

## Proactive approach to anaphylaxis

**Glen Eira City Council's Family and Children's Services is taking a proactive approach to the most severe form of allergic reaction — childhood anaphylaxis.**

Council's four children's centres have implemented a three-pronged approach in the effort to identify, minimise and manage the risk of an anaphylactic reaction occurring while children are in care.

According to the Department of Human Services, anaphylaxis affects up to two per cent of the general population and up to five per cent of children.

Peanuts, tree nuts, milk, eggs and bee stings or other insect stings are all common triggers of anaphylaxis and can cause severe allergic reactions, from the swelling of the tongue and throat to loss of consciousness.

Council's Manager Family and Children Services Lili James said research has indicated that the number of children who have allergies is increasing.

"Because children attending our centres are very young, it is more important than ever for professionals caring for children not only to be aware of signs of allergies, but to know what to do if an anaphylactic reaction occurs," Ms James said.

### Identifying the risk

Ms James said the enrolment interview is where the risk of anaphylaxis is identified and the education process for carers, parents and guardians commences.

"A checklist for children at risk of anaphylaxis is discussed, completed and signed and the parent or guardian is made aware of Council's anaphylaxis practices," Ms James said.

"If the child has been medically diagnosed as being at risk of anaphylaxis, a medical management plan and letter detailing the child's allergies will be requested to be provided by the parent or guardian."

Ms James said an *Anaphylaxis Risk*

*Minimisation Plan* has also recently been developed. The *Plan* identifies all children at risk of anaphylaxis and has been modelled on the Department of Human Services's *Plan*.

"This *Plan* will assist the centre to minimise risks to all children with allergies while in Council's care," Ms James said.

### Minimising the risk

Ms James said Council's centres are working with all parents and guardians in the effort to minimise the risk of an anaphylactic reaction occurring.

"This has resulted in Council implementing a number of strategies, from all parents receiving a copy of the new anaphylaxis procedure, to reminding the parent or guardian to wash their child's hands on arrival," Ms James said.

Other strategies include:

- close supervision of all meal times;
- informing parents that foods containing nuts or nut products, such as Nutella and peanut butter, are not to be brought to the centre; and
- preventing food sharing amongst children.

### Managing the risk

According to Anaphylaxis Australia, anaphylactic fatalities more often occur away from home and are associated with either not using or a delay in the use of an EpiPen — an intra-muscular injection of adrenaline which is used to treat severe anaphylactic reactions.

Ms James said at all Council children's centres, at least one staff member with anaphylaxis and EpiPen training is rostered on each day.

"The EpiPen training is included as part of their CPR training," Ms James said.

"As well as training, regular staff meetings are also held to inform staff of emergency procedures, when to check the EpiPen expiry date, and most importantly, the location of the EpiPen."



**Caulfield Children's Centre Co-ordinator Geraldine McCarthy supervises all children, including Jordana during meal times.**

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

### Credit to Council staff

Mother of two, Lara of Caulfield South said if it wasn't for Council's trained and professional staff, her two and half year old daughter Jordana may have never been diagnosed as being at risk of anaphylaxis until after she suffered an attack.

"Prior to the enrolment interview, we did not know much about anaphylaxis. All we knew was that Jordana once broke out in a rash when her skin came into contact with some peanut butter," Lara told the *Glen Eira News*.

"When we informed Geraldine McCarthy, the Co-ordinator of Caulfield Children's Centre, of Jordana's peanut butter reaction, she suggested we go and get her tested by our local doctor in order to develop a management plan.

"The test results indicated that not only was she highly allergic to peanut butter, but to all nuts and also eggs.

"It was at this time that we became aware of the dangers of anaphylaxis."

### Peace of mind

Lara said the procedures Council has in place, not only for anaphylaxis, but for other issues affecting children, give her peace of mind.

"Thanks to these procedures and the Centre's quality standards, I feel very

comfortable leaving Jordana at the Centre twice a week," Lara said.

"I feel that they are on top of the situation and are well placed to not only avoid any potential problems, but also successfully handle any unforeseen issues that arise."

Lara said when your child is young and unable to say for themselves when they can't eat certain foods, it is essential that they have an adult to speak up on their behalf.

"As parents we fulfil that role most of the time, but when Jordana is at childcare, we know the staff are well placed to fill that role," Lara said.

"I think what Council has in place is terrific and I know Jordana is in a safe environment."

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## What's been happening in Glen Eira?

**With a focus on improving assets and renewing the City's ageing infrastructure, Glen Eira City Council has undertaken a number of projects over the past 12 months.**

To make Glen Eira an even better

place to live, more than \$20 million was allocated to capital works projects in last year's Council budget.

This included funding for the redevelopment of Joyce Park in Ormond, the completion of the new DC Bricker Pavilion at Princes Park in Caulfield South, footpath

replacement and road reconstruction and resurfacing.

The feature on page six and seven of this edition of the *Glen Eira News* will provide a snapshot of these and other projects which have been completed during the last financial year, or are nearing completion. ■



**MAYOR'S  
COLUMN**



**Well, winter is well and truly upon us — an ideal time of the year for cleaning up around the garden, in preparation for the warmer months ahead — and a good way to stay warm. Happy gardening!**

Congratulations to the Oakleigh-Carnegie Sub-Branch RSL which celebrated their 85th Birthday recently, and thanks to the many who have contributed to the Club, (to both the Carnegie and Oakleigh Clubs), over the years.

Taraleigh Steiner Preschool (previously Carnegie Rudolph Steiner Kindergarten) celebrated its official opening in June, after relocating to the Bentleigh East Primary School, and we wish its continued success in its new location.

Thanks to the graduates of Council's Youth Consultative Group (YCG) for your achievements in facilitating the various youth-oriented events, such as *The Big Splash Out* and *Bentleigh East Skate Jam*, over the past year — congratulations on a job well done.

Council's popular *Winter Music Series* continues this month with *Coco's Lunch*, performing on 15 July and *Klezmania*, performing on 29 July. Tickets are available at the door.

For those who missed out on the *Showerhead Exchange Program* at Packer Park, there is still an opportunity to take up the offer, either at Council's Service Centre or at South East Water's office in Heatherton. Simply bring your old showerhead, together with a copy of your South East Water bill, and receive a new 3-star rated showerhead free of charge.

From the 6th-15th July, Council's Gallery has pleasure in presenting Jack Little's fascinating and extensive collection of antique toys. This vast collection features intriguing and historically significant Australian made toys from the early 20th Century, including toy sail boats, construction kits, fire engines, cars, trucks and buses. A must for all ages!

**Cr Margaret Esakoff  
Mayor**

# Capital works that work

**Delivering Glen Eira City Council's annual capital works projects on time, on budget and to a high standard lies in the hands of Co-ordinator Special Projects, Martin Snell.**

Martin's 23 years of experience in civil engineering has assisted Council with its strategy to prioritise asset management and deliver the major infrastructure components of Council's annual capital works program.

Martin, along with a specialist project management unit, ensures that each major project Council undertakes is managed appropriately from the initial design stage, to construction through to handover.

"The Bentleigh Hodgson Reserve and the DC Bricker Pavilion in Princes Park redevelopment are some of the most significant projects that I have managed over the last year," Martin said.

"Both projects were undertaken as a part of Council's ongoing commitment to upgrading the City's parks and pavilions."

Martin said the Bentleigh Hodgson Reserve and DC Bricker Pavilion are key feature redevelopments that are now benefiting the overall community.

"Bentleigh Hodgson Reserve is meeting the needs of both current and future users with new shared pedestrian and



**Co-ordinator Special Projects, Martin Snell.** Photo: Suzi Cvetkoski.

bicycle paths, upgraded playgrounds, better sporting facilities and a new car park," Martin said.

"DC Bricker Pavilion is more accessible and functional with new access for all abilities public toilets, unisex shower facilities and toilets, change rooms and a time keepers' area."

Overseeing projects of such scope requires Martin to regularly meet with various stakeholders and discuss progress.

"Good communication, time and financial management skills and the ability to negotiate are the key to overseeing major works successfully," Martin said.

Martin said the most rewarding part of

his job is seeing the finished product and seeing that the redevelopments will work for the community for years to come.

## Rooms for hire

**Glen Eira City Council's Carnegie Library and Community Centre has rooms available for any type of function, from workshops and seminars to Annual General Meetings and family events.**

Located in Shepperson Avenue, Carnegie, there are four rooms for hire — the Boyd, Perceval, Ross and Koornang Rooms.

The Boyd Room is suitable for seminars, dinner meetings and lectures and seats up to 25 people per room or 85 maximum combined.

The Perceval, Ross and Koornang Rooms are ideally suited for small meetings and presentations, interviews, personal consultations and have the capacity to seat between six and fourteen people respectively.

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

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### DEADLINES

The deadline for next edition (August) of the *Glen Eira News* is Wednesday 11 July for delivery 4 and 5 August.

#### Coming deadlines

The deadline for the September edition of the *Glen Eira News* is Wednesday 8 August for delivery 1 and 2 September.

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

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# Council wins silver for annual report

**Annual reports are the focus of an organisation's accountability back to their citizens, ratepayers and other stakeholders.**

Glen Eira City Council has been recognised for the quality of its reporting by two groups.

The *Australasian Reporting Awards* promote excellence in reporting and are open to all corporations, public sector bodies, charitable and community organisations in Australia and New Zealand. The *Awards* accorded Glen Eira

a *Silver Award* last month for its 2005–06 *Annual Report*.

Other organisations to be awarded silver included the Woolworths and the ANZ Banking Corporation.

Council's annual report was also acknowledged as *Runner Up* of the 79 Councils in Victoria for *Best Reporting of Corporate Governance* and for *Best Annual Report overall* at the *Institute of Chartered Accountants — Municipal Association of Victoria Awards* in May.

Council's Chief Executive Officer Andrew Newton said Council

consistently strived to improve its annual report as part of its commitment to open, honest and transparent reporting to the Glen Eira community.

"Over the past few years we have set out to improve our annual report, so that it discloses a much more detailed account of Council's services, performance and stewardship," he said.

"The recognition is particularly appreciated as the latest annual report

was cheaper, simpler, and produced on CD with a hard copy Highlights booklet."

Copies of Council's 2005–06 *Annual Report* are available from Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

The report can also be downloaded from Council's website at [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au)

## Smokers urged to take more care with cigarette litter

**Smokers need to take more care with their cigarette butts from this month, following the introduction of smoking bans in licensed premises.**

According to Sustainability Victoria, research from overseas and other Australian states indicates the statewide bans in pubs and clubs from 1 July will result in a marked increase in littering in open spaces, such as footpaths.

Cigarette butts are already the most littered item in Victoria, responsible for 56 per cent of our total litter problem.

Glen Eira City Council Manager Waste Management Doug Griffiths said the Government smoking bans in food businesses and shopping centres have resulted not only in more smoking outside, but a significant increase in the number of cigarette butts dropped in Glen Eira streets.

"And now with the introduction of these new bans, the risk is a further increase," Mr Griffiths said.

He said because cigarette butts are

so small and light, they can travel a great distance and end up being washed through our drainage system and into the waterways where they leach poisonous chemicals into the environment as they begin to decompose.

Mr Griffiths said apart from the environmental and ecological factors, piles of cigarette butts dropped outside local pubs and clubs will look terrible and degrade the facility for everyone.

"Council is urging all smokers to do their bit and bin their butts," he said.

"Littering is an offence under *Council's Local Law*. On the spot fines of \$104.80 for unlit cigarette littering and \$209.60 for lit cigarette littering can be issued by Council's Local Law and Environmental Health Officers."

Council's Environmental Health Officers are responsible for enforcing these new laws under the provisions of the *Tobacco Act (1987)*.

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



Following the introduction of smoking bans in licensed premises, cigarette litter is expected to increase.

## News in Brief



Geoff Patience, Felicitie Campbell, Jack Campbell, John Pleydell, Inspector Margaret Lewis, Veronika Martens and Sergeant Michael White at the launch of the *Glen Eira Senior Citizens Risk Register*. Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

### Launch of Glen Eira Senior Citizens Register

Victoria Police launched the *Glen Eira Senior Citizens Register* on 1 July.

The *Register* is maintained by Victoria Police with the support of trained volunteers who contact registered residents regularly to check on their welfare, discuss any security issues and general concerns.

Inspector Margaret Lewis from Caulfield Police Station said the *Register* is an important community safety initiative that will offer valuable peace of mind to many elderly residents living alone within the City.

A home safety audit is also offered to ensure the resident's home has:

- clearly displayed house number;
- working smoke alarm;
- security doors, sensor lighting and deadlocks;
- easy access to emergency telephone numbers; and
- safely placed electrical cords, rugs, mats and furniture pieces.

Residents who register will also be provided with a safety information pack and an identity card. Working in partnership with Community Information Glen Eira, volunteers can also access and pass on any community information on local

services that may be of assistance to the resident and their families.

If you would like to become a volunteer to assist in the operation of the *Senior Citizens Register*, contact Caulfield Police Station on 9524 9500.

### Security Awareness forum

Owners of licensed premises, convenience stores and petrol stations in the Glen Eira area attended a *Security Awareness* forum at Town Hall last month. Conducted by Glen Eira's Crime Prevention Officer, Detectives from Embona and the Caulfield Crime Investigation Unit, the session offered security advice to help minimise the amount of robberies currently occurring in the area. For further information, contact Caulfield Police Station on 9524 9500.

### Queens Birthday 2007 Honours List

John Hocking of Ormond, Harry Lamberth of Carnegie, Norman Maddock of Bentleigh East, Dennis Patisteads of St Kilda East and Kurt Rathner of Caulfield have been named in the Queens Birthday Honours List. Glen Eira City Council would like to congratulate them on being awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM).



## CEO'S COLUMN



**“Location, location, location”** calls the auctioneer, urging bidders to pay more for a property because of what is around it. They are not only bidding for a home, but for a share of the neighbourhood.

Glen Eira City Council is responsible for a great deal of that neighbourhood. Some responsibilities are obvious, such as the safety of Glen Eira's 840 kilometres of footpath.

However, Council is also responsible for less obvious aspects, such as:

- local parks — are they a barren stretch between houses or a haven for family and friends?;
- playgrounds — are they patches of tanbark with tired climbing frames or a delight for young minds and bodies?;
- recreation facilities — are they modern and appealing?; and
- public places — are they equally accessible to all people?

Council is investing in all Glen Eira's neighbourhoods. We are marshalling all available resources and directing them to renewing and improving community facilities and public places.

We are doing this for four reasons:

1. Many of our facilities and infrastructure are old and need to be upgraded.
2. The law is imposing ever increasing duties of care.
3. It will cost less to fix them now than to fix them later.
4. The local neighbourhood will be ever so much more enjoyable when facilities are brought up to modern standards.

Council is working its way through the City's many neighbourhoods in a financially responsible way. Although we are deliberately increasing capital expenditure, we are keeping rates below the average and the costs of day-to-day activities the lowest in the region.

Council is not only building up the physical capital of the City; it is building up the social capital, ensuring a safer and more liveable neighbourhood and a richer quality of life.

**Andrew Newton**  
Chief Executive Officer

## Disability mentoring program looking for participants

**G**len Eira City Council is again running a **Mentoring Program** to assist in leadership development for the disability community.

The *Program* aims to develop leaders in the disability community by matching them with mentors.

In previous years a range of community leaders have offered their time to be mentors, including a Local Member of Parliament, a Chief Executive Officer from a local Disability Support Service, and a Senior Policy advisor from the Department of Victorian Communities.

Council's Director Community Services Peter Jones said the *Program* not only provides people with disabilities the opportunity to develop their leadership skills, but exposes them to community leaders.

“The *Program* also aims to give participants an opportunity to exchange ideas, gain experience and learn about leadership over a two to three month period,” Mr Jones said.

The *Program* is best suited to those who may already be involved in disability issues and



**The Program is looking for participants with a variety of disabilities who can demonstrate they have the desire and the potential to be leaders within the community.**

Photo – Bernie Bickerton.

have a strong desire to assist the disability community.

Last year's participants were enthusiastic about the *Program*, including Darren Kovacs.

“I really enjoyed it and it made me become a leader,” Darren said.

“I am now working as a peer educator, developing a training presentation about the new legislation.

“I will be teaching this to schools and helping other people to understand it.”

If you would like to be involved in the *Program*, please apply as soon as possible as places are limited.

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

## Council acts to increase the level of protection against inappropriate multi-unit development

**T**he Glen Eira community has until 6 August to provide written feedback on Glen Eira City Council's proposed amendment to the *Glen Eira Planning Scheme*.

Amendment C56 proposes to change existing policy and introduce new local policies to help protect existing neighbourhood character areas.

*Glen Eira's Planning Scheme* currently identifies 15 residential areas with significant and special character.

A key focus of the amendment is to add to the level of protection for these significant areas through improved character descriptions and a preferred character statements for each.

Specifically these changes mean that multi-dwellings will only have to satisfy more stringent design considerations in order to be deemed satisfactory.

The 15 *Significant Character Areas* as they are currently defined were selected on the basis they displayed particular consistency in character, were rare or atypical, and maybe under threat from future development:

- The Highway, Bentleigh;

- Chestnut Street, Carnegie;
- McPherson Avenue area, Carnegie;
- Urandaline Grove, Caulfield;
- Queens Avenue Precinct, Caulfield East;
- Normanby Road and Park Crescent, Caulfield North;
- Clarinda Street, Caulfield South;
- Hawthorn Road Tramway Estate, Caulfield South;
- St. James Parade/Downshire Road, Elsternwick;
- Exhibition and Field Streets, McKinnon;
- Lindsay Avenue, Murrumbeena;
- Oakdene Crescent, Murrumbeena;
- Boyd Park Area, Murrumbeena;
- Lydson Street, Murrumbeena; and
- Ulupna Road, Ormond.

Following a review of the 15 areas in October 2006, a *Significant Character Area Practice Guide* was developed.

This *Guide* assists in the understanding of neighbourhood character within the significant character areas and forms the basis of the amendment.

**NOTE:** Amendment C56 does not introduce a permit requirement for single dwellings. The local policy will only come into play where a permit is

already required — e.g for multi-unit developments in a residential one zone.

Any person affected may inspect Amendment C56, any documents supporting the amendment and the explanatory report about the amendment, during office hours at the following locations:

Glen Eira City Council Service Centre — corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield South;

Bentleigh Library — 161 Jasper Road, Bentleigh;

Carnegie Library — 7 Shepperson Avenue, Carnegie;

Caulfield Library — corner Hawthorn and Glen Eira Roads, Caulfield South;

Elsternwick Library — 4 Staniland Grove, Elsternwick; and

Department of Sustainability and Environment — 8 Nicholson Street, East Melbourne

Amendment C56 can also be viewed at [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au)

For further information, contact Council's Strategic Planning Department on 9524 3333.



# The advantage of understanding the changing competitive environment

## More than 100 Glen Eira commercial property owners and managers attended a luncheon at Town Hall.

Held as part of Glen Eira City Council's *Small Business Month*, the luncheon was designed to help attendees develop an understanding of what the predicted demographic changes will mean for investors over the next 10 years.

Council's Business Development Manager Lynda Bredin said the luncheon gave the audience an opportunity to question and share concerns, experiences and strategies.

"Council aims to provide ongoing opportunities for this often silent but influential business sector to network and gain information to assist them in their business endeavours," Ms Bredin said.

Guest speaker at the luncheon, Victorian Head of Consulting of Jones Lang LaSalle Nerida Conisbee, presented an insight into why understanding demographics is important and how it will impact on the mix of businesses needed in commercial centres to effectively compete with surrounding areas.



Victorian Head of Consulting of Jones Lang LaSalle Nerida Conisbee.

She said strategies for Generation Y should allow for higher risk as this group is very much a part of the fast moving technological world. They will be unproven retailers with a demanding unpredictable market.

"For Generation Y retailing, allow for flexibility in your lease structures and tenancy size and be prepared for change."

Ms Conisbee said managing the changing demographic requires a collective commercial strategy to ensure the success of the commercial centres.

"Linking in with community resources such as local council and traders groups can assist you in understanding the current activities within the centres," she said.

## Calendar of events

### Glen Eira Women's Business Network meeting — *Managing the life blood of your business*

**Date:** Thursday 19 July  
**Time:** 7pm–9pm  
(light supper and networking on arrival)

**Where:** Caulfield Cup Room, Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield

**Cost:** \$15  
**RSVP:** Tuesday 17 July on 9524 3333

Co-presented by Christine Kaine, Director of Business Angels Pty Ltd and Jan Barned, Finance, Treasury and Risk Consultant, *Managing the life blood of your business* is designed to help business owners manage their cashflow.

The session will help you understand the importance of cashflow to your business and what are the key drivers, how to improve your business, design operational activities to help you to proactively manage your cash, and how to identify problems early.

Christine, who started Business Angels 15 years ago, will address attendees on how she has helped businesses survive and manage their growing pains through her matching service, while Jan will give a lively, interactive presentation that will provide you with the tools to approach cashflow management with improved confidence.

### BusEd Dinner seminar series — linking business and education

**When:** Thursday 26 July  
**Time:** 6pm for 6.30pm start  
(networking and canapés on arrival)  
**Where:** The Auditorium, Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira

and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield  
**Cost:** \$30 (includes dinner and refreshments)  
**RSVP:** Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333

With a presentation by Monash University Course Director for Retailing Michael Morrison, learn about worldwide retailing practices to help boost profits and strengthen the health and prosperity of your business and the local economy.

Michael's works as a consumer trends expert focuses on the changing nature of the retail landscape and the consequent changes in the retail shopping experience.

Michael has worked with, and presented to, numerous Australian retailers and associations including Gloria Jean's Coffees, Boost Juice Bars, Coles Supermarkets, IGA, Foodworks, Myer, Boroondara City Council, Adair Marketing, Parmalat and Salmat.



### Footpath trading guidelines information session

**Date:** Monday 30 July  
**Time:** 5.45pm (6pm start)  
**Where:** Caulfield Cup Room, Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield

**RSVP:** Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 (Bookings are essential)

The footpath trading guidelines information session is designed to assist footpath traders in understanding the new guidelines, how to comply, and how to complete their application before the 1 January 2008 enforcement date.

Ms Conisbee's presentation focused on three age groups:

Baby Boomers — 44–59.  
Generation X — 29–43; and  
Generation Y — 14–28.

Ms Conisbee said baby boomers represent 20 per cent of the population and 40 per cent of the wealth.

"The empty nesters have high levels of home ownership, love to shop, have a focus on health, food, travel, fashion, and leisure, and are placed to receive significant inheritance over the next 10 to 20 years.

"Generation X prefers the strip shopping centre, they reject brands, have the highest income and are heading to peak earning years, they have no free time and have a focus on the home.

"Generation Y is the greatest retail challenge. This culturally diverse group, practices promiscuous shopping, embraces brands and is technologically savvy."



Commissioner for Small Business Mark Brennan.

Commissioner for Small Business Mark Brennan also addressed the luncheon and provided an overview of his office's effective and cost efficient services in mediating property and business disputes.

## Assisting and supporting women in business

The Glen Eira Women's Business Network is a business education, information and networking forum for women in business.

Held at Glen Eira Town Hall on the third Thursday each month from 7pm to 9pm, the Network continues to grow and currently has approximately 400 registered members.

The meetings are held from February to November and around 60 women aged from 20–60 attend each month.

Dates remaining for 2007 are 19 July, 16 August, 20 September, 18 October and 15 November. Bookings are essential.

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





**Before the redevelopment works took place.** Photo: Tracy Cassidy.

## Joyce Park — Ormond

**The redevelopment of Joyce Park in Ormond will ensure the park better meets the community's needs.**

The upgrade, which is part of Council's ongoing commitment to upgrade the City's parks in line with its open space strategy, 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.

The redevelopment is the result of a lengthy master plan development process, which has involved extensive consultation with residents, park users, sporting clubs and community groups.

### All abilities playground at Joyce Park

The new all abilities playground was completed in October 2006 and features a space theme to inspire Glen Eira's younger residents to reach for the stars.

The new equipment also includes new slides, a climbing space net and a triple swing. A pommel walk has also been installed.

Shade sails have also been placed directly over the playground also reduce the harmful effects of the Australian sun. ■



**The completed project: the new all abilities playground includes a new slide and a climbing space net.**

Photo: Tracy Cassidy.

## Redevelopment of Bentleigh Hodgson Reserve

**Council celebrated the opening of the redeveloped Bentleigh Hodgson Reserve in October 2006.**

Some of the many refurbishments include:

- an outdoor fitness equipment pod;
- improved park lighting;
- upgraded cricket nets;
- upgrade to existing playground;

- snakes and ladders activity area;
- two informal picnic and barbecue areas, including rotundas;
- a new 2.5 kilometre sealed pedestrian path; and
- new trees planted throughout the park. ■

**Upgraded cricket nets are just one of the many refurbishments completed at Bentleigh Hodgson Reserve** Photo: Les O'Rourke.



**Prior to refurbishment, DC Bricker Pavilion was just like any other outdated sports pavilion which can be found all over Melbourne.**

Photo: Raj Gopalakrishnan.

## DC Bricker Pavilion — Caulfield South

**The redesign and refurbishment of DC Bricker Pavilion at Princes Park in Caulfield South was completed in March 2007 and is part of Council's rolling program of pavilion and park upgrades across the City.**

Named after Dower Charles Bricker, a former Councillor and Mayor of the City of Caulfield, DC Bricker Pavilion was just like any other outdated sports pavilion which can be found all over Melbourne

It lacked facilities, not only for people with disabilities, but also the wider community.

Located close to an adventure playground and picnic facilities, key features of the redevelopment include:

- access for all abilities;
- new access all abilities public toilets for spectators and park users;
- new sports facilities including change rooms, time keepers' area, unisex showers and toilets and store areas;
- improved energy efficiency of the building, including AAA rated fixtures and fittings to save water; and
- a new social room and adjoining kitchen and meeting room, which can be hired by the public for private functions.

For further information about hiring facilities at DC Bricker Pavilion, or to make a booking, contact the Facilities Booking Officer on 9524 3333 or email [recservices@gleneira.vic.gov.au](mailto:recservices@gleneira.vic.gov.au) ■



**The new social room and adjoining kitchen and meeting room can be hired by the public for private functions.**

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.



## Local road resurfacing

**D**uring 2006–07 more than \$600,000 was spent on resurfacing roads within the municipality. This involved profiling the existing asphalt road surface and overlaying a new asphalt wearing course to give a smoother ride with better skid resistance.

### Roads that have been resurfaced include:

- Orrong Road from Glen Eira Road to Balaclava Road, Caulfield North;
- Mackie Road from North Road to Centre Road, Bentleigh East;

- McKinnon Road from Wheatley Road to Thomas Street, McKinnon;
- Brewer Road from Gilbert Grove to Lorraine Street, Bentleigh; and
- Bignell Road from Brosnan Road to Rae Street, Bentleigh East.



**Road resurfacing along Kooyong Road between Glen Eira Road and Glenhuntly Road, Caulfield.**

Photo: Roger Dunn.

## Roads — Laneway rehabilitation

**M**ore than \$125,000 was spent on replacing existing laneway paving with new reinforced concrete paving at the following locations:

- between Clarinda Road and Imperial Avenue, Caulfield South;
- Ross Street and Nepean Highway, Elsternwick;

- Horne Street and Ross Street, Elsternwick;
- Halstead Street near Hawthorn Road, Caulfield North;
- Walkway off Glen Huntly Road (adjacent to number 697), Caulfield; and
- Balaclava Road near Hawthorn Road, Caulfield North.

## Roads to Recovery Program

**T**hanks to \$725,000 in funding through the Federal Government's Roads to Recovery Program, Miller Street in Carnegie and Glenhuntly Road, Elsternwick (from Orrong Road to Kooyong Road) received a facelift.

The works in Miller Street featured reconstruction of concrete road pavement, kerbing and sections of vehicle crossings as well as upgrades to underground drainage. The asphalt pavement in Glenhuntly Road was replaced from Orrong Road to Kooyong Road.

## Roads rehabilitation

**M**ore than \$3 million was spent on reconstruction of sections of road pavement, replacement of kerb and channel and sections of vehicle crossings, as well as upgrades to underground drainage.

### Roads that received the works include:

- Dandenong Service Road, Carnegie;
  - Blenclair Avenue, Caulfield North;
  - Heathersett Grove, Carnegie;
  - Koornang Road, Carnegie;
  - Maxwell Grove, Caulfield;
  - Ripley Grove, Caulfield North;
  - Stephens Street, Caulfield;
  - Devon Street, Caulfield North; and
  - Wilgra Crescent, Caulfield.
- Neerim Road, Caulfield (from Booran Road to Bambra Road) had the asphalt pavement surface replaced.

## Drainage

**A**s part of Council's Drainage Improvement Program, the following works were completed during the 2006–07 financial year:

- replacement and upgrade of existing underground drainage through Murrumbeena Primary School;
- replacement and upgrade of existing underground drainage through residential property easements along Scotts Street in Bentleigh, Tennis Grove in Caulfield North, Kennedy Street in Bentleigh East, Sidwell Avenue in St Kilda East, Wembley Grove in McKinnon and Wheeler Street in Ormond; and
- replacement and upgrade of existing underground drainage in the roadway along Bolinda Street in Bentleigh and Carinya Crescent in Caulfield North.

## Traffic engineering

**A** number of traffic engineering works were completed during the last financial year, including:

- the installation of speed restriction devices and dedicated crossing point along Patterson Road, Bentleigh;
- the installation of a raised zebra crossing adjacent to Murrumbeena Railway Station;
- the installation of turn bans, re-alignment of kerbs with the upgrading of the shopping centre strip pavement, new landscaping and road pavement surface at the intersection of Gardenvale Road and Kooyong Road, Gardenvale; and
- re-alignment of the Glenhuntly Road and Mimosa Road, Carnegie and Glenhuntly Road and Downshire Road, Elsternwick intersection.



**Works at the intersection of Gardenvale and Kooyong Roads, Gardenvale.** Photo: Glen Eira City Council Capital Works Unit.

## Roads — Car parks

**M**ore than \$190,000 has been spent during the 2006–07 financial year on upgrading car parks in the following locations:

- Caulfield Park, Caulfield North (east end of Park Crescent);
- Balaclava Road, Caulfield North (adjacent to Caulfield Park);
- Higgins Road, Bentleigh (adjacent to Bentleigh Hodgson Reserve); and
- DC Bricker Pavilion, Caulfield South (north end).

## Shopping centre upgrades

**M**ore than \$750,000 was spent on replacing existing paved areas with brick banding and asphalt paved infill at following shopping centre strips:

- North Road, Ormond (south side);
- Hawthorn Road and Balaclava Road, Caulfield North;
- Glen Eira Road at Hawthorn Road, Caulfield; and
- Hawthorn Road, Caulfield (Blenclair Avenue to Glen Eira Road).

## Footpath upgrades

**A**round 60 streets located in the area around Grange Road, North Road, Murrumbeena Road and Dandenong Road received upgraded footpaths during the last financial year.

This equates to around 26 kilometres of footpath or the distance from Caulfield South to Essendon.



**The footpath on the corner of North Road and Arnott Street (north west corner) in Ormond received an upgrade during 2006-07.** Photo: Thomas Kuen.



## MEETINGS AND CLUBS

**Moorabbin Historical Society** opens the historical exhibition at Box Cottage in Joyce Park, Jasper Road, McKinnon on the last Sunday of each month from 2pm. Admission by donation. Contact: 9578 9131.

**The Over 40s Club Inc** holds dances at Ormond Uniting Church, corner North and Booran Roads, Ormond on the second and forth Saturdays of each month from 7.45pm. Old-time, modern and new vogue. Contact: 9570 4564.

**The Caulfield and Districts Branch of the National Seniors Association (NSA)** meets at The Elsternwick Club, 19 Sandham Street, Elsternwick on the first Tuesday of the month from 6.30pm. Guest speaker, door prizes and regular monthly outings. Cost: \$5. New members welcome. Contact: 9568 2290.

**Bentleigh K.G. Putt Senior Citizens** holds Bingo Nights at Bentleigh Senior Citizens Hall, 2 Arthur Street, Bentleigh on Monday nights from 7.30pm. The club also offers cards, table tennis and square dancing. Contact: 9557 6010.

**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.

**Murrumbeena Bowls Club** has commenced its Social Bowling Season on Thursday and Saturday from 12 noon. Contact: 9568 5144.

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

**Caulfield Combined Probus Club** meets at Gladys Machin Hall on the first Wednesday of each month at 10am. New members (men and women) are welcome. Contact: Ron 9571 1563.

**Club 66** holds old-time, modern and new vogue dances with a live band at Bentleigh Uniting Church Hall, 495

Centre Road, Bentleigh on the first and third Saturday each month from 8pm. Cost: \$7. Contact: 9587 1092.

**Moongala Community House** is taking enrolments for classes in basic computer skills, ESL classes at 824 Centre Road, Bentleigh East. Contact: 9570 3468.

**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.

**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.

**Godfrey Street Community House** holds various computer classes including introduction to computers, internet/email, word, digital photos and e-bay. Contact: 9557 9037.

## EVENTS

**Glen Eira AFC** July games include: versus Bentleigh on Saturday 14 July and versus South Melbourne Districts Saturday 28 July. Both games to be played at Packer Park, Leila Road, Carnegie. Reserves start 11.40am and seniors start 2pm. All welcome.

**Music Lovers Society** is hosting a concert at Ewing Memorial Uniting Church, corner of Coppin Street and Burke Road, Malvern East on Saturday 11 August from 8pm. Contact: 9571 0850.

## COMMUNITY

**Pride of the Nation** is in need of families living in Elsternwick and nearby suburbs to participate in the nationwide charity project Pride of the Nation. For a modest donation, families can have professional photographs taken of their children with one photo of each child included in the 2008 Pride of the Nation book. The project will raise funds for local counselling services and medical research that helps to save babies lives. Contact: 1300 693 686.

**Turning Point** has launched two major free services for people in the Glen Eira area who have problems with drugs or alcohol use. A 24 hour free phone counselling service (Direct Line), as well as a free internet counselling service (Counselling online) can now be accessed. Direct Line: 1800 888 236. Counselling online: [www.counsellingonline.org.au/en/](http://www.counsellingonline.org.au/en/)

**Glen Eira City Choir** invites singers to join the choir for their forthcoming spring concert of light classical. No auditions necessary. Rehearsal at Caulfield Indonesian Church Hall, 158 Balaclava Road, Caulfield each Monday from 7.45pm. Contact: 9551 1818.

## GLEN EIRA NEWS PHOTOS

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



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## FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES PRESENTS SUPPORTING CHILDREN WITH ADDITIONAL NEEDS

Thursday 26 July  
Glen Eira Town Hall — Theatrette  
7.30pm to 9.30pm (7.15pm registration)

Cost: \$5 per person

Bookings close Friday 20 July

This session is for kindergarten staff and long day care staff with four year olds. We have a responsibility to promote the wellbeing, self-esteem and confidence of children of all abilities. Guest presenter Tertiary Level Lecturer, Early Childhood Development Di Chandler will focus on practical inclusion strategies.

Limited places available. Registration and payment must be received prior to each session and in accordance with registration closing dates as listed. For a copy of the registration form or for further details about the sessions, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or visit

[www.gleneira.vic.gov.au](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au)  
Receipts will be issued on the night.

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## COMMUNITY CARE VACANCIES

**Do you enjoy helping others?  
Are you a good communicator?  
Do you enjoy flexibility in your work arrangements?**

Then why not consider working for Glen Eira City Council's Community Care unit.

Glen Eira City Council's Community Care team assists frail older people and people with disabilities to live independently at home.

Council is currently looking for people to join its Community Care team as a home care, personal care or respite care worker.

- Home Care (*cleaning and household duties*);
- Personal Care (*showering and dressing*); and
- Respite Care (*providing time out for full time carers*).

Volunteer positions are also available for Council's Delivered Meals Service to assist with meal deliveries as either a jockey or driver.

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

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## IMMUNISATION SESSIONS

### JULY

**McKinnon Public Hall**  
118 McKinnon Road, McKinnon  
Monday 2 July 10am–11am

**Glen Eira Town Hall Auditorium (entry via Glen Eira Road)**  
Corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield  
Tuesday 3 July 6pm–7pm  
Tuesday 10 July 9.30am–10.15am

**Carnegie Library**  
7 Shepparson Avenue, Carnegie  
Wednesday 11 July 1.30pm–2.30pm

**Packer Park**  
Leila Road, Carnegie  
Monday 16 July 10am–11am

**Bentleigh East**  
Bentleigh Bayside Community Health Centre  
Gardeners Road, Bentleigh East  
Wednesday 18 July 6pm–7pm  
Saturday 28 July 9.30am–10.30am

**Glen Huntly Maternal and Child Health Centre**  
Corner Royal and Rosedale Avenues, Glen Huntly  
Wednesday 25 July 9.30am–11am



# 2007 Winter Music Series exciting and diverse

**G**len Eira City Council's popular *Winter Music Series* is jammed packed with an exciting and diverse range of performers and musical styles.

So far the series has presented urban folk from Lisa Miller, mazurkas and tangos from the *Raga Dolls Quartet*, and beautiful classical works of *Beethoven, Carl Vine and Shostakovich* performed by the *Cappa String Quartet*.



**Cappa String Quartet.**

However, there is more great music to come. On Sunday 15 July Melbourne's magical purveyors of the art of a cappella, *Coco's Lunch* will be playing. Weaving brilliant harmonies with driving rhythms, this is no ordinary lunch. Over the past nine years these five skilled musicians and composers have written and produced four independent albums of original songs, the latest receiving awards in the USA.

Back by popular demand is *Klezmania* with their vibrant Yiddish music. Australia's leading klezmer band will perform Eastern European Jewish folksongs Sunday 29 July. *Klezmania's* broad repertoire moves from the diverse cultures of the old world of Romania, the Balkans, Turkey and the Ukraine to the United States and Australia.

Vika and Linda Bull are big stars on

the Australian music scene. Gospel, rock and roll and country all form part of the Vika and Linda magic. Two sisters who were born to sing, Vika and Linda will perform on Sunday 12 August.

On Sunday 26 August, the quirky six piece group *Croque Monsieur* cover gypsy, klezmer, burlesque, swing and tango tunes. *Croque Monsieur* features the clarinet, trombone, violin, banjo, double bass and piano accordion and have performed at a variety of festivals, including the *Brunswick Music Festival* and the *Port Fairy Folk Festival*.

Pre-purchased tickets are \$18 and \$16 concession or can be purchased at the door for \$20 and \$18 concession.

Performances will be held in the Glen Eira Town Hall Theatre and Auditorium from 2.30pm–4.30pm.

Doors open at 2pm.

Please note: *Klezmania* performances will be at 11am (doors open 10.30am) and 2.30pm (doors open 2pm). For further information, or a brochure, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or go to [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au)

## At a glance

- *Cappa String Quartet* — Sunday 1 July, Theatre
- *Coco's Lunch* — Sunday 15 July, Theatre
- *Klezmania* — Sunday 29 July, Theatre
- Vika and Linda Bull — Sunday 12 August, Auditorium
- *Croque Monsieur* — Sunday 26 August, Theatre

## 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**

### THE TOY COLLECTION OF JACK LITTLE

Viewing from 6–15 July

Glen Eira City Council Gallery has pleasure in presenting Jack Little's fascinating and extensive collection of antique toys. This vast collection features intriguing and historically significant Australian made toys from the early 20th century.

Jack's comprehensive collection includes toy sail boats, construction kits, fire engines, cars, trucks and buses. They range from unusual mechanical toy animals from the 1930s to toys made under the strict conditions of World War II rationing.



**Jack Little's amazing toy collection.**

Intriguing, colourful and engaging, this exhibition will captivate kids and adults alike.

### MANYUNG GALLERY PRESENTS CAROLE FOSTER AND KIM KENNEDY

Viewing from 4–15 July

Manyung Gallery presents a duo show of two of the Gallery's most popular and vibrant artists, Carole Foster and Kim Kennedy.



**Carole Foster — Australian Rock Series Red/Gold, Medium: Acrylic on Canvas, Size: 65x170cm.**

Carole has lived and travelled all over the world. Sometimes Carole's work is gestural and impressionistic and

often romantic in quality. She does not restrict herself to landscapes, but for the most she draws inspiration from the Australian outback.

Kim's artistic career began in 1982, initially as sculptor. More recently Kim has begun painting with oil on canvas and discovered his true passion. Painting is now Kim's primary focus.

### THE TWENTY MELBOURNE PAINTERS SOCIETY 89TH ANNUAL EXHIBITION

Viewing from 18–29 July

Since its formation in 1919, the Twenty Melbourne Painter's Society has supported high standards of craftsmanship within the framework of representational painting.

With the aim of championing traditional art, and promoting fellowship among painters in the community, the Society's 20 artists paint their own vision within the framework of quality, representational art.

Originally a radical breakaway group from the Victorian Artists Society, the Twenty Melbourne Painters Society has achieved an important place within the Australian art world, with notables such as Sir William Dargie CBE becoming household names. Although members have changed over the years, the place of honour remains.

The 89th annual exhibition will include a selection of work from current members, and is a must-see for all who enjoy fine art.



**Joseph Zbukvic — Venice, Watercolour.**

# 2007 My Brother Jack Literary Festival

**W**riters Read gives people the opportunity to meet with Melbourne's finest poets and authors, including:

- Alex Skovron on Sunday 8 July from 2pm–3pm; **Alex Skovron.**
- *Thrilling Readers* with Garry Disher (*The Dragon Man, Past the Headlands, Kitty Hawk Down and Snapshot*), Angela Savage (*Behind the Night Bazaar*) and Robert Gott (*A Good*



*Murder, A Thing of Blood*) on Sunday 15 July from 2pm–4pm; and

- *In Conversation* with Suzy Zail (*The Tattooed Flower*) and Michelle Schwarz (*The death of David Hooks and the trial of Zdravko Micevic*) on Sunday 29 July from 2pm–3.30pm.

### Literary Awards

The *2007 Literary Awards* offer major cash prizes for short stories and poetry in the following categories:

- Sunflower Bookshop Short Story Award;

- Eastend Booksellers Poetry Award;
- Youth Short Story Award (15–21 years);
- Youth Poetry/Lyric Writing Award (15–21 years);
- Baha'i Junior Short Story Award (10–14 years); and
- Baha'i Junior Poetry Award (10–14 years).

The competition is open to people who live, work or study in the City of Glen Eira.

Entries close Monday 20 August 2007.

The *Awards* are sponsored by the Baha'i Community of Glen Eira, Eastend Booksellers Pty Ltd and the Sunflower Bookshop, Elsternwick.



For further information on the *2007 My Brother Jack Literary Festival*, contact the Festival Co-ordinator on 9524 3333 or download a brochure from [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au)



## Μεasures по предупреждению анафилаксии

Муниципальный отдел услуг для семей с детьми принимает активные меры по предупреждению у детей самой тяжелой формы аллергической реакции – анафилаксии.

Во всех четырех муниципальных детских центрах была внедрена специальная программа, состоящая из трех компонентов: идентификация, минимизация и контроль факторов риска анафилактической реакции во время пребывания детей в центре.

Вероятность анафилаксии составляет два процента для населения в целом и пять процентов для детей.

Анафилаксия может быть вызвана арахисом, древесными орехами, молоком, яйцами, пчелиным ядом и укусами других насекомых. В результате анафилаксии может развиваться острая аллергическая реакция – например, отек языка и горла, потеря сознания.

## Идентификация факторов риска

Оценка риска анафилаксии у ребенка происходит во время собеседования с родителями при поступлении ребенка в центр. Тогда же родители получают необходимую информацию об анафилаксии.

На собеседовании обсуждается, заполняется и подписывается специальная анкета по определению риска анафилаксии. Родителей или опекуна ребенка знакомят с действующей инструкцией по анафилаксии.

Если ребенку был поставлен диагноз повышенного риска анафилаксии, родители или опекун должны будут предоставить план контроля факторов риска и официальное письмо с описанием аллергии у ребенка.

## Минимизация факторов риска

Для минимизации риска анафилактической реакции муниципалитет ввел целый ряд мер – от напоминания родителям вымыть ребенку руки при прибытии в центр до внимательного наблюдения за ребенком во время еды.

## Κontrolль факторов риска

Во всех муниципальных детских центрах в каждой смене работает по крайней мере один сотрудник, прошедший специальную подготовку по поводу анафилаксии и употребления устройства EpiPen.

Помимо этого в центрах проводятся регулярные собрания, где сотрудники узнают о правилах действия в чрезвычайной ситуации, проверке срока годности устройства EpiPen и – самое главное – о месте хранения этого устройства в здании центра.

## Θετική προσέγγιση στην αναφυλαξία

Οι Δημοτικές Υπηρεσίες Οικογενειών και Παιδιών λαμβάνουν θετικά μέτρα για την σοβαρότερη μορφή αλλεργικής αντίδρασης – την παιδική αναφυλαξία.

Τα τέσσερα δημοτικά παιδικά κέντρα έχουν εφαρμόσει μια τριπλευρή προσέγγιση σε μια προσπάθεια εντοπισμού, εξάλειψης και διαχείρισης του κινδύνου αναφυλακτικής αντίδρασης που συμβαίνει ενώ τα παιδιά βρίσκονται υπό την φροντίδα των κέντρων.

Η αναφυλαξία επηρεάζει μέχρι και δύο τοις εκατό του γενικού πληθυσμού και μέχρι πέντε τοις εκατό των παιδιών.

Αράπικα φιστίκια, ξηροί καρποί δέντρων, γάλα, αυγά και τσιμπήματα μελισσών ή τσιμπήματα άλλων εντόμων είναι μερικές συνηθισμένες αφορμές αναφυλαξίας και μπορεί να προκαλέσουν σοβαρές αλλεργικές αντιδράσεις, από πρήξιμο της γλώσσας και λαιμού μέχρι απώλεια των αισθήσεων.

## Εντοπισμός του κινδύνου

Στη συνέντευξη κατά την εγγραφή του παιδιού εντοπίζεται ο κίνδυνος και αρχίζει η διαδικασία ενημέρωσης.

Συζητείται, συμπληρώνεται και υπογράφεται η λίστα ελέγχου κινδύνου αναφυλαξίας του παιδιού, και ενημερώνεται ο γονέας ή κηδεμόνας για τις διαδικασίες αντιμετώπισης αναφυλαξίας της Δημορχίας.

Αν το παιδί έχει διαγνωστεί ιατρικά ότι κινδυνεύει από αναφυλαξία, θα ζητηθεί απ' το γονέα ή κηδεμόνα να χορηγήσει ιατρικό σχέδιο διαχείρισης αναφυλαξίας και επιστολή που θα καταγράφει τις αλλεργίες του παιδιού.



Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

## Εξάλειψη του κινδύνου

Στην προσπάθεια εξάλειψης του κινδύνου εμφάνισης αναφυλακτικής αντίδρασης, η Δημορχία εφαρμόσε διάφορες στρατηγικές, από υπενθύμιση του γονέα ή κηδεμόνα να πλένει τα χέρια του παιδιού κατά την άφιξη, έως στενή επίβλεψη κατά την διάρκεια όλων των γευμάτων.

## Διαχείριση του κινδύνου

Σε όλα τα δημοτικά παιδικά κέντρα, τουλάχιστον ένα μέλος του προσωπικού εκπαιδευμένο στην αναφυλαξία και χορήγηση ένεσης EpiPen θα βρίσκεται σε υπηρεσία κάθε μέρα.

Εκτός από την τεχνική κατάρτιση, γίνονται τακτικές συναντήσεις του προσωπικού για να ενημερώνονται σχετικά με τις διαδικασίες έκτακτης ανάγκης, πότε να ελέγχουν την ημερομηνία λήξης του EpiPen, και το σημαντικότερο, να γνωρίζουν πού βρίσκεται το EpiPen.

## Approccio proattivo all'anafilassi

I Servizi per l'Infanzia e la Famiglia erogati dal Comune hanno adottato l'approccio proattivo per le forme di reazioni allergiche molto gravi – l'anafilassi infantile.

I quattro centri per l'infanzia del Comune applicano un approccio a tre punte mirato a individuare, ridurre e gestire il rischio di reazione anafilattica nei bambini ospitati presso questi centri.

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## Individuazione del rischio

Il colloquio per l'iscrizione è il momento in cui viene individuato il rischio di anafilassi e avviato il processo informativo.

Per i bambini a rischio di anafilassi, è prevista una lista di controllo, da completare e firmare. I genitori o il tutore ricevono informazioni sulle pratiche previste dal Comune in materia di anafilassi.

Se al bambino è stato diagnosticato il rischio di anafilassi, i parenti o il tutore dovranno presentare un piano di gestione medica e una lettera che specifichino i tipi di allergia di cui soffre il bambino.

## Riduzione del rischio

Nel tentativo di ridurre il rischio di reazioni anafilattiche, il Comune applica strategie varie come ricordare ai genitori o al tutore di far lavare le mani ai bambini al loro arrivo e la supervisione agli orari dei pasti.

## Gestione del rischio

Presso tutti i centri per l'infanzia del Comune è in servizio, ogni giorno, un membro del personale esperto di anafilassi e EpiPen.

Oltre alla formazione, il personale partecipa a incontri informativi ciclici sulle procedure d'emergenza da applicare, su come verificare la scadenza dell'EpiPen e soprattutto sul luogo in cui l'EpiPen è conservato.

## 應付過敏性反應的積極方法

市政府家庭與兒童服務處正在對過敏反應中最嚴重的兒童過敏性反應採取積極的應對措施。

市政府下屬四個託兒中心採用了一項包括三方面的措施來努力確定、減少和管理兒童在託兒中心期間所發生過敏性反應的風險。

過敏性反應患者約佔總人口的百分之二，但在兒童中約佔百分之五。

花生、樹堅果、牛奶、雞蛋和蜂蜇或其它昆蟲蜇刺都會誘發過敏性反應，造成嚴重的過敏反應，比如舌頭和咽喉腫大，甚至失去知覺。

## 識別風險

註冊面試時確定過敏性反應的風險，並開始教育程序。

與家長討論、完成並簽署過敏性反應風險兒童的核查單，並讓家長或監護人了解市政府對過敏性反應的應對做法。

如果經醫療診斷孩子有過敏性反應的風險，就將要求家長或監護人提供醫療控制計劃和詳細說明孩子過敏的信件。

## 減低風險

為了盡量減少過敏性反應的發生，市政府實施了一系列方法，從提醒家長或監護人在達到時讓孩子洗手到每次用餐時密切監督等等。

## 控制風險

在市政府下屬託兒中心，每天當班員工中至少有一人接受過敏性反應和腎上腺素自動注射器 (EpiPen) 的培訓。

除了培訓以外，還要定期舉行員工會議，告訴員工緊急程序、檢查腎上腺素自動注射器 (EpiPen) 失效日期的時間、以及腎上腺素自動注射器 (EpiPen) 的放置地方 (這點最為重要)。



Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

# 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.

## Recent consultation opportunities

Subject	Type	Date
Council Budget	Comments and submissions	Closed 8 June 2007

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](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au)



# Glen Eira residents encouraged to stay fit this winter

**With the cooler weather upon us and the possibility of rain about, it is sometimes tempting to stay indoors.**

However, Glen Eira residents are encouraged to stay active this winter with fitness equipment in Glen Eira parks.



**Koornang Park fitness equipment.**  
Photo: Tracy Cassidy.

Koornang Park in Carnegie and Centenary Park in Bentleigh East have user friendly fitness equipment which is made from environmentally friendly recycled plastic.

The easy to use fitness equipment is open to the public to use at their own leisure. Guidelines on how to use the fitness equipment are located on nearby signs. These self-guided signs are well illustrated and carefully worded to make the experience of using this equipment a breeze. The equipment is conveniently located close to the walking tracks and provides users with the opportunity to undertake various exercises while walking or running around the park.

### Benefits of exercise

- supports weight loss and maintenance;
- tones and boosts muscle strength and power;
- improves cardiovascular fitness;
- helps control appetite;
- boosts energy;
- reduces stress;
- encourages relaxation;
- improves sleep;
- makes you feel good;
- eases the pain or stiffness of arthritis; and
- keeps bones strong, which prevents osteoporosis.



**Centenary Park fitness equipment.**  
Photo: Tracy Cassidy.

So don't just hang up your exercising gear this winter. Get out there and make the most of Glen Eira's recreation facilities and beautiful surrounds. But most importantly remember to have fun.

## Princes Park lights up

**The latest technology in sportsground lighting has been installed at three of the four sportsgrounds located in Princes Park.**

The innovative technology, which involves lowering a device on the lighting poles, allows maintenance to be performed on the lights without the need for expensive and potentially ground damaging cherry pickers or bucket trucks.

The new design in sportsground lighting allows one operator to perform maintenance to the lights, including replacing lamps, repositioning the light direction and cleaning the glass face.

Other benefits of this technology include improved occupational health and safety procedures for operators, reduced maintenance costs, less disruption to park users, reduced damage to park grounds and less system down time.



**The latest technology in sportsground lighting has been installed at three of the four sportsgrounds located in Princes Park.** Photo: Tracy Cassidy.

The new lighting provides a safer training environment for sports clubs allowing training to take place in the evenings. It also means Glen Eira City Council is able to utilise more ground and reduce wear and tear on surfaces, which is vital — especially with the current drought conditions.

## Access Unlimited for Glen Eira

**Glen Eira City Council's Joint Councils Access All Abilities (JCAAA) Program has been restructured.**

The *Program*, which was a joint initiative with Port Phillip, Bayside, and Stonnington Councils, has now been replaced with an exciting new service — *Access Unlimited*.

Council's Manager Recreation and Youth Service Linda Smith said the aim of *Access Unlimited* is to increase participation opportunities and the number and range of sport and recreation environments that are inclusive of people with disabilities.

*Access Unlimited* — a joint initiative with Stonnington City Council

funded by Sport and Recreation Victoria — is expected to commence in July.

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

### VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Community Information Glen Eira (CIGE) is seeking new volunteers. CIGE is a free and confidential community based information and referral service which provides aid and information for residents of Glen Eira.

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 next course commences in August 2007.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, contact Laurel Thompson on 9524 3200.



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### FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES PRESENTS SUPERHERO PLAY

Thursday 19 July  
Glen Eira Town Hall — Theatrette  
7.30pm to 9.00pm (7.15pm registration)  
Cost: \$5 per person

Bookings close Friday 13 July  
Guest presenter, Early Childhood Education Consultant, Jane McCahon, will discuss the reasons children are so attracted to superheroes. The session will also explore positive and supportive ways to engage in superhero play and the role of the adult.

Limited places available. Registration and payment must be received prior to each session and in accordance with registration closing dates as listed. For a copy of the registration form or for further details about the sessions, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or visit [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au)  
Receipts will be issued on the night.



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### VENUES FOR HIRE



Are you planning a family function, birthday, wedding, conference, exhibition, anniversary or special event?

Then why not consider hiring one of Council's facilities as the venue. Facilities range in size, are clean and comfortable and are located throughout the City.

For a free brochure or further information please contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or log on to Council's website [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au)



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### 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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# Giving young men a positive edge

**G**len Eira City Council's new **Young Men's Program** has recently been run with Year 10 boys in a Glen Eira school, to much acclaim.

The *Program*, which runs for seven weeks, covers a wide range of issues pertinent to being a young man.

Council's Manager Recreation and Youth Services Linda Smith said the *Program* allows young men to explore topics such as self esteem, body image, anger management, breaking down masculinity stereotypes, men's health, and goal setting, in a safe and positive environment.

Andrew, who recently participated in the *Program*, said he would

recommend the *Program* to anyone.

"It was a great experience and I did not want the *Program* to end," Andrew said.

"Not only did we learn about issues such as anger management, self esteem and meditation, but as a group we got to know each other a bit more through a series of activities and games."

The *Young Men's Program* will be open to young men at Year 9 and 10 levels, and will run at Council's Youth Information Centre, Bailey Reserve in Bentleigh East, during Term Three. Bookings are essential. For further information, contact Youth Services 9579 7963.

# Get Into It Program seeking participants

**H**ave you ever wanted to try a new sport, but did not have the means or confidence?

Glen Eira City Council Youth Services *Get Into It Program* provides the opportunity for young women aged 14 to 24 to taste test the different sports on offer in Glen Eira and surrounding areas.

The *Program* aims to promote healthy self esteem and confidence and give participants the opportunity to make new friends through physical activity.

The *Program* will run for nine weeks and will introduce participants to a new sport each week.

For further information, or to register your interest, contact Youth Services on 9579 7963 ■



# Providing support for Glen Eira youth

**G**len Eira City Council Youth Services offers a free and confidential support service for young people aged 10 to 25 who live, work, or study within the municipality.

Council's friendly youth workers are available to assist young people with a range of topics, including family conflict and issues at school. Youth workers can also assist in making referrals to local service providers

regarding issues such as housing and accommodation and drug and alcohol support.

Information and referrals, regarding youth issues, are also available for the families of young people.

Youth workers are based at Council's Youth Information Centre, 202a East Boundary Road, Bentleigh East. For further information contact Youth Services on 9579 7963 or drop into the Centre. ■

# YCG graduation night



Cr Margaret Esakoff and members of Council's Youth Consultative Group's (YCG). Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

**G**len Eira City Council's Youth Consultative Group's (YCG) graduation night was held last month.

Glen Eira Mayor Cr Margaret Esakoff presented certificates to YCG

participants, who over the last 12 months have been responsible for organising and facilitating events such as *The Big Splash Out* and *Bentleigh East Skate Jam*. ■

# Internet searching demystified

**L**eading expert on internet search techniques David Novak will present a free and informative presentation that will help demystify internet searching and provide skills on how to find the right information and where.

Too often, searching is about tossing words at a search engine then grazing the results.

This works sometimes, but fails when answers are clouded by a wide spectrum of information.

This presentation will teach you how to be a good and effective searcher on the internet.

Author of the soon to be released book *Internet: Informed Guidance For The Dedicated Searcher*, David will be speaking in the Glen Eira Town Hall Theatre on Thursday 9 August at 7pm.

Bookings are required and can be made at any library branch, online at [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au) or by contacting 9524 3623. ■

# Reader's rewarded

**N**ext time you visit one of Glen Eira City Council's four libraries, don't forget to ask for a Reader's Reward card.

Just borrow five items or more at each visit, have the card stamped and on the third and sixth visit complete an entry form to go into the draw for a winter indulgence gift pack. Entries close 31 July. ■

# Saturday shakers

**A** fun and interactive circus show will be held on Saturday 14 July from 2pm-2.45pm at the Carnegie Library and Community Centre.

Come and join the circus troop as they dance, sing and play a host of musical instruments. The free show is suitable for 3 - 10 year old children and no bookings are required. ■



# Colouring competition

**D**on't forget to enter Glen Eira City Council's holiday colouring competition.

One lucky entry from each library branch will receive a clowning and magic pack. Entries close 22 July. ■