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New incentives for pet owners

Council's Civic Compliance Officer Greg Avdoulos with Max and four-year-old Harry of Caulfield North with Gus.

Photo: David Grant — John Brown Photography Services.

Pet owners registering their dog or cat for the first time from 1 August 2009 will receive a full 12 months free registration.

Under a new scheme adopted by Glen Eira City Council, dogs and cats which have been microchipped — which is now required by law — and desexed will be eligible.

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

However, Council's Manager Civic Compliance John Bordignon said a partial animal census conducted in the municipality in 2007 indicates that up to 8,000 dogs and cats are unregistered.

"Since 2005, the number of newly registered cats has decreased by 28.8 per cent while new dog registration numbers have dropped by 17.5 per cent," Mr Bordignon said.

"Although these figures are disappointing, it is hoped by implementing the new incentive scheme that there will not only be an increase in new registrations, but

pet owners, in particular cat owners, will make the informed decision to have their pets desexed.

"The desexing of cats reduces the overpopulation of homeless and unwanted cats, preventing feral animals and diseases. Desexed cats are also found to be less prone to fighting."

Mr Bordignon said pet registration makes it easier for Council's Civic Compliance Officers to identify and return lost pets.

"To date, 208 cats and 158 dogs have been impounded due to no registration tag or microchip," Mr Bordignon said.

"Alarming, only 35 cats were reclaimed by their owners, with the balance of the cats euthanased.

"One hundred and forty six dogs were collected, however 82 of the impounded dogs were not registered."

Reduced registration fees for obedience trained dogs

Mr Bordignon said that owners who have had their dog trained through an approved dog obedience training organisation will also be eligible for reduced registration fees.

"This training initiative for reduced fees is in addition to the above initiative for owners who have their pets desexed," Mr Bordignon said.

"It seems logical and sensible that owners of obedience trained dogs receive some additional positive reward or incentive.

"The annual registration fee for the next year will be waived for certified trained dogs.

"Owners will also receive a 50 per cent reduction off the standard reduced fee for subsequent years."

There are four organisations which are approved and whose qualified trainers are issuing certificates:

- Dogs Victoria;
- Australian Association of Professional Dog Trainers Inc;
- Australian Association of Gentle Modern Dog Training Instructors Inc; and
- The Delta Society.

The approved assessment program covers:

- heeling or walking with handler;

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Careers at Glen Eira

Community Safety Month activities



Residents will be able to safely dispose of any unwanted medicines during Community Safety Month.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

As part of *Community Safety Month* in October, Glen Eira City Council is organising a number of workshops and events to highlight safety and improve the health and wellbeing of the Glen Eira community.

All events will be held within the City of Glen Eira and include:

- 4 *Steps for Life* CPR sessions;
- vehicle child restraint checks;
- responsible serving of alcohol training;
- a *Healthy Ageing* seminar;
- safe disposal of unwanted medicines; and
- a safety in the home information session for babies and young children, hosted by KidSafe.

An information booth will also be on display at Council's Service Centre throughout October.

For further information, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or visit www.gleneira.vic.gov.au and look under the Council and community section.

Mayor's column



Council is inviting you to comment on its proposed Local Law 2009 which will replace the existing *Local Law 2000*.

Why do we have a Local Law? We have a Local Law to provide for the peace, order and good government of the municipal district of Glen Eira City Council and for those matters which require a Local Law under the *Local Government Act 1989* and any other Act. It also provides for the administration of Council powers and functions and to prohibit, regulate and control activities, events, practices or behaviour in places so that no detriment is caused to the amenity of the neighbourhood, or nuisance to a Person, or a detrimental effect to a Person's property.

Copies of the proposed Local Law are available from Council's Service Centre or www.gleneira.vic.gov.au

Comments and submissions must be received by 28 September.

Council will host an In Home Support employment information session on 14 September.

You will learn more about In Home Support roles including home care, personal care and respite care.

Places are limited. To register, contact 9524 3333 by 11 September.

Nominations for Council's *Citizen of the Year*, *Young Citizen of the Year* and *Community Group of the Year* Awards close on 18 September.

If there is a person or organisation that you know who is hard working, determined and has made an outstanding contribution to the local community then why not nominate them?

Application forms are available from Council's Service Centre, libraries and website.

Council's Gallery will present a major survey exhibition from 24 September until 18 October, documenting almost two decades of work by Caulfield photographer Jane Burton.

Ms Burton is renowned for her intriguing and powerful photographs of urban and remote landscapes and dark interiors of abandoned homes.

A visit to this exhibition will be well worthwhile.

Cr Helen Whiteside
Mayor

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Deadlines

The deadline for the next edition (October 2009) of the *Glen Eira News* is Wednesday 2 September for delivery 6–7 October.

Coming deadlines

The deadline for the November 2009 edition of the *Glen Eira News* is Wednesday 7 October for delivery 3–4 November.

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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New eco-friendly play area completed



Sulochi Walisinghe from Mary Jeavons Landscape Architects, Glen Eira Mayor Cr Helen Whiteside and Mary Jeavons. Photo: Sharon Walker — On Location Photography.

Extensive renovations to the outdoor play area at Murrumbeena Children's Centre are now complete.

Crafted by skilled landscape gardeners, the design of the new eco-friendly outdoor play area was created by renowned children's landscape specialist Mary Jeavons.

The new play area was officially opened by Glen Eira Mayor Cr Helen Whiteside last month.

Children, staff and parents have watched in anticipation as the old play area was transformed into what can only be described as inspiring.

Murrumbeena Children's Centre Team Leader Zahia Barbar told the *Glen Eira News* the children were fascinated with what was happening to their play area.

"Why? Where is that going? What are you doing? were just some of the many questions the children asked during the completion of the new play area," Ms Barbar said.

Renovations completed during the two month project include:

- a new sandpit;
- timber decking and seating around the sandpit;
- a new timber cubby house, ramp and arched bridge;
- the installation of recycled timber post seats and timber mushroom seats; and
- new trees and plants.

Rainwater tanks have been installed and will be used to feed water into two dry pebbled creeks.

Garden beds and vegetable patches have also been created. Sandstone or bluestone stepping stones were used in the garden beds and recycled sleepers used around the vegetable patch.

The new play area has been resurfaced with impact absorbing, recycled wet pour rubber, creating a softer and safer surface for the children to play on.

Ms Barbar said that the new play area will benefit the children in many ways.

"The children will not only have the opportunity to care for plants and learn about the environment, but they will be able to plant their own vegies, watch them grow and taste the final product," Ms Barbar said.

"They will also learn how water is caught from the roof to fill the water tank."

Glen Eira City Council's Manager Family and Children's Services Jill Jolliffe said the landscape gardeners worked tirelessly in inclement weather to bring the new outdoor space to fruition.

"The area is not only inviting and visually exciting, but creates endless opportunities for children to explore, investigate, garden and enjoy a range of sensory play experiences," Ms Jolliffe said.

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- sociability with other dogs;
- staying on command (known as a stay test);
- coming to handler on command (known as a recall test); and
- absence of aggression towards humans or another animal.

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

Working for Tucker Ward

Tucker Ward Councillor Nick Staikos has lived in Melbourne's most liveable suburb — Bentleigh East — all his life.

Nick was educated at St Peter's Primary School and from Year Seven to 10 attended St James College.

"I still have an involvement with these schools, both of which play a valuable role in the local community," Nick said.

He completed VCE at St Bedes College in Mentone and then went on to study politics.



Civic cocktail reception: Cr Staikos with Tom Fennelly and Joan Hill from the D.J. Coakley Bentleigh East Senior Citizens Club Inc.

Photo: Les O'Rourke.

"I completed my first year at Australian Catholic University before transferring to Monash University, Caulfield Campus, to finish my undergraduate degree," Nick said.

"I have also completed honours in the same subject."

Outside Council duties, Nick enjoys going away with his friends and spending time with his family.

"I also like to read and take my dog Harold for walks," Nick said.

Running for a second term

Nick said there were many reasons as to why he decided to run for a second term.

"I wanted to continue to assist Glen Eira's sports clubs in accessing the best facilities possible and help secure more funding for neighbourhood houses so they can develop and implement new programs," Nick said.

"I also wanted to see the development of the new Glen Eira Sports and Aquatic Centre (GESAC) move forward — and I am glad this is happening."

Working well together

Nick said since the election of the new Council in December 2008, all Councillors were working well together.

"We have made some good decisions," Nick said.

"Not only have we moved full-steam ahead with GESAC, but we have changed Council's hard rubbish collection service from monthly to on-demand.

"We will also be introducing a new graffiti clean up service for private property and commercial property very soon."



Cr Staikos at the unveiling of the Warrawee Residential Community and St Peter's Primary School intergenerational project — Time Flies.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

CEO's column



Human Resources consulting firm, SACS Consulting, announced its annual SACS Award for Leadership in Local Government last month.

Judged by Leadership Victoria,

Council's Assistant Manager Civic Compliance Keith Franklyn was one of three award winners from a field of 17 finalists.

Civic Compliance deals with many difficult situations concerning community safety, educating people about doing the right thing and, if necessary, taking enforcement action.

Keith's achievements on behalf of hundreds of residents under difficult circumstances are particularly noteworthy — congratulations Keith.

Glen Eira City Council is the only organisation to have been recognised in all the three years in which the awards have been conducted.

Last year, Council's Manager GlenWorks Roger Dunn was selected as a runner-up from a field of 23 senior managers.

In 2007, Council's Manager Community Care Michelle Marr was one of three prize winners.

Andrew Newton
Chief Executive Officer



Michelle Marr, Keith Franklyn and Roger Dunn.

Photo: Sally Brown

Seniors Festival celebrations will inspire

The *Victorian Seniors Festival 2009* in Glen Eira promises to inspire residents with music, dance, fitness and culture.

The *Festival*, which is held for senior Glen Eira residents, will run from Friday 25 September to Sunday 11 October under the theme: *Be Inspired!*

A highlight of the *Festival* will be the free concert on Friday 25 September. *Showstoppers* which will feature wonderful music from stage, screen and music hits of the 20th century.

There will also be a number of other Glen Eira City Council and community events including dancing, walks, luncheons, dinner dances, concerts and health seminars.

Council's Director Community Services Peter Jones said the *Seniors Festival* is met with overwhelming enthusiasm each year.

"Residents thoroughly enjoy the wide variety of events and activities that are held during the *Festival*," Mr Jones said.

"The community events are put together by various local groups and are a great cultural experience.

"Alongside Council's events, they are guaranteed to provide two weeks of enjoyment for senior residents."

As part of the *Festival*, and in conjunction with *Community Safety Month*, Council will also host a free *Healthy Ageing* seminar.

The seminar will be held on Friday 9 October and will be presented by dietician Zoe Nicholson from



David Gould performing at the 2008 Seniors concert.

Photo: Anne-Marie Gannon.

Stay Tuned and The Casual Chef Erik Jorgensen.

Both presenters will provide residents with information on the benefits and importance of healthy eating and its effect on energy levels and disease prevention.

Council's library branches will also host two special events:

- *Postcards from Nanna* — a fun packed show for children to share with Nanna or a special older friend; and

- *Myer: the man, the store, the fashion* — a wonderful, historical discussion by author and historian Stella Barber.

For further details, turn to page 13 of this edition of the *Glen Eira News*.

For further information about the *Victorian Seniors Festival 2009*, or to obtain a copy of the *Festival* program, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

Senior's events

Showstoppers

Enjoy an afternoon tea of sweet delights with wonderful music from stage, screen and music hits of the 20th century.

Showstoppers will be presented by *Green Room Award* winner Mark Jones; well known Melbourne entertainment identity Brendan Scott; and international star of the Australian Opera Craig Macdonald. Host for the afternoon is vocalist Jennifer Lee.

Date: Friday 25 September

Time: 1.30pm–3.45pm
(doors open 1pm)

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

Entry: Free

Bookings are essential and can be made from 10am Friday 11 September by contacting 9524 3333.

Healthy Ageing seminar

The *Healthy Ageing* seminar will provide older residents with information on health aspects that will assist their ability to deal with ageing positively.

Presented by a dietician from Stay Tuned and *The Casual Chef* Erik Jorgensen the session will provide information on diet, to health issues that are of concern to seniors. The session will also focus on grocery shopping for the pantry and simple, healthy meals.

Afternoon tea will be provided.

Date: Friday 9 October

Time: 1.30pm–3.45pm (doors open at 1.15pm)

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

Entry: Free

Bookings are essential and can be made from 2pm Friday 11 September by contacting 9524 3333.

Council addresses PLA Conference

Making the Most of Our Resources is the theme for Glen Eira City Council's upcoming presentation at the 2009 Parks and Leisure Australia (PLA) Annual National Conference.

To be held from 13 to 17 September, Council's Grounds Maintenance Co-ordinator Peter Todd will be addressing Conference delegates about advances in sportsground irrigation.

Speaking with the *Glen Eira News*, Mr Todd said the condition of Glen Eira's sportsgrounds has changed over the past 15 years.

"In 1994, the grounds were fairly average, with most being a mixture of varying grass species — predominantly cool season types.

"However, following the implementation of water restrictions in 2004, Council had to explore different grass species that could survive on less water.

"Council selected two grass species for resurfacing sportsgrounds — Santa Ana Couch and Kikuyu. Both of these grasses perform well in the hot drier conditions currently being experienced in summer and are easy to maintain."

Mr Todd said as part of Council's warm season grasses conversion program, sportsgrounds that have already been resurfaced, include Marlborough Reserve in Bentleigh East, Bentleigh Reserve, Murrumbeena Park and Glen Huntly Park oval in Caulfield East.

"However the largest single project to date was the resurfacing of three ovals on the south side of Caulfield Park," Mr Todd said.

Mr Todd said the way sportsgrounds are watered has also changed.

"In 2005, Glen Eira City Council decided to become more proactive in facing the inevitability of severe water restrictions for the future," Mr Todd said.



Council's Grounds Maintenance Co-ordinator Peter Todd will be addressing Conference delegates about advances in sportsground irrigation.
Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

"We commenced exploration of options to reduce water use within our parks and in particular sportsgrounds.

"After much research, Council moved from using outdated automatic irrigation systems and manually operated sprinkler systems to computer controlled irrigation systems at all sportsgrounds.

"Fitted sensors to each sportsground ensure the system does not irrigate if there is an adequate moisture level and automatically shuts down in the event of rain."

Mr Todd said Sub-surface Drip Irrigation (SDI) systems have also been installed.

"This system — which is expected to save around 30 per cent of water usage over conventional spray irrigation systems — has been installed at five sportsgrounds," Mr Todd said.

"Over the next four to five years, the remaining sportsgrounds which use conventional sprinkler systems will eventually be converted to SDI."

Other initiatives

As part of his presentation, Mr Todd will also have the opportunity to speak about other initiatives which have been implemented by Council, including the installation and growth of the Motorola Irrinet central control system since its original installation in 1998.

"This system is used to control Council's tanks and pumps and uses pulse meters, moisture, rain switch, rain bucket, wind speed and direction and onsite ET sensing devices to aid in accurate application of water and shutdown should there be any faults or potential overflows due to vandalism," Mr Todd said.

Bentleigh Library refurbishment

Planned works for the refurbishment of the Bentleigh Library will commence in September.

The renovations will provide a more modern interior and layout, delivering an improved facility for library customers.

It is estimated the building works will take nine months.

Bentleigh Library will close in readiness for the works on Sunday 13 September at 5pm.

Library services will not be available in Bentleigh from Monday 14 September to Sunday 20 September.

Services will continue from the temporary facility next to the library, facing Robert Street, on Monday 21 September at 10am.

Opening hours at the temporary facility will remain unchanged:

- Monday to Thursday: 10am–9pm;
- Friday: 10am–6pm;
- Saturday: 10am–4pm; and
- Sunday: 12pm–5pm.

The temporary facility will have four PCs for library members to use and there will be limited space for study and reading.

The collection will be temporarily reduced due to space limitations. Staff will be happy to assist customers to access material from other Council libraries and can arrange the transfer of available material from another branch at no cost.

From Monday 14 September, *Storytime* sessions will be relocated to Carnegie

Library until the new children's library opens.

Families are invited to attend any of the following *Storytime* sessions:

- Monday: Carnegie Library, 2pm (relocated from Bentleigh);
- Tuesday: Caulfield Library, 11am;
- Wednesday: Elsternwick Library and Carnegie Library, 11am;
- Thursday: Carnegie Library, 11am (relocated from Bentleigh); and
- Friday: Carnegie Library, 11am.

Details on the progress of the Bentleigh Library refurbishment will be available on the library page of Council's website — www.gleneira.vic.gov.au

Fathering in the fast lane

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

The father's role is ever changing. Fathers are now taking a more active role in their child's care. This session will explore good parenting, ways that fathers can gain confidence and strengthen their relationships with children.

Presenter: Early Childhood Consultant, John McCartin

Tuesday 15 September

7.30pm–9.30pm

(7.15pm registration)

Carnegie Library and Community Centre — Boyd Room

7 Shepparton 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 information about the session, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333

or visit

www.gleneira.vic.gov.au



GLEN EIRA CITY COUNCIL

Schools awarded for environmental excellence

Bentleigh West Primary School and Coatesville Primary School have been acknowledged for their initiative and work in addressing environmental issues.

Both schools have been awarded Glen Eira City Council's *Award for Environmental Excellence in Primary Schools*.

The perpetual trophy will spend six months at each school.

Now in its second year, the *Award* has been developed to acknowledge primary schools which have demonstrated outstanding achievement and initiative in developing and implementing an environmental project for the benefit of the school or Glen Eira community.

Council's Environment Advisory Committee Chair Cr Steven Tang said Bentleigh West Primary School — which won the *Award* in 2008 — was

awarded for its continued excellence in environmental sustainability and ongoing commitment to foster and share best practice.

"Bentleigh West Primary School is an accredited five-star sustainable school having integrated environmental sustainability into the school curriculum," Cr Tang said.

"Vegetable gardens, revegetated wetlands, a dry forest, sensory gardens and drought-tolerant gardens have been established.

"Rainwater tanks and heating panels have been installed, worm farms formed and a recycling program implemented."

Cr Tang said Coatesville Primary School has also integrated environmental sustainability into its curriculum.

"The school tracks its use of water,

energy, paper, waste production and biodiversity levels using the *School Environment Tracking System (SETS)*," Cr Tang said.

Cr Tang said Coatesville Primary School also implemented a number of water conservation measures.

"These measures include the retrofitting of bathrooms and the installation of three water tanks," Cr Tang said.

"Students have also maintained an award winning garden, which has been mulched and watered with harvested rainwater."



Glen Eira Mayor Cr Helen Whiteside, Harriet and Madeleine from Bentleigh West Primary School and Max, Tia and Jada from Coatesville Primary School.

Photo: David Grant — John Brown Photography Services.

out and about



Opening of Murrumbeena Children's Centre outdoor play area: Cr Margaret Esakoff, Cr Neil Pilling, Cr Steven Tang, Glen Eira Mayor Cr Helen Whiteside and 22-month-old Oliver.

Photo: Sharon Walker — On Location Photography.



Award for Environmental Excellence presentation: Cr Jim Magee, Harriet and Madeleine from Bentleigh West Primary School and Max, Jada and Tia from Coatesville Primary School.

Photo: David Grant — John Brown Photography Services.



Council's Delivered Meals Service: In between Council duties, Cr Margaret Esakoff delivers meals on wheels.

Photo: Sharon Walker — On Location Photography.

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.

**Thursday 17 September
4pm–6pm**

Bentleigh Bayside
Community Health Service
Gardeners Road
Bentleigh East



Glen Eira City Council

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

Reminder: trim back overhanging branches

Glen Eira City Council is urging local residents to ensure trees and shrubs along the front of their properties aren't posing safety hazards.

Trees and shrubs planted on private property are the property owner's responsibility and any trees or shrubs which hang over public footpaths and roadways must be cut back to reduce possible risks and danger to the public.

Glen Eira Mayor Cr Helen Whiteside said it's up to the property owner to maintain trees and shrubs on the edge of their land.

"With recent rains triggering a lot of garden growth, now is the time for residents to trim their trees and shrubs," Cr Whiteside said.

"This is particularly important along footpaths, where overhanging trees and shrubs pose a safety hazard to pedestrians. Overhanging branches can also obscure the view of drivers reversing out of driveways or travelling along streets and laneways."

Trees and shrubs must be cut to a height of three metres above the ground and they must be trimmed back to be vertical to the property boundary.



It is up to the property owner to maintain trees and shrubs on the edge of their land.

Photo: Andrew Graham.

Residents wishing to dispose of the excess vegetation can use Council's free monthly bundled branch collection or its fee-based fortnightly green waste service.

Cr Whiteside said if trees and shrubs are found to exceed these guidelines, residents or property owners will receive a notice which further explains the issue and what action needs to be taken within 14 days.

"Ultimately if an owner fails to comply, Council will engage a contractor to undertake the work and all charges associated with the work will be charged to the property owner in accordance with the *Local Government Act*," Cr Whiteside said.

For further information, or a copy of Council's *Overhanging Branches Guide* for residents, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

News in brief

Award nominations close

Nominations for Council's *Citizen of the Year*, *Young Citizen of the Year* and *Community Group of the Year* Awards close on Friday 18 September.

Application forms are available from Council's Service Centre, libraries and website.

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

Recreation respite program

Glen Eira City Council, in conjunction with the City of Stonnington, will host an inclusive recreation respite program during the September school holidays.

The program is open to children aged eight to 18 with a disability and will be held on September 22, 23, 24, 29 and 30 and 1 October.

Siblings and other children are also welcome.

Participants will be able to sample a variety of free sports and activities.

For further information, contact Amanda Burns on 9524 3333 or visit www.gleneira.vic.gov.au

Minimise waste, recycle more

Glen Eira City Council is calling on all residents to continue to minimise their household waste and recycle more.

The call follows analysis of the latest *Sustainability Victoria Local Government Data Survey*.

The *Survey* collects data on all Victorian councils' waste and recycling collections.

The *Survey* indicates up to 27 per cent of the material currently placed in garbage bin across Glen Eira is either green waste — which should be diverted into the green waste bin — or paper and cardboard which should be diverted into the recycling bin.

The *Survey* also indicates that of the 30 metropolitan councils, Glen Eira is ranked:

- in the bottom 20 percent in terms of the diversion of waste from landfill;
- second last in terms of the weight of recyclables collected per property; and
- third highest in terms of the weight of garbage collected per property.

Council's Environment Advisory Committee Chair Cr Steven Tang said although the results are disappointing, Council is committed to reducing the environmental footprint of the municipality.

"Improving the outcomes of our recycling service is just one way in which Council can help the environment," Cr Tang said.

"Glen Eira is one of only two councils in the metropolitan area that still uses large 240 garbage bins for waste collection.

"These large bins are having an adverse impact on the diversion of waste from landfill."

Cr Tang said one way of decreasing the amount of waste generated is for residents to consider downsizing their bins.

"Smaller bins are easier to move, require less storage space and more importantly save you money," Cr Tang said.

"Smaller bins also encourage people to recycle more.

"The recycling industry is now accepting a much larger range of material for recycling, including glass bottles and jars, aluminium and steel cans, milk and juice cartons, office paper and newspapers and all plastic containers with the plastic codes one, two, three, four, five, six and seven."

Cr Tang said manufacturing products from recyclable materials generally use less energy, water and natural resources. Using less energy means less greenhouse gas emissions.

"Reducing the amount of garden waste deposited into landfill also has environmental benefits," Cr Tang said.

"Less garden waste equals a reduction in methane gas, which has 20 times the greenhouse gas effect of carbon dioxide."

Further information about Council's Waste and Recycling Service can be found in the environment section of the new *Residents' Handbook 2009* or at www.gleneira.vic.gov.au



Peter Todd is congratulated by Liana Thompson from the Victorian Local Governance Association on receiving the Officer Leadership Award.

Environs Australia 2009 Sustainability Award

Environs Australia 2009 Sustainability Awards were presented in Melbourne on 18 August, with Council's Grounds Maintenance Co-ordinator Peter Todd receiving the *Officer Leadership Award*.

Peter was recognised for exceptional leadership in his role of implementing computer controlled irrigation systems into Glen Eira's sportsgrounds and for his efforts in introducing water saving drip irrigation technology into Marlborough Reserve.

The Award was presented at the *Fourth Annual Local Government Sustainable Development Conference 2009*.

The *Conference* showcases leading sustainable development initiatives within councils from across Australia.

Council Chief Executive Officer Andrew Newton said it's good to see that Peter's efforts and results have been recognised.

"On behalf of Council, I would like to congratulate Peter on receiving this award," Mr Newton said.

A career in Local Government

Local government is the third level of government in the Australian Federal system and the tier of government that touches people most closely.

In Victoria, there are 79 councils, representing around five million people.

Local Government has a significant impact on the lives of all Victorians. It provides for the peace, order and good governance of its municipal area, delivers services and facilities for the community and manages the resources of the district.

With so many services to provide, it is not surprising that there are a large number of career opportunities on offer within Local Government, including Glen Eira City Council's



Council's Service Centre: With so many services to provide, it is not surprising that there are a large number of career opportunities at Council. Photo: David Grant — John Brown Photography Services.

Council prides itself as an employer of choice having a staff turnover rate well below the public sector average, an excellent health and safety record, extensive training that encourages professional development and a program of reward and recognition across the organisation.

Council not only offers employees the opportunity to have a diverse and rewarding career in a friendly environment, but also a great range of benefits, including:

- flexible working arrangements including full-time, part-time and casual positions and flexible start and finishing times;
- a variety of leave entitlements including annual leave; sick leave; long service leave; maternity/adoption leave; paternity leave; bereavement/compassionate leave; carer's leave; and study leave;
- in-house corporate training opportunities, traineeships, on the job training, study assistance and the opportunity for higher duties;
- an *Employee Assistance Program* which provides confidential professional short-term assistance for personal or work related problems;
- a *Health and Wellbeing Program* which assists employees to improve their general wellbeing and self-confidence; and
- a *Reward and Recognition Program* in which employees are nominated by co-workers and supervisors for displaying outstanding achievement in our five key values: customer service; initiative; teamwork; leadership; and respect.

Employees are also members of Council's social club, which runs a variety of events throughout the year.

The services Council offers branches out into every aspect of community life and there are branches just right for you.

In this two page feature you will have the opportunity to find out more about some of the careers currently available and hear from some of our staff.

If you have any queries or would like further information, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or visit www.gleneira.vic.gov.au and click on Careers.

Residential Aged Care

Glen Eira City Council operates three residential aged care facilities — Rosstown Community and Spurway Community in Murrumbeena and Warrawee Community in Bentleigh East.

The three facilities offer both high and low care services for the aged and are conveniently located near rail and bus services.

Council is always looking for committed staff with a passion for providing the best possible care and support for our residents.

Below are just some of the challenging and rewarding employment opportunities offered at Council's aged care facilities:

Registered Nurse Division One and Registered Nurse Division Two

There are many benefits of working as a nurse at one of Council's aged care facilities, including: a range of training and development opportunities and flexible working hours with full-time, part-time and casual roles available.

Therapist

This role involves planning and organising diverse leisure, recreational and cultural programs.

Team Leader

Excellent organisational and staffing skills are required to fulfil this role as well as the ability to supervise other staff.

Assistant

If you are an enthusiastic individual with great community skills, then this is the role for you. Prior experience in delivering a variety of individual and group art and craft, socialisation and cultural activities is also required.

Personal carer

Full-time, part-time and casual personal carer positions are also available. You will have a Certificate III in Aged Care, awareness of the health needs of the elderly and experience in the provision of residential aged care.

Council's three aged care facilities also offer opportunities in the delivery of hospitality services, including:

- chefs and trade cooks with experience in fresh food production;
- kitchen assistants with experience in food handling and hygiene;
- cleaners with knowledge of cleaning practice and safe use of chemicals; and
- housekeepers with excellent communication and food service skills to assist residents with menu choice, meal preparation and service.

If you would like to join Council's aged care service, visit www.gleneira.vic.gov.au and follow the links to current vacancies in the careers section.



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Photo: David Grant — John Brown Photography Services.

In Home Support workers

Glen Eira City Council's In Home Support workers undertake a range of caring roles in the community, providing services for clients of all ages.

Services include personal care (showering and dressing), home care (cleaning and household duties) and respite (time out for carers).

These services help the City's older and disabled residents remain independent in their own homes for longer.

Council's Manager Community Care Michelle Marr said services are provided when frailty, disability or illness prevent a person from undertaking necessary daily living tasks for themselves.

"Council provides more than 115,000 hours of home care, personal care and respite care every year," Ms Marr said.

"We have a strong team of dedicated staff who work together to provide these services.

"They come from all walks of life and various age groups, but they have one important thing in common — their commitment to caring for others."

Making a difference

Lorraine and Julie have been employed in their roles for 12 and 13 years respectively.

Lorraine works with children and adults with a disability in the respite care team, while Julie works in a combined home care/personal care role with frail older people.

Lorraine recently spoke at an employment information session and told the audience that during her 12 years at Council, she has developed a great deal of knowledge about the disability sector.

"Thanks to the training I have received through Council, I am now able to effectively communicate with clients and provide creative and meaningful respite experiences," she said.

"It's the close bonds I have with these families and knowing I am providing a valuable service that make my role so rewarding."

Also speaking at the employment information session, Julie said the most rewarding aspect of her job is knowing that when she leaves a client's home that she has made a difference for that person.

"For many of our clients, Council's Support workers may be the only opportunity for contact with another person," Julie said.

Join the team

If you want to work flexible hours and seek a feel good job that offers opportunities for professional development, then why not consider working for Council's Community Care Unit as a Support worker.

You will be able to use your communication skills, empathy and initiative to assist frail older people and people with disabilities to live independently at home.

A range of positions are currently available. Applicants must be willing to undergo both a police check and a work based medical. A current driver's licence is mandatory.

Council is hosting an In Home Support employment information session on Monday 14 September.

Two sessions will be held: 11am to 12.30pm in the Caulfield Cup Room at Glen Eira Town Hall and 7pm to 8.30pm in the Boyd Room at Carnegie Library and Community Centre.

Places are limited. To register, contact David Williams on 9524 3333 by Friday 11 September.



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Photo: Sally Brown.



School crossing supervisors provide a vital service to Glen Eira's community.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

School crossing supervisors

School crossing supervisors provide a vital service to Glen Eira's community. They are responsible for ensuring the safety of children and other people using crossings on a daily basis.

Rewarding roles

Frank has been working as a school crossing supervisor for 12 years.

Speaking with the *Glen Eira News*, Frank said his role brings him a lot of personal satisfaction.

"Not only am I doing something for the community, but I feel respected, wanted and appreciated," Frank said.

Carol loves working with children and has spent 25 years in her role as a school crossing supervisor.

"I feel great knowing that I am helping the children get to school safely," Carol said.

Both Frank and Carol are part of the school community they work near and are invited to school activities such as school plays, concerts and performances.

They have both watched the children they have cared for grow up and, in some cases, now see them bringing their own kids to school.

"It's great to get to know everyone including teachers, parents and children and to watch the children grow up," Frank said.

Carol said her manager and supervisor are great to work for and make her job enjoyable.

The location of my role is close to home and the hours fit in well with my lifestyle," she said.

Frank advises any prospective applicants to definitely give it a go.

"You will be pleasantly surprised," Frank said.

Interested in joining the team?

Glen Eira City Council currently has permanent part-time and casual as required 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 \$18.15 per hour.

You will enjoy approximately 13 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 undergo and pass a medical examination, police check and a Working with Children Check at Council's expense.

For further information, contact Human Resources on 9524 3333 or visit www.gleneira.vic.gov.au

MEETINGS AND CLUBS

St Peter's Cancer Support Group will meet on 3 September 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 each 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.

Over Forties Dance holds old time, modern and new vogue dances every second and fourth Saturday night from 7.45pm at Uniting Church Hall, corner North and Booran Roads, Ormond. Cost of \$6 includes supper. Contact Edith: 9583 8117.

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 each 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 1pm at McKinnon Public Hall, 118 McKinnon Road, McKinnon. Contact Merrill: 9578 1117.

Brighton Philatelic Society meets on the first Saturday of each month from 1pm, 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.

Brighton Floral Art Group meets on the second Wednesday of each month from 1pm at St Leonard's Uniting Church Hall, corner New Street and Wolseley Grove, Brighton. New members welcome. Contact Elizabeth Terrell: 9885 7036 or Carmen Doyle: 9557 5810.

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.

The Bentleigh East Probus Club meets on the second Tuesday of each month from 9.30am at the Bentleigh Club, Yawla Street, Bentleigh. Come and enjoy social activities, outings and guest speakers. Visitors and new members welcome. Contact Ian: 9551 5425.

Bentleigh Men's Probus Club meets on the second Thursday of each month from 10.30am at the Bentleigh RSL Club, Centre Road, Bentleigh. New members welcome. Contact: 9579 5506.

The Ladies Probus Club of Elsternwick meets on the first Monday of each month from 10am at the Caulfield Senior Citizens Centre, 8 Cedar Street, Caulfield South. Visitors and new members welcome. Contact Chris: 9523 7315.

Murrumbeena Bowls Club is seeking new members to join for the forthcoming summer season. Come and see what the sport of bowls has to offer. Contact Michael: 9569 4969.

The Elsternwick Club will have social bowls — and introductory bowls lessons for those interested — every Sunday morning throughout September from 10.30am to 12.30pm at 19 Sandham Street, Elsternwick. Contact John Boorn: 95783692 or email: bowls@elsternwickclub.com.au

Washington Park Junior and Senior Cricket Club's new season is here. New senior and junior players (girls and boys) from five to 105 most welcome. Contact Chris Gorrie: 0428 868 026.

EVENTS

Glen Eira Moorabbin Softball Association will hold its annual registration day on 5 September from 10am–2pm. New and existing members welcome. Contact: 9570 1412 or email: gleneirasoftball@hotmail.com

Glen Eira City Choir invites you to *Showtime in Spring* on 13 September from 2.30pm in the Auditorium at Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield. *Tea Rose Duo* will perform. Jane Elton Brown will be conductor for the afternoon and Bruce McBrien will compere. Contact: 0423 129 371 or email: info@gleneiracitychoir.org.au

Twilight Chamber Music at Rippon Lea, 192 Hotham Street, Elsternwick, will be held on 13 September from 6.30pm. Erica Kennedy (violin) and Robert Chamberlain (piano) will perform. Cost is \$35 or \$20 for full-time students under 25, children and pensioners. Contact: 9527 2851 or www.teamofpianists.com.au

Lovers Society Concert presents Phoenix Trio: Anglea Dhar (piano), Pamela Webster-Bloom (clarinet) and Faye Goldsmith (cello) on 13 September at Ewing Memorial Uniting Church, corner Coppin Street and Burke Road, Malvern East. Admission: \$20 members, \$10 concession or \$50 family.

The 16th Annual Blessing of Animals will be held on 4 October at 2pm at St James the Great Anglican Church, 435 Inkerman Street, St Kilda East. Attractions include a mobile animal nursery, market stalls, sausage sizzle and refreshments. Contact: 9527 8083 or www.stjamescommunity.org.au

Glen Eira Residents' Association Inc. Acting CEO of Victorian Local Governance Association Darren Rae will speak about governance in Local Government on 5 October at 7.30pm at the Elsternwick Club, Sandham Street Elsternwick. All welcome.

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

K.G. Putt Bentleigh Senior Citizens Centre will be holding a Great Spring Getaway. Come to Batemans Bay and the Eurobodalla Coast. All sightseeing, cooked breakfast and dinner included for \$689. Contact Cheryl: 9557 5739.

COMMUNITY

Year of the Blood Donor 2009 needs 160,000 new donors to improve the lives of others. It only takes around an hour of your time and one donation can save three lives. Contact: 13 14 95 or visit www.donateblood.com.au

Immunisation sessions

McKinnon Public Hall
118 McKinnon Road, McKinnon
Monday 7 September and Monday
5 October 10am–11am

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

Tuesday 1 September and Tuesday
6 October 6pm–7pm

Tuesday 8 September and Tuesday
13 October 9.30am–10.30am

**Bentleigh Bayside Community
Health Centre**
Gardeners Road, Bentleigh East
Saturday 19 September and Saturday
24 October 9am–11am

Wednesday 16 September and
Wednesday 21 October 5.45pm–7.15pm
Thursday 24 September and Thursday
29 October 6pm–8pm

Packer Park
Leila Road, Carnegie

Monday 14 September and Monday
19 October 10am–11am

**Glen Huntly Maternal and
Child Health Centre**
Corner Royal and Rosedale Avenues,
Glen Huntly
Wednesday 26 August and Wednesday
23 September 9.30am–11am
**Carnegie Library and
Community Centre**
7 Shepparson Avenue, Carnegie
Wednesday 9 September and
Wednesday 14 October
1.30pm–2.30pm and 5.30pm–7.30pm



寵物主人的新優惠

自 2009 年 8 月 1 日起，寵物主人若為自己的狗或貓首次註冊，就可獲得 12 個月的註冊費免收。

Glen Eira 市政府採納的新方案規定，植入晶片 (法律現有此規定) 並閹割的狗或貓符合條件獲得這項優惠。

市政府將在下一年免收其年度註冊費。

《1994 年家養 (流浪和麻煩) 動物法》規定，所有三個月以上的狗和貓都必須向市政府註冊。

2007 年本市的一項部份動物普查結果顯示，有八千隻狗和貓未經註冊。

自 2005 年以來，貓新註冊的數量下降了 28.8%，而狗新註冊的數量則下降了 17.5%。

我們希望通過新優惠方案的實施，不僅能增加新註冊的數量，而且還鼓勵寵物主人，特別是貓主人作出知情決定為寵物做閹割手術。

貓做了閹割手術，就可減少無家可歸和野貓的數量，預防流浪動物和疾病。

狗主人如果把狗送到認可訓狗機構受訓將可有資格享受註冊費的優惠。

這項訓狗減價收費是為寵物做上述閹割手術之外的另一項優惠。

經證明受過訓練的狗可在下一年度註冊時免收費用。

在接下來的幾年中寵物主人還可按標準費用獲得 50% 的優惠。

Νέες κίνητρα για ιδιοκτήτες κατοικίδιων ζώων

Οι ιδιοκτήτες κατοικίδιων ζώων που θα δηλώσουν το σκυλί ή τη γάτα τους για πρώτη φορά μετά την 1η Αυγούστου 2009 θα λάβουν 12 ολόκληρους μήνες δωρεάν εγγραφή.

Σύμφωνα με το νέο σχέδιο που υιοθετήσε ο Δήμος Glen Eira, θα δικαιούνται σκύλοι και γάτες που τους έχει τοποθετηθεί μικροσίπ – που τώρα απαιτείται απ’ το νόμο – και έχουν στερηωθεί.

Ο Δήμος θα παραιτηθεί της ετήσιας χρέωσης εγγραφής για τον επόμενο χρόνο.

Σύμφωνα με το Νόμο (Αγριων και Ενοχλητικών) Κατοικίδιων Ζώων 1994, όλοι οι σκύλοι και γάτες ηλικίας άνω των τριών μηνών πρέπει να δηλώνονται ετησίως στο Δήμο.

Μια μερική απογραφή που έγινε στο δήμο το 2007, έδειξε ότι μέχρι 8000 σκύλοι και γάτες δεν είναι δηλωμένα.

Από το 2005, ο αριθμός των γατών που δηλώνονται για πρώτη φορά μειώθηκε κατά 28,8 τα εκατό ενώ ο αριθμός των σκύλων που δηλώνονται για πρώτη φορά μειώθηκε κατά 17,5 τα εκατό.

Ελπίζεται ότι με την εφαρμογή του νέου σχεδίου κινήτρων όχι μόνο θα υπάρξει αύξηση στις νέες εγγραφές, αλλά οι ιδιοκτήτες κατοικίδιων ζώων, ειδικά ιδιοκτήτες γατών, θα πάρουν ενημερωμένη απόφαση να στερώσουν τα κατοικίδια ζώα τους.

Η στείρωση στις γάτες μειώνει τον υπερπληθυσμό των άστεγων και ανεπιθύμητων γατών, προλαμβάνει τη δημιουργία άγριων ζώων και ασθενειών.

Οι ιδιοκτήτες που εκπαιδύσαν το σκυλί τους σε εγκεκριμένο οργανισμό εκπαίδευσης σκυλιών θα δικαιούνται επίσης μειωμένες χρεώσεις εγγραφής.

Αυτή η πρωτοβουλία για μειωμένες χρεώσεις εκπαιδευμένων σκυλιών είναι επιπλέον της παραπάνω πρωτοβουλίας για ιδιοκτήτες που στερώνουν τα κατοικίδια ζώα τους.

Η ετήσια χρέωση εγγραφής για τον επόμενο χρόνο καταργείται για σκυλιά που επικυρωμένα έχουν εκπαιδευτεί.

Οι ιδιοκτήτες θα λάβουν επίσης 50 τα εκατό έκπτωση από την κανονική μειωμένη χρέωση για τα επακόλουθα χρόνια.

Nuovi incentivi per i proprietari di animali domestici

Con decorrenza dal 1 agosto 2009, ai proprietari che registrano per la prima volta il proprio cane o gatto verrà concessa la registrazione annuale gratuita della durata di 12 mesi.

Tutti i proprietari di cani e gatti muniti di microchip, a norma di legge, e sterilizzati saranno idonei per il nuovo schema adottato dal Comune di Glen Eira.

Nel suddetto caso il Comune derogherà il pagamento della tassa di registrazione annuale per l’anno successivo.

A norma della legge *Domestic (Feral and Nuisance) Animals Act 1994*, tutti i cani e i gatti, che hanno superato il terzo mese di vita, devono essere registrati annualmente presso il Comune.

Un censimento parziale degli animali domestici effettuato nel 2007 nell’area comunale ha indicato la presenza di circa 8.000 tra cani e gatti non registrati.

Dal 2005 si è riscontrata una flessione del 28,8 per cento nelle nuove registrazioni per i gatti, mentre per i cani il numero di registrazioni è diminuito del 17,5 per cento.

Si auspica che con l’implementazione dei nuovi incentivi si verifichi non soltanto un incremento nel numero delle registrazioni, ma anche che i proprietari di animali domestici, di gatti in particolare, decidano di fare sterilizzare i propri animali.

La pratica della sterilizzazione è utile a ridurre la sovrappopolazione di gatti randagi e indesiderati, prevenendo in tal modo l’incremento di animali selvatici e delle relative malattie.

I proprietari di cani addestrati da approvate organizzazioni di addestramento all’obbedienza saranno inoltre idonei a ricevere riduzioni sulla tassa di registrazione.

La suddetta iniziativa di riduzione sul pagamento della tassa di registrazione per i proprietari che sottopongono l’animale ad addestramento si intende in aggiunta alle precedenti iniziative riguardanti la sterilizzazione.

La tassa annuale, relativa al prossimo anno, verrà derogata per tutti i proprietari di cani muniti di certificazione di addestramento che verranno registrati per la prima volta.

Gli stessi inoltre godranno, negli anni successivi, di un’ulteriore riduzione del 50 per cento sull’importo della tassa standard ridotta.

Новые поощрительные меры для владельцев домашних животных

С 1 августа 2009г. те, кто регистрируют своих кошек и собак в муниципалитете в первый раз, будут получать бесплатную регистрацию на 12 месяцев.

Право на это в соответствии с новой схемой, принятой муниципалитетом Glen Eira, будут иметь владельцы тех кошек и собак, которые были кастрированы, а также имеют электронный чип, что требуется теперь по закону.

Владельцы этих животных будут освобождены от платы за регистрацию на следующий год.

В соответствии с *Законом о домашних животных (нежелательные и одичавшие животные) 1994г.*, все кошки и собаки старше 3-х месяцев должны проходить ежегодную регистрацию в муниципалитете.

Частичная перепись животных, проведенная в муниципалитете в 2007г., обнаружила до 8000 незарегистрированных собак и кошек.

В период с 2005г. количество регистраций кошек уменьшилось на 28.8%, а регистраций собак – на 17.5%.

Мы надеемся, что благодаря новым поощрительным мерам не только увеличится количество регистраций, но и больше владельцев животных, в особенности кошек, примет сознательное решение кастрировать своих животных.

Благодаря кастрации кошек уменьшается количество бездомных и беспризорных кошек, что в свою очередь снижает риск одичания и болезней.

Владельцы тех собак, которые прошли дрессировку в специализированной и соответствующим образом зарегистрированной организации, также будут получать скидку при регистрации.

Эта скидка для дрессированных собак предлагается в дополнение к поощрительным мерам по кастрации животных.

При этом на следующий год регистрация для собак, прошедших дрессировку в специализированной организации, будет бесплатной.

В последующие годы владельцы этих собак будут получать 50% скидку с суммы стандартной льготной регистрации.

4 Steps for Life — CPR training

As part of *Community Safety Month*, Glen Eira City Council and Ambulance Victoria will host two free sessions for local organisations to help build awareness and confidence in performing Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR).

Thursday 15 October
10am–11am

Monday 19 October
7pm–8pm

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

A free resource kit containing a 20 minute video, which replicates a real triple zero (000) call, training aids to support practice and written information will be provided.

Please bring a pillow for the practical exercises (you will not need to get on the floor).

Please note: As places are limited, only two people from the same organisation can attend.

Bookings are essential by Thursday 8 October to Council’s Service Centre on 9524 3333.



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	Type	Date	Where
Improving Packer Park	Comments and submissions	9 September at 5pm	Improving Packer Park submission Glen Eira City Council PO Box 42 Caulfield South Vic 3162
Local Law 2009	Comments and submissions	28 September at 5pm	Local Law submission Chief Executive Officer Glen Eira City Council PO Box 42 Caulfield South Vic 3162

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

Caulfield Lacrosse Club celebrates 100 years

History of Lacrosse

In 1874, Canadian, Lambton Mount, demonstrated lacrosse to some local lads near Albert Park.

Within five years, four clubs had been formed in Victoria with approximately 120 players. These four clubs — Melbourne, Fitzroy, South Melbourne and Carlton — formed the Victorian Lacrosse Association in July 1879.

Caulfield Lacrosse Club — in the beginning

Caulfield Lacrosse Club met for the first time on Saturday 5 May 1891. It is thought that the Club was then not based at its present location in Caulfield

Park, but near the racecourse at what is now known as Glen Huntly Park.

The Club had almost immediate playing success, winning an A grade premiership in 1892, then again in 1893 and 1894. Yet, in 1897 the Caulfield Lacrosse Club disbanded, apparently due to lack of numbers.

In 1909, the Club reformed and has competed at both junior and senior level in the Victorian Lacrosse Association every year since. During this time the Club has won six A grade (State League equivalent) premierships and started off many sporting careers.

In late 1990, the Caulfield Lacrosse Club combined with the Caulfield

Women's Lacrosse Club, which had started as a separate entity in 1973. The Caulfield Women's Lacrosse Club tasted A grade success in 1985 and went on to win back-to-back premierships for the next five years.

Lacrosse in Glen Eira today

Lacrosse is recognised as the fastest field game played and Caulfield Lacrosse Club has produced some of the games finest competitors.

To this day, the Club is still based in the picturesque Caulfield Park and continues to launch many young sporting careers, while fostering senior ones.



Caulfield Lacrosse Club: State League Men's team.

Photo: Emily Figgis.

Caulfield Lacrosse Club will celebrate 100 years with a Centurion Ball on Saturday 5 September.

The Caulfield Lacrosse Club is always looking for male and female players for both their junior and senior divisions. To register your interest or for further information about the Caulfield Lacrosse Club, visit www.caulfieldlacrosse.com.au



Halley Park in Bentleigh is just one of eight locations where residents can use fitness pods.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

Get fit for summer

Spring is here and Glen Eira residents are encouraged to stay active and get fit for summer.

Fitness equipment can be found at eight locations across the municipality. The equipment is made from recycled plastic and enables park users to undertake simple exercises in the park — without the expense of going to the gym.

Conveniently located close to walking tracks, the equipment provides users with the opportunity to undertake various exercises while walking or running around the park or reserve.

Guidelines on how to use the fitness equipment are located on nearby signs, making the experience of using this equipment a breeze.

Fitness equipment can be found at:

- Bailey Reserve, Bentleigh East;
- Bentleigh Hodgson Reserve, Bentleigh;
- Caulfield Park, Caulfield;
- Centenary Park, Bentleigh East;
- Duncan Mackinnon Reserve, Murrumbeena;

- EE Gunn Reserve, Ormond;
- Halley Park, Bentleigh; and
- Koornang Park, Carnegie.

Benefits of exercise

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

So go and shake off your winter blues and make the most of Glen Eira's recreation facilities and beautiful surrounds.

Four-legged friends welcome at parks and reserves

Dogs are always welcome within Glen Eira parks and reserves as long as their owners abide by the local laws set in place by Glen Eira City Council.

For the comfort and safety of all parks users, Council requests that dogs must be on lead within 50 metres of barbecue areas, playgrounds, organised sporting activities, Packer Park velodrome in Carnegie and Duncan Mackinnon

athletics track and netball facilities in Murrumbeena.

In order to cater for the needs of all residents, many parks have designated off-leash areas. When off-leash, dogs must be under effective voice control and owners must pick up after their dogs.

For further information regarding off-leash areas visit www.gleneira.vic.gov.au

Finals fever hits Glen Eira

Yes, it's that time of the year again — September finals fever — when local sporting champions battle it out to become Premiers of their selected sports.

Many sporting clubs throughout Glen Eira have trained all season to reach this time of year and they need all the support they can get to make their finals dreams come true.

So don't just sit on the bench. Get down to your local sportsground and support your team to victory.



Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

September Holiday Mania

A program filled with fun events has been organised for the school holidays.

Tickets will be available for cash purchases on Saturday 5 September and Sunday 6 September from 12pm to 2pm. Ticket sales continue from Monday 7 September during library opening hours.

There are limited places so don't forget to book early.

For further information, contact 9524 3623.

Please note: As the events are age specific, Council reminds parents to only book in children of the advertised age.

Butterfly Adventure
Tuesday 22 September
 11am–12pm
Elsternwick Library
4 Staniland Grove, Elsternwick

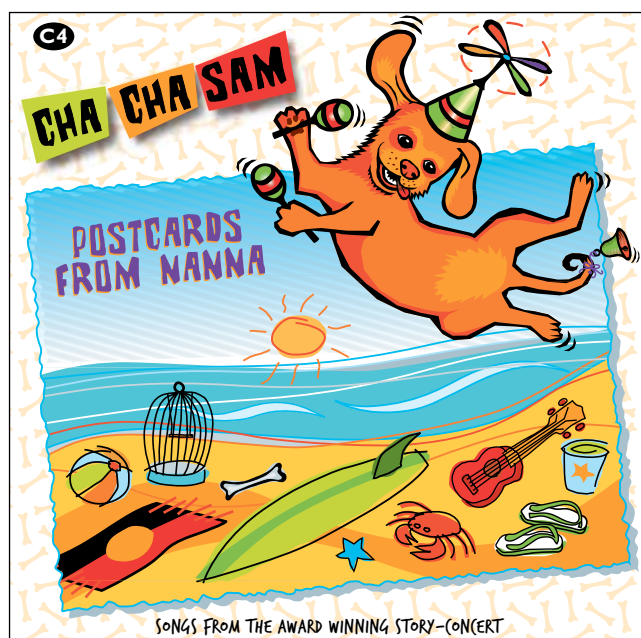
During this interactive presentation children will learn fascinating facts about Monarch butterflies, their complex life cycle and incredible adaptations. There will be live butterflies, caterpillars and chrysalises so the children can understand butterflies' role in the environment. Children will have the opportunity to touch and observe the butterflies. Tickets are \$6 and the presentation is suitable for children aged four to nine.

Animation Workshop
Wednesday 23 September
 1pm–5pm
Carnegie Library and Community Centre —
Boyd Room, level one, 7 Shepparson Avenue,
Carnegie



Discover the exciting and imaginative world of animation at this half day workshop. Create model characters in the style of those from *Wallace and Gromit*, build simple sets and learn the skills to make slow and fast motions using digital cameras. Create your own piece of animation based on stories from favourite children's books. Refreshments provided and very limited numbers apply. Tickets are \$15 and children must be aged eight and over to attend due to the techniques and equipment used.

Postcards from Nanna
Wednesday 30 September
 11am–11.45am
Glen Eira Town Hall — Theatrette, corner
Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield



Cha Cha Sam's Nanna loves to go on big adventures. However, when she sets out across Australia with her cool dog Ruby and uppity parrot Pauline, the fur and feathers fly. This fun packed show is full of original music for big-spirited kids and their grown-ups. The show will be crammed with fabulous songs, silly dancing, ukuleles, and great backbeats. *Cha Cha Sam's* CDs will be available for purchase after the show. Bring Nanna or a special older friend to this family event. Tickets are \$6 and the show is suitable for children aged four to 10.

Australian Poetry Slam '09

Caulfield Heat
Sunday 13 September
Registrations from 3pm
Slam-off commences at 3.30pm
Glen Eira Town Hall — Theatrette, corner
Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield
Bookings and enquiries: 9524 3623

Got something to say?

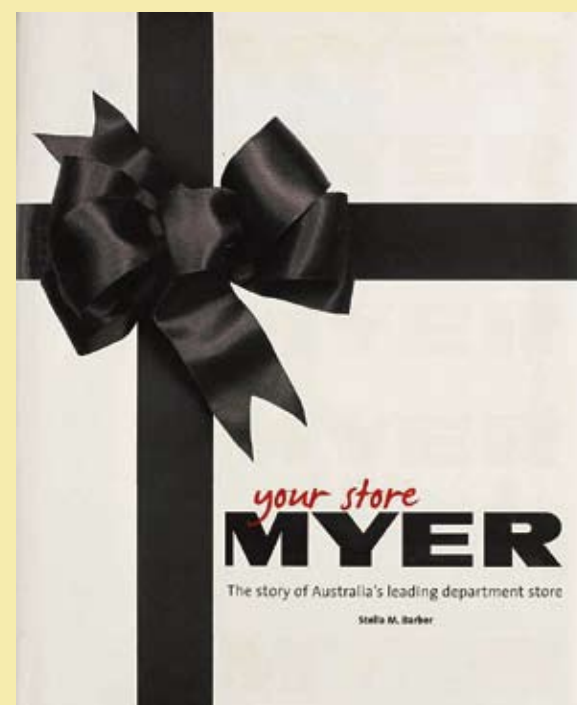
You've got two minutes and a microphone Victoria, so slam it!

Speak, scream, howl, whisper or sing your original poem at the Victorian heats of the *Australian Poetry Slam '09* — an electric live event where the audience is the judge.



Heat winners will compete in the state final at the State Library of Victoria on 12 November. Victoria's top two slam poets will then go to the Sydney Opera House in December to battle against state and territory winners for the coveted *Australian Poetry Slam '09* title, \$5,000 cash and a spot at the 2010 Ubud Writers and Readers Festival.

For further information and the venues for other heats, visit slv.vic.gov.au/goto/poetryslam or search Facebook or Twitter for AustPoetrySlam.



Myer: the man, the store, the fashion

Wednesday 7 October
7pm–8pm (refreshments from 6.30pm)
Glen Eira Town Hall — Theatrette, corner
Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield

Author and historian Stella Barber has written three books on the history of the Myer store:

- *Sidney Myer: a life, a legacy* (2005);
- *Myer: celebrating 100 years of fashion* (2008); and
- *Your store Myer: the story of Australia's leading department store* (2009).

Stella will discuss the history of the store and its founding family which have been at the heart of Australian retailing.

Myer has played a pivotal role in the lives of all Australians — from the introduction of international merchandising methods, importation of overseas fashions to bringing fashion to the suburbs through its expansion and creation of an ever-changing, memorable, retailing experience.

Stella has worked as a historian and archivist and was commissioned by the Myer family to write Sidney Myer's biography. She went on to write two more books about the retailer which is such a part of the life and history of Melbourne. Her books capture the spirit of Myer, Australia's greatest retailer — a business built on entrepreneurial drive and a deep understanding of market trends and consumer needs.

Following the presentation, Stella will have her books for cash sales and signing.

Bookings are required for this free event. Contact 9524 3623, book at any library branch or online at 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 10am–5pm, Saturday, Sunday and public holidays. 1pm–5pm. Admission is free

2009 Silk Cut Award for Linocut Prints

Opens 10am Friday 4 September and continues to 5pm Sunday 20 September

Announcement of winners: 6pm Friday 4 September

The *Silk Cut Award for Linocut Prints* and exhibition showcases the talent of contemporary linocut printmaking in Australia.

The Award was introduced in 1995 to encourage the making and appreciation of linocut prints.



Winner of the 2008 Silk Cut Award Open Section: Alick Tipoti — Apu Kaz, Linocut, 220 x 114 cm.

Awards will be presented by Curator of Prints and Drawings, National Gallery of Victoria, Alisa Bunbury.

The *Silk Cut Award for Linocut Prints* is sponsored by Duroloid in association with Forbo.

Floor talk by Rona Green and Angela Cavalieri Thursday 10 September — Glen Eira City Council's Gallery 6.30pm–8pm. Free admission

Artists Rona Green and Angela Cavalieri will discuss their experience as previous winners of the *Silk Cut Award* and the development of their printmaking practice.

Jane Burton — Eye of the Beholder: 20 year survey exhibition

Opens 10am Thursday 24 September and continues until 5pm Sunday 18 October

Exhibition launch: 6pm Thursday 24 September

Glen Eira City Council's Gallery is delighted to be presenting a major survey exhibition documenting two decades of work by nationally renowned Caulfield photographer Jane Burton.

Curated by Council's Visual Arts Co-ordinator Diane Soumilas this exhibition will feature more than 70 photographs.

Renowned for her compelling, mysterious, cinematic images of desolate, brooding urban and rural landscapes and sensual female nudes shot in dark

interiors of abandoned suburban homes, Ms Burton is at the forefront of contemporary photographic art in Australia. The dominant themes of her work created between 1989 and 2009 are explored in the exhibition, including the female nude, domestic interiors, suburban and rural landscapes.

The exhibition will include art works on loan from major public collections, including the National Gallery of Victoria, the Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery and Monash University Museum of Art. The exhibition will also include photographs on loan from numerous private collections.

Ms Burton's dark and compelling photographs are not to be missed.

Jane Burton — *Eye of the Beholder: 20 year survey exhibition* will be officially opened by Monash University's Theory of Art and Design Professor Anne Marsh on Thursday 24 September at 6pm with a welcome by Glen Eira Mayor Cr Helen Whiteside.

Jane Burton — Latent 5, 1993, silver gelatin photograph, green toned, 19 x 17 cm. Collection of the artist.



Jane Burton — Glen Eira Lounge Room, 1998, type C photograph, 48 x 48 cm. Collection: Glen Eira City Council.



Floor Talk by Edward Colless Saturday 3 October — Glen Eira City Council's Gallery 2.30pm. Free admission

Edward Colless is Head of Critical and Theoretical Studies, School of Art, Victorian College of the Arts, University of Melbourne. He will discuss the work of Jane Burton and provide a brief overview of her career over a 20 year period.

Celebration of local literary talent

A celebration of local literary talent was held at Glen Eira Town Hall last month, with the announcement of the 2009 *My Brother Jack Literary Awards* prize winners.

Local writers, friends, family, sponsors and Councillors enjoyed an evening of poetry, short stories and clever creative writing.

Glen Eira City Council would like to thank everyone who entered this year's Awards and congratulates the following prize winners.

Baha'i Junior Short Story Award

First prize — *The Night-Walker* by Georgia Tappy.

Second prize — *The Right to Remain Silent* by Michelle Wenig

Baha'i Junior Poetry Award

First prize — *The Heatwave* by Julia Haigh.

Second prize — *Time* by Cecile Knights.

Eastend Booksellers Poetry Award

First prize — *The Red Queen* by Kate Murfett.

Second prize — *Tiger Enclosure* by John Lowe.

Third Prize — *A Clean Slate* by Ilana Leeds.

Youth Poetry Award

First prize — *Birth* by Lana Rosenbaum.

Second prize — *Playground* by Dominic Simonelli.

Third prize — *Dreaming of Dying* by Jocelyn Henry.

Youth Short Story Award

First prize — *The Green* by Eliza-Jane Henry-Jones.

Second prize — *Amazing Things* by Lana Rosenbaum.

Third prize — *Reflection* by Pessia Fetter.

Sunflower Bookshop Short Story Award

First prize — *Vanish All Things* by Michelle Braunstein.

Second prize — *Ants* by Matt Blackwood.

Third Prize — *The Percheron* by Moreno Giovannoni.

The winning entries can be read online at www.gleneira.vic.gov.au Select Arts and culture from the menu on the left.

The winning story in the *Sunflower Bookshop Short Story Award* will be published in a future edition of *Etchings*, a literary and cultural journal published by Illura Press.

Council would like to thank Eastend Booksellers, the Baha'i Community of Glen Eira, Sunflower Bookshop and Illura Press for their sponsorship of the 2009 *My Brother Jack Literary Festival*.



Springtime Music Series

Spring celebrations kick off early next month with an exciting series of free, small unplugged concerts.

Glen Eira City Council's 2009 *Springtime Music Series* will offer an exciting and diverse range of music, from string quartet and flamenco guitarist to children's music, contemporary pop and rock.

All concerts will be held from 2pm to 4pm at the following locations:

Lucca

Sunday 11 October

Greenmeadows Gardens — Green Street, St Kilda East

This string quartet comprises of two violinists, violist and cellist. They play a variety of classical, pop, blues, tango jazz and folk.

Flanagans Folie

Sunday 18 October

Springthorpe Gardens — corner Neerim Road and Tuckett Street, Murrumbeena

Flanagans Folie is an exciting acoustic act which combines live instruments (acoustic guitars and percussion) with excellent vocal harmony to create great covers.

Paul Jamieson

Sunday 25 October (*Children's Week*)

Carnegie Library and Community Centre — 7 Shepparson Avenue, Carnegie

Paul Jamieson is a multi-talented entertainer performing for children. His songs are fun for kids and more often laced with contagious rhythms that have everyone — young and old — grooving. Reggae, rap, calypso and pop are just a few of the styles covered.

Groove Indigo

Sunday 1 November

Hopetoun Gardens — corner Victoria Street and Glenhuntly Road, Elsternwick

Groove Indigo's repertoire consists of the interpretation of jazz and blues standards by George Gershwin, Cole Porter, Ray Charles and Nina Simone.

Dominic Chipperfield Trio

Sunday 8 November

Halley Park — corner Jasper Road and Mortimore Street, Bentleigh

Dominic Chipperfield is a flamenco guitarist whose repertoire includes a wide variety of traditional and classical pieces as well as modern flamenco.

Dominic will be accompanied by Emma Rodda on violin.

Michael Fitzgerald

Sunday 15 November

Joyce Park — Jasper Road, Ormond

For more than 15 years, Michael Fitzgerald has been playing guitar, singing, and songwriting. Together with Chris Backman he plays covers from the 60s, 70s, 80s and 90s as well as today's top 40.

TLC

Sunday 22 November

Centenary Park — Bignell Road, Bentleigh East

TLC are melodic singers with great harmonies. The duo covers a wide variety of styles, including rock n' roll songs from the 50s and 60s, through to swing, blues, light jazz and pop.

For further information regarding the 2009 *Springtime Music Series*, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.



TLC.

Living together

Glen Eira City Council is calling for expressions of interest for a proposed *Cultural Day* at Caulfield Park on Sunday 29 November 2009.

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

The event will include shaded market stalls, community activities and on stage performances.

The market stalls will sell culturally appropriate food, arts and crafts and commercial goods.

Council is looking for performers, arts and craft and businesses from the City of Glen Eira who would like to be involved.

For further information, contact 9524 3333 or visit www.gleneira.vic.gov.au

Stressed out? Help is available

A business mentor is someone who takes special interest in helping another to develop a successful business through improved processes and practices.

Glen Eira and Kingston City councils have combined to offer a free business service offering support to local small to medium business owners through the *Mentor Partners Program*.

Mentors do not act as formal advisors, consultants or coaches. They support a business owner to take considered action in their business and provide space to reflect, focus and achieve more effective outcomes.

Mentors meet with a business over a six month period to share their expertise and offer insight to help increase efficiency and profit.

"... business is going well and is actually surpassing expectations in its first full financial year, certainly in part to Tom's help. It has been a fruitful relationship so far and I can see this continuing well into 2009 ..." Paul Hurkmans — enpointeconsulting.com.au

A business operating in the Glen Eira or Kingston municipality — which is not a franchise and has been trading at least 12 months — is eligible to apply for a mentor.

To be considered for the *Program*, businesses need to complete an application form and submit this to Program Co-ordinator Angela Stubbs.



For an application form, contact Glen Eira City Council's Business Development Unit on 9524 3333 or email businessdevelopment@gleneira.vic.gov.au

Battle of the Bands 2009 — band call out

Are you aged between 12 and 25 and living or attending school in Glen Eira? Are you currently a member of a band? Do you think your band could be the next big thing?

Battle of the Bands 2009 is being held in December and Glen Eira City Council Youth Services is calling for all interested Glen Eira youth bands to submit their demo CD for a chance to battle it out amongst their peers for ultimate band supremacy.

Closing date for all demo submissions is Friday 2 October.

Organised by Youth Services and the Youth Consultative Group, *Battle of the Bands 2008* was a huge success.

More than 300 young people, parents and community members witnessed

eight local youth bands cut their teeth and battle it out for first prize — a one day recording at Hide Out Studios, North Road, Ormond. Runners up received music equipment donated by Mel Music valued at more than \$300.

Battle of the Bands 2009 is not only a fantastic opportunity for young bands to meet other talented musicians and hone their stage craft, it's also a chance for parents, peers and community members to celebrate the talents of young people in Glen Eira.

And who knows, you may just witness the first performance of the next big thing.

For further information on how to submit your demo CD, contact Youth Services on 9579 7963.



Admit One performing at Battle of the Bands 2008. Photo: Madi Saylor.



New program

Glen Eira City Council Youth Services is establishing a program to teach musical skills and knowledge to young people aged 12 to 25.

The aim of this program is to provide a space where bands can rehearse to fine tune their performance skills.

The program will also provide young people with the opportunity to learn and develop skills around recording, mixing and modifying recorded music.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

Youth Services is seeking expressions of interest from young people that would benefit from such a program.

The program will be run from the Youth Information Centre, where students will learn the basics of sound, acoustics and general recording principles.

To register your interest or for further information, contact Damien Landini on 9579 7963.

Empower program

Glen Eira City Council Youth Services has developed an innovative new empowerment program.

Empower is suitable for young women aged 13 to 18 who want to build on their social skills, with a variety of activities, in a fun and safe peer-supported setting.

The program is designed to develop confidence and self-esteem.

Empower will run for eight weeks with activities and information sessions on a range of topics, including:

- personal budgeting;
- healthy cooking;
- consumer rights; and
- health and wellbeing.

Empower will commence the second week in October at the Youth Information Centre.

For further information about *Empower*, or to register your interest, contact Youth Services on 9579 7963.

Grade Six and beyond

With the September school holidays nearly upon us and the end of the year fast approaching, the journey from high school into tertiary studies, training or employment and the move from primary to secondary school is on the minds of many young people.

The transition from Grade Six into high school is a significant milestone in the



The transition from primary to secondary school is a significant milestone.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

development of young people and one that brings much excitement, trepidation and personal growth along the way.

Glen Eira City Council Youth Services has developed a program designed to provide information and support to Grade Six students and their families.

Youth Services understands that during this period students need a great deal of support and encouragement.

The program will be delivered in primary schools during Term Four, providing information on youth and support services in the area, what to expect in high school, how to meet new people and how to support friends.

Youth Services will endeavour to meet with these students again in their new high school in 2010.

Please keep a look out at your local primary school for our staff. For further information, contact Youth Services on 9579 7963.

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Responsible Serving of Alcohol training

Glen Eira City Council invites you to undertake responsible serving of alcohol training.

The *Responsible Serving of Alcohol* (RSA) program aims to provide people with the knowledge and awareness necessary to responsibly serve alcohol.

This free training program is ideal for members of the community who are involved in the supply and serving of liquor, whether serving drinks at your local sporting clubs or volunteering at a community function.

Monday 5 October
6.30pm–9.30pm

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

An RSA certificate will be obtained at the completion of the program.

Places are limited and bookings are essential by Tuesday 29 September to Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.



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