

200 more trees in Caulfield Park

In the latest stage of improvements to Caulfield Park, 200 trees have been planted in the eastern section of the Park.

The 1.2 to 1.5 metre high trees were chosen for their suitability to Melbourne conditions, drought tolerance and their ease of adaptability after initial planting.

To help retain moisture, the trees have been mulched and a wetting agent added at the time of planting.

Council's Park Services will maintain the trees during the coming months through regular watering during summer via a bore at Caulfield Park, formative pruning at the planting stage and further pruning as needed once the trees have been established.

A second stage of landscaping will occur in the southern part of the Park after the car park works are completed in August and a third stage in the north after the pavilion is completed in 2009.

Drinking fountains installed at Caulfield Park

Four additional drinking fountains with dog bowls have been installed at Caulfield Park.

Located along the walking track, there are two on Balaclava Road and two on



200 trees have been planted in the eastern section of Caulfield Park.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

the Inkerman Road frontage.

The all-abilities fountains will be

of great benefit to all park users — including our four-legged friends. ■

Community space at Racecourse

Glen Eira City Council has taken another step in securing improvements in open space for Glen Eira residents.

In a major Agreement between Council and the Melbourne Racing Club (MRC), Glen Huntly Park will be expanded and community use of open space at Caulfield Racecourse extended.

Under the agreement, the training of hundreds of horses stabled at the racecourse will be moved elsewhere, as soon as new facilities are built outside Melbourne.

Following the relocation of training, the south-east corner of the Racecourse (facing Neerim Road) will be incorporated into Glen Huntly Park, allowing for an additional sporting area.

The centre of the racecourse is also to be transformed within the next two years. It is marked for walking and jogging paths, fishing in the lake, seating, barbecue facilities, landscaping and toilets.

Access to the centre will be improved by having separate pedestrian access through the vehicle tunnel from Glen Eira Road and an all-inclusive pedestrian tunnel from the north.

Useable open space is a growing priority in Glen Eira as development intensifies. Caulfield Racecourse sits on Crown Land and these measures are intended to achieve a better balance between horse racing, community sport and passive recreation.

For entry points and access times to Caulfield Racecourse Reserve, please refer to the map on back page of this edition *Glen Eira News*. ■



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MAYOR'S COLUMN



A milestone agreement has been reached on the use of public space in the centre of Caulfield Racecourse Reserve.

The Melbourne Racing Club (MRC) Committee and Glen Eira City Council have agreed to recommend to the Caulfield Racecourse Reserve Trustees that:

- training at Caulfield be relocated outside metropolitan Melbourne;
- upon approval of the relocation that the stable in the south-east corner of Caulfield Racecourse Reserve be incorporated into Glen Huntly Park under the responsibility of Council; and
- the centre of Caulfield Racecourse Reserve be maintained and improved as passive public open space and all ball sports located to Glen Huntly Park.

Improvements to the Reserve are expected to be undertaken in 2009–2010, but in the meantime I again encourage all residents to make use of the Reserve, which is open to the public on non-race days after 9.30am, for a walk, jog or run.

The 2008–09 Budget was adopted on 1 July. Once again, renewing community facilities and infrastructure tops Council's list of priorities, with \$25.43 million allocated towards capital works projects.

This year's Budget has also allocated funding towards hundreds more trees and new drip irrigation systems in Caulfield Park, Duncan Mackinnon Reserve and Murrumbeena Reserve and planning for the former Glen Huntly reservoir site.

On the subject of the environment, Council's draft *Environmental Sustainability Strategy 2008* is still available for comment until 11 August. The *Strategy* will form the basis of Council's ongoing response to sustainability challenges and I encourage all members of the community to contribute.

Cr Steven Tang
Mayor

Numbers are a girl's best friend

For 15 years, numbers have been Glen Eira City Council's Management Accountant Vishantri Perera's best friend.

Since migrating from Sri Lanka in 2000, Vishantri has worked in a number of different and challenging accounting/finance roles, including the City of Port Phillip where she was employed as the council's Special Projects Officer. As part of this role, Vishantri was responsible for the maintenance of the fixed assets register, including capitalisations and ensuring asset revaluations were accounted for accurately.

Vishantri, who has been working in Council's Finance Department for six years, said her role is to manage Council's fortnightly payroll, prepare the Annual Budget and monitor the performance of Business Units against their budgets and forecasts.

"As part of the budget process I was responsible for compiling the salaries and wages, allocation of internal overheads and co-ordinating the production of Council's annual budget document," Vishantri said.

Council's salaries and wages include all labor related expenditure and on-costs including allowances, leave entitlements and employer superannuation.

"Part of my role also requires me to be



Vishantri has worked in a number of different accounting roles since moving to Australia in 2000. Photo: Sally Brown.

closely involved with the preparation of the annual statutory accounts which form part of Council's Annual Report," Vishantri said.

Vishantri said the best part of her job is not only working with a diverse and friendly team of people, but knowing

that all deliverables are completed on time.

"I feel a great sense of achievement when all the figures are reconciled, balanced correctly and deliverables are completed on time," Vishantri said. ■

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DEADLINES

The deadline for next edition (September 2008) of the *Glen Eira News* is Wednesday 6 August for delivery 30–31 August.

Coming deadlines

The deadline for the October 2008 edition of the *Glen Eira News* is Wednesday 3 September for delivery 27–28 September.

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

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Overview of Glen Eira Community Plan

Glen Eira City Council's *Community Plan 2008–2013* was adopted at a Council meeting on Wednesday 11 June 2008.

Overview of the Plan

This *Plan* sets out Council's directions for the next five years.

Through this *Plan*, we have the opportunity to build on the things that people like about Glen Eira and tackle the things that they don't.

Nine out of 10 Glen Eira residents surveyed rated their quality of life as "excellent" or "good."

Residents like living in Glen Eira because of our:

- location and easy access to the rest of Melbourne;
- the quality of our parks and strip shopping centres;
- peaceful environment;
- educational opportunities;
- access to public transport; and
- good quality local services.

Residents are concerned about issues at two levels.

Melbourne-wide (or broader) issues which concern residents include:

- traffic congestion (including railway crossings, schools, parking in residential streets and speed);
- multi-unit development which adds to congestion, uproots trees and private gardens and breaks up the character of the area; and
- sustainability as a driver in

- the way Glen Eira develops (transport, trees, town planning etc);
- the example which Council sets in its own operations; and
- the opportunities households have to improve their own environmental performance.

At a local level, residents would like to see

- continued Council investment in the quality and quantity of parks and public open space and in recreation opportunities generally (including libraries, cultural activities and facilities for community groups as well as sporting facilities);
- support services and facilities which enable older people to lead full lives within their established networks; and
- more effective action against a small minority who behave with little consideration for others (eg. dumped rubbish, graffiti, dog litter, parking and noise).

Other influences over the period of the *Plan* include:

- a growing population (an extra 15,000 by 2031), living in smaller households, and needing more dwellings;
- an ageing population, especially in the 55–74 year age group and the need for services and facilities to meet changing needs; and
- skills shortages which will affect Council's ability to provide services.

In response to this outlook, this *Plan* sets down eight strategic objectives:

1. **The Environment:** to work actively with the community and other levels of government to protect and improve the environment for current and future generations.
2. **Transport and Traffic Management:** to minimise traffic congestion and to advocate to State Government for improved public transport services.
3. **Open Space, Recreation and Leisure:** to enhance the recreation, leisure and sporting facilities in Glen Eira so as to improve community wellbeing.
4. **Community Facilities and Assets:** to ensure that Council assets meet community requirements and are funded in a sustainable manner.
5. **Community Building:** to strengthen community connections and develop an inclusive community.
6. **Development and Planning:** to develop Glen Eira (within the framework of State legislation) with a choice of areas ranging from low density detached houses through to apartments — as sympathetic as possible to existing neighbourhood character.
7. **Services for Children, Youth, Families and the Aged:** to develop and deliver universal services to the community which are of high quality and meet community needs.
8. **Governance:** to govern the City in a democratic, open and responsible

manner in the best interests of the community as a whole.

Co-operation will be an important factor in addressing these priorities.

- Some go beyond the responsibilities of local government and we need to work with the State Government to get results.
- Local government collects three per cent of all taxes in Australia and we need to tap into the taxes that people pay in order to fund the more expensive priorities.
- All require the community to be well informed and supportive which is best achieved through healthy consultative processes and open and responsible governance.

The *Strategic Resource Plan* to give effect to these strategic objectives is at the end of this *Plan*. It provides for

- continuing high levels of capital investment to renew assets and community facilities (including drains, footpaths, roads, buildings and parks);
- borrowings to fund the Glen Eira Sports and Aquatic Centre; and
- operating costs and rates continuing to be below the average of neighbouring councils.

This *Strategic Plan* will feed into more detailed documents with specific actions, measures and deadlines.

An *Action Plan* will be put in place for each financial year with specific actions, targets and indicators and will be reported on publicly at least quarterly. ■



The quality of our parks are just one of the reasons why residents like living in Glen Eira.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

CEO'S COLUMN



Open space continues to be a top priority for Glen Eira City Council. The agreement with the Melbourne Racing Club will deliver attractive passive open space in the centre of Caulfield Racecourse in the next two years and, in the future, an additional sportsground for Glen Huntly Park.

This comes on top of the acquisition of the former Glen Huntly reservoir site, the planting of hundreds of trees and the independent survey which rated Glen Eira's parks the best in Melbourne.

Managing open space will continue to be a challenge. Current water restrictions don't allow for three quarters of our grounds to be watered. In time, these restrictions may become more severe. Although Council does use alternative sources of supply, including bore water and tankers, we need to do more to reduce demand. The 2008-09 Budget makes investments which will reduce use of energy and water.

Since the commencement of the South East Water and Council Showerhead Exchange Program, 3,300 showerheads have been exchanged by residents. This is estimated to be reducing household water use by 100 million litres a year. If you have not already changed yours over — free of charge — contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

Andrew Newton
Chief Executive Officer

GLEN EIRA NEWS PHOTOS



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

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



GLEN EIRA CITY COUNCIL

MAV candidates information session

The Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV) is hosting a community and candidate information session for prospective candidates contemplating nomination in the November 2008 council elections.

To be held in the Glen Eira Town Hall Theatre on Thursday 21 August from 7pm to 9pm, the session will provide an excellent overview of what is involved in becoming a councillor.

The session will:

- ensure prospective candidates and others have a good understanding of the role of Local Government and councillors;
- introduce prospective candidates to the electoral process; and
- provide prospective candidates with sufficient information for them to determine if they wish to pursue candidature for Local Government.

Becoming a councillor

Nominating to become a member of council is an important decision. By doing so you will put your name and credibility on the line with local voters in a council election.

Performing this role is likely to involve working long hours and, on occasions, being required to deal with pressures generated by the community on issues of concern to individuals and groups. In



addition, there are statutory requirements under the *Local Government Act 1989* that councillors are required to meet

However, there is also the personal satisfaction of playing an important part in developing a better community for the future.

Being a council member is not easy. Besides being time consuming, it can be demanding and complicated, and although other council members and staff will help, a councillor must be prepared to learn a lot, fast.

How to get started

If you are thinking of nominating for council there are a number of things you

can do to inform your approach and prepare for this exciting role, including:

- going to a council meeting;
- talking to a current or former councillor; and
- contacting organisations that may be able to offer you assistance, such as the MAV and the VEC.

For further information about the community and candidate information session, contact Council Service Centre on 9524 3333.

For further information about standing for council, contact the MAV on 9667 5555 or visit www.standforcouncil.com.au

Seniors Festival celebrations will inspire

The *Victorian Seniors Festival 2008* promises to once again inspire residents with music, dance, fitness and culture.

The *Festival*, which is held for senior Glen Eira residents, will run from Friday 26 September to Sunday 12 October under the theme: *Be Inspired*.

A highlight of the *Festival* will be a free concert. To be held on 26 September, *The Sound of Music* will feature wonderful music from some of the great musicals of the 20th Century.

Glen Eira City Council will host an informative healthy living seminar, in conjunction with *Community Safety Week* and *Mental Health Week*.

Other Council and community events to be held during the *Festival* include walks, luncheons, concerts and open days.



The *Victorian Seniors Festival 2008* promises to once again inspire residents with music, dance, fitness and culture.

Photo: Anne-Marie Gannon

Further information will be available in the September edition of the *Glen Eira News*.

To register interest in receiving a copy of the *Festival* program, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

DAM Plan adopted by Council

A three-year plan that provides strategic direction for the management of animals within the City of Glen Eira has been adopted by Council.

The *Domestic Animal Management (DAM) Plan* sets out how Council will build on its existing animal management practices and how harmony between pets, pet owners and the Glen Eira community can continue to be strengthened.

The *Plan* has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of Section 68A of the *Domestic (Feral and Nuisance) Animals Act 1994*.

Council's Manager Civic Compliance John Bordignon said in preparing the *Plan*, Council consulted with the community.

"A draft *DAM Plan* was sent to various stakeholder groups and exhibited on Council's website for one month, resulting in 33 submissions," Mr Bordignon said.

"Suggestions from these submissions have now been included in the *Plan*, including the possibility of an annual pet expo to promote the benefits of responsible pet ownership."

Mr Bordignon said the *Plan* also sets out how Council will address existing issues

within the municipality.

"These issues include cat overpopulation, dogs at large or not under effective control, complaints about dog attacks, barking dogs and dog waste in public places," Mr Bordignon said.

"The *Plan* also sets out how Council will continue to promote and encourage responsible pet ownership, address the high euthanasia rate of cats and dogs, encourage registration and identification of cats and dogs and how Council complies with the *Domestic (Feral and Nuisance) Animals Act 1994*."

Mr Bordignon said an important part of the *Plan* is the *Action Plan*, which sets out objectives, actions and a timetable for Council to consider various initiatives to further improve responsible pet ownership.

"The *Action Plan* also sets out planned programs and initiatives for Council's Animal Management Officers," Mr Bordignon said.

The *DAM Plan* will be reviewed annually and updated every three years.

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



■ The *DAM Plan* sets out how Council will build on its existing animal management practices and how harmony between pets, pet owners and the Glen Eira community can continue to be strengthened. Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

News in Brief

Who makes you proud?

Nominations are now open for Glen Eira City Council's *Citizen of the Year*, *Young Citizen of the Year* and *Community Group of the Year Awards*.

The *Awards* recognise the contributions of outstanding Glen Eira residents and community groups who, through hard work and dedication, have significantly contributed to the Glen Eira community.

Nominees for *Citizen of the Year* and *Young Citizen of the Year* must be residents of Glen Eira. To be eligible for the *Young Citizen of the Year Award*, nominees must be 25 years or younger on 31 December 2008. To be considered, community groups must be not-for-profit community based groups which consist of four or more members and operate within the municipality.

Nominations close Friday 19 September 2008.

Awards will be presented at Council's annual *Australia Day Breakfast* in January 2009.

Application forms are available from Council's Service Centre, Council's four libraries, Community Information Glen Eira and Council's website at www.gleneira.vic.gov.au

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

VCAT overturns two Council decisions

Glen Eira City Council refused a development at 300 Neerim Road, Carnegie. The proposal was for four-storeys comprising commercial development, 21 dwellings with reduced car parking and no loading bay facilities. Council considered the proposal to be an over development.

The Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT) has overturned Council's decision and permitted the development.

VCAT's decision stated: "At a State level Melbourne 2030 is promoting higher residential densities in established activity centres. One might rhetorically ask the question where else in the Glen Eira municipality will a four-storey, new mixed use building be an acceptable planning outcome, if not in an urban village with a significant diversity of existing building stock and a railway station and buses within walking distance."

No parking required

Council refused an application for a second dwelling on a lot in Riddell Parade, Elsternwick. The proposal provided car parking for the new dwelling in the front setback. This was not supported because of its

adverse impact on the streetscape. VCAT agreed with Council's view on the adverse impact of the car park in the front setback but overturned Council's decision and permitted the development — without any car space. This development is now unique. This is the first dwelling in Glen Eira, requiring planning permission, which has been approved without any on-site car parking at all.

Volunteers: your community needs you

Want to make a difference to someone in need? Community Information Glen Eira (CIGE) is seeking new volunteers.

Now in its 38th year, CIGE is a free, confidential community based information and referral service which provides aid and information for residents of Glen Eira.

Strongly supported by the Glen Eira City Council, GIGE not only provides over the phone assistance, but material aid, such as food vouchers, and assistance to potential volunteers in our community.

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 begins in August 2008.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer and joining a lively and supportive group, contact Laurel Thompson on 9571 7644.

Watering heritage gardens and trees

Gardens and trees provide a setting for heritage places. Significant gardens at places like Como House and Rippon Lea cannot be managed for drought in the same way non-heritage gardens are. Many of these gardens contain expanses of lawn and seldom-grown or rare species of trees and shrubs — many of which are thirsty, not water wise plants. The Heritage Council and Heritage Victoria have produced a technical leaflet to help owners of heritage gardens and landscapes to look after their precious plants during time of drought. These tips have general useful information.

Watering Heritage Gardens and Trees covers issues such as the importance of mulching and the use of grey water to water plants. It also provides some useful advice on drought-tolerant grasses to replace thirsty lawns.

Limited copies of *Watering Heritage Gardens and Trees* are available from Council's Heritage Department by phoning 9524 3333. Copies can also be obtained from Heritage Victoria. ■

Investing in the future of Glen Eira

Glen Eira City Council's 2008-09 Budget focuses on renewing and upgrading the City's existing facilities, making Glen Eira an even better place to live.

Council has allocated \$25.43 million (equivalent to nearly half the rates) for new capital investment this financial year, covering all aspects of community life, including recreation, shopping centres, roads, drains, footpaths and the care of children, youth and people with disabilities.

2008-09 major Capital Works projects

- renewal and upgrade of Council's infrastructure assets such as

footpaths (\$2 million) drainage (\$3 million) and roads (\$4 million),

- Duncan Mackinnon Reserve pavilion upgrade — \$200,000 for preliminary design work;
- Glen Eira Sports and Aquatic Centre — \$1.54 million; and
- more than \$7 million on improvements and upgrades to Council's community and recreation facilities, childcare centres, libraries and shopping centres.

Other initiatives

Environment

- hundreds more trees;
- new drip irrigation systems in

Caulfield Park, Duncan Mackinnon and Murrumbeena Reserves;

- initiatives to save energy and water;
- a *Detox your Home* service for the collection of waste chemicals; and
- planning for the former Glen Huntly reservoir site.

Community safety

- immunisation programs;
- enforcement of safety laws;
- new toilets;
- pedestrian crossings;
- speed cushions;
- roundabouts; and
- an additional Civic Compliance Officer to boost compliance around town planning and inspections of

building sites.

Further details on Council's 2008-09 Budget can be found on pages eight and nine.

Council would like to thank all residents who contributed to the Budget process during public meetings.

All submissions and comments were considered when deciding the final Budget.

For further information about the 2008-09 Budget visit www.gleneira.vic.gov.au

The unique benefits of Family Day Care



Charles, Daniel, Sophie and Alex are cared for by Lakshmi.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

Glen Eira City Council is seeking caring, energetic, family-focused individuals who have the ability to meet children's needs to join its Family Day Care team.

Council's Family Day Care Scheme offers the Glen Eira community a quality childcare service in a home setting, for children from birth to 12 years. Council currently has 32 registered Family Day Carers from all walks of life, but more are needed.

Council's Family Day Care Co-ordinator Jill Jolliffe said there are a number of unique benefits for carers that become part of Council's Scheme.

"Carers that register enjoy the flexibility that comes with the job, as carers are able to choose the type of care they want to

provide, including full-time, part-time, before and after school and holiday care," Ms Jolliffe said.

"Additionally, carers are also able to set their own fees.

"Another benefit is that carers are strongly supported by Council's qualified early childhood professionals and offered monthly professional development training."

Carers throughout the Family Day Care Scheme have undertaken a police record check, a Working with Children Check and a rigorous home safety check.

If you would like more information about becoming a Family Day Carer or enrolling your child in Family Day Care, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or email fdc@gleneira.vic.gov.au

Mural colours intergenerational understanding

The second stage of the Warrawee Residential Community and St Peter's Primary School intergenerational project has been completed.

The *Time Flies* project explores how things have changed throughout the years through the creation of a mural.

Topics for the mural include transport, housing, music, dance, clothing, communication, sport and entertainment.

Warrawee Residential Community Lifestyle Coordinator Sue Lyon said during term two, 25 Year Four students came together once a week with Warrawee residents to discuss the theme and to gain an understanding of the social, cultural and historical aspects of the Glen Eira community.

"The second stage of the mural was then created based on what the children and residents had learnt from each," Ms Lyon said.

Ms Lyon said since work on the mural began in February, the children of St Peter's have developed close ties and friendships with the residents of Warrawee.

"The residents have enjoyed sharing their skills and knowledge with the children," Ms Lyon said.

"During the term, the children have not only learnt new skills, but they now have a better understanding and admiration for the elderly members of our community."

The mural will be completed by the end of the school year and will be shared between Warrawee



The second stage of the Warrawee Residential Community and St Peter's Primary School intergenerational project has been completed.

Photo: John Krutop

Residential Community and St Peter's Primary School.

MEETINGS AND CLUBS

St Peter's Cancer Support will next meet on 7 August from 10.30am at St Peter's Parish, 844 Centre Road, Bentleigh East. New members and partners welcome. Contact: 9579 4255.

Club 66 holds Old Time, Modern and New Vogue dances with a live band on the first and third Saturday of each month from 8pm at the Bentleigh Uniting Church Hall, 495 Centre Road, Bentleigh. Cost of \$7 includes a light supper. Contact: 9587 1092.

Over 40's Dance Club holds Old Time, Modern and New Vogue dances with a live band on the second and fourth Saturday of each month from 7.45pm at the Ormond Uniting Church Hall, corner North and Booran Roads, Ormond. Cost of \$7 includes a light supper. Contact: 9583 8117.

Murrumbeena Play Group Inc (a member of Playgroup Victoria) holds sessions for preschool children from Monday to Friday at the Community of Christ Church Hall, corner Poath and Dalny Roads, Murrumbeena. Contact: 0432 271 204.

McKinnon Needlepointers run a Nu-Wave program to teach the art of needle pointing, from beginners through to the experienced. The group meets every second Thursday from 1pm at the McKinnon Public Hall, 118 McKinnon Road, McKinnon. Contact Merrill: 9578 1117.

The Bentleigh Life Activities Club offers opportunities for seniors to meet new friends and enjoy social activities, including card games and music. New members welcome. Contact: Gotu 9557 2562 or Pat 9555 6008.

Bentleigh East Senior Citizens Club, at 1 Derry Street, Bentleigh East, welcomes new members. Activities include indoor bowls, table tennis and tai chi. Contact Joan: 9579 4573 or 9570 9045.

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

New Beginnings Group is an eight-week group for women who have experienced abuse in relationships either as children or adults. The group meets every Tuesday until 16 September from 1pm at Connections Family Resource Centre, 274 High Street, Windsor. Cost is \$20. Contact: 9521 5666.

GROW Better Together carers group provides understanding, support and education to help carers meet the challenges of caring for someone with a mental illness. Free meetings are held on Tuesdays from 7pm at 707 Glenhuntly Road, Caulfield South. Contact: 9528 2977.

Zonta Club of Melbourne on Yarra meets regularly to enjoy friendship and fun whilst taking action to advance the status of women locally and internationally. Contact Debbie: 0438 565 046.

Bridge @ 99 (an activity of the B'nai B'rith Shalom Unit) is looking for bridge players to play on Thursday nights from 7.30pm at 99 Hotham Street, St Kilda. Cost of \$8 includes supper. Contact Sol: 9578 1826 (not on Saturdays).

Brighton Philatelic Society meets on the first Saturday of the month from 1pm, second and fourth Tuesday of the month from 8pm and the third Tuesday of the month from 10.30am at 80 Gardenvale Road, Gardenvale. Activities include stamp displays and stamp trading. New members welcome. Contact Brad: 0403 009 583.

EVENTS

The Glen Eira City Choir invites all who love to sing to come and join them for their forthcoming concert *Proms in Springtime*. To be conducted by Jane Elton Brown, rehearsals will be held on Mondays from 7.30pm at the Caulfield Indonesian Uniting Church Hall, 158 Balaclava Road, Caulfield. Contact: 9578 1947.

Calvary Health Care Bethlehem will hold a Big Band Dinner Dance on 9 August from 7pm at Glen Eira Town Hall. Guests will be entertained by the *Rathdowne Street Big Band*, Kat Bell and

John Houghton. Dr Sally Cockburn (aka *Dr Feelgood*) will be Master of Ceremonies and former football favourite Alan Jarrott will be the auctioneer. Dress is black tie, 1920s style or suit. Cost is \$60 and money raised will go towards technology. There will be tables of 10. Bookings are essential. Contact Julie Gray: 9595 3257.

5th/6th Central Moorabbin Scout Group is now recruiting. To find out more about scouts come and see us on 9 August from 9am at the Bentleigh Rotunda, Centre Road. Contact Andrew Schwartz: 0408 317 984.

5th/6th Central Moorabbin Scout Group *Bring a Friend Week* commences on 11 August. The group meets on Mondays at Halley Park Hall, Jasper Road, Bentleigh — Joys (6–8 years) from 5.30pm and Cubs (8–11 years) from 7pm. On Tuesdays, it meets at King George VI Hall, East Boundary Road, Bentleigh East — Scouts (11–14 years) from 7.30pm. Contact Andrew Schwartz: 0408 317 984.

Music Lovers Society Classical Concert will be held on 23 August from 8pm at the Ewing Memorial Uniting Church, corner Coppin Street and Burke Road, Malvern East. Jacqueline Porter, accompanied by Elizaveta Petrova, and Carolyn Alphonso will perform. Admission is \$18, seniors \$15, pensioners \$11, students \$7 and family \$42. Contact: 9571 0850 or 9822 72 92.

The Adelphi Players Theatre Company presents Norman Hunter's *The Tulip Tree* on 24 August at 3pm at the Ormond Uniting Church, corner North and Booran Roads. Adults \$12, concession \$10 and family \$20. Proceeds go to the Ormond Uniting Church. All welcome.

The Tulip Tree will also be presented by the company from 26–29 August at 8.15pm and 30–31 August at 2.15pm at Labassa, 2 Manor Grove, Caulfield North. Cost of \$15 and \$12 concession includes supper. Bookings essential. Contact: 9690 1593.

Caulfield Little Athletics Club registration day will be held on 6 September from 10am at Duncan Mackinnon Athletics Facility, corner North and Murrumbeena Roads, Murrumbeena. Alternatively, you can register on-line at www.caulfieldlittleathletics.org.au To secure your place, please register early. Contact: 9578 3379.

Jewish Museum of Australia presents *Victor Majzner: Painting the Torah — an exhibition of painting illustrating the Old Testament* until 28 September. Contact Adele: 8534 3600.

The 15th Annual Blessing of Animals will be held on 5 October from 2pm at St James the Great, St Kilda East. Contact: www.stjamescommunity.org.au

Bentleigh Senior Citizens Merimbula-Sapphire Coast whale watching tour will be held from 27–30

October. Cost for the four days and three nights is \$445 per person, which includes all meals and admissions. Tour stops include Lakes Entrance, Eden and Bega. See whales up close onboard the cat balou on a half-day trip or visit the Bega Cheese Factory and Heritage Centre. Bookings required by 21 September. Contact Cheryl: 9557 5739.

Bentleigh Senior Citizens 2009 great autumn adventure tour to Tasmania will be held from 3–10 March. The tour of seven nights and eight days costs \$1,595 and includes travel on the Spirit of Tasmania (one-way) and flight costs (one-way). This luxury tour includes a trip to Port Arthur with a cruise around the Isle of the Dead, a day cruise up the Gordon River with a buffet lunch, a tour of the Cadbury Factory, Swiss Village and Salamanca Market and a bus trip around Cradle Mountain. Bookings required by 1 October 2008. Contact Cheryl: 9557 5739

COMMUNITY

Glen Eira Adult Learning Centre (GEALC) holds beginner to intermediate English and computer courses at 419 North Road, Ormond. Drop in for a cuppa and a chat about how GEALC can help you reach your learning goals. Concessions available. Contact: 9578 8996.

Bikes on footpaths

Glen Eira City Council would like to remind cyclists that only children under the age of 12 may ride their bicycles on the footpath.

Teenage and adult cyclists speeding on footpaths are a hazard to pedestrians, particularly the elderly and people who may be stepping onto the street from their front gate or buildings.

For this reason, Victorian road rules prohibit cyclists over 12 years from riding bicycles on footpaths — regardless of whether or not there are signs or pavement markings prohibiting cycling.

When a 'no bicycles' sign or 'no bicycles' pavement marking is displayed, even children under 12 years are prohibited from riding on the footpath.

Council's Manager Traffic and Parking Carl Russo said that cyclists caught by the police breaking these rules are liable to be fined.

"Cyclists are reminded that cycling in shopping centres is also prohibited — regardless of age," Mr Russo said.

In an effort to improve pedestrian safety, Council has asked police to regularly patrol shopping centres.

IMMUNISATIONSESSIONS

McKinnon Public Hall
118 McKinnon Road, McKinnon
Monday 4 August 10am–11am

Glen Eira Town Hall Auditorium (entry via Glen Eira Road)
Corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield

Tuesday 5 August 6pm–7pm
Tuesday 12 August 9.30am–10.30am

Carnegie Library and Community Centre
7 Shepparson Avenue, Carnegie
Wednesday 13 August 1.30pm–2.30pm
Thursday 28 August 6pm–7pm

Packer Park
Leila Road, Carnegie
Monday 18 August 10am–11am

Bentleigh East
Bentleigh Bayside Community Health Centre
Gardeners Road, Bentleigh East
Wednesday 20 August 5.45pm–7.15pm
Saturday 23 August 9.30am–11am

Glen Huntly Maternal and Child Health Centre
Corner Royal and Rosedale Avenues, Glen Huntly
Wednesday 27 August 9.30am–11am

2008-09 budget — investment

How every \$100 of your rates is spent

Average rates and charges in Glen Eira are the equivalent of \$20 per week, which is around the same as the average household phone bill or tax on the average week's petrol.

What do you get for your rates?

For every \$100 in rates collected, Council delivers, or pays for, the following services:

CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM \$29.87



PARKS AND RECREATION \$14.44



FOOTPATHS, ROADS, DRAINS AND BUILDING MAINTENANCE \$13.65



RECYCLING AND WASTE \$11.61



FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES \$6.34



LIBRARIES \$5.63



TOWN PLANNING \$2.85



FIRE BRIGADE LEVY \$2.97



Photos: Bernie Bickerton.

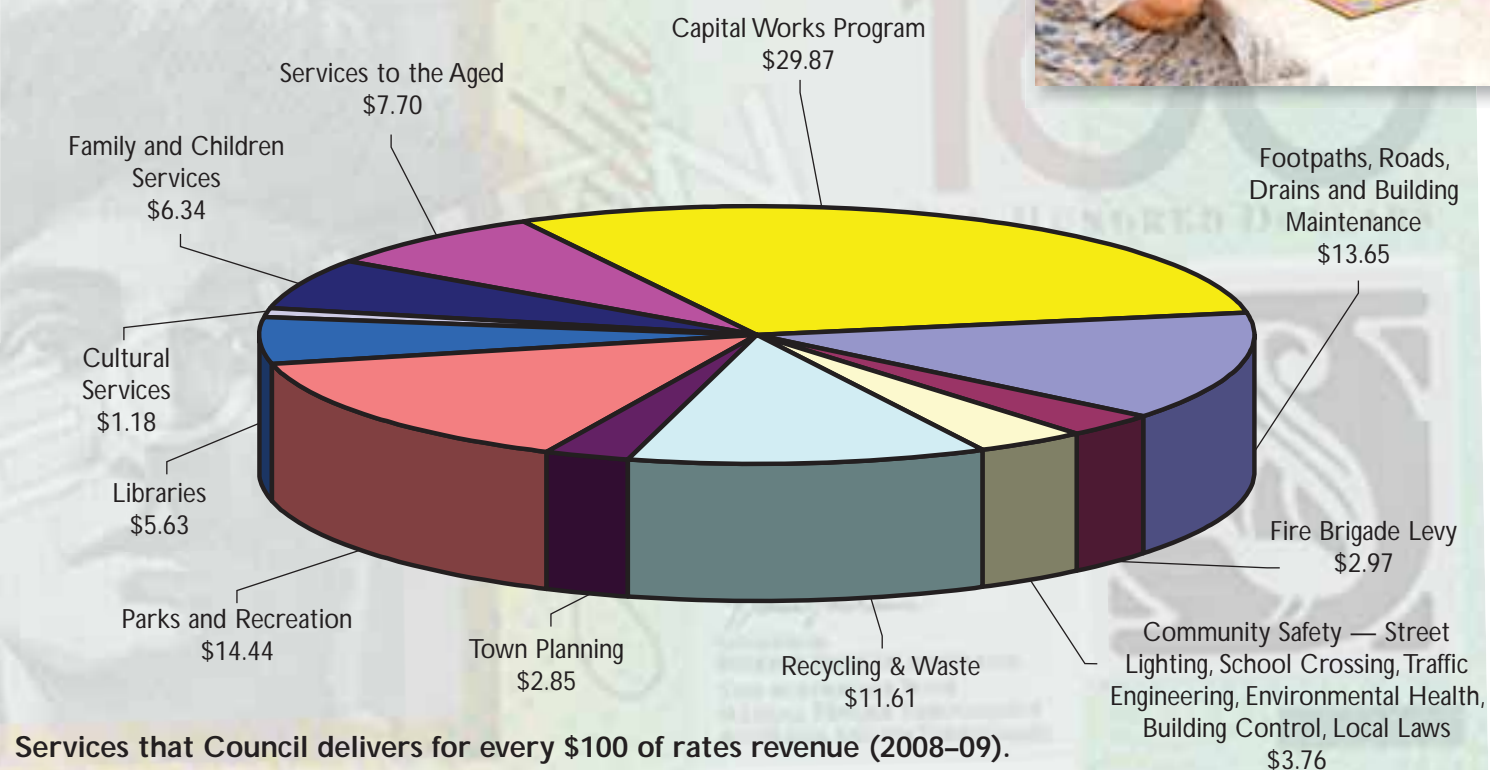
COMMUNITY SAFETY \$3.76



CULTURAL SERVICES \$1.18



SERVICES TO THE AGED \$7.70



Services that Council delivers for every \$100 of rates revenue (2008-09). Please note that figures include internal revenue and expense allocations and are calculated net of direct income (items such as grants and fees and charges — excluding waste management).

ng in Glen Eira's future

Capital investment — what's happening in the City

Open space

For the 2008–09 year, \$4.77 million will be spent on open space projects. The more significant projects include:

- Caulfield Park landscaping and improving the former aviary area — \$375,000;
- drip irrigation system at Caulfield Park — \$100,000;
- park pathway lighting program — \$306,000;
- sportsground drainage, irrigation, reshaping and redesign — \$500,000;
- sportsground lighting — \$305,000;
- drought-tolerant grass on sports ovals — \$212,000;
- design works at Duncan Mackinnon Pavilion — \$200,000;
- Caulfield Park Pavilion — \$605,000;

- pool maintenance, mainly at the Carnegie Pool — \$156,000;
- Duncan Mackinnon drought-tolerant system — \$150,000;
- rubber playground replacement — \$130,000;
- playground shade structures — \$125,000;
- cricket net replacement — \$95,000; and
- playground upgrades — \$100,000.

Road safety

For the 2008–2009 year, \$8.2 million is budgeted to be expended on road and traffic safety. The more significant projects include:

- footpath replacement — \$2 million;

- local road reconstructions — \$4 million;
- school safety — \$20,000;
- residential street safety — \$20,000;
- intersection safety — \$380,000;
- traffic signals — \$160,000;
- local roads resurfacing — \$625,000;
- car park renewal — \$310,000;
- right-of-ways — \$210,000;
- kerb and channel — \$140,000;
- shopping centre safety — \$50,000;
- Local Area Traffic Management devices — \$50,000;
- road safety strategy — speed cushions — \$48,000; and
- traffic management devices — \$40,000.

Funding has also been allocated for the City's drains (\$3 million), shopping centre upgrades (\$605,000), libraries (\$1.14 million) and parks (2.45 million).

2008–09 Budget — at a glance

Rates and charges

Glen Eira City Council's total rates and charges revenue will increase by an estimated 5.8 per cent in 2008–09 compared to the previous financial year — rate income is budgeted to increase by 6.5 per cent and waste and recycling charges are budgeted to increase by 1.6 per cent.

The residential waste and recycling charges are increasing to:

- 240 litre bin \$144.00 (\$142.10 in 2007–08); and
- 120 litre bin \$130.50 (\$129.00 in 2007–08).

How we compare

In comparison to neighbouring municipalities:

- Glen Eira's cost of day-to-day services is 19 per cent lower; and
- Glen Eira's average rates and charges are estimated to be 14 per cent below the average.

What you pay

Average rates, plus the waste and recycling charge, will be \$1,057 per property in 2008–09.

This is equivalent to \$20 per week:

- \$8 for capital works and maintenance;
- \$3 for waste and recycling; and
- \$9 for all other services and government charges.

The total pensioner rebate will continue at \$270 per annum. Glen Eira City Council continues to have one of the highest pensioner rebates of any council in Victoria.

Actual rates for an individual property depend on the value of that property.



\$20,000 will be spent on school safety. Photo: Bernie Bickerton.



\$625,000 will be spent on the resurfacing of local roads.

Photo: Roger Dunn.



\$212,000 will be spent on resurfacing sports ovals with drought-tolerant grass. Photo: GECC Recreation Unit.



\$305,000 will be spent on sportsground lighting.

Photo: GECC Recreation Unit.

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**

B'NAI B'RITH SHALOM UNIT JEWISH YOUTH ART AWARD

Viewing from 10am 7 August until
5pm 17 August

The 13th annual *B'nai Brith Shalom Unit Jewish Youth Art Award* was inspired by a bequest left by Morrie Gold to the B'nai Brith Shalom Unit.

The exhibition of *B'nai Brith Shalom Unit Jewish Youth Art Award* entries will be officially opened on 10 August. An award ceremony, which includes the announcement of the *Morrie Gold Memorial Prize* winner, will be held on the same night.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM GLEN EIRA CITY COUNCIL'S ART COLLECTION

Viewing from 10am on 6 August until
5pm on 17 August

Highlights from Glen Eira City Council's Art Collection presents a vibrant collection of artworks 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 Charles Blackman, Arthur Boyd, Ivan Durrant, George Johnson and Fred Williams.



Arthur Merric Bloomfield Boyd — *Farm, Murrumbidgee Road, 1935*, oil on canvas, 62cm x 52cm.

MELBOURNE SOCIETY OF WOMEN PAINTERS AND SCULPTORS — 99TH ANNUAL EXHIBITION

Viewing from 6pm on 20 August until
5pm on 31 August

The Melbourne Society of Women Painters and Sculptors was formed in 1902 by eight former students of the National Gallery Art School (now the Victorian College of the Arts) with the aim of providing support and companionship to women artists.

Former members of the Society include well-known painters Janet Cumbrae-Stewart, Clara Southern, Alice Bale, Clarice Beckett, Lina Bryans, Ethel Carrick Fox and Sybil Craig and sculptors Ola Cohn, Margaret Baskerville and Marguerite Mahood. Present membership ranges from those of longstanding to the more recent. The age span varies greatly, yet members come together enjoying companionship and a love of art.

Members work in diverse mediums. Sculptors work in bronze, clay, wood and ceramic and also use 'found' objects. Painters use oil, watercolour, acrylic, pastel, charcoal, gouache, pen and wash. Printmakers produce linocuts, etchings, monoprints and woodcuts. Many styles are covered from representational to imaginative and contemporary, always ensuring exhibitions are exciting and different.

2008 SILK CUT AWARDS FOR LINOCUT PRINTS

Viewing from 6pm on Friday 5 September
until 5pm on 21 September

The *Silk Cut Awards for Linocut Prints* offers everyone in Melbourne an exciting and unique exhibition of the best in contemporary printmaking.

Past winners of the *Award* have included prominent printmakers Belinda Fox,

Deborah Klein, Angela Cavalieri, Heather Shimmen and Marieke Dench. As the only award specific to linocut printmakers, it attracts artists from across Australia and now represents one of the broadest samples of technically refined and conceptually engaged printmaking



2006 *Silk Cut* prize winner:
Roan Green — *Dally Boy*.

Unique to the *Award* is the student section, which is open to school students 18 years and under. The quality of past winners and this year's entrants goes a long way toward guaranteeing a strong future for Australian printmaking. In addition to giving us an insight of what is yet to come, the collaborative works show the dedication of and guidance provided by visual arts teachers in Australian schools.

The high quality of the entries has made this year's *Award* a very difficult one to judge. The official opening of the exhibition and announcement of the 2008 *Award* winners will be held on Friday 5 September at 6pm.

The *Silk Cut Award for Linocut Prints* is a project of Duroloid, a linoleum wholesaler in association with Forbo. ■

2008 Winter
Music Series

Stephen Cummings Duo

Sunday 10 August, 2.30pm–4.30pm

Glen Eira Town Hall — Auditorium

Pre-purchased tickets:

\$22 full or

\$19 concession

**Ticket price at
door: \$25 full or
\$22 concession**

Stephen Cummings is one of Australia's foremost singer/songwriters.



Stephen Cummings

During his distinguished career he has released 17 albums, including 13 studio albums, two Best of compilations, a live disc and an album of acoustic re-workings of his songs. His album, *A New Kind of Blue*, won an ARIA award for *Best Adult Contemporary Album* and his eighth album, *Falling Swinger*, was included in *Australian Rolling Stone's* list of *100 Essential Australian Albums*. *The Age* has described Stephen as "one of the great voices of Australian rock." His music has been described as "intelligent pop — an acquired taste that gradually reveals itself as completely bewitching." One critic praising his *Lovetown* album wrote "This is pop, it's rare and it should be treasured."

Bric a Brac

Sunday 24 August, 2.30pm–4.30pm

Glen Eira Town Hall — Theatre

Pre-purchased tickets:

\$18 full or \$16 concession

Ticket price at door:

\$20 full or \$18 concession

This vibrant five-piece group pay tribute to French music. *Bric a Brac's* repertoire includes Parisian folklore, as well as music from Louisiana, Quebec, Brittany and North Africa. The melodies and improvisations of the gypsy violin complement warm and emotional singing, while the washboard percussion and double bass enhance the exciting rhythm character of the group to make the performance a feast of nostalgia and romance. ■

Upcoming Gallery highlight

Hello Darkness: the art of Louise Hearman

Viewing from 6pm on 8 October to 5pm
on 3 November

Glen Eira City Council is proud to announce the first ever survey exhibition of the renowned Melbourne artist Louise Hearman. For 25 years, Ms Hearman has been creating dreamlike visions imbued with dark and haunting undercurrents. Painted in a virtuoso technique, her subjects include empty suburban roads running through illuminated trees, spectral figures floating on ink-black

grounds, disembodied heads smiling enigmatically at the viewer, and landscapes frozen in baleful light.

A highlight of the exhibition calendar year, *Hello Darkness: the art of Louise Hearman* will feature more than 70 individual pieces, drawn from prestigious collections such as the TarraWarra Museum of Art, Ian Potter Museum of Art and the University of Tasmania Collection, as well as numerous private collections. ■

Untitled 1234 — 2007, oil on
composition board, 67cm x 47cm.



Gallery exhibitions 2009

Glen Eira City Council's Gallery is accepting second round exhibition applications for 2009, with the deadline for receipt of these applications being 18 August.

Exhibition slots remain available for March, June and July. For hire charges and other information, contact the Gallery on 9524 3402 or visit www.gleneira.vic.gov.au ■

2008 My Brother Jack Literary Festival

“ In Conversation with ...

Saturday 16 August

2pm–3pm
Carnegie Library and Community Centre —
Boyd Room
\$10 per ticket

Dorothy Porter

Dorothy Porter is the author of the internationally acclaimed crime thriller *The Monkey's Mask*. The thriller won the *Age Book of the Year for Poetry*, *National Book Council Award for Poetry* and *Braille Book of the Year*. *The Monkey's Mask* has been adapted for stage and radio and was also made into a film.

Dorothy has written five collections of poetry including *Driving Too Fast* and *Crete*, two novels for young adults and two verse novels, *What a Piece of Work* and *Wild Surmise*, which have been shortlisted for the *Miles Franklin Award*. Her most recent verse novel is crime thriller *El Dorado*.

Saturday 16 August

3.30pm–4.30pm
Carnegie Library and Community Centre —
Boyd Room
\$10 per ticket

Shane Maloney

Shane Maloney is an award winning author and one of Australia's most popular novelists. His novels, *Stiff*, *The Brush-Off*, *Nice Try*, *The Big Ask* and *Something Fishy* are published in Germany, France, Japan, Finland, Britain and the United States.

The Brush-Off won the *Ned Kelly Prize for Crime Fiction* and was also shortlisted for the *Premiers Literary Award*. *Nice Try* was a nominee for *The Age Book of the Year*.

The Age described his *Murray Whelan* series of comic thrillers, as the true voice of national comic futility.

Shane has also written many columns, travel stories, articles and book reviews for various newspapers, magazines and anthologies.

Sunday 17 August

1pm–2pm
Glen Eira Town Hall — Theatrette
\$10 per ticket

Danny Katz

Danny Katz is a newspaper columnist for *The Age* and *The West Australian*. He is also the modern guru in the *Good Weekend* magazine. Danny is the author of *Spit the Dummy*, *Dork Geek Jew* and several children's books including, *Little Lunch* series — winner of *Young Australians' Best Book Award 2005 (Younger Readers)*.

Sunday 17 August

2.30pm–3.30pm
Glen Eira Town Hall — Theatrette
\$15 per ticket

John Marsden

John Marsden has written and edited more than 30 books, which have been translated into 14 languages, selling four million copies worldwide. His novels include *So Much to Tell You*, *Tomorrow* and *When the War Began*. John's non-fiction titles include *Secret Men's Business* and *Everything I Know About Writing*.

In Australia, John has won every major writing award for young people's fiction. Internationally, he has been runner-up for *Dutch Children's Book of the Year*, won the *Grand Jury Prize* as Austria's Most Popular Writer for Teenagers and in Germany won the coveted *Buxtehuder Bulle* — an award given biennially for the best young person's book in the world, for the preceding two years.

In conversation with ...
bookings: 9524 3287



In conversation with ... speakers



Shane Maloney



Dorothy Porter



Danny Katz



John Marsden

Workshoppers



Arnold Zable



Meg Mundell

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Workshops

Sunday 3 August

1pm–4.30pm
Glen Eira Town Hall — Caulfield Cup Room
\$20 full fee \$15 for Glen Eira residents

The art of editing

Rosemary Noble has succeeded as an editor for more than 25 years. Her work has mainly been in the areas of educational and academic publishing, both in-house and freelance, but also includes a five year period, writing and editing children's magazines. She is currently the Development Manager at McGraw-Hill Publishing.

Rosemary has a real passion for her profession and strongly believes in the use of plain language.

Getting published — where to start

Senior Editor of Hardie Grant Books, Emma Schwarcz has worked on a wide range of projects, from cook books and music trivia, to memoirs and humour. Emma is not averse to the occasional sports book, but much prefers the comforts of fiction.

Sunday 10 August

1pm–5pm
Glen Eira Town Hall — Caulfield Cup Room
\$30 full fee \$20 for Glen Eira residents

The essentials of successful story writing with Arnold Zable

Arnold Zable is a dynamic and highly acclaimed storyteller. His books include the award winning *Jewels and Ashes*, *The Fig Tree* and *Café Scheherazade*. In this workshop, Arnold will discuss the essentials of story writing — meaning, sense, clarity, structure, language, voice, dialogue, plots, scenes and characterisation.

Zable speaks passionately about memory and history, displacement and community, the experience of the Jewish Diaspora, Aboriginal issues and indigenous education and the multiplicity of cultures within Australia.

Sunday 17 August

1pm–3pm
Glen Eira Town Hall — Caulfield Cup Room
\$20 full fee \$15 for Glen Eira residents

Writing to earn a living

Join freelance writer Meg Mundell, in a two hour workshop where she demonstrates freelance

opportunities for writers of diverse formats and genres. Meg will also focus on ways to earn a living from your writing.

Her paid work includes news, opinion and feature articles for *The Age* and *Lonely Planet*, magazine journalism, short stories, website copy, media releases and obscure government pamphlets about spam.

Sunday 17 August

3.30pm–5.30pm
Glen Eira Town Hall — Caulfield Cup Room
\$20 full fee \$15 for Glen Eira residents

The art of writing non-fiction

Join writer, film director, producer and author of *Swing by Sailor*, Catherine Dyson, as she focuses on writing non-fiction.

Catherine's films have been nominated for the *UN Media Peace Award* and the *AFI Best Documentary*. Her non-fiction book *Swing By Sailor — true stories from the war brides of HMS Victorious*, was published in April 2007 and is being adapted as a television documentary.

Workshop bookings: 9524 3287

Cash flow is the lifeline of your business

In an effort to assist local businesses in managing their cash flow, Glen Eira City Council will host two workshops in August and September.

Council's Business Development Manager Lynda Bredin said understanding where the cash is in their business and planning for the future is critical to the health and longevity of businesses.

"Cash is more important to business than profit — you can remain profitable, but still suffer cash flow crisis, and be the subject to insolvency," Ms Bredin said.

"To protect and manage your cash flow you first need to understand where your cash is hidden. Working capital is a clear indicator of the health of your business."

Both workshops will be presented by Jan Barned, who has worked in the finance industry, both in Australia and overseas, for more than 20 years.

"Jan Barned's mantra is: the optimum way to manage cash is to be proactive, to plan and review," Ms Bredin said.

"If you manage the cashflow in your business well, the risk of facing a cash flow crisis is reduced and competitive opportunities for your business are likely to emerge.

"An improved cash flow position will allow management to focus on the core

operations of the business, without the worry of cash flow."

Ms Barned has worked in numerous senior finance position within a variety of industries, including resources, commodities, manufacturing, retail and financial services.

Ms Barned specialises in cash flow forecasting and cash flow management and runs a successful consulting business. She has provided assistance to many small to medium size businesses to enable them to manage cash flow crisis and improve accuracy in cash flow forecasting.

Ms Barned presented a series of workshops during *Small Business Month* and was complimented on her down-to-earth approach to finance and avoidance of industry jargon.

Unlocking hidden cash in businesses

When: Monday 11 August

Time: 6.30pm–8.30pm (6pm registration and networking)

Where: Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield.

Cost: \$30

RSVP: Thursday 7 August

This workshop is designed to help local business determine where their working

capital is in their business. It will provide practical tools to help businesses achieve the most out of their existing capital before considering borrowing.

The workshop will focus on:

- what are the key drivers of cash in your business?;
- monitoring sales receipts — the need for speed;
- suppliers and payments;
- stock management;
- other controls that impact cash; and
- monitoring to improve cash flow.

Forecasting your cash flow

When: Wednesday 10 September

Time: 6.30pm–9pm (6pm registration and networking)

Where: Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield.

Cost: \$35

RSVP: Monday 8 September

This workshop will provide businesses with the tools to proactively manage their cash, improve cash management and identify problems early.

The workshop will focus on:

- what is cash flow?;
- why bother forecasting cash flow?;
- how to plan your cash flow forecast;
- design a cash flow forecast;



Jan Barned has worked in the finance industry, both in Australia and overseas, for more than 20 years.

- what is your forecast telling you?; and
- using your cash flow forecast to grow your business.

To book your place for either workshop, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

Retail guru spellbounds audience

International authority on retail marketing and branding Michael Morrison held his audience spellbound at a recent BusEd dinner seminar on emotional branding.

Michael's presentation showed many 'wow' examples on how to win buyers hearts and dollars through strategies

that appealed to the human emotions. He also shared examples collected on his study tours of how international retailers are taking the extra step in providing a focus on leisure, fun, fantasy, entertainment and theatre through retail strategies that incorporate the five senses.

Michael showcased the changing nature

of the consumer landscape, taking businesses from thinking about just providing the basic need for products and services to getting them to focus on providing what appeals to the public on an emotional level.

The audience received a clear message that in a competitive world reliant on the consumers spend; you can't expect to stand out from the crowd by just providing the same goods and services as everyone else.

Michael told the audience that consumers want more than a product — they want to experience the phenomena of buying a uniquely special and positive experience.

A retailer who thinks outside the envelope to add personal value to the shopper's retail experience is more likely to win the market's attention," Michael said.



International authority on retail marketing and branding Michael Morrison. Photo: GECC Business Development Unit.

Community Information Glen Eira Inc Annual General Meeting

Community Information Glen Eira Inc will hold its Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 27 August in the Caulfield Cup Room, Glen Eira Town Hall, at 1pm.

The meeting will commence with a light lunch and guest speaker will be Good Shepherd Youth and Family Service Social Policy Researcher, Kathy Landvogt.

Kathy, who is a local resident, will not only speak about the services Good Shepherd Youth and Family Service provides, but also community information, emergency relief and community building.

If you would like to attend, contact 9571 7644 by Friday 22 August.

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Recreation respite program successful



Basketball was a big hit with more than 15 people attending.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton

New playground for Greenmeadows Park

Greenmeadows Gardens is a hidden gem and could easily be referred to as Glen Eira's jewel of the north.

Located in St Kilda East (Mel Ref: 58 G12) the 96-year-old park is receiving a new playground as part of Glen Eira's capital works program. Work is well underway and expected to be completed shortly.

The new playground will provide a world of entertainment for the young and young at heart. A tree house will emerge from the landscape under a palm tree and will include scramble nets, tunnels, walkways, a double wave slide, decking and rock climbing holds.

A giant spaceball is also being added along with other fantastic equipment, such as *The Core* and *Velocity 2*. This climbing equipment will provide hours of fun for young people to explore and hang off.

The younger age groups will also be catered for with individual rockers,



Greenmeadows Gardens is receiving a new playground.

Photo: GECC Recreation Unit.

four-way rockers, junior slides and swings. Wooden sculptures will also be placed in the playground.

New pathways are being added to this playspace to enable easy access and picnic tables are also being relocated for the convenience of park users.

The playground has been designed around the existing trees making this a green and shaded playground environment.

Greenmeadows Gardens was established between Federation and World War One. Around 1912, Council purchased a cow paddock from a Mr Kirton for £1,450. This land had once been part of the Lempriere family's Greenmeadows Estate. A request from a Miss Rosa Watts to call the park Lempriere Park was refused because of litigation that had occurred between Mr Lempriere and Council. Instead, the new park became known as Greenmeadows Gardens.

At the time when the park was being established, there was a lot of pressure from sports clubs to establish facilities in the Council parks. A proposal to establish tennis courts at the park was refused and to this day the park has remained a sports-free park.

The original layout of the park remains largely as it was established.

Greenmeadows Gardens has something for everyone and is a great place for a walk, a picnic or a play in the new playground. ■

A recreation respite program was held during the July school holidays for young people with a disability.

Funded through the Department of Human Services, and organised by Glen Eira City Council and Access Unlimited, nine different Glen Eira sporting clubs, associations and community groups were involved in the program, giving young people a taste test of different sports.

Access Unlimited Recreation Access Officer Paul Holtschke said the program was a fantastic example of how sport and recreation clubs and services can be inclusive of all people with in Glen Eira.

"The 10 daily sessions were well attended, with basketball being the big hit with more than 15 people attending," Mr Holtschke said.

Matt Dunstan from Basketball Victoria said it was great to see so many new and eager participants.

"Basketball Victoria is fully committed to the development of the game for all people throughout the Glen Eira

municipality," Mr Dunstan said.

"I am really looking forward to working with Access Unlimited to make basketball more inclusive and provide new opportunities to see more people playing basketball."

Anthony from Bentleigh told the *Glen Eira News* he had fun playing basketball.

"It really helped me learn more skills and I really want to do it again," Anthony said.

Glen Eira City Council and Access Unlimited would like to thank all the volunteers, including Council's Home and Community Care staff, the Caulfield District Netball Association, Caulfield Lacrosse Club, Kings Park Tennis Club, Glen Eira Junior Soccer club, Armadale Bowls Club, Caulfield Park Sports Club, Ormond Junior Football Club, Kinetic Dance, Lacrosse Services and Basketball Victoria.

For further information about participating or supporting more inclusive sporting opportunities, contact Access Unlimited on 8290 1185. ■



The respite recreation program included tennis.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton

Lacrosse championships come to town

The Caulfield Lacrosse Club hosted the *Under 17 and Under 19 Men's National Championships* in July.

More than 1,500 competitors from across Australia, New Zealand and the United States travelled to Glen Eira to compete in this important event, which was officially opened by Cr Margaret Esakoff.

In 2009, Caulfield Lacrosse Club will celebrate its centenary and is now in its

100th season of Lacrosse at Caulfield Park. No doubt, Caulfield Park was very different 100 years ago, but the game of Lacrosse has not changed and is as tough as ever.

Caulfield Lacrosse will join a number of other Glen Eira clubs which have reached their 100 year milestone. Its centennial season is a credit to the club members and administrators and Glen Eira City Council and its predecessor, Caulfield Council, are pleased to have shared the journey. ■

Fuel your mind during Children's Book Week — 16 to 22 August

Storytime sessions

Come along and enjoy one of the regular, weekly *Storytime* sessions for preschool children. The sessions will focus on the books nominated for *Book of the Year — Early Childhood*. For further information and session times, contact 9524 3623 or visit www.gleneira.vic.gov.au

Eira's Reader Rewards

Eira's Reader Rewards commences on 4 August and is open to children up to 16 years.

To enter, all you have to do is have your Eira card stamped each time you borrow three items or more. On the third visit fill out the entry form and you will go into the draw to win a *Fuel your Mind* pack jammed full of books, DVDs and fun activities.

There is one *Fuel your Mind* pack to be won for each age level — 0–4 years, 5–8 years, 9–12 years and 13–16 years.

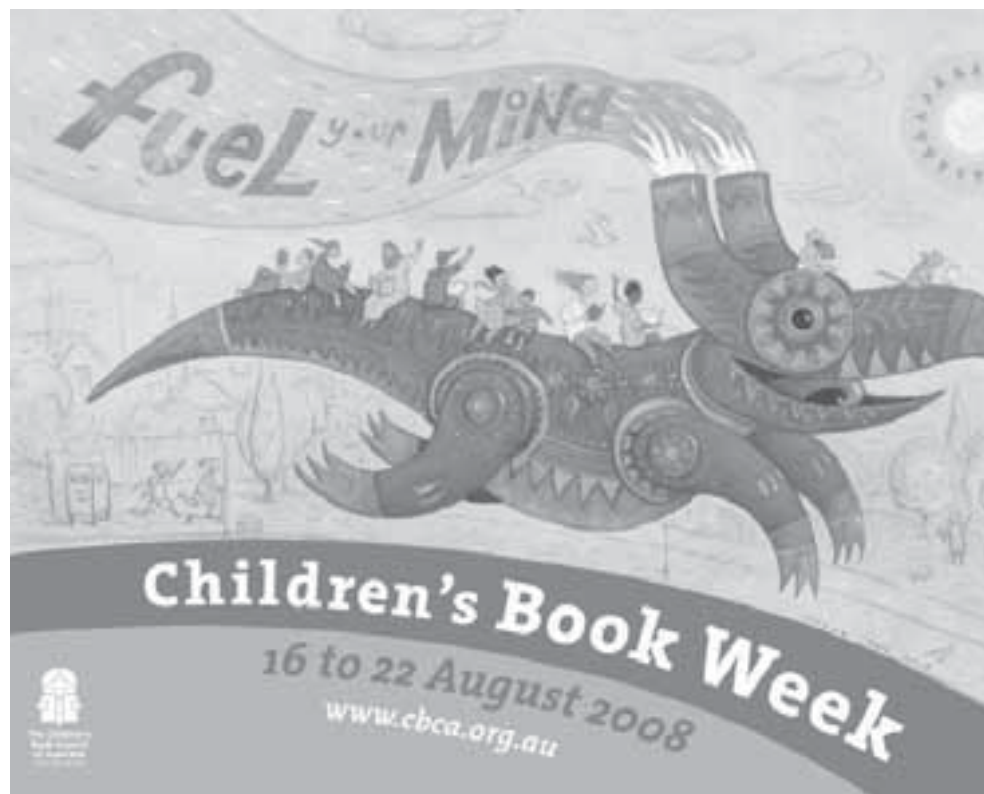
Entries close 5 October.

Saturday Shakers — Big Book Week Show

23 August

2pm–2.45pm

Carnegie Library and Community Centre — Boyd Room, level one, 7 Shepparson Avenue, Carnegie



The *Big Book Week Show* is an energetic, creative and interactive performance based on this year's *Book of the Year* nominations. This free event is suitable for children four years and over. No bookings are required.

Meet an author

For schools, Glen Eira libraries will again host the popular *Meet the Author*

program during *Children's Book Week*. Primary school children will have the opportunity to meet author and illustrator Jeannette Rowe, *Maxx Rumble* and *The Undys* series writer Michael Wagner and screenwriter and author Robert Greenberg.

The three authors will discuss the creative writing process, book design and what is involved in having a book published. ■

Planning for a secure future

Thursday 28 August

6.30pm–8pm

Glen Eira Town Hall Theatrette
Corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield

Presented by the Law Institute of Victoria this free lecture will cover important issues for many in the community and their families, including:

- What should I consider when making a will?;
- What is power of attorney and is it necessary?;
- What financial planning issues do I need to consider?; and
- What kind of retirement and aged care accommodation is available?

Bookings are required. To book, visit your local library branch, contact 9524 3623 or visit www.gleneira.vic.gov.au ■

Out and about with Glen Eira youth

Glen Eira City Council Youth Services recently held a variety of workshops and information sessions for young people in the local community.

Make A Difference program

Youth Services teamed up with Caulfield Police Youth Resource Officer Lisa Prince to assist with the *Make A Difference* (MAD) program. This program aims to promote healthy relationships between young people and the police. As part of the program, students from Caulfield Park Community School visited the Youth Information Centre to learn about the services on offer.

Workshops and information sessions

Throughout term two, Youth Services held a number of workshops and information sessions at local schools. Year Eight students from McKinnon Secondary College participated in the highly sought after *Young Women's Program*, while Year Nine students from



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

Glen Eira College took part in a body image workshop. Information and activity sessions were also held at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart.

School holiday fun

During the term two holidays, Youth Services hosted a series of information and education workshops covering areas such as employment, rights as a consumer and song writing.

YCG graduation night

Council's Youth Consultative Group's (YCG) graduation night was held on 26 June. 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*.

For further information about any of Glen Eira Youth Services programs, information sessions and workshops, contact 9579 7963 or email youthservices@gleneira.vic.gov.au

Saturday Shakers — Beijing Bound

9 August

2pm–2.45pm

Carnegie Library and Community Centre — Boyd Room, level one, 7 Shepparson Avenue, Carnegie

Join in the Olympic spirit at this fun show. Learn about the history of the games and Olympic events and test your knowledge in an Olympic trivia quiz. This educational and entertaining look at the Olympic Games and the race for gold is a free event suitable for children five years and over.

No bookings are required. ■

Caulfield 公園新增樹木200棵

Caulfield 公園按照改進計劃，最近階段在公園東部種植了200棵樹木。

新種的樹木高 1.2 至 1.5 公尺之間，選栽這些樹木是因為它們適合墨爾本的條件，耐旱，植後有較強的適應力。

為了幫助保持水分，這些樹木的根部都鋪蓋了護根木屑，栽種時也加入了保溼劑。

市政府公園服務處將在今後的幾個月中負責這些樹木的保養，夏季用 Caulfield 公園的深井水定期澆灌樹木，在栽種階段作造型修枝，並在樹木成活後按需作進一步的修枝。

八月份停車場工程竣工後將在公園南部進行第二階段的景觀美化，2009 年運動員更衣室竣工後將在公園北部進行第三階段的景觀美化。

Caulfield 公園安裝飲水處

Caulfield 公園新安裝了四個飲水處，這些飲水處都裝有狗飲水盆。

這些飲水處都設在小徑邊上，有兩個對著 Balaclava Road，另兩個則朝著 Inkerman Road。

這些全功能飲水處將為所有公園使用者帶來便利 - 包括我們的四條腿“朋友”。

200 δένδρα ακόμα στο Caulfield Park

Στο τελευταίο στάδιο βελτίωσης του Caulfield Park, 200 δένδρα έχουν φυτευτεί στην ανατολική πλευρά του Πάρκου.

Τα δένδρα ύψους 1.2 και 1.5 επιλέχθηκαν για την καταλληλότητά τους στις συνθήκες της Μελβούρνης, αντοχή στην ανομβρία και την ευκολία προσαρμογής τους μετά το φύτεμα.

Για την συγκράτηση της υγρασίας, τα δένδρα έχουν επιστρωθεί με σαπισμένα φύλλα και προστέθηκε υδροποητικό κατά το φύτεμα.

Οι Δημοτικές Υπηρεσίες του Πάρκου θα συντηρούν τα δένδρα στους επόμενους μήνες με τακτικό πότισμα το καλοκαίρι από φρεάτιο στο Caulfield Park, αρχικό κλάδεμα κατά το φύτεμα και περαιτέρω κλάδεμα όπως αυτό χρειάζεται όταν τα δένδρα έχουν μεγαλώσει.

Δεύτερο στάδιο διαμόρφωσης του χώρου θα γίνει στο νότιο μέρος του Πάρκου όταν τελειώσουν τα έργα για το πάρκινγκ τον Αύγουστο και τρίτο στάδιο στο βόρειο όταν τελειώσει το περίπτερο το 2009.

Τοποθέτηση κρηνών στο Caulfield Park

Τέσσερις επιπλέον κρήνες με κύπελλα για σκύλους έχουν τοποθετηθεί στο Caulfield Park.

Βρίσκονται κατά μήκος του μονοπατιού, υπάρχουν δυο στην Balaclava Road και δυο στην πλευρά του Inkerman Street.

Οι κρήνες για όλους θα είναι ευεργετικές για όλους τους χρήστες του πάρκου συμπεριλαμβανομένων και των τετράποδων φίλων μας.

200 alberi in più a Caulfield Park

200 alberi sono stati piantati nel settore orientale di Caulfield Park a compimento dell'ultimo stadio delle opere di miglioramento apportate al parco.

Gli alberi, le cui altezze variano da 1,20 m. a 1,50 m., sono stati appositamente selezionati in funzione della loro adattabilità alle condizioni climatiche di Melbourne, della tolleranza ai periodi di siccità e per la loro facilità di ambientazione dopo l'interramento iniziale.

Per permettere agli alberi di trattenere il proprio umore naturale, si è proceduto alla pacciamazione e si è aggiunto un agente umidificante al momento dell'interramento.

Il Servizio comunale di manutenzione parchi si prenderà cura degli alberi nei mesi a venire tramite regolari annaffiature durante i mesi estivi con acqua del pozzo di Caulfield Park, sfronatura nella fase di interrimento ed ulteriore potatura alla bisogna dopo che gli alberi si saranno ambientati.

Nel mese di agosto si procederà con una seconda fase di pianificazione che interesserà la zona meridionale del parco dopo il completamento dei lavori di ristrutturazione del parcheggio, seguita nel 2009 da una terza fase relativa alla zona settentrionale dopo il completamento del padiglione.

Fontanelle per acqua potabile installate a Caulfield Park

A Caulfield Park sono state inoltre installate altre quattro fontanelle per acqua potabile fornite di abbeveratoio per cani.

Situate lungo il sentiero pedonale, due si trovano sulla Balaclava Road e due sulla Inkerman Road.

Le fontanelle multiabilità costituiranno un notevole beneficio per tutti i fruitori del parco, inclusi i nostri amici a quattro zampe.

200 новых деревьев в парке Caulfield

На последнем этапе программы благоустройства в парке Caulfield было высажено 200 новых деревьев.

Высота деревьев от 1.2 до 1.5 метров. Деревья были выбраны из соображений соответствия климату Мельбурна, способности переносить засуху и приспособляемости к окружающей среде после посадки.

Для сохранения влаги деревья были мульчированы, и во время посадки было добавлено увлажняющее средство.

Садово-парковая муниципальная служба в ближайшие месяцы будет поддерживать высаженные деревья за счет регулярной поливки летом через водную скважину в парке, обязательную подрезку ветвей после посадки и дальнейшую подрезку, по мере необходимости, когда деревья приживутся.

Строительство стоянки для машин будет закончено в августе, а затем, на втором этапе, начнутся работы по благоустройству парка в его южной части. Третий этап, в северной части парка, начнется после сооружения павильона в 2009г.

В парке Caulfield установлены питьевые фонтаны

В парке были установлены четыре дополнительных питьевых фонтана со специальными чашками для собак.

Они расположены вдоль пешеходной дорожки – два со стороны Balaclava Road, и два со стороны Inkerman Road.

Все посетители парка, в том числе четвероногие, смогут пользоваться новыми питьевыми фонтанами.

FIRST AID AND PAEDIATRIC RESUSCITATION

Glen Eira City Council will be presenting this information session for parents/guardians, grandparents and carers.

Each year in Australia approximately 500 children die as a result of accidents and injuries. Many of these lives could have been saved if parents or other caregivers knew simple first aid and resuscitation skills.

This valuable session will look at:

- responding to an emergency;
- care of the unconscious child;
- child and infant resuscitation;
- choking;
- calling an ambulance; and
- febrile convulsions.

Please note: This paediatric first aid course is for families and guardians and not a Level One training course required by Children's Services Regulations 1998 for early years professionals.

Date: Wednesday 27 August

Time: 7.30pm–9.30pm (registration 7.15pm)

Venue: Glen Eira Town Hall — Caulfield Cup Room, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield

Cost: \$35 per person

RSVP: Friday 15 August

Limited places (16 maximum). Registration and payment must be received prior to the session. For a registration form or further information, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or visit

www.gleneira.vic.gov.au



GLEN EIRA CITY COUNCIL

WHAT'S THE HURRY?

Glen Eira City Council will be presenting this information session for parents/guardians, grandparents and early childhood professionals.

Guest presenter, Early Childhood Consultant, Kathy Walker, will explore issues surrounding children in today's society, including the pressures upon parents in a rushed and hurried world and the impact it has upon children. Strategies to combat some of the rush and hurry will also be explored.

Date: Thursday 14 August

Time: 7.30pm–9.30pm (registration 7.15pm)

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

Cost: \$5 per person

RSVP: Monday 4 August

Limited places. Registration and payment must be received prior to the session. For a registration form or further information, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or

visit www.gleneira.vic.gov.au



GLEN EIRA CITY COUNCIL

Glen Huntly Friendship Group

Bus trip to Gippsland Thursday 28 August

There are many places of interest, of beauty, of produce — and in Gippsland we find them all.

Come and enjoy arts and crafts, the scenic beauty of the land and the tastes of the gourmet deli country.

Cost is \$35 and includes morning tea along the way and lunch in Yarragon.

Bus departs 99 Grange Road, Glen Huntly at 8.45am and 185 Poath Road, Hughesdale at 9am.

For further information and bookings, contact Margaret on 9596 6124.

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COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

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

Upcoming consultation opportunities

Subject	Type	Date	Where
Draft Environmental Sustainability Strategy	Comments and submissions	Closes 5pm on 11 August	PO Box 42, Caulfield South Vic 3162

Recent consultation opportunities

Subject	Type	Date
Draft Community Safety Plan	Comments and submissions	1–30 July
Draft Community Safety Plan	Meeting	29 July
Environment	Forum	31 July

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

New signs for Caulfield Reserve

Signs promoting access to the Caulfield Racecourse Reserve have been installed, welcoming residents to one of the area's most idyllic recreation spaces.

Unveiling the signs on 28 May, Melbourne Racing Club General Manager Commercial Operations Simon Gardner and Glen Eira Mayor Cr Steven Tang encouraged local residents to better use the centre of the Reserve.

"The new signage is a display of the

Club's commitment to promoting the use of the Centre of the Reserve as public open space, which presently provides a variety of recreational opportunities," Mr Gardner said.

"We will continue to work with Council and consult with the community to enhance the Centre of the Reserve in a manner that provides for the community's needs, in harmony with the Club's racing and event operations."

Cr Tang said Council encouraged

residents to be more active and is keen to promote the diverse mix of recreation facilities available across the municipality.

"The centre of the Caulfield Racecourse Reserve is one of almost 70 parks, gardens and reserves available across Glen Eira offering a range of recreational pursuits and facilities for people of all ages and abilities," Cr Tang said.

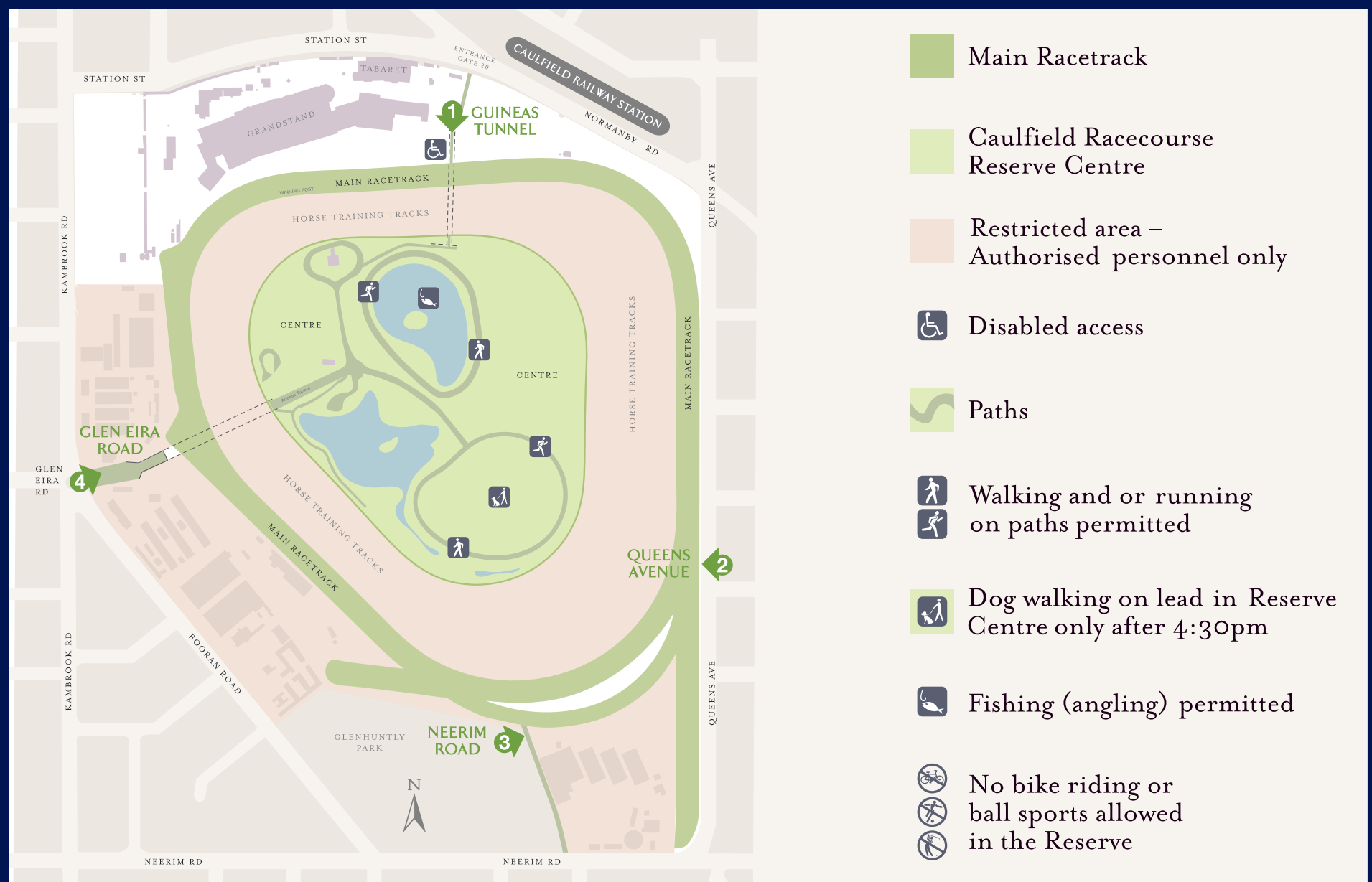
Signs promoting access to the Reserve have been placed at the entry points at Glen Eira Road, Neerim Road, Station

Street and Queens Avenue with further signs around the Reserve informing visitors how to access the centre.

Mr Gardner said Caulfield Racecourse is an iconic local landmark with a long and illustrious history.

"Generations of families in Glen Eira have used and enjoyed the Racecourse Reserve and this is a facet of local life our Club welcomes for the ongoing benefit of all," Mr Gardner said.

CAULFIELD RACECOURSE RESERVE



ENTRY POINTS AND ACCESS TIMES

1 GUINEAS TUNNEL

Public access to the Centre

9.30am – Sunset

Everyday apart from race days and major events

2 QUEENS AVENUE

Main Racetrack access only

Sunrise – Sunset

Everyday apart from race days, major events and before 9:30am on days when the Main Racetrack is used for training

3 NEERIM ROAD

Main Racetrack access only

9.45am – 2.00pm and 4.30pm – Sunset

Everyday apart from race days and major events

4 GLEN EIRA ROAD

Public access to the Centre

9.45am – 2.00pm and 4.30pm – Sunset

Everyday apart from race days and major events



If gate is locked during access times contact the Racecourse Manager's Office (8.30am – 4.30pm Monday – Friday) on 9257 7240 or Security on 9257 7040 at other times

