centre for a cost of \$20 and \$15 for concession holders. For further details and to make phone bookings call 9524 3333.



Popular Yiddish band Klezmania will perform at Glen Eira Town Hall Auditorium on Sunday 27 July.

Upcoming dates for the Winter Music Series:

Sunday 17 August Kenny Lopez and Havana Connection

Sunday 31 August Combo Fiasco

Outback Aboriginal Art

Opening 15 July 6pm and continuing to 27 July

Aboriginal art supports indigenous people by providing an opportunity for these communities to participate in the continuance of tribal traditions.

In 1971, art teacher Geoffrey Bardon encouraged some men from the Papunya Community to paint a blank wall. His encouragement of the people, and introduction of canvas boards and acrylic paints to the Papunya Aboriginal Community, created a large art movement.

This exhibition represents a unique opportunity to be inspired by the beauty of the wonderful and original artform by artists from the Central and Western Deserts and particularly Papunya Tula artists. Artists featured in the exhibition include many nationally and internationally recognised artists including Gloria Petyarre, Ronnie Tjampitjinpa, Ada Bird Petyarre and Luke Cummins.

Owner of the Outback Aboriginal Art company Jenny Dudley said Aboriginal Art played a vital role in understanding the land and indigenous people.



Melbourne Society of Women Painters and Sculptors

Opening 29 July 6pm and continuing to 10 August



Women from the Melbourne Society of Women Painters and Sculptors

This year's exhibition from the Melbourne Society of Women Painters and Sculptors' highly proficient artists will include seascapes, landscapes, figure studies, flower studies, abstracts and sculptures in a variety of mediums.

The Melbourne Society of Women Painters and Sculptors' is the oldest surviving women's art group in Australia and the second oldest art group in Victoria.

The society was formed in 1902 by a group of former students of the National Gallery School, including Alice Bale, and has supported the likes of Clarice Beckett and Jane Sutherland. The society gives encouragement and support to women artists through locating facilities for exhibition and providing access to other artists. These events have been formative in their long and rich history as have the lectures, demonstrations and workshops.



Artwork: from the Outback Aboriginal Art company

Sarah Ritson

Opening 15 July 6pm and continuing to 27 July

Patterns, prints, spots, stripes and seasonal fabric are some of the source materials for Glen Eira artist Sarah Ritson.

In this exhibition, Sarah represents a frenzied world of movement, architecture and fun. Her use of gouache, watercolour and collage elements often cut out from fashion magazines, produce intriguing and sensitive works for this established artist.

Collaged shapes create forms which combine the feminine and delicate touch of 1960s women's clothing patterns with a distinctly jagged constructivist feel.

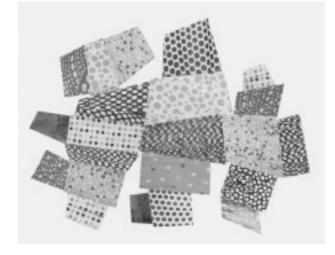


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Artwork: Sarah Ritson





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

Taking the lead on youth issues

Several of the participants who took part in *Let Us Lead* — a two-day youth leadership training program — are now working with the Why? Stop Youth Information Centre.

As part of *Let Us Lead*, participants identified and discussed issues that were important to young people. From this experience, 15 Year 9 students from schools in Glen Eira have formed a Youth Leadership and Project Group to look closer at some of the issues — including homelessness, youth suicide, depression, stress and eating disorders — and explore options for addressing them.

The first major event on the group's calendar will be creating awareness in the community of homeless people and their circumstances during Homeless Person's Awareness Week in August.

The group will participate in other national events such as Eating Disorders Awareness Week and Mental Health Week.

Year 9 Glen Eira students are welcome to join the Youth Leadership and Project Group. For further details contact the Why? Stop Youth Information Centre on 9572 5389.

Music group aims for APRA award

Young people involved in Council's Introduction to Music program are preparing an entry for the 2004 Australasian Performing Rights Association song of the year award.

The *Introduction to Music* program includes young people aged 14–19 years who have an interest in music, youth workers and professional musicians. Together, the group is working towards writing a number of original tracks that will be recorded on CD.



Author has audience in *stitches*

Award winning author Archimede (Archie) Fusillo had local students in fits of laughter during a talk to promote his new book, *Game or Not*, recently.

Council hosted Archie's visit to Glen Eira which was part of the *Writers on the Road* program, an event sponsored by the Victorian Public Library Network and the Victorian Premier's Literary Awards.

About 120 students from local primary schools packed the Glen Eira Town Hall to listen to the talented story teller speak about his journey towards becoming one of Australia's most recognised writers.

Game or Not is Archie's second contribution to the Puffin *Aussie Bites* series of books, which aim to encourage 6–10 year olds to read by publishing humorous stories of between 4,000 and 6,000 words.

Training courses

Internet and computer training sessions have been arranged at Caulfield Library's training facility. Bookings are essential and can be made at any library branch. The fee must be paid at the time of booking.

Internet class for juniors A special class for 9–12 year olds that focuses on using the internet for homework and school projects

Date: Wednesday 9 July Time: 2pm–3pm Cost: \$15.50

Computer Basics

The ideal class for the absolute beginner. Learn about the different types of computers, hardware and software and what to look for when buying a computer. This course will give participants confidence in using a mouse as well as creating, printing and saving documents.

Date: Monday 21 July Time: 2pm–4pm Cost: \$44

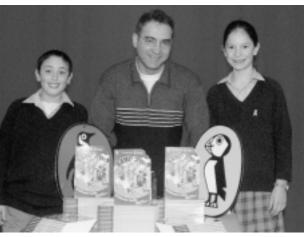
Introduction to the Internet

This course is designed for people with little or no experience with the internet, teaching participants to browse the web and acquire basic search skills.

Date: Monday 14 July Time: 6:30pm–8pm Date: Thursday 31 July Time: 2pm–3:30pm Cost: \$33

Further Steps in the Internet

For experienced users looking to improve their search techniques, develop and refine skills using different



Popular children and adolescents' author Archimede Fusillo visited Glen Eira recently to promote his new book Game or Not to local students.

Archie told the audience that he had the best job in the world.

"Writers are all about telling stories," he said, "I write stories to share, that's why I write."

Archie's childrens' books include *Talking to the Moon*, *Memories of Sunday Cricket in the Street* and *Let it Rip* (for Puffin's *Aussie Bites* series). He has also published over 40 stories in literary magazines and journals, three novels, text books for secondary schools and a biography.

Slither About is back by popular demand and can be seen at Elsternwick Library on Tuesday 8 July from 11am–12pm. Young people aged 4–12 will have the chance to get up close to lizards, snakes, turtles and other reptiles.

A cabaret of songs, dances and games about animals for ages 4–12 will be held at Caulfield Library on Thursday 10 July at 2–3pm.

Tickets to all events cost \$4.40 and are on at all library branches. Limited numbers apply to all events and no refunds are possible. For further details call the Caulfield Library on 9532 9466.

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New Courses and Activities

Computer for Beginners	28 July 10–12pm x 4 wks	\$62
***Computer — Older People	28 July 1–3pm x 8 wks	\$24
***Computer — Low income	30 July 1–3pm x 8 wks	\$24
Creating a Web Page	7 Aug 7–9pm x 6 wks	\$95
How To Knit & Crochet	28 July 1–3pm	\$3
	7 Aug 1–3pm x 5 wks le, Consumer info/advice/better buyin ion & Hand Massage, Reflexology, C	
Spanish for Beginners	7 Aug 1–3pm x 8 wks	\$64
Volunteer Intro/Training	11 Aug 10–12pm x 4 wks	
Playgroup/Morning tea Mums & kids	23 July 1012pm	\$3
Art — Painting	25 July 1–3pm x 5 weeks	\$49

During the 20-week program, participants work with a variety of instruments including guitar, bass, drums, African percussion, trombone, keyboards, beat box and vocals.

Council's Director Community Services Peter Jones said the group had a variety of musical tastes and experiences and were encouraged to try different and challenging ideas, which had allowed for some great original sounding music and a lot of fun.

For more information on the program contact Stuart O'Brien at the Why Stop Youth Information Centre on 9572 5389. search strategies and search tools. Other topics covered include downloading files, chatgroups and the future of the Internet.

Date: Friday 18 July Time: 2pm–4:30pm Cost: \$55

School holiday fun

The fun continues during the second week of the school holidays at Council's libraries.

At Carnegie Library, children aged 5–8 are invited to create animal masks on Monday 7 July. The activity runs from 11am–12.30pm.

29 Aug 10–12pm x 4 wks	\$40
28 July 7.30–9.30pm	as per CAE
28 July 1–3pm x 5 wks	\$25
1 Aug 10.15–11.15am x 4 wks	\$32
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COMMUNITY *Diary*

Meetings and clubs

Southern Suburbs Photographic Society meets at the Uniting Church Hall, Hemming Street, Brighton East on the first and third Tuesday of the month at 8pm. Contact: John 9544 7754.

South Eastern Suburbs Permaculture is a local group affiliated with Permaculture Melbourne and meets twice a month at members homes about self sufficiency and sustainability topics. Contact: 9819 5081.

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.

McKinnon Scrabble Club meets every Thursday night at 7.30pm at Marriott House, 100 Wheatley Road, McKinnon. All standards are welcome. Contact: Lesley 9578 6767.

Ormond Community Church of Christ drop in centre provides an opportunity to meet new friends and enjoy fellowship, corner North Road and Arnott Street on the second Thursday of each month. Next meeting Thursday 10 July at 11.45am. Cost: \$5. Contact: Jean 9569 4384, Joan 9578 1187.

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 Activites Club offers opportunities to meet new friends and enjoy social activities such as carpet bowls, table tennis, scrabble, solo, canasta, rummy tiles, music, craft, golf, armchair travel and theatre outings. New members very welcome. Contact: 9557 2562.

Caulfield Life Activities Club will meet at Gladys Machin Hall, Cedar Street, Caulfield, on Wednesday 16 July at 7.30pm. Guest speaker. Supper served. New members welcome. Contact: 9569 5249.

4th Caulfield Cubs and Scouts meet weekly in Birch Street, Caulfield South. Activities and weekend camps for girls and boys. Cubs: aged 7¹/₂ to 10 years. Scouts: aged 11 to 14 years. Contact: Jo or Steve on 9505 6995.

The Lupus support group welcomes people who are diagnosed with Lupus, Sjogrens and Fibromyalgia to attend the monthly information afternoon on Sunday 27 July at 2pm in Caulfield. Contact: 9509 2735 for location and transport.



Bentleigh Senior Citizens Club offers opportunities to meet new friends and enjoy social activities such as indoor bowling, cards, excercise, table tennis, dancing, bingo and outings. Meetings at 2 Arthur Street, Bentleigh. Cost: \$3 yearly membership. Contact: 9557 6010.

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

Events

The National Trust Mansion Labassa presents Baroque Masters featuring international harpsichordist Jacqueline Ogeli at 2 Manor Grove, Caulfield North, on Sunday 20 July at 2.15pm. Tickets: \$66 season/\$25 single. Contact: 9509 6596.

Caulfield Day View Club will celebrate its 10th birthday in August. Present and new members are welcome to participate in lunches and varied outings. Meetings take place on the third and first Tuesdays of the month. Contact: Val 9578 1302.

The National Trust Mansion Labassa will feature displays of Vinatge steam and electric railways at 2 Manor Grove, Caulfield North, on Sunday 27 July. Tickets: \$5.50/\$7.70/\$19.80. Contact: 9527 6295.

St Giles Uniting Church invites former members and friends to a Celebration Service (prior to amalgamation of Koornang Parish) at 117 Murrumbeena Road, Murrumbeena on Sunday 20 July at 10.30am. Light lunch provided, RSVP by Thursday 10 July. Contact: 9578 4217.



Music Lovers' Society will hold a classical recital at St Paul's Anglican Church, 530 Dandenong Road, Caulfield North (opposite Glenferrie Road) on Saturday 19 July at 8pm. Amir Farid and Anne Lewitzka will play the piano with William van Pinxteren playing guitar. Cost: \$15/\$12/\$9/\$6/\$35 members free. Contact: 9822 7292 or 9571 0850.

The International Diabetes Institute will hold an open day at 250 Kooyong Road, Caulfield on Thursday 17 July between 10am and 2pm. Free diabetes testing, demonstrations, displays and prizes. Contact: Noelle 9258 5025.

Deadline for next Community Diary is Wednesday 9 July for publication 1–3 August.

Immunisation dates for July

Bentleigh Baptist Church 10 Vickery Street, Bentleigh Monday 7 July 1.30pm–2.30pm

Glen Eira Town Hall

(entry via Glen Eira Road) Corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield Tuesday 8 July 9.30am–10.15am

Murrumbeena Baptist Church

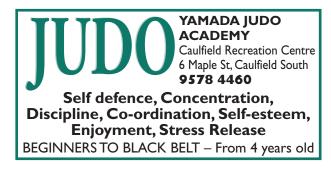
44 Murrumbeena Road, Murrumbeena Monday 14 July 10am–11am

Bentleigh–Bayside Community Health Service

Gardeners Road, Bentleigh East Wednesday 16 July 6pm–7pm Saturday 26 July 9.30am–10.30am

Glen Huntly Maternal and Child Health Centre

Corner Royal and Rosedale Avenues, Glen Huntly Wednesday 23 July 9.30am–11am



Low budget bus trips travelling with an accredited company organised by volunteers for you and travelling with a fully accredited coach company.

Wednesday 9 July, 10am-4pm CHRISTMAS IN JULY AT THE CUCKOO At 'the Cuckoo' in Olinda you will find the best of smorgasbords and the best of entertainment. Any further comment is not necessary. Cost: \$40(does not include drinks)

Wednesday 13 August, 9am–5.15pm DAFFODILS IN WARRAGUL August is Daffodil time and Western Gippsland is the place to find them. Today we travel to Warragul where there is time to visit Glengarry Knitting Millis who make excellent knitted garments for men and ladies. Bring or buy your own lunch. In the afternoon we visit Rowse Bros farm at Ellinbank and yes there will be the opportunity to buy blooms. Cost: \$25 Wednesday 17 September, 9am–5pm approx HISTORIC MALDON Classified by the National Trust as Australia's first 'notable town', historic Maldon has much to offer the visitor. We drive up Mount Tarrenover to take in the view. explore the shoons. maybe take home some bread from

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

Friendship Group

99 Grange Road, Glen Huntly

Activities for July

Enquiries and bookings Margaret 9596 6124

Thursday 10 July — Golden Girls An excellent opportunity to purchase low cost winter garments. The "Golden Girls" provide a good selection of outerwear, some nightwear and underwear. Morning tea at 99 Grange Road, Glen Huntly at 10am. Donation: \$2.50

Thursday 24 July — Christmas in July! Cast off the cold winter blues and come for a bus trip to the Swiss Mountain Hotel at Daylesford. An excellent three course Christmas lunch and sing-a-long of carols. Bring a container if you wish to collect some local mineral water. Cost:\$38. Depart 9.15am 185 Poath Road, Hughesdale and 9.30am from 99 Grange Road, Glen Huntly.



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Doing Business



Council has supported a team of artists in their Ctransformation of the public toilet block near McKinnon railway station, as part of the Federal Government's Work for the Dole scheme.

CVGT Employment and Training manages a Work for the Dole program. CVGT specialist and team manager Cath Brown, who has a focus in community

arts programs, approached Council seeking opportunities to introduce mosaic art in Glen Eira shopping areas.

Council's Business Development Manager Lynda Bredin suggested the McKinnon

public toilets, situated near the railway station in the middle of McKinnon shopping centre.

"McKinnon public toilets was chosen as a pilot site because it is often the target of graffitti attacks on a regular basis — creating a visual eyesore for shoppers and posing a cost to the community purse," Ms Bredin said.

"This site was chosen with the hope that this would act as a deterrent in keeping community property and the shopping centre visually clean."



Budding artists take their skills to McKinnon, creating mosaic art on the walls of the toilet block near the railway station, as part of the Work for the Dole scheme.

Three panels have been positioned on each gable end of the toilet block to act as the canvas.

"The team of trainee artists, under the supervision of Ms Brown, is approaching their project with enthusiasm and professionalism," Ms Bredin said.

Work for the Dole is a Federal Government initiative that encourages greater self-reliance and motivation among the long-term unemployed by developing programs that encourage them to give back to the community.

BusEd dinner guaranteed POW!

Business management guru Jeff McLean will add some POW! to the next *BusEd* seminar dinner with his strategies and tools for developing effective people relationships.

Co-director of The Australian Consortium for Effective Organisations (ACEO) and Department of Management Senior Lecturer at Monash University, Jeff will move outside the box of a narrow business focus and explore the foundations for personal, organisational and world (POW) success.

Council's Manager Business Development Lynda Bredin described the talented presenter as an



Council's Manager Business Development Lynda Bredin (right) and guest speaker for the upcoming BusEd dinner seminar Jeff McLean. Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

"Not only is he proactive and knowledgable, he is an enriching character who doesn't come from a purely academic background but has a realistic approach to business and life."

Council hosts three *BusEd* dinners during the year in conjunction with Monash University.

The dinner seminars are a part of the *BusEd* program which is designed to create partnerships between education and local businesses.

For further details about BusEd projects or the dinner seminar contact Council's

Women's group meetings all business

Continues to grow from strength to strength with numbers doubling since its inception in May 2001.

At the network's June meeting, guest speaker Dr Sharon Orrman-Rossiter attracted more than 70 local business women eager to hear her tips on gaining clarity in life, achieving goals and turning dreams into reality.

Dr Orrmon-Rossiter is the founder and managing director of Clarity Now and talked on the subject of *Creating Success, Fulfilment and Balance in Your Life.*

Manager Business Development Lynda Bredin said the Women's Business Network was designed for women operating their own businesses in Glen Eira.

"The monthly meetings are not about discussing women's issues but business issues," she said.

"The meetings are streamlined to educate and help women in business and provide a fantastic networking opportunity to share ideas, difficulties and achievements."

Women's Business Network meets on the third Thursday of each month.Victorian Economic Chamber of Commerce and Industry's Principal Equal Opportunity Consultant Jacqui Boughton will address the network on Thursday 17 July. This meeting will be an interactive session discussing current equal opportunity issues, a high risk area for all businesses to consider and manage.

For further details about the Women's Business Network contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

Glen Eira City Council and Monash University present: Dinner Seminar Series 2003

Thursday 24 July at 6pm

Strategies for developing 'POW' Success

A BusEd dinner seminar for you, your partner, your customers and your life.

Entertaining, educational, useful, highly interactive and a lot of fun, this seminar will include topics such as:

- identifying and aligning personal and organisational life goals;
- strategies for achieving more;
- the critical importance of relationships to success;
- types of relationships;
- the 'what's in it for you?' and 'what's in it for me?' of relationships;
- the ultimate relationship type for POW success; and
 strategies for great relationships.

Presented by: Jeff Mclean, Co-director, The Australian Consortium for Effective Organisations (ACEO) Department of Management, Monash University.

Venue: Auditorium, Glen Eira Town Hall,

Service Centre on 9524 3333.

Mentor Partners program

Council is seeking volunteers with extensive life and business experience, who are concerned with the future of small business operations, to join its *Mentor Partners* program.

The *Mentor Partners* program is a Council initiative, which is supported by the State Government through the StreetLife program.

Membership to the program is open to all small businesses — from retailers and wholesalers to services and manufacturers.

Manager Business Development Lynda Bredin said the program provided networking opportunities and a sounding board from which operators can gain valuable business assistance.

"By matching mentor skills with business planning deficits, the program hopes to maximise business success in Glen Eira through job growth and boosting the local economy," she said.

For further information contact the BusEd Mentor Partners Program Co-ordinator on 9524 3333. corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield (entry via the Portico entrance).

Cost: \$25 (GST inclusive) Includes three course dinner

Bookings and payment by Monday 14 July 2003. Please advise of special dietary requirements on registration. We regret no refunds will be available; however, substitute guests are welcome.

Contact: Customer Service Centre on 9524 3333.

This is an initiative of Glen Eira City Council and the StreetLife Program, Department of Innovation, Industry and Regional Development and jointly funded by Monash University, StreetLife and Community Newspapers.



Recreation News

Athletics for all abilities

More than 200 students from nine special schools participated in a cross-country carnival held recently at the Glenhuntly Athletic Club, at Duncan Mackinnon Reserve in Murrumbeena.

Attending the carnival was Glen Eira Councillor Bob Bury who presented ribbons to each winner.

Glenhuntly Athletic Club works closely with the Joint Council's Access for All Abilities service.

Darren Cunningham from Joint Council's Access for All Abilities said Glenhuntly Athletic Club had opened its doors to people with a disability.

"The clubs involvement shows everyone that lives locally that they can be included too, regardless of age, fitness, ability or disability".

"This is just the message Clubs need to get out to the community to show 'hey, we can include you too".

Cr Bury said Council was keen to encourage people of all abilities to participate in sporting events.

"Glen Eira is proud to be able to provide facilities for everyone in our community.

"It was a very rewarding day to see the smiles on the faces of these special children."

For more information about the Joint Council's Access for All Abilities program contact Darren Cunningham on 9209 6572. For details on how to participate on become a volunteer at Glenhuntly Athletic Club activities contact Trevor Vincent on 9802-4690.

Students from Katandra Special School in Ormond competed in the cross-country carnival.





Cr Bob Bury presented ribbons to even winners at the cross-country carnival held at Glenhuntly Athletic Club.

Drought affects sportgrounds



Only turf wickets, tennis courts and bowling greens will be able to be watered if Stage 2 water restrictions are imposed.

The condition of Glen Eira's sportsgrounds will come under increased pressure if the State Government introduces Stage 2 water restrictions.

If Stage 2 water restrictions are introduced, Council will no longer be able to water its reserves.

Under Stage 1 restrictions, introduced late last year, Council could water its sportsgrounds at night. Council responded to these requirements by installing automated watering systems to more than 80 per cent of the City's sportsgrounds.

The tougher Stage 2 restrictions will only allow for turf wicket areas, tennis courts and bowling greens to be watered.

Council's Manager Recreation Services Linda Smith said despite the heavy restrictions, Council had been planning for some time to ensure that the sportsground surfaces last as long as possible.

"Council has worked with the sports clubs to reduce and spread the training nights over as many grounds as possible to reduce the wear," she said.

"Clubs have co-operated really well even though it has meant extra work for busy volunteers. The clubs deserve praise for their efforts in helping maintain these surfaces to ensure the municipality has safe sporting surfaces."

Did you know?

Each of Council's major reserves has an advisory committee to encourage community involvement in their management and development. The 12 reserve committees comprise of community representatives and tenant clubs. Most committees meet on a quarterly basis and will be holding annual general meetings in the near future (see list below). For further information about joining a reserve committee contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or email recservices@gleneira.vic.gov.au Reserve Advisory Committee Notice of Annual General Meeting: **Bailey Reserve, Bentleigh East** Monday 4 August, 7pm Bentleigh/Hodgson Reserve, Bentleigh Wednesday 6 August, 6.30pm Caulfield Park, Caulfield Monday 4 August, 7.30pm Centenary Park, Bentleigh East, Koornang/Lord Reserve, Carnegie and

Glen Huntly Reserve, Glen Huntly Tuesday 12 August, 7pm Duncan Mackinnon Reserve, Murrumbeena Thursday 7 August, 7.00pm East Caulfield Reserve, Caulfield East Monday 11 August, 7.30pm

Piecing together history

Members of the Murrumbeena Cricket Club are currently researching the history of their club and need help piecing the facts together.

In particular, premiership photos, trophies, memorabilia or other articles from 1910 to 1950 are of the most interest.

The club is also keen to find any descendants of players from that era to enable them to put a first name to initials of the many player names they have found.

If anyone has any information please contact David Hardham on 0418 334 341 or 9813 8959.

Council monitors the condition of the sports grounds on a weekly basis and is in constant contact with the clubs.

Ms Smith said there appeared to be no doubt that the playing surface of sportsgrounds would deteriorate if there were no rain.

"Lets hope the much needed rain arrives soon and the restrictions are lifted to ensure that our parks remain in great condition for all park users," she said. EE Gunn Reserve, Ormond Monday 1 September, 7.30pm King George IV Memorial Reserve, Bentleigh East Tuesday 2 September, 7.30pm McKinnon Park, McKinnon Tuesday 19 August, 6.30pm Murrumbeena Park, Murrumbeena Tuesday 5 August, 7.30pm Packer Park, Carnegie Tuesday 12 August, 7pm Princes Park, Caulfield South Wednesday 30 July, 6.30pm Victory Park, Bentleigh Wednesday 20 August, 7pm

