

Awards recognise outstanding achievement and leadership

A community advocate, a Scout leader and one of Australia's most successful sporting clubs were honoured during Australia Day celebrations last month.

Glen Eira City Council presented its annual *Citizen* and *Young Citizen of the Year* and *Community Group of the Year* awards during a breakfast at Town Hall. Guest speaker for the breakfast was President of the Australian Medical Association, Dr Mukesh Haikerwal.

More than 35 individuals and community clubs were nominated for the awards, which recognise significant contributions to the Glen Eira community.

About the winners

In the 1970s, *Citizen of the Year* winner Heather Welsh began community work as a pro bono community advocate for animal welfare. She has held many roles at the RSPCA, including President, and since then she has brought her skills in advocacy and her legal training to benefit many causes and issues.

Heather's work in the community has included the promotion of free range eggs, sale of cruelty free cosmetics and the establishment of an animal adoption centre through her work with the RSPCA. She has been a volunteer for the Salvation Army, Griefline, the Welfare Rights Unit, U3A Glen Eira and the Rotary Club of Caulfield. She was co-founder of the Glen Eira Junior Chess Club, Friends of Classic Cinema in Elsternwick, the Glen Eira Residents Association and the Organisation for Middle Eastern Dance in Australia.

Christopher Anderson joined Cub Scouts in 1991 and over the past

15 years has moved up the ranks to become a Rover.

Since turning 18, the *Young Citizen of the Year* winner became a fully trained Cub Scout Leader and is currently Assistant Cub Scout leader at 5th North Moorabbin Scout Group and Rover at Ettamogah Rover crew. He is currently studying robotics at Swinburne University of Technology.

Christopher earned his Adventurer cord in the Scout troop and the *Queens Scout* award in Venturers, which are the highest achievable awards in these sections. He gives up many hours to make the Glen Eira community a better place for the youth to grow up in and teaches them life skills to help in their adult lives.

Glenhuntly Athletics Club celebrated its 85th anniversary in 2006 and continues to be one of the best known and successful clubs in Australia. The *Community Group of the Year* winner is represented at local, state, national and international levels and has the largest membership base in Victoria.

Membership to the Club is open to people of all ethnic and community backgrounds and people of all abilities.

Council also paid tribute to a number of high calibre nominees. These included:

Citizen of the Year — Shirley Cornish, Michele Papillo and Shmuel Rosenkranz;

Young Citizen of the Year — Liam McAuliffe, Cassandra Moore and Mark Steiner; and

Community Group of the Year — Neighbourhood Watch Glen Eira, Posh Opp Shoppe and DJ Coakley East Bentleigh Senior Citizens Club. ■



Greg Varigos (left) from Glenhuntly Athletics Club, Heather Welsh and Christopher Anderson were honoured during Australia Day celebrations last month.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

Australia Day 2007 Honours List

Algirdas Simkus and Margaret Muirhead of East Bentleigh and Stan Marks of Caulfield South have been named in the Australia Day 2007 Honours List. Council would like to congratulate them on being awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM).

Zero tolerance for offending motorists

Safety is of paramount importance to Glen Eira City Council, especially where children are concerned.

With the 2007 school year underway, motorists are reminded to comply with speed limits, parking and stopping laws in the vicinity of schools or face a hefty fine.

Council's Acting Traffic and Parking Manager Alan Katz said a zero tolerance approach will be adopted, particularly where safety is compromised.

"Council's Traffic Safety Officers,

in conjunction with the Police, will be monitoring all school crossings and streets near schools within the municipality and will not hesitate to issue a fine if a motorist is doing the wrong thing," Mr Katz said.

"With an increased amount of both pedestrian and vehicle traffic expected, it is vital for all motorists to ensure they are not putting children's safety at risk."

Mr Katz said it is unlawful to stop within 20 metres of a school crossing, or within 10 metres of an intersection or double park. ■

"Parents are reminded that the timed zones near schools are for everybody's benefit, particularly dropping off and picking up children," Mr Katz said.

"If you need to walk your child into school and you may be longer than the time allowed on the sign, parents are advised to park elsewhere to avoid receiving an infringement notice."

The 40km/h speed zones are located outside the 49 schools within the City of Glen Eira. The speed limit applies from Monday to Friday from 8am to 9.30am and 2.30pm to 4pm. ■

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MAYOR'S COLUMN



Welcome to the first edition of the *Glen Eira News* for 2007. I hope you all had an enjoyable break and are set for the year ahead.

In the lead up to Australia Day celebrations, Glen Eira City Council held its annual breakfast at the Town Hall. It was my pleasure to present the *Citizen, Young Citizen* and *Community Group of the Year* awards at a special breakfast. This year is the first time Council has had an award for *Community Group of the Year* and we were pleased with the number of quality entries received. Congratulations to all the winners and runners-up and thank you to those who entered.

On Australia Day the 2007 Glen Eira Cup was run again at Caulfield racecourse. This has become an annual event for Council. The race was run over 2,000 metres and witnessed by thousands of racegoers.

Council's first citizenship ceremony for 2007 will be held on Wednesday 7 February. These are always uplifting events as we welcome yet more people into the ever expanding Australian family.

I am extremely honoured to again be elected as Mayor of this great City and I thank my colleagues, friends and family for the support and trust bestowed on me.

Glen Eira is lucky enough to have a diverse mix of Councillors, each offering a valuable yet different perspective. Each Councillor has talents they will be able to use diligently for the benefit of the municipality.

I would like to make special mention to outgoing, and now Deputy Mayor, Cr David Feldman. Cr Feldman accomplished an enormous amount for the City of Glen Eira in 2006 and provided good groundwork on which I will solidly build upon in 2007. Thank you for your efforts and hard work.

Cr Margaret Esakoff
Mayor

Quality in Council's Maternal and Child Health service

Organisational responsibility for Glen Eira City Council's Maternal and Child Health Service rests with Co-ordinating Nurse, Ruth Hennell.

Ruth works closely with the eight centres within the municipality to ensure a high quality service is provided and meets the needs of Glen Eira families with children from birth to six years.

Ruth has been a nurse for 21 years and has worked as a Maternal and Child Health Nurse for nine. She has honed her skills during her career and believes maternal and child health nurses need to have a particular knack when it comes to building confidence in new parents.

"The Maternal and Child Health Service provides parents and carers guidance, support and practical advice in all aspects of family health and parenting," Ruth said.

"This means that nurses have excellent assessment and communication skills and a thorough knowledge of not only child health and development, but women's health too."

Ruth made the transition from clinical practice to administration in September 2005. Although her job no longer involves patient-family contact, Ruth



Maternal and Child Health Service Co-ordinating Nurse, Ruth Hennell.

Photo: Suzi Cvetkoski.

said that by supporting the nurses to do their job well, she is still helping each child to reach their potential.

"My job is to co-ordinate all aspects of the service, which includes providing support to nurses and ensuring all nurses have a manageable workload," she said.

Ruth said the most satisfying part of her work is knowing her goal of providing a

high quality service is being met.

"Council conducts regular reviews to ensure services and facilities meet and often exceed community expectations and regulatory standards," she said.

"In 2006, our service achieved a 98 per cent satisfaction rate, which is a good indicator that the community is satisfied with the quality of the service." ■

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DEADLINES

The deadline for next edition (March) of the *Glen Eira News* is Wednesday 7 February for delivery 3-4 March.

Coming deadlines

The deadline for the April edition of the *Glen Eira News* is Wednesday 7 March for delivery 31 March-1 April.

For advertising and *Community diary* enquiries contact 9524 3447.

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Glen Eira sportsgrounds feel the heat

Stage three water restrictions have hit the City of Glen Eira hard, with only 25 per cent of sportsgrounds allowed to be watered.

Thirteen of Glen Eira City Council's 45 grounds have been granted an exemption by South East Water.

In accordance with Council's *Water Conservation Plan*, the following grounds are allowed to be watered using the automatic irrigation system, but only on specified areas, and during certain times:

- Bailey Reserve number two;
- Caulfield Park grounds number one and two;
- Centenary Park grounds number one and two;
- Duncan MacKinnon grounds number one and two;
- EE Gunn number one;
- Koornang;
- McKinnon ground number one;
- Moorleigh; and
- Princes Park grounds number one and three.

Council's Manager of Recreation and Youth Services Linda Smith said Council is working with all Glen Eira sports clubs to find an appropriate balance between minimising water use and helping clubs

maintain a playable sporting surface.

"Glen Eira sports clubs have been advised to refrain from pre-season training to prolong the use of grounds and to undertake regular inspections of grounds prior to any use," Ms Smith said.

"Sport is a huge part of the City of Glen Eira, with more than 330 sporting teams involving around 6,000 people.

"Council wants to see this participation continue as much as possible during this tough time."

Council is also investigating measures to assist in managing sportsgrounds during the restrictions, including:

- heightening mowing lengths;
- minimising pre-season and regular training sessions; and
- implementing drought resistant turf management practices.

Tennis and bowling clubs within the municipality have also been affected by the restrictions. Further information can be obtained from Tennis Victoria, the Royal Victorian Bowls Association or from www.southeastwater.com.au

Council will be hosting a water forum for all interested sports clubs later this month. For further information, please refer to page 10 of the *Glen Eira News* or contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333. ■



Addison (left) and Ethan Rowland show just how severe the drought is.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

Service Centre on show in Canberra

Glen Eira City Council was one of 10 councils on show at the 2006 National General Assembly of Local Government.

Held in Canberra in late November, Council's Service Centre was presented to hundreds of delegates during the four day conference.

The Australian Local Government Association invited councils to submit multi-media presentations which showcased innovative solutions to the challenges faced by all councils.

The eight minute DVD showcased how the Service Centre has moved from an outdated switchboard environment in 1996, where calls were simply transferred to the relevant department, to having any queries answered directly by a Service Centre Consultant.

Service Centre Manager Greg Goldenberg said out of the 4,500 calls every week, 80 per cent of the calls are dealt with by a Service Centre Consultant.

"Of those 4,500 only 1,550 are sent to another Council staff member via the

Customer Request Tracking System," Mr Goldenberg said.

"This is a computerised system developed specifically for Glen Eira City Council that records and tracks requests from customers.

"If one of our team is unable to fully assist the customer, this inquiry is entered into the system and an email is sent to the most appropriate person."

Mr Goldenberg said the success of the Service Centre is not only due to a focused leadership team, but training of staff and implementation of rigorous procedures.

"Our staff, both in the Call Centre and at the front counter, are very much customer focused and endeavour to provide excellent service first time every time," Mr Goldenberg said.

Mr Goldenberg said there have been some requests from other councils across Australia for a copy of the DVD.

"It is pleasing to see that other councils want to see how well we respond quickly and efficiently to customer requests," Mr Goldenberg said. ■

News in Brief

Stage three water restrictions

Glen Eira residents are reminded garden watering is now restricted to twice a week on an odd and even basis. Cars can only be washed with a bucket or at a commercial car wash. Existing pools can only be topped up with a bucket. For further information, contact South East Water on 13 18 67 or go to www.southeastwater.com.au

Volunteers wanted

Want to make a difference to someone in need? Community Information Glen Eira (CIGE) is seeking new volunteers for 2007. Now in its 37th year, CIGE is a free and confidential community based information and referral service which provides aid and information for residents of Glen Eira. GIGE not only provides over the phone assistance, but material aid, such as food vouchers. All volunteers are required to complete a six week course and on the job training to gain the knowledge and skills required to work at the centre. The first course for 2007 commences in March. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please contact Laurel Thompson on 9524 3200.

Operation Supersite a success

Drink drivers, speedsters and unregistered vehicles were targeted

during a police crackdown on Dandenong Road, Caulfield at the end of last year.

Operation Supersite was set up by the Victoria Police, Glen Eira Traffic Management Unit, in conjunction with Glen Eira City Council, Centrelink, WorkSafe Victoria and the Victorian Taxi and Tow Truck Directorate.

The five hour blitz saw Council Health Inspectors check 25 vehicles, all of which were found to be compliant.

Similar operations are planned for 2007.

2007 Council meeting dates

Tuesday 6 February
 Tuesday 27 February
 Tuesday 20 March
 Wednesday 11 April
 Tuesday 1 May
 Monday 21 May
 Tuesday 12 June
 Tuesday 3 July
 Tuesday 24 July
 Tuesday 14 August
 Tuesday 4 September
 Tuesday 25 September
 Tuesday 16 October
 Wednesday 7 November
 Tuesday 27 November
 Tuesday 18 December

CEO'S COLUMN



In 2007, Glen Eira City Council will again provide a range of high quality family and children's services to meet the needs of families with children from birth to 12 years.

Our maternal and child health service provides information and support for families with children from birth to six years. This service operates from eight locations in Glen Eira, with more than 5,000 families using the service every year.

If you need child care, we offer a variety of care options to suit the diverse needs of the community, while providing a fun, educational, caring and safe environment. These range from home-based childcare through to occasional and long day care.

Following on from the success of the 2006 parent education calendar, this will again be available in 2007.

Council has worked closely with community and private sector providers to ensure the most up-to-date and valuable educational sessions are held throughout the year. Topics to be covered include toilet training and nutrition for children.

Council also provides information and support to families with additional needs. If you have an issue, please contact us and our qualified and friendly staff will be able to help you.

Andrew Newton
Chief Executive Officer

Safety a priority in 2007

Glen Eira City Council will provide and support community safety initiatives in 2007.

School Principals' Forum

— **May 2007** — Council's annual School Principals forum will provide local primary and secondary school principals with an opportunity to discuss local safety issues and initiatives.

Wiser driving — Senior citizens will have the opportunity to participate in a number of *Wiser Driver* courses throughout 2007.

Community Safety Month

Council will provide the Glen Eira community with a range of safety information in the October edition of the *GE News*, including how to travel safely on public transport. ■

Cervical cancer vaccination program confirmed for 2007

Glen Eira City Council is taking a positive step forward this year in the prevention of cervical cancer.

The cervical cancer vaccine Gardasil® prevents infection from human papillomavirus (HPV) strains 16 and 18, which cause around 70 per cent of cervical cancers.

HPV is a sexually transmitted infection, mostly affecting females aged 20–24. Almost all abnormal Pap smear results are caused by HPV. In 98 per cent of cases, HPV clears by itself, but if the virus persists and is left undetected, it can lead to cervical cancer. However, this is very rare and usually takes about 10 years.

The vaccine is administered as a series of three injections over a seven month period.

As part of the *National Immunisation Program*, Council will visit all secondary schools and vaccinate all female students this year. This means more than 3,700 females aged 12–18 will be vaccinated by Council's Immunisation Team with the Gardasil®.



In 2007, Council will visit all secondary schools and vaccinate all female students.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

Females aged 18–26 and females aged 12–18 who are not at school should go to their General Practitioner.

Once Council has vaccinated all female

secondary students, it will visit all secondary schools on an annual basis to vaccinate all female year seven students. ■

Proposed ban on spray paint cans

Public comment is being sought on Glen Eira City Council's proposal to ban the sale of spray paint cans to people under 18 and to require retailers selling these cans to keep them in a secure place.

Council's proposal is open for public comment until 28 February. Council will then review all submissions before determining whether to proceed with the introduction of the new clause.

Cities of Bayside and Kingston are currently considering similar changes, while changes to the City of Boroondara Local Law have already been adopted.

Mayor of Glen Eira Cr Margaret Esakoff said the restriction on the sale of spray cans aims to deter the small number of people under 18 who use these cans for illegal graffiti.

"The placement of cans in a secure place aims to eradicate the possibility of shoplifting and ensure that all sales are appropriate and all made according to this new clause in the Local Law," she said.

"Council recognises restricting the sale of spray paint cans is not the single solution to graffiti prevention, but it is certainly a step in the right direction."

Cr Esakoff said Council already has a number of initiatives in place to reduce

the prevalence of graffiti, including an aggressive graffiti removal program for graffiti on Council property.

"Council is also working closely with local schools and Victoria Police and will be rolling out a new campaign *Can*

the Can, Graffiti is a crime in February," she said.

Submissions should be addressed to Manager, Engineering Assets, Glen Eira City Council, PO Box 42 Caulfield South VIC 3162. ■

Proposed clause for Council's Local Law: Aerosol Spray Paint Containers

Any person in the Municipal District, who owns, operates or manages a business from premises in or on which aerosol spray paint containers are offered for sale must not:

- store or display;
- cause to be stored or displayed; or
- allow to be stored or displayed.

Any aerosol spray paint container containing paint products, in an area which is accessible to members of the public, unless under secured access only by the owner/s, operator/s or staff of that business.

Penalty: [to be determined] Penalty Units

A person must not:

- sell;
- deliver;
- give; or
- cause to be sold, delivered or given; to a person who is under the age of 18 years any aerosol spray paint container unless the person is accompanied by his

or her:

- parent or guardian;
- employer; or
- teacher.

Penalty: [to be determined] Penalty Units

An authorised officer may direct that aerosol spray paint containers that are stored or displayed contrary to this clause be removed to an area which is not accessible to members of the public.

Any person to whom a direction is made under this Local Law must comply with that direction.

An authorised officer may impound an aerosol spray container that is in the possession of a person found on public land who is under the age of 18 years unless the person is accompanied by his or her:

- parent or guardian;
- employer; or
- teacher.

Footpath Guidelines — what are they?

It has now been one month since the introduction of Glen Eira City Council's new Footpath Activities Guidelines for new permit holders. Council has given existing permit holders 12 months to adjust to the new conditions.

So what do these *Guidelines* mean for new and existing traders and how can they best comply?

Council's Civic Compliance Manager John Bordingnon puts the *Guidelines* into perspective.

Why did Council review these Guidelines?

The *Guidelines* were reviewed to comply with best practice guidelines issued by the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission.

Why were the Guidelines developed?

The key to an effective accessible

New Mayor

Cr Margaret Esakoff was elected as the eleventh Mayor of Glen Eira for 2006–07 at a Special Council Meeting in December last year.

Witnessed by a small gathering of residents and family members, Cr Esakoff was elected through a nomination process involving all Glen Eira Councillors.

Cr Esakoff said she was honoured to once again be elected to represent Council in this role.

"I am looking forward to the challenges of the year ahead and I thank my colleagues for the support and trust bestowed on me," Cr Esakoff said.

"I am confident that working together as a team we will be able to meet the challenges that confront us and achieve outcomes for the residents of which we can all be proud."

Cr Esakoff said Council is currently undertaking many exciting improvements to community facilities, such as parks and shopping centres.

"However, we do need to deal with the fact that our aging infrastructure needs renewing and this is one area we will be dealing with in depth this year," she said.

Cr Esakoff said Council must look forward and not backwards.

"We cannot afford to lose the future. Our commitment must be ensuring that we leave solid foundations for all future Councils to continue to build on," Cr Esakoff said.

Cr Esakoff takes over as Mayor from Cr David Feldman, who was elected as Deputy Mayor.

pedestrian system throughout shopping precincts is the development and maintenance of a continuous path of travel. Council recognised the importance to balance the safety of pedestrians and the benefits to traders in the display of goods on footpaths. Therefore, to ensure complimentary use of the area between public and commercial use, Council has developed three zones — Pedestrian Zone, Trading Zone and Kerb Zone. These zones will not only ensure a safe access of travel for old and young people, families, employees, employers and people with a disability, but they will also provide a relaxed environment that enhances the streetscape and other functions of the area.

How many councils in Victoria have revised their Footpath Activities Guidelines?

Over the last few years, there have been a number of councils who have revised their guidelines, including Geelong, Darebin, Bayside, Banyule, Melbourne City, Port Phillip, Yarra, Kingston, Boroondara, Stonnington, Whitehorse, Mornington Peninsula and Dandenong.

When did the new Guidelines come into force?

The *Guidelines* came into force on 1 January 2007, but only for new permit applicants. Existing permit holders have until 31 December 2007 to comply with the new *Guidelines*.

What do the Guidelines cover?

Under the provisions of the Council's Local Law 2000, a permit is required for the placement of advertising signs, goods, tables with chairs, windbreaks and street furniture on footpaths.

The *Guidelines* cover three main areas:

- footpath zones and locations — refers to how footpath trading should be set up and where furniture should be placed;
- design standards — refers to the standard of street and display furniture,



The key to an effective accessible pedestrian system throughout shopping precincts is the development and maintenance of a continuous path of travel.

such as tables and chairs, windbreaks and heaters, where they should be located. In all cases applicants must submit details as to the colour, and design of the furniture for approval; and

- management and responsibilities — refers to the responsibilities of both the trader and Council.

I am a new trader in the City of Glen Eira. How do I apply for a permit?

- step one — read through Council's *Guidelines* carefully and ensure you understand them;
- step two — contact Council's Service Centre for an application form;
- step three — fill in all the relevant sections and send this back, along with a copy of your current \$10 million public liability insurance and any other information applicable to your application, such as a site plan of proposed conditions and details of advertising, furniture, or liquor licensing;
- step four — a Council officer will then review your application and make sure

it meets all requirements; and

- step 5 — an invoice will be sent out and upon payment your application will be processed and a permit issued.

What will happen if I don't have a permit?

Council staff will monitor and evaluate all footpath trading on a regular basis. If a permit has not been granted or observed infringement of the *Footpath Activities Guidelines* or permit conditions are detected, they will be looked into and enforcement action taken.

How can Council assist me in understanding the Guidelines?

Throughout 2007, Council will embark on an intensive communications program to assist traders in understanding their requirements. Information sessions will commence in March.

How can I obtain a copy of the Guidelines?

For a copy of the *Guidelines*, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or visit www.gleneira.vic.gov.au

Delivered meals volunteer retires

After more than 22 years of delivering meals for Glen Eira City Council, 90-year-old Murrumbeena resident, Gwen, has decided to hang up her boots — or should that be car keys.

Gwen told the *GE News* she first started volunteering when she retired from full-time work.

"I needed to find something to fill my days in," Gwen said.

"I wanted to be able to help others who were in need of some assistance."

When Gwen first commenced volunteering, she started out as a jockey (delivering meals with another volunteer).

"However, as Council was in desperate need of more drivers at this time, I started the combined role of driving and delivering meals," Gwen said.

Gwen said she has got great enjoyment out of delivering meals and has made a lot of friends along the way.

"The good thing about driving as well as delivering is that I don't have to rush off if someone wants to chat," she said.

Gwen said she would encourage anyone who wants to take up volunteering to contact Council.

"At the end of the day you will feel so good because you have been able to help someone a little less fortunate than yourself," she said.

So what's next for Gwen?

"I am currently teaching myself how to use a computer, which is keeping me busy," Gwen said.

"I am also involved in a book club, ladies guild and I do an exercise class once a week, so most of my days are full.

"However, if Council finds it is short of a volunteer on Wednesday's, I would be more than happy to assist."

For further information regarding Council's Delivered Meals Service or how to become a volunteer for the service, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

In 2007, Glen Eira City Council will once again provide a diverse range of high quality family and children's services to meet the needs of families with children from birth to 12 years.



Storytime provides parents with a wonderful opportunity to introduce young children to the joys of reading and selecting books. Photo: Les O'Rourke.

PLAYGROUNDS

As part of Glen Eira City Council's ongoing program to update aging infrastructure, two more playgrounds will be upgraded or redeveloped during the next six months.

Annie and Arthur Abrahams Reserve, Bentleigh East, and Caulfield Park are both set for a revamp, while a new playground will be designed for Greenmeadows Gardens, St Kilda East.

Playtime for children in the City of Glen Eira has never been so much fun, and with so many locations to choose from, you are bound to find a playground in your area.

In 2006, the following seven playgrounds within the municipality were either upgraded or redeveloped.

- North Avenue, Bentleigh (accessible

pathway installed around playground and new seats and tables);

- Halley Park, Bentleigh (space net installed);
- Joyce Park, Ormond (access all abilities playground redevelopment);
- King George Reserve, Bentleigh East (new junior play equipment installed);
- Bentleigh Hodgson Reserve, Bentleigh (Higgins Road playground redeveloped);
- Bentleigh Hodgson Reserve, Bentleigh (snakes and ladders area installed); and
- Carnegie Library Playspace, Carnegie (playground development).

Shade sails were also installed at Allnut and Victory Parks in Bentleigh, Bentleigh Hodgson Reserve, Bentleigh and Joyce Park, Ormond.



Bentleigh/Hodgson Reserve is home to one of the many playgrounds in the City of Glen Eira.

LIBRARY SERVICES

Glen Eira City Council's four libraries are places of exciting ideas, where people can learn about the world around them.

Library collection

Council's libraries offer an extensive collection of material for children including boardgames, books, picture books, early readers, junior fiction and subject books for school projects. Qualified library staff are on hand to assist children in finding information for school or just for fun.

Storytime

Storytime provides parents with a wonderful opportunity to introduce young children to the joys of reading and selecting books. The free session runs for 30 to 45 minutes and includes music, songs and rhymes suitable for pre-school children.

In 2007, sessions will be held at:
Bentleigh Library on Mondays at 2pm and Thursdays at 11am;
Carnegie Library on Wednesdays and Fridays at 11am;
Caulfield Library on Tuesdays at 11am; and
Elsternwick Library on Wednesdays at 11am.

BabyTime

BabyTime is a program for babies 0 to 2 years. The free program not only stimulates and inspires little minds with songs and rhymes, but enhances and

stimulate the senses.

In 2007, sessions will be held at:
Carnegie Library on Mondays and Tuesdays 11am; and
Elsternwick Library on Fridays 11am.

Homework Centre

The Homework Centre at Carnegie Library provides students with a quiet, distraction free zone to complete homework and school assignments. The Centre's helpful, positive environment with access to books computers, printers and free Internet

This free service is available every Wednesday from 4pm to 6pm during the school term

Holiday mania

During the school holidays, Council's libraries host a range of fun activities. For further information, contact your local library or go to www.gleneira.vic.gov.au A small fee will be charged.

Saturday Shakers

Saturday Shakers is a free children's program and is held on the second Saturday of the month at Carnegie Library at 2pm.

Special events

Council's libraries provide special events throughout the year such as activities for schools in Children's Book Week and a summer reading program.



A travelling farm visited Murrumbeena Children's Centre in December.

Photo: Rob Churches.

EDUCATION CALENDAR

Glen Eira City Council's Family and Children's Services will again be releasing a parent education calendar.

The calendar will cover topics such as toilet training and nutrition for children.

The calendar will be available from Council's Service Centre at the end of February.

FAMILY DAY CARE

Glen Eira City Council has been offering Family Day Care to residents within the municipality for more than 25 years. The scheme provides quality child care in a safe home environment for around 140 families each week and is available for children 0–12 years.

As part of meeting the highest quality standards of the National Child Care Accreditation System, Family Day Care careproviders will continue to work together with parents in 2007 to better understand children's learning and play experiences and provide supportive environments for children.

Council's Family and Children's Services Manager Lili James said the collaborative partnership between parent and careprovider is the foundation on which an optimal environment is provided.

"An environment that lacks stimulation will quickly leave a child bored and one that provides too many challenges will leave children frustrated," Ms James said.

"The balance lies in skilful observation of children and careful planning of the environment, both indoors and outdoors.

"By parents sharing with careproviders information about their child, such as their interests, skills and ability, not only will this enhance the overall program, but it will allow the careprovider to better understand each child."



Council's four children's centres provide long day care for children between six months and school age.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

Ms James said it is widely recognised that the first five years of a child's life are the most important years of human development and that children learn most during these years.

"It is therefore incumbent on every childhood professional to ensure the environment children are in supports and encourages learning," she said.

"This combined with ongoing training and trusting secure relationships with a regular careprovider provide the sound base from which children can move forward well equipped to deal with life's challenges."

POST NATAL DEPRESSION

Glen Eira City Council maternal and child health care nurses have received special training to further support mothers with post natal depression.

The training was implemented as a result of a Royal Children's Hospital study, which found a link between infant sleep problems and post natal depression

Post natal depression affects one in seven women giving birth in Australia, however less than 50 per cent of cases

are diagnosed.

As part of Council's commitment to support mothers with post natal depression, the maternal and child health service offers:

- advice on treatment and support options;
- support through additional consultation;
- screening of all new mothers for post natal depression using the Edinburgh

Post Natal Depression scale; and
• attendance of a maternal and child health care nurse at support groups.

Council Family and Children's Services Manager Lili James said post natal depression is a prolonged illness and should not be confused with the "baby blues."

"Symptoms range from appetite changes, feeling anxious and down most of the time, as well as sleep disturbance," Ms James said.

"Early diagnosis and treatment is recommended as this will reduce the likelihood of children with depressed mothers having developmental and behavioural difficulties."

Ms James said Council's Maternal and Child Health Service also offers a range of options to parents with infant sleep problems.

"Council offers consultations with nurses at all eight child health centres across the municipality, home visits by a mother craft nurse, and also discussion groups on the first and third Tuesday of the month at the Glen Huntly Maternal and Child Health Centre," Ms James said.

Further information regarding post natal depression can be found at www.beyondblue.org.au. Information about sleep and settling can be obtained from your local maternal and child health nurse.



Council's Maternal and Child Health team provides a free confidential services for families with children from birth to six years.

Photo: Les O'Rourke.

KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENT

Parents wanting their child to attend four-year-old kindergarten in 2009 are reminded that enrolments open on 1 May 2007.

Glen Eira City Council co-ordinates a central enrolment system on behalf of 14 kindergartens within the municipality.

Application forms are available from Council's Service Centre.

SIGNPOSTS UP AGAIN IN 2007

In 2007, Glen Eira City Council will be running the Victorian *Parenting Centre Signposts for Building Better Behaviour* program (*Signposts*).

The program is designed for parents with children from 3–15 years who have difficult behaviour because of an intellectual or developmental disability.

The six session program provides families with positive strategies for coping with difficult behaviours while encouraging better behaviours.

COMMUNITY GRANTS

More than \$80,000 in community grants was allocated to children and family service groups in 2006-07

The community grants were used to fund a variety of different projects, including:

Noah's Ark

Noah's Ark is a camp for children with disabilities. These camps offer children recreational and social opportunities in a safe and supported environment while giving their families at home respite.

Coatesville Auskick

In the effort to decrease obesity and increase regular physical activity, Coatesville Auskick was designed to engage young children and their parents in community based sporting programs.

Breast pumps

Australian Breastfeeding Association used the grant to purchase up-to-date breast pumps to hire out to breastfeeding mums within the municipality.

EVENTS

Oxfam Australia is holding Oxfam Trailwalker at Caulfield Park on Sunday 4 March from 8am. The challenge is to trek 10km or five laps of Caulfield Park and collectively help raise money to overcome poverty around the world. Contact: 1800 088 110.

Bentleigh Recreation Tennis Club is holding an Open Day at Arthur Street, Bentleigh on Sunday 11 February from 1pm. All ages of the community are invited. Free coaching, prizes and on court activities. Contact: Sharon 9568 3841.

Caulfield Little Athletics Club will host the Region Track and Field Championships at Duncan Mackinnon Athletics Track on Saturday 17 and Sunday 18 February. Contact: Kay 9570 7575.

Melbourne Begonia Society will host its annual show at Senior Citizens Club, 964 Nepean Highway, Moorabbin on Saturday 24 and Sunday 25 February. Contact: Tricia 9557 7756 or Lesley 9570 6822.

Claremont Terrace will host a number of events at 231 McKinnon Road, McKinnon throughout February that are open to the community. A Valentine's Dance will be held on Wednesday 14 February from 3pm. *Positive Ageing Forum Series 3 — Changing attitudes towards ageing* seminar will be held on Thursday 22 February from 2pm. *Falls, Trips and Stumbles* seminar will be held on Wednesday 28 February from 2.30pm. Contact: 9576 8111.

MEETINGS AND CLUBS

Walking Group holds regular walks starting from Carnegie Library and Community Centre, 7 Shepparson Avenue every Wednesday at 9am. Walk ends with a coffee at a café. New members welcome. Contact: Keith 9568 7682.

Bentleigh Life Activities Club offers opportunities for seniors to meet new friends and enjoy activities such as table tennis, card games and music. New members welcome. Contact: Gotu 9557 2562.

Friendly Tours Social Club holds day tours on the first Sunday of each month. Cost: \$20 (includes morning tea). Contact: 9569 0134.

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

Scottish Country Dancing is held at Ormond Uniting Church, corner North and Booran Roads on Friday evenings from 8pm. Beginners welcome. Contact: Bev 9579 5532 or George 9808 6805.

LUPUS/SJOGRENS a self help support group will meet at Bentleigh Bayside Community Health Centre, Gardeners Road on Friday 23 February from 1pm. Contact: 9575 5336.

Piano Play for Toddlers and Babies offers group music classes for children aged nine months and over on Wednesday mornings. Singing, dancing and hands on piano play. Contact: 0402 026 446.

Ormond Angling Club meets at 462 North Road, Ormond on the first and third Wednesday of the month from 8pm. Male, female and junior membership welcome. Contact: Walter 0400 508 330.

Melbourne Begonia Society meets at Bentleigh Primary School, Tucker Road every second month beginning Saturday 17 February from 1.30pm. New members welcome. Contact: Tricia 9557 7756 or Lesley 9570 6822.

Glen Eira Cheltenham Art Group holds classes in all mediums at Moorleigh Village, 92 Bignell Road, Bentleigh East from Tuesday to Saturday each week. New members welcome. Contact: Jill 9579 0967 or club rooms 9563 7621.

Ladies Elsternwick Probus Club meets at Gladys Machin Hall on the first Monday of each month from 9.45am. All visitors welcome. Contact: Madge 0509 5843.

COMMUNITY

Social Support and Monitoring Service requires volunteers to assist elderly or disabled people with shopping, transport and companionship. Contact: Susan 9524 3314.

Wesley Do Care requires volunteers to accompany older people to a monthly lunch or film group and/or to visit older person at home for social support. Contact: Janet 9569 3488.

Glen Eira AFC is recruiting new players. Match day helpers and supporters are welcome to join the club. Contact: Matt 0413 419 352 or www.gleneiraamateurfootballclubinc.com/

Glen Eira Adult Learning Centre provides accredited English as a Second Language classes. A range of computer classes for beginners to intermediate learners are also available. Contact: 8578 8996.

ADVERTISING IN THE GLEN EIRA NEWS

Are you looking to reach the Glen Eira community? Glen Eira City Council offers paid advertising space in its monthly newspaper — the *Glen Eira News*.

The newspaper reaches more than 124,000 residents each month through 56,000 households and businesses. It is a highly regarded publication, especially by the local community, for its attractive presentation and informative features on Council services and events.

The *Glen Eira News* offers a variety of advertising opportunities — colour and mono — with our standard advertisement size being 1 column (62.5mm) wide by 11cm deep.

For further information, a schedule of rates and bookings contact 9524 3447.



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Monash University seeks volunteers to take part in *The International Student Friendship Program*. The program matches international students with locals from the community for the purpose of cross cultural friendships. Contact: Renee 9905 3186.

Ormond-McKinnon Community Bank® Branch steering committee will commence an awareness campaign in February for the proposed Ormond-McKinnon Community Bank® Branch. Support the campaign by completing and returning a pledge form. Contact: Alan Winn 9362 8380.

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FEBRUARY

McKinnon Public Hall
118 McKinnon Road, McKinnon
Monday 5 February 10am–11am

Glen Eira Town Hall Auditorium (entry via Glen Eira Road)
Corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield
Tuesday 6 February 6pm–7pm
Tuesday 13 February 9.30am–10.15am

Carnegie Library
7 Shepparson Avenue, Carnegie
Wednesday 14 February
1.30pm–2.30pm

municipality each month.

The immunisation session schedule is published monthly in the *GE News* and is also available from the Council's Service Centre or online at www.gleneira.vic.gov.au

Packer Park
Leila Road, Carnegie
Monday 19 February 10am–11am

Bentleigh East
Bentleigh-Bayside Community Health Centre
Gardeners Road, Bentleigh East
Wednesday 21 February 6pm–7pm
Saturday 24 February 9.30am–10.30am

Glen Huntly Maternal and Child Health Centre
Corner Royal and Rosedale Avenues, Glen Huntly
Wednesday 28 February from 9.30am–11am

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- Introduction Photoshop Elements: Starts 24 April \$82
- Basic Bookkeeping: Starts 8 May \$83
- Study & Employment Skills for Women: 9 May \$76
- Tai Chi for Beginners: Starts 13 February \$65
- English as a Second Language: Start 27 February & 1 March \$105
- Conversational English: Starts 15 February \$98

For more information and bookings
Phone: 9596 8643
House open 10am – 4pm Tues–Wed–Thurs
During school terms

What's coming up in business

Glen Eira Women's Business Network — be brave, courageous, have fun and succeed in 2007

Learn how success can be achieved by overcoming the sometimes paralysing fear of growing a business. Marcia Griffin will share her journey and provide tips on how to be brave and draw on your inner courage. Marcia will also talk about how she developed tools and skills to overcome periods of doubt, which lead her to commitment.

Marcia was the inaugural winner of the *Telstra Victorian Business Woman of the Year Award* in 1995. She is the founder of POLA Cosmetics Australian and New Zealand, a multi-million dollar cosmetic business with 4700 representatives. Marcia is also one of only a few Caucasian women in the world to have headed up a Japanese company, a \$3 billion company based in Tokyo.

The first Women's Business Network meeting of 2007 will be held in the Caulfield Cup Room, Glen Eira Town

Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield, on Thursday 15 February at 7pm (networking and supper on arrival). Meeting will commence at 7.30pm. Bookings essential and the cost is \$15 (includes light refreshments). To register, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

Selecting a retail location workshop

The workshop will:

- show you how to research demographics to benefit your business;
- explain what location will meet your needs;
- explain which will work — shopping centre vs shopping strip; and
- discuss what you need to include in your lease (eg. disclosure statements).

The workshop will be held in the Caulfield Cup Room, Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield, on Monday 19 February from 8.45am (9am start) to 12.30pm. Bookings essential and the cost is \$30 (includes light refreshments).

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

ATO — home-based business and simplified tax system.

The Australian Tax Office (ATO) presentation is designed to give you an awareness of the tax issues specific to running a home-based business and the simplified tax system. The presentation will be held in the Caulfield Cup Room, Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield, on Tuesday 20 February from 8.45am (9am start) to 12pm. Bookings essential and the cost is \$10 (includes light refreshments). To register, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

Introduction to Strategic Business Planning Seminar

If you're ready to take the next step in growing your business, an *Under New Management* seminar will help you make smart decisions. The seminar will help you understand the importance of setting a vision, determining the company culture and how to put together a one page business plan. The presentation will be held in the Caulfield Cup Room, Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield, on Wednesday 28 February from 6.15pm (6.30pm start) to 8.30pm. Bookings essential and the cost is \$20 (includes light refreshments). To register, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

Retail Leases Act 2003 Seminar

This seminar will:

- outline of the *Retail Leases Act 2003*;
- explain disclosure statements;
- discuss the role of the Small Business Commissioner;



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NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR VOLUNTEER SCHEME

Nominations are now open for the 2007 Glen Eira City Council Volunteer Recognition Scheme.

Not-for-profit community based organisations are invited to nominate volunteers who have contributed 500, 1,000 or 2,000 hours of service or have provided 10 or more years of continuous service.

Winners will be announced during National Volunteers Week in May at an awards recognition ceremony.

Nominations close on Friday 16 March at 5pm.

Further information and nomination forms are available from the Council's Service Centre or from www.gleneira.vic.gov.au



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- provide information about unfair conduct; and
- inform people about how to find extra support services.

The seminar will be held in the Caulfield Cup Room, Glen Eira Town Hall corner, Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield, on Thursday 8 March from 6.30pm (6.45pm start) to 8.45pm. Bookings essential and the cost is \$20 (includes light refreshments). To register, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.



The Women's Business Network assists and supports women in business.

BusEd dinner seminar series 2007

The 2007 BusEd dinner seminar series will provide attendees with an understanding of how current environmental, economic and scientific evidence will effect the way they need to approach their business in the future.

Hosted by Glen Eira City Council, in conjunction with Monash University, the seminar series will provide information and practical examples on:

- how businesses are finding practical solutions to help overcome the environmental challenges they face in the future; and
- how environmental challenges can potentially turn into real business opportunities and large cost savings.

Four fantastic speakers are lined up for the first seminar of the year and include:

Jeff McLean — What's in it for you: why sustainability brings a win-win outcome

This presentation is designed to give an understanding of the big picture and how current evidence in the *Stern Report* will:

- have practical implications at personal and business levels; and
- why introducing environment impact into business plans will bring win-win outcomes.

The *Stern Report* is a report on the effect of global warming and climate change on the world economy and was compiled by British economist, Sir Nicholas Stern.

Green Steps helping business — Michael Fendely and Emma Angelsey

Michael and Emma will outline the *Green Steps* program, which is a framework and process for finding solutions to saving waste, money and the environment.

Kate Nicolazzo — Grow Me The Money program

The Victorian Employer's Chamber of Commerce and Industries (VECCI) and the Environment Protection Authority's (EPA) *Grow Me The Money* program is designed to help businesses increase profits by reducing input and operating costs associated with energy, water, solid waste, wastewater, exhaust emissions, noise and material consumption. Kate

will present an outline of the program, which is currently being piloted in the Goulburn Valley, Melbourne CBD and western metropolitan region.

Mark Copely of AE Copely Repetition Engineers and Brendan Drew from Oilspill Recovery will join Kate in presenting their stories of innovation and savings.

The dinner will be held at the Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield, on Thursday 29 March from 6pm (6.30pm start) to 9.30pm.

Bookings essential and the cost is \$30 (includes canapés and dinner). To register, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

Награды за выдающиеся достижения и лидерские качества

В прошлом месяце, во время торжественного завтрака, посвященного Дню Австралии, муниципальный совет Glen Eira вручал ежегодные премии – Гражданин года, Молодой гражданин года и Общественная группа года.

Гражданин года — Heather Welsh

В 1970-х годах Heather начала свою общественную работу в области защиты животных. Она занимала различные должности в организации RSPCA, в том числе должность президента. Юрист по профессии, Heather внесла неоценимый вклад в дело защиты животных.

Молодой гражданин года — Christopher Anderson

Christopher вступил в организацию скаутов – Cub Scouts – в 1991г., и за прошедшие 15 лет достиг звания Rover. Когда ему исполнилось 18 лет, Christopher получил полное звание Cub Scout Leader. В настоящее время он является помощником руководителя Cub Scout в 5th North Moorabbin Scout Group; он также Rover в команде Ettamogah Rover.

Общественная группа года — Клуб атлетики Glen Huntly

Клуб атлетики Glen Huntly отметил свое 85-летие в 2006г., и по-прежнему является одним из самых успешных и известных клубов в Австралии. Члены клуба участвуют в мероприятиях на местном, общенациональном и международном уровне. По количеству членов клуб занимает первое место в штате Виктория.

Другие успешные кандидаты

Гражданин года — Shirley Cornish, Michele Papillo и Shmuel Rosenkranz;
Молодой гражданин года — Liam McAuliffe, Cassandra Moore и Mark Steisser;
Общественная группа года — Neighbourhood Watch Glen Eira, Posh Opp Shoppe и DJ Coakley East Bentleigh Senior Citizens Club.

Орден Австралии в 2007г.

Муниципалитет поздравляет Algirdas Simkus и Margaret Muirhead из East Bentleigh, а также Stan Marks из Caulfield South, которые были награждены Орденом Австралии – Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) – в 2007г.

Premi a riconoscimento di conquiste sociali e di leadership di successo

Il Consiglio Comunale di Glen Eira ha tenuto il mese scorso, durante una prima colazione per festeggiare l'Australia Day, l'annuale presentazione dei premi a cittadini e gruppi comunitari meritevoli - i premi Citizen e Young Citizen of the Year e Community Group of the Year.

Cittadino dell'Anno — Heather Welsh

Heather iniziò negli anni 70 ad operare senza retribuzione in campo comunitario in qualità di patrocinatore comunitario per la protezione animali. Durante la propria carriera ha ricoperto numerosi incarichi all'interno della RSPCA, incluso quello di Presidente, esercitando le proprie capacità di patrocinio e formazione in materia legale a beneficio di numerose cause e questioni comunitarie.

Giovane Cittadino dell'Anno — Christopher Anderson

Dopo l'iscrizione ai Cub Scouts nel 1991, nell'arco degli ultimi 15 anni Christopher ha dato scalata ai vari ranghi fino a raggiungere quello di Rover. Con il compimento del 18° anno di età, Christopher ha conseguito l'abilitazione di Leader del Cub Scout e occupa attualmente il rango di Assistente Leader del Cub Scout presso il 5° Gruppo Scout di North Moorabbin e quello di Rover nella squadra Ettamogah Rover.

Gruppo Comunitario dell'Anno — Glen Huntly Athletics Club

Il club di atletica Glen Huntly Athletics Club ha festeggiato nel 2006 l'85° anniversario dalla fondazione e continua a distinguersi come uno tra i più noti e famosi club d'Australia. Il Club vanta rappresentanti a livello locale, statale, nazionale e internazionale e possiede la più ampia lista di soci del Victoria.

Altri candidati di alto calibro

Cittadino dell'Anno — Shirley Cornish, Michele Papillo e Shmuel Rosenkranz;
Giovane Cittadino dell'Anno — Liam McAuliffe, Cassandra Moore e Mark Steisser; e
Gruppo Comunitario dell'Anno — il gruppo del Neighbourhood Watch di Glen Eira, il Posh Opp Shoppe e l'organizzazione sociale DJ Coakley East Bentleigh Senior Citizens Club.

Lista d'Onore Australia Day 2007

Algirdas Simkus e Margaret Muirhead di East Bentleigh, e Stan Marks di Caulfield South sono stati nominati per la Lista d'Onore Australia Day 2007. Il Comune ha l'onore di congratularsi con i suddetti partecipanti per il conseguimento della medaglia onorifica Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM).

Βραβεία αναγνωρίζουν σημαντικές επιτυχίες και ηγετικά προσόντα

Η Δημαρχία Δήμου Glen Eira απένευσε τα ετήσια βραβεία του Δημότη και Νέου Δημότη της Χρονιάς και Κοινοτικού Συλλόγου της Χρονιάς κατά τη διάρκεια πρωινού για την Ημέρα Αυστραλίας τον περασμένο μήνα.

Δημότης της Χρονιάς — Heather Welsh

Στη δεκαετία του 1970, η Heather άρχισε να προσφέρει κοινωνικό έργο ως αμισθί κοινοτικός συνήγορος για την πρόνοια των ζώων. Κατέλαβε πολλές θέσεις στο RSPCA, περιλαμβανομένου και της θέσης της Προέδρου και από τότε έχει προσφέρει τις δικηγορικές της ικανότητες και τη νομική της εκπαίδευση για το όφελος πολλών σκοπών και ζητημάτων.

Νέος Δημότης της Χρονιάς — Christopher Anderson

Ο Christopher γράφτηκε στους Προσκόπους το 1991 και στα τελευταία 15 χρόνια ανέβηκε στην ιεραρχία για να γίνει Πρόσκοπος (Ρόβερ). Από τότε που έγινε 18 χρονών, ο Christopher έχει γίνει πλήρως εκπαιδευμένος Αρχηγός Προσκόπων και τώρα είναι Βοηθός Αρχηγού Προσκόπων στο 5° Σύστημα Προσκόπων North Moorabbin και Ρόβερ στην ομάδα Ettamogah Rover.

Κοινοτικός Σύλλογος της Χρονιάς — Αθλητικός Σύλλογος Glen Huntly

Ο Αθλητικός Σύλλογος Glen Huntly γιόρτασε την 85η επέτειο το 2006 και συνεχίζει να είναι ένας απ' τους γνωστότερους και πιο επιτυχημένους συλλόγους στην Αυστραλία. Ο Σύλλογος εκπροσωπείται σε τοπικό, εθνικό και διεθνές επίπεδο και έχει τα περισσότερα μέλη στη Βικτώρια.

Άλλοι πολύ αξιόλογοι υποψήφιοι

Δημότης της Χρονιάς – Shirley Cornish, Michele Papillo και Shmuel Rosenkranz,
Νέος Δημότης της Χρονιάς – Liam McAuliffe, Cassandra Moore και Mark Steisser, και
Κοινοτικός Σύλλογος της Χρονιάς – Επαγρύπνηση Γειτονιάς Glen Eira, Posh Opp Shoppe και Σύλλογος Ηλικιωμένων DJ Coakley East Bentleigh.

Κατάλογος Τιμώμενων Προσώπων για την Ημέρα Αυστραλίας 2007

Οι Algirdas Simkus και Margaret Muirhead από το East Bentleigh και Stan Marks από το Caulfield South κατονομάστηκαν στον Κατάλογο Τιμώμενων Προσώπων για την Ημέρα Αυστραλίας 2007. Η Δημαρχία θα ήθελε να τους συγχαρεί για την απονομή του Μεταλλίου Τιμής Αυστραλίας (Order of Australia - OAM)

表彰傑出的成就和領導才能

在上個月舉行的澳大利亞國慶節早餐會上，Glen Eira 市政府頒發了“年度最佳市民獎”、“年度最佳青年市民獎”和“年度最佳社區團體獎”。

年度最佳市民獎 — Heather Welsh

早在二十世紀七十年代，Heather 就開始為了動物的利益作為無報酬的社區代言人從事社區工作。她在皇家動物保護協會 (RSPCA) 擔任過多種職務並曾任主席一職，此後她在代言工作中發揮自己的特長，並運用法律知識促進了許多方面的工作。

年度最佳青年市民獎 — Christopher Anderson

Christopher 於 1991 年加入俱樂部童子軍，在過去的15年中他逐步升級到大齡童子軍。Christopher 年滿 18 歲後成為受過全面訓練的俱樂部童子軍領袖，目前任第 5 North Moorabbin 童子軍團助理俱樂部童子軍團長和 Ettamogah 大齡童子軍團中的大齡童子軍。

年度最佳社區團體獎 — Glen Huntly 田徑俱樂部

Glen Huntly 田徑俱樂部於 2006 年慶祝了俱樂部建立 85 周年，它也是澳洲最著名和最成功的俱樂部之一。該俱樂部成員參加過地方、州、全國和國際比賽，也是維州成員最多的俱樂部。

其他被提名者

年度最佳市民獎 — Shirley Cornish、Michele Papillo 和 Shmuel Rosenkranz；
年度最佳青年市民獎 — Liam McAuliffe、Cassandra Moore 和 Mark Steisser；
年度最佳社區團體獎 — Glen Eira 街坊聯防、Posh Opp Shoppe 和 DJ Coakley East Bentleigh 高齡公民俱樂部

2007年澳大利亞國慶節榮譽名單

East Bentleigh的Algirdas Simkus 和 Margaret Muirhead及Caulfield South的 Stan Marks被列入2007年澳大利亞國慶節榮譽名單。市政府祝賀他們榮獲澳大利亞勳章 (OAM)。

WATER RESTRICTIONS AND SPORTSGROUNDS INFORMATION EVENING

Wednesday 7 February 2007

6.30pm (registration) for 7pm start
Glen Eira Town Hall, Theatrette (ground floor)
Corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield

Glen Eira City Council is providing a free information evening for Glen Eira sports clubs — with summer or winter sports ground allocations — to discuss Melbourne's water restrictions and the affect on clubs.

The evening will include various guest speakers including a presentation from South East Water.

Melbourne Water recommends that all enquiries relating to tennis, bowls and croquet greens be referred to the relevant sport association.

All enquiries regarding the information evening should be directed to Recreation Services on 9524 3470.



GLEN EIRA CITY COUNCIL

COMMUNITYCONSULTATION

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
Proposed spray paint ban	Comments and Submissions	Closes 28 February 2007	Manager — Engineering Assets 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

Rotary Club of Elsternwick supports Hopetoun Gardens

The Hopetoun Gardens Interpretive Tree Walk brochure has an exciting new look thanks to Glen Eira City Council Recreation Services and the Rotary Club of Elsternwick.

Rotary Club of Elsternwick President Bill Matthews said assisting Council with the redevelopment of the brochure was a fantastic opportunity to support the local community.

“Financing the redevelopment of the brochure was just one way the Club could put something back into the City of Glen Eira,” Mr Matthews said.

The Hopetoun Gardens Interpretive Tree Walk is not so much an historical trail, but rather an informative exploration. This relaxing walk around the tranquil Hopetoun Gardens will delight the biologist at heart and allows you to discover and learn about 12 different trees. While some trees may be familiar, there is some interesting history and biology about the trees that will surprise you.



Gerry Fitzgerald, Robert Green and Bill Matthews from the Rotary Club of Elsternwick.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

The Rotary Club of Elsternwick has been operating since May 1997. In the past the Club has supported various community projects, including sponsoring local youths to attend youth leadership programs conducted by Rotary

International and sending hospital beds, exercise books and pencils to East Timor.

For a copy of the brochure, contact the Council's Services Centre on 9524 3333 or TTY: 9524 3496.

New birdie cage at Allnutt Park

A new golf birdie cage was completed at Allnutt Park, Bentleigh, in December.

The cage, which is one of 10 within the City of Glen Eira, is open every day and is available free to all residents.

The birdie cage is totally enclosed with a pad to hit off from and a net to hit into. For safety reasons, only one person is allowed in the facility at anytime.

Birdie cages are located at:

- Allnutt Park, Bentleigh (Melway 68 C11);
- Bailey Reserve, Bentleigh East (Melway 68 K12);
- Caulfield Park, Caulfield (Melway 59 C12);
- Centenary Park, Bentleigh East (Melway 78 B3);
- EE Gunn Reserve, Ormond (Melway 68 E7);
- King George VI Memorial Reserve, Bentleigh East (Melway 77 K3);
- Koornang Park, Carnegie (Melway 68 H6);
- McKinnon Reserve, McKinnon (Melway 68 G11);
- Packer Park, Carnegie (Melway 68 J8); and
- Victory Park, Bentleigh (Melway 77 C2)

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

Dive in movie anyone?

The moonlight cinema experience is coming to the City of Glen Eira this month, with the return of Dive In Movie sessions. Watch a movie on the big screen while relaxing in or out of the pool.

Dive In Movie sessions will be held at: Bentleigh East Swim Centre on Saturday 10 February; and Caulfield Swim Centre on Saturday 17 February.

Normal pool prices apply.

For further information, contact Bentleigh East Swim Centre on 9570 7394 or Caulfield Swim Centre on 9571 8143.

Packer Playground on the mend

Rebuilding of Packer Park Playground has commenced, following a deliberately lit fire in November.

The fire damaged more than 30 per cent of the Leila Road playground, including playground equipment, rubber under surfacing and a significant tree.

Following the fire, Glen Eira City Council officers worked in conjunction with playground manufactures to reinstate part of the playground and remove all damaged equipment, rubber under surfacing and mulch.

The playground was then assessed and reopened prior to Christmas. Planning

is now underway to replace all damaged equipment, with works expected to be completed by March.

Packer Park is one of Glen Eira's most popular parks and has won a national award for its design and access for all abilities.

If anyone knows any information about this incident or notices suspicious behaviour around any of Glen Eira's parks, contact the Caulfield Police on 9524 9500.

Rebuilding of Packer Park Playground (right) has commenced, following a deliberately lit fire in November.



Free parenting seminar

As part of National Youth Week 2007, Glen Eira City Council Youth Services will be hosting a free parenting seminar.

To be held on Wednesday 18 April at the Caulfield Town Hall, this fun and informative seminar will provide parents with information on issues effecting today's youth and provide ideas on new skills that can be used to assist with positive parenting in the home.

Guest speaker for the event will be clinical Psychologist, Andrew Fuller. Dr Fuller, who specialises in the wellbeing

and resilience of young people and their families, has worked with many schools and communities around Australia. He is the author of many books including *Help Your Child Succeed At School*, *Raising Real People*, *From Surviving To Thriving*, *Work Smarter Not Harder* and *Beating Bullies*.

For further information or to register for the seminar, contact Council's Youth Information Centre on 9579 7963, email youthservices@gleneira.vic.gov.au or drop in at the Centre, 202A East Boundary Road, East Bentleigh.

YOUTH NEWS

Supporting Glen Eira youth

Glen Eira City Council's new Youth Information Centre was officially opened in November.

The Centre, which is ideally placed to become a hub for young people, provides a safe and friendly environment for young people seeking youth worker support.

The Centre is within one kilometre of Bentleigh and McKinnon Secondary schools, as well as Bailey Reserve Skate Park.

Council's Youth Services offers support services for young people aged 10 to 25 with a significant link to municipality.

Youth workers are available to assist young people with a range of topics, such as family conflict, issues at school, accommodation and drug and alcohol referrals to name but a few.

Youth Workers are available for individual support as well as assistance in making referrals to other specialist services where required.

For further information, contact the Youth Information Centre on 9579 7963 or call in visit the Centre at Bailey Reserve, 202A East Boundary Road, East Bentleigh.



Sounds of Harmony

The City of Glen Eira is home to many people from different cultures.

To celebrate this diversity, Glen Eira City Council's annual *Sounds of Harmony* concert will be held on Sunday 18 February at Caulfield Park, Caulfield, from 2pm to 5pm.

The *Sounds of Harmony* concert will showcase the many sounds and cultural expressions of African, Polish, Japanese, Greek, and Sri Lankan communities. Songs of faith from both Christian

and Judaic religious traditions will also be shared.

The concert will bring together both local and professional performers from diverse cultural backgrounds to express their cultural heritage and experience to a broader audience.

Performers at the festival include the Nuer Community of South Sudan, Sinhala Cultural Society, *Liron Choir*, *Central Shule Choir*, *Caulfield Junior College* and the *Polish Seniors Women's Choirs*.

Sounds of Harmony will also feature Japanese music of Noriko Tadono and Sayuri Kita playing the shamisen. *HaBiBis* will play intoxicating music from Greece and the Mediterranean, while the *Southern Sudanese Choir* will delight onlookers with gospel music. *Inka Marka* will also be popular with their infectious brand of Andean music, which will feature both traditional and contemporary sounds from Bolivia, Peru, Ecuador and Chili.

So bring a picnic, rug and enjoy a free afternoon of entertainment.

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



Sounds of Harmony will feature Japanese music of Noriko Tadono.

Party in the Park

Glen Eira City Council would like to invite all members of the community to enjoy Party in the Park — a free, all-ages community event held in the beautiful surrounds of Allnutt Park, Bentleigh.

To be held on Sunday 18 March from 12pm to 4pm, *Party in the Park* is a celebration of the City of Glen Eira's artistic vibrancy and cultural diversity through music, dance, performance and participation.

TimTim will host the event while

also entertaining with his show of masterful juggling, balloon creations and cheeky fun.

There will be a range of art and craft activities and workshops for all to enjoy, including puppet-making with the Polyglot team, mask-making with Enviro Craft, and painting workshops. Other activities include a jumping castle, animal farm and much more.

For further information, watch out for the March edition of the *Glen Eira News* or contact the Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.



There will be something for the whole family at Party in the Park.

Photo: STA Photography.

EXHIBITIONS

Glen Eira City Council Gallery Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield. Phone: 9524 3333

Opening hours: Monday–Friday 10am–5pm, Saturday, Sunday and public holidays 1pm–5pm **Free admission**

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE GLEN EIRA CITY COUNCIL COLLECTION

Viewing to 11 February

This vibrant exhibition of artwork is drawn from the permanent collection of Glen Eira City Council. The exhibition features a range work by some of Australia's most significant artists including Howard Arkley, Charles Blackman, Arthur Boyd, Jon Cattapan, Ivan Durrant, Leonard French, George Johnson, Felix Tuszynski and Fred Williams.



Ivan Durrant — 3 Jockeys, 1975, Acrylic on board.

BETWEEN WATER AND EARTH — SARAH REARK

Viewing from 25 January to 11 February



Sarah Reark — Winter Canopy, 2005, mixed media and oil on canvas.

Between Water and Earth is a new body of paintings and drawings inspired by the Australian landscape. Artist Sarah Reark immerses herself in the Australian bush in order to develop a new way of seeing and understanding our place within the natural environment.

Sarah's paintings are the result of intensive periods spent drawing and collecting source materials. The multi-panel works and drawings are Sarah's way of evoking the individual's sense of place within their environment.

Between Water and Earth will be officially opened by the Director of Gippsland Gallery Anton Vardy at 6pm Wednesday 24 January.

FROM THE OXUX TO THE INDUS — THE COLLECTION OF ALEXANDRA AND LEIGH COPELAND

Viewing from 15 February to 4 March

Alexandra and Leigh Copeland have been collecting carpets, kilims and textiles from their travels throughout Asia and the Middle East since 1972, with many of these works subsequently acquired by the National Gallery of Australia, the Powerhouse Museum and the National Gallery of Victoria.

The Oxus River, now known as the Amu Darya, forms part of the northern boundary of Afghanistan. The Indus River valley is the natural boundary of the sub-continent of India. The carpets and textiles in Alexandra and Leigh



Textiles from the collection of Alexandra and Leigh Copeland.

Copeland's 2007 exhibition have all been collected in the area bounded by these two river valleys.

Featured *From the Oxux to the Indus* is a fine collection of old and antique knotted carpets and an unusual collection of traditional felt work, known as namad, traditionally been used in tent and horse trappings. Other works featured include quilts, embroideries, weavings and many other rare and unusual textiles

From the Oxux to the Indus will be officially opened at 6pm Wednesday 14 February.