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Glen Eira's character better protected

Glen Eira's valued neighbourhood character will be better protected under Council's recently approved Housing Strategy.

The Housing Strategy, Amendment C25 to the Glen Eira Planning Scheme, was recently approved by the Minister for Planning Mary Delahunty.

Glen Eira Mayor Cr Bob Bury said the strategy approval is great news for the whole community.

"Developers will have to meet higher standards in Glen Eira than elsewhere in Melbourne for medium-density buildings. The elements that make our neighbourhoods special now have the greatest ever level of protection," Cr Bury said.

"Together with other recently approved amendments such as the Urban Villages Policy and the Phoenix Precinct Policy, the Housing Strategy means the whole of Glen Eira is now protected."

The strategy allows Council to protect neighbourhood character while still making provisions for new housing to meet future needs. It introduces new policies for residential development in and around shopping centres and public transport (housing diversity areas) and in established residential areas (minimal change areas).

In announcing the approval, Minister Delahunty commended Council on developing the strategy.

"Glen Eira City Council has done the hard yards in implementing the State Government's policy for future planning, *Melbourne 2030*, through its amendments to the Glen Eira Planning Scheme," Ms Delahunty said.

"Glen Eira City Council has consulted its community and come up with a package of planning scheme amendments that protect what people love about Glen Eira while also allowing for future housing diversity and choice.

"The standards will help to protect the predominantly low-density, established character of much of Glen Eira's residential areas.

"This planning scheme amendment shows what can be done when local councils take seriously the goal of Melbourne 2030 to responsibly plan for future population growth while protecting Melbourne's liveability now and for the future."

Strict neighbourhood character provisions in minimal change areas will apply as part of the strategy. These are designed to protect the open garden character of Glen Eira's established neighbourhoods.



The Laughton family, Paul, Enrica and two year old Amelia, can expect the neighbourhood character of their Carnegie street to be upheld.

Photos: Bernie Bickerton.

The Elsternwick Hub (right) is a good example of a residential development above shops in Glen Eira.

Cr Bury said the provisions will include increasing the private open garden space for multi-unit developments from 40 square metres to 60 square metres.

"The strategy increases the distance that single and multi-storey developments need to be from rear fences," Cr Bury said.

"It also decreases the allowable area that can be covered by a building on a site for single and multi-unit developments from 60 per cent to 50 per cent. Two-storey unit developments in backyards will also be discouraged."

The strategy will also direct multi-unit housing so it can only be developed in appropriate locations in and around commercial centres and public transport (housing diversity areas) and will stimulate and improve the vitality of Glen Eira's shopping centres by encouraging residential development in and around them.

Cr Bury said planning is a balancing act between protecting the neighbourhood character of Glen Eira's residential areas and acknowledging that housing for changing household types and the City's future populations must be provided in suitable locations.

"We believe that in Glen Eira we have achieved a sensible balance and these policies give everyone greater certainty," Cr Bury said.

"If you want to develop in Glen Eira you can, but we have raised the bar in terms of standards that developers must meet.

"These increased standards will ensure our valued neighbourhoods will remain just that — valued. Glen Eira residents can be certain that Council will be able to uphold these standards as they are the law.

"It is very pleasing to see that an independent panel and the Minister have endorsed Council's approach to planning in Glen Eira."

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armer weather is calling us all to get outside and enjoy the City, and Council has been going to great lengths behind the scenes to ensure we're ready for a summer of celebration.

Stage one landscaping works at Princes Park in Caulfield South are also nearly complete, with a day of park opening festivities planned for 5 December. Pools are starting to open

for the summer season, and our parks will also play host to two *Carols by Candlelight* celebrations in December. But it's the City streets that will provide the celebration space this month with three community festivals will be held in Carnegie, Bentleigh and McKinnon.

To get out and celebrate is a good thing, but to celebrate the doings of our citizens is even better — and our young citizens are showing us the way. I recently presented awards to several young writers, and witnessed the skateboarding prowess of young residents at the Bentleigh East Spring Skate Jam.

Recognising the contributions of our citizens is important, and the Glen Eira Citizen and Young Citizen of the Year Awards held each year on Australia Day are an excellent way to do this. Nominations are now open for the 2005 awards, and we rely on you to nominate someone in the City whom you feel has more than contributed to our community.

I was privileged to attend memorial services last month for the 73rd anniversary of General Sir John Monash's death, and used the day to reflect on how much one person can contribute so that all may benefit. Every one of us has the ability to improve our community, and his legacy is seen throughout the City in the names of many of our buildings.

The City's built environment is an integral part of Glen Eira's character — from our leafy streets and heritage buildings to the urban villages growing across the City. The ongoing care and development of these areas will greatly impact ability to provide services and appropriate housing for residents in the future.

Our Housing Strategy, Amendment C25, has now been approved by the Minister for Planning, allowing us to place tighter controls on protecting the neighbourhood character of residential areas while planning for better housing use of areas closest to transport and urban centres.

From housing policies to park works, it's all part of Council's grander plan to build a sustainable City to meet the future needs of our diverse and every-changing community.

> — Cr Bob Bury Mayor

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Glen Eira pets blessed in church service

Il creatures great and small were the order of the day at a special service held at St Catherine's Church in Caulfield South last month.

Cr Margaret Esakoff, who attended the Blessing of pets service on behalf of the Mayor, accompanied an array of local pets, including one stumpy-tailed lizard, a goldfish, and many cats and dogs, when they attended with their owners for the blessing.

"It was pleasing to see such a cross-section of the community and people from all different cultures coming together to recognise the important role that pets play in our lives," Cr Esakoff said.

"Events such as this highlight the support and companionship pets can provide to the local community."

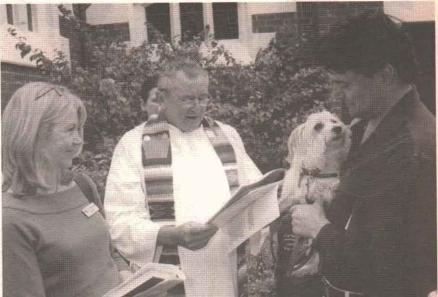
The hour-long service was followed by a talk about volunteers and the important role they also play in the community.

St Catherine's Church Vicar Stephen Hill said more than 50 people and their pets gathered at the service, which is held annually at the church.



Remembrance Day service

Council invites residents to attend a Remembrance Day memorial service at the Cenotaph in Caulfield Park, near the corner of Hawthorn and Balaclava Roads, Caulfield on Thursday 11 November at 10.58am. Please note, the service will proceed in the park regardless of the weather. Light refreshments will be served after the service.



Morgan Bullen (right) and his dog Maggie prepare for the Blessing of pets service with Cr Margaret Esakoff and St Catherine's Church Vicar Stephen Hill. Photo: Jim Hooper.

"It is wonderful to see the community come together for this event and we are pleased to see that our attendance numbers have increased this year," Vicar Hill said.

"The service aims to promote a message of wellbeing to local animals and their owners. Judging by this year's success, we'll have no trouble in gaining enough interest to run the event for yet another year."

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Princes Park — a new way to play

Council is inviting all residents to celebrate the opening of one of Glen Eira's newest signature parks, Princes Park in Caulfield South.

The Picnic at Princes — a new way to play celebration will feature free entertainment and fun for the whole family and showcase the park's newly refurbished landscape.

Glen Eira Mayor Cr Bob Bury said residents are encouraged to pack a picnic and come along and enjoy an afternoon of entertainment at the park on Sunday 5 December.

"The celebration is an opportunity for Glen Eira residents to look at the new and revitalised facilities at Princes Park," Cr Bury said.

"An afternoon of fun and laughter for people of all ages is guaranteed."

The celebration will feature entertainment from some of Melbourne's best known performers and artists, as well as a performance from the McKinnon Secondary School Band.

Internationally-renowned Strange Fruit will lead the live entertainment program using their trademark ur-metre high flexible poles to perform high over the audience's heads. Mike Jackson's performance of unusual folk instruments, such as the accordion and ocarina, will have children on their feet.

Fihlos Capoiera School will demonstrate the physical dynamics of Capoiera — a fusion of dance, martial art,

acrobatics and music, invented by African slaves of Brazil — and roving performer Dilapidated Diva will delight audiences with her eccentric humour and paper tricks.

The day will include old favourites such as a jumping castle, animal farm and craft activities, and Council staff will be on hand to answer queries and provide information on general Council services.

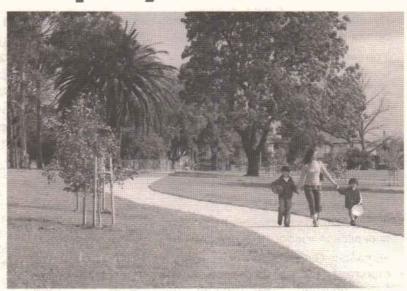
Cr Bury said the celebration aimed to bring the whole community together for an afternoon of fun and celebration and to enjoy the artistic talents and performances on show.

"This really is a great way for Council to showcase the upgraded facilities of the park — better sporting facilities, a sensory garden, open spaces and better access in and around Princes Park for the community," Cr Bury said.

"More than 15,500 new plants have been added to the park, including 277 trees. Coloured concrete pathways, entrance ways and raised kerbing and park furniture are also among the new facilities at the park."

The Picnic at Princes — a new way to play celebration will run from 12pm until 4pm on Sunday 5 December at Princes Park, Hawthorn Road, Caulfield South.

For more information contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or visit www.gleneira.vic.gov.au



Andrena Lambrou with sons Kosta and Andreas enjoy a stroll in the newly refurbished Princes Park in Caulfield South. Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

Plastic bags get the sack

Council has joined the South Eastern Regional Waste Management Group (SERWMG) in a campaign to reduce the use of plastic shopping bags in the Carnegie shopping precinct.

The Bring your own bag Carnegie project, the first of its kind in Glen Eira, aims to decrease the waste created by plastic shopping bags and increase community awareness about their environmental impact.

Council's Director Assets and Facilities Geoff Barrow said the project will help Carnegie traders introduce alternative forms of check-out bags and, in turn, implement the Australian Retailers Association Code of Practice target to reduce plastic bags.

"Council would like to see Carnegie shopping precinct become one of the first shopping strips in Melbourne to reach the targets being set by the association," Mr Barrow said.

"Several municipalities, rural towns and major retailers throughout Australia have already recognised the benefits of reducing plastic bags by introducing this program, which has gained wide acceptance and support from local business and residential communities."

Mr Barrow said Council will work with trader associations and community organisations and assist with the production of calico bags, posters, leaflets and other education materials.

"Council staff will also provide information to the community, traders and local organisations about the environmental impact of plastic bags at this year's Carnegie Street Festival, to be held on Saturday 27 November," he said.

"Plastic bags can have a devastating effect on the environment. If discarded incorrectly, they end up in the waterways — eventually making their way into the ocean.

"Council asks residents to think about the number of plastic bags they use when shopping. The best way to reduce plastic bags is to avoid using them in the first place — avoiding waste is a better option than recycling.

"If everyone reduces the number of plastic bags they use by just by a few, it would help the environment a great deal."

Footy fever is child's play

Team loyalty and football skills were put to the test at a recent footy day held at Council's Murrumbeena Children's Centre.

The footy day, held to celebrate the end of the 2004 football season, saw children dressed and ready to celebrate the game.



From left: Michael D'Rozario and Jacob Thompson enjoy a friendly tackle in the playground to celebrate Footy day held at Council's Murrumbeena Children's Centre.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

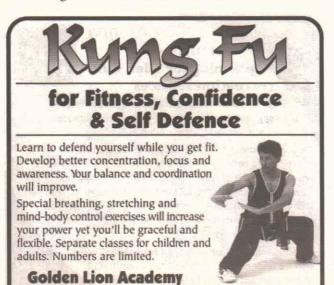
They wore t-shirts, scarves and beanies in their team colours and paraded their support of AFL teams.

However, all team rivalries were put aside as the children played together, kicking the football to each other and participating in a handball competition.

Council's Co-ordinator Murrumbeena Children's Centre Sandra Bouchard said the footy day was an opportunity for the children to have fun and celebrate team spirit.

"The children had a great day dressed in their footy gear and really enjoyed the handballing competition, which tested their motor skill development," Ms Bouchard said.

But the highlight of the day was lunchtime as children were treated to some real footy food — pies, hot dogs and sausage rolls, with sauce, of course.



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Лучше сохранять исторически сложившийся облик района Glen Eira

Утвержденная недавно Стратегия Муниципального Совета по строительству жилья поможет лучше сберечь исторически сложившийся облик района Glen Eira, который ценят все жители района.

Стратегия по строительству жилья (Дополнение С25 к Архитектурно-планировочной программе района Glen Eira) была недавно утверждена Министром по вопросам планирования Mary Delahunty.

Мэр района Glen Eira Bob Bury заявил, что сообщение об утверждении стратегии – это прекрасная новость для всех жителей района.

«В районе Glen Eira застройщики при строительстве зданий средней плотности должны будут соблюдать самые строгие стандарты по сравнению со всеми другими районами Мельбурна. Те элементы внешнего облика нашего района, которые придают ему особую ценность, получат теперь самый высокий уровень защиты», - сказал г-н Bury.

«Вместе с недавно утвержденными поправками (такими как Правила застройки городских участков и Правила застройки округа Phoenix) Стратегия по строительству жилья поможет лучше сохранить облик района Glen Eira в целом».

Эта Стратегия позволяет Муниципальному Совету сохранять уютную атмосферу района и в то же время обеспечивает условия для того, чтобы новое жилье соответствовало будущим потребностям. В рамках Стратегии вводятся новые правила, регулирующие строительство жилья в торговых центрах и прилегающих к ним районах, а также вблизи маршрутов движения общественного транспорта (зоны многообразной жилой застройки) с одной стороны, и строительство в преимущественно жилых районах (зоны минимальных изменений) с другой стороны.

Объявляя об утверждении Стратегии, Министр Delahunty дала высокую оценку Муниципальному Совету за то, что он провел консультации с жителями района и представил на утверждение пакет дополнений к архитектурно-планировочной программе, которые способствуют сохранению того, что так нравится людям в районе Glen Eira, и в то же время позволяют обеспечить многообразие и широкий выбор при строительстве жилья.

Glen Eira 的特色得到了更好的保護

最近批准的市政府《住房策略 (Housing Strategy)》為 Glen Eira 值得珍視的街坊特色提供了更好的保護。

維州規劃部長 Mary Delahunty 最近批准了《住房策略 - Glen Eira 規劃方案 C25 修訂條款 (Housing Strategy, Amendment C25 to the Glen Eira Planning Scheme)》。

Glen Eira 市長 Bob Bury 說,《住房策略》得到批准對整個社區來說是件大好事。

Bury 市長說:"與墨爾本其他地方相比,發展商在 Glen Eira 建造中密度住房要達到更高的標準。展示我們街坊特色的要素現在得到了最大程度的保護"。

"《住房策略》與《都市村政策 (Urban Villages Policy)》 和《Phoenix 特區政策 (Phoenix Precinct Policy)》等其 他最近批准的修訂條款一起為整個 Glen Eira 提供了保 護。"

在仍然能使新住房滿足未來需求的同時,這項策略使市 政府能夠保護街坊特色。它推出了購物中心範圍內及周 圍住房發展和公共交通的新政策-住房多樣化區域及成 熟住宅區-可最低程度改變的地區。

Delahunty 部長宣佈這項批准時贊揚了市政府在與社區協商後制訂的一攬子規劃方案修訂條款,這些條款保護了人們所喜歡的 Glen Eira 的要素,同時允許對未來住房的多樣化和選擇。

Πιο καλά προστατευμένος ο χαρακτήρας του Glen Eira

Ο εκτιμώμενος γειτονικός χαρακτήρας του Glen Eira θα είναι πιο καλά προστατευμένος κάτω από την πρόσφατα εγκεκριμένη Στρατηγική Στέγασης (Housing Strategy) της Δημαρχίας.

Η Στρατηγική Στέγασης, Τροποποίηση C25 στο σχέδιο πολεοδομίας, εγκρίθηκε πρόσφατα από την Υπουργό Πολεοδομίας, Mary Delahunty.

Ο Δήμαρχος του Glen Eira, ο Σύμβουλος κ. Bob Bury είπε ότι η έγκριση της στρατηγικής αποτελεί ευχάριστα νέα για όλη την κοινότητα.

"Οι παράγοντες οικοδομικής ανάπτυξης θα πρέπει να ικανοποιούν ανώτερα επίπεδα στο Glen Eira απ' οπουδήποτε αλλού στη Μελβούρνη για οικοδομήσεις μέσης πυκνότητας. Τα στοιχεία που τώρα κάνουν τις γειτονιές μας να ξεχωρίζουν έχουν τώρα το υψηλότερο επίπεδο προστασίας," είπε ο Σύμβουλος κ. Bury.

"Μαζί με άλλα πρόσφατα εγκεκριμένες τροποίησεις όπως της Πολιτικής Αστικών Χωριών (Urban Villages Policy) και της Πολιτικής Περιφέρειας Φοίνικα (Phoenix Precinct Policy) η Στρατηγική Στέγασης σημαίνει ότι όλο το Glen Eira είναι τώρα προστατευμένο."

Η στρατηγική δίνει την ευκαιρία στη δημαρχία να προστατέψει τον χαρακτήρα της γειτονιάς ενώ συνεχίζει να προβλέπει για νέες στεγάσεις για να ανταποκρίνεται στις μελλοντικές ανάγκες. Εισηγεί νέες πολιτικές για οικιστική ανάπτυξη μέσα και γύρω από εμπορικά κέντρα και δημόσιες συγκοινωνίες - περιοχές ποικίλης στέγασης και εγκατεστημένες κατοικημένες περιοχές - περιοχές ελάχιστης αλλαγής.

Στην ανακοίνωση της έγκρισης, η Υπουργος κ. Delahunty επαίνεψε τη Δημαρχία που συμβουλεύτηκε τους δημότες της και έβγαλε μια συλλογή τροποποίησεων του σχεδίου πολεοδομίας που προστατεύουν αυτά που αγαπούν οι δημότες στο Glen Eira ενώ αφήνουν περιθώριο για οικιστική ποικιλία και επιλογή στο μέλλον.

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forums — planning for Glen Eira recreation services

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Council seeks community input into the future planning and development of sport and recreation facilities and services across Glen Eira.

Two community forums will be held to identify the sporting and recreational needs of residents. The forums will be held at McKinnon Public Hall, 118 McKinnon Road, McKinnon on Wednesday 17 November at 7pm and Glen Huntly Park Function Room, corner Neerim and Booran Roads, Glen Huntly on Tuesday 23 November at 7pm.

A random telephone survey of households will also be undertaken as part of the consultation phase. Contact Council's Service Centre for further information.

Le caratteristiche di Glen Eira meglio protette

Le caratteristiche architettoniche del quartiere di Glen Eira saranno meglio protette ai sensi di una nuova Strategia Edilizia approvata di recente dal Consiglio Comunale.

La Strategia Edilizia, Emendamento C25 della Pianificazione Urbana del Comune di Glen Eira, recentemente è stata approvata dal Ministro della Pianificazione Urbana, Mary Delahunty.

Il Sindaco di Glen Eira Bob Bury ha detto che l'approvazione della strategia è una bella notizia per tutta la comunità.

Egli ha detto "Gli operatori immobiliari impegnati in progetti edilizi di media densità a Glen Eira ora dovranno soddisfare standard superiori rispetto ad altre zone di Melbourne. Gli elementi che distinguono il nostro quartiere e che lo rendono unico nel suo genere ora avranno un grandissimo livello di protezione".

"Insieme ad altri emendamenti approvati di recente quali la Politica dei Villaggi Urbani e la Politica del "Phoenix Precinct", la Strategia Edilizia fa sì che l'intero quartiere di Glen Eira ora sia protetto."

La strategia consente al Comune di proteggere le caratteristiche del quartiere e nello stesso tempo di prendere provvedimenti per la costruzione di nuovi alloggi che rispondano alle esigenze edilizie del futuro. La strategia introduce nuove politiche per la costruzione di progetti edilizi residenziali nelle vicinanze dei centri commerciali e dei mezzi di trasporto pubblici – aree con alloggi diversi e minimi cambiamenti nelle zone residenziali già stabilite.

Nell'annunciare l'approvazione della Strategia Edilizia, il Ministro Delahunty ha elogiato il Comune per aver consultato la comunità e per aver messo insieme un pacchetto che protegge la bellezza e l'individualità del quartiere di Glen Eira, va incontro alle esigenze edilizie del futuro e dà ai residenti maggiori scelte e diversità.



Childhood memories on show at Warrawee

Dolls, quilts and teddy bears were certainly the topic of conversation at Council's Warrawee aged care facility in Bentleigh East last month.

Residents and staff at Warrawee held their annual Warrawee Doll, Golliwog, Teddy Bear and Quilt Exhibition which included more than 300 dolls, quilts, teddy bears, caricatures, doll houses and tricycles.

Council's Manager Residential Services Monica Elston said the positive feedback received from a similar exhibition held last year prompted them to run the exhibition again.



Warrawee volunteer Nanette Stanes surrounded by her collection of dolls. Photos: Bernie Bickerton.

"We believe the exhibition was so popular because it promotes interaction and discussion on topics of interest amongst our residents. It also provides an opportunity for residents to reminisce about their childhood or past, as most have been involved with dolls, teddy bears or quilts throughout their lives," Ms Elston said.

Special items on display included a hand-made baby doll, a quilt shaped like a sheet of music, clowns and dolls made from doilies.

Ms Elston said contributions for the exhibition came from residents, family, friends and Warrawee staff and some residents contributed by setting up the exhibition and looking after cashiering.

Warrawee resident Bess Spotkaeff, whose 100-year-old doll was on display, said the exhibition was a great idea and one that residents thoroughly enjoyed.

"The doll belonged to my mother and is still in its original condition, with the same clothes on it. It is called a Campbell doll and they stopped producing these dolls in 1910," Mrs Spotkaeff said.

"It's not the best looking doll and has an unusual face, but it is an original and has not been altered through the years. Most dolls of that era were stuffed with sawdust but this one has cork in it and I believe this is why it has endured for all these years."

Warrawee volunteer and exhibition organiser
Nanette Stanes said collecting dolls was her passion.
Her collection numbered 300 dolls ranging from
porcelain and old world dolls to modern plastic dolls.



Warrawee resident Bess Spotkaeff admires her 100-year-old Campbell doll.

"The exhibition is a wonderful idea and a great event for the Warrawee residents to be involved in, whether it be organising the exhibition or coming along to look at the pieces on show," Mrs Stanes said.

"It is also great from a community aspect, as people could come along to the exhibition and see what the residents at Warrawee are involved in. Events such as these show that aged care facilities can be interesting places that are enjoyed by the elderly community and their families."

Doberman declared menace

A Bentleigh East dog owner whose Doberman-cross dog attacked and bit a neighbour has been convicted and fined in the Melbourne Magistrates Court.

Magistrate Jennifer Grubissa ordered the man to pay a \$600 fine and a further \$58.30 in costs after pleading guilty to owning a dog that attacked and bit a person and to having a dog at large.

Council's Prosecutor Alan Katz told the court that the attack occurred in June this year, when the man's two dogs, the Doberman-cross and a Bull Mastiff-cross, were roaming in Bonny Street, Bentleigh East. An 83-year-old neighbour who was at her front door to get the morning paper at the time, was attacked and bitten by the Doberman-cross.

Mr Katz told the court that the neighbour suffered a severe injury to her leg as a result of the attack. The two dogs had escaped from the owner's property through a gate that was not properly secured. They had already caused concern to various other neighbours entering and exiting their properties just prior to the attack. Council declared the Doberman-cross a menacing dog.

Council's Manager Civic Compliance John Bordignon said dog owners are responsible for their dogs' actions at all times and need to ensure that they secure their property so their dogs cannot escape.

"Council recognises the important role pets play in the community but pet owners need to ensure their pets are not putting the community's safety at risk," Mr Bordignon said.

Councils sign up to fight graffiti

Clen Eira Mayor Cr Bob Bury has joined forces with mayors from neighbouring councils to lobby the State Government about graffiti problems at local railway stations.

Cr Bury said that under the changed public transport arrangements, responsibility for graffiti around railway stations had fallen through the cracks.

"This is an issue that needs to be addressed, as the graffiti at our local railway stations is getting out of hand. Railway stations are the responsibility of the State Government and a solution to the problem needs to be found," Cr Bury said.

"The State Government needs to take responsibility for our local railway stations, subways, fences and other structures in railway reservations.

"We are putting together a united front and working with Bayside, Boroondara, Kingston, Melbourne, Port Phillip, Stonnington and Yarra councils to solve this issue."

Council's Director Assets and Facilities Geoff Barrow said while Council removed graffiti from Council property and encouraged residents and private businesses to do the same, Council's hands were tied when it came to railway stations and railway reserves.

"The State Government needs a program to remove the graffiti, posters and other rubbish and then a strategy to manage it long-term," Mr Barrow said.

"Council spent about \$150,000 last year removing graffiti from Council buildings, signs, furniture, roads and footpaths and in parks.

"Where possible, and depending on the urgency of the graffiti, Council generally removes graffiti from these areas within 24 to 48 hours."

Mr Barrow said Council recognised the issue of graffiti in Glen Eira and the posting of illegal posters on Council infrastructure and was continually working on ways to improve this procedure.

"But the railway stations are not Council property and the State Government needs to take urgent action to tackle the issue," he said.



From left: Port Phillip Mayor Dick Gross, Stonnington Mayor Melina Sehr, Kingston Mayor Arthur Athanasopoulos and Glen Eira Mayor Cr Bob Bury sign up to fight graffiti.

Creating a healthier Glen Eira

National Food Safety Week— a top priority for Council

Council will take the opportunity to highlight food safety in Glen Eira during National Food Safety Week in November.

Healthy, safe food is important to Council and ensuring residents can confidently eat at any one of the more than 750 registered food premises in Glen Eira is a

Council will run activities during National Food Safety week, 8-13 November, to educate consumers about safe food practices and to highlight ways to reduce the incidence of food poisoning.

In this month's Glen Eira News feature, Sophie Massis presents some of the food safety issues Council will discuss as part of National Food Safety Week.

Footy food — kicking goals in Glen Eira

Each year Council conducts food sample checks at more than 750 registered food premises including sporting clubs which sell food to the public.

Council's Public Health Manager Mark Saunders said like all premises supplying food to the public, local sporting clubs which have canteen facilities are required to provide food safety plans and undergo training to comply with food safety standards.

Environmental health officer Tammy Goodwin explains food safety program procedures with Murrumbeena Football Club Photo: Bernie Bickerton. Secretary Ross Gould.

"Sporting clubs must also ensure that food safety is maintained throughout the sporting season to reduce the likelihood of food-borne illness occurring," Mr Saunders said.

"Recent amendments to food laws require sporting clubs to keep a food safety program and documentation about how they keep their food safe, such as temperature records and cleaning schedules.

"Council officers visit registered sporting clubs at least once per year, and quite often inspect the clubs during their weekend operation."

Murrumbeena Football Club Secretary and club food safety supervisor Ross Gould said even though the food safety program took some work at first, it was not a complex system to implement.

"Initially, we found the food safety program requirement quite daunting, however, after reading through what was required, we found it was very easy to understand and quite manageable," Mr Gould said.

"It makes sense for sporting clubs with canteens to complete food safety training, as our first aiders are expected to complete first aid training and we are also required to have staff trained in other areas of the club.

"Food safety training should be no different. It is just another aspect of complying with the requirements of maintaining a responsible sporting club, such as the responsible serving of alcohol."

As the club's food safety supervisor, Mr Gould has completed a course in food safety and is required to offer food safety advice to other staff and ensure food safety practices are maintained at the club.

"The food safety program requires documentation of what we have been doing in our club to maintain food hygiene. It provides a good check of our procedures and has allowed us to implement systems to do this.

"There is also the added bonus that our customers and club members really appreciate knowing the club is committed to food safety," Mr Gould said.

Sampling makes for safer food

Ien Eira residents can expect better food quality I from their local food establishments, thanks to strict food safety standards implemented by Council.

Council's Manager Public Health Mark Saunders said Glen Eira's food businesses were inspected by Council officers at least once per year.

"We have seen a steady improvement in the quality of food sold and inspected over the past three years," Mr Saunders said.

In 2003-04, Council sampled 394 foods from local food businesses and 87 per cent complied with national food standards. This is an increase of 5 per cent on 2002-03 and of 7.5 per cent on 2001-02.

Mr Saunders said the continual improvement in food quality was also a result of a number of initiatives and strict checks carried out by Council.

"Local businesses must provide food safety plans and undergo training to comply with food safety standards," he said.

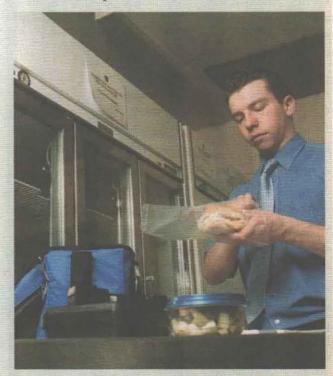
"All food businesses are required to submit a food safety program to Council, detailing how they control the food safety hazards associated with their business. They're also required to nominate a food safety supervisor who is trained and responsible for the supervision of staff handling food within the business.

"Training sessions are also held for food business operators from non-English speaking backgrounds to improve their knowledge levels," he said.

Under the provisions of the Victorian Food Act 1984, all councils are required to conduct routine food sampling of food products that are sold within the municipality. These samples are then tested and analysed externally for levels of temperature abuse, poor hygiene and cross-contamination.

The analyst then issues the council with a certificate of the findings and the food sample is declared either satisfactory, marginal, unsatisfactory or potentially hazardous. A copy of the certificate is provided to the proprietor.

Mr Saunders said if a sample failed to comply, Council officers may also visit the premises to discuss food safety measures with the proprietor to ensure the product or process is compliant in the future. Legal action may be taken by Council if the non-compliance of the food sample is considered a serious offence.



Council's Cadet Environmental Health Officer Matthew Doherty takes a food sample for further inspection. Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

Parenting sessions

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Council will hold two information sessions for new parents at the Glen Huntly Maternal and Child Health Centre, corner Royal and Rosedale Avenues, Glen Huntly. Surviving and enjoying the first months with a new baby

The session is designed for parents of babies aged 4-8 weeks and will address the issues of understanding normal baby behaviour, reducing family stress and encouraging a settled baby. Partners and grandparents are welcome.

First and third Tuesday of each month from 1pm to 3pm. Cost: \$2.

Your child's development — children aged three to five years

The session will look at fine motor development and preparation for school. Guest speaker will be Pediatric Occupational Therapist Julie Martin.

Date: Wednesday 10 November 2004

Time: 2pm to 3pm

For further information contact 9524 3403.

Educating for a healthier community

"The best part of my job is getting out into the community and dealing with a variety of people. My role is to educate people about safe health practices that can ultimately avoid disease and illness." Stuart Symes

At 22 Stuart Symes may be the youngest Environmental Health Officer at Council but he brings a great deal of experience and education in community health with him.

He recently completed a Bachelor of Health Science, Environment Health Management and undertook a work placement at Wyndham City Council in Werribee before his appointment to Glen Eira.

Council's environmental health officers have a crucial role to play in maintaining the health and welfare of the Glen Eira community — ensuring local residents are eating safe food when they dine out; safeguarding the hygiene of public pools, and making sure businesses, such as beauty therapists, are using clean and sterilised equipment.

Stuart said his job gives him great satisfaction as he is rewarded with positive outcomes.

"There's also a lot of variety. In one day, I could be out at a local shop checking whether the owners are complying with food safety procedures, investigating a complaint about a noisy air conditioner, and then heading back to the office to file a report about a food sample," Stuart said.

"The variety is what attracted me to study in this field in the first place."

As part of his duties, Stuart is responsible for conducting food safety compliance checks and investigating and reporting on complaints received from the community. He is also responsible for ensuring local businesses comply with the regulations

under the Environmental Protection Act, the Tobacco Act, and the Health Act — a task which sees him checking a wide range of businesses from hair salons to tattoo parlours.

Although he looks after the enforcement of these acts and has the authority to serve non-compliance notices, Stuart prefers an educative approach to dealing with and resolving complaints.

"I prefer to educate people about the standards and regulations with which they need to comply — this usually results in the best outcome for everyone," he said.

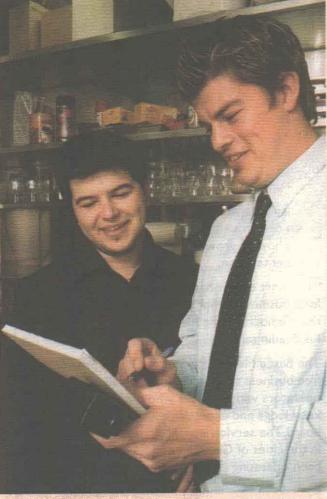
"It is usually a matter of sitting down with business owners and running through what the regulations are and working out how they can apply the checks and systems to their business.

"The most satisfying part of my job is resolving complaints, whether it be a noise complaint that would allow a resident to get a good night's sleep, or working with a food business that has had a complaint placed against them and coming up with a better process to make their business safer.

"I enjoy being able to follow up complaints, resolve matters and eliminate health hazards. I like having a positive influence on the health and safety of the community.

"It is important for business operators to understand the laws and regulations and be educated so the level or standard of health is maintained to protect the wellbeing of the community," Stuart said.





Council's Environmental Health Officer Stuart Symes explains food regulations to local restaurateur Serkan Sen.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton

Summer safety tips

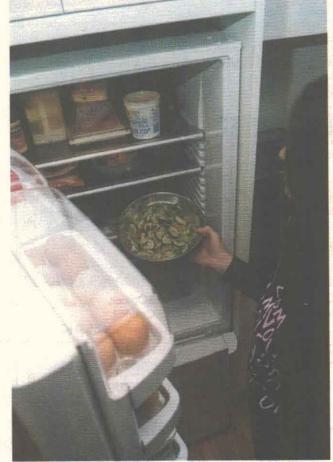
Council is urging Glen Eira residents to follow food safety tips to ensure their summer is bacteria free.

The approaching summer months and warmer conditions are ideal for outdoor barbecues, picnics and camping trips, however, warmer weather also provides a perfect environment for bacteria to multiply rapidly and cause food-borne illnesses.

Residents are urged to take precautions when handling high risk foods such as meat, poultry, seafood and egg products.

The following simple tips can help to reduce the risk of food poisoning over summer.

- Meats and salads need to be kept in the fridge or an ice-filled cooler until they are ready to be cooked or eaten.
- Minced meats, rolled roasts and poultry must be cooked thoroughly.
- Meats must be kept refrigerated while being marinated for long periods of time. It is important not to use the sauce that was used to marinate raw meat or poultry on cooked food.
- When taking cooked foods off the barbecue, do not put them back on the same plate that previously held raw food.
- Do not overload the fridge or cooler as cold air will not be able to circulate properly around the food.



Salads should be kept refrigerated.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

- Ensure salads are kept refrigerated. Salads containing rice, pasta, egg and mayonnaise may become potentially hazardous if left out of the fridge for too long.
- Anyone handling or preparing food must regularly wash their hands with warm, soapy water.

Food poisoning

With more than 250 incidents in Glen Eira in the past year serious enough to require a visit to the doctor, food poisoning remains an ongoing concern for Council.

The most common food poisoning bacteria was Campylobacter. The bacteria can be present in inadequately or undercooked meat, be transferred by cross-contamination of uncooked and cooked foods, or be passed from person-to-person.

These organisms can also be found in animals such as poultry, birds, cattle and household pets, including puppies and kittens.

The bacteria, when consumed in food causes illness. Common symptoms are diarrhoea, fever, stomach cramps, nausea and vomiting.

Campylobacter infections can affect anyone, but they are more common in children under five years old and young adults, and present more severe symptoms in elderly people and people with medical conditions.

It can take two to five days after the Campylobacter bacteria are ingested before the symptoms of the illness begin.

To trace the cause of the illness, it is necessary to know where the affected person was and what they consumed up to a week before they became ill, which can make it difficult.

Hygiene standards and safe food handling practices are crucial in reducing the likelihood of food poisoning.

Food handlers, child and health care workers with Campylobacter bacteria poisoning must not work until symptoms have ceased and children must not attend child care centres, kindergartens or school until symptoms have cleared.

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BusEd recipe for success

ore than 45 small business operators were inspired to achieve greater business success after a recent presentation from local business owner Heidi Krebs, as part of Council's BusEd Mentor Network meeting.

Heidi explained how she and her husband Michael Zimmer started their company, Cablex, 18 years ago from their home and developed it to become one of Australia's leading suppliers of cabling systems employing 180 people and exporting around the world.

Council's Manager Business Development Lynda Bredin said Heidi gave valuable insights about how to grow a small business into a viable enterprise.

"This sort of first-hand information from a local business owner was of great interest to the members of the mentor program,"

Ms Bredin said.

The BusEd Mentor Partners program provides a free business service, matching small business operators with mentors who pass on their knowledge and expertise and act as a sounding board. The service is available to businesses based in the cities of Glen Eira and Kingston that have been operating for 12 months or more.

For information about the program, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

Win-win for business and students

Local gallery and jewellery shop owner Neta Shiponi has made some handy business contacts, thanks to Council's *BusEd* Projects program.

The *BusEd* Projects program linked Neta and her handcrafted jewellery business, Netalie Gallery Shop, with four Year 10 photography students from Glen Eira College in Caulfield South.

Neta said the students took photographs of jewellery on show in her gallery, which she could then use in marketing materials to promote her business.

"I think the photos the students have taken are very professional," Neta said.

"The program has given both the students and I a chance to benefit. The students are getting more experience with their studies and I benefit from having professional photos to promote my business."

Council's Manager Business Development Lynda Bredin said Neta's case was another example of a successful relationship between a business owner and students created by the program.

"The *BusEd* program provides opportunities for local business owners to access the talents of young people to help their business grow," Ms Bredin said.

"Neta initially contacted Council to seek help with developing a website to promote her business. Consultation with Council and the students helped Neta decide that, in addition to a website, her business could benefit from working with the students.



Students Winny Susan and Yalenka Clement help gallery owner (right) Neta Shiponi set up jewellery to be photographed.

Photo: Les O'Rourke.

"The next stage of the project will be to develop a website for Neta's business which will enable clients to order and purchase jewellery online."

Council is seeking expressions of interest for the 2005 BusEd Projects program. For information about BusEd or to register a project, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

Community consultation

Council sees community consultation as a vital part of its decision-making process. Consultation involves the community in Council's planning and activities and helps Council to understand the community's priorities and issues.

Upcoming consultation opportunities

Subject	Туре	Date	Where
Former Carnegie RSL Bowls Club rezoning — Amendment C41	Public exhibition	Thursday 14 October to Monday 15 November	Glen Eira City Council Service Centre, Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield
Student Housing Policy — Amendment C42	Public exhibition	Thursday 7 October to Monday 8 November	Glen Eira City Council Service Centre, Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield
Glen Eira Activity Centre draft strategy	Written submissions	Monday 15 November to Wednesday 15 December	Glen Eira Activity Centre, Glen Eira City Council, PO Box 42 Caulfield South 3162
Sale of land — Woornack Road	Written submissions	Monday 25 October to Tuesday 9 November	Chief Executive Officer, Glen Eira City Council, PO Box 42 Caulfield South 3162
Delivered Meals service survey	Survey	Monday 25 October to Friday 26 November	Glen Eira City Council, PO Box 42 Caulfield South 3162
Future planning for recreation services in Glen Eira	Community consultation forums	Wednesday 17 November at 7pm Tuesday 23 November	McKinnon Public Hall, 118 McKinnon Road, McKinnon Glen Huntly Park function room, corner
		at 7pm	Neerim and Booran Roads, Glen Huntly

Recent consultation opportunities

Meeting	Туре	Date
Road management plan	Written submissions	Closed Thursday 28 October
Road construction options — Mackie Road	Written submissions	Closed Friday 22 October
Sale of land — Nina Court	Written submissions	Closed Tuesday 5 October

For further information about any of these consultation opportunities, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or visit Council's website at www.gleneira.vic.gov.au

What's on in business?

Under New Management program

Council, in partnership with the State Government, will run the Under New Management program's Buying a small business workshop to help potential business owners make a more informed decision before committing to a purchase.

The workshop will include:

- a three-and-a-half hour workshop with an experienced facilitator;
- a workbook containing information and contacts;
- a one-on-one business counselling session; and
- · access to online information and publications.

The workshop will be held in the Caulfield Cup Room, Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield on Thursday 11 November from 6pm to 9.30pm. Cost \$30.

Bookings essential by Monday 8 November.

Women's Business Network finale 2004 Media strategy and effective presentation skills

Media presenter Jo Pearson will explain why business owners need to evaluate communication capabilities to develop media strategies and presentation skills at the final Women's Business Network meeting for the year.

The meeting will be held in the Caulfield Cup Room, Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield on Thursday 18 November at 7pm. Cost: \$15, light supper provided. Bookings essential by Tuesday 16 November.

To register for either event, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

Library

Children enjoy Holiday Mania

hildren attending Council's Holiday Mania program during the September school term break were spoilt for choice when it came to deciding which session to attend - decoupage, fairytale puppets or a fun water conservation show?

Twenty children attended the decoupage session at Council's Carnegie Library where they made colourful name plaques to take home. The word decoupage is derived from the French word découper meaning, to cut out.

Meanwhile, a sell-out crowd of 60 children and their parents packed into Council's Elsternwick Library to watch a Sleeping Beauty puppet show.

The children were taken through a magical, interactive journey with witches, fairies, kings and queens and of course, magic. The classic fairytale was retold to the children using 14 handcrafted puppets, special effects and music.

Book bonanza for Council's libraries

len Eira libraries will have more resources available for the community thanks to a Book Bonanza grant from the State Government of more than \$57,000.

Glen Eira City Council is one of the 79 Victorian councils which will share in the \$1.5 million grant to be distributed over the next three years.

Council's Manager Library and Information Services Sue Webster said the grant will be used to purchase books and other materials for the libraries.

"The Book Bonanza grant will be used by Council to upgrade the resources available to the community," Ms Webster said.

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After the performance, the children had a chance to learn how the puppets were made as Christine from Fairytale Puppet Theatre explained how the detailed and delicate puppets worked.

Then, at Council's Caulfield Library, parents and children of all ages could be heard chanting "water sense, water sense, most of it is common sense", as they gathered at the library to enjoy Water Sense.

An interactive show about water, Water Sense included catchy songs and magic tricks about water safety and caring for the environment. Performers, Fish and Star, entertained and educated the children about water evaporation and places where water can be found in the environment.

The children also had a chance to perform a roleplay with singing and dancing. Dressed as a river, clouds, the sun and the wind, they learnt how important the elements are to the environment.



Jack O'Neill gets up close and personal with the jester and frog puppets from the Sleeping Beauty puppet show.

The shows were held as part of Council's Holiday Mania program, which is held during school term breaks.

For further information on Council's future Holiday Mania programs, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

Children starting out safely



essons in road and pedestrian safety were delivered with fun for Glen Eira preschoolers who attended Council's Storytime sessions at Caulfield Library last month.

The interactive sessions, Starting out Safely, included singing, books and drawing activities based on key road and pedestrian safety messages.

Council's Manager Library and Information Services Sue Webster said Council was pleased to incorporate important safety messages, such as taking care when crossing roads and the basics of road safety, into its regular Storytime program.

During the sessions the children learned the importance of being cautious around roads and crossings, how to cross a road with safety, wearing a seatbelt correctly and the basics of bike safety.

They were also treated to a visit from colourful road safety mascot Thingle Toodle who helped them sing the road safety song.

Local children learn about road safety with mascot Photo: Les O'Rourke. Thingle Toodle.

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Young writers on the way to state finals

he inner metropolitan zone winners in the Nestle Write Around Australia competition were announced at a Council presentation last month.

Glen Eira Mayor Cr Bob Bury announced the regional finalists and presented the two zone winners, Emily Pica and Jess Ginberg, with certificates and invitations to the state presentation of the competition.

"The Nestle Write Around Australia competition was developed to encourage children to take part in creative writing and to use public library resources. This is the fifth time Council has hosted this exciting and important writing program," Cr Bury said.

'Council has played a leading role in this year's program as co-ordinator of the inner metropolitan zone for the competition. We attracted a record number of entrants — more than 2,000 students participated in our zone submitting a 500-word story that was judged by a special panel.

"Winners and finalists should be congratulated and I encourage them all to continue with their creative writing."

The two zone winners will attend the state presentation this month where they could be selected as a state winner.

Community diary munity diary

Meetings and clubs

Brahma Kamaris Raja Yoga hold courses in meditation for beginners at 275 McKinnon Road, McKinnon on the first Tuesday of every month at 7.30pm and, positive thinking courses on the first Wednesday. Bookings essential. Contact: 9578 9955.

Caulfield Day View Club meets on the first and third Tuesday of every month for outings and lunches. Contact: Shirley 9564 8163.

Caulfield Life Activities Club will meet in the Gladys Machin Hall, Cedar Street, Caulfield, on Wednesday 17 November at 7.30pm. Contact: 9568 5849 or 9523 9669.

Club 66 holds old-time, modern and new vogue dances with live band at the Bentleigh Uniting Church Hall, 495 Centre Road, Bentleigh, on the first and third Saturday of each month at 8pm. Cost: \$6. Contact: 9587 1092.

Coatesville Uniting Church holds Café C on the corner of Mackie and North Roads, Bentleigh East, on the second and fourth Sunday of every month at 7.30pm. Contact: 9570 6632.

East Bentleigh Combined Probus Club meets at the Bentleigh Club in Yawla Street, Bentleigh, on the second Tuesday of every month at 9.30am. Contact: 9557 8236.

Katalyst youth service is held at the Anglican Parish of Ormond, 436 North Road, Ormond, on the fourth Sunday of every month from 7pm to 9pm.

Moorabbin Historical Society opens Box Cottage in Joyce Park, Jasper Road, McKinnon on the last Sunday of every month, February to November from 2pm to 4.30pm. Admission by donation. Contact: 9578 7060.

Murrumbeena Bowls Club welcomes new players for the summer season at 10 Blackwood Street, Carnegie. Contact: 9568 5144.

Royal Children's Hospital Auxiliaries (Caulfield Branch) meets at the Alma Club, 1 Wilks Street, Caulfield North, on the third Wednesday of every month, from February to November, at 1pm. Contact: Olive 9578 5395 or Pat 9571 2666.

Young mothers under 25 years meet at the Bentleigh–Bayside Community Health Service, Gardeners Road, Bentleigh East every Thursday from 10am to 12pm. Contact: Denise 9575 5349.

Community

Ogonyok Multicultural Association for Russian Women seeks volunteer drivers and office assistants. Contact: 0416 251 317 or 9532 1431.

Riding for the Disabled seeks volunteers of all ages to assist with handling horses and assisting riders, at Caulfield Racecourse every Monday from 9.30am to 2.30pm. Contact: Marion 9752 9044 or 0412 129 166.

Oakmoor Nursing Home seeks volunteers to assist with activities at 352 Warrigal Road, Oakleigh South. Contact: Suzette or Maree on 9579 2433.

Events

4th Caulfield Cubs and Scouts meet in Birch Street, Caulfield South every week. For girls and boys. Cubs: 7¹/₂ to 10 years. Scouts: 11 to 14 years. Contact: Jo or Steve 9505 6995.

Bentleigh Traders Association will hold the *Bentleigh Festival* in Centre Road, on Sunday 14 November from 10am to 4pm. Contact: Richard 9557 9822.

Bentleigh Traders Association will hold its 10th Anniversary Sale in Centre Road Bentleigh, from Saturday 13 to Sunday 14 November.

Carnegie Traders Association will hold the Carnegie Festival in Koornang Road, on Saturday 27 November from 10.30am to 4.30pm. For stall-holder enquiries contact: Patti Perkins 0407 095 856.

Inner South East Community Road Safety Council will hold a vehicle road safety day at Bunnings Warehouse, 3–23 Nepean Highway, Mentone on Saturday 27 November from 9am to 1pm.

Ogonyok Multicultural Association for Russian Women will hold its first annual general meeting at 2 Arthur Street, Bentleigh, on Saturday 27 November. Contact: 0416 251 317.

Ormond–McKinnon Lions Club will hold the *McKinnon Village Fair 2004* in McKinnon Road, McKinnon on Sunday 7 November from 10am to 3pm. For stall and event applications contact Simon Matthews on 9578 9571 after 6pm.

The Music Lovers' Society will hold a classical concert at St Paul's Anglican Church, 530 Dandenong Road, Caulfield North on Saturday 4 December at 8pm. Contact: 9822 7292 or 9571 0850.

Caulfield South Primary School will hold a Carnivale at Caulfield South Primary School, Bundeera Road, Caulfield South on Saturday 13 November from 11am to 4pm.

Fibromyalgia Support Group will meet at Arthritis Victoria, 263 Kooyong Road Elsternwick, on Tuesday 9 November, from 6pm to 8pm. Contact: 9532 8796.

St Peters Community Fair will be held at 842 Centre Road, Bentleigh East on Saturday 13 November from 12.30pm to 7.30pm. Contact: Kay 9570 7575.

Glen Eira Residents' Action Group will hold a community forum Skateboarding: good, bad or indifferent? at Glen Huntly Park Function Room, corner of Neerim and Booran Roads, Glen Huntly on Tuesday 9 November at 8pm. Contact: Jacquie 9523 7617.

Immunisation sessions on November

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

Glen Eira Town Hall (entry via Glen Eira Road)
Corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield
Tuesday 9 November 9.30am–10.15am

Bentleigh-Bayside Community Health Service

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

Glen Huntly Maternal and Child Health Centre

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

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Wednesday 17 November Hepburn Springs and Convent Gallery

It's Spring and Lilac time at Hepburn. You may never see it again because of plans to make it a resort in the near future. Plenty of eating places in Daylesford and Christmas presents at the Gallery. Cost \$45, 9am to 5pm

> Wednesday 8 December Flinders and Cape Schanck

Our last trip for 2004. Leisurely trip to Flinders to admire the white and blue Agapanthus and have lunch-buy or bring your own. Then off to Cape Schanck to enjoy the splendid ocean views. Bring camera and sun hat. Home via a scenic route. Cost \$35, 9am to 5pm

Bookings: by phone U3A Glen Eira office on 9572 0571 or at U3A Glen Eira office, Monday to Friday from 10am to 3pm at 1151 Glen Huntly Road, Glen Huntly.

Glen Huntly Friendship Group

99 Grange Road, Glen Huntly
Activities for November

Enquiries and bookings Margaret 9596 6124

Thursday 25 November

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ArtsArts

My Glen Eira — pretty as a picture

The My Glen Eira photo competition is hotting up as entrants get out their cameras and get snap happy as part of the City's 10th birthday celebrations.

Entrants of all ages are taking snapshots of their view of the City for the chance to win great prizes and be exhibited in Council's gallery.

The competition asks residents, students and people working in the City to enter a photo in one of three categories and be in the running to win some great prizes.

Categories and prizes

> Junior category (12 years and under at 1 October 2004)

Prizes: Kodak EZ200 digital camera (sponsored by Photo Boutique) plus \$150 of products and processing (sponsored by Elsternwick Camera Centre)

> Youth category (13-18 years at 1 October 2004)

Prizes: Kodak 3200 digital camera (sponsored by Photo Boutique) plus \$150 of products and processing (sponsored by Elsternwick Camera Centre)

> Open category

Prizes: \$300 cash (sponsored by KwikKopy, Clayton) plus \$150 worth of photography supplies (sponsored by Council)

The top entries in each category will be exhibited at the Glen Eira City Council Gallery from 17 December to 23 January. Winners will be announced at the exhibition opening on 16 December and will be featured in the February 2005 issue of *Glen Eira News*.

Entries close on Tuesday 30 November at 5pm.

Entry forms can be obtained from Council's Service Centre, at Council's libraries and online at www.gleneira.vic.gov.au. For more information contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

Candle-lit carols

Council's Carols by Candlelight is back and looks set to be bigger and better than ever.

After the success of two separate Carols by Candlelight concerts last year, Council will again hold two concerts — one in Packer Park, Carnegie, and one in Caulfield Park, Caulfield.

Glen Eira Mayor Cr Bob Bury said the concerts will have something for residents of all ages and backgrounds to enjoy.

"These concerts celebrate the festive season and allow the community to come together and enjoy this time of the year," he said.

Carols by Candlelight at Packer Park will be held on Sunday 12 December and will be hosted by Frankie J Holden, while Carols by Candlelight at Caulfield Park will be held on Sunday 19 December and hosted by Alyce Platt.

After their memorable performance last year at Packer Park, Vika and Linda Bull will perform at both concerts. Other highlights include performances from



Local residents enjoy the Carols by Candlelight program.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton

the Young Voices of Melbourne, Glen Eira City Choir, McKinnon Secondary College Senior Singers, Glen Huntly Primary School Choir, Coatesville Primary School Choir and St Anthony's Primary School Choir.

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

The Interior World

Council will showcase the works of three photographers from its permanent collection as part of *The Interior World* exhibition next month.

Council's Manager Arts and Culture David
O'Halloran said the exhibition examines suburbia
through the work of Wolfgang Sievers, Ponch Hawkes
and Jane Burton.

"Wolfgang Sievers documents the interior of the Fooks House in Caulfield, highlighting the Japanese and Scandinavian influences on architecture in the 1960s, while Ponch Hawkes looks at the interior world of family history where everyday objects are filled with collective memory," Mr O'Halloran said.

"Jane Burton presents the fantasies and enigmas of the suburban lounge room, empty and yet somehow carrying the echoes of dream and desire."

The Interior World will be held at Glen Eira City



Jane Burton, Lounge Room, Glen Eira, 1998

Council Gallery from 16 December to 23 January.

Exhibitions

Holmesglen Institute of TAFE graduate exhibition 2004

Ceramics and Visual Arts exhibition opens 6pm Wednesday 17 November and continues until Sunday 28 November.

Graphic Arts exhibition opens 6pm Thursday 18 November and continues until Sunday 28 November.



Teapot by Maaike van Eijk.

Students from the Design, Multimedia and Arts Department of Holmesglen Institute of TAFE will stage a joint exhibition showcasing their final year's work. The students will

Glen Eira City Council Gallery, Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield
Opening Hours: Monday–Friday 10am–5pm, Saturday, Sunday and public holidays 1pm–5pm

present ceramic, graphic art and design, painting,

45 students, embracing graphic design,

sculpture, printmaking and photography works.

The exhibition will be opened over two separate nights

by industry professionals. All work is available for sale.

The Big Do: Visual Communications, Monash University graduate exhibition

Opens 6pm Wednesday 1 December and continues until Sunday 12 December.

The Big Do celebrates the work of graduating students from the Visual Communications degree at Monash University. Brimming with energy, sophistication, wit and humour, the exhibition will highlight the skills of

45 students, embracing graphic design, motion graphics, illustration, typography and photo media.

Photographic Imaging College annual exhibition

Opens 6pm Tuesday 9 November and continues until Sunday 14 November.

The Photographic Imaging College presents the 2004 graduate exhibition at the Glen Eira City Council Gallery for one week only. The exhibition incorporates a wide variety of photographic genres and styles, all generated through digital and analogue photography. An array of traditional black and white silver gelatin prints, type C colour prints, as well as digitally generated prints will be on show.

Youth

Bustin' moves at Bailey

By Anne Stafford

More than 40 local skaters were busy bustin' moves at Council's Bentleigh East Spring Skate Jam competition on a sunny Sunday afternoon last month.

Glen Eira residents of all ages gathered at the Bailey Reserve Skate Park to support the young skaters participating in the competition.

Glen Eira Mayor Cr Bob Bury said Council was pleased to hold such an event and encourage young people to exhibit their talents.

"This is the first time Council has held this event and it is a great pleasure to see so many young people participating," Cr Bury said.

"An event like this does not happen overnight, it takes months of planning and preparation. The competition was facilitated by the YMCA and was developed, promoted and planned by Council's *Just Youth* leadership and project group.

"This event is a testament to the *Just Youth* work ethic and to the young participants who showcased their skateboarding skills."

YMCA Skate Event Management MC Ryan Harbottle said the turnout for the competition was pleasing.

"I was surprised at the number of young entrants — we had 25 in the under 12 section and more than 40 people signing up for competition," Mr Harbottle said.

Categories for the competition included under 12, under 15, under 18 and a best trick category for junior and senior skaters.

Cr Noel Erlich, Cr Margaret Esakoff, Cr Veronika Martens and Cr Rachelle Sapir, were on hand to cheer



Best trick and under 18 category winner Matt Lawrie shows his moves to the crowd.

Photo: Les O'Rourke

the young participants while Cr Bury presented prizes to the winners.

All first prize winners received a brand new skate deck for their efforts. Lewis Hazlebank was the under 12 winner with 137 points, James Harrington won the under 15 with 166 points and Matt Lawrie was the under 18 champion with 174 points.

Why? Stop scratchin'

By Anne Stafford

eight 14 to 19 year olds learned the ins and outs of being a professional DJ as part of a workshop held by Council last month at Shadow DJ School.

Council's Manager Recreation and Youth Services Linda Smith said much of today's youth culture centred around music and Council had provided the workshop in response to a large number of enquiries about learning these skills.

"These workshops provide opportunities to experience activities in the local community, which ultimately encourage and strengthen links to local support systems," Ms Smith said.

As part of the series of seven workshops, students donned the headphones and learned how to cue records with their hands on the fly — cueing in time and dropping a beat — matching beats seamlessly from one record to another.

In subsequent sessions, the participants will learn beat counting to develop their structural knowledge of electronic music and scratchin'.



Nicole Treffers, left, teaches local youths Kelly Scott and Lauren Saylor a few tricks on the turntable.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton

Young people draw on ancient art

Dimitri Blazos (right) gets a one-on-one lesson on Manga

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

from OZTAKU Manga magazine artist Kenneth Chen.

By Sophie Massis

At least 30 students did their homework during the recent September school holidays — their Manga homework, that is.

The students took part in Council's free two-day Manga cartooning workshop, the first of its kind in the City, held in Caulfield East.

The students learnt the techniques of Manga cartooning from three artists who work as cartoonists with *OZTAKU* Manga magazine. The artists demonstrated the Manga cartooning process and gave students an opportunity to let their imagination run wild drawing robot and dragon cartoons.

Manga is an ancient Japanese form of cartooning used in modern-day magazines, comics and on television in cartoons such as Astro Boy. Council's Manager Recreation and Youth Services Linda Smith said the students enjoyed the session so much they were waiting at the door on the second

> day of the workshop with completed homework in hand.

"The workshop was held for students aged 10 to 15 years to encourage them to develop their social interaction and creative skills," Ms Smith said.

"The aim for those involved with these programs is to establish a relationship with Council's youth workers so they feel comfortable with asking for help or information when they are in need.

"Judging by the popularity of this workshop, we hope to run it again soon."

For information on future Manga cartooning workshops contact the Why? Stop Youth Information Centre on 9572 5389.



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