

Local skate jam slam

By Anna McGibbon

Words like wallie, tailslide, kink, ollie and rollin are not common language but to the skateboarders at last months Bentleigh East Skate Jam, these tricks were well known.

More than 250 skateboarders and their supporters turned up to the youth event at Bailey Reserve skate facility in Bentleigh East to show off their own moves and to gain some new tricks from the experts.

The free event included interactive demonstrations from skateboarders, a skating competition for three different age groups — 12 years and under, 16 years and under and an open section — barbecue and stacks of prizes and giveaways.

The event was organised by Council's Just Youth leadership and project group and the YMCA Riverslide Skate Park. The Just Youth group comprises of local young people who meet weekly to organise and plan

events for the community throughout the year.

Council's Manager Recreation and Youth Services Linda Smith said the skate jam had received a great response from local young people.

"It was fantastic seeing so many young people participating in this event, showing off their skills and tricks," Ms Smith said.



Local skateboarders turned out to last months Bentleigh East Skate Jam.

Photos: Bernie Bickerton.

On the road to a safer City

Older drivers are at a higher risk of serious injury or fatality on the road according to statistics released by VicRoads last month.

Council, in conjunction with VicRoads and Roadsaf Inner South East, will launch a series of community safety activities to tackle this issue and improve overall road safety among older residents.

The *Wiser Driver* program, one of four events to be held in April, May and June, is a refresher course for experienced and mature drivers. The aim of the program is for older people to upgrade driving knowledge and discuss important issues faced while on the road.

Council's Manager Public Health Mark Saunders said older people faced a number of issues, including medical problems, which could influence their driving.

"Reduced flexibility, slower reaction time, hearing problems, epilepsy, heart disease and dementia can all affect

personal safety on the roads, and should be discussed with a doctor.

"Medicines should also be checked with a doctor or pharmacist, to ensure they can be taken before driving without causing problems. It is also important to wear glasses if prescribed for driving and to get regular eye checks to ensure safe driving," Mr Saunders said.

"Reduced mobility that often accompanies aging can make it difficult for older people to rapidly react to danger, or to evade potentially hazardous situations."

"The Glen Eira Community Safety Committee is committed to improving road safety in Glen Eira. With older people over represented in fatalities and serious injuries, Council is committed to improving road safety, particularly in and around local shopping districts," Mr Saunders said.

Expressions of interest are welcome from community groups wanting to participate in the *Wiser Driver* course.

The course is a refresher for experienced

drivers designed to upgrade knowledge and discuss important issues facing mature drivers, including assistance in learning driving strategies for a variety of situations on the road.

For further information or to book for any of the community safety activities, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

Event details: Each *Wiser Driver* course consists of four 2-hour sessions held over one month. *Wiser Driver* courses are organised following expression of interest by community groups.

Cost: \$16.50 per participant.

Note: The first two groups to book the *Wiser Driver* Course will receive the program free of charge.

Upcoming events: *Starting Out Safely* training. Glen Eira City Council and RoadSafe Inner South East present a free road and pedestrian safety education session in May for local preschool and childcare co-ordinators. For more information contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

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MAYOR'S COLUMN



Council is currently consulting the community on the future of our two swimming pools. I encourage all interested members of the community to have their say into what aquatic facilities the City should have for the future. Submissions close on 17 April.

There have been so many exciting events happening throughout the City lately, it's almost hard to keep up. Last month we all had an opportunity to experience the magic of the Commonwealth Games in our own backyard. Congratulations to all our Aussie athletes and also to the efforts of Council's adopted country for the Games, the Bahamas.

I had the honour of unveiling a restored cenotaph in Bentleigh-Hodgson Reserve, commemorating the Bentleigh servicemen who fought in World War I. I am proud Council and the Bentleigh RSL worked together to restore the memorial.

The works being carried out at Bentleigh-Hodgson Reserve will ensure the community has upgraded facilities for everyone to enjoy.

However, residents do not need to wait until the works are complete to enjoy the splendour of Glen Eira's renowned parks, with an exciting community concert, Sounds of Harmony, on April 9. The free concert will take place at Caulfield Park and celebrates the diversity of our City.

Consultation with the community is continuing on two important issues facing our community.

I have visited both our swimming pools, met with the public and continue to encourage public debate on what facilities we want and what price we are prepared to pay.

The second issue is the provision of Maternal and Child Health services in the McKinnon and Bentleigh area.

We want to make any decisions on both issues through an open process and all views and comments from community members are invited.

Turn to page 10 for a list of consultation meetings and opportunities.

**Cr David Feldman
Mayor**

Servicemen shine again

The names of the 'Bentleigh boys' servicemen will continue to shine with restoration of the Bentleigh RSL cenotaph now complete.

Many of the names of servicemen who fought in World War I inscribed on the cenotaph had faded due to time and vandalism, but the \$76,000 restoration has ensured their names will be remembered by many more generations.

Glen Eira Mayor Cr David Feldman unveiled the refurbished cenotaph in Bentleigh-Hodgson Reserve last month saying the memorial was important in helping the community remember those who had sacrificed their lives.

"Memorials such as this one are an important focal point not only for those who have lost a loved one, but also as a reminder to the wider community that many thousands of Australians gave their lives so we can live in peace and harmony," Cr Feldman said.

"The very small gesture that we can do is to maintain these memorials, make sure they are refurbished and restored for the benefit of future generations."

With \$38,000 from Council, \$31,000 from the RSL and \$7,000 from the State Government, the cenotaph has been restored to its former glory and moved to a more prominent position in the reserve — from behind the RSL Club to the centre of the memorial garden in Bentleigh-Hodgson Reserve, off Jasper Road.



Cr David Feldman unveiled the restored memorial in Bentleigh last month.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

"The refurbishment of the War Memorial has been carried out in partnership with the Bentleigh RSL as part of Council's redevelopment of the Bentleigh-Hodgson Reserve.

"It is extremely pleasing to know that the RSL and Council were able to work together to achieve such a wonderful

outcome here at the Bentleigh War Memorial.

"I think we can all be proud of the work that has gone into attaining this result and I would like to thank the members of the RSL who played an integral part in bringing about the refurbishment works," Cr Feldman said.

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DEADLINES

The deadline for the next edition (May) of *Glen Eira News* is Wednesday 12 April for delivery 5-7 May.

Coming deadline:

The deadline for the June edition of *Glen Eira News* is Wednesday 10 May for delivery 2-4 June.

For advertising and *Community diary* enquiries contact 9524 3366.

To submit editorial material write to: Glen Eira News, PO Box 42 Caulfield South 3162 or email: editor@gleneira.vic.gov.au

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Centre welcomes new families

By Anna McGibbon

Council's Carnegie Children's Centre opened its doors last month to families to view the revamped centre — complete with new playground.



Face painting proved a popular pit-stop.

More than 40 families attended the open day, with many families looking to enrol their children in the service.

Qualified child care staff were on hand to answer questions about the services available and provide information on current vacancies for three to five-year-old children at all four of Council's child care centres — Carnegie, Murrumbeena, Caulfield and Elsternwick.

Many visiting families were eager to see the revamped Carnegie Children's Centre including the newly landscaped children's playground, complete with digging patch, river bed, bike track, swings and sandpits.

Parents and children enjoyed the free open day activities on offer, including face painting and karaoke, which had the children happily dancing around the centre. Parents enjoyed the opportunity to meet other families from the centre and the open day also allowed many fathers to visit the centre for the first time.



Karaoke struck the right chord with parents and kids.

Photos: Bernie Bickerton.

Council's children's centres currently have vacancies for three to five-year-old children. Full day and occasional care bookings are available. Contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 for more details.

Is your child ready for school?

Deciding if your child is ready for school can be difficult and to help parents make this decision, Council is offering an information session on school readiness.

Council will hold the school readiness session on Wednesday 17 May at Glen Eira Town Hall from 7.30pm to 9pm.

The session will be presented by John McCartin, consultant to early childhood and teaching services, and will provide useful information to assist families in making the decision about whether their child is ready for school.

To register for the session, please contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

School readiness
Caulfield Cup Room,
Glen Eira Town Hall
Corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn
Roads, Caulfield
Wednesday 17 May
7.30pm–9pm
Cost: \$5 (payment must be received prior to attending)



Parents enjoyed the opportunity to learn more about Council's services.

KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS

Council operates a central enrolment system for community based kindergartens within the City of Glen Eira.

For children who will be attending four-year-old kindergarten in 2008, applications can be lodged from 1 May 2006. Children whose birth dates fall between 1 May 2003 and 30 April 2004 are eligible to attend kindergarten in 2008.

For children who will be attending four-year-old kindergarten in 2007, applications are still being accepted and processed.

Enrolment forms are available from Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or at your local kindergarten. Forms can be downloaded from Council's website www.gleneira.vic.gov.au

Three-year-old kindergarten enrolments are taken directly at kindergartens.



GLEN EIRA CITY COUNCIL

In brief

Detox your home of unwanted chemicals

Glen Eira residents can rid their homes of unwanted household chemicals for free by taking part in Council's *Detox your home* program on Saturday 8 April.

Council, in partnership with Sustainability Victoria, will hold the collection day at Moorleigh Village, 92 Bignell Road, Bentleigh East from 8am to 4pm.

Among the types of unwanted chemicals accepted for disposal are household

chemicals, paints, poisons, garden, automotive and workshop chemicals and other miscellaneous chemicals such as gas cylinders, swimming pool chemicals and mercury batteries. Items that cannot be accepted are chemicals not used for household purposes — such as farm, industrial and commercial use — and containers larger than 20 litres in capacity.

To safely transport chemicals to the collection, ensure all lids are secured tightly and wrapped in plastic to avoid spillage. Also ensure corrosive chemicals

are kept away from poisons. It is advisable to keep car windows down while travelling to the collection point.

For further information on the collection day contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

Deadline looms for pet registration

Glen Eira pet owners are running out of time to renew their dog and cat registration. Renewal notices were sent out in March and must be paid before Monday 10 April.

Registration is the best form of identification for pets and acts as a safeguard for pet owners if they lose their animals.

Once a pet is registered, a new registration tag is provided which the pet must wear whenever it is outside its owner's property. Failure to register dogs or cats can result in a \$210 fine per animal.

For a pet registration application form for new animals, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

CEO'S COLUMN



Our pools are an illustration of a wider challenge: bringing our ageing facilities up to date.

Council's top priority is to marshal all available resources and direct them to renewing and improving community facilities and public places. We are doing it for four reasons:

- because many of our facilities and infrastructure are old and need to be upgraded or replaced;
- because it will cost less to fix them now than to fix them later;
- because the law is imposing ever-increasing duties of care;
- but mainly because our City will be so much more enjoyable when facilities are brought up to modern standards.

We have a long way to go. Our assets are worth \$800 million. It will cost a lot to renew them.

We are working our way through them in a financially responsible way — keeping capital expenditure high, costs of day-to-day services low and average rates below the average of neighbouring municipalities.

Andrew Newton
Chief Executive Officer

HAVE YOUR SAY ON CITY SERVICES

Council is calling for community input on two big issues — the future of Glen Eira's two public swimming pools, and Maternal and Child Health (MCH) services in Bentleigh and McKinnon.

A discussion paper, *Pools — Past, Present and Future*, is available from the pools, Council libraries and the Service Centre. Details of the consultation opportunities can be found on page 10.

Further information is available online at www.gleneira.vic.gov.au or through Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

Policy keeps pace with aged care need

A significant increase in Glen Eira's aged population may mean increases in the number of planning applications for various forms of accommodation for older residents.

Population projections show that by 2031 the proportion of Glen Eira's population aged over 60 years will have increased by 3 per cent to almost a quarter of the overall population (23.5 per cent).

In response, Glen Eira City Council has drafted the *Aged Persons Housing Policy* (Amendment C50) to establish guidelines and ensure all new development meets appropriate standards.

Once approved, Amendment C50 will be introduced into the Glen Eira Planning Scheme.

A requirement of the policy is the submission of a management plan with all planning applications to ensure the proposal meets the needs of potential residents and the broader community.

The policy aims include:

- ensuring a mix of housing choices for older residents so they can continue to live in the same area in which they have spent most of their life;
- protecting the character of a neighbourhood while allowing appropriate aged accommodation close to community facilities, general medical practitioners, shops, public transport; and

- ensuring the appropriate design of accommodation intended for older residents.

The *Aged Persons Housing Policy* (Amendment C50) is on public exhibition until 19 May 2006. Council is keen to hear your views on this exhibited policy and answer any questions you may have about it. For further information contact the Service Centre on 9524 3333.

Submissions can be made in writing to:

Amendment C50 — *Aged Persons Housing Policy*
Strategic Planning Department
Glen Eira City Council
PO Box 42
Caulfield South 3162

ON THE JOB

Drains, mains and the rains

G Geoff Quinn is part of Council's drain team.

It's not just clearing drains after storms that keep the team busy, they also field a variety of calls from the community, from the usual suspects of removing wayward tree roots — to more unusual requests.

"From mobile phones to keys, people drop all manner of things down drains," he said.

The most recent rescue was a woman's purse.

"She dropped it and it fell down the

drain. We were able to retrieve it — although it probably needed a bit of a clean, but she was very happy," he said.

Geoff has been part of the drainage team for four years, but his relationship with the City dates back even further, having worked in waste collection from 1975 to 1995.

"Back then it was known as the City of Caulfield. Since then I have certainly seen some changes — the City has definitely grown," he said.

The best part of his job, according to Geoff is helping people and problem solving.

"Every job is like a puzzle, requiring a different solution — it keeps you thinking," he said.

The Murrumbeena resident said the busiest time for the team was in the days after a downpour.

"We are on call 24 hours a day, we have to be, you can't predict when a big storm is going to hit," he said.

The last lashing came in February, with a fierce storm dumping heavy rain in Murrumbeena and Caulfield.

A number of streets faced flash flooding due to the amount of rain, with leaves and rubbish blocking drains.

At Sunnyside Grove in Bentleigh, a pit lid weighing more than 150kg, was blown off due to the sheer force of the flood water.

Roads cleared by Council's emergency response team included Denver Crescent in Bentleigh, Masters and Payne Street in Caulfield, Riddell Parade in Elsternwick and Surrey Street in Bentleigh.

The emergency team responded to an increasing number of calls from residents and the police. With a large race meeting at Caulfield and most of the surrounding traffic lights out, their help to police during the height of the storm was invaluable.

For Geoff and the rest of the team, it's just another day on the job.



Geoff Quinn enjoys helping people through his role with Council.

Photo: Lidija Ivanovski.

Local police to meet their match

Glen Eira police officers are preparing to tackle some tough opposition.

A team of Caulfield's finest will take on Council's *Why? Stop Wildcats* basketball team this month to celebrate National Youth Week.

The Wildcats team is made up of young men from within the City and run by Council youth officers with help from the Caulfield Police and Eastleigh Community Church.

The program is one of a number offered to local young people by Council. Other programs include the *Why? Stop All-Sorts* netball team. *All-Sorts* gives local young women the chance to make new friends while getting active.

New players aged between 16–21 are welcome and no previous experience is necessary — just a keen desire to have some fun and play in a team!

For more information contact the *Why? Stop* Youth Information Centre on 9572 5389.

Council's *Why? Stop* on the go

Council's *Why? Stop* Youth Information Centre will move from Carnegie to Bentleigh East to better serve the City's young people.

The upgraded centre will call the former caretaker's house at Bailey Reserve home, following a \$135,000 renovation, with work to start shortly.

The new address will be close to Council's East Bentleigh skate centre, and McKinnon and Bentleigh secondary colleges.

Council's Manager Recreation and Youth Services Linda Smith said *Why? Stop* was a crucial service, helping young people tackle a wide variety of issues.

"From drug and alcohol issues through to depression and body image, *Why? Stop* has offered invaluable help to young people in Glen Eira since it started in 1996," she said.

"Not only does it help young people deal with critical issues, it also helps young people connect with each other and forge



Council's *Why? Stop* will move to upgraded facilities in Bentleigh East.

Photo: Lidija Ivanovski.

friendships in a safe, supportive setting."

For more information contact the *Why? Stop* Youth Information Centre on 9572 5389.

Preserving a landmark reserve

The Bentleigh–Hodgson Reserve redevelopment is well underway in Bentleigh with the Memorial Gardens on the Jasper Road side of the park now complete.

Redevelopment of the reserve has included the restoration and relocation of the Bentleigh War Memorial and the granite drink fountain (the drink fountain was originally donated by the Women's War Auxiliary).

The area has also undergone extensive tree planting and paving of pathways. Together with new lighting, helping to link the Memorial Gardens to the main area of the reserve — providing greater access for all park users.

Works to extend the car park on the Higgins Road side of the park were also recently completed, along with the installation of a playground for teenagers, landscaping and pathways.

The Memorial Gardens monument restoration works were jointly funded by Council, Bentleigh RSL and the State Government.

The upgrade was undertaken as part of Council's ongoing commitment to upgrade the City's parks in line with its Open Space Strategy. A major redevelopment such as this one will enable the park to meet the needs of both current and future park users and ensure the park will be well preserved for future generations.

Our baton run

By Anna McGibbon

With the state gripped by Games fever, even the rain could not dampen the spirits of hundreds of local residents, who cheered on as the Queen's Baton Relay passed through Elsternwick, Glen Huntly and Caulfield.

Fifteen runners took the baton through Glen Huntly Road and Kooyong Road in Elsternwick, along Glen Eira Road in Caulfield and down Booran Road and Neerim Road turning into Grange Road in Carnegie.

Glen Eira's baton carriers included former basketball great Andrew Gaze, jockey Damien Oliver and former Glen Eira Citizen of the Year, Sol Spitalnic, who introduced boxing to Australia.

For Glen Eira resident Jill Jolliffe, the



Hundreds of Glen Eira residents turned out to see the baton.

Photo: Rob Churches.

experience of seeing the baton was a fantastic family moment.

"The relay was passing through a nearby street, so I took my children in the hope

of catching a glimpse of Andrew Gaze run with the baton," Mrs Jolliffe said.

"It was an amazing moment that my family will remember for a long time."

Get into bocce

Autumn can be a great time to head outside and make use of Glen Eira's beautiful parks. While enjoying the great outdoors, why not take time out to play a game of bocce?

Bocce originated in Italy and is becoming an increasingly popular leisure

sport for all ages. All that is needed is a set of balls and a place to play.

With a similar objective to bowls, bocce can be played with two players or in teams of up to four.

Council has two courts in the City, one at Harleston Park in Elsternwick and one at the Moorleigh Community Village in East Bentleigh. Both are

available free to the public with no booking necessary.

So why not head out to one of Glen Eira's bocce courts for some outdoor fun today?

Harleston Park
Melway reference: 67 H2
Moorleigh Community Village
Melway reference: 78 B5



Recycling in the City

CHANGES TO GLEN EIRA'S RECYCLING COLLECTION SERVICE

During May and June Council will be rolling out new recycling waste collection bins across the municipality.

Council's decision to change the way we collect materials for recycling was based on the results of an independent survey



The recycling system is highly automated — all recycled waste is later separated at the depot.

of residents in 2005, which showed majority support for the introduction of wheelie bins and a fortnightly collection service.

That means there is more material being recycled and less going to landfill (an increase in recyclables of about 15 per cent in other council areas).

The new collection service will start from 1 July 2006.

There are some specific changes to the service:

- **A 240 litre bin in place of the two crates**

The 240 litre bin doesn't take up any more space on the kerbside, and when collected fortnightly holds a bit more than the two crates collected weekly. Council can provide ratepayers with a more cost effective service by introducing a fortnightly collection, on alternate weeks to the green waste collection.

Having a bin with a lid also means that there will be less paper litter blowing about the place, and much less risk of cuts from broken glass or sharp tin lids. The waste won't get wet if it rains and



Do your bit for the environment. The new service will make recycling even easier. Photos: Bernie Bickerton.

should keep vermin down if that has been a problem in the past.

- **No more separating or bundling items for recycling**

Recycling companies have invested in sophisticated equipment that automatically separates items, so you don't have to do any bundling or separating.

- **You can now recycle more plastic**

Council's new recycle bin takes the same items that you used to put into the crates, plus a few extra plastics. Your new bin will have a clear label on the inside of the lid showing you exactly what can go in it. You will also receive an information packet with the new bin that contains a bit more information about recycling, including a calendar of collection dates.

- **Fortnightly collection**
The whole of the municipality will be serviced fortnightly. This is more efficient and cost effective for residents. It is also better for the environment because fuel consumption and greenhouse gas emissions are reduced.

Council's collection service will start from 1 July. You will receive an information packet (attached to the top of the bin lid) with the delivery of your new bin, and that includes a calendar of collection dates

Your green waste is collected on alternate weeks to your recycling collection. General garbage collection will still be done every week.

Commercial properties will have an optional, user-pays recycling collection at a charge of about \$30 annually.

What can and cannot be recycled	
PAPER AND CARDBOARD	CARTONS
YES newspapers magazines telephone books school and office paper cardboard cereal and food boxes envelopes, junk mail and flyers	YES milk cartons juice cartons detergent/washing liquid cartons
NO wax coated boxes	PLASTICS (you'll find the code on the outside, bottom of the item)
GLASS	YES Code 1 — PET — soft drink, juice and water bottles Code 2 — HDPE - milk bottles Code 3 — PVC — detergent and cordial bottles Code 4 — LDPE — plastics Code 5 — PP — plastics Code 6 — PS — plastics Code 7 — OTHER — plastics
YES glass bottles jars	NO plastic shopping bags nappies motor oil containers polystyrene cups, meat trays, takeaway food containers
NO ceramic plates, cups or crockery drinking glasses broken glass, light globes Pyrex, window glass	— from www.visy.com.au
ALUMINIUM AND STEEL	
NO all steel cans all aluminium cans clean aluminium foil pie trays, empty aerosol cans	

YOUR NEW RECYCLING BIN

You may receive your new recycling bin a few weeks before the new fortnightly recycling service starts in July.

The bins will be left on your nature strip, but please do not use your bin until the fortnightly service begins in July. Take the bin inside your property and read the information pack taped to the lid. This pack will include:

- a calendar showing the dates for your area's fortnightly recycling collection;
- details of what can and cannot be included in recycling (on the back of the calendar);
- answers to questions you may have about the new recycling service; and
- a letter from the Mayor explaining the process.

You can arrange to have Council pick up your old recycling crates in July, or you can keep them and 'recycle' them for other uses...



THE NEW RECYCLING SERVICE — YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED

• Can my bin be collected weekly?

No. The whole of the municipality will be collected *fortnightly*. This is more efficient and cost effective for residents.

Fortnightly collection is better for the environment because fuel consumption and greenhouse gas emissions are reduced.

Your green waste is collected fortnightly, on alternate weeks to your recycling collection. General garbage collection will still be done every week.

• Can I put paper and cardboard into a plastic bag and then put it into the recycle bin?

No. Plastic bags are not acceptable because they aren't recyclable.

• What can I put in the new recycle bin?

The new recycle bin takes the same things that you used to put into the crates, plus a few extra plastics. Your new bin will have a label on the inside of the lid showing you exactly what can go in it. And you will receive an information packet with the new bin that contains more details about recycling, including a calendar of collection dates.



This is the label you will see on the inside of your new recycling waste bin. It clearly shows what items can be recycled, and what items can't be.

• Do paper and cardboard need to be bundled?

No. You don't have to sort or bundle anything — all items acceptable for recycling go into the same bin.

• Can I use my crates instead — the wheelie bin is too big?

No. Only use the wheelie bin for recycling. Council is no longer permitted to collect from crates — WorkCover has banned the use of crates for health and safety reasons.

The new collection vehicles have a mechanical arm to pick up the bins; and, if a car is blocking the bin, the collectors will be able to easily wheel the bin to the truck.

• When will the new recycle bin be delivered?

The rollout of the new bins will occur progressively during May and June.

• When does the collection service start?

The new service starts from 1 July 2006.

• What happens to the crates?

You can keep the crates if you wish to. If you want the crates taken away, just ring the Council's Service Centre in July to have them picked up.

• Where do I put the recycle bin for collection?

You should place the recycling bin next to your regular waste bin, and about a foot or half a metre apart.

• Will recycling be collected the same week as green waste?

No. Recycling will be collected once a fortnight, on alternate weeks to your green waste. You will receive a calendar of collection dates with your new bin.

• Will the new service be noisy?

This new service should make no more noise than current services; and may be less because paper and glass will be mixed together.

• Will there be a charge for this service?

There is no additional charge for the new bins. The cost of the service is included in your garbage and recycling charge which is itemised on your rates notice.

• Won't the recycle bin be too heavy, or heavier than the crates?

Wheeling a bin is much easier and safer than lifting crates. That's why WorkCover insists on the change from crates to bins.

• Where will I put the bin; will there be room for it?

The recycle bin is the same size as the



Place the bins on the kerb the night before collection, leaving a 0.5 metre gap between them.

larger, 240 litre general waste bin, taking up the space of two crates side by side. Residents in blocks of units can share a bin.

• Can I have an extra bin?

Yes. Both residents and commercial properties can have extra bins. There will be a charge of about \$30 per extra bin annually.

• I have a commercial property? Will I get a recycling bin?

Commercial properties will have an optional, user-pays recycling collection at

a charge of about \$30 annually.

• What happens to the recycling bins we already use at our flats?

Flats currently have bins with red lids for recycling. These red lids will be changed to yellow lids as part of the recycling bin rollout, and new bins will be added. The new additional bins will be supplied to allow for a fortnightly collection. The old bins can continue to be used weekly until 1 July. All bins can be used fortnightly after 1 July. An information pack will be sent to all residents in flats.

HANDY HINTS FOR THOSE CRATES

Residents can keep the recycling crates if they wish, and use them for other things.

Gardening

when pruning or weeding, you can put the waste in a crate and empty that into your green waste bin, rather than dragging the wheelie bin around after you in the garden.

Planting

if you don't have a large garden or live in a flat, the crates are a good size to

hold the tomato plants or herbs you plant every spring.

Laundry

once it's cleaned out, a crate makes a handy extra laundry basket to haul the washing to the Hills Hoist.

Storage

a crate can provide handy storage for your garden paraphernalia, or those bits and pieces that inhabit the laundry. Anything, really.

MEETINGS AND CLUBS

Bentleigh Life Activities Club offers opportunities to meet new friends and enjoy activities such as table tennis, scrabble, and theatre outings. New members welcome. Contact: 9557 2562.

Bentleigh Men’s Probus Club meets at Bentleigh RSL, Centre Road, Bentleigh on the second Thursday each month 10.30am to 12.30pm. New members welcome. Contact: Collin 9579 5506.

Bentleigh Organ Club meets at the Bentleigh East Sporting and Recreation Club, Mackie Road, Bentleigh East on the first Monday of each month at 8pm. Contact: Jenny or Cliff 9258 2539.

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

4th Caulfield Cubs and Scouts meets at Birch Street, Caulfield South on Mondays at 7pm for cubs and Tuesdays at 7pm for scouts. New members welcome. Contact: Jo or Steve 9505 6995.

Glen Eira/Bayside Lupus-Sjogren’s Self Help Group meets at Bentleigh Bayside Community Health Service, Gardeners Road, Bentleigh East on the fourth Friday of the month at 1pm. All welcome. Contact: Nona 9575 5336 or Enid 9509 2735.

McKinnon Playgroup holds playgroup sessions at Reformed Presbyterian Church, 261A McKinnon Road, McKinnon Thursdays 10am to 11.30am. Contact: Mary 9570 4079.

Melbourne Scots Dancing Circle holds country dancing classes at Ormond Uniting Church, corner North and Booran Roads, Ormond on Fridays (from 3 March). No partners required. Contact: Bev 9579 5532.

Murrumbeena Bowls Club begins social bowls season at 10 Blackwood Street, Carnegie. New members welcome. Contact: 9568 5144

Rowena Calisthenics College Incorporated meets at the Youth Hall of Uniting Church, corner East Boundary

Road and Abbin Ave, Bentleigh East on Wednesdays at 4.15pm. Contact: Judy 9570 4185.

Royal Children’s Hospital Auxiliaries meets at Alma Club, 1 Wilks Street, North Caulfield, on the third Wednesday of each month at 1pm. New members welcome. Contact: Pat 9571 2666.

Salvation Army Bentleigh holds activities at 87 Robert Street, Bentleigh on the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 1pm. All welcome. Contact: 9557 2644 or 9557 8326.

St John’s Anglican Playgroup meets at 624 Centre Road, Bentleigh on Wednesday mornings between 9.30 and 11.30am. Suitable for children aged 0–4-year-old. Contact: Heather 9502 8050.

St Peter’s Cancer Support Group meets at St Peter’s Parish Centre, 844 Centre Road, Bentleigh East on the first Thursday of each month at 10.30am.

The Over 40s Club holds dances at Ormond Uniting Church, corner North and Booran Roads, Ormond on second and fourth Saturdays each month at 7.45pm. Cost: \$7 (includes supper). Contact: 9570 4564.

EVENTS

Carnegie Primary School will hold a craft market and car boot sale at Truganini Road, Carnegie on Saturday 29 April from 10am to 4pm. Contact: Amanda 9571 2578.

Glen Eira City Choir will present a Mozart Requiem at Auburn Uniting Church, 81 Oxley Road, Hawthorn on Saturday 8 April at 2.30pm. Cost: \$22/\$18 concession. Contact: 9598 6501.

Labassa National Trust Property will host a production of Wynyard Brown’s *A question of fact* at Labassa House, 2 Manor Grove, Caulfield North on Saturday 8 April and Sunday 9 April. Bookings essential. Cost: \$15/\$12. Contact: 9690 1593 or 9578 0952.

The Melbourne Begonia Society Inc will meet at Bentleigh Primary School, 16 Tucker Road, Bentleigh on Saturday 8 April at 1.30pm. Contact: 9570 6822.

IMMUNISATIONSESSIONS

APRIL 2006

McKinnon
Progress Hall, 118 McKinnon Road, McKinnon
Monday 3 April 10am–11am

Glen Eira Town Hall
Corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield
Tuesday 4 April 6am–7pm
Tuesday 11 April 9.30am–10.15am

Carnegie Library
7 Shepparson Avenue, Carnegie
Wednesday 12 April 1.30pm–2.30pm

Bentleigh–Bayside Community Health Service
Gardeners Road, East Bentleigh
Wednesday 19 April 6pm–7pm
Saturday 29 April 9.30am–10.30am

Glen Huntly
Corner Royal and Rosedale Avenues, Glen Huntly
Wednesday 26 April 9.30am–11am

Packer Park
Leila Road, Carnegie
Monday 24 April 10am–11am

COMMUNITY

12th Caulfield Scout Group urgently needs more leaders. All training provided. Contact: Peter 9329 1705 or 0411 406 086.

Ogonyok Multicultural Association of Russian Women seeks volunteers to assist in administration, IT support, and driving. Contact: 0416 251 317.

The deadline for the next *Community Diary* is Wednesday 12 April for delivery 5–7 May.

JUDO

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Caulfield Recreation Centre
6 Maple St, Caulfield South
9578 4460

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VENUES FOR HIRE

Are you holding a family function, birthday, wedding, conference, exhibition, anniversary or special event?
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Weddings are often held in these picturesque settings.

More information is available on Council’s website
www.gleneira.vic.gov.au

For a free brochure or further information contact Council’s Service Centre 9524 3333.



GLEN EIRA CITY COUNCIL

Low cost courses and activities at
GODFREY STREET
COMMUNITY HOUSE

- 27th March Childcare & 3yr Old Pre-Kindergarten 9:30–12:30 \$165
- 5th Apr *Computer/Email/Int for Older Persons 10–12x4 \$65/\$52con.
- 5th April Craft Support — knitting/sewing/embroid monthly \$10
- 5th April Gentle Yoga 6:30–8pm x 11 sessions \$50
- 10th April Writers Group. 1–4 pm ongoing per session \$8
- 12th Apr *Beginners Pt 1 & 2 for Older Persons 1–3 x 8 \$130/\$52con.
- 18th Apr Mosaics, 1–3pm x 8 sessions, (+ mat.\$25) \$96
- 20th April Herb Garden 1–3pm monthly x 3 \$3
- 21 April Art Group, 1:00–3:00 x 4 sessions \$48
- 24th Apr Sewing, Knitting, & Craft, Mon 10:30 x 4 sessions \$21
- 24th Apr Managing Your Money 10–12pm x 4 sess + lunch \$10
- 24th Apr *Computer Pt 2,for Older Persons 1–3 x 4 \$65/\$52con.
- 3rd May *Computer Excel for Older Persons 10–12 x 4 \$65/\$52con.
- Women’s Issues group 1–3pm Call for details \$30
- 3rd Monday of Month, CAE Book Club, 7:30pm Call for details
- Sheila’s Singing group meets every Thursday, Call for details
- 7:30pm Caulfield Writers, meets fortnightly, Call for details.

NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE WEEK 8th – 14th MAY

Free Workshops Including Playgroup, Writers, Singing, Stress Management And Multi-Cultural Lunch. Call House for details.

Funded by Community Adult Further Education

ENROLMENT DAY MONDAY 3rd April 9:30 - 4:30
AT 9 GODFREY STREET, BENTLEIGH, 3204.

For brochure, bookings & details contact:

www.home.vicnet.net/au-gschouse or

Tel: 9557 9037 FAX: 9557 1734

GLEN EIRA
NEWS PHOTOS

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

Photos that are published in the *Glen Eira News* are now available for sale by contacting Anna on 9524 3366.



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VOLUNTEERS
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Delivered Meals seeks volunteers drivers and jockeys who can assist with the delivered meals program.

If you are able to provide two hours of your time on a weekly, fortnightly, or even on a monthly basis, please contact Stefanie Vranas on 9576 9748.

A sense of satisfaction is guaranteed with providing a needy service to Glen Eira residents.



GLEN EIRA CITY COUNCIL

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Flexibility and fun in a family environment

Leaving your child in an unfamiliar environment can be unsettling for you both. But with Glen Eira's family day care your child will feel right at home.

Registered and trained careproviders nurture small groups aged 0 to 12 years in the safety and comfort of the carer's home environment. This promotes learning and development through age appropriate play based experiences within the security of a small group.

Hours of care are flexible depending on

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Experienced child care professionals maintain the provision of quality care by recruiting, training and providing ongoing support to careproviders, matching children to appropriate careproviders and monitoring the quality of care.

The child care benefit is available to eligible families using family day care. ■

ENJOY THE FLEXIBLE BENEFITS OF BEING A FAMILY DAY CAREPROVIDER

Become a careprovider and enjoy benefits including:

- Earning an income while at home caring for your own children
- The satisfaction of running your own small business
- Choosing your own hours to work from home
- Returning to work while your children are at school and being there when they come home
- Support and ongoing training

For more information on family day care services or about becoming a careprovider, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.



Council's family day care offers a safe environment for children.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

No stopping — for your safety

Motorists who park their car without observing parking signs are not merely breaking the law and risking a fine, they are causing a safety hazard.

Failure to comply with signed parking restrictions can potentially increase the risk of injury to passengers and pedestrians. Council is urging motorists to obey parking signs — in particular, 'no stopping' signs.

Council's Manager Traffic and Parking Carl Russo said areas with no stopping signs were zoned that way because in that particular area, having a car stopped

at the side of the road could cause an added risk to pedestrians and motorists.

"Lack of clear sight lines, due to a narrow street or other road elements, such as crossings, can increase the risk of injury from passing motorists who do not have a clear view of the roadway. Banning motorists from stopping in such areas helps to reduce the risks," Mr Russo said.

"A no stopping sign means motorists are not permitted to stop in that zone at all, not even to drop off or pick up passengers. Even if motorists are only stopping to let someone out of the car,

regardless of whether they leave the engine running or stay in the car, they are breaking the law."

Mr Russo said Council's traffic safety officers would issue penalty infringement notices either on the spot or via mail to drivers who did not obey parking signs.

"Drivers need to understand that the laws are there for a reason — to make sure motorists and pedestrians are safe. Council takes road and parking safety seriously and offending motorists will be fined," he said. ■



Saturday Shakers presents Fairy magic

Carnegie Library, 7 Shepparson Avenue, Carnegie

Saturday 8 April 2pm to 3pm

Free event but bookings required. Book at any library branch.

Join in the magical songs and stories at this month's Saturday Shakers session and make your own special fairy wand to take home.

BabyTime — storytime for babies 0 to 2 years of age

Carnegie Library, 7 Shepparson Avenue, Carnegie

Tuesdays at 11am

Free event, no bookings required.

From the very first days of life, babies learn by looking and listening so it's never too early to start reading to your baby and encourage talking and language skills.

A new session has been specially developed for babies 0 to 2 years of age and their parents. *BabyTime* sessions at Carnegie Library will stimulate young minds with a selection of songs, rhymes and mini stories. A sharing and nurturing time for parents and babies, *BabyTime* is also an excellent way to meet other new parents.

To celebrate the start of this new program, morning tea will be held after the first *BabyTime* session on Tuesday 4 April. Each baby attending the first session will receive a free board book.

Storytime sessions specially designed for preschoolers are also held at all libraries.

Homework Centre @ Carnegie library

The *Homework Centre*, a new initiative at Carnegie library, will operate every Wednesday from 3.30pm to 6pm during the school term. The centre will provide students with a quiet, distraction-free zone to complete homework and school assignments. Students will be able to work in a helpful, positive and friendly environment with access to books, computers, printers and the Internet. A librarian will be on hand to help students understand and use information that will assist with homework tasks. Staff will explain how to use library resources.

Students can visit the *Homework Centre* as often as they want and stay for as long as they need during this time. This is a free service and no bookings are required. Tutoring is not available at these sessions.

Easter opening hours

Council's libraries will be closed on Friday 14 April, Sunday 16 April and Monday 17 April. On Saturday 15 April, Bentleigh and Carnegie libraries will be open 10am to 4pm, Elsternwick library from 10am to 1pm and Caulfield library from 1pm to 4pm. ■

Combiamenti del servizio raccolta riciclaggio a Glen Eira

Nei mesi di maggio e giugno il Comune distribuirà ai propri abitanti i nuovi bidoni per la raccolta dei rifiuti da riciclaggio.

Il nuovo servizio avrà inizio con il 1 luglio 2006, ma la distribuzione nei vari quartieri cittadini dei nuovi bidoni per il ricalggio avverrà nel periodo maggio / giugno.

Al servizio saranno apportati dei cambiamenti specifici:

Un bidone da 240 litri in sostituzione dei due contenitori per rifiuti

Il bidone da 240 litri non occupa uno spazio maggiore sul margine della strada, e svuotato quindicinalmente consente una capacità leggermente superiore a quella dei due contenitori per rifiuti svuotati settimanalmente. Con l'introduzione della raccolta dei rifiuti quindicinale, il Comune fornirà ai propri contribuenti un servizio più economico, a settimane alternate con la raccolta dei rifiuti da giardino (green waste).

Inoltre il bidone con il coperchio diminuirà la presenza di rifiuti cartacei portati in giro dal vento.

Non sarà più necessario separare o raggruppare gli articoli da riciclare

Le ditte incaricate del riciclaggio sono dotate di equipaggiamenti sofisticati che separano automaticamente i vari articoli, sicché non sarà più necessario raggrupparli né separarli.

D'ora in avanti potrete riciclare più materie plastiche

Il nuovo bidone da riciclaggio fornito dal Comune può contenere gli stessi articoli che eravate soliti mettere nei contenitori per rifiuti, con l'aggiunta di altre materie plastiche. Il nuovo bidone sarà dotato all'interno del coperchio di un autoadesivo che mostra chiaramente quali articoli si possono riciclare.

Prelievo quindicinale

Il servizio verrà offerto all'intera comunità ogni quindici giorni, assicurando ai residenti una maggiore efficienza ed economia e migliori risultati per l'ambiente.

Il servizio prelievo gestito dal Comune avrà inizio dal 1° luglio. Assieme al vostro nuovo bidone vi sarà consegnato un pacchetto informativo (attaccato al coperchio del bidone) che includerà anche il calendario delle date di raccolta.

I rifiuti da giardino saranno prelevati a settimane alterne alla raccolta dei rifiuti da riciclaggio. La raccolta dei rifiuti generali continuerà ad essere effettuata settimanalmente.

Αλλαγές στην υπηρεσία συλλογής ανακυκλώσιμων Glen Eira

Κατά τον Μάιο και Ιούνιο η Δημαρχία θα παραδώσει σταδιακά τους νέους κάδους συλλογής ανακυκλώσιμων απορριμμάτων σε ολόκληρο το δήμο.

Η νέα υπηρεσία θα αρχίσει την 1^η Ιουλίου 2006, αλλά η παράδοση των κάδων θα αρχίσει σε ολόκληρο το Δήμο τον Μάιο και Ιούνιο. Υπάρχουν μερικές συγκεκριμένες αλλαγές στην υπηρεσία:

Κάδος 240 λίτρων θα αντικαταστήσει τα δύο καφάσια

Ο κάδος των 240 λίτρων δεν καλύπτει περισσότερο χώρο στο πεζοδρόμιο κι όταν αδειάζεται κάθε δεκαπενθήμερο θα έχει περισσότερη χωρητικότητα απ' ότι τα δύο καφάσια που αδειάζονται κάθε εβδομάδα. Η Δημαρχία μπορεί να παρέχει οικονομικότερη υπηρεσία εφαρμόζοντας δεκαπενθήμερη συλλογή, που θα εναλλάσσεται των εβδομάδων που συλλέγονται τα φυτικά απορρίμματα.

Ο κάδος με καπάκι σημαίνει επίσης ότι δεν θα σκορπά ο αέρας τα χαρτιά.

Δεν χρειάζεται πλέον να ξεχωρίζετε ή να δένετε τα ανακυκλώσιμα αντικείμενα

Οι εταιρίες ανακύκλωσης έχουν υπερσύγχρονα μηχανήματα που ξεχωρίζουν αυτόματα τα

αντικείμενα, οπότε δεν χρειάζεται να τα δένετε ή να τα ξεχωρίζετε.

Τώρα μπορείτε να ανακυκλώνετε περισσότερα πλαστικά

Στο νέο κάδο ανακύκλωσης της Δημαρχίας μπορείτε να βάζετε τα ίδια αντικείμενα που βάζατε στα καφάσια, συν λίγα έξτρα πλαστικά. Ο καινούργιος σας κάδος θα έχει σαφείς εικόνες στο εσωτερικό του καπακιού που δείχνουν τι μπορείτε να βάζετε μέσα στον κάδο.

Δεκαπενθήμερη συλλογή

Ολόκληρος ο δήμος θα εξυπηρετείται κάθε δεκαπενθήμερο. Αυτός είναι ένας οικονομικό-τερος και αποτελεσματικότερος τρόπος για τους κατοίκους και επίσης καλύτερος για το περιβάλλον.

Η υπηρεσία συλλογής της Δημαρχίας θα αρχίσει από την 1η Ιουλίου. Θα λάβετε ενημερωτικό πακέτο (κολλημένο στο πάνω μέρος του καπακιού) κατά την παράδοση του νέου κάδου που θα περιλαμβάνει τις ημερομηνίες συλλογής.

Τα φυτικά απορρίμματα θα συλλέγονται κατά τις εναλλακτικές εβδομάδες της συλλογής ανακυκλώσιμων. Η συλλογή των γενικών απορριμμάτων θα συνεχιστεί να γίνεται κάθε εβδομάδα.

Glen Eira 市廢品回收服務有所變動

在 5 月和 6 月期間，市政府將在全市政區發放新的廢品回收桶。

新的回收服務將從 2006 年 7 月 1 日開始，但是從 5 月和 6 月起就開始在全市陸續發放新的廢品回收桶。

這項服務有一些變動：

240 立升的廢品回收桶取代兩個廢品回收箱

240 立升的廢品回收桶不會多佔路邊地方，與原來每周一次收倒兩個廢品回收箱相比，每兩周收倒一次回收桶的廢品量還略微多些。市政府推行每兩周一次的廢品收倒服務可向市政稅納稅人提供更有成本效益的服務。

帶蓋的廢品回收桶可減少紙張四處飛揚的現象。

再也不用分揀或捆紮回收的廢品

廢品回收公司現有精良設備自動分揀

回收的廢品，所以您不必捆紮或分揀廢品。

現可回收更多種類的塑料

市政府新的廢品回收桶既能回收您以前放入回收箱的廢品，也可回收另外幾種塑料。新廢品回收桶的蓋子內清楚地說明了可回收的物品。

每兩周回收一次

整個市政區將實行兩周一次的廢品回收服務。這對居民來說效率更高、也更有成本效益，而且更有利於環境。

市政府新的回收服務將從 7 月 1 日開始。您將收到的新廢品回收桶蓋子上附有一套資料，其中包括一張標明回收日期的年曆。

您的綠色花園垃圾每隔一個星期收倒一次，與廢品回收錯開。普通垃圾仍然每星期收倒一次。

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 and current consultation opportunities

Subject	Type	Date	Where
Renewal of leasing contracts	Meetings and letters written to clubs and organisations	Ongoing	Glen Eira City Council PO BOX 42, Caulfield South 3162
Public swimming	Comments and submissions	Closes Monday 10 April	Public swimming pool consultation Glen Eira City Council PO Box 42 Caulfield South 3162
Bentleigh and McKinnon MCH services	Public forum	Tuesday 4 April, 7.30pm–9pm	McKinnon Secondary College Hall, McKinnon Road, McKinnon
	Comments and submissions	Closes Monday 17 April	Maternal and Child Health consultation Glen Eira City Council PO Box 42 Caulfield South 3162
	Survey of McKinnon and Bentleigh MCH users	Closes Monday 17 April	Maternal and Child Health consultation Glen Eira City Council PO Box 42 Caulfield South 3162
Amendment C50 — <i>Aged Persons Housing policy</i>	Submissions	Closes Friday 19 May	Amendment C50 consultation Glen Eira City Council PO Box 42 Caulfield South 3162

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

Getting the most out of media

As part of the Small Business Month activities, Council will hold four presentation on PR, the art of communication, advertising, and marketing.

Media personality Jo Pearson will talk about the importance of being media ready.

Marketing, advertising and public relations will be covered by Bronwyn Lewis from The Primary Agency, a company with more than 14 years experience in delivering advertising, design and communication services.

Regional Manager Leader Newspapers Len Robinson will discuss how you can gain more from local media, and Sue Chapman and Graeme Norris from 3AW will provide details on how to effectively market through radio.

The presentation will be held on Wednesday 17 May from 4pm–8pm in the Auditorium at Glen Eira Town Hall. Cost is \$25 including a light supper and bookings are essential by Thursday 15 May.

Showcasing business in the City

Small Business Expo — 4 May

To find out what City businesses have to offer, get down to Council's Small Business Expo at the Town Hall from 4pm to 9pm on Thursday 4 May.

Showcasing local business and business support agencies and organisations, this event is designed to link business to business, to support and network our local economy, and to give businesses access to support tools and government agencies and organisations.

The Expo is free to attend, and all are welcome.

Exhibitors: If you are a Glen Eira business or can provide a service to our businesses and wish to attend the Small Business Expo please contact Glen Eira City Council on 9524 3333. Price on application. Bookings close 21 April.

Small Business Month in Glen Eira

To book for any of the Small Business Month events, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.



Media personality Jo Pearson.

Focus on small business

May is Small Business Month and Council will run a range of business events to celebrate the contribution local small businesses make to the Glen Eira community.

Council's Business Development Manager Lynda Bredin said the month was a great opportunity to provide support and information for small businesses to better serve the City's economy.

"We've got a bit of everything planned from an expo for local businesses to showcase their products and services to seminars and information sessions on everything from starting a business to conducting a business online."

"Being part of the local business community can have a number of

advantages, like the promoting and sharing of our social and economic capital, or simply benefiting from feeling part of a wider business community," Ms Bredin said.

The month will be launched at a breakfast event, entitled *Understanding Australia's future*, to be held at the Glen Eira Town Hall on Monday 1 May, with the keynote speaker Stephen Tighe, Foresight Manager of one of Australia's leading consumer goods companies.

Tickets are \$30 per head and bookings are essential by Wednesday 26 April. Contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

For details of Small Business Month events contact Council's Service Centre or visit Council's website at www.gleneira.vic.gov.au

SMALL BUSINESS MONTH — CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Breakfast launch event Understanding Australia's future — evolving consumer values and thinking

When: Monday 1 May
7.30am–8.45am
(7.15am arrival)

Where: Auditorium,
Glen Eira Town Hall

Cost: \$30

Bookings essential by 26 April

Going into business

When: Monday 1 May
9.30am–1pm (9.15am arrival)

Where: Caulfield Cup Room,
Glen Eira Town Hall

Cost: \$30 (includes light refreshments)

Bookings essential by 27 April

Elsternwick Food and Wine event

When: Tuesday 2 May
7pm–9pm

Where: The Elsternwick Club,
19 Sandham Street,
Elsternwick

Cost: \$10

Tickets available from Dalgano's, 403 Glen Huntly Road and Zingy's at 336 Glen Huntly Road, Elsternwick or Elsternwick MainStreet Co-ordinator Alison Doherty on 0403 889 559

Glen Eira Small Business Expo

When: Thursday 4 May 4pm–9pm

Where: Auditorium,
Glen Eira Town Hall

Cost: FREE to the public

Exhibitor bookings essential by 21 April. Price on application

Understanding how to examine financial reports

When: Monday 8 May
9.15am–12.30pm (9am arrival)

Where: Caulfield Cup Room,
Glen Eira Town Hall

Cost: \$40

Bookings essential by 3 May

Marketing seminar State Government — Under New Management program

When: Tuesday 9 May
6.30pm–8.30pm (6pm arrival)

Where: Caulfield Cup Room,
Glen Eira Town Hall

Cost: \$15 (includes light refreshments)

Bookings essential by 4 May

ATO Rental Property Seminar

When: Thursday 11 May
9.15am–11.15am (9am arrival)

Where: Caulfield Cup Room,
Glen Eira Town Hall

Cost: FREE — bookings essential by 8 May

Develop and create a business and risk management plan

When: Four sessions starting Thursday 11 May 4pm–8pm

Where: Caulfield Cup Room,
Glen Eira Town Hall

Cost: \$95 (includes catering)

How to sell and make money online

When: Tuesday 16 May
7pm–9pm (6.30pm arrival)

Where: Theatrette,
Glen Eira Town Hall

Cost: \$15 (includes light refreshments)

Bookings essential by 12 May

Media — getting the best out of media communication and marketing

When: Wednesday 17 May
4pm–8pm

Where: Auditorium,
Glen Eira Town Hall

Cost: \$25 (includes light supper)

Bookings essential by 11 May

Glen Eira Women's Business Network — The art and process of innovation

When: Thursday 18 May 7pm–9pm

Where: Caulfield Cup Room,
Glen Eira Town Hall

Cost: \$10 (includes light supper)

Bookings essential by 15 May

ATO tax basics seminar and record keeping workshop

When: Monday 22 May 9am–4pm
(8.45am arrival)

Where: Caulfield Cup Room,
Glen Eira Town Hall

Cost: FREE

Bookings essential by 18 May

BusEd dinner seminar — linking business and education

When: Thursday 25 May 6pm–9pm

Where: Auditorium,
Glen Eira Town Hall

Cost: \$30
(includes three-course dinner)

Bookings essential by 18 May

Sales — the key to existence

When: Tuesday 30 May, 4pm–8.30pm

Where: Auditorium,
Glen Eira Town Hall

Cost: \$25 (light supper provided)

Bookings essential by 26 May



Sounds of Harmony concert

Caulfield Park

Sunday 9 April 2006 4pm–8pm

Free event

The first of its kind, the *Sounds of Harmony* concert will showcase music and dance from diverse cultural backgrounds around the theme of the human voice and harmony.

Combining community groups and professional performers, the free four-hour concert will enable performers to express their cultural heritage to celebrate Glen Eira's rich cultural diversity.

Performers include the Kavisha Mazzella Trio, Australian-based Italian and Greek music divas Kavisha Mazzella and Irini Vela accompanied by Peter Vadiveloo. Indonesian vocals from Ria Soemardjo and three-part harmonies from the Stiletto Sisters — Hope Csutoros on violin, Judy Gunson on piano accordion

and Jo To on double bass.

Swoon to the gypsy melodies, seductive tango rhythms and sensuous Europe and Latin songs. Mzuri Dance Network will draw on traditional and contemporary African and Western dance and music which combines South African, Parisian and New York street hip-hop style, and Birri-on Lakidjeka — a family of dancers aged five to 18 will perform Aboriginal dance ceremonies and stories — accompanied by Eva Jo Edwards.

Enjoy traditional dance and song from local groups, including traditional African dance and choir Nuer Community (South Sudan), the Bangladesh Renaissance Drama Group, the Sinhala Cultural Society and the Bengali Association. Plus traditional eighteenth century music from the Russian Bard Singers and Jewish Liron choir.

EXHIBITIONS

Glen Eira City Council Gallery Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield

Opening hours: Monday to Friday 10am to 5pm, Saturday, Sunday and public holidays (closed Good Friday) 1pm to 5pm

TRIBAL AND TRADITIONAL TEXTILES COLLECTED BY ALEXANDRA AND LEIGH COPELAND



To Sunday 9 April Copeland Collection, Antique cradle, central Asia.

Renowned Central Asian textiles collectors Alexandra and Leigh Copeland have travelled for more than 30 years, building their collection through personal relationships with textile-producing families.

Following last year's acclaimed exhibition at Glen Eira City Council Gallery, the Copelands returned to Afghanistan and Pakistan, where, despite the dislocation and ravages of war, they managed to secure more stunning pieces to display with their works from India.

THE COLOUR AND THE SHAPE GLEN EIRA ARTISTS THINK ABOUT TEXTILES

Opening: Wednesday 12 April at 6pm
Continues to Sunday 30 April



Annette Kortenhaus, *Untitled* (2005), mixed media.

An exhibition to challenge the concept of textiles, *The colour and the shape* looks beyond the surface of fabrics and includes non-textile works that refer to textile traditions and examine the inspiration textiles hold — where art, craft and design melt together.

This exhibition is part of Glen Eira City Council Gallery annual program that celebrates the diverse visual art and craft talent in our city, with all of the artists included in this exhibition, living, working or studying in the City of Glen Eira.

The local artists on exhibition include Janet Gallagher (sculpture installation), Aaron Bailey (embroidery), Wendy Brand (photography), Felicity Hardy (wearable art), Tracy Potts (embroidery

sculpture), Florentina Munteanu (video), Mala Anthony (tapestry), Rachel Hine (tapestry), Anette Kortenhaus (jewellery) and Michele Elliott (installation).

The exhibition will be launched by the Mayor Cr David Feldman on Wednesday 12 April at 6pm. Bring your family and friends and celebrate this unique exhibition.

JENNY PIHAN FINE ART PRESENTS BEECHWORTH WINTERLUDE EXHIBITION 2006

Opening Tuesday 2 May at 6.30pm
Continues to Sunday 14 May



Beechworth 'Winterlude' Exhibition 2006

This year's Winterlude, an annual painting expedition and ensuing exhibition with a different destination and group of artists each year, brought Nick Canosa, Patrick Carroll, Alvaro Castagnet, Herman Pekel and Joseph Zbukvic to a Beechworth hotel from where they ventured out to record their impressions. A stunning feature of the exhibition is their painted experience of one of Beechworth's 'biggest storms on record producing great clouds' which they painted from the safety of the hotel verandah.

VOLUNTEERS IN ACTION

Thursday 4 May to Sunday 14 May

This photographic exhibition of Glen Eira volunteers provides an opportunity for the community, organisations and individuals to celebrate and recognise the contribution of Glen Eira volunteers. With funding from the Department of Victorian Communities, Jeanette Marshall, representing the Glen Eira Volunteer Resource Service, has collected many photographs of volunteers who keep community groups alive. This exhibition attempts to capture and recognise the many community members who make it possible for non-profit groups to function.

Thousands party in the park



Kids enjoyed the fun-filled activities.

Photos: Alex Mourikis.

A bright summer day provided the perfect backdrop for Council's free annual Party in the Park at Allnutt Park in Bentleigh last month.

Hosted by balloonologist and juggler TimTim, the day featured music from Croque Monsieur, Jugularity and Phillipe de Accordionist. The Afro Brazil Capoeira School delighted audiences with its dance, martial art, acrobatics and music performance.



A packed schedule of art and craft activities and workshops, juggling demonstrations and a jumping castle, meant no excuses for not finding something of interest.