

len Eira City Council recognised 283 people for their work as volunteers in the local community at two special ceremonies at Town Hall last month.

As part of National Volunteer Week, Glen Eira Mayor Cr Helen Whiteside presented Council's annual Volunteer Recognition Scheme Awards on 13 and 14 May.

Volunteers from 63 organisations and guests gathered to celebrate the work of local volunteers and their commitment to others.

Cr Whiteside said the celebration of volunteering had become a special part of life in Glen Eira.

"Now in its 19th year, we hold this ceremony to celebrate the many members of our community who give their time to help others," Cr Whiteside said.

Awards were given to 67 people for 500 hours of service, 54 people for 1,000 hours of service and 32 people for 2,000 hours of service.

A special award for 10 or more continuous years of service was also given to 130 people.

#### 2,000 hours of service a pleasure

The Merrey family is unique in that all four family members are receiving an award for 2,000 hours of service.

Carmel and Malcom and children Chris and Jacky volunteer for Interchange Southern, a community based, not-for-profit program which provides support to families who have a child with a disability.

Since 2005, the Merrey family has been part of Interchange Southern's *Host Program*. This involves a family hosting a child with a disability on a regular basis and giving the family of the child some much needed respite.

In the Merrey's case, they have the pleasure of looking after 10-year-old Eliza Jackson, who comes and stays with them once a week.

Eliza comes 'home' from school on the school bus on Friday afternoon and her parents pick her up the following day.

Speaking with the *Glen Eira News*, Carmel said Eliza is an integral and special part of their family. "Eliza is a beautiful girl and it's an honour and joy to have her come and stay with us," Carmel said.

"Having Eliza stay with us gives her some independence and an opportunity to establish new social networks.

"It also gives her parents some rest and relaxation time and the opportunity to spend some time with their older daughter Sarah and do some non-wheelchair friendly activities."

Carmel said Interchange Southern has been a great support not only to Eliza's family, but to her own family as well.

"It has provided us with practical and professional support which has been very useful, in the form of equipment and training," Carmel said.

"We have also had the opportunity to meet with other host families and share stories and information which has been fantastic." Recreation respite program

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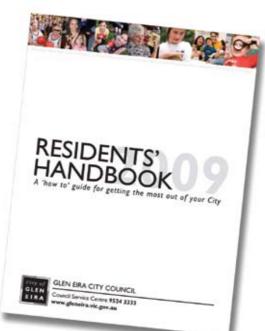
Glen Eira City Council's Residents' Handbook 2009 is being delivered by Australia Post to all Glen Eira households.

The Handbook has been developed as a 'how to' guide that gives information on getting the most out of your City.

Be sure to keep it somewhere accessible, such as near the phone, so it can be easily referred to.

The Handbook also contains a full list of community resource listings, Councillor contact details and emergency numbers.

If you have not received the Residents' Handbook 2009 by 15 June, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.



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#### **Deadlines**

The deadline for the next edition (July 2009) of the Glen Eira News is Wednesday 3 June for delivery 30 June and 1 July.

#### **Coming deadlines**

The deadline for the August 2009 edition of the *Glen Eira News* is Wednesday 8 July for delivery 4-5 August.

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

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# Mayor's column



What a fabulous time I had at the Bentleigh East Senior Citizens Club annual concert on II May.

The concert involved members of the Club performing for 81 Year Six students from St Peter's Primary School. There was singing, dancing and even a magician.

Following the concert, I attended a Mother's Day luncheon at the Carnegie Library and Community Centre. Organised by the Carnegie Greek Senior Citizens Club, a good time was had by all.

I launched a new range of bikes at the Caulfield Community Toy Library on 7 May. The bikes were purchased through Council's Community Grants Program.

What a joy it was to be a part of the 2009 National Simultaneous Storytime.

On 27 May I joined students from Coatesville Primary School who, along with other schools and libraries from across Australia, read the popular picture book *Pete the Sheep*.

Families from across Glen Eira also attended Carnegie or Elsternwick libraries to find out what happened to Pete.

Now in its ninth year, National Simultaneous Storytime is an initiative of the Australian Library and Information Association, promoting the value of reading and the role of libraries in the community.

Council's Finance Advisory
Committee held a public meeting
in late May to discuss Council's
2009–2010 Budget. The Glen Eira
community has until 11 June to
provide any feedback, with the
Budget to be adopted by Council
on 30 June.

Council's *Winter Music Series* will feature classical strings, klezma, gypsy and Australian indigenous music.

The Series, which runs until August, will commence on 14 June with Slava Grigoryan. Other concerts in the Series include Babaganoush, Archie Roach, Silo String Quartet, Klezmania and The Great Chefs of Europe.

Cr Helen Whiteside Mayor

# GEMS Group to commence next month

The next Glen Eira Mothers Support Group (GEMS) will commence in July.

GEMS is an eight week program for women experiencing emotional difficulties since the birth of their baby.

Glen Eira City Council Enhanced Maternal and Child Health Nurse and program facilitator Sue Williams said since the program's inception 15 months ago more than 30 mothers and their babies had participated.

"The aim of the Council run program is to improve the mental health of mothers, their babies and the infant/parent relationship," Ms Williams said.

"Whilst the majority of mothers have experienced postnatal depression, other conditions could include anxiety and adjustment disorder."

Ms Williams said although there are different treatment options for mothers with postnatal emotional difficulties such as medication and varying forms of counselling, GEMS is another alternative that will suit some mothers.

"Benefits of the program include the reduction of isolation, reduction in feelings of guilt and stigmatisation, the empowerment of mothers within the group and the exchange of useful information," Ms Williams said.

Topics discussed during the program include expectations of motherhood, self-esteem, assertiveness, relaxation and the development of everyday coping skills.

Infants are also an integral part of the GEMS program, which offers the opportunity for mother and baby to enjoy each other through play, celebration of the baby's skill development and increased insight into the baby's individuality.



Adjusting to motherhood is one of the biggest transitions women ever make.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

#### Positive feedback

Ms Williams said the feedback Council had received about the program had been very positive.

"Mothers particularly enjoy the supportive social networks that result from GEMS," Ms Williams said.

"Following the completion of the group, participants are invited to attend Yumi Supported Playgroups, which are facilitated by Bentleigh Bayside Community Health Service.

"The playgroups provide a venue for mothers and their babies to continue to meet in a supportive environment."

For further information on the GEMS Group or supported playgroup, contact Council's Maternal and Child Health Service on 9524 3333. For further information on the Yumi Supported Playgroups, contact Bentleigh Bayside Community Health Service on 9575 5322.

# Glen Eira community a priority

If you think you may have seen Councillor Jamie Hyams in a past life, you're not mistaken.

The Tucker Ward representative was a Glen Eira Councillor between 2003 and 2005 and was again elected at the 2008 Council elections.

Cr Hyams has been a resident of Glen Eira since 1992 and currently lives in Ormond. He went to Burwood East Primary School and during his secondary school years attended Wesley College.

"After completing secondary school, I gained an Arts/Law degree at Monash University Clayton Campus," Cr Hyams told the Glen Eira News.

Cr Hyams is Senior Policy Analyst for the Australia/Israel & Jewish Affairs Council — a think tank and public affairs organisation which aims to inform the public, government, media and other community groups and organisations about Israel and other issues of concern to the Australian Jewish community.

Cr Hyams is also kept busy outside work hours, not just with Council duties, but other community-based activities.

"I am the current President of the City of Moorabbin Historical Society and the Immediate Past President of the Maccabi Ajax Cricket Club," Cr Hyams said.

> "I'm also involved with the Ormond McKinnon Bendigo Community Bank."

# A longstanding member of the Richmond Football Club,

Cr Hyams and Cr Margaret Esakoff at Council's ANZAC Day service.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

#### **Unfinished business**

Unfinished business is one of the driving forces behind why Cr Hyams decided to run for Council again.

"I saw how well the previous Council operated and I wanted to be a part of that so I could help achieve something for the Glen Eira community," Cr Hyams said.



Cr Hyams at Council's annual sports club breakfast.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

"During my term, I would like to see Council improve its engagement with the community, continue to upgrade community and sporting facilities and continue to support the many volunteer organisations across the municipality.

"I would also like to see rates kept low, as they are now."

#### Rewarding

Cr Hyams said his time at Council so far had been very rewarding.

"I am enjoying working alongside my eight colleagues and six months in we are setting foundations in place for a very successful four year term," Cr Hyams said.

If there is anything you would like to discuss with Jamie, he can be contacted on 0427 319 018 or alternatively send an email to jhyams@gleneira.vic.gov.au

# CEO's column



If you have taken advantage of the light globe exchange program Live Green with LESS and Showerhead Exchange Program your household on average will be saving each year:

- 80 per cent of lighting costs;
- 20,000 litres of mains water; and
- 20 per cent of water costs.

Your household will also offset around 1.4 tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions.

Collectively, through these two programs, Glen Eira households are saving each year:

- 80 million litres of water; and
- 21,000 tonnes of greenhouse emissions.

Council's operations have also been changed to use about 150 million litres less water each year. We have also reduced our energy consumption and greenhouse emissions by retro-fitting appliances.

More than half of Council's electricity consumption goes on street lights and the Local Government sector is lobbying the power industry and the State Government to change over to more energy-efficient technology.

Council's four Children's Centres and seven Maternal and Child Health Centres run on 100 per cent green energy.

From I July, this will grow to include Carnegie Library and Community Centre, Bentleigh Library, Elsternwick Library, Caulfield Park Pavilion and Duncan Mackinnon Pavilion.

The role of green energy in an overall strategy to reduce greenhouse emissions may be influenced by the final form of an Australian Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme which will be considered by Federal Parliament shortly.

Other ways of improving sustainability are set out in Council's Residents' Handbook which is being distributed to all Glen Eira households.

Andrew Newton
Chief Executive Officer

# Council Budget targets a cleaner City

An expanded service to clean off graffiti and a new on-call service to pick up hard rubbish (including dumped rubbish) are just two of the highlights of Glen Eira City Council's 2009–2010 draft Annual Budget.

The consultation process for Glen Eira's *Community Plan* included six community meetings, three focus groups and a 500 person telephone survey.

Residents expressed concern about the incidence of graffiti and dumped rubbish.

In response, Council is introducing these two new services to keep our City cleaner.

From I July, Council will collect hard rubbish that households no longer want or which has been dumped in the street.

Residents can call Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 to book in and their hard rubbish will be removed within three working days.

Details are on page 10 of the Residents' Handbook 2009, which is being distributed to all households.

The Budget also proposes an additional \$210,000 to clean graffiti off residential, commercial and industrial property. That is in addition to the existing expenditure cleaning graffiti off Council property.

Details of the service are being finalised and will be announced next month. Council is also encouraging State Government instrumentalities to clean graffiti off their property, especially train lines and tram infrastructure.

Other highlights of the *draft Budget* include:

- implementation of recommendations from a recent audit to reduce energy consumption and greenhouse emissions by retro-fitting Council facilities — \$130,000;
- accelerating Council's warm season grasses conversion program to improve surfaces of sportsgrounds and parks;
- increasing resources to improve transport, including bike paths and advocating to Government for grade separation, improved bus routes, etc;
- a strong capital investment program

   averaging \$626 per property —
   to renew footpaths, roads, drains and community facilities; and
- commencement of construction of the Glen Eira Sports and Aquatic Centre, using mainly government grants in 2009–10.

During 2009–10 more than one million dollars is expected to be spent on improved traffic safety works, including traffic lights at Inkerman and Alexandra Streets, St Kilda East and a roundabout at McKinnon and Tucker Roads, McKinnon — including exclusive bicycle lanes through the roundabout.

In line with Council's financial plan, average rates and charges are projected to rise 6.5 per cent. Council will continue to have average costs per property about 19 per cent below the average and average rates about 14 per cent below.

The 2009–2010 draft Annual Budget can be downloaded from www.gleneira.vic.gov.au

Submissions and comments can be mailed to:

PO Box 42 Caulfield South Victoria 3162

Alternatively, submissions and comments can be emailed to mail@gleneira.vic.gov.au

Closing date for submissions and comments is Thursday 11 June 2009.

# Recreation respite program

A recreation respite program was held recently for young people with a disability.

Organised by Glen Eira City Council and Access Unlimited, more than 30 young people sampled a variety of different sports and activities including photography, basketball, dance, football and drama.

Council's Community Development Officer (MetroAccess) Amanda Burns said the program was a fantastic example of how sport and recreation clubs and services could be inclusive of all people within Glen Eira.

"The feedback from parents and carers about the program was very positive," Ms Burns said.

"The next program will be run during the June/July school holidays.

"Commencing on 30 June, activities will include soccer, drama, lawn bowls, art, fitness and circus skills."

Glen Eira City Council and Access Unlimited would like to thank all the volunteers, Caulfield Photographic Society, Basketball Victoria, Kinetic Dance, Chapel off Chapel and AFL Victoria.

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



The photography session was very popular.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

# Community Care recruitment information evening

Would you like to make a difference in the community? Do you enjoy working with frail older people and people of all ages with disabilities? Are you looking for a friendly, diverse and rewarding career?

If this sounds like you, come along to the Community Care recruitment information evening on Monday 15 June, which will focus on the In Home Support positions available within the Community Care Unit.

To be held from 7pm to 8.30pm in the Caulfield Cup Room at Glen Eira Town Hall, you will learn more about the In Home Support roles including home care, personal care and respite care.

Community Care staff will be present to answer your questions on the type of roles available, job requirements, current vacancies and Council's service philosophies.

If you are looking for a change or some flexibility in your work arrangements, then we have the career for you.

Applicants must be willing to undergo both a police check and a work based medical. A current driver's licence is mandatory.

Places are limited. To register, contact Narelle Dowling on 9524 3333 by Wednesday 11 June.



Respite care is just one of the roles you can learn more about at the Community Care recruitment information evening.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

# Reminder notices sent out to pet owners

Pet owners in Glen Eira who have not renewed their dog or cat registration can expect a visit from Glen Eira City Council's Civic Compliance officers in the coming weeks.

During May, Council's Civic Compliance Unit sent out almost 3,500 reminder notices for registrations not paid by the 10 April due date.

Council's Manager Civic Compliance John Bordignon said the renewal rate was disappointing and represented a lack of regard by pet owners of responsible pet ownership.

"Pet owners not responding to the reminder will be visited in June to seek registration," Mr Bordignon said.

"Such owners also risk a fine of up to \$227."

Mr Bordignon said it was imperative dogs were registered.

"Pet registration is the key to responsible pet ownership and can be considered an act of community safety — animals found at large, that potentially pose a threat to residents, can quickly and safely be returned to their owners if their registration details are current," Mr Bordignon said.

Under the *Domestic (Feral and Nuisance)* Animals Act 1994, all dogs and cats more than three months old must be registered annually with Council.



### Pet registration is the key to responsible pet ownership.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

Fees help provide important pet-related services, such as proactive park patrols, enforcement, pound services and education campaigns promoting responsible pet ownership.

For a pet registration application or a copy of Council's Responsible Pet Ownership in Glen Eira: Dogs and Cats booklet, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

# Mental health forum

A forum designed to clarify pathways to services for carers and people with a mental illness will be held later this month.

Hosted by Glen Eira City Council, in conjunction with Inner South Mental Health Family and Carer Network, the *Pathways to Mental Health* forum will be held on Tuesday 23 June.

Keynote speaker for the evening will be Teacher, Psychotherapist, Author and Carer Jo Buchanan. Ms Buchanan is the author of Wings of Madness and Copping It Sweet: A Handbook for Australian Carers.

Manager of the Community Program for Alfred Psychiatry Susanne Birks will also be presenting.

There will be a question and answer panel discussion and carers and people with a mental illness will share their personal stories.

A range of information stalls on mental health services and support will also be available

The free community forum will be held from 7pm to 9pm (6.30pm registration and refreshments) in the Glen Eira Town Hall Auditorium, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield.

Disability access and parking is available.

Bookings are essential as places are limited.

If you would like to attend, please RSVP by Friday 12 June to Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

# Police target mobile phone users

In an effort to reduce the number of driver distraction offences, police from the Glen Eira Traffic Management Unit (TMU) will be targeting mobile phone users over the coming months.

In 2007, police issued 1,083 mobile phone infringements to drivers in Glen Eira — around 20 per week.

According to the Victoria Police Road Policing Strategy, research indicates that mobile phone use is responsible for between 10 to 40 per cent of collisions.

Sergeant Dean Cooper from Glen Eira TMU said the use of mobile phones appeared to make up the bulk of collisions in the Glen Eira area.

"Using a hand held mobile phone while driving not only distracts the driver, but it can impair their control of the vehicle and reduce their awareness of what is happening on the road and around them," Sergeant Cooper said.

#### Legislation

When driving, it is illegal to:

- · talk;
- send or receive text messages;
- play phone-based games; and
- take photos.

It is also illegal to perform these activities when you are stopped at traffic lights, a stop sign or give way sign.

Drivers that use a hand held mobile phone whilst driving risk facing a significant fine and losing three demerit points.

#### Hands-free

Although a hands-free device can reduce the physical effort to make and receive calls, it does not necessarily make phone use safe while driving.

If you must talk on a hands-free phone whilst driving:

- Make sure the hands-free function is set up and working before you start driving.
- 2. Keep conversations short.
- 3. Do not engage in complex or emotional conversations.
- 4. Explain to your caller that you are driving and arrange a better time to speak with them.
- 5. If it is distracting you from driving, end the call.



If you must talk on a handsfree phone whilst driving keep conversations short.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

#### out and about



Glen Eira Sports and Aquatic Centre funding announcement: Cr Nick Staikos, Jennifer Huppert MLC, Cr Neil Pilling, Cr Michael Lipshutz, Member for Bentleigh Rob Hudson MP, Federal Member for Hotham and Minister for Trade The Hon. Simon Crean MP, Cr Steven Tang, Cr Margaret Esakoff, Cr Jim Magee and students from Coatesville Primary School. Photo: David Grant — John Brown Photography Services.



Cr Neil Pilling and Reena of Carnegie.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.



Council's citizenship ceremony: David, Emily, Oliver and Julia of Bentleigh and Cr Jim Magee.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.



Centenary Park funding announcement: Cr Jim Magee, Glen Eira Mayor Cr Helen Whiteside, Cr Margaret Esakoff, Member for Bentleigh Rob Hudson MP, Cr Nick Staikos and Minister for Sport, Recreation, Youth Affairs and Minister Assisting the Premier on Multicultural Affairs James Merlino MP.

Photo: Sharon Walker — On Location Photography.

#### **MEETINGS AND CLUBS**

St Peter's Cancer Support Group will meet on 4 June at 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 third Saturday of every month from 8pm at Bentleigh Uniting Church Hall, 495 Centre Road, Bentleigh. Cost of \$7 includes a light supper.
Contact Margaret: 9587 1092.

Caulfield Over 50s Dance Group meets every Monday (except public holidays) in Glen Eira Town Hall Auditorium. New Vogue and Old Time dancing from 12.30pm to 3.30pm. Come and join a fun, social afternoon and a chat over a cup of tea or coffee. Contact Audrey: 9822 2064.

Glen Eira Cheltenham Art Group holds art classes in all media from Monday to Friday with a special children's class on Saturday mornings. A life drawing class is also held once a month at Moorleigh Village, 92 Bignell Road, Bentleigh East. Contact: 9563 7621 or 0433 793 726.

Ormond Angling Club meets on the first and third Wednesday of the month from 8pm at 462 North Road, Ormond. Junior memberships available. There are no joining fees. Annual fees are reasonable.

Contact Walter: 0400 508 330.

The Bentleigh Life Activities Club offers opportunities for seniors to meet new friends and enjoy social activities including table tennis, golf, card games and music. New members welcome.

Contact Gotu: 9557 2562 or Pat: 9555 6008.

The Moorabbin Historical Society opens Box Cottage, Joyce Park, Jasper Road, McKinnon on the last Sunday of each month (February to November) from 2pm to 4.30pm. Admission by donation.

Contact: 9578 9131.

McKinnon Needlepointers run a Nu-Wave program teaching the art of needlepointing for beginners through to the experienced. The group meets every second Thursday from Ipm at McKinnon Public Hall, I18 McKinnon Road, McKinnon. Contact Merrill: 9578 III7.

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

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

Murrumbeena Bowls Club has social games of bowls on Thursdays and Saturdays from noon. Cost of \$7 includes hot soup. New Bowlers most welcome.
Contact: 9568 5144.

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.

**Shoobra Book Club** has vacancies for those who would like to enhance their reading experience.

Contact David: 9528 4248 or 0402 006 291.

Moongala Women's Community House offers basic computer classes, art classes, English as a second language, friendship groups, playgroups and sessional childcare at 824 Centre Road, Bentleigh East.
Contact Julie or Jude: 9570 3468.

**12th Caulfield Scout Group Elsternwick** needs adult volunteers to lead all age groups, eight to 18 years old. No previous training necessary. Training provided.
Contact Jenny: 9528 5431.

Ormond Badminton Club is seeking players, either experienced or beginners, for Wednesday nights at 8.15pm at Ormond Uniting Church Hall, North Road, Ormond. Contact: 9578 1947.

#### **EVENTS**

Taraleigh Steiner Preschool's trivia night will be held on 13 June. Great door prizes, raffles, silent auctions and more. Cost is \$15. BYO food and drink. Contact Andree Edwards: 0407 094 656.

Twilight Chamber Music at Rippon Lea, 192 Hotham Street, Elsternwick, will be held on 21 June at 6.30pm. Robert Chamberlain, Darryl Coote and Max Cooke will perform. Cost is \$35 and \$20 for full-time students under 25, children and pensioners.

Contact: 9527 2851 or www.teamofpianists.com.au

The Murrumbeena Craft and Produce Market will be held on 4 July from 9am to 12.30pm at Koornang Uniting Church, 117 Murrumbeena Road, Murrumbeena.
Contact Glynis: 0407 506 662 (after 7pm).

The 16th annual Blessing of Animals will be held on 4 October at 2pm at St James the Great, St Kilda East.
Contact: 9527 8083.

Relay for Life is seeking participants for the Murrumbeena event on 24 and 25 October. There is no age limitation or fitness requirements. Cost is \$15 per person. To register go to http://victoria.relayforlife.org.au/home.html Contact Kelly Halliwell: halliwellk@hotmail.com

#### **COMMUNITY**

Baker IDI and The Alfred Hospital are seeking participants for two novel studies. *Cocoa for blood pressure and diabetes* — this study will examine whether or not naturally occurring

compounds found in cocoa can improve blood pressure, blood vessel health and diabetes control. Eligible participants must have stable treated high blood pressure (with or without diabetes) and be willing to consume a cocoa beverage twice daily for six months. Intensity Defined Little Exercise (IDLE) breaks for reducing diabetes risk — this study is currently examining whether or not reducing sedentary behavior (prolonged sitting time) can help improve blood glucose and blood fat levels in older, overweight adults. Eligible participants must be overweight and not be taking blood glucose lowering medications. Contact Robyn: 9258 5916.

**St Agnes Church Mothers Union Glen Huntly** is seeking first members and its descendents for their 100 years celebration on 27 and 28 September.
Contact Alice: 9571 3246.

# Disability mentoring program

Glen Eira City Council is again running a mentoring program to assist in leadership development for people with a disability.

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

The *Program* gives participants an opportunity to exchange ideas, gain experience and learn about leadership over a two to three month period.

The Disability Mentoring Program is best suited to those who may already be involved in disability issues and have a strong desire to assist the disability community.

For further information about the *Program* contact Amanda Burns on 9524 3333.



# Immunisation sessions

#### **McKinnon Public Hall**

118 McKinnon Road, McKinnon

Monday I June and Monday 6 July I Oam-I I am

#### Glen Eira Town Hall Auditorium

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

Tuesday 2 June and Tuesday 7 July 6pm–7pm

Tuesday 9 June and Tuesday 14 July 9.30am–10.30am

# Carnegie Library and Community Centre

7 Shepparson Avenue, Carnegie

Wednesday 10 June and Wednesday 15 July 1.30pm-2.30pm and 5.30pm-7.30pm

# Glen Huntly Maternal and Child Health Centre

Corner Royal and Rosedale Avenues, Glen Huntly

Wednesday 27 May and Wednesday 24 June 9.30am—I Iam

#### Packer Park

Leila Road, Carnegie

Monday 15 June and Wednesday 20 July 10am–1 Iam

# Bentleigh Bayside Community Health Centre

Gardeners Road, Bentleigh East

Saturday 27 June and Saturday 25 July 9am-11am
Wednesday 17 June and

Wednesday 29 July 9.30am-I Iam



# Helping residents combat climate change

Your planet needs you — UNite to combat climate change is the theme for World Environment Day 2009.

To be held on Friday 5 June, World Environment Day is one of the principal vehicles through which the United Nations stimulates worldwide awareness of the environment.

Climate change and other environmental concerns highlight the need for Glen Eira City Council and the broader community to manage services and resources more sustainably.

To help residents reduce the impact of climate change, Council has a number of resources available.

#### Residents' Handbook 2009

The new Residents Handbook 2009 is being delivered to all Glen Eira households in June and has been developed as a 'how to' guide that gives information on getting the most out of your City.

The Handbook includes a section on the environment which contains information on how to have your

garbage bin, recycling bin, hard rubbish, bundled branches and green waste collected; how to assist Council with street sweeping; how to manage your overhanging branches; how to care for your street trees; how to receive a free water saving showerhead; how to purchase a compost bin or worm farm and how to find tipping facilities.

#### Rolling library display

A life-size, rolling display about environmental sustainability will soon be on show at Bentleigh Library.

The display, which will be shared between Council's four library branches, will cover the following topics:

- · climate change;
- · water conservation;
- energy conservation;
- waste reduction; and
- biodiversity.

Each topic will offer handy tips for adults and children about how they can make their home more sustainable as well as information on how Council





The average household that took advantage of the Showerhead Exchange Program and Live Green with LESS program is estimated to be saving around 20,000 litres of mains water, about 80 per cent of lighting costs, 20 per cent of water bills and offsetting about 1.4 tonnes of greenhouse gases per year.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

# Energy audit completed

Glen Eira City Council has completed a detailed energy audit to identify how it can reduce energy, greenhouse gas emissions and costs.

Six Council managed sites were audited — Town Hall, Caulfield Park Depot, EE Gunn Reserve Pavilion, Elsternwick Library, Warrawee Residential Community and the Murrumbeena Maternal and Child Health Centre.

The audit also identified the amount of greenhouse gas pollution associated with Council's energy use like electricity, gas, and transport fuels.

Council's Group Manager Sustainability and Infrastructure Planning Catherine Sullivan said the approach Council had taken to ascertain its carbon footprint associated with energy use would provide a substantial foundation in which to advance its Environmental Sustainability Strategy.

"The completion of the audit will help Council determine the areas where it can best save energy for the sites audited as well as other Council sites," Ms Sullivan said.

Ms Sullivan said the audit concluded that the six sites were responsible for 30 per cent of Council's greenhouse pollution.

"The audit also found that the total amount of emissions generated by Council in 2007–08 was 10,341 tonnes. This is equivalent to the amount produced by 2,405 cars over one year," Ms Sullivan said.

#### **Environment Forum 2009**

Glen Eira City Council's Environment Advisory Committee will host the Glen Eira Community Environment Forum on Thursday 23 July.

The Forum will be held from 7pm to 9pm in the Caulfield Cup Room, Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield.

The Forum provides the community with the opportunity to comment on Council's environmental initiatives to date and propose new actions to be undertaken.

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



#### Carbon emissions summary

Emissions generated by Glen Eira City Council in 2007–2008 total 10,341 tonnes (the equivalent of 2,405 cars on the road). This can be summarised as follows:

#### Carbon Emissions Summary for 2007/2008 (Tonnes of C02-e)

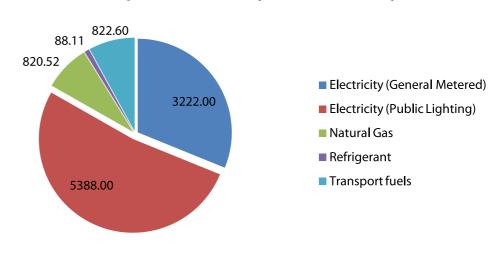


Figure one — Summary of emission sources and quantities.

# Converting landfill gas into energy

Who would have thought that a landfill full of rotting garbage could be of use to anyone?

Glen Eira City Council is involved in the Landfill Gas Electricity Generation Program, which involves collecting the gas from rotting garbage at the Clayton South Regional Landfill and converting it into energy.

The *Program* was established by the South East Regional Waste Management Group in the early 1990s. The group wanted to co-ordinate a uniform approach to the problem odour generated from the many landfill sites in the Clayton and Springvale area.



Clayton South Regional Landfill.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

The gas which is emitted from garbage is predominantly methane which can be used as a fuel in electrical generation units.

Energy Development Limited (EDL) produce the electricity from the landfill gas, which is then put back into the power grid, providing power to more than 20,000 homes.

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Council's Manager Waste Management Doug Griffiths said Council owns a 21 per cent share in the landfill which receives all of Glen Eira's municipal waste.

"Methane is 21 times more powerful at warming the atmosphere than carbon dioxide ( $CO_2$ )," Mr Griffiths said.

"By collecting methane and converting it into energy, net greenhouse gas emissions associated with the landfill are reduced by the equivalent of 46,000 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> per annum.

"This is equivalent to taking 10,692 cars off the road each year."

A total of nine private and Council owned landfills participate in the *Program* under the umbrella company SERGASCO Pty Ltd, creating a total reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent of 240,000 tonnes per annum.



Clayton South Regional Landfill Manager Martin Aylward and Council's Manager Waste Management Doug Griffiths.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

# Council commits to purchasing Green Energy

In the effort to help combat climate change, and as part of Glen Eira City Council's *Environmental Sustainability Strategy (ESS)*, Council has committed to purchase Green Energy.

Council's four children's centres and seven maternal and child health centres are now powered with 100 per cent Green Energy. The Caulfield Park Pavilion will also be powered with Green Energy once construction has been completed.

The purchasing of Green Power is just one of the many initiatives Council has in place to improve environmental sustainability.

Council has also implemented a range of power-saving initiatives, including the use of sensor lights

in the Town Hall for some meeting rooms and public toilets and the installation of more energy-efficient light fittings.

Another initiative is the switchboard replacement program, which involves upgrading old switchboards with industry-compliant switchboards.

In the coming years, Green Energy will cover more of Council's facilities, including Town Hall.



# **Community environment grants**

Does your organisation have a new environmental initiative or project to offer the Glen Eira community?

Glen Eira City Council, in partnership with the Pratt Foundation, is seeking last minute applications from organisations that can demonstrate their ability to provide a new environmental initiative, or implement a specific environmental project, which will benefit the local community.

Services or projects must benefit a number of Glen Eira residents and target an identified need. Funding of \$50,000 is available over a two year period ending June 2010 — \$25,000 in 2008–09 and \$25,000 in 2009–2010.

Depending on the number and quality of expressions of interest, Council may fund one large or several small projects.

To be eligible, organisations must have a Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status.

Applications should be sent to:

Community Environment Grants Glen Eira City Council PO Box 42 CAULFIELD SOUTH 3162

Alternatively, you can email your application to mail@gleneira.vic.gov.au Applications close on Thursday 11 June 2009 at 5pm.

For further information contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or visit www.gleneira.vic.gov.au to obtain an information kit.

Council would like to pay tribute to the founder of the Pratt Foundation, Richard Pratt, who passed away on 28 April 2009. Through this grant program, Mr Pratt's legacy will live on and Council would like to thank him for his generosity.



#### language line

#### 市政府表彰本地義工

Glen Eira 市政府上個月在市政廳舉行的兩個特別儀式上表彰了本地社區的283名義工。

作為全國義工周的一部分,Glen Eira 市長 Helen Whiteside 於5月13日和14日頒發了市 政府年度 "義工表彰方案獎"。

來自63個組織的義工和來賓歡聚一堂,共同 讚頌本地義工的工作及其對他人的奉獻。

有67位義工獲得了500小時貢獻獎,54位義工獲得了1000小時貢獻獎,32位義工獲得了2000小時貢獻獎。

另有130位義工獲得了10年或以上連續服務特別幾。

# **2000小時的義工服務是令人愉快的** Merrey 的家是一個非常獨特的家庭,全家四口人都獲得了2000小時貢獻獎。

Carmel、Malcom、Chris 和 Jacky 為"南區交換"做義工,這是一項非贏利計劃,為家有殘障小孩的家庭提供支持和幫助。

2005年以來,Merrey 一家一直服務於"南區 東道主計劃"。這包括定期接殘障兒童來家照 看,以便兒童父母獲得所需的暫息時間。

Merrey 一家每星期為10歲兒童 Eliza 提供一次照看服務。

Carmel 説把 Eliza 接到家裡可培養她的一些獨立能力,讓她有機會建立起新的社交網絡。

Carmel 説:"這樣她的父母可有時間休息和放鬆,並有機會與大女兒 Sarah在一起。"

# Infant development and relationships

Glen Eira City Council and Bendigo Bank (Murrumbeena) will be presenting this session for parents/guardians, grandparents and early years professionals.

This session will discuss infant brain development and how stimulation and positive, nurturing relationships have a lifelong affect on outcomes for children. This is an interactive session that will include brain training exercises.

Presenter: Early Childhood Consultant, Pamela Burton

Tuesday 23 June

7.30pm to 9.30pm (7.15pm registration)

Carnegie Library and Community Centre — Boyd Room

7 Shepparson Avenue, Carnegie

Cost: \$5 per person

Places are limited. Registration and payment must be received prior to the session. For a copy of the registration form or for further details about the session, contact Council's

Service Centre on 9524 3333 or visit www.gleneira.vic.gov.au

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#### Ο Δήμος τιμά ντόπιους εθελοντές

Ο Δήμος Glen Eira τίμησε 283 άτομα για την εργασία τους ως εθελοντές στην τοπική τους κοινότητα σε δύο ειδικές εκδηλώσεις που έγιναν στο Δημαρχείο τον περασμένο μήνα.

Ως μέρος της Εθνικής Εβδομάδας Εθελοντισμού, η Δήμαρχος Glen Eira Helen Whiteside απένειμε τα ετήσια *Βραβεία του Προγράμματος Αναγνώρισης Εθελοντών* στις 13 και 14 Μαΐου.

Εθελοντές από 63 οργανισμούς και προσκεκλημένοι συγκεντρώθηκαν για να τιμήσουν την εργασία ντόπιων εθελοντών και τη δέσμευσή τους προς τους άλλους.

Βραβεία δόθηκαν σε 67 άτομα για 500 ώρες υπηρεσίας, 54 άτομα για 1000 ώρες υπηρεσίας και 32 άτομα για 2000 ώρες υπηρεσίας.

Ειδικό βραβείο για 10 ή περισσότερα συνεχή έτη υπηρεσίας δόθηκε επίσης σε 130 άτομα.

# 2000 ώρες υπηρεσίας είναι μια ευχαρίστηση

Η οικογένεια Merrey είναι μοναδική απ' το γεγονός ότι και τα τέσσερα μέλη της οικογένειας έλαβαν βραβείο για 2000 ώρες υπηρεσίας.

Οι Carmel, Malcom, Chris και Jacky προσφέρουν εθελοντική εργασία στο Interchange Southern, ένα μη κερδοσκοπικό πρόγραμμα που παρέχει στήριξη σε οικογένειες που έχουν παιδί με αναπηρία.

Από το 2005, η οικογένεια Merrey αποτελεί μέρος του Προγράμματος Φιλοξενίας Interchange Southern. Αυτό σημαίνει ότι μια οικογένεια φιλοξενεί κάποιο παιδί με αναπηρία σε τακτική βάση και δίνει στην οικογένεια του παιδιού μια πολύτιμη ανάπαυλα.

Η οικογένεια Merrey έχει την ευχαρίστηση να φροντίζει την 10χρονη Eliza μια φορά την εβδομάδα.

Η Carmel είπε ότι έχοντας την Eliza στο σπίτι τους έχει κάποια ανεξαρτησία και της δίνεται η ευκαιρία να κάνει καινούργιες κοινωνικές σχέσεις.

«Δίνει επίσης στους γονείς της λίγη ξεκούραση και χαλάρωση και την ευκαιρία να περνάει λίγο καιρό με τη μεγαλύτερη κόρη τους την Sarah», ανέφερε η Carmel.

# Il Comune rende onore ai volontari locali

Il mese scorso, durante due cerimonie speciali tenute presso la Sala Comunale, il Consiglio Comunale di Glen Eira ha reso onore a 283 residenti per l'attività di volontariato resa alla comunità

Il 13 e 14 maggio, nell'ambito delle celebrazioni per la Settimana Nazionale del Volontariato, il Sindaco di Glen Eira, Cons. Helen Whiteside, ha consegnato i *Volunteer Recognition Scheme Awards*, gli annuali premi comunali per il volontariato.

Ospiti e volontari appartenenti a 63 organizzazioni si sono riuniti per celebrare le attività svolte dai volontari locali ed onorarne l'impegno verso la comunità.

Sono stati consegnati premi a 67 volontari per 500 ore di servizio reso, a 54 volontari per 1.000 ore di servizio reso ed a 32 volontari per 2.000 ore di servizio reso.

È stato inoltre consegnato un premio speciale a 130 volontari che hanno reso 10 o più anni di continuo servizio di volontariato.

#### 2.000 piacevoli ore di servizio

La famiglia Merrey costituisce un esempio unico in quanto tutti e quattro i membri riceveranno un premio per 2.000 ore di servizio reso.

Carmel, Malcom, Chris e Jacky fanno volontariato per l'Interchange Southern, un programma non a scopo di lucro che fornisce sostegno a famiglie con giovani disabili.

Sin dal 2005 i Merrey fanno parte dell'Interchange Southern's Host Program, un programma di ospitalità e scambio per cui la famiglia ospite s'impegna ad ospitare su base regolare un giovane disabile per concedere alla famiglia di origine il tanto necessario sollievo dal costante impegno di assistenza.

I Merrey hanno il piacere di ospitare una volta la settimana la piccola Eliza di 10 anni.

Carmel afferma che, trascorrere del tempo con la famiglia ospite, permette ad Eliza di conquistare una certa indipendenza oltre che darle l'opportunità di stabilire nuovi contatti sociali.

"Inoltre dà ai genitori la possibilità di concedersi riposo e relax e l'opportunità di dedicarsi maggiormante alla figlia maggiore, Sarah" ha aggiunto Carmel.

# Муниципалитет отмечает заслуги местных волонтеров

В прошлом месяце в таун-холле муниципалитета Glen Eira прошли две торжественных церемонии, где были отмечены заслуги 283 местных волонтеров.

13 и 14 марта, в рамках общенациональной Недели волонтеров, мэр Glen Eira г-жа Helen Whiteside вручила волонтерам ежегодные награды муниципалитета.

На церемонии присутствовали волонтеры из 63 организаций и другие приглашенные.

67 человек получили награды за 500 и более часов волонтерской работы, 54 человека - за 1000 и более часов, и 32 человека – за 2000 часов.

130 человек также получили специальные награды за 10 или более лет волонтерской работы.

#### 2000 часов волонтерской работы

Семья Merrey занимает особое место среди местных волонтеров: все четверо членов семьи получили награды за 2000 или более часов.

Кармель, Малколм, Крис и Джеки участвуют в работе Interchange Southern – некоммерческой организации, которая помогает семьям, имеющим детей-инвалидов.

С 2005г. семья Merrey участвует в специальной программе Interchange Southern, суть которой состоит в том, что семья волонтеров периодически принимает у себя дома и ухаживает за ребенком-инвалидом, давая тем самым родителям ребенка необходимую передышку.

Семья Merrey раз в неделю ухаживает за 10летней Элизой.

Кармель отметила, что пребывание в их доме развивает у Элизы самостоятельность и дает ей возможность знакомства и общения с людьми.

"А у ее родителей появляется возможность отдохнуть, расслабиться и побыть с их старшей дочерью, Сарой," сказала Кармель.

# 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 and current consultation opportunities

Subject	Туре	Date	Where
Draft Annual Budget 2009–2010	Comments and submissions	Close I I June 2009	Chief Financial Officer Glen Eira City Council Po Box 42 Caulfield South 3162
Draft Community Plan (including the Strategic Resource Plan)	Comments and submissions	Close I I June 2009	Glen Eira City Council Po Box 42 Caulfield South 3162

#### **Recent consultation opportunities**

Subject	Туре	Date
Ageing in Glen Eira Strategy	Meeting	5 May
Ageing in Glen Eira Strategy	Meeting	8 May
Ageing in Glen Eira Strategy	Meeting Local service providers	20 May
Budget information session	Meeting	25 May
Library and Information Service	Telephone survey of library members	May 2009

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

The popular walking track around Centenary Park in Bentleigh East will soon have pathway lighting thanks

Government and Glen Eira City Council. Minister for Sport, Recreation, Youth Affairs and Minister Assisting the Premier on Multicultural Affairs lames Merlino MP recently announced that Council was to receive \$60,000 towards the total project cost of \$195,000 through the Community

Facility Funding Minor Grants Program.

to a partnership between the State

"Walking is a very popular pastime in Glen Eira. This project will give members of the community confidence to use this park at night and maintain a healthy lifestyle."

Glen Eira Mayor Cr Helen Whiteside, Cr Nick Staikos, Cr Jim Magee and Cr Margaret Esakoff were present at the announcement.

Council's Manager Recreation and Youth Services Linda Smith said the project will provide this large open park with pathway lighting.

"Due to the busy lifestyles that people lead, the number of people exercising



Cr Jim Magee, Glen Eira Mayor Cr Helen Whiteside, Member for Bentleigh Rob Hudson MP, Minister for Sport, Recreation, Youth Affairs and Minister Assisting the Premier on Multicultural Affairs James Merlino MP, Cr Margaret Esakoff and Cr Nick Staikos. Photo: Sharon Walker — On Location Photography.

later in the day is increasing," Ms Smith said.

"Walking is a very popular pastime in Glen Eira. This project will give members of the community confidence to use this park at night and maintain a

healthy lifestyle."

The project will add to the existing infrastructure at the park which also includes fitness equipment, a playground, golf practice cage and cricket practice nets.

Park shelters and automated toilets have also recently been installed.

Works are expected to be completed by November 2009.

rmond Junior Football Club celebrates 50 years

In 1959, patron of the Ormond Junior Football Club Harold "Stevie" Stevens started up a local gymnasium for children in the St Anne's Church Hall in

The gymnasium was so popular that in 1959 he had a vision to form a football club, known then as the St. Anne's Football Club.

In 1984, the Ormond Amateur Football Club and the St. Anne's boys joined up to become the junior section of Ormond Amateur Football Club. The boys, who had been wearing black and white stripes till then, took on the blue and brown jumper of Ormond.

In 2009, Ormond Junior Football Club will celebrate 50 years with an Anniversary Ball on Saturday 4 July.

#### All-inclusive club

The Club has grown dramatically in 2009, with around 500 children involved.

This year the Club will field 16 junior football teams from under nines through to under 17's and will continue to run its thriving Auskick program and Fair Go Footy — a program for children with a disability.

The Club is lead by some key

principles and believes in participation while offering all kids a fair go.

In 2009, Ormond Junior Football Club will celebrate 50 years with an Anniversary Ball on Saturday 4 July.

#### Inaugural award

This year the Club presented its inaugural Mark Adlington Award for Service to the Ormond Junior Football Club and Greater Community.

Mark Adlington was a loved and valued member of the Ormond Junior Football Club and President of the Club until his death in 2008.

The Award recognises achievement which demonstrates:

- a significant contribution to the Ormond Junior Football Club and greater community over the previous year; and
- excellence in the area of community service through leadership, example and/or achievement as a role model for other community members.



In 2009, the Club will continue to run Fair Go Footy — a program for children with a disability. Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

# Holiday mania at Council's libraries

Looking for fun activities these winter school holidays? Glen Eira City Council's libraries are offering these creative shows and workshops. Tickets are required and can be purchased two weeks before the start of the holidays from library branches. Tickets are \$6 and will be available for purchase between 12pm and 2pm on Saturday 13 June and Sunday 14 June. Ticket sales continue from Monday 15 June during library opening hours.

Please note: events are age specific.

#### **Trio of Stories**

Tuesday 30 June
I I am to I I.45am
Carnegie Library and
Community Centre — Boyd
Room, Level one, 7 Shepparson
Avenue, Carnegie

Join in the fun at this interactive, theatrical presentation of three classic animal stories — Old Macdonald had a Farm, Arthur and The Three Billy Goats Gruff. This show is sure to entertain children and develop their imaginations. It's suitable for children between four and nine years.

#### Dreamer

Thursday 2 July
I I am to I I.45am
Glen Eira Town Hall Theatrette,
Corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn
Roads, Caulfield

Dreamer is an endearing little puppet who is brave and curious. Dreamer lives in the world of imagination where dreams become a reality. Internationally acclaimed, this is a magical performance and is suitable for children between four and nine years.

**Please note** this puppet show uses blacklight techniques and is performed in the dark.

#### Fairytale Fiasco

Thursday 9 July 3pm to 4pm Elsternwick Library, 4 Staniland Avenue, Elsternwick

Be a part of this drama workshop that explores the imaginative and creative world of fairytales. A terrible spell has been cast on Fairytale Land where mice roar, dragons flee, wolves snort and pigs huff and puff. Every child becomes a Fairytale Land character using costumes and a range of props. This workshop is suitable for children between five and nine years.

Storytime's full of favourite fairytales will captivate preschool children during the holidays. Check at library branches for session times. Remember to collect a fairytales colouring sheet when you next visit the library for a chance to win a \$40 book voucher.



Dreamer will bring his magical world to Caulfield these school holidays.

#### Reader's Reward

Don't miss out on your chance to win a world discovery pack full of inspiring travel books, DVDs, CDs and magazines presented in your own travel case. Members of Glen Eira City Council's libraries just need to borrow five items or more to enter Reader's Reward — your passport to discovery. Collect three stamps to enter the draw. Entries close 30 June 2009.



Reader's Reward world discovery pack.

# Delayed in transit



Tim Richards.

### Saturday shakers

13 June

2pm

Carnegie Library and Community Centre

7 Shepparson Avenue, Carnegie

Join in the fun at Carnegie Library's next family Saturday Shakers storytime for warming winter stories.

# Thursday 25 June 7pm to 8pm

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

Join travel writer Tim Richards as he talks about the pitfalls and triumphs of his trade. Tim writes for newspapers and magazines across the world and has completed assignments for *Lonely Planet*.

He will explain the things that can go right and the things that can go very wrong on a holiday and how these experiences can bring a piece of travel writing to life.

Tim will also recount anecdotes from his own travel experiences including: a snowbound trudge through the forests to see Europe's last bison, disappearing accommodation in French Polynesia, the worldwide experience of dodgy taxi drivers and a rather inconvenient homicide investigation in Poland.

Bookings are required for this free event. Contact 9524 3623 or register online at www.gleneira.vic.gov.au under *Library* — *What's on*.

# Planning for a Secure Future

Tuesday 30 June 6pm to 7.30pm

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

Our population is aging and living longer. Our community is now facing new challenges and opportunities to meet the needs of an older population.

The Law Institute of Victoria is hosting a series of free seminars entitled *Planning for a Secure Future*.

Funded by the Victorian Law Foundation, these seminars aim to provide members of the public with information on legal issues that you, your friends and family may need to consider.

Topics to be discussed include:

- what should be considered when making a will; and
- issues surrounding powers of attorney.

Bookings are required. To register phone 9607 9473 and leave your full name and contact details. Alternatively, you can email your details to register@liv.asn.au

Further information is available from your local library branch.

#### Booklovers the Glen Eira Book Fair Is Coming

Come along and support
Glen Eira Community
Information and stock up on
your winter reading.

Saturday 4 July

9am to 4pm

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# Artists of the future

Glen Eira City Council Youth Services, in conjunction with the Youth Consultative Group (YCG), hosted its first ever art expo.

Held on 2 April, the expo was held as part of National Youth Week celebrations. Youth Services spoke exclusively to two of the winners.

Jade Kelly is a Year 11 student at Our Lady of the Sacred **Heart College and was the** Youth Art Expo winning artist for the Senior Section. Jade entered her linoleum cut artwork titled Peace.

#### Have you ever entered any of your work in an exhibition before?

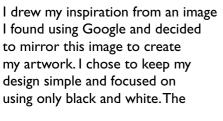
This was my first time entering artwork into a competition outside of school.

#### How long have you had an interest in art?

I was interested in art early on in high school, but it wasn't until Year II that I really got into it.

#### How do you describe your winning entry?

My winning entry was for my first term folio. I used cut linoleum to create my piece. The theme of the artwork had to reflect a social issue and I chose peace.



linoleum, whilst the other two sections are a screen of my linoleum cut. Would you recommend other

#### young artists to enter the event? I definitely would. I just entered a piece of my artwork, but didn't expect to win. I was very shocked when I found out

that I had won the Senior Section. My mum and dad are very proud and have been telling all our friends and family. For Jade's next artwork folio she will

be drawing on the inspiration of her up and coming overseas trip. Jade plans to study other cultures and compare it to the Australian culture through a photograph and sketch journal.We wish lade all the very best.



Hyesoo Cho is a Year eight student at Glen Eira **Secondary College and was** the Youth Art Expo winning artist for the Junior Section. Her winning entry is titled Bird in Mourning.

#### Have you ever entered any of your work in an exhibit before?

Not in Australia as I moved here in January. I had entered some work in Korea and won prizes for those pieces.

#### How long have you been interested in art?

My grandfather and my mother are artists — my home is full of artistic mood. I love art and love to express something about all things, even if it's the wind or sunshine. I have always had an interest in drawing though haven't had much opportunity outside of school because of my study. I hope to continue and would like to become a director in animation one day, as I like to draw fantasy pieces.

#### How would you describe your winning entry?

In class the teacher was talking about surrealism and we had to draw hands and include them in an unusual setting. My drawing tells a story about a girl who is half bird, the hands are pointing at her and the onlookers think she is very strange. She is wearing a veil because she is in mourning.

#### Would you recommend other young artists to enter work into events like this?

Yes — it depends what people want to do with their art.

#### School crossing supervisors

Glen Eira City Council currently has permanent part-time School Crossing Supervisor positions available.

Most school crossings operate between the hours of 8.15am and 9am and 3.15pm and 4pm during school terms.

You will take responsibility for ensuring the safety of children and other people using the crossing on a daily basis. These are paid positions and salary starts at \$17.42 per hour. You will enjoy approximately 10 weeks holiday each year.

If you are responsible, reliable, and available during the school crossing hours, then we would like to hear from you.

Prospective School Crossing Supervisors will need to pass a medical examination, undergo a police check and have a current Working with Children Check.

For further information, contact 9524 3333. For a copy of the position description visit www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/careers

All applications must quote Ref. 09/003 within the covering letter. Applications are preferred online via www.gleneira.vic.gov.au or alternatively you can mail your application to Human Resources, EIRA PO Box 42 Caulfield South, 3162. GLEN EIRA CITY COUNCIL

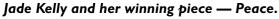


Photo: Youth Services.

# The Saturday Night Project

Glen Eira City Council continues to present this new and exciting music series for 2009. The Saturday Night Project is bringing the Theatrette at Glen Eira Town Hall to life with some of Melbourne's favourite contemporary artists.

# Monique Brumby supported by Claire Hollingsworth

#### Saturday 6 June

An accomplished songwriter/ producer, Monique's brand of lyrical pop/rock is punctuated with distinct melodies and strong as steel hooks and licks — a style which has always set her apart from the pack. Her recorded works have won her legions of fans and great respect from her peers and music critics alike.



Monique Brumby.

Nick Barker.

#### Nick Barker supported by Dan Cassey Saturday 4 July

Nick Barker is an outstanding rock performer. Every live show is a unique event where, because of his innate ability to read an audience, Nick creates a show especially for them. He is subtle yet strong, humorous and thoughtful with his delivery and his music.

Tickets are \$25 and \$20 concession. General admission seating. Doors open 8pm. Support act opens 8.45pm. Main act is at 10pm. Tickets are available at the door or by contacting Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

# My Brother Jack Literary Festival 2009

Creative writers have much to look forward to in 2009.

The My Brother Jack Literary Festival is a program for writers in the City of Glen Eira. The Festival consists of workshops reading and a literary competition.

For further information on the workshops and readings to be held in August visit www.gleneria.vic.gov.au

Council's *Literary Awards* are open to those who live work or study in the City of Glen Eira. Entries close on 19 June.

#### Sunflower Bookshop Short Story Award — 3,000 word limit

First prize — \$500 Second prize — \$300 Third prize — \$200

Entry fee: \$10

### Eastend Booksellers Poetry Award — 60 line limit

First prize — \$400 Second prize — \$200 Third prize — \$100

Entry fee: \$10

# Youth Short Story Award (15 to 21 years) — 3,000 word limit

First prize — \$200 Second prize — \$100 Third prize — \$50

Entry fee: \$8

# Youth Poetry/Lyric writing Award (15 to 21 years) — 50 line limit

First prize — \$200 Second prize — \$100 Third prize — \$50

Entry fee: \$8

# Baha'i Junior Short Story Award (10 to 14 years) — 2,000 word limit

First prize — \$50 Second prize — \$25

# Baha'i Junior Poetry Award (10 to 14 years) — 40 line limit

First prize — \$50 Second prize — \$25

#### Judges

Short story — Meg Mundell
(Youth and Adult)
Poetry — Claire Gaskin
(Youth and Adult)
Short story/poetry — Kirsty Murray
(Junior)

The My Brother Jack Literary Festival 2009 is sponsored by the Sunflower Bookshop, Eastend Booksellers, the Baha'i Community of Glen Eira and Ilura Press.









#### Living together: celebrating the Chinese, Greek and Indian communities of Glen Eira

Glen Eira City Council is calling for expressions of interest for a proposed celebration of diverse cultures on Sunday 29 November.

The day will showcase three cultures: Chinese, Greek and Indian.

The theme for the event will be *The Marketplace* which will include shaded market stalls, community activities and on stage performances. The market stalls will sell food, arts and crafts and commercial goods. Please note all goods for sale should be appropriate to the cultural groups represented on the day.

Council is looking for community performers, arts and craft and local businesses that would like to be involved.

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

# Special four-year-old immunisation sessions 2009



These immunisations should be given as soon as a child has their fourth birthday. Glen Eira City Council's Immunisation Service is offering immunisation sessions for four-year-old children during 2009.

All four-year-old children receiving their immunisation will receive a free show bag. Face painting, balloons and magic tricks will keep the kids entertained.

# Monday 22 June 4pm-6pm

Carnegie Library and Community Centre 7 Shepparson Avenue Carnegie



Glen Eira City Council

Bentleigh Bentleigh East Carnegie Caulfield Elsternwick Gardenvale Glen Huntly McKinnon Murrumbeena Ormond St Kilda East

# 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 reaches more than 124,000 residents each month through more than 56,000 households and businesses.

The Glen Eira News is highly regarded 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, with our standard advertisement being one column (62.5mm) wide by 11cm deep.

For further information, a schedule of rates and bookings, contact
Shae Henzen on 9524 3333.



# 2009 Winter Music Series

The 2009 Glen Eira City Council Winter Music Series will warm your heart with exotic melodies and stirring performances from some of Australia's greatest musicians and styles ranging from classical strings and klezma to gypsy and Australian indigenous music.

#### Slava Grigoryan

#### Sunday 14 June Glen Eira Town Hall Auditorium

Slava Grigoryan emigrated from Kazakhstan to Australia with his family in 1981. As a major prize winner at the Tokyo International Classical Guitar Competition, Slava was signed by Sony Music Entertainment Australia and has since released four solo albums. As a special treat for this year's *Winter Music Series* Slava will be performing with his brother Leonard who is an accomplished musician in his own right.



Leonard and Slava Grigoryan.

#### Babaganoush

#### Sunday 28 June Glen Eira Town Hall Theatrette

Combining the best gypsy music from the far corners of Europe, *Babaganoush* will tantalise you with spicy melodies and tragic love songs. *Babaganoush* has

featured in festivals such as The Melbourne Festival Spiegeltent 2006, National Folk Festival 2007, Maldon Folk Festival 2007 and Cygnet Folk Festival 2008. The four-piece gypsy band has recently grown to a five-piece and includes violin, clarinet, piano-accordion, double bass, percussion and voice.

#### **Archie Roach**

#### Sunday 12 July Glen Eira Town Hall Auditorium

Liyarn Ngarn (The Coming Together of the Spirit) is the name of this very special show. Archie Roach will perform alongside former Goanna frontman Shane Howard, his wife Ruby Hunter and son, Amos Roach, former Tiddas member Amy Saunders, Dave Arden and Ewen Baker.

Archie has recorded many albums and toured around the globe, headlining and opening shows for Joan Armatrading, Bob Dylan, Billy Bragg, and Tracy Chapman.

#### **Silo String Quartet**

#### Sunday 26 July Glen Eira Town Hall Theatrette

Silo String Quartet was founded by cellist and composer Caerwen Martin in 1998 and is the only dedicated contemporary string quartet in Australia. Since 1999, Silo String Quartet has performed at the Melbourne International Jazz Festival, Melbourne Fringe Jazz Festival and Melbourne International Women in Jazz Festival and has worked with a number of artists including Fiona Burnett, Belinda Moody, Colin Hopkins and Quinsin Nachoff (Canada).

#### Klezmania

#### Sunday 9 August Glen Eira Town Hall Auditorium

Klezmania is regarded as Australia's leading klezmer band and performs dynamic instrumentals and songs

in Yiddish and English. With energy and passion they play everything from romantic ballads to whirling frenetic traditional dance tunes to foot tapping jazzy songs from the diverse cultures of the old world of Rumania, the Balkans, Turkey and the Ukraine to the United States and Australia.



Klezmania.

#### The Great Chefs of Europe Sunday 23 August Glen Eira Town Hall Theatrette

The Great Chefs of Europe are easy on the eye and even more pleasing to the ear. Their sumptuous repertoire features an original mix of gypsy jazz, flamenco inspired originals, east European melodies and a repertoire full of classic gems and contemporary Latin grooves.

Door open 2pm. Tickets can be pre-purchased for \$20 or \$18 for concession card holders or at the door for \$23 and \$20 for concession card holders.

To purchase tickets or for further information, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or visit www.gleneira.vic.gov.au

# Exhibitions

Glen Eira City Council Art Gallery Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield. Phone: 9524 3333 Opening times: Monday-Friday I 0am-5pm, Saturday, Sunday and public holidays. I pm-5pm. Admission is free

#### A Natural World

Opening at 6pm Wednesday 10 June until 5pm Sunday 5 July

Glen Eira City Council Gallery's annual thematic exhibition will investigate how contemporary artists engage with and portray the natural world. Our thinking about nature — or the natural world — is political and cultural. Ideas of nature are deeply embedded in our memories, histories and mythologies.

The human impact or intervention on the natural environment, our complex and fragile relationship with the landscape, as well as the appreciation and celebration of the beauty of nature are explored in the exhibition through diverse practices spanning photography, painting, video, installation, sculpture, jewellery and objects.

Established and emerging contemporary Australian artists are featured in the exhibition including Marian Drew, Maria Fernanda Cardoso, Juan Ford, Marian Hosking, Ash Keating, David Keeling, Janet Laurence, David Stephenson and Anne Zahalka.

A Natural World will be opened by Author and Critic Ashley Crawford on Wednesday 10 June at 6pm with a welcome by Glen Eira Mayor Cr Helen Whiteside.



Marian Drew — Light circle, 2008, archival pigment on cotton paper, 134 x 112cm.

Photo: Courtesy of the artist and Dianne Tanzer Gallery.

# Annemarie Szeleczky Configurations: Survey exhibition 1968–2008

Continues until 5pm Sunday 7 June

This major survey exhibition will feature paintings, collages, drawings, sculpture and animated films

documenting four decades of the career of Annemarie Szeleczky. This exhibition will reveal her creative development, interests and influences, particularly the murals of Mexican artists Orozco, Siqueiros and Tamayo.

Annemarie has held numerous solo exhibitions since 1984 and participated in many group exhibitions throughout Australia. Her works, which are included in collections in Australia and overseas, contain references to personal history and memory, documenting her journey across cultures and European heritage.

Annemarie's experimentation with animation is also documented in the exhibition through a survey of animated films created between 1997 and 2008. Many of the animations are evocative of European fairytales, containing dream-like elements, contrasted with aspects of everyday life.

Annemarie's animations have been screened at the London International Animation Festival, Animation Symposium, Taiwan and Indi-Anifest, Korea and in Australia at the Australian Centre for the Moving Image (ACMI).

# Food for thought at May Small Business Month

Local business owners, residents and representatives from the education sector attended the launch of Glen Eira City Council's May Small Business Month.

Held on I May at Yarra Yarra Golf Club, the breakfast seminar was highlighted by a thought provoking presentation by columnist and business commentator Terry McCrann.

Mr McCrann provided an up-to-date insight into current business trends, issues, politics and the economic outlook.

The breakfast launch was the first of many seminars and workshops offered as part of this year's May Small Business Month.

Small Business Month is one of Council's

initiatives aimed at supporting growth and development in local industry and business and provides an outstanding opportunity for local businesses to get together, promote their goods and services and network with others.

It is also an opportunity to obtain valuable information and further insights into the economic maze, which will help business move forward in today's economy.

Businesses interested in Council's suite of programs and services, including the Mentor Partners Program, BusEd Program and Women's Business Network can contact the Business Development Unit on 9524 3333.



Columnist and business commentator Terry McCrann.



Local business owners, residents and representatives from the education sector at the breakfast launch of May Small Business Month.

### Glen Eira Women's Business Network — Resilience and wellbeing

When: Thursday 18 June

**Time:** 7pm to 9pm (light supper and networking on arrival)

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

**Cost:** \$15

**RSVP:** Monday 15 June to Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333

Do you find that you don't have enough energy for the relationships that are most important in your life?

Do you find that your commitment to your professional role, whether in business or in a professional capacity, takes a toll on your personal wellbeing?

In an inspirational and energising presentation, Founder and Director of The Delta Centre Michelle Bihary will teach you:

- simple ways to boost your emotional and mental resilience;
- ways to protect your wellbeing from the demands and stresses of business life;
- the latest strategies in resilience building, drawn from current research and extensive experience; and

 strategies that can be implemented immediately and that are easily added to your busy life.

Michelle has more than 27 years experience as a therapist and coach, trainer and consultant. More than 1,500 men and women from across Australia have participated in her program.

The Delta Centre offers a range of more traditional psychotherapeutic, counselling and speech therapy services, as well as meditation, healing, reflexology and massage.



Michelle Bihary.

# BusEd Program offers access to latest knowledge and resources

Glen Eira City Council's Business Development Unit is seeking expressions of interest from local businesses that want to become involved in Council's BusEd Program in 2009.

The *Program* supports Glen Eira business owners who may have ideas on how to grow their business, but may lack the specialist skills or resources to bring them to fruition.

"The Program also provides students with an opportunity to improve their business skills and practical experience in real life business environments as well as their confidence,"

Council's Manager Business
Development Lynda Bredin said
businesses are linked with the specialist
skills of students studying in a variety of
areas, including website development,
IT networking and systems integration,
advertising, graphic design and desktop
publishing.

"BusEd unites the resources of student teams and the knowledge, mentoring and experience of local business owners to achieve positive outcomes for local businesses," Ms Bredin said.

"Business owners who have identified a project may register with Glen Eira BusEd and are matched with a team of students studying in a relevant discipline such as marketing, photography or information technology."

So far this year, the BusEd Program has already linked businesses with students from Monash University and Holmesglen TAFE in a variety of disciplines, including computing, information technology and marketing.

Ms Bredin said business owners get access to up-to-date information, resources, skills, talents and knowledge to help get projects off the ground and increase their business, while students gain real-life experience in a business environment and the opportunity to transfer their technical knowledge into practical experience.

"The *Program* also provides students with an opportunity to improve their business skills and practical experience in real life business environments as well as their confidence," Ms Bredin said.

There are limited opportunities available for projects commencing in July 2009. To register your interest in the *BusEd Program*, contact Council's Business Development Unit on 9524 3333.

