

Community groups big winners with Council grants

Council has awarded almost \$200,000 in grants to local organisations and clubs as part of its 2003 Community Grant Scheme.

Council received requests from more than 150 community groups seeking support for various services, facilities, events and activities.

Approximately \$165,000 in grants has been made available to 115 applicants. A further \$37,000 will be made available to another three organisations which have three-year service level agreements with Council.

The Community Grants Scheme supports and assists community groups to meet identified community priorities. The scheme is open to not-for-profit organisations and groups that provide recreation, arts and culture and/or community services within the municipality.

The scheme supports community groups that meet demonstrated needs, encourages community initiatives that promote self-sufficiency and innovation, and helps to strengthen local participation in the planning and implementation of services and programs.

A wide range of community organisations apply for the grants each year, including Scouts, kindergartens, play groups, sporting clubs, senior citizen centres, multicultural groups, adult learning centres and festivals, musical groups and community agencies such as foster care and family support.

A grant of \$3,000 will help the Caulfield Community Toy Library, a not-for-profit organisation, purchase much needed additional toys for children aged six months to ten years. While toddlers are the library's main users, the library has toys for all levels and skills.

Caulfield Community Toy Library co-ordinator Fiona Tointon said they had conducted a survey of their current stock to assess what needed to be supplemented or replaced.

"When we applied for the grant, we were conscious of identifying the changing demographics within our



*Caroline Betts and daughter Phoebe from Elsternwick try out a Winnie the Pooh toy at the Caulfield Community Toy Library.
Photos: Les O'Rourke.*



Superman, alias Archer Lloyd of Ormond, tackles some serious playtime.

community and the specific needs of our users," Ms Tointon said.

"The grant will help us to put together a baby party pack for 18 month olds, similar to the extremely popular party pack which is hired out for older children's birthday parties."

For a small fee, the new baby pack can be hired out for mother's groups, christenings and birthdays.

"Party packs save parents the worry and cost of providing entertainment at parties and social gatherings," Ms Tointon said.

"The wonderful thing about toy libraries is that they take the pressure off parents to buy new toys. Children have short attention spans, so if they don't use the toys, it doesn't matter. Parents can simply bring the toys back and exchange them for another toy that takes the child's fancy," she said.

St Peter's Boys Club based in Bentleigh East will receive a \$2,838 grant to purchase a marquee to help protect their junior football teams from the rain.

Council's Director Community Services Peter Jones said junior teams training and playing on number two oval at Centenary Park needed protection from Melbourne's extreme weather conditions.

"St Peter's Boys Club applied for the grant to purchase a marquee so that their junior players and parents didn't have to huddle under nearby trees to shelter from heavy rain," he said.

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MAYOR'S column



It's wonderful sometimes to be able to just take a moment to admire the skills and talents of members of our community.

The recent Glen Eira Literary Awards provided just such a moment for me. The awards recognise the talents of budding writers and offer young

people and adults, locally and nationally, the opportunity to have their work judged by a panel of well-respected Australian authors and writers.

Held over two nights, the awards covered eight categories and, impressively, more than 260 local entries were received in the junior short story and junior poetry categories alone.

Through rewarding new talent, the awards encourage aspiring young writers in our community to put their words on display and it is marvellous that so many young people show an appreciation of, and interest in, the wonderful craft of writing.

Bringing out the best in all aspects of our community is a priority for Council — whether it is through rewarding excellence or by providing a safe and supportive environment in which residents can excel.

Council has been working extra hard in recent months to step up safety inspections on pools and food businesses.

Education campaigns for unwanted medicines and reducing waste in our homes have commenced this month and Council is working with the State Government on a new strategy to introduce lower speed limits outside schools.

With so many safety-related activities taking place in Glen Eira, it's the perfect time to remind all residents that they too have a part to play in maintaining the safety of our City.

From ensuring house numbers are clearly marked and watching our speed in residential areas to keeping a close eye on our pets and reducing the amount of rubbish we generate, everyone can contribute to a safer, healthier Glen Eira.

With the many parks, playgrounds and outdoor facilities we have in our City, we're assured of access to a variety of healthy outdoor activities. As the weather improves, we also have more chances to get out and celebrate them — no matter what age or ability-level we are.

The installation of an interpretive trail at Mallanbool Reserve has added an extra dimension to the parkland — the history of its aboriginal heritage and natural past.

— Cr Dorothy Marwick
Mayor

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New beginning for bowls club

Glen Eira Mayor Cr Dorothy Marwick recently helped launch the Glen Eira McKinnon Bowls Club's 2003–04 season.

The Club's Opening Day Luncheon also celebrated a successful first year as an amalgamation of the Glen Eira and McKinnon bowls clubs.

The club provides a social and sporting scene for people ranging in ages from 25 to 85. The new Glen Eira McKinnon Bowls Club, with 432 members, has become one of Melbourne's largest bowls clubs.

Cr Marwick said sport, as well as promoting healthy lifestyles, plays a vital role in the social life of all communities.

"The joining together of the Glen Eira Bowls Club and the McKinnon Bowls Club has been a great success, for both the future of bowls in our City and for the community," she said.

Members making up the new club already have a track record of success. The club's All Ladies Pennant teams are the current Victorian State Pennant champions and have won the Metropolitan Pennant Championships over the last four years.

Club secretary Liz Berkovitch said bowls is a very skillful game and it can take years to perfect.

"It would be great if everything was as easy as the movie *Crackerjack*, but the reality of dwindling memberships and lack of support has made it quite difficult for some clubs," Ms Berkovitch said.

"One thing the movie does show is that there are challenges and rewards for people of any age in taking up the game.



(L to R) Glen Eira McKinnon Bowls Club President Bill Turner, Chairman Sam Courtenay, Ladies Section President Pearl Kaufman and Glen Eira Mayor Cr Dorothy Marwick at the Club's Opening Day Luncheon.

Photo: Jim Hooper.

"Our club coach is 29 years old and was skipper for the Australian side who recently played test matches in England and in Scotland. He has brought a higher level of skills and competitive experience to the club, which is also benefiting from the strong member support."

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Counting your chickens after they hatch

Spring is a time of blossoming flowers, blooming trees and newborn animals — but at Council's Elsternwick Children's Centre spring means chickens.

Last month children at the centre watched with delight as the dozen eggs they had been carefully watching over for two weeks hatched into fluffy black and yellow chickens.

Elsternwick Children's Centre Co-ordinator Geraldine McCarthy said the chicken hatching forms part of the centre's education program and adds to the children's experiences while in child care.

"The children learn about the life cycle of the

chickens, from when they are just eggs, to when they hatch and the first stage of life afterwards," Ms McCarthy said.

"Unless they go to the country or have chickens at home, they don't tend to have the opportunity to experience this first-hand. We use library books to help illustrate our discussions about birds, how they nest and what they eat."

Ms McCarthy said the children had been keeping a close eye on the eggs for days, watching for even the smallest sign of a crack.

"Children were amazed to hear chirping sounds coming from inside the eggs, which alerted them to the fact that the chickens were finally on their way out," she said. "When the chickens finally started hatching, the children were mesmerised."

The chickens were kept for a week after hatching, to give children a chance to learn how to care for them. They were also able to see real feathers growing to replace baby feathers on the chickens' wings. The chickens have now returned to their farm.



Lauren, Aaron and Jacob watch over the eggs for any signs of hatching.



Above: Oscar gets acquainted with his new feathered friend.



Left: The newborn chickens meet some two-dimensional friends.

Photos: Bernie Bickerton.

Four-year Council terms possible

Glen Eira councillors could serve four-year terms of office under proposed legislative changes.

State Government changes to existing legislation, which are expected to be tabled shortly in Parliament, would result in municipal elections for all 79 Victorian councils being held on the same day in November every four years from 2008 onwards.

If passed, the changes will see Glen Eira councillors will serve for four years, instead of the current three years. As well, Council's next elections will be held in November 2005, instead of March 2006.

Council's Director of Community Services Paul Burke said this proposed legislative change would result in Council elections being held four months earlier than originally scheduled.

"Elections in November will give Council more time to develop the following year's budget," he said.

"Extending Councillors' terms in office from three years to four years will also give Council more time to implement and develop policies."

Mr Burke said that holding all municipal elections simultaneously would remove the uncertainty experienced by voters, as some elections are currently held one year, and others the next.

Shaping Glen Eira's future

Preliminary community consultation has been completed in Council's first step to developing a five-year community plan for Glen Eira.

Four community forums, focus groups and 600 telephone surveys have been carried out to give the community an opportunity to have an input into the future direction of the City.

The forums, which covered the themes *Community wellbeing*, *Renewing the City*, *Encouraging the local community* and *Developing the City*, gave residents the opportunity to discuss their issues, needs and expectations.

Council's Chief Executive officer Andrew Newton said widespread community consultation was vital to

ensure the plan was relevant to everyone who worked and lived in Glen Eira and reflected their needs.

"The forums have helped to identify Council's strengths, but have also identified lifestyle and community priorities for consideration as part of the community plan," Mr Newton said.

"Glen Eira is an extremely diverse area. Our aim is to achieve balance in the City and create an environment that respects everyone's needs."

The forums identified maintaining, upgrading and introducing new infrastructure as being important in providing long term benefits for the community as a whole. Residents also supported Council's work to upgrade strip shopping centres to make local shopping easier, safer and more appealing.

Residents rated Council as being strong in the provision of community services and programs, such as child and aged care, low income public housing, Why Stop? Youth Information Centre, Glen Eira Literary Awards, immunisations, the *BusEd* program, cross cultural programs, libraries, recycling, Council's art gallery and citizenship ceremonies.

"Feedback from participants will be assessed as part of Council's ongoing research to identify new priorities and areas for improvement," Mr Newton said.

"Once the research is complete, a draft community plan will be made available for community comment."



Residents participate in round-table discussions at the Community wellbeing forum. Photo: Bernie Bickerton



Language Line



Η Δημαρχία ανακοινώνει τα κοινοτικά κονδύλια για το 2003

Κονδύλια αξίας σχεδόν 200.000 δολάρια έχουν κατανεμηθεί σε οργανισμούς και συλλόγους ως μέρος του Προγράμματος Κοινοτικών Κονδυλίων της Δημαρχίας για το 2003.

Η Δημαρχία έλαβε αιτήσεις από περίπου 150 κοινοτικούς οργανισμούς που ζητούν υποστήριξη για διάφορες υπηρεσίες, εγκαταστάσεις, εκδηλώσεις και δραστηριότητες.

Κονδύλια αξίας περίπου 165.000 δολάρια έχουν χορηγηθεί σε 115 αιτούντες. Εκ απ' αυτά, 37.000 δολάρια θα χορηγηθούν σε τρεις άλλους οργανισμούς που έχουν τρίχρονες συμφωνίες παροχής υπηρεσιών με την Δημαρχία.

Το Πρόγραμμα Κοινοτικών Κονδυλίων υποστηρίζει και βοηθά κοινοτικούς συλλόγους για να καλύψουν αναγνωρισμένες κοινοτικές προτεραιότητες. Το πρόγραμμα είναι ανοικτό σε μη κερδοσκοπικούς οργανισμούς και συλλόγους που παρέχουν ψυχαγωγικές δραστηριότητες, υπηρεσίες για τις τέχνες και πολιτισμό ή και κοινοτικές υπηρεσίες εντός του δήμου.

Το πρόγραμμα υποστηρίζει κοινοτικούς συλλόγους που ικανοποιούν αποδεδειγμένες ανάγκες, παροτρύνει κοινοτικές πρωτοβουλίες που προωθούν την αυτοδιάθεση και την πρωτοπορία και βοηθά στην ενδυνάμωση της συμμετοχής των δημοτών στον προγραμματισμό και εφαρμογή των υπηρεσιών και προγραμμάτων.

Για περισσότερες πληροφορίες επικοινωνήστε με το Κέντρο Εξυπηρέτησης της Δημαρχίας στο 9524 3333.

Муниципалитет объявляет дотации общественным организациям на 2003г

Различные организации и клубы получили дотации в общей сумме около \$200 000 в рамках программы муниципалитета по субсидированию общественных организаций.

Более 150 организаций и групп подали заявления на получение дотаций для финансирования различных услуг, событий и мероприятий.

Около \$165 000 были распределены между 115 организациями. Еще три организации, имеющие 3-летние соглашения с муниципалитетом, получат \$37 000 позднее.

Программа муниципалитета по субсидированию общественных организаций поддерживает различные группы, имеющие четко определенные, общественно полезные цели. Программа рассчитана на некоммерческие организации, находящиеся на территории муниципалитета и работающие в области отдыха и развлечений, искусства и культуры, и общественных услуг.

Программа муниципалитета поддерживает инициативы и начинания, которые способствуют самостоятельности общественных групп, а также вовлекает их в процесс планирования и организации муниципальных услуг и программ.

Более подробную информацию можно получить в муниципалитете по тел. 9524 3333.

Il Comune annuncia le sovvenzioni comunitarie del 2003

Nell'ambito dello Schema di Sovvenzioni Comunitarie del Comune per il 2003, si rende noto che organizzazioni e circoli hanno ricevuto sovvenzioni per un ammontare di circa \$200.000.

Il Comune ha ricevuto domande da oltre 150 organizzazioni comunitarie che chiedevano assistenza finanziaria per una varietà di servizi, strutture, eventi e attività.

Sono state approvate 115 domande di fondi per un valore di circa \$165.000. Altri \$37.000 saranno messi a disposizione di altre tre organizzazioni che hanno accordi triennali di servizio col comune.

Lo Schema di Sovvenzioni Comunitarie sostiene ed aiuta gruppi comunitari a identificare le priorità comunitarie. Possono fare domanda le organizzazioni non-a-fini-di-profitto e i gruppi che offrono attività ricreative, artistiche e culturali e/o servizi comunitari nell'ambito del comune.

Lo schema aiuta gruppi comunitari che soddisfano comprovati bisogni, che incoraggiano iniziative comunitarie tendenti a promuovere l'auto sufficienza e le innovazioni e che aiutano a rafforzare la partecipazione locale alla pianificazione e attuazione dei servizi e programmi.

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作為市政府 2003 年社區資助款計劃的一部分，近\$200,000 的資助款已經撥給機構和俱樂部。

市政府共收到 150 多個社區機構尋求用於各種服務、設施、大事件及活動資助的申請書。

115 個申請機構已獲得了共近 \$165.000 的資助款。另外 \$37,000 將撥給其他三個與市政府有三年服務協議的機構。

社區資助款計劃支持和協助社區團體實施已確定的社區優先考慮事項。該計劃面向本市政區內的非贏利機構和團體，包括提供娛樂、藝術與文化和/或社區服務的機構和團體。

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Better facilities for older adults

Council's Older Adult's Social Support program will have a new home in 2004.

The former Glen Eira Bowls Club in Carnegie will be the new site for a centralised Adult Day Activity program which provides social and recreational opportunities for frail older people and the Food Services program, which delivers meals to residents living in their own homes.

The Curraweena Adult Day Activity program in Caulfield South was relocated to the new site in August. Once the next phase of building and landscaping modifications have received town planning approval and are complete, the Glen Huntly Adult Day Activity program based in Glen Huntly and the Food Services program, based in Carnegie, will relocate there as well.

Council's Director Community Services Peter Jones said consolidating Council's food services operations and the two adult day activity centres to one site would reduce costs and improve service provision.

"Council has noticed an increased demand for services throughout the Bentleigh East and Carnegie areas. This has prompted Council to relocate the programs closer to these areas to meet the increasing needs of the ageing population," Mr Jones said.

"The centralisation of the services will allow Council to better staff the programs and the larger facility will allow residents to use upgraded facilities.

"We can now have space to set up a new gym and the

programs can be further developed to meet the changing needs of residents."

Mr Jones said Council was focused on keeping in touch with the changing needs of residents who used the programs.

"Demands from residents show that more traditional methods of recreation for the elderly are changing," he said. "Some residents who enjoyed the more traditional bowls are trying a more contemporary approach to recreation and taking up Council's strength training, tai chi, aromatherapy, men's woodwork and computer training programs which are all incorporated into the Adult Day Activity program."

Council's Manager Corporate Assets Tim Frederico said subject to receiving town planning approval, Council would call for tenders in early 2004 to complete building works.

"The consolidation of the three services into one location will also maximise the operational hours of the building, rather than allowing facilities to remain empty for parts of the week," Mr Frederico said.

"The external building works will improve



Adult Day Activity Care program worker Stephanie Reidy leads older residents in strength training exercises.

Photos: Bernie Bickerton.

access to the building for wheelchairs and provide level access for trolleys used by food services. Internal alterations will ensure the building meets the working requirements of the Adult Day Activity program."

The Curraweena program, which will remain operational during the building works, provides social and recreational opportunities for frail older people, people with intellectual disabilities and younger adults with acquired brain injuries. It also serves to provide respite for people who care for the disabled at their homes.

The Glen Huntly program requires more specific modifications to cater for dementia sufferers — early to advanced. Activities include bus trips, music therapy, gentle exercises, discussions, craft and strength training.



Mavis Drew joins in the fun of strength training at the Council's Adult Day Activity program.

Meningococcal program immunises thousands

Council is nearing the end of its 2003 meningococcal immunisation program, which provides more than 13,500 primary and secondary school students with free vaccinations.

Under the current program Council has immunised 7,327 children aged between 0 and 19 years and is continuing to visit primary schools in Glen Eira.

Council's Director Community Services Peter Jones said Council recommends parents take preschool children to Council's community immunisation sessions, so they can receive free meningococcal vaccinations to help protect them from disease.

The meningococcal disease is caused by the bacteria meningococci, which is found in the back of the throat or nose, mostly in young adults and less often in adults and younger 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 they can cause meningitis disease in another person.

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

Educating owners on new dog laws

Council has embarked on an education campaign to help local Pit Bull Terrier owners understand recent changes to pet ownership laws.

The changes to the State Government's *Domestic (Feral & Nuisance) Animals Act 1994* impose new requirements for owning certain breeds of dogs. Under the amendments, which came into effect in May this year, the Pit Bull Terrier is listed as a restricted breed — placing certain conditions on owners.

The legislation specifies that Pit Bull Terrier owners must:

- ensure the dog is muzzled and on a lead when outside the owner's premises;
- house the dog in such a way that prevents it from injuring visitors to the property;
- ensure the dog can't escape from the owner's property; and
- erect warning signs at the entrance to owner's premises.



Council's animal management officers have been working with owners to assist them in understanding and complying with the new laws.

Council's Manager Civic Amenity Carl Russo said most Pit Bull Terrier owners are genuinely responsible and are doing the right thing.

"The difficulty with the legislation is that it only relates to pure Pit Bull Terriers and not to cross-breeds," Mr Russo said.

"Some dogs previously listed as Pit Bull Terriers have been re-assessed by officers and have been reclassified as cross-breeds."

Council officers have the authority to declare any dog that they deem to be a Pit Bull Terrier under this classification. Owners are given a 60-day period from the time of notification in which to ensure that they comply with the new regulations.



Recreation News

New playgrounds for Glen Eira

Council will install two new playgrounds for summer at Bailey Reserve, in Bentleigh East, and Glen Huntly Reserve, Glen Huntly to replace existing aged playground infrastructure.

Council's Manager Recreation and Youth Services Linda Smith said the playground renewals are part of Council's ongoing playground replacement program.

"Last year nine of Glen Eira's small playgrounds were upgraded as part of Council's Small Playground Acceleration Program, with the Inkerman Road playground in Caulfield Park also being redeveloped," she said.

"All new playgrounds comply with the relevant Australian standards and provide the best possible play adventures for local children.

"Bailey Reserve and Glen Huntly Reserve will be the centre of attention for young people and families once the new playgrounds are installed."

Council is also undertaking the planning for two new playgrounds at Koornang Park in Carnegie and Princes Park in Caulfield South. These two new playgrounds will be completed this financial year.

"While these will be great places to visit once works are complete, Council requests residents keep clear of the work areas during the construction phase," Ms Smith said.

"Council will ensure the upgrades are carried out as efficiently as possible."



Aged playground equipment at Glen Huntly Reserve will soon be replaced with a brand new playground.

Lights go on in Bentleigh

Local sporting groups will benefit from new training lights being installed at Bentleigh-Hodgson Reserve.

Council will install four new training lights at the Bentleigh Reserve main oval and another two lights on the Hodgson Reserve oval.

As part of the master plan implementation, the building work will bring the main oval lights up to Australian standards. The installation of lights at Hodgson Reserve will provide an extra ground for when an alternative training venue is required.

Council's Manager Recreation and Youth Services Linda Smith said the four lights going up around the main oval would enable training to spread out across the entire field, preventing smaller areas being worn out around the existing lights.

"This capital upgrade demonstrates Council's commitment to upgrading facilities," Ms Smith said. Work is due to be completed in mid-October.

HON. TREASURER WANTED

A non-profit community organisation is looking for an Honorary Treasurer. Financial management experience essential. Would suit a retired Accountant. A commitment to community development desirable. **Please apply in writing to:** The Co-ordinator, Caulfield South Community House, 450-452 Kooyong Rd, Caulfield South. **For more information phone: 9596 6847**

In brief...

New women's cricket competition

The Victorian Women's Cricket Association (VWCA) Midweek Cricket Competition for Women is back on at Caulfield Park, Caulfield. This six-week competition starts on Wednesday 12 November from 6pm-8pm.

No experience is necessary — everyone gets to bat, bowl and field. All games will be held at Caulfield Park (Melway reference: 59 C12).

The competition is open to women of all ages and abilities. Enter individually or as a team of eight. For more information or to register contact the VWCA on 9653 1181 or email asides@cricketvictoria.com.au

On your marks, get set go...

Glen Huntly Athletic Club's *On Your Mark* program will continue each fortnight after a successful open day trial.

On Your Mark is a program aimed at increasing participation in athletics for people in wheelchairs. The program offers an entry point for beginners with

the necessary coaching, training and knowledge provided for those who wish to compete on the national and international stage.

Training will take place at Duncan Mackinnon Reserve, Murrumbeena (Melway reference: 68 J4). For more information contact Wheelchair Sports Victoria on 9473 0133.

Relaying for a cancer-free life

Duncan Mackinnon Reserve in Murrumbeena is once again the venue for the Cancer Council of Victoria's annual fundraising event *Relay for Life* to be held on 25-26 October.

Individuals and teams participating in *Relay for Life* raise money for cancer research by being sponsored for each lap of Duncan Mackinnon Reserve they complete in the 24 hours, or by asking for a lump-sum donation.

Relay for Life is a camp-out event where participants take part in the main relay event and other activities such as the candlelight ceremony and survivor's walk.

A free breakfast has been organised for Sunday 26 October. For more information contact the Cancer Council of Victoria on 1300 656 585.

LAWN BOWLS — LEARN TO BOWL

Bentleigh Bowling Club will be holding an
OPEN DAY

SUNDAY 26 OCTOBER 10AM TO 1PM

We will show you the basics of this great game

Bowls will be supplied. All you need to bring are flat sole shoes
Please book with Bruce on 9557 6200

FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE will follow bowls

Come on and give it a go

Bentleigh Bowling Club 1 Higgins Road, Bentleigh

A story to tell at Mallanbool Reserve

Mallanbool Reserve in Murrumbeena, may be Council's newest park but it is steeped in history.

Council has developed a new cultural and botanical interpretive trail through the reserve that allows visitors to learn about the Kulin (aboriginal) community who were the original inhabitants of the area.

The trail takes people on a journey through the Kulin way of life, which included harvesting plants, fishing and hunting.

The interpretive trail's botanical element outlines the native plant life that was abundant prior to European settlement.

It also provides information on the variety of ways the Kulin people used the plants — from camouflage for hunting to medicinal purposes.



Council opened Mallanbool Reserve in March 2003. The park was built on the site of the former Murrumbeena High School — land which Council acquired after the school closed in 1998. The site was once an extensive wetland, extending behind the coast through much of south-east Melbourne.

Council's Manager Recreation and Youth Services Linda Smith said the indigenous plants found on Mallanbool Reserve are the result of a revegetation program which Council completed last year.

"Mallanbool Reserve has a dry landscape, also known as a xeriscape, and relies entirely on natural rainfall," Ms Smith said.

"It is a unique place in Glen Eira as it showcases a natural heritage landscape."

The new cultural and botanical trail has been installed beside an all-weather, all-abilities access pathway around Mallanbool Reserve.

Large brass signs have been mounted on slabs of red gum harvested from fallen timber. River red gum trees were common to the region and were very useful to the Kulin people for house and canoe construction and for making containers to hold water and nectar.

Ms Smith said the trail was suitable for people of all ages and abilities. It would also be useful for schools and for people who had an interest in indigenous culture and plants.

"The botanical and cultural interpretive



trail reflects Council's aim to provide parks that all residents can enjoy," she said.

"Council has developed a variety of trails in Glen Eira which cater for a wide range of recreational tastes — from the traditional European-style Hopetoun Gardens walk in Elsternwick, to the Rosstown Rail Trail which follows an extinct railway track starting from Elsternwick."

Melway reference 68 K8

— Joanne Faggian

Photos: Bernie Bickerton.



Cyclists go off-road on new rail trail

Cyclists and walkers in Glen Eira have a new reason to smile following the completion of the second stage of the Frankston Rail Trail in Bentleigh.

The new shared pedestrian-bicycle path runs along the Frankston railway line from McKinnon Road, McKinnon to Centre Road, Bentleigh. It follows the completion of the first stage from Glen Huntly Road, Glen Huntly to North Road, Ormond earlier this year.

Once finished, the Frankston Rail Trail will provide a north-south link through Glen Eira from Caulfield Station to South Road. The project is part of the Council's *Glen Eira Strategic Bicycle Plan*.

Council's Acting Director Infrastructure Kerry Martin said where possible, the strategy has identified off-road routes for construction of new bike and pedestrian paths.

"Off-road paths help to enhance the experience and promote greater safety, especially for children," Mr Martin said.

"We've already seen parents accompanying children riding tricycles along the path and we've had a lot of positive feedback from people using other sections of the track. One resident who uses a motorised wheel chair said that he finds the long, continuous paths easy to use."

Council and the State Government, through Sport and Recreation Victoria, jointly fund the construction of the new off-road path.

The Frankston Rail Trail is three quarters of the way towards being complete. The next stage of the trail development will be a combination of off-road and on-road trails between Bentleigh Station and South Road.

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Mentor Partners

Small business operators, and citizens with business experience, are invited to join Council's Mentor Partners program to boost their business and the local economy.

Volunteer services are being sought from people concerned with the future of small businesses to join the program as mentors or participants.

For more information contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

Think safe — act safe — feel safe



Safer school travel

Council welcomes school speed zones

Council has welcomed a State Government initiative to introduce lower speed limits outside schools to make school travel safer for children.

Council's Director City Development Jeff Akehurst said the new school speed limits were in line with Council's current commitment to make sure Glen Eira's roads are safe for children, particularly around schools.

"One of our top priorities is to make sure children can walk or ride safely to school. It's about peace of mind for parents and looking after the most vulnerable members of our community," Mr Akehurst said.

"These new speed limits around schools will help Council achieve this objective, although we do anticipate some minor teething issues that will have to be worked through over time and on a case-by-case basis."

Under the State Government's new *arrive alive!* program, lower speed limits will be introduced outside all Victorian schools by November 2004.

The new *arrive alive!* school speed zones will comprise of 40km/h speed limits outside schools on 50km/h roads; time-based 40km/h speed limits outside schools on 60km/h and 70km/h roads which will apply 8am–9.30am and 2.30pm–4pm on school days; and time-based 60km/h speed limits outside schools on most 80km/h, 90km/h and 100km/h roads.

An integrated approach to safety

The Glen Eira Community Safety Committee was set up in late 2000 to enable an integrated approach to community safety in Glen Eira.

Chaired by Cr Veronika Martens, the community safety committee meetings are held every second month involving representatives from VicRoads, Council, State Government agencies, Victoria Police and the Fire Brigade.

The committee is an effective way of co-ordinating safety initiatives, recent examples being the *Walksafe* pedestrian project at the Bentleigh and Bentleigh East shopping centres and the *Safe Routes to Schools* project in Caulfield North. Other achievements regarding safety in public places include safety audits of all railway stations in Glen Eira and crime prevention audits undertaken for park masterplans.

Safe routes to school

Council is working with three Caulfield North schools to identify how safety can be improved as part of a *Safe Routes to Schools* project.

Council's Group Manager Statutory Services Duncan Turner said the Caulfield North *Safe Routes to Schools* project was a joint effort between Council, VicRoads and the schools — Melbourne Grammar, Ripponlea Primary School and Shelford Anglican Girls School.

"The project focuses on education and engineering improvements. Schools are currently assessing

engineering options that can be used to enhance safety. Once agreement has been reached, Council will consult with any affected residents in the area as appropriate," Mr Turner said.

"The project, for example, can be used to help Council establish whether roads need additional signs directing children where to cross roads safely.

"Council has funding for this financial year to implement recommended crossing point signs at the three Caulfield North schools."

Keeping school crossings safe

Council has called on residents to drive more carefully and obey traffic laws on roads near schools for the safety of children.

Council's Manager Civic Amenity Carl Russo said it is imperative all school children were able to arrive and leave school in a safe manner

"At school crossings it is illegal for cars to park 20 metres before, or 10 metres after, the crossing," Mr Russo said.

"Council's traffic officers regularly patrol roads near school crossings to make sure cars aren't parked illegally or obstructing the flow of traffic."

One of Council's 52 school crossing supervisors, John Muir has helped children safely cross the road for the past five years.

As a physiotherapy assistant at Caulfield General Medical Centre, Mr Muir said he had always enjoyed working with children in the paediatrics ward. He now supervises school crossings as a way of continuing to be in contact with and looking after children.

School crossing supervisors receive on-the-job training at one of the 48 crossings in Glen Eira and attend a re-accreditation course once a year at the Glen Eira Town Hall. They are trained to supervise all those who use the crossing — making sure they cross safely and cause minimal disruption to traffic.

They are also trained to make direct eye contact with drivers, so they can recognise whether approaching



Council school crossing supervisor John Muir supervises children outside the Adass Israel School in Elsternwick.

Photo: Joanne Faggian.

cars are going to stop and know when it is safe to walk onto the crossing.

Council is looking for people to supervise school crossings throughout the City. Please see the advertisement on page 12 for details.



COMMUNITY SAFETY MONTH

October 2003

Community Safety Month is a safety awareness program aimed at reducing the risk of crime, violence, emergencies and injuries within our community. It also aims to increase community confidence about safety through the promotion of safe practices.

The month provides opportunities for community groups to strengthen or consolidate partnerships and to develop new networks and share resources.

A range of activities will be co-ordinated by Crime Prevention Victoria with funding from the Department of Justice. For details of events and activities during the month, contact Information Victoria on 9651 6525 or visit www.communitysafetymonth.com.au

Safe — be safe



Safe swimming in Glen Eira

Council takes a proactive role in ensuring that Glen Eira residents can be safe in and around pools, either at public facilities or private residences.

Council regularly monitors Glen Eira's 17 public pool and spa facilities to make sure they meet numerous water quality standards.

Operators must adhere to water quality standards including adequate levels of chlorine, pH and alkalinity as well as safe bacteria levels.

Council's environmental health officers visit each facility four times per year to test and monitor water quality, making sure they comply with the *Health Infection Disease Regulations 2001*. Officers also audit business records between scheduled visits to ensure compliance.

Council also carries out regular safety inspections on pools and spas to ensure they comply with State Government building regulations regarding safety barriers and access points.

Safety barriers around pools and spas should be checked all year round. Building regulations require residents to maintain all fences, gates, doors, windows



Environmental Health Officer Katrina Velgush tests the water quality at a local public pool.

and walls that form part of a pool safety barrier.

All gates and doors around the spa or pool area need to be checked to make sure they close properly with self-closing devices. All fences need to be in good condition and all boundary fences need to form an effective barrier to the pool or spa, to make sure they prevent access from the adjoining property.

It's also worthwhile checking that there aren't climbable objects, such as tree branches or pot plants, within a 1.2 metre radius of a pool or spa barrier.

Disposing of unwanted medicines

Residents are urged to return any out-of-date or unwanted medicines for safe disposal as part of Council's *Medications Surrender* program in October.

The *Medications Surrender* program aims to educate consumers about the health and environmental dangers associated with stockpiling and incorrectly disposing of unwanted medicines.

The program will be held throughout October and residents can dispose of unwanted medicines in a 120-litre medications disposal unit located in Council's Service Centre, Glen Eira Town Hall, corner of Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield, between 8am and 5.30pm, from Monday to Friday.

Council's Manager Public Health Mark Saunders said people often keep medicines that are no longer needed or are out-of-date, which can result in confusion and misuse and can have serious health implications.

"Getting rid of unwanted medicines using Council's medications disposal unit is a far better alternative to

the sink, garbage bin or toilet — where chemicals and medicines can end up in our waterways," Mr Saunders said.

Statistics prove that unwanted medicines are a hazard. Every year about 140,000 Australians are hospitalised due to the incorrect use of medicines, while 50 children are admitted to hospital every week as a result of poisoning.

How to prevent poisoning:

- use child restraint locks on cupboards or cabinets that store medicines and poisons;
- remind kids that medicines aren't lollies;
- dispose unwanted and out-of-date medicines through the local pharmacy;
- buy products with child restraint containers; and
- always ensure the child restraint lid is on properly after use.

Food safety a top priority

Council regularly inspects more than 750 food businesses in Glen Eira to make sure they meet the required food quality and safety standards.

Council's Manager Public Health Mark Saunders said Council has a responsibility to ensure that all food offered for sale is of a safe and acceptable standard, as set out in National Food Safety Standards.

"These standards are enforced so that a satisfactory level of food safety and hygiene is maintained amongst local food businesses," Mr Saunders said.

Environmental health officers investigate complaints from the public about food-related incidents and undertake regular sampling for analysis to ensure the food is safe.

Mr Saunders said officers investigate more than 100 complaints per year in relation to a number of issues, including the general operation of food businesses, contaminated food and alleged food poisonings.

"More than 370 food samples are collected each year for analysis to ensure food produced within Glen Eira is of an acceptable standard," he said.

Overhanging trees and shrubs

Residents are reminded to keep an eye on spring growth and make sure trees and shrubs don't hang over property boundaries.

Council's Manager Civic Amenity Carl Russo said that it is up to the owner of the property to keep trees and shrubs on the edge of properties under control.

"This is particularly important along roadways and footpaths, where overhanging vegetation poses a safety hazard to pedestrians and bicycle riders," Mr Russo said.

"Overhanging branches can also obscure the view of drivers reversing out of driveways or travelling along streets and laneways."

Trees must be cut to a height of three metres above the ground and vertically in line with property boundaries. Where necessary, notices will be issued to remove or trim shrubs.

A Council request to cut back trees and shrubs must be responded to within 14 days. Owners who don't comply with Council's request can be fined.



Council's Manager Civic Amenity Carl Russo shows the preferred height for overhead branches.

Decrease in crimes in Glen Eira

Criminal offences have decreased 13.8 per cent in Glen Eira during 2002–03.

According to recent Victorian Police statistics, there have been notable decreases in crimes against property, and other crimes such as harassment and behaviour in public. The most significant of these was a 21 per cent decrease in drug offences.

This decrease reflected an overall drop of 10.6 per cent in crime across metropolitan Melbourne for the same period.

The latest data from the Australian Bureau of Statistics shows that Victoria is the safest state in Australia, with a crime victimisation rate almost 23 per cent below the national average.

Council awards budding writers

More than 500 writers, their families and friends gathered for Council's 2003 Glen Eira Literary Awards presentations, held recently at the Glen Eira Town Hall.

Glen Eira Mayor Cr Dorothy Marwick officially opened Council's eighth annual literary awards, which as a result of the high number of entries, was held over two separate evenings — the first being for the presentation of junior awards and the second for adult awards.

The Glen Eira Literary Awards offer new and talented writers an opportunity to be recognised. This year the competition attracted 1,200 entries across eight categories, which are divided into national and local sections.

Altogether 63 local children were shortlisted in the junior poetry and junior short story categories and 55 aspiring writers from the youth and adult section were awarded prizes at the presentation evenings hosted by Melbourne comedienne Denise Scott and Rachael Berger.

Michael Griffith won the first prize in the *Sunflower Bookshop Local Short Story Award*. Elissa Goldstein was the winner of the *Local Youth Short Story Award*. Bella Li won first prize in the *Local Youth Poetry Award*. Benjamin Dimas was the winner of the *Local Junior Short Story Award* and Zarah Azoor won the

Local Junior Poetry Award. The main award, the Caulfield RSL *My Brother Jack Short Story Award*, was won by Paddy O'Reilly. Matthew Blackwood was the winner of the *Classic Cinema Short Screenplay Award* and Xan Colman was the winner of the *Short Stage Play Award*.

Cr Marwick said Council's literary awards encourage the participation of aspiring writers in the community.

"The junior awards are offered to the many young people of our community who show an appreciation of, and an interest in, the wonderful craft of writing," Cr Marwick said.

"More than 260 entries were received this year from young people in Glen Eira who entered the categories for junior short story and junior poetry."

The awards focused on short writing mediums such as short stories, screen and stage plays and poetry.

"The awards are dedicated to giving new and talented Australian writers an opportunity to have their work recognised and rewarded by a judging panel that



Mayor Cr Dorothy Marwick with Local Youth Short Story Award commended winner Rosa Roberts and Glen Eira Literary Awards judge Kirsty Murray.

includes some of Australia's best-selling authors and contemporary writers", Cr Marwick said.

A collection of the winning short stories, scripts and poetry will soon be published in Council's 2003 literary awards book.

Local writer finds calling



Glen Eira Literary Awards 2003 Sunflower Bookshop Local Short Story Award winner Michael Griffith. Photo: Joanne Faggian.

Carnegie resident Michael Griffith, the winner of this year's Glen Eira Literary Awards *Sunflower Bookshop Local Short Story Award*, draws his inspiration from the compassion of ordinary people and everyday life.

Yet this local writer's story is far from ordinary.

Born in Wales and raised in Western Australia in a working class family, Mr Griffith said he was "kicked out of secondary school because he was a lot of trouble." He said that he had been getting top grades until Year 10, when for no apparent reason he went "completely off the rails."

He was later diagnosed as having bi-polar disorder, which he said could help to explain his behavioural change in school. For many years afterwards, Mr Griffith worked in dog pounds, pizza factories, nursing homes and in room service; he's delivered pig carcasses, worked with disabled children and as a waiter and a cook.

"I used to write all the time, but I never thought that I'd stand a chance. But now I'm doing what I love doing. It's amazing how everything's come together," he said.

The turning point for this naturally talented writer was when he won the 2000 Glen Eira Literary Awards *Caulfield RSL My Brother Jack Award*. It was his first-ever writing award.

Since then Mr Griffith has written plays and had poems and short stories published. His plays have been shown in the *La Mamma* and *Bass* theatres and played during the Fringe Festival. He's currently writing a play called *Staff*, an insightful look into the lives of women who work in menial jobs, which he's hoping to be able to show in Glen Eira.

Literary awards judge Gary Disher described Mr Griffith's winning *Sunflower Bookshop Local Short Story* entry, *The Boat*, as having touches of Raymond Carver and James Morrison.

Mr Disher said the story's "deceptively flat tone made more acute the emotional content as an old fisherman and his grandson, each with a private burden, are healed and transformed by an incident at sea".

Mr Griffith's idea to write *The Boat* came to him in Mordialloc when he saw a child and an old man heading out to sea.

"I see stories around me all the time, people live amazing lives within our communities. I think there is very little recognition that people are a lot nicer than what is generally seen," he said.

"One of the wonderful things about Australia is that people of different nationalities and backgrounds can co-exist and live side by side in peace. It doesn't seem to matter that there are wars going on overseas, Australians have an ability to just get on with living and to want a safe life for our children."

Early start to writing career

At just 12 years of age, Benjamin Dimas of Carnegie is already an experienced storyteller.

The winner of the 2003 Glen Eira Literary Awards *Junior Short Story Award*, Benjamin started seriously writing and researching stories when he was just six years old.

Benjamin says he usually prefers to make up his stories. "They're more unexpected when they're not based on real life," Benjamin said.

His winning story is a humorous tale about the foibles of human communication — how messages get passed around, changed and finally received in organisations.

His older sister, Elise Dimas, set the family precedent when she was short-listed for the same award in 1998.



Glen Eira Literary Awards 2003 Junior Short Story Award winner Benjamin Dimas. Photo: Joanne Faggian.

ARTS

Glen Eira City Council Gallery
corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield
Hours: Monday to Friday 10am–5pm
Weekends and public holidays 1pm–5pm

Arts



Cool finale to music series

Over 200 people braved the August cold to hear Combo Fiasco perform the final concert in Council's Winter Music Series.

The lights were low and the spotlight glowed on vocal sensations Tony McGill, Charmaine Clements and Shaun Murphy as they performed show tunes and cabaret favourites.

A large number of young people attended the concert, many of whom said it was a great way to spend the afternoon. Others said the performance was even better than expected and rated it as first class.

The 2003 Winter Music Series consisted of a fabulous line up of Café Society Orchestra, Klezmania, Kenny Lopez and the Havana Connection and Combo Fiasco, featuring jazz, swing, folk and Latin music.

Glen Eira residents may not have to wait until 2004 for the next music series. Council is already planning two new concert series for children and seniors.

Combo Fiasco — Charmaine Clements and Shaun Murphy sing at Council's Winter Music Series.

Gallery Urban Reflections Mixed Palette

Opens Tuesday 14 October 7pm
and continues to 26 October

Urban Reflections brings together diverse experiences of urban life.

Subjects explored in Mixed Palette's 2003 exhibition range from Australian Rules Football to suburban waterways and European cities.

Portraying the urban landscape is a way of understanding what it means to have an Australian identity and an opportunity for the artists to reflect upon their roots.

Mixed Palette is an appropriate name for this eclectic group of painters whose techniques are as varied as their choice of subject matter. The binding force between them is the influence of the Australian urban landscape on their pictorial style. This often manifests itself in the sense of light the painters use, or the quality of the palette.

Members of the group are Mai Maddisson, Lois Campbell, Margaret Kettels, Joan Allison, Ray Tormey, Shirley Straford, Audrey Kitching, Margaret Gurney, Frank Jolly and Harald Korte.

Many have had their work represented in Australian and overseas collections and are members of other artist groups, such as the Melbourne Society of Women Painters and Sculptors and Victorian Artists' Society.

The painters in *Mixed Palette* source their inspiration from a technicoloured spectrum of abstract and realist techniques including that of Cezanne, Kandinsky, Jeffrey Smart and Fred Williams.

Bonsai 2003

Saturday 11 October 9am–5pm
Sunday 12 October 10am–4pm

Council's Gallery will come alive with Melbourne's most extensive exhibition of Bonsai.

The art of Bonsai is an ancient tradition, some plants having been tended over centuries and others artfully grown over shorter periods of time to replicate their ancestors.

There is a great deal of patience and skill involved in the art of creating a Bonsai, watching the seasons to adjust feeding accordingly, and most importantly pruning the branches to replicate elegant miniature gardens.

This fabulous display of greenery is open for one weekend only. Demonstrations will take place on Saturday 11 and Sunday 12 October 2003 and experts will be available for consultations and pruning at the Bonsai clinic.

Residents are invited to see the Gallery transformed into a greenhouse.

Admission for adults is \$5. Children accompanied by an adult are free.

Photographic Imaging College

Opens Tuesday 28 October 7pm
and continues to 2 November

This exhibition will appeal to anyone who has ever taken photographs and anyone who thought they had a good eye for capturing the moment.

Showcasing the work of keen young photographers from the Photographic Imaging College (PIC), this exhibition gives an insight into learning photography as a career.

Students of the Diploma of Arts — Applied Photography course at PIC are venturing into the world of fashion photography, photojournalism and other photographic arts using black and white or colour film. The subject matter varies from traditional portraiture to more experimental and topical concerns.

PIC's professional facilities house the latest technology in processing and digital studios, which



Photographic Imaging College — photograph by Erin Bull.

enables students to explore the most recent advances in multi-media methods or continue using 35mm and traditional darkroom techniques.

Council is a keen supporter of student artwork and encourages students' ongoing interest in the Gallery as a resource for both inspiration and study.

This exhibition of graduate work reveals the next generation of photographers.

Bentleigh Art Exhibition including Handcrafts

10–12 October 2003

Exhibition Times

Friday 7.30–11pm
Saturday 10am–9pm
Sunday 10am–5pm

Exhibition venue

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Opening Night

Supper and refreshments provided
Swing band to play
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Free Entry

Present this advertisement for free entry
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Avoiding waste *the way to go*



Council is urging residents to put in an extra effort to avoid creating waste during *Zero Waste Week* from 27 October to 2 November 2003.

Council is running programs to educate and encourage the community to participate in waste minimisation as part of its *Becoming Waste Wise — Waste Wise Education Strategy*.

The waste education strategy is a four-year integrated waste education initiative which focuses on the prevention of waste through the implementation of programs that target specific sectors of the community.

These sectors of the community include Council, schools, businesses, households and community groups.

Council's Waste Management Engineer Doug Griffiths said *Zero Waste Week* was a program that

could be useful in promoting waste minimisation and environmental sustainability in Glen Eira.

"Glen Eira has an excellent track record in recycling, however Council would like to encourage the community to rethink their buying habits and avoiding creating waste in the first place," he said.

"The State Government is working towards a strategy of zero waste to landfill within the next 10 years, but an important first step is to really make sure that people are aware of what they do with their waste."

Suggestions for avoiding creating waste during *Zero Waste Week* include:

- packing lunch free of rubbish — use re-useable containers
- take fruit for lunch that comes in its own natural package, like bananas, oranges, mandarins and apples;
- re-use containers and packaging for storing small items like paper clips, pins, staples, erasers;
- look for products with minimal packaging;
- buy meat from the butcher and do away with polystyrene trays;
- take shopping bags to use at the shops;
- ask to be removed from junk mail lists and place a "No Junk Mail" sign on the letterbox;
- buy pet food in bulk. Bulk foods, particularly dry and bought in plastic or paper, reduce packaging waste by up 75 per cent;
- choose the concentrated or refillable form of products, eg, detergents, juices, cordials and cleaning products; and
- take a personal mug to school functions, the theatre, conferences and other events where tea and coffee is served in disposable cups.



Clearer house numbering required

Council is urging residents to make sure their house numbers are clearly displayed, both for safety and legal reasons.

Small or obscured house numbers can severely affect the time taken by emergency services to locate these premises, especially at night.

Council's Manager Civic Amenity Carl Russo said having house numbers clearly displayed ensures that

police, ambulance or fire services can react quickly and effectively in an emergency.

"House numbers must be clearly identifiable from the road or footpath abutting the property," he said.

Residents who don't have their house numbers clearly and prominently displayed are at risk of being issued with an on-the-spot infringement notice, which carries a \$50 penalty.



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Wednesday 15 October, 9am–5pm. Cost: \$25
SERENDIP, YOU YANGS & SLEEPY HOLLOW

Serendip Bird Sanctuary at Lara is a fascinating place to visit and many folk wish they had been there sooner. The nearby You Yongs offer terrific views of Corio Bay and the title 'Sleepy Hollow' definitely does not apply to Geelong any more. Bring or buy your own lunch and have a most informative day out with friends.

Wednesday 19 November, 9am–4.30pm.
Cost: \$35 includes lunch
PHILLIP ISLAND

Morning drive to Torradin (morning tea) and then on to San Remo for the pelican feeding which is always entertaining. Bar-b-que lunch today at 'the Woolshed', a farm property which is always an enjoyable experience. Afternoon touring of the island with a detour to Corinella on the way home.

Sunday 7 December
WESTERNPORT LUNCHEON CRUISE

Coach food and drinks are unlimited during cruise. Fully inclusive fare \$105 per person, \$50 deposit to confirm booking please. Bookings close 14 November and final payment is due on that day. A cancellation fee will apply after bookings close.

We join Captain Rankin on the luxury cruiser Georgianna McHaffie to wine and dine in spacious, gracious comfort and charm (shades of the 'Orient Express') as the vessel glides across the sheltered waters of WesternPort. This is an event not to be missed! Book early! Pick ups from Moorabbin Town Hall at 9am, Glen Eira Town Hall at 9.15am, Glenhuntly station at 9.25am. Return approximately 4.40pm.

Please note:

Bus departs from outside Glen Eira Town Hall promptly at scheduled time. Please plan to be there 10 minutes prior to departure. We pick up at Glen Huntly Station (Tram Stop 60) ten minutes later.

Bookings: BY PHONE 9720 5677.
Monday to Friday ONLY 9am–2pm
By mail: Glen Eira 2003, PO BOX 221, NUNAWADING 3131
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For further information call
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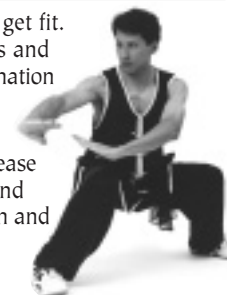


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Back in 5 — a chance to escape the daily grind

Council will hold a full-day stress management workshop for young people in Years 9 and 10.

Back in 5...a chance to escape the daily grind is an initiative of Just Youth, Council's Youth Leadership and Project Group. Designed and run by young people for young people, *Back in 5* teaches young people new and creative ways to stop stress becoming a problem in their lives and helps them to prepare for the stress of VCE.

Held as part of Council's Mental Health Week celebrations, *Back in 5* aims to encourage young people to actively maintain their own mental health.

Guest speakers will let participants know where they can seek support if stress becomes unmanageable. It's also a great chance to meet new people and relax with friends.

Back in 5 will be held between 9am and 4.30pm on Tuesday 7 October at Glen Huntly Park Function Room, corner Booran and Neerim Roads, Glen Huntly.

Schools can make bookings for students and young people can register their interest in attending through the Why? Stop Youth Information Centre.

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

Improving students' self-image

Caulfield Community Health Service, in conjunction with Council, is developing an information package to tackle body image issues in schools.

The package is being developed using expertise from youth workers, a dietitian, students, teachers and parents to improve students' awareness of themselves and others.

The information package will be distributed to local schools to create an environment that encourages feelings of positive self-worth and confidence.

Tips on running a 90-minute teacher training session and delivering a two-hour body image workshop to students from Years Six to Eight will be included in the package.

A council youth worker will also visit the school on a weekly basis for one school term.

For more information contact The Why? Stop Youth Information Centre.

Young musicians learn the beat

Participants in Council's recent *Introduction to Music* program finished with a fully recorded and professionally mixed compact disc of original material.

During the 20-week *Introduction to Music* program, youth workers and professional musicians taught musical skills to young people between 14–19 years.

All participants were given the opportunity to record their own music in a social and learning environment that has so far proven extremely successful.

The program gives participants an insight into the music industry and how to record music. It is designed to teach even young people with limited music experience.

Participants were given vocal training and the opportunity to work with instruments such as guitar, drums, keyboard, African percussion and trombone.

One keen beat-boxer Simon, recorded his original work on the drum kit. Another participant Leigh, was able to record some of her new songs using a different recording format to what she had previously used, which she says will be invaluable to her musical development.

For more information contact The Why? Stop Youth Information Centre.



A group of young people from Glen Eira show off their new musical skills.

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***Computer — Low income	22 Oct 1–3pm x 8 wks	\$24
Woolcraft	6 Oct 1–3pm	\$3
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Spanish for Beginners	21 Oct 1–3pm x 2 wks	\$16
Volunteer Intro/Training	27 Oct 10–12pm x 4 wks	
Playgroup	8 Oct Mums & toddlers 10–12pm	\$3
Art — Painting	24 Oct 1–3pm x 5 weeks	\$50 + materials
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COMMUNITY *Diary*

Meetings and clubs

Caulfield Life Activities Club will meet at Gladys Machin Hall, Cedar Street, Caulfield, on Wednesday 15 October at 7.30pm. Guest speaker. Supper served. New members welcome. Contact: 9568 5849.

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.

The Caulfield Garden Club Inc. meets the Elsternwick Uniting Church Hall, corner Glen Huntly Road and Foster Streets, Elsternwick on the first Tuesday of every month at 8pm. Speakers are invited at most meetings, a garden library for member use, a plant stall and trips on popular request. New members welcome. Contact: 9528 1236.

Caulfield Little Athletics Club will run its athletics season at Duncan Mackinnon Reserve, Murrumbeena from September to March for ages 5 to 15 years. The club will hold running, jumping and throwing activities. Contact: Helen 9578 2083.

Melbourne Meccano Club will be holding its Annual Meccano Exhibition at the Brighton Philatelic Society Hall, corner Gardenvale and Magnolia Roads, Gardenvale on Saturday 11 October and Sunday 12 October. Contact: Graham 9578 6850.

Brahma Kumaris Raja Yoga offers courses in meditation for beginners at 275 McKinnon Road, McKinnon on the first Tuesday of every month at 7.30pm. No charge, voluntary contributions are welcome. Bookings are essential. Contact: 9578 9955.

Bentleigh Organ Club will hold a musical concert featuring John Rowe at the Coatesville Bowling Club, Mackie Road, Coatesville on Monday 6 October at 8pm. All welcome. Cost: \$3 members, \$6 visitors.

Club 66 holds old time, modern, new vogue dances with live band at Bentleigh Uniting Church Hall, 495 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.

Bentleigh Life Activities 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.

Events

The Caulfield Garden Club Inc. will hold its annual flower show at the Elsternwick Uniting Church Hall, corner Glen Huntly Road and Foster Streets, Elsternwick on Sunday 26 October from 2pm to 5pm.

Ripponlea Primary School will hold an art auction at Ripponlea Primary School, Carrington Grove, St Kilda East on Friday 10 October from 7.30pm. Cost: \$10. A children's activity day will be held on Saturday 11 October from 10am to 3pm, sculptures, jewellery making, rock painting, plaster painting and face painting. Cost: \$8. Contact: 9527 5728.

The National Trust Mansion Labassa will hold an open day on Sunday 26 October at 2 Manor Grove, Caulfield North. Guided tours are available at no extra cost. Light lunches and afternoon tea available. Contact: 9527 6295.

Music Lovers Society will hold a classical recital at the Glen Eira Town Hall Auditorium, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield on Saturday 18 October at 8pm. Cost: \$20, seniors \$15, pensioners \$12, students/children \$10, family \$50, members free. Contact: 9822 7292 or 9571 0850.

St Paul's Primary School will hold a spring fete at the corner of Jasper and Brewer Roads, Bentleigh on Sunday 19 October from 9am to 3pm. Devonshire tea, plants, huge craft stalls and face painting.

St. Peters will hold a fantastic fete at 842 Centre Road, Bentleigh East on Friday 14 November from 4pm to 10.30pm. Auction extravaganza, fashion parade, bigger than ever craft stall and a fireworks finale. Contact: Kay 0408 554 678.

Coatesville Uniting Church will hold its annual church fete at the Coatesville Uniting Church corner North and Mackie Roads, Bentleigh East on Saturday 18 October from 9am. Craft, cakes, books, lucky bottles, sausage sizzle, face painting and lots more. Enquiries: 9570 3912.

The Rotary Club of Caulfield will hold its sixth annual magical afternoon of magnificent music making to remember in the auditorium, Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield on Sunday 2 November at 2.30pm. Cost: \$30, concession \$20, family \$70. Contact: 9573 1902.

Ormond Uniting Church will hold Centenary celebrations between 11 and 26 October at the Ormond Uniting Church corner North and Booran Roads, Ormond. A children's activity afternoon will be held on Saturday 11 October from 2pm to 4pm. A community bush dance will be held on Saturday 18 October from 7pm to 10.30pm and a thanksgiving service, tree planting and luncheon will be held on Sunday 26 October at 10am. Bookings required. Contact: 9578 1553.

The Glen Eira South Agency will hold a free community forum on depression at the Bentleigh Bayside Community Health Centre, Gardeners Road, Bentleigh East on Monday 13 October from 7pm to 9pm. Contact: 9575 5333.

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Activities for October

Enquiries and bookings
Margaret 9596 6124

Thursday 9 October

One of the pleasant aspects of spring is the riot of colour in the gardens. Tesselaar's Tulip Festival has it all. Enjoy lunch again at Chudleigh Park. Time 9.30am from 185 Poath Road, Hughesdale and 9.45am from 99 Grange Road, Glen Huntly. Cost: \$32

Thursday 23 October

Bus trip to Queenscliff via Geelong and Bellarine Peninsula, where the scenery and the many historic buildings make an enjoyable day's trip. Bring your own lunch or buy it. Depart 9.15am from 185 Poath Road, Hughesdale and 9.30am from 99 Grange Road, Glen Huntly. Cost: \$28.

Hughesdale Art Group will hold its annual art exhibition opening night at the Hughesdale Community Centre, corner Poath and Kangaroo Roads, Hughesdale on Tuesday 4 November at 7.30pm and will continue from Wednesday to Friday 10am to 9pm and Saturday 10am to 4pm. Contact: Pat 9885 6407.

City of Moorabbin Historical Society will open Box Cottage on the last Sunday of every month from February to November from 2pm to 4.30pm. Admission by donation. Contact: 9578 7060.

Community

Glen Eira Residents Association Inc. will hold its Annual General Meeting at St John's Uniting Church Hall, corner Foster Street and Glen Huntly Road, Elsternwick on Thursday 9 October at 7.30pm.

Immunisation dates for October

Bentleigh Baptist Church

10 Vickery Street, Bentleigh
Monday 6 October 1.30pm–2.30pm

Glen Eira Town Hall

(entry via Glen Eira Road)

Tuesday 7 October 6pm–7pm
Tuesday 14 October 9.30am–10.15am

Murrumbeena Baptist Church

44 Murrumbeena Road, Murrumbeena
Monday 13 October 10am–11am

Bentleigh–Bayside Community Health Service

Gardeners Road, Bentleigh East
Wednesday 15 October 6pm–7pm
Saturday 25 October 9.30am–10.30am

Glen Huntly Maternal and Child Health Centre

Corner Royal and Rosedale Avenues, Glen Huntly
Wednesday 22 October 9.30am–11am

The National Health and Medical Research Council has announced that the 18 month infanrix (tetanus, pertussis and diphtheria) booster has been removed from the Australian Standard Vaccination Schedule. This means the 18-month immunisation visit is no longer required.

Centrelink has been advised of this change and Child Care Benefits and Maternity Immunisation Allowance payments will not be affected.



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Doing Business



Businesses benefiting from *BusEd*

Local businesses operators and students are benefiting from a range of innovative partnership projects currently underway as part of Council's *BusEd* program.

BusEd is a major initiative that is designed to encourage the local business and education sectors to work together on projects that are mutually beneficial. Council's role in the program is to facilitate and promote partnership projects and encourage the sharing of resources, knowledge, skills and experience within the community.

The program currently has 15 separate projects in progress including website design, information technology (IT) network analysis, marketing and art projects.

Students from the Holmesglen College of TAFE are currently working with Frank Penhalluriak from Penhalluriak's Building and Hardware Supplies in Caulfield South on an IT networking project. They

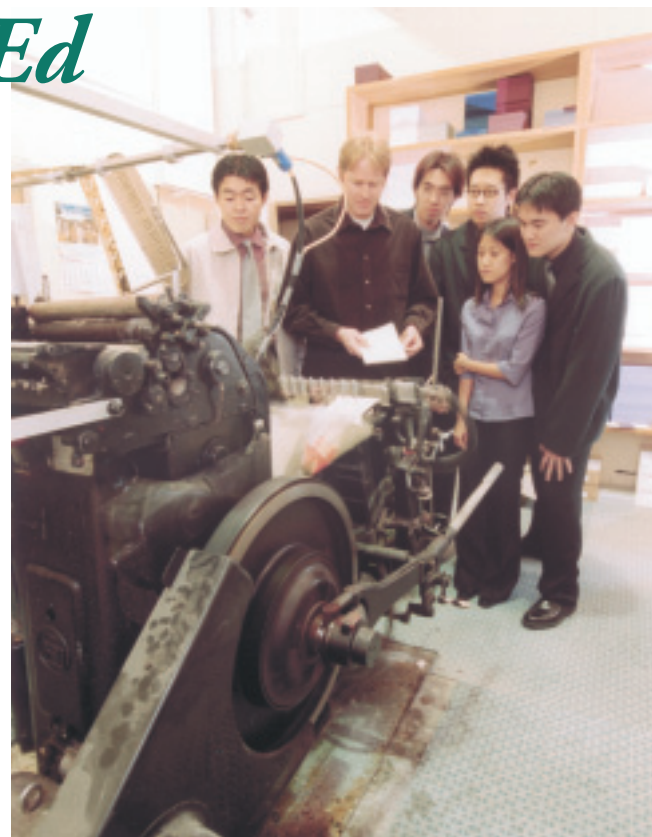
are working to reassess the current and future needs of Mr Penhalluriak's computer network system. This is one of three IT networking analysis business projects running this term.

Steve Miller from Sealco Graphics in Murrumbene is working with a team of students from Monash University to develop a website to enable him to grow his business. The students gain from understanding the irregularities and challenges specific to Steve's printing and special occasion stationery business.

Council's Manager Business Development Lynda Bredin said the *BusEd* program allowed business owners to benefit by improved access to updated information, resources and other business tools.

She said the students benefited from gaining practical experience in a business environment and having access to knowledge, mentoring and experience of local business owners.

Businesses which have a potential project can contact Council's Business Development Unit for more information on 9524 3333.



Monash University students are helping Murrumbene business operator Steve Miller of Sealco Graphics develop a website for his business. Photos: Bernie Bickerton.



Students from Holmesglen College of TAFE are working with Penhalluriak's Building and Hardware Supplies on an IT networking project as part of Council's *BusEd* program.

Flying in the face of adversity

Council's October Women's Business Network meeting will focus on turning challenges into success in business.

Psychologist, organisational consultant and Director of Brash Consulting Leanne Faraday-Brash will facilitate a panel of three business women who have each faced great challenges in running their successful businesses. They will discuss some of the problems, challenges, highlights and triumphs women face when they start out in business.

The panel includes Janet Massie from Harvey World Travel, Limor Dahan Grinberg owner and principal agent of IMMICON PTY LTD and Janie Vandergriff who set up Domestic Goddesses after the collapse of Ansett Airlines.

The Glen Eira Women's Business Network meeting will be held on Thursday 16 October from 7pm-9.30pm. Cost is \$10 and bookings are essential. Registrations can be made by calling Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 by Monday 13 October.

Finding balance

Employers, business operators and individuals can all learn ways to balance work, health and life at Council's upcoming *BusEd* dinner seminar.

Monash University Department of Management Senior Lecturer Dr Anne Bardoel will address the dilemmas faced by most in the struggle to perform at a high level of work and maintain a strong commitment to family and community life.

Dr Bardoel said creating a healthy balance in the workplace is very important in the daily running of a business. "It can impact on productivity, customer service, staff turnover and even stress claims, not to mention or demean the personal cost to individuals and their families," she said.

The seminar is part of Council's *BusEd* program which is run by Glen Eira City Council, jointly funded by the *StreetLife* program, Department of Innovation, Industry and Regional Development, and supported by Monash University and the Leader Newspaper group.

The seminar will be held in the Auditorium, Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield on Thursday 23 October at 6pm. Cost is \$25 which includes a three-course dinner. For bookings and enquiries contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 by Friday 17 October.

Council helps Carnegie traders

Glen Eira City Council is helping Carnegie business operators to prepare themselves against the impact of a proposed expansion of Chadstone Shopping Centre.

Council is providing support towards a four-part marketing program called *Retail Right* which is being run by Gary Copolov of Gold Medal Marketing. The program is providing traders with an opportunity to develop a strategic approach to their business activities and to re-evaluate their own resources.

Glen Eira is fighting a planning application and planning scheme amendment currently before Stonnington City Council which proposes to increase the size of Chadstone by more than 40 per cent. The amendment contains an economic impact statement which suggests the expansion could result in a \$5.9 million loss of turnover for Carnegie Shopping Centre.



Gary Copolov of Gold Medal Marketing addresses Carnegie traders at the *Retail Right* self-help marketing seminar which Council is supporting. Photo: Peter Bury.

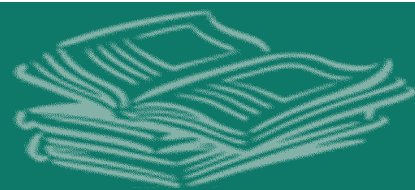
Council's Manager Business Development Lynda Bredin said the program involves two workshops, a one-on-one store evaluation and a peer review where businesses are matched to evaluate one another's business.

"The program's one-on-one evaluation will help traders see their business in a fresh light, which will improve, value-add and strengthen their position in the marketplace," Ms Bredin said.

"When businesses face a threat from an external source, it is important that they empower themselves by taking a hard look within, to shore up their weaknesses and capitalise on their strengths."

The first workshop was held in early September, with the second scheduled for early October.

LIBRARY News



Local children go wild

Local children will have exciting show and tell for their classmates when their return from their September holiday break.

More than 30 children packed into the Carnegie Library recently to be part of the *Go wild* show where the children had a chance to safely interact with live salt-water crocodiles, non-venomous python snakes, fresh water turtles, frogs, dragon lizards and geckos.

Children were invited to feel the slimy coat of Freddo the green tree frog, the shell of Terence the turtle and the slithery scales of George the jungle python.

The children were told about what types of habitats and food the animals enjoy. They all listened attentively as they were shown a crocodile egg and skull just before real-life Charlie the salt-water crocodile reared his head.

There was some excitement when Freddo the green tree frog took a leap into the crowd of children and startled one of the unassuming mothers.



Children touch the hard shell of Terence the turtle at the Go Wild show at Council's Carnegie Library



Adrian aged 2½ looks amazed as he feels the skin of the goanna for the first time

The show was part of Council's *September Holiday Mania* program, hosted by Council's libraries during the September–October term break.

— Photos and story Sophie Aristodemou.

Safety boosted at children's centres

Council is currently undertaking improvement works to three of its children's centres to ensure they comply with increased building standards.

The works at the Murrumbena, Carnegie and Elsternwick children's centres have been progressively carried out over the past 12 months and are almost completed.



The upgrades follow an independent audit of the facilities to comprehensively assess their suitability, maintenance condition, and compliance with the State Government's building regulations and children's services standards.

Improvements undertaken have included eliminating situations where children's fingers could be trapped, improving fencing and storage, modifying door handles and locks, and general building repairs and lighting work.

Council's Manager Corporate Assets Tim Frederico said the upgrades would contribute to ensuring local children were cared for in a setting that is safe, stimulating and enhances their ability to develop and have fun.



Improvements to Council's children's centres have included making doorways safer and lowering door handles. Photos: Bernie Bickerton.

New individual Internet training

Council's library and information service will be offering personalised Internet training from October. The one-hour one-on-one sessions can be individually tailored to meet particular Internet interests or requirements. The sessions are held at the computer training facility at Caulfield Library. Contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 to make bookings or for more details. Specific areas of interest should be stated at the time of booking. Individual Internet training sessions cost \$44.

Internet classes now cheaper

All Internet classes are now cheaper and more affordable, with classes now \$10 or less. If you are interested in learning more about using computers or accessing the Internet, now is the best time to book. The following classes will be held at Caulfield Library and can be booked at any branch.

Computer basics

The ideal class for the absolute beginner.
Tuesday 7 October 10.30am–12.30pm
Monday 17 November 2pm–4pm
Wednesday 10 December 2pm–4pm
Cost: \$33

Introduction to the Internet

A beginners course to browsing the Internet.
Monday 20 October 10.30am–12pm
Wednesday 26 November 2pm–3.30pm
Friday 19 December 10.30am–12pm
Cost: \$22

Further steps on the Internet

This class builds on the information learnt in the introduction class and includes search engines, newsgroups, downloading and more facts about Internet Explorer.

Wednesday 12 November 2pm–4.30pm
Cost: \$33

Introduction to genealogy on the Internet

Comprehensive look at Internet genealogy resources.
Thursday 16 October 2pm–4pm
Cost \$33

(All prices include GST)

Databases expanded

Council's library and information service has introduced three new databases to its ever-expanding list of online services.

The databases are a general science resource tool called *Proquest*, the Biography Resource Centre and Oxford Reference Online.

Library members can access these databases at www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/library. For further information ask the library and information service staff at any branch.

Glen Eira News photos

Have you been photographed at a Glen Eira City Council event and would like a copy of the photo?

Photos published in the *Glen Eira News* are now available for sale. Contact 9524 3333 for orders or information.