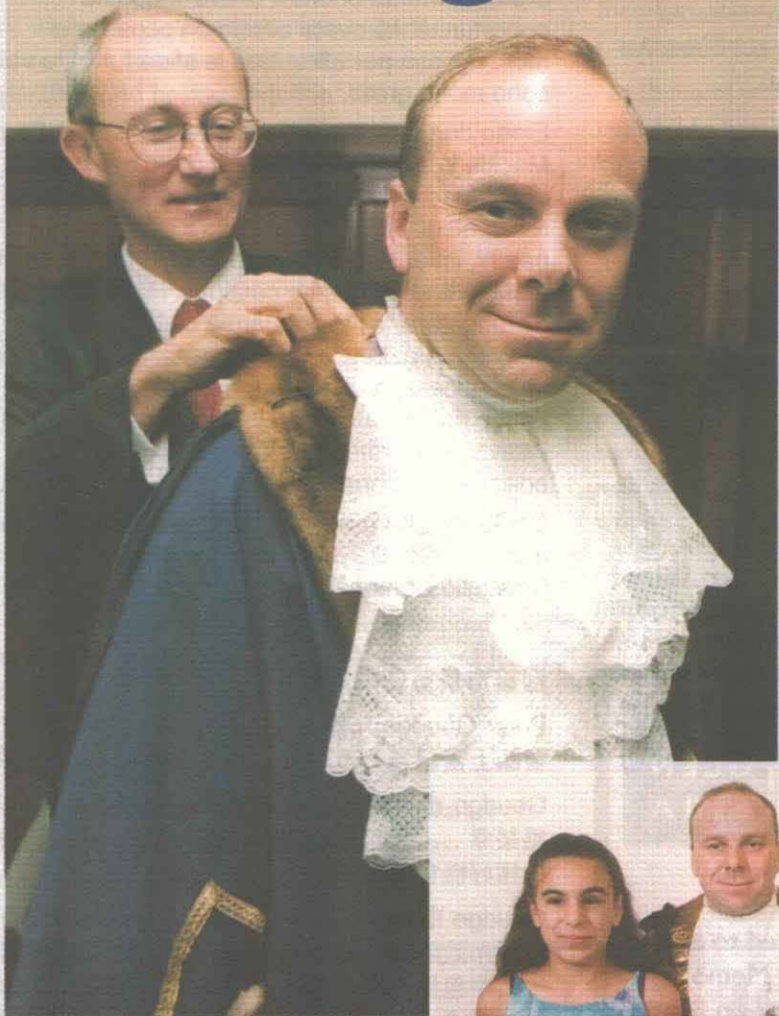


## Meeting the Mayoral challenges



Main photo: Chief Executive Officer Andrew Newton (left) enrobes the new Mayor, Cr Peter Goudge.

Mayor Cr Peter Goudge with his daughters Kalliah (left) and Dana.  
Photos: David McArthur.



Cr Peter Goudge has been elected as Glen Eira Mayor for 2002–03. The decision was announced at a special meeting of Council late last month to a gallery of about 50 people, including his family and friends.

In his acceptance speech, Cr Goudge embraced the challenge of representing the Council for the year:

“I am humbled and deeply honored to have this opportunity...You have afforded me a wonderful challenge and I am very grateful.”

Elected two years ago as a representative on Mackie Ward, Cr Goudge said he was proud of Council’s many successes over the past two years for the residents of the City, including park and pavilion upgrades, planning protection for local people, and extensive tree and shrub plantings. He said Council had “led the way on the public liability insurance issue and the need for VCAT to be reformed”.

“This Council has always prided itself on its independence — we have been free of the influence of certain groups, free of the influence of certain individuals and free of political influence. It is important that this continue over the year ahead.

“There is no place for politics at the local government level. Here in Glen Eira,

Councillors have been apolitical and this is something to be cherished and commended,” Cr Goudge said.

He said: “Over the next year, we will be confronted with many challenges including a willingness to tackle the tough issues — the need to raise extra revenue, to replace ageing infrastructure and community facilities, and to keep operational costs down.” He also said he was ready to pursue master plans for a number of parks, and see a number of major projects through — new aged care beds at Warrabee and the construction of a new library and community centre in Carnegie.

Cr Goudge also made a commitment to continuing the work of protecting residents from inappropriate development, he said: “Council has consistently opposed inappropriate development in this municipality and needs to continue exploring opportunities to offer local people the level of protection, security and amenity they expect from their Council.”

“The work that has been done to date in offering protection for local people in a planning sense is commendable, but there is more work that needs to be done in this area.”

Cr Goudge was formally enrobed after the election and was congratulated by other Councillors and his family who attended the meeting. He took up his role immediately and will preside at his first full Council meeting on Tuesday 9 April.

## Rejuvenated park — open for “business”

The million dollar redevelopment of Packer Park and pavilion, which began in January 2001, has been completed. The park was officially “handed over to the public” at a family day last month.

Packer Park and pavilion upgrade was undertaken as part of Council’s ongoing commitment to upgrade the City’s parks in line with its Open Space Strategy. The park’s master plan was developed in consultation with sporting clubs, residents and community groups. The redevelopment was completed alongside the building of a new park, Mallanbool Reserve, which is also now open to the public.

The parkland, which includes a sporting oval and the velodrome, has been developed to include a wetland area and frog hollow, a state-of-the-art adventure playground for all abilities, facilities for public use — toilets, barbecues, shade sails, pathways and boardwalks — and more than 30,000 new plants.

The pavilion was fully refurbished to cater for the needs of sporting clubs and community groups and now includes a large multi-purpose hall with kitchen facilities, a meeting room and full disability access. The clubrooms have been designed to allow for multiple use by a number of clubs at a given time.

In his speech to open the pavilion, Mayor Cr Noel Erlich said the works had made the pavilion and the park in general a much more attractive and functional community facility — broadening its use to cater to a much wider range of people.

“The pavilion was beyond its use by date, not fit for purpose, lacking in facilities for women, for the disabled, and for the wider community. It is now probably one of the best pavilions in the entire city of Melbourne.

On opening Packer Park, Cr Erlich said: “This Park was spectacularly unspectacular. It was old, it was boring, it was thoroughly uninteresting. Unless you played sport here or walked your dog here you wouldn’t want to stop here. Now almost \$1 million later, it is without doubt one of the most spectacular parks around.”

Cr Erlich also thanked the State Governments for funding contributions of more than \$250,000 towards the pavilion and park works, through Sport and Recreation Victoria.

See Pages 6 and 7 of this issue for the full story and photographs of Glen Eira’s newest parks.

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# Language Line



## Цели и задачи нового мэра

Член муниципального совета г-н Peter Goudge был избран мэром муниципалитета Glen Eira на специальном заседании совета в конце прошлого месяца.

Г-н Peter Goudge сказал: «Я благодарен за оказанную мне высокую честь. Это избрание также налагает на меня особую ответственность».

Г-н Peter Goudge был избран в муниципальный совет от избирательного округа Mackie два года назад. Он отметил, что гордится многими достижениями муниципального совета, в том числе в области благоустройства парков, расширения зоны зеленых насаждений и защиты интересов жителей в вопросах планирования и строительства. Г-н Peter Goudge сказал, что муниципалитет Glen Eira «проявил инициативу в решении проблем страхования гражданской ответственности, а также необходимости реформы Гражданского и административного трибунала штата Виктория (VCAT)». Г-н Peter Goudge пообещал продолжить усилия по предотвращению строительных проектов, не отвечающих интересам жителей муниципалитета.

Г-н Peter Goudge вступил в новую должность сразу после избрания. Он будет председательствовать на следующем заседании совета во вторник, 9 апреля.

## Ανάληψη του δύσκολου έργου του Δημάρχου

Ο Δημοτικός Σύμβουλος Cr Peter Goudge εκλέχθηκε Δήμαρχος Glen Eira για το 2002-03 σε μια ειδική συνεδρίαση του Δημοτικού Συμβουλίου στα τέλη του περασμένου μηνός.

Ο Cr Goudge είπε: «Αισθάνομαι ταπεινοσύνη και μεγάλη τιμή που μου δόθηκε αυτή η ευκαιρία... Μου εμπιστευθήκατε ένα θαυμάσιο και δύσκολο έργο και σας ευγνωμονώ πάρα πολύ.»

Ο Cr Goudge, που εκλέχθηκε πριν δύο χρόνια ως εκπρόσωπος της Έδρας Mackie, είπε ότι ήταν υπερήφανος γι' αυτά που πέτυχε η Δημαρχία για τους δημότες του Glen Eira, συμπεριλαμβανομένων του εκσυγχρονισμού πάρκων, πολεοδομική προστασία για τους δημότες και φύτευση δέντρων και θάμνων. Είπε ότι η Δημαρχία «πρωτοπόρησε στο θέμα της ασφάλισης για δημόσια ευθύνη και της ανάγκης αναμόρφωσης του VCAT». Ο Cr Goudge ανέλαβε επίσης τη δέσμευση να συνεχίσει το έργο της προστασίας των δημοτών από ακατάλληλη ανοικοδόμηση.

Ο Cr Goudge ανέλαβε τα καθήκοντά του αμέσως και θα προεδρεύσει στη γενική συνέλευση του Δημοτικού Συμβουλίου την Τρίτη 9 Απριλίου.

## Il Sindaco affronta le sfide future

Cr Peter Goudge è stato eletto Sindaco di Glen Eira per l'anno 2002-2003 durante una riunione speciale del Consiglio Comunale tenuta il mese scorso.

Cr Goudge ha detto: «sono compiaciuto e profondamente onorato di avere questa opportunità. Mi avete offerto un'occasione meravigliosa per affrontare le sfide future e ve ne sono molto grato.»

Eletto due anni fa come rappresentante della zona Mackie Ward, Cr Goudge ha detto di essere orgoglioso dei successi ottenuti a favore dei residenti di Glen Eira, incluso il miglioramento dei parchi, i piani per la protezione dei residenti e la piantagione di alberi e cespugli. Ha detto che il Comune era «all'avanguardia sulla questione dell'assicurazione per responsabilità pubblica e sulla necessità di riformare VCAT». Cr Goudge ha anche riaffermato il suo impegno di continuare l'attività per proteggere i residenti da sviluppi edilizi inappropriati.

Cr Goudge ha assunto il suo ruolo immediatamente e presiederà alla prima riunione plenaria del Consiglio Comunale martedì 9 Aprile.

## 迎接市長重任的挑戰

Peter Goudge 市議員在上月底的一次特別市政府會議上當選為 2002-03 年度的 Glen Eira 市市長。

Goudge 市長說：「出任此要職我既感責任重大又深感榮幸... 我非常感激你們給予了我一次迎接挑戰的極好機會。」

Goudge 市長兩年前被選為 Mackie 選區的代表，他說市政府為 Glen Eira 市居民作出了很大的成就，其中包括公園更新、居民的規劃保護、以及種植樹木和灌木，他為此感到自豪。他說市政府「在公共責任保險問題和 VCAT 需作改革方面走在了前面。」 Goudge 議員還作出承諾：繼續保護居民免受不適當開發的影響。

Goudge 市長隨即接任了工作，並將在 4 月 9 日星期二首次主持市政府全體會議。

## Community facilities — what do we want?

### “Community Assets — Financial Sustainability”\*

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An opportunity for residents to have their say  
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## ANZAC Day Service

City of  
**GLEN  
EIRA**

The people of Glen Eira are invited to attend an Anzac Day Service at the War Memorial (north-west side) in Caulfield Park on Sunday 21 April at 2.30pm.

Following the service light refreshments will be served in the marquee in Caulfield Park.

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# Funding boost for *new library*

Carnegie residents will benefit from substantially improved library facilities following the announcement of a major State Government grant towards construction of a new library.

Minister for Local Government Bob Cameron MLA visited Carnegie late last month to announce \$500,000 had been awarded to Council for the new library, under the *Living Libraries* program. Construction of the new facility is expected to begin in early 2003 and be completed in 2004.

Mr Cameron said the library would be a key component of the new Carnegie Community Centre complex currently being designed. He said the library and community centre formed a major part of the Carnegie Urban Village Strategy and congratulated Council for its development.

"The *Living Libraries* program demonstrates the State Government's commitment to working with local government to provide public libraries that are functional, accessible and responsive to contemporary community needs," Mr Cameron said.

"This grant will contribute to the \$3.38 million cost of relocating the Carnegie Library from its existing shop-front in Koornang Road, to a new purpose-built facility at the corner of Shepparson Avenue and Jersey Parade.

"The floor space of the new Carnegie Library will more than triple in size to enable increased community access to a larger, more diverse range of book collections and information technology facilities."

In his last official function as Glen Eira Mayor, Cr Noel Erlich said that while many cities merely talked about providing facilities to improve urban villages, Glen Eira acted. He said the new library would help improve the quality of life of many community members and add to the vibrancy of the Carnegie Shopping Centre.

"In the next year, we will spend more than \$5 million building our City's largest library, new elderly citizens' facilities, and multi-purpose community rooms for a variety of community uses. It is a major investment by Council to complement the Carnegie Urban Village," Cr Erlich said.

"It is also the culmination of a long process and I would like to thank the many Council staff and community representatives for their input into the proposed new facility. Building the facility will be the easy part of the process."

Member for Oakleigh Ann Barker MLA said the project was a fantastic example of community building and rebuilding, in terms of bringing the community together and attracting more people to the Carnegie Shopping Centre.

"Glen Eira has done a lot of work towards rebuilding the Carnegie Shopping Centre — this will add to it and complement it," she said.

— Maureen Bathgate



Mayor Cr Noel Erlich with Minister for Local Government Bob Cameron in the existing Carnegie Library. Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

## Elsie is Internet ready

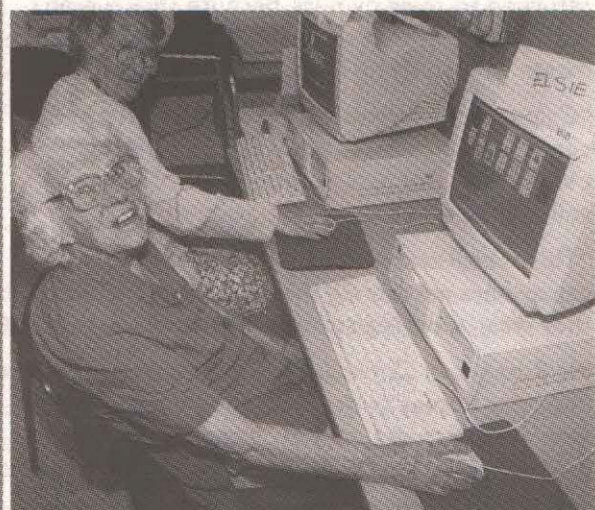
92-year-old Elsie Donnelly is not daunted by new technology — she has her own computer at home, surfs the 'net regularly and receives emails from relatives and friends as far away as Europe.

"I think computers are wonderful. [Email and Internet] help keep an interest going and broaden your world," Elsie said at a *Never too old to Learn* computer session organised by Council's Adult Day Activity Support Service and Glen Eira Adult Learning Centre.

Elsie was among eight older adults, participants at ADASS, who attended the session with tutor Kay to familiarise themselves with the world of computers and have something to talk about with younger members of their families.

ADASS supervisor Angela Mancini said the sessions were part of an ongoing program to broaden participants' minds. She said it had been very well received and hoped to hold similar sessions in the future.

"It's terrific that we can work together with community organisations like this to keep our older people in touch with aspects of society they might not otherwise be aware of. We're very grateful to Glen Eira Adult Learning Centre for their time and support. Everyone who attended the session got something positive out of it," she said.



Computers? Not a problem for Elsie Donnelly who enjoyed learning a game of solitaire to add to her software repertoire.

## "Secret" men's business

Every good boy deserves a shed — and Glen Eira City Council is making sure the "boys" who attend the adult day centre still have access to one through its Men's Shed Program.

The program, recently launched by Mayor Cr Noel Erlich and run by Council's Adult Day Activity Support Service (ADASS), was supported by funding from Caulfield Lions and the Caulfield Opportunity Shop. Almost \$7000 was spent building the wooden shed in the backyard of the facility in Glen Huntly Road, Caulfield South, and providing tools and equipment for small projects to begin.

ADASS supervisor Angela Mancini said the "shed" was developed because of a need for gender specific activities that catered for the increasing numbers of men attending day care programs.

"When ADASS started about 14 years ago, probably only about 10 per cent attending were men, so most of our programs were geared towards women's needs. But now, with men generally living longer and with an increasing number of men wanting to attend social groups, we would have almost an equal spread of men and women at a given session."

"The Shed offers a place for older men to meet, chat, have a cuppa and reminisce, while pursuing interests in woodwork, handcrafts, and other activities like creating small projects or fixing things. The program also aims to fill a gap in men's lives, as many older men may no longer have the sanctuary of their shed due to changed circumstances in their lives," Ms Mancini said.



Volunteer helper John Wallmeyer gives day care client Max Schiff a helping hand with a planter box in the ADASS Shed program.

Ms Mancini said the program aims to enhance participants self esteem and gives older men a renewed feeling of "being useful" as they achieve set goals.

Council's ADASS has been operating for more than 14 years and offers older people opportunities for friendship and social activities in a supportive environment.

Ms Mancini said the centre encouraged people to participate in a variety of activities, depending on their individual interests. The service is available to frail aged, people with dementia or a disability, and people from supported residential services and runs from two facilities — one in Glen Huntly Road, Caulfield South and the other in Curraweena Road, Caulfield.

— Story and photo by Myrine Hawksworth

# Doing Business

## Less mess equals less stress!

Increased organisational skills can help reduce stress according to Lorraine Pirihi of The Office Organiser who spoke to about 30 women at a recent meeting of the Glen Eira Women's Business Network.

Lorraine discussed the benefits of focussing on effective office environment management which not only lifts personal effectiveness, but can create a healthier lifestyle in general.

Glen Eira Women's Business Network is a growing group developed by local demand, which now has more than 60 members from varied business backgrounds — from home-based businesses to large organisations.

Council's Manager Business Development Lynda Bredin said: "The meetings provide an opportunity for women in business to keep up-to-date with business information and further develop their business skills.

"The group felt having a business network which was specifically aimed at their gender would help them meet the challenges they face in their business lives, which are different to those faced by their male counterparts. The

meetings offer a comfortable environment for women in business to learn and present their challenges."

Ms Bredin said the participants were all at different stages of their business lives and growth, so the group was naturally conducive to developing mentoring opportunities and friendships.

Meetings are held on the third Thursday evening of each month at Glen Eira Town Hall and supper is provided. For more information call Manager Business Development Lynda Bredin on 9524 3384.



Lorraine Pirihi, the Office Organiser, presents mess and stress reducing ideas to the Glen Eira Women's Business Network. Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

## Footpath upgrade to revitalise strip centre

As part of Council's on-going program of shopping centre upgrades, Crimea Village shopping centre, Kooyong Road Caulfield has just undergone works to revitalise footpaths.

Council's Manager Business Development Lynda Bredin said: "The centre's footpaths had suffered the wear and tear of time, and were an example of the City's aging infrastructure. They could not be left in such an unsatisfactory state for any longer."

"The works were carried out by Council's own GlenWorks, causing minimal disruption to trade — the whole project was completed from start to finish in just four weeks, covering the area from Inkerman Street to Sebastopol and Dorgan Streets," she said.

Ms Bredin said the asphalt and paving paths have made a significant difference to the appearance of the centre and local traders are pleased with the results. The footpath style was designed to continue the theme of Memorial Park.

Bessa Foods proprietor Harry Zaitman said: "The street is now not only more pleasant to look at but the new paving has made it easier and safer to use, we are very happy with the outcome".



Manager Business Development Lynda Bredin discusses the new footpath in Kooyong Road with Bessa Foods proprietor Harry Zaitman.

## Remember to register

Dog and cat owners are being given a final reminder to register their pets. Registrations for 2002-03 fall due on 10 April.



Council's Civic Amenity Manager Carl Russo said Council thanked all those responsible pet owners who had already paid their registration fees, and encouraged others to follow suite.

Mr Russo said registration was the only means of ensuring lost pets could be reunited with their owners. "Last year, more than half the dogs and cats impounded by Council, could not be returned to their owners, because they weren't registered. Without a registration tag, we have no means of identifying them," Mr Russo said.

"Cats are our biggest concern — only 10 per cent of impounded cats were released to their owners last year, which shows that cat owners still aren't getting the registration message.

"This scenario can easily be avoided by dog and cat owners registering their pets and ensuring they wear their registration tags at all times."

Mr Russo said Council officers would begin door-knocking homes during May and June to check residents' cats and dogs are properly registered.

Pet owners with registration enquiries should contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or TTY 9524 3496.

## Outdoor furniture — new life

As part of a project to rejuvenate outdoor furniture in shopping centres throughout the City, Council's Asset Management Unit recently completed works in the shopping centre at Chesterville Road and South Road, Bentleigh East.

The works included the repainting and staining of all seats, table and chair sets, bins and bike racks and have enhanced the appearance of the shopping centre and received a positive response from traders.

Rejuvenation works in Elsternwick, Glen Huntly and Carnegie shopping centres will be completed in the near future.



Outdoor furniture in Elsternwick Shopping Centre gets a new lease of life.

### Dates for your diary...



Coming events for Glen Eira Womens Business Network

**Thursday 18 April**

Toorak Financial Group — Creative Financing of Investments

(With a focus on both investment property and the self employed — deposit bonds, obtaining finance, managing mortgage structures, obtaining long term wealth goals and cash flow management.)

**Thursday 16 May**

Human Relations Management in today's complex business environment.

**Thursday 20 June**

Advertising and promotion.

# Planning blueprints for shopping centres

A blueprint for responsible and planned development in Glen Eira's three main shopping centres will be established, following the announcement of a State Government grant towards the process.

Minister for Planning Mary Delahunty MLA visited Bentleigh last month to announce a \$45,000 grant under the State Government's *Pride of Place* urban improvement program, towards the preparation of an urban design framework for the Bentleigh, Elsternwick and Carnegie shopping centres. Council will match the funding.

The urban design framework will look at developing guidelines for new development, energy efficiency and the restoration of buildings; concept designs for key sites and areas; an action plan for civic improvements such as upgraded street furnishings; an action plan to make access between modes of transport easier; and a traffic and parking strategy.

Work on Council's Urban Village Strategy began in 1997. The Strategy is designed to strengthen and reinvigorate the City's three major shopping centres, with land use framework plans already being completed. The next stage is to prepare an urban design framework.

In her first visit to a metropolitan council since being appointed Planning Minister, Ms Delahunty said the funding would help Council strategically plan for the future of the three centres.

"These centres are all great examples of urban villages. They possess a vibrant retail core, an interesting mix of shops, community facilities and services, as well as excellent public transport links.

"This funding will build on work already undertaken by the Council and allow it to develop a more detailed vision for each location."

Glen Eira Mayor Cr Noel Erlich said the urban village project would provide a realistic and planned direction for the three shopping centres.

"The project strives to bring together the activities of living, working, entertaining and recreating all within an area well served by public transport, and to have this recognised in the planning scheme." Cr Erlich said.

"Without the land use and the urban design framework for which this *Pride of Place* funding has been granted, development in these centres would be ad hoc and could result in inappropriately located



Minister for Planning Mary Delahunty announces \$45,000 for urban village development.



[From left standing] Cr Veronika Martens, Cr Norman Kennedy, Cr David Bloom, Cr Alan Grossbard, and Cr Dorothy Marwick with Mayor Cr Noel Erlich and Minister for Planning Mary Delahunty in Centre Road Bentleigh.

Photos: Bernie Bickerton.

and designed developments that would compromise the unique characteristics of Bentleigh, Carnegie and Elsternwick."

## I wonder what would happen if...?

**It may have been because of April Fools Day, or maybe it was just a bad dream, but for a moment I thought my local Council disappeared and was warning me...**

"First, safety — there will be no more street lighting, so try to get home before dark. Don't park your car on the street because it will be hard to see.

Next, stick with the food shops you know and trust because shops that sell food won't be checked for cleanliness any more.

Choose your neighbours carefully and try to get on well with them — they will now be able to build whatever they like wherever they like, because there won't be any more town planning permits. There won't be any building permits either, so you'll need to take precautions as no-one will be checking new buildings for safety or compliance with regulations.

As roads and footpaths deteriorate and drains block up, they won't be fixed, so you'll need to keep a list of problem areas and find a different route.

And you might want to order in some extra fire extinguishers and a longer garden hose because part of the cost of the Melbourne Metropolitan Fire Brigade won't be paid by Council any more on your behalf. Let's hope the fire brigade still comes when you call, but obviously its resources will be reduced.

If you have an elderly relative or neighbour, you may need to offer to help them each week with personal care, house cleaning, meals (no longer on wheels) and home maintenance. Council has been doing this each fortnight for more than 3000 senior members of the Community but now, you'll all just have to rely on each other, eh? And don't forget, everyone gets elderly some day, don't they?

Also, you'd better take the kids to school yourself or try to get them to go the long way and use the traffic lights because there won't be any more school crossing supervisors. And no more Maternal and Child Health, either. Your GP may be able to help if you are really concerned, but you'd better book early as your doctor will probably be busier than ever, with more accidents, more elderly people needing care, disputes between neighbours, and the occasional bout of food poisoning.

And don't forget immunisations — most have been done by Council, so from now on you'll need to see your GP about them too (if you can get in). You might also want to check other children's vaccination certificates before letting your children play with them?

Next, swimming pools and sports facilities will be closed, so you'll need to think of other things for the family to do. But the ovals and parks won't be mown either and the flower beds and pathways won't be maintained so don't rely on them for alternative outdoor activities. The playgrounds

used to be checked for safety first thing every morning — not any more — so you'll need to give everything the once over before you let your kids on the play equipment, okay?

Now, garbage. This is really important. Council has been picking up about 750 tonnes of garbage each week. Not any more — so you'll need to be careful otherwise the neighbourhood will smell something awful and you'll end up with epidemics.

The shopping strips won't be cleaned by Council either. Traders will need to clean the outside of their properties as well — and actually remove the rubbish, not just shift it down the street a bit. After all, no-one will want to shop in a dirty shopping centre, will they?

So much for safety — we haven't even begun on services: the million library loans that won't happen, the senior citizens' clubs that won't open, the sports teams that won't play...

You'll find it is easier to cope in this new world, if you get together with other people in your street, other parents from your school. Who knows — if you get enough co-operation happening, you might actually be able to elect nine people to represent you and restore all these things? (You might even call them 'Councillors'!)

One last thing, the value of your property will, of course, plummet. As they say, location, location, location. And let's face it, with all that's going to happen around you, your location will be lousy. But look on the bright side — you'll save about \$13 each week by not having to pay rates!"

**I shivered and snapped back to reality, relieved to hear the sound of the garbage collection truck heading down my street. Phew, better get the kids ready to take our books back to the library, and maybe we'll stop at the park on the way home...**

## New park adds to open space

By Myrine Hawksworth

Glen Eira's newest park, Mallanbool Reserve in Murrumbeena Road, Carnegie, makes a much needed increase to the City's parklands — adding 1.5 hectares to the open space available to the community.

About 200 residents and families attended the park opening by the Mayor Cr Noel Erlich with Councillors, Oakleigh MLA Ann Barker and Council staff.

The event began with a welcome by elder spokesman for the Wurundjeri people Harry Terrick who spoke about the history of the original inhabitants of the area and welcomed residents and Council to the Wurundjeri people's traditional land.

"We make this welcome from the Wurundjeri community to encourage good harmony amongst ourselves and with residents and Council," he said. "By doing so we wipe away bad energy from the past and make a fresh start so that everybody can have a bright future."

Mr Terrick said his people appreciated the respect shown to the traditional owners of the land by Council and residents, in regard to the naming of the park and their inclusion at the opening.



Local residents turn out to enjoy the opening of Glen Eira's newest park — Mallanbool Reserve.

The All Nation dancers, led by Les Cooper, performed a number of Aboriginal dances to celebrate the native fauna and the park's link with Aboriginal people.

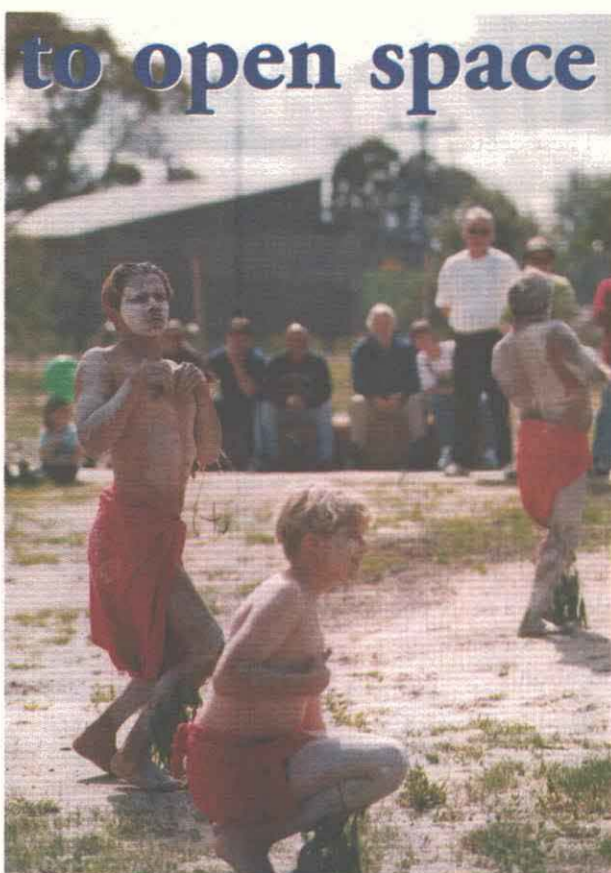
In his opening speech, Mayor Cr Noel Erlich explained the name "mallanbool" was taken from the Aboriginal words meaning "pool of reeds".

The park was built on the site of the former Murrumbeena High School — land which Council acquired after the school closed in 1998. Cr Erlich said: "It was important for Council to turn this area into a park. Our City is a heavily urbanised area of Melbourne and has the lowest amount of open space per head of population of any Council in metropolitan Melbourne."

"What you see around you is a very real example of your rate dollars being put to work and clearly shows what can be done. Many other park and recreational facilities around our City are desperately in need of updating and renewal and, with community support, I hope we are able to do this sooner rather than later," Cr Erlich said.

Chief Executive Officer Andrew Newton also acknowledged the area's Aboriginal heritage, saying: "Two hundred years ago, a people lived here who were in-touch with their environment. The land supported them, and they respected the land."

"This park now occupies part of what was an extensive wetland, extending behind the coast



All Nation Dancers celebrate the opening of Mallanbool Reserve with several traditional dances.

through much of south-east Melbourne. These were rich hunting grounds offering a wealth of game for the Aboriginal families who moved through this country. Mallanbool Park has been designed to celebrate these people and a sustainable way of life," he said.

Mr Newton said as the park grew, there would be opportunities to explore further traditional Aboriginal approaches to land management and the use of plants.

"But for contemporary land owners there is also much to learn in the use of plants in the park. All the new plantings are indigenous, suited to their environment and not demanding of water or fertiliser for success. We can learn from this to create environmentally sensitive gardens and to integrate our own gardens with our broader environmental setting."

Mallanbool Reserve is unlike a number of other Glen Eira parks — it is not a manicured European style park full of exotic broadleaf tree species and lush green grasses, but has a dry landscape known as a xeriscape. The reserve is an "ephemeral wetland" — having a central grassed swale, and planted with



indigenous species around the perimeters which tolerate periodical wet and dry conditions.



Mallanbool Reserve — indigenous plants and ephemeral wetland. (Melway Ref: 68 K8) Inset: The park site before development. Photos Bernie Bickerton.

Cr Erlich unveiled a plaque to mark the occasion. He also thanked the State Government which provided partial funding toward the development of the park through Sport and Recreation Victoria and "all the ratepayers of the City who paid for the rest".

## Bringing back the frogs

Gerry Marantelli is used to being face to face with frogs — he's a leading figure in Australian frog conservation, president of the Victorian Frog Group, and one of the founders of the Frogwatch program.

Gerry and several of his amphibious friends, representing six different species of local frogs, attended the opening of the Frog Hollow in Packer Park last month.

Children attending the festivities to open Mallanbool Reserve and Packer Park were delighted to get a sneak preview of the kinds of frogs which may return to the area now that their natural habitat has been restored.

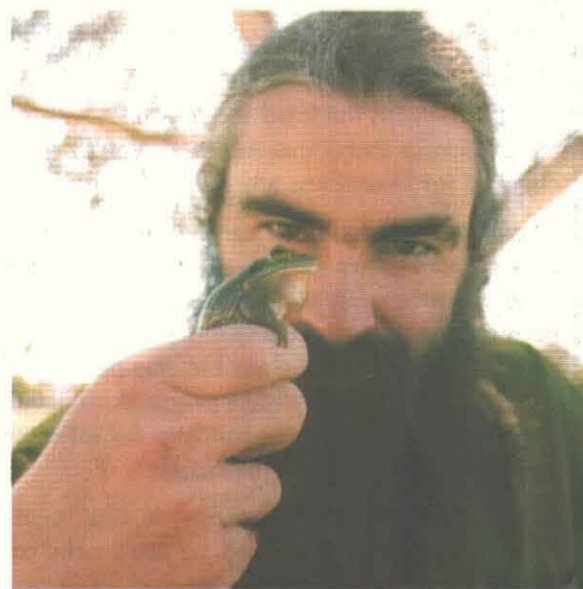
"If the area has been restored appropriately, we should see several species of frogs returning to live in the frog hollow. Council has obviously put in a lot of work to make this area attractive to the 'locals', some of which are now endangered species," Gerry said.

The Frog Hollow was developed as part of the refurbishment of the park, and was included in the park's redevelopment in response to a clear message from residents to develop the park to resemble its original state. Council held a series of open meetings as part of its public consultation process which involved several planning meetings with local residents, sporting clubs and other interested parties.

The design of the wetland area of Packer Park and the development of Mallanbool Reserve was based on documentary evidence of the area prior to being cleared, and on anecdotal evidence from residents.

Mallanbool Reserve is set on a flood plain and a watercourse originally wound its way through this area into Packer Park. Some sections were partially dry in the summer months, but the area that is now the frog hollow in Packer Park was used as a watering place for horses and enjoyed by young locals as a place to explore for tadpoles and frogs.

Council has re-established the water area in keeping with the original land forms and flora in the hope that some of the original fauna will return. Council would hope to see birdlife and frogs returning to the area once the plants have become established enough to offer shelter and food sources.



Seeing eye-to-eye with an endangered species — Gerry Marantelli with a Growling Grass Frog.

# Family fun at park

About 1000 mums, dads, kids and grandparents took advantage of a perfect autumn day to celebrate the launch of Mallanbool Reserve and the revitalised Packer Park in Carnegie last month.

To celebrate the big event, Council organised free activities in Packer Park for families to enjoy. Roving band Wacky entertained the crowds with its highly energised performances — at one point getting around in old-style bathing costumes and encouraging children to lob a small basketball into the one band member's tuba, while he still was playing it.

Melbourne's wildest, zaniest magician Luigi Zucchini delighted children with his unicycling feats, balloon creations, jokes and magic tricks, all the while with his faithful white dove perched on his shoulder. Special guest for the day was

Freddo Frog who delighted in saying hello to the masses of children and giving them special hugs and high-fives.

Council's youth services team conducted circus skills workshops on juggling and pole balancing, as well as showing the littlies how to use a hula hoop, diablo and hacky-sacs. Face painting was also in huge demand with tigers and butterflies being the most popular creations.

Hundreds of entries were received in the special frog colouring competition, making the Mayor's task of choosing winners extremely difficult. He eventually went for four of the brightest, most colourful entries with each child winning a Freddo Frog Easter egg.

Many families took advantage of the brilliant sunshine to pack a picnic or cook some sausages on the new barbecues. Green and red helium balloons, green fairy floss, chocolate Freddo frogs, jelly frogs and soft drinks were given free to children, as well as tea, coffee and biscuits for the older "kids". The Council showbags were also a big hit, containing frisbees, drink bottles and yo-yos as well as stacks of information and brochures on Council services.

But perhaps the best free activity of all was the huge new modern playground, which is a feature of the new-look Packer Park. It contains slides, a bridge, climbing frames, a

musical snake, sculptures of a gecko and the life cycle of a frog, sea-saws and a giant space-net and kept children of all ages amused all day.

— Maureen Bathgate



Special guest Freddo Frog arrived to celebrate the opening of Packer Park.



One-year-old Cate Bell gets up close and personal with zany roving band Whacky. Photos:Bernie Bickerton.



Mayor Cr Noel Erlich opens Packer Park to a crowd estimated at more than 1000 people.



A butterfly face and a mouthful of fairy floss — Miriam Saunders gets into the spirit of things at the family fun day.

Celebrations at park openings

## From this...



Before development — the empty space that became Packer Park.

### Before

Not so long ago, Packer Park was a dull, uninspired area of open space where people played cricket and football, walked their dogs and did little else. It resembled a paddock. There were large expanses of lawn a very small playground with outdated equipment and old dilapidated buildings. It was old, unattractive and uninviting.

### During

As part of a master plan process, extensive consultation was carried to determine what the community saw as priorities for the park. These included a park which offered diverse recreation and play experiences, attracted people and native birds, planted with varied vegetation, improved facilities and was aesthetically pleasing. Once Council adopted the master plan, extensive design was created and construction began in late 2000.



During the works — the frog hollow is created.

## ...to this



After completion — a rejuvenated park with something for everyone.

### After

Less than two years on, the park has been rejuvenated — a modern adventure playground, a wetland to attract native fauna, the planting of more than 30,000 trees, plants, grasses and shrubs, a path network linking all four corners of the park, new barbecue facilities, seating and picnic areas and a spectacular new pavilion.

# ARTS *Arts*

## Energy, passion and humour — Klezmania



**Sunday 28 April**

So you want to hear some eclectic music?

Then get along to the Auditorium at the Glen Eira City Council when Australia's leading klezma band — Klezmania — perform an afternoon of dynamic instrumentals and songs in Yiddish and English.

Four-piece band Klezmania delivers vibrant Yiddish music in the grand tradition of Eastern European Jewish folk entertainers. With energy, passion and humour, Klezmania plays everything from romantic lullabies to foot-tapping, hand-clapping, exhilarating dance tunes.

Klezma music reflects the history of the Jewish Diaspora. The Jewish imagination blended cantorial synagogue melodies with local folk music from

Ukraine, Poland, Russia, Greece, Turkey and more recently America and Australia.

Venue: Auditorium, Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield

Time: 2.30pm–4.30pm

Cost: \$15/\$12 (Tickets available at the Service Centre Monday to Friday 8am–5pm.)

Bookings: 9524 3333

### Future attractions



**Sunday 26 May  
2.30pm [plus pic]**

#### Combo Fiasco

International vocal sensation. One of the hottest cabaret and concert acts in the world today. Book

early to avoid disappointment. Cost: \$25/\$22.

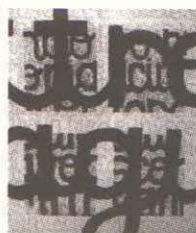
**Sunday 30 June 2.30pm**

#### Slava Grigoryan with special guest Leonard Grigoryan

Don't miss these two remarkable young guitarists performing a program of classical and contemporary music. Cost: \$20/\$18.



### Silk Cut Award for Linocuts



The Silk Cut Award was introduced in 1995 to encourage the making and appreciation of lino cut prints. The award aims to provide creative opportunity for artists of all ages and is the only national print award to provide a special youth category for school students.

The Australian company Duroloid sponsors the Silk Cut Award in conjunction with Forbo Krommenie, Holland. First prize for the open section is a return airfare to Amsterdam with 10 days accommodation, valued at \$6000 or \$5000 cash. Four Silk Cut Student Awards are also presented with prizes for the student and their school.

Closing dates: Open section 17 May  
Student section 3–5 July.

Entry forms available at the gallery and from Silk Cut Award Co-ordinator Di Waite on 9429 4885.

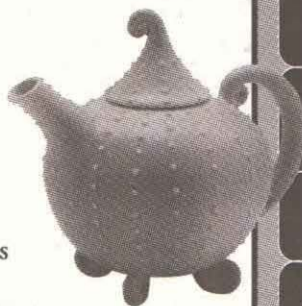
## A Showcase of craft & design

**4–28 April  
Glen Eira City Gallery**





2002 is the 5th anniversary of the Australian Craft and Design Showcase.

The Showcase aims to present a variety of craft media with examples that both participate within the traditions of craft disciplines and that ignore or challenges these traditions. This range, from the more traditional to the more experimental and/or sculptural, is an attempt to speak to a diverse audience.

This year's Showcase features jewellery, ceramics, textiles and glass, and includes artists Sandra Black, Femme en Rouge, Stephen Gallagher, Lene Jakobsen, Andrew Lavery, Jane Micallef, Vicki Mason, Biggi Spiro, and Sara Thorn.



### Oak Tree House Art Classes Term 2

Presented by Glen Eira City Council	Children			Adults		
	Kid's Corner 5–7 years	Art for 8–12 years	Teen Art	10am–12pm	1pm–3pm	7pm–9pm
<b>Monday</b> 22 April – 17 June	• Drawing class	• Exploring art	• Ceramics for young people	• Abstract and mixed media painting	• From beads to jewellery • Folk and decorative craft • Ceramic tiles	• Introduction to oil painting • Introduction to watercolour and acrylic • Leadlighting
<b>Tuesday</b> 23 April – 11 June	• Clay Kids Club	• Drawing class	• Drawing and painting for teenagers		• Ceramic garden works	• Wheel throwing pottery • Learn to draw • Portrait painting from photographs
<b>Wednesday</b> 24 April – 12 June	• Every picture tells a story		• Mosaic	• Mosaic • Mandala art	• Art for seniors • Slip casting and decoration	• Mosaic • Intermediate oil painting • Introduction to drawing
<b>Thursday</b> 25 April – 13 June	• Art and stuff	• Clay works	• Introduction to film animation			• Introduction to life drawing • Screenwriting • Mandala art for wellbeing
<b>Saturday</b> 27 April – 15 June	• Saturday morning art 5–12 years		• Saturday morning art 12–16 years	Introduction to film making 2pm–4pm 8 weeks @ \$145		

CHILDREN: All classes 8 weeks duration, cost: \$110  
Monday–Thursday: 4.30pm–6.30pm, Saturday: 10am–12pm  
No class on Queen's birthday, 10 June  
All prices include basic materials and GST

ADULTS: All classes duration: 8 weeks; cost: \$145  
No class on Queen's birthday, 10 June  
All prices include basic materials and GST



For program information call 9524 3402



# LIBRARY News

## Need help with the Internet?

Then book into one of the following classes during April!

### Introduction to the Internet

Friday 12 April 1.30pm-3pm  
Wednesday 24 April 10.30am-12pm  
Cost: \$33

### Introduction to web design

4 hours over 2 sessions  
Become a webmaster and design your own page.  
Learn the basics of web design and how to write html.  
Tuesday 16 April 6pm-8pm and  
Tuesday 23 April 6pm-8pm  
Cost: \$60

### Internet for kids — project Internet

This is a special class focusing on developing skills to use the Internet for homework assignments.  
For ages 9-12.  
Thursday 11 April 1.30pm-3pm  
Cost: \$16.50

Classes are held in the computer training facility at Caulfield Library. Book at any branch or call 9532 9466 for details. All prices include GST.

## New resources on Gulliver

Gulliver is a collection of databases available to members of the Glen Eira Library and Information Service via Council's website. Gulliver contains more than 1000 full-text journals, books, newspapers and pictures and is a valuable resource for students.

To access Gulliver you need to be a Glen Eira library member and input the barcode number on your library card. For more details on how to use Gulliver refer to the website or ask staff at the information desk.

Four databases make up the Gulliver service:

### Ebsco Publishing's World Magazine Bank

World Magazine Bank is a general database covering current journal articles in health, current affairs, science, social science, business and literature.

### Health and Wellness Resource Centre

This new addition is used to find magazines, journals, newspapers, definitions, directories, and information on all aspects of health including alternative or complementary treatments and contains links to diet, cancer, and health assessment sites as well as government databases.

### Infotrac OneFile

A one-stop source for news and periodical articles on a wide range of topics including business, computers, current events, economics, education, environmental issues, health care, hobbies, humanities, law, literature and art, politics, science, social science, sports, technology and many general interest topics.

### ANZ Reference Centre

Another new addition, the Australia/NZ Reference Centre combines Australia and New Zealand specific magazines, newspapers and newswires, reference books, and company information to create the largest collection of regional full text content available to schools, public libraries and academic institutions.

To become a member of Glen Eira libraries and be able to access Gulliver from your home computer you can join at any branch or on-line at [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/library](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/library). Membership is free.

# Living it up in Glen Eira

Glen Eira City Council's 2002 Victorian Seniors Festival celebrations got off to a lively start with some toe-tapping entertainment and tea and cakes for 200 seniors at *Live it Up — An Afternoon of Song and Dance*.

The celebrations, held in the Auditorium last month, were officially opened by Mayor Cr Noel Erlich and included performers Jennifer Lee, Craig Schneider and his band, John Davidson, Craig Macdonald, Coral Trimmer and latin dance champions; Ken and Jenni Pedersen.

The opening was followed by two and half weeks of great opportunities for senior residents to get out and about and try something new within their community. Council also conducted two "Wiser Driver" courses, and almost 60 residents attended a seminar on *Stop working and Start living* with guest speaker John Toomey who covered a range of topics on how to make the most of retirement. Other



Comedian Dave Kaffey takes a participant for a turn around the park at "Picnic in the Park" for the Glen Eira's 2002 Victorian Seniors Festival. Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

Council events included the Felix Tuszynski exhibition in the Council Gallery, *Live it Up at Your Local Library* and a range of "come 'n try" activities.

A range of events were also organized by 17 senior citizens groups including open days, social dancing, afternoon teas, picnics, lunches and concerts.

## "Stop Working, Start Living" a hit

Almost 60 people attended the Stop Working and Start Living seminar held last month to coincide with the Victorian Seniors Festival, by Council's Health Promotion Unit and Bentleigh-Bayside Community Health Service.

Participants praised guest speaker healthy living expert John Toomey for his "positive approach to retirement" and for his ability to convey frank, clear and concise health promoting messages in a humorous manner.

Mr Toomey was able to make people "look at their lifestyles" by delivering information on various health topics such as eating to live, life after work, and keeping busy and physically active.

Audience members rated physical activity, mental health and emotional health as the most important factors contributing to a positive retirement — supporting the key priority areas outlined in the Municipal Public Health Plan for the Glen Eira Community 2001-2004.

The success of this event, together with the results of the survey conducted on the night, will assist in the future planning and delivery of health promotion and illness prevention seminars for older residents in the City of Glen Eira.

### New and pre-loved low cost courses and activities at GODFREY STREET COMMUNITY HOUSE

• 15/18 Apr	Occasional Child Care — Mon/Thurs 10 wks	\$8 sess. \$3p/h
• 16/19 Apr	ESL — for Russian speakers x 30 hours	NEW \$45
• 17 Apr	Gentle Yoga — Wednesday x 11 wks	\$99 or \$11 sess
• 19 Apr	First Aid Certificate level 2 x 4 days	NEW \$150
• 22 Apr	Interest Group — Organic and Hanging Gardens Reflexology and Enneagrams	NEW \$2
• 22/24 Apr	Computer for Beginners Part 1, 8 hours	\$60 course
• 24 April	Playgroup — other dates available	NEW \$2
• 24 Apr	Essay Writing group	\$10 per session
• 26/4, 24/5	Computer Spreadsheet/Excel 8 hrs	\$72
• 29 April	Organic Gardening	\$2
• 29 April	Parenting Support Group	\$3 session
• 29 April	Volunteer Orientation and Training	\$no charge
• 2 May	ESL — all levels and backgrounds 22.5 hours	NEW \$33.75
• 2 May	Women's Massage Group	NEW \$40
• 4/5 & 1/6	Massage for Couples	NEW \$35 couple
• 6 May	Women's Issues, Health, Environment CA	\$3 session
• 7 May	Film and Video Group — fortnightly	\$3
• 17 May	3yr old Kinder x 7 weeks	\$56
• 20/22 May	Computer Beginners Part 2, 8 hours	\$60 course
• 20 May	CAE Book Club	\$ per CAE
• 21 May	Wellbeing for Women	NEW \$10
• Thursday	Singing for Enjoyment, weekly	\$2
•	Counselling \$5, Massage \$11, and One-to-one computers \$15 by appointment	

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# COMMUNITY *Diary*

## Meetings and clubs

**Carnegie-Murrumbeena Elderly Citizens' Club** offer activities such as bias bowls, cards, entertainment and craft and billiards. Contact: Barbara 9569 7778.

**Solace Association Victoria** is a non-denominational, self-help support group which holds weekly support meetings to help people deal with the grief of losing a partner through death. For meeting address details, contact: 9384 1722.

**4th Caulfield Clubs and Scouts** meets weekly in Birch Street, Caulfield South. Range of activities, including weekend camps, for girls and boys. Cubs: aged 7½ to 10. Scouts: aged 11 to 14. Contact: Jo or Steve 9505 6995.

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

**Bentleigh Life Activities Club** offers opportunities to meet new friends and enjoy social activities. Contact: 9557 2562 or 9563 2554.

**Caulfield Day View Club** welcomes ladies to join for lunches featuring guest speakers and varied outings on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. Contact: Val 9578 1302.

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

**Royal Children's Hospital Auxiliary (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 Patricia 9571 2666.

**Caulfield Life Activities Club** will meet at Gladys Machin Hall, Cedar Street, Caulfield on Wednesday 17 April at 7.30pm. Guest speaker. Supper served. New members welcome. Contact: 9568 5849 or 9570 1150.

## Events

**Ripponlea Primary School** will hold a community fete with children's activities, live entertainment, silent auction and food at Carrington Grove, St Kilda East on Sunday 28 April 10am-4pm.

**Hughesdale Art Group** will hold a talk and sketching demonstration with Commercial Illustrator Bettina at Hughesdale Community Centre, corner Poath and Kangaroo Roads, Hughesdale on Wednesday 24 April at 7.30pm. Donation: \$5. Also: a sale of plants, paintings and Mother's day gifts at the Centre on Friday 3 and Saturday 4 May 10am-4pm. Contact: Pat 9885 6407.

**City of Moorabbin Historical Society** will open Box Cottage in Joyce Park, Jasper Road, McKinnon on the last Sunday of each month, February to November, 2pm-4.30pm. Admission by donation. Contact: 9578 7060.

**Bentleigh Organ Club** will hold a night of silent screen classics featuring Bruce Ardley at the Coatesville Bowling Club, Mackie Road, Bentleigh East on Monday 8 April at 8pm. Tickets: \$6, members \$3. Contact: 9528 2539.

**Glen Eira Cheltenham Art Group** will hold a pastel workshop on Sunday 14 April, 10am-4pm. Contact: 9578 6648 or 9563 7621.

**Caulfield South Community House** will hold a Women's Lunchtime Network with guest speaker Margaret Nicholls at Caulfield South Community House, 450 Kooyong Road, Caulfield South on Tuesday 23 April, 12.30pm-2pm. Cost: \$2 BYO lunch, but tea and coffee provided. Contact: 9596 8643.

**St Paul's Football Club** will hold a Trash and Treasure Fun Day at McKinnon Reserve, corner Tucker and McKinnon Roads, McKinnon on Sunday 24 March 8am-1pm. Football celebrities. Contact: Peter 9555 3999.

## Community announcement

**Caulfield Auxiliary of the Spastic Society of Victoria** — now known as Scope — advises that it will finalise its activities as from April 2002. Having operated since 1965, raising funds for the Society, the organisation has had a long association with many organisations and would like to thank other Caulfield charity organisations for their help over the years.

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**BEGINNERS TO BLACK BELT — From 4 years old**

## GLEN EIRA 2002 BUS TRIPS

Take advantage of low budget bus trips — organised by volunteers for you.  
Travel with an accredited bus operator.

**Wednesday 17 April. Cost: \$20.**  
BARWON HEADS (Sea Change TV series), OCEAN GROVE, POINT LONSDALE, QUEENSCLIFF.  
Bring your own food and drink or buy there.  
The best fish and chips to be had in Queenscliff.

**Wednesday 15 May. Cost: \$20**  
HEPBURN SPRINGS and DAYLESFORD — in splendid autumn colours. Opportunity to visit famous CONVENT GALLERY (own expense).  
Hotel lunch (own expense) can be booked or bring your own food and drink.

Both tours depart 9am from Glen Eira Town Hall and 9.10am from Glen Huntly Station (Tram stop 60). Return by 5pm approx.  
Bookings by phone only —  
Fridays 9am to 2pm on 9523 7862.

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## Immunisation dates for April/May

### Bentleigh-Bayside Community Health Service

Gardeners Road, Bentleigh East  
Wednesday 17 April 6pm-7pm  
Saturday 27 April 9.30am-10.30am

### Glen Huntly Maternal and Child Health Centre

Corner Royal and Rosedale Avenues, Glen Huntly  
Wednesday 24 April 9.30-11am

### Bentleigh Baptist Church

10 Vickery Street, Bentleigh  
Monday 6 May 1.30-2.30pm

### Glen Eira Town Hall

(entry via Glen Eira Road)  
Corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield  
Tuesday 7 May 6pm-7.30pm

### Murrumbeena Baptist Church

44 Murrumbeena Road, Murrumbeena  
Monday 13 May 10am-11am

## Help us to help people

- Do you enjoy being with people and are a good listener?
- Do you believe access to information and sources of assistance is important?
- Would you enjoy a short training course?
- Could you spare half a day a week to work with a great bunch of people?

**Contact Laurel Thompson on 9524 3200  
Community Information Glen Eira.**

## Glen Huntly Friendship Group

99 Grange Road, Glen Huntly  
Activities for April/May

Enquiries and bookings contact  
Margaret 9596 6124

**Wednesday 24 April**

Waverley Cinema Film Luncheon. Time out for a laugh to see *Dalkeith*. Bus pick up at 99 Grange Road, Glen Huntly at 9.15am, and 185 Poath Road Hughesdale at 9.30am. Cost: \$12.60.

**Wednesday-Friday (1, 2, 3 May)**

Bright in autumn!

Where better than this magnificent corner of Alpine Victoria, 3 days and 2 nights. Bright Motor Inn \$190 twin share \$240 single includes bus, motel (dinner bed and breakfast) \$50 deposit balance by 24 April. Lunches not included in cost.  
**Note** earlier departure 8.45am from 99 Grange Road, Glen Huntly and 9am from 185 Poath Road, Hughesdale.

## ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE AT

**Godfrey Street Community House**

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# Youth Page



## Look out Michael Jordan — here we come!

Glen Eira Youth Services, together with members of the local police force, will be hitting the streets hard over the next few weeks, singling out young people in the community who match a particular description... They are seeking young people who play streetball, the odd pick-up game, or who just like hip-hop culture.

The Why? Stop Youth Information Centre will enter a basketball team in a local competition during April and is looking for interested young people to join youth workers and members of the local police force in a team. Participants needn't be interested in serious competition and don't have to play every week, just be interested in learning some cool new moves and showing their stuff on court.

If this sounds like you or someone you know call Mark Bekerman at the Why? Stop Youth Information Centre on 9572 5389.



(From left) Youth worker Mark Bekerman practices a few moves with young people Chris Di Petta and Trent Lowrey and Sen-Constable Jason Fox and Sen-Constable Jeremy Beaumont. Photo: Maureen Bathgate.

## Bored? Why not DIY holiday fun!

We all know how expensive it can be to stay entertained during the school holidays. So here's a few cool ideas from local young people to show what you can do with a small budget and a bit of imagination.

Get down to a park. Just hanging out can get a bit boring, but if you pack a few things, your day out can rock!

1. Take a disposable camera and take silly shots of your friends and stuff going on in the park.
2. Pack a picnic or barbecue, most local parks have free facilities and we all love snags with sauce!
3. Chill out under a tree with your favourite book or magazine — go solo with your walkman or take the radio and rock with your mates.
4. Want a physical challenge? Fly a kite! Once you get the hang of it, the sight of a colourful kite straining against the wind in a bright blue sky is worth all the tangled string!
5. Games: take a soccer ball, basketball, cricket bat and tennis ball or hacky-sac. What better way to get fit and have fun? (But, if you decide to play cricket, just watch out for dogs running away with the ball).
6. Frisbee: Perfect! It's lightweight, portable and easy to use, and — like cricket — the whole park will soon join in. For an added challenge, why not try a boomerang?
7. Finally, but most importantly, whatever you do at the park, don't forget to slip, slop, slap, include your sun hat, 30+ sunscreen and bottles of water.

Afterall, it's no fun if you go home dehydrated and sunburned!

### Or...how about these ideas?

**Have a video night** — Scary movies are extra scary with thunder and lightning outside and movies about storms and ships are even more awesome when you can hear the rain. How about a video with a "rain" title, or even a beach movie so you can pretend it's sunny outside.

**Have a games night** — Ask each friend to bring a board game and you can have hours of entertainment. For variety try to find interactive games like *Nightmare* (a video simulation) or those which require some activity like *Twister*. You could even make your own version of *Celebrity He* using famous names on self-adhesive notes, sticking them on players' foreheads for them to guess the identity (The Youth Services Team had hours of fun with this!)

**Have a dinner party** — Dinner parties with themes are all the rage right now. Everyone gets dressed-up and has a role to play. One very popular one is a murder mystery dinner, like a "who-dunnit?" *How to Host a Murder* has everything you need to hold your own mystery dinner — you can buy it at your local department store or games shop.

**Feeling creative?** Why not enter the annual YouthPix competition? Presented by Council's Arts and Culture Unit and sponsored by Melbourne School of Art, YouthPix accepts entries from young people (under 26) of art works on paper — including photography, drawing, collage, printmaking, and painting on paper. For details see Page 8 of this issue of the Glen Eira News, or contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

## For the record

The following review of a Playstation 2 game was written by local young person Trent Lowrey. Thanks Trent!

### Playstation 2 — Shaun Palmers Pro Snowboarder

*Shaun Palmers Pro Snowboarder* is everything it's cracked-up to be. Designed like *Tony Hawk*, you can continue tricks with manuals and the scores you can get are unbelievable! Choose from a variety of levels — all really cool in their own different way, each has an endless number of jumps and grinds that will keep you busy for months. All the levels are based on real mountains in the USA — an excellent choice because I think some of the best mountains in the world are in the States.

You can choose from 10 pro snowboarders each with their own unique special moves. Each one has a biography as well so you can read about who's done what. The two-player mode in this game is great because you have a lot of game styles to choose from, including everyone's favourite — HORSE — where the best trick wins.

I've been playing *Shaun Palmer's Pro Snowboarder* for the past three months and I still love it. This is a must-own game for everyone with PS2.

*Playstation Magazine* rated it 9 out of 10. My rating: 9 out of 10

— Trent Lowrey

## Education Week — what's on

Education Week (27 to 31 May) highlights the successes and achievements and pays tribute to the dedication and creativity of students, teachers, principals and the school community. It is also a time for schools to get involved with their community and showcase the variety of education resources and programs throughout Victoria.

### Learning workshop

*Upgrade Your Brain — Creating Resilient Learners* workshop (27 May), facilitated by well-known education sector professional Andrew Fuller, synthesises the most recent research on the ways young people learn, into an approach which creates resilient learners. Research increasingly recognises that learning is an emotional undertaking and this presentation integrates knowledge about emotionally supporting young people, with what is known about inspiring them to learn.

The workshop, at Korowa Girls' School, will provide practical exercises and introduce new theories to teachers, parents and others who work with young people. Contact: Margaret Taylor on 9835 7447.

### Other activities

School Focused Youth Service (SFYS) has information regarding celebrations of Victorian Education Week and activities that will take place in your local area. For further details please contact Karla Fitzpatrick on 9524 3392 or check the Education Week website at [www.sofweb.vic.edu.au](http://www.sofweb.vic.edu.au)

# Recreation News

## Hawks land in Ormond for superclinic

Twelve AFL players from Hawthorn Football Club "flew" in to EE Gunn Reserve in Ormond last month for the inaugural Ormond Junior Football Club superclinic.

The clinic was part of the club's recruitment and schools program and gave 300 school children the opportunity to meet stars like Kris Barlow, Chance Bateman, Bill Nicholls and gun recruit, Luke Hodge.

Students from Caulfield South, McKinnon and St Kevin's Primary Schools, Glen Eira College, and

Katandra Special School, met the Hawk stars at the one-hour clinic designed to promote the game and give budding players some tips to improve their skills.

The Hawk players were assisted by several local legends from the Ormond Amateur Football Club, as well as Ormond Under 14 junior stars Rudi Shleiger, Mark Winberg, Tony Calo, David Naylor and Matthew Naylor.

Ormond Junior Football Club has teams competing in all age groups from Under 9 to Under 15. The club also runs a Saturday morning Auskick program. For information please call Phil Revell on 9578 7742 (AH) or mobile 0407 826 841, or email: [phillip.revell@ilford.com](mailto:phillip.revell@ilford.com)



Hawthorn player Kris Barlow gives Glen Eira College student Jerobeam Damons a few pointers to improve his kick. Photos: David McArthur.



St Kevin's Primary School Year 6 student Erin Nicholson tries her new handballing skills at the Footy Clinic at EE Gunn Reserve.

### In brief

#### So where have all the cricket teams gone?

April is change over time from summer to winter sports. Behind the scenes, sports clubs have been given their winter allocations, pavilions have changed over to winter tenants, cricket pitches covered up and goal posts installed for soccer and football.

Sports clubs are always after new members. Coaching is offered and beginners to experienced players are welcome. For information on a club near you contact Recreation Services on 9524 3470 or visit Council's website [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/recreatn](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/recreatn)

#### Dogs and sport don't mix

Both sport and dogs play an important part in the community but the two aren't necessarily compatible. Council does receive complaints from sports clubs from time to time, that during training players have been harassed by dogs, often with the owners nearby!

Dog owners are reminded that designated park off-leash areas are **not** available if school sport, club matches or training are in progress. While these events are in action, all dogs must be on-leash. Dogs must also be on-leash in all public areas, including streets and park playgrounds and barbecues, and must not chase or harass other park users at any time.

## Lacrosse successes

Caulfield Lacrosse Club, more than 100 years old, is back into training and looking forward to the coming winter season. Last year's season was very successful with the men's state team finishing outside the final four and the women Under 17 team runners up in the grand final. The A Reserve team finished third and A Grade won back-to-back finals.

Caulfield resident Rob Stark (24 years) was selected in the 2002 Men's Australian Team which will compete in the 2002 World Series in Perth in July. Rob's lacrosse career has seen him represent Australia on two previous occasions and he has been a member of several Victorian Teams at both junior and senior level.

Caulfield senior women's player Meredith Carre has been appointed as coach of the Australian Under 19 team which will play in America in 2003. Meredith was part of last year's Australian Team which won silver at the world championships in England.

The club runs senior and junior, mens and womens teams. New members are most welcome — no prior experience required. Training is held at Caulfield Park main oval on Thursday nights from 6pm. Contact: 9509 3478.

## The "ultimate" championship — frisbee!

Up to 300 competitors are expected for the 25th Australian National Championships of the Frisbee-based sport "Ultimate" to be held in Glen Eira over the Anzac Day weekend (25–28 April).

"Ultimate" is a non-contact team sport with a strong emphasis on physical fitness and throwing skills, and involves players aged from 18 to 40.

The championships include two divisions, Open and Women's, and all states of Australia and the ACT will be represented, plus three teams from New Zealand. The event will be held at Koornang Park, Lord Reserve and Packer Park, with the finals at Koornang Park, in front of the grandstand, on Sunday 28 April, 10am–5.30pm. Spectators welcome. A barbecue lunch will be provided for competitors and spectators at a nominal cost.

For event information go to: [www.vfda.asn.au/nats2002](http://www.vfda.asn.au/nats2002), or for information about the sport contact the Victorian Flying Disc Association at: [www.vfda.asn.au](http://www.vfda.asn.au)

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#### Enquiries:

Princes Entertainment Centre on:  
9571 9473 or Alex Joy on: 9509 7132