

# glen eira news

## Council consults with community



*As part of the consultation process for the Glen Eira Community Plan, residents were asked what they like most about living in Glen Eira. Leafy green suburbs was just one of the many responses.* Photo: Frank Amato.

**A**s part of its community consultation process for the *Glen Eira Community Plan*, Glen Eira City Council conducted six open community forums throughout February.

More than 340 residents attended the two hour forums, which gave them the opportunity to have input into the development of the *Plan*.

Glen Eira Mayor Cr Jamie Hyams said a random telephone survey of 500 residents, three focus group discussions and online consultation were also conducted to ensure the community's views are incorporated into the *Plan*.

"A Steering Committee was also formed to guide the development of the *Plan* and comprises both Councillors and community representatives," Cr Hyams said.

Some of the issues most commonly raised during the consultation process included:

**Services to support the community:** Customer service and services for family, youth and the aged, including library upgrades; more childcare services; and more activities for youth.

**Traffic, parking and transport:**

Residential parking permits; enforcement of parking and speed restrictions; and more bike paths and safer crossings.

**Town planning and development:**

Maintaining neighbourhood character; increased amount of multi-developments; and the impact on infrastructure and building and planning enforcement.

**Governance:** Open, transparent decision making; greater community consultation; and more community involvement in addressing local issues.

**Recreation and open space:**

More open space and greenery; ensuring safety in open spaces; more recreational facilities; and the retention of Carnegie Swim Centre.

**Waste, graffiti and cleanliness:**

Dumping of hard rubbish; graffiti management; waste and recycling; and increasing the cleanliness of shopping strips.

**Sustainable community assets and infrastructure:**

Environmental sustainability; drainage improvements; improving appearance of streetscapes and shopping centres; more street trees; and increased lighting.

**Community building and engagement:**

Greater community engagement and cohesion; clearer community consultation; and development of a stronger sense of community.

The draft *Plan* is expected to be released for public comment in early May.

Those who attended the forums and participated in the online consultation and registered their details will be provided with a draft copy of the *Plan*.

All feedback will be assessed and reviewed, with a final report produced for Council consideration.

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

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# New lighting to improve crime prevention in McKinnon



**Glen Eira Mayor Cr Jamie Hyams and Minister for Crime Prevention Andrew McIntosh.** Photo: John Krutop.

In the effort to improve public safety at McKinnon Reserve, the State Government will provide \$80,000 for new lighting within the Reserve.

Announced on Friday 13 April by Minister for Crime Prevention

Andrew McIntosh, the McKinnon Reserve lighting project is part of the Government's commitment to crime prevention measures.

McKinnon Reserve has been identified as a hot spot for drunkenness, graffiti

and vandalism, with cricket nets being set alight, gates smashed and glass broken in an area where children come to play sport.

Glen Eira Mayor Cr Jamie Hyams welcomed the Government's announcement.

"Residents should not feel unsafe in their own neighbourhood," Cr Hyams said.

"The safety of Glen Eira residents is a priority for Glen Eira City Council and it is hoped this lighting project will help deter the antisocial behaviour that has been occurring."

Mr McIntosh said measures such as improved lighting may seem simple enough, but they go a long way towards discouraging crime in parks and reserves and helping people feel more secure.

The new lights are expected to be operating by the end of June 2012.

## Mayor's column



Nine members of the Rotary Club of Glen Eira recently visited Japan to participate in the 50th anniversary celebrations of their sister club — the Rotary Club of Ogaki West.

During the visit, a meeting was held at Ogaki City Hall with the Mayor of Ogaki City Mr Bin Ogawa. Rotary Club of Glen Eira President Garry Fabian conveyed greetings and presented a small gift on behalf of the City of Glen Eira — a Sister City of the City of Ogaki.

Glen Eira City Council's annual *Food Business Awards* were held on Monday 23 April. As part of the evening, I had the pleasure of presenting the *Shop of the Year Awards*. Congratulations to *Shop of the Year* winner, Khun Thai Takeaway in Elsternwick and runner-up, Dolce Domenica in McKinnon. Overall, 63 food businesses were awarded for their food safety, healthy food and accessibility, so look out for the awards in their windows.

I also presented prizes at our *Youth Art Expo* and was once again very impressed at the standard of the work produced by our young artists.

*Opportunity Knocks — .Connect .Engage .Inspire* is the theme for Council's *May Small Business Month 2012*.

The 2012 calendar of events aims to build confidence and a renewed energy to generate ideas and provide practical solutions to assist business to take advantage of every opportunity available to it in today's economy.

Further information about *May Small Business Month* can be found in the special four page liftout in this edition of *Glen Eira News*.

On Thursday 17 May, Glen Eira volunteers will be honoured and thanked for their service to the community at Council's annual *Volunteer Recognition Ceremony*. Now in its 22nd year, the *Ceremony* will be held as part of *National Volunteer Week*, with 207 awards to be presented.

**Cr Jamie Hyams  
Mayor**

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## Deadlines

The deadline for the next edition (June) of *Glen Eira News* is Wednesday 2 May for delivery 28 May–1 June (weather permitting).

### Coming deadlines

The deadline for the July 2012 edition of *Glen Eira News* is Wednesday 30 May for delivery 25–29 June (weather permitting).

For advertising and *Community Diary* enquiries, contact 9524 3333.

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## 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Proclamation of the Moorabbin District Road Board



Glen Eira Mayor Cr Jamie Hyams and the new history panel which is on display at Bentleigh Library. Photo: Frank Amato.

Saturday 5 May marks the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Proclamation of the Moorabbin District Road Board, which signalled the beginning of local government in the area. To commemorate this important event, a history panel has been created and is now on display at Bentleigh Library. Information on the history of the Road Board is also available on Glen Eira City Council's History web page.

In May 1862, the District of Moorabbin measured 36 square miles (93.24 square kilometres) and included a population of 4,500. Horse and carts were the main form of transport,

local roads were still to be created and market gardening was the major industry. The District boundaries extended from the outskirts of Brighton and south-east along both sides of the Nepean Road to Mordialloc Creek and included the areas now known as Hampton, Sandringham, Beaumaris and Mentone.

The first general meeting of the Moorabbin District Road Board was held on 16 June 1862 at the Plough and Harrow Hotel (now the site of the Nepean Hotel, Moorabbin). Of the 23 Board nominations, nine were successful with Colonel William

Mair elected as the first Chairman. The inaugural Board was responsible for appointing the Board officers, establishing the Board offices, constructing and maintaining local roads and bridges and introducing and managing road tolls and rates.

The City of Glen Eira was formed in 1994 when the northern part of the City of Moorabbin merged with the City of Caulfield. The establishment of the Moorabbin and Caulfield District Road Boards introduced local government to the area and are significant municipal milestones. Council acknowledges and continues to build on this very important legacy.

To find out more about Moorabbin's early history, residents are encouraged to visit the City of Moorabbin Historical Society and Box Cottage Museum in Joyce Park, Jasper Road, Ormond.

Visitors can step back in time by wandering through the faithfully reconstructed 1840s pioneer cottage, which is filled with a diverse range of historical memorabilia.

The Museum is open on the last Sunday of each month from 2pm to 4pm. For further information, contact the Society Secretary on 9560 6148.

## Ombudsman recommends action against Cr Penhalluriack

The Ombudsman has recommended that the Secretary of the Victorian Department of Planning and Community Development consider making an application to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT) alleging gross misconduct by Cr Frank Penhalluriack.

If VCAT makes a finding of gross misconduct against a Councillor, VCAT can disqualify the person from being a Councillor for up to four years.

The recommendation is made in a 41 page report which the Ombudsman tabled in the Victorian Parliament on 28 March 2012: *Conflict of interest, poor governance and bullying at the City of Glen Eira Council*.

The report deals with the closure of Council's free mulch service, the ownership and use of a right of way abutting Penhalluriack's Building supplies and findings against Cr Penhalluriack by an independent legal investigator appointed

unanimously by all nine Councillors in April 2011.

The Ombudsman's report states in relation to Cr Penhalluriack:

"His disruption of the council relates to his:

- continuing refusal to appropriately acknowledge various conflicts of interest between his council role and his personal/ business interests; and
- inappropriate approaches and discussions with council staff, attempting to use his official position to alter the course of action that the council officers were adopting in relation to an issue which directly related to the councillor" (paragraph 9).

"As this report demonstrates, Cr Penhalluriack is very much an individual, but one whose services on the council have not been of assistance to the good government of the City of Glen Eira" (paragraph 12).

Cr Penhalluriack has rejected the Ombudsman's criticisms.

The Mayor has stated that Council has spent \$65,000 on legal fees to date in relation to Cr Penhalluriack's conduct.

The CEO gave evidence to the Ombudsman that "Ratepayers were poorly served by the amount of time and effort diverted away from their interests" (paragraph 118).

At a public Special Council Meeting on 3 April 2012 to consider the Ombudsman's report, the Council adopted the Ombudsman's report, initiated an application to the Councillor Conduct Panel concerning Cr Penhalluriack's conduct in accordance with one of the recommendations of the Ombudsman and called on the Government to act on the Ombudsman's other recommendations.

The Ombudsman's report is available from Council's website. The minutes of the Special Council Meeting of 3 April 2012 are also on Council's website.

## Community column

### Speaking up for our City

#### Increase in tobacco education funding

Glen Eira City Council will receive State Government funding to conduct approximately 91 tobacco educational visits throughout the 2012-13 financial year. Businesses to be visited by Council's environmental health officers include certified specialist tobacconists, tobacco retailers, eating establishments and licensed premises.

These educational visits are to ensure compliance with the *Victorian Tobacco Act 1987* and cover things such as:

- tobacco display;
- health warning signage;
- tobacco sales to minors; and
- smoke-free drinking and dining areas.

### Engaging our community

#### School Safety Program

Glen Eira City Council's 2012 *School Safety Program* has received positive feedback from the schools involved. The *Program* is designed in consultation with schools to ensure:

- parking requirements best meet those of the school community;
- parents are educated regarding parking and speed zones around schools; and
- Council's traffic safety officers carry out enforcement.

As part of the 2012 *Program*, Council has presented at a school information session and has also given a road safety presentation to 30 kindergarten children.

#### Council conducts doorknock

As part of its *Domestic Animal Management Plan*, Glen Eira City Council is conducting a doorknock of residential premises throughout the municipality to determine the total number of dogs and cats housed.

The doorknock commenced in April and if unregistered pets are discovered, the owner will be given the opportunity to register their pets.



## Paediatric first aid and resuscitation

Presented by Emergcare for parents/guardians.

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

This valuable session will look at:

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

**Please note:** This paediatric first aid course is for families and guardians.

Tuesday 24 May

7.30pm–9.30pm (7.15pm registration)

Caulfield Park Pavilion — Community Room and Meeting Room, Balaclava Road, Caulfield North

**Cost:** \$45

Places are limited. Registration and payment must be received prior to the session. No refunds or exchanges. To book online, visit [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au) or contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.



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# Disability Awareness in Schools Program



Eleven local schools are involved in the 2012 Program.

Photo: John Krutop.



Thirty five individual presentations are scheduled for 2012. Photo: John Brown Photography Services.

Glen Eira City Council's successful *Disability Awareness in Schools Program* has commenced.

Now in its sixth year, local presenters will visit schools in the City of Glen Eira to speak to Grade Five and Six students.

These presentations not only focus on raising awareness of disabilities in the community, but also offer a personal view on the difficulties and challenges people with a disability face, as well as their achievements.

The presenters all live with varying types and levels of disabilities and have unique stories to share.

Eleven local schools are involved in the 2012 *Program*, with 35 individual presentations scheduled.

Council's Metro Access Officer Tracy Cassidy said the *Program* aims to promote positive attitudes when communicating with people with a disability.

"The *Program* helps students learn about various disabilities and discusses how to make the community a more inclusive place for people with disabilities," Miss Cassidy said.

One of the students who participated in the 2011 *Program* found the presentation particularly inspiring.

"I thought the presentation was inspiring because Jen had so many different things happen to her and she still thinks that she is one of the luckiest people alive."

For further information about Council's *Disability Awareness in Schools Program*, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

# Beekeeping in Glen Eira

Honeybees are the most important pollinators of agricultural and horticultural crops. In Australia, 65 per cent of agricultural production depends on them. In Glen Eira, there has been a recent growth trend in the number of beekeepers across the municipality maintaining their hives in residential areas.

Beekeepers are required to maintain their hives in accordance with the Apiary Code of Practice 2011. If they comply with the Code's guidelines, they will be exempt from town planning controls.

At times, Council will receive complaints about bees. These are promptly investigated by planning enforcement officers to ascertain if the beekeepers are in compliance with the Code.

Most beekeepers are diligent in maintaining their hives, however sometimes there have been instances that require attention. The most common of these are:

### Registration of beehives

The beekeeper is required to register annually with the Department of Primary Industries for a small fee. Hives are required to be branded with the beekeeper's allocated registration number.

### Hive density

Only one hive is allowed to be kept on a tenement of less than 500 square metres in area. Two hives are allowable on tenements between 500 and 1,000 square metres in area.

### Hive locations

Although there are some exceptions, hives must generally be kept at least three metres from an adjoining property fence.

### Provision of water

The bees must be provided with a source of water, ideally placed in close proximity to the hive in a shaded area.

### Collection of swarms

Beekeepers are required to collect swarms from their colonies as soon as possible. This is required to prevent the bees becoming a nuisance to nearby residents.

During the warmer months, there is a tendency for an increase in complaints about bees. This is primarily due to the hives becoming busier in this type of climate. However, if beekeepers adhere to the requirements of the Apiary Code of Practice 2011 at all times, this will make certain there will be no impact to the general amenity of the surrounding residents.

By following the guidelines within the Code, this will enable both the honeybees and people to go about their business in a residential environment.

For further information on beekeeping, visit <http://www.dpi.vic.gov.au/agriculture/animals-and-livestock/bees>



## Free ewaste collection day on Sunday 20 May



**Ewaste is one of the fastest growing contributors to our waste stream.** Photo: Joe Sabljak.

Glen Eira City Council will host its next electronic waste (ewaste) collection day on Sunday 20 May.

To be held from 8am to 4pm at Carnegie Swim Centre, Moira Avenue, Carnegie, residents will be able to dispose of unwanted ewaste, including computer screens, keyboards and televisions.

Although only a small fraction of total waste, according to *Clean Up Australia* statistics, ewaste is one of the fastest growing contributors to our waste stream. The replacement of old televisions and increased turnover of electronic devices such as mobile phones and computers are all contributing to the growth in ewaste volumes.

Ninety eight per cent of ewaste is recyclable. Ewaste contains a range of materials including plastic, lead, copper, gold, platinum and rare earth metals.

Why divert ewaste from landfill?

- to reuse scarce and valuable non-renewable resources;
- to reduce greenhouse emissions; and
- to reduce the burden on our landfills.

**Please note:** Commercial quantities will not be accepted.

In addition to using Council's ewaste collection day on Sunday 20 May, the community can already take ewaste to various collection points. Details are provided in Council's 2010 *Residents' Handbook* (page three) and *Waste Services Guide* (page 15).

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



**Residents can dispose of unwanted ewaste, including computer screens, keyboards and televisions.**

Photo: Joe Sabljak.

## Residents learn about saving energy in the home

Glen Eira City Council recently hosted a free workshop for residents on saving energy in the home. The well-attended workshop was one of a series on sustainability topics that Council is running this year.

Participants discovered that by swapping to a solar boosted hot water service, they can reduce their greenhouse gas emissions and may save money.

According to Alternative Technology Association Energy Project and Policy Manager Damien Moyle, solar hot water units now cost between \$2,000 and \$8,000.

"The initial purchase price of a solar hot water system will probably be higher than a similarly-sized, non-solar water heater, but the savings in energy bills will generally pay for this difference in four to 10 years," Mr Moyle said.

"A solar hot water system has a longer lifespan than a conventional unit, so financial returns can be considerable over the life of the system."

Water heating accounts for 30 per cent of an average household's energy use.

For those who missed the workshop and want to know more, visit [livinggreener.gov.au](http://livinggreener.gov.au)



## Cleaning out? Book a free hard rubbish collection

- Get rid of old or unwanted items at a time that's convenient for you.
- Every household is entitled to three free, on-demand hard rubbish and bundled branches collections each financial year.
- Council will collect up to four cubic metres of rubbish in each collection.

Guidelines apply. To book, contact Glen Eira City Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333, Monday-Friday, 8am-5.30pm and Tuesdays, 8am-7.15pm or visit [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au)



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## Garage Sale Trail

Put your sale on the trail!

On Sunday 5 May, communities from all over Australia will come together to hold garage sales as part of the *Garage Sale Trail*.

The *Garage Sale Trail* is an award-winning community initiative to promote recycling and reduce waste.

Sell your unwanted goods or pick up a bargain.

For further information, visit [www.garagesaletrail.com.au](http://www.garagesaletrail.com.au)

## Green waste service

Glen Eira City Council's fortnightly green waste service is a great way to compost your garden waste. If home composting is not practical and you have too much garden waste, this very convenient collection service is the answer.

A once-off fee of \$55 applies for a green waste recycling bin (whether tenants or owners).

Residents are also reminded that residential recycling bins are free (additional bins incur a small charge).

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

## Reduce garbage and recycle better



**Just some of the many items that can be recycled.**

Recent figures show the amount of waste going to landfill has increased.

Glen Eira's garbage goes to landfill and is a source of greenhouse gases that are generated as the waste breaks down.

Glen Eira City Council Manager Sustainability Rachel Ollivier said the cost of disposing rubbish to landfill is rapidly increasing.

"Reducing garbage and better recycling can help minimise waste charges," Ms Ollivier said.

"Every tonne of rubbish that residents avoid sending to landfill saves around \$100.

"These savings are passed on to ratepayers in waste charges, which are set on a cost recovery basis."

Ms Ollivier said residents can do their bit to minimise charges by double checking that they are recycling correctly.

"Council also urges residents to consider whether they can reduce waste in other ways," Ms Ollivier said.

Recycling and disposal checklist

- Recycle everything you can — paper, cardboard, hard plastics, glass jars, tins and metals can all go in your recycling bin. If you need an extra recycling bin, it can be provided by Council for \$36 per year.
- Use less packaging.
- Use reusable bags or take your old plastic bags to the supermarket to be recycled.
- Donate or sell clothing or goods in good condition.
- Use a worm farm or compost bin for food scraps.
- Avoid food wastage.
- Make sure that electronic waste (ewaste) is disposed of correctly — this can be dropped off for free at Council's ewaste collection days.
- Sign up for a green waste bin for garden waste — a once-off fee of \$55 applies for a green waste recycling bin (whether tenants or owners).
- Use Council's free on-call bundled branches service for larger prunings.

For further information, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or visit [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au)



# Walking improvements for Glen Eira



**Pedestrian refuge at Kangaroo Road near Murrumbeena Park.** Photo: GECC Transport Planning.

As part of Glen Eira City Council's *Towards Sustainable Transport Strategy 2011–2014*, Council is looking at ways to increase the use of sustainable transport modes and decrease congestion caused by over-dependence on cars.

The City of Glen Eira has approximately 840 kilometres of footpaths. With its predominately flat terrain, the municipality is a perfect place to walk.

However, crossing roads with high traffic volumes can be difficult at times. In the effort to improve pedestrian

safety and access, Council has constructed pedestrian refuges at Kangaroo Road near Murrumbeena Park and Tucker Road near McKinnon Reserve.

Council's Manager Transport Planning Matthew Harridge said pedestrian refuges allow pedestrians to stage their crossing in the centre of the road.

"This allows pedestrians to focus on one direction of traffic at a time," Mr Harridge said.

"A refuge will be constructed in Kooyong Road near Caulfield Hospital shortly."

Council is also continuing to construct kerb outstands to minimise the distance that pedestrians have to cross and to improve visibility of people walking.

The most recently installed kerb outstands are at:

- Hobart Road, at the Murrumbeena Primary School Crossing;
- Wheatley Road, at the Ormond Primary School Crossing; and
- McKinnon Road, at the western end of the shopping centre.



## Walk Safely to School Day

Glen Eira City Council is encouraging parents and carers to walk their children to school on *Walk Safely to School Day* on Friday 18 May.

*Walk Safely to School Day* is an annual, national community event that:

- promotes the health benefits of walking and helps to create regular walking habits at an early age;
- helps children develop road-crossing skills; and
- promotes walking as a sustainable method of transport to and from school.

Council's Manager Transport Planning Matthew Harridge said Council's *Towards Sustainable Transport Strategy 2011–2014* places a high priority on walking in and around Glen Eira.

"In an effort to keep pedestrians safe, Council regularly undertakes road safety audits around local schools," Mr Harridge said.

For further information, visit [www.walk.com.au](http://www.walk.com.au)

# Cycling and pedestrians



**Footpaths provide an opportunity for young children to learn how to ride a bicycle.**

At times, cyclists may be tempted to ride on footpaths. However, doing so can place pedestrians at risk. The Road Safety Road Rules 2009 states that cyclists 12 years and over are not permitted to ride on footpaths unless:

- they are accompanying a child under 12 years (eg. a parent supervising their child); and/or
- they have a physical or intellectual disability making it undesirable,

impracticable or inexpedient to ride on the road (and they hold a certificate signed by a registered medical practitioner).

Footpaths provide an opportunity for young children to learn how to ride a bicycle and to safely travel to places such as schools. However, older and more experienced cyclists should follow the Road Rules by riding on shared paths or on the road. This makes our footpaths a more comfortable and safe place to be.

Cyclists are, however, permitted to ride on a shared path. These are off-road paths designated for use by both cyclists and pedestrians and can be identified by shared path signs or pavement markings. It is important to know that when on a shared path, cyclists must keep to the left side (unless impracticable to do so) and give way to all pedestrians.

Glen Eira City Council is working with Victoria Police to create a safer environment for our pedestrians and cyclists.

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# News in brief

## Council wins Capital Project Award

The Institute of Public Works Engineering Australia (IPWEA) Victoria Division 2012 Excellence Awards were held in late March.

The Awards provide an outstanding opportunity to recognise excellence in the innovation, development, construction and management of public works projects and services.

Glen Eira City Council's Major Projects and Infrastructure Renewals Department won the *Capital Project Award Under \$3M* for its Truck Wash and Wet Waste Handling Facility.

The facility was built in 2011 and is located at Council's Glenworks Depot.

With an ever increasing emphasis on environmental protection and risk management, including flood mitigation, efficient operations are required to ensure Council meets community expectations.

The Truck Wash and Wet Waste Handling Facility not only improves the efficiency of Council's drainage maintenance operations, but it reduces energy and potable water use.

Other award winners included Brimbank City Council, City of Kingston and Greater Shepparton City Council. Moorabool Shire Council and Pyrenees Shire Council received special commendation awards.

The top 20 submissions can be viewed at <http://www.ipwea.com/awards2012>

## Applications close Friday 4 May for Community Grants Program

Applications for Glen Eira City Council's 2012-2013 Community Grants Program close on Friday 4 May.

The Program supports and assists not-for-profit community based groups to implement projects and activities that benefit Glen Eira residents.

Grants of up to \$7,500 will be available for projects, which address Council priorities and meet with funding guidelines and conditions.

For further information about the 2012-2013 Community Grants Program, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or visit [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au)

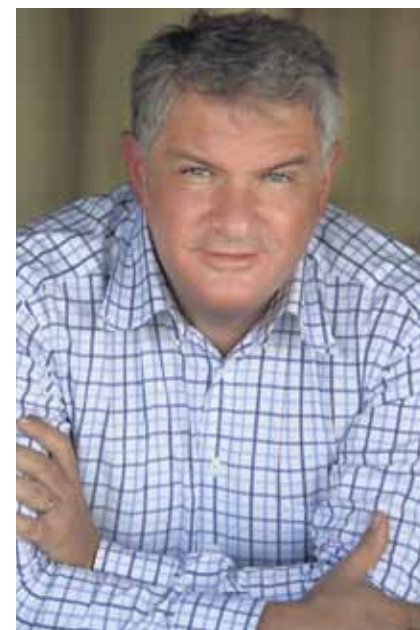
## Graffiti removal

Glen Eira City Council continues to assist residents by removing graffiti from the title boundary of private property (both residential and commercial), which is visible from a public place.

Requests to remove graffiti from private property can be made through Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

Requested works are referred to a priority list for consideration.

Glen Eira residents and traders can also obtain personal graffiti removal kits free of charge from Council's Service Centre.



## The Importance of Play

Presented by Dr Michael Carr-Gregg  
Wednesday 13 June, 7.30pm

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

Cost: \$40 Playgroup Victoria membership cardholders and \$50 non-members

Dr Michael Carr-Gregg is one of Australia's highest profile psychologists and leading speakers. His presentation will look at how play helps children develop intrinsic interests and competencies; learn how to make decisions, solve problems, exert self-control and follow rules; learn to regulate their emotions; make friends and learn to get along with others as equals; and experience joy.

Dr Carr-Gregg worked as an Associate Professor in the Department of Paediatrics at the University of Melbourne for seven years, before going into private practice.

Booking fee applies and advanced bookings are essential. No refunds on tickets. Allocated seating applies. Book online at [www.trybooking.com/BHUO](http://www.trybooking.com/BHUO)

For further information, visit [www.playgroup.org.au/events](http://www.playgroup.org.au/events)

**Please note:** Babies and children cannot be accommodated.

Dr Michael Carr-Gregg appears by arrangement with Saxton Speakers Bureau.



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

## out and about



**Funding announcement at McKinnon Reserve: Christiaan O'Dea, Glen Eira Mayor Cr Jamie Hyams, Minister for Crime Prevention Andrew McIntosh, Member for Bentleigh Elizabeth Miller MP and Cr Oscar Lobo.**

Photo: John Krutop.



**Multicultural Festival: Cr Oscar Lobo, Glen Eira Adult Learning Centre Executive Officer Philippa Caris and Glen Eira Mayor Cr Jamie Hyams.** Photo: Glen Eira Adult Learning Centre.



**Sports Club Breakfast: Glen Eira Mayor Cr Jamie Hyams, Paralympic swimmer Sam Bramham OAM and former AFL footballer Michael Roberts.** Photo: Frank Amato.



# Becoming cyber-savvy

Glen Eira City Council Youth Services hosted its first parent information night for 2012 on Tuesday 17 April. The night looked at the ongoing issues of young people and cyber-safety. The guest presenter for the evening was Melbourne-based psychologist Tena Davis, who specialises in cyber-safety awareness for young people.

The evening was a great success, with positive feedback provided from guests who commented "the resources and teaching aids provided were great and Tena's humour throughout the presentation was fantastic!"

Tena is currently conducting doctoral level research at Swinburne University, exploring which factors keep children safe online. She is also the co-author and facilitator of parent education course *Net Negotiations*, which is conducted nationwide.

Tena's insight on this subject proved invaluable and she looked at a number of different key issues surrounding young people and families, including:

- the latest research on what kids are really doing online;
- how to prevent and respond to online risk; and
- how to negotiate internet boundaries while preserving harmonious family life.

For further information or tips, visit [www.cybersmart.gov.au](http://www.cybersmart.gov.au)

If you would like further information on upcoming parent information nights, contact Youth Service on 9524 3676 and place your name and contact details on the parent mailing list.



**Melbourne-based psychologist Tena Davis.**  
Photo: Madi Saylor.

## Glen Eira Youth Services — supporting young people

Young people face a range of different pressures and transitions as they grow and develop. To support young people in their development, Glen Eira City Council Youth Services provides free and confidential support for young people aged 10 to 25.

Young people can speak to our friendly youth workers about a range of issues, including relationships, stress, body image and problems at school or at home. Our youth workers will also help to support and connect you with agencies that specifically provide services in accommodation and employment or further training.

No issue is too big or too small.

Our youth workers are available for appointments Monday to Thursday from 1pm to 6pm and Friday from 1pm to 5pm. If you or a young person you know would like someone to talk to, contact Youth Services on 9524 3676.



**Bree Cross, Leigh Morris and Natalie Alford from Youth Services.** Photo: Madi Saylor.

## Glen Eira Youth Services — assisting young people to achieve excellence



**Jessica Bahn and Marina Walker recently received a Foundation for Youth Excellence Program grant.** Photo: Tayla Supple.

Do you know a young person aged between 10 and 25 who need assistance to help them achieve excellence in their chosen field of interest? If so, financial support could be available through the *Foundation for Youth Excellence Program*.

Co-ordinated by Glen Eira City Council Youth Services, the *Foundation for Youth Excellence Program* supports young people living in the City of Glen Eira who have achieved excellence in the fields of creative and performing arts, education, leadership or sport.

Successful applicants are awarded grants to help them achieve further success in their chosen field.

Application forms can be downloaded from [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au) Click on Family and youth and then Youth Services.

For further information, contact Youth Services 9524 3676.

## Youth Art Expo

Glen Eira City Council Youth Services hosted the 2012 Youth Art Expo at Caulfield Park Pavilion on Thursday 19 April. Youth Services received a record number of entries to this year's competition and the event was a great success.

Next month's edition of *Glen Eira News* will feature a full review of the evening.



Photo: Les O'Rourke.



**YOUNG MUMS' GROUP IS A FUN AND SUPPORTIVE PROGRAM FOR NEW MUMS AGED UP TO 25.**

Term Two dates  
18 April  
2, 9, 16, 23, 30 May  
6, 13, 20, 27 June

This group is a great opportunity for mums and their babies to get together for a relaxed catch up with other young mums, youth support staff, maternal health care specialists and other community support professionals.

The program is FREE. Due to limited available spaces bookings are essential through Bentleigh-Bayside Community Health. Contact Rachael Kegen on 9575 5310 or 0438 538 199 or email [r.kegen@bbch.org.au](mailto:r.kegen@bbch.org.au) or contact Bree Cross from Youth Services on 9524 3676 or email [bcross@gleneira.vic.gov.au](mailto:bcross@gleneira.vic.gov.au)

**City of Glen Eira youth services**

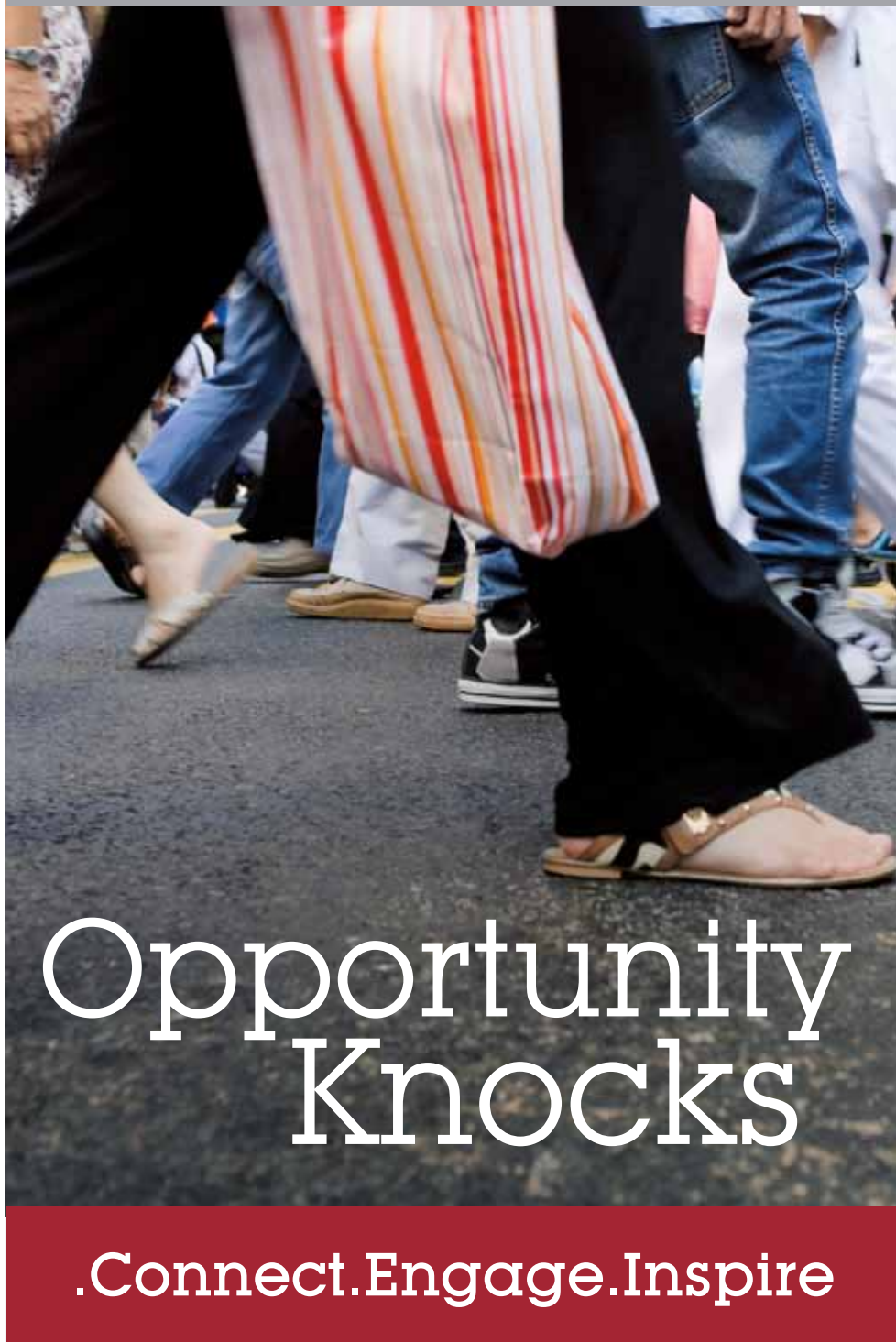
Date: Wednesdays (during school terms)  
Time: 1pm-3pm  
Location: Council Youth Information Service  
86 Robert Street, Bentleigh



# May Small Business Month 2012



.EVENTS .SEMINAR .WORKSHOPS .NETWORKING



*Opportunity Knocks — .Connect .Engage .Inspire* is the theme for Glen Eira City Council's *May Small Business Month 2012*.

The 2012 calendar of events aims to build confidence and a renewed energy to generate ideas and provide practical solutions to assist business to take advantage of every opportunity available to it in today's economy.

The focus of *May Small Business Month* will also be on celebrating the value of local community.

The success of small business is vital to our local community and our economy; opportunities will continue to exist by drawing on the strength of our community.

While the new consumer landscape provided by technology will be featured in the calendar of events, *May Small Business Month* also aims to promote, and ignite a renewed interest in business to build and nurture a vibrant, professional experience for the

community. Creating an experience that inspires a desire in local residents to connect and engage locally.

Today's businesses face increased challenges and uncertainty — it is to their advantage to remain informed and abreast of new trends to enable early adoption, transforming their position into desirable and inspirational market leaders.

To register for *May Small Business Month* events or for further information, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

All events will be run at Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield.

Wednesday 9 May (pm) — Workshop

## Empower your business — with Whole Brain© thinking

Increase your business and marketing success by understanding how thinking preferences of your clients can influence the way they interpret your communications.

Presenter: Founder and Managing Director of the Warner Group  
Jania Warner

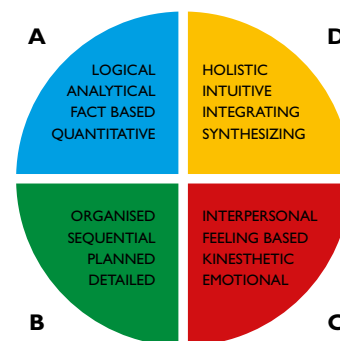
Learn how an increased understanding of different thinking preferences will greatly enhance your communication abilities and engagement with:

- employees;
- clients;
- customers;
- managers;
- suppliers;
- other stakeholders; and
- friends and family.

You will not only gain a greater insight into your own natural thinking preferences, but a more insightful understanding into the people you encounter everyday.

Date	Wednesday 9 May
Time	6pm for 6.30pm start
Cost	\$20 (light supper included)
Where	Glen Eira Town Hall
RSVP	Friday 4 May

The Whole Brain® Model





Friday 11 May (am) — Workshop



> Lynne Cazaly

## Visualise > Create > Innovate

### Unleash ideas and opportunities through visual planning

Sharpen up your business strategy by using creative thinking models, processes and techniques to boost innovation and capitalise on opportunities.

Join this interactive workshop and use creative visualisation, visual innovation, design thinking and visual planning techniques.

Even if you think you're not creative, you'll have the opportunity to work through an innovative model designed to help you identify strategic alternatives, options and choices you can apply to projects, business ideas, processes — anything in your business!

**Presenter:** Facilitator, trainer, presenter, innovator, visual planner, communications specialist Lynne Cazaly

When	Friday 11 May
Time	8.45am for 9am start to 12.30pm
Cost	\$30 (morning tea included)
Where	Glen Eira Town Hall
RSVP	Tuesday 8 May

Monday 14 May (am) — Seminar

## Creating a co-operative workplace

Through knowing your rights and obligations

Presented by the Fair Work Ombudsman Victorian Targeted Education and Compliance Co-ordinator Stephen Mastwyk

The Fair Work Ombudsman assists employers, employees and outworkers throughout Australia to protect their basic workplace rights.

Its role is to promote harmonious, productive and co-operative workplace relations, and to monitor, enquire into, investigate and enforce compliance with relevant Commonwealth workplace law. This is done by investigating complaints and by education and audit campaigns.

This session will cover an overview of:

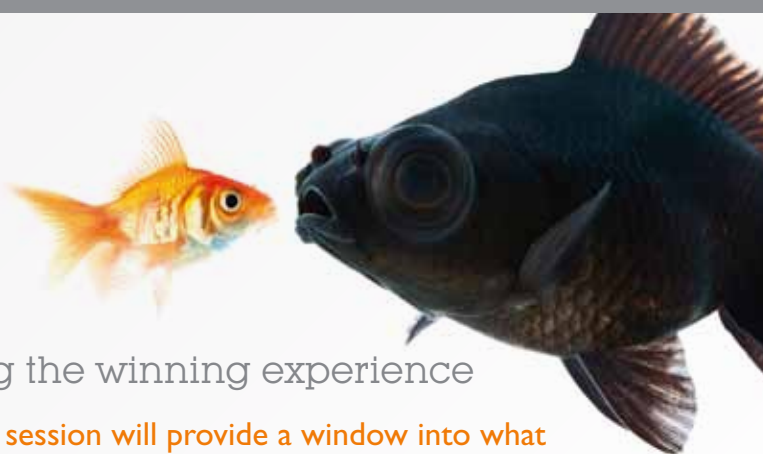
- National Employment Standards;
- terms and conditions of employment;
- general protections, and obligations;
- independent contractors versus employees' obligations; and
- enterprise agreements.



When	Monday 14 May
Time	9.15am arrival for 9.30am start to approx. 12pm
Cost	\$10 (morning tea included)
Where	Glen Eira Town Hall
RSVP	Thursday 10 May

Tuesday 15 May (pm) — Dinner Seminar

## Small is the new big —



Delivering the winning experience

This dynamic session will provide a window into what opportunities await, what the retail consumer experience may be like in a few years and why stores and brands that are ready to evolve will attract, engage, inspire and serve the customer.



> Sue Anderson

Time	6pm arrival for 6.30pm start to approx. 9pm
Cost	\$35 (light buffet meal included)
Where	Glen Eira Town Hall
RSVP	Thursday 10 May

This session will explore:

- the destination experience;
- the importance of impacting the customers' senses;
- transactional to experiential retail;
- engaging customers with an unique experience; and
- why simple ideas can create the greatest experience.

You will be inspired with many current global examples of creative retailing.

**Presenter:** Australian Retail Institute's consultant and facilitator Sue Anderson

Friday 18 May (am) — Workshop

## Take financial control

### Secure your finance to capitalise on opportunities as they arise

Small business has the advantage of being agile — it has the ability to respond more rapidly than big business.

The key to financial success is about knowing how to read the signs and about understanding what appropriate action should be taken, while ensuring profit and cash flow remain a key focus to safeguard the financial position of your business.

Join Director of Financial Management Trainer Jan Barned as she facilitates this highly interactive workshop that will explore and help you discover the key to financial success.

This workshop will help you to:

- know the warning signs;
- identify the critical factors;
- recognise areas in your business that are eroding profits;
- measure the impact on profit and cash flow;
- interpret the numbers and make decisions to improve your finances;
- help introduce financial plans to take financial control of your business;

Date	Friday 18 May
Time	9.15am arrival for 9.30am start to 12.30pm
Cost	\$30 (morning tea included)
Where	Glen Eira Town Hall
RSVP	Wednesday 16 May

- secure your finance to realise opportunities as they arise; and
- help implement a solid financial framework.



Tuesday 22 May (pm) — Dinner Seminar

# A challenge is not a catastrophe

Thinking differently is the key ...

In 2012, businesses that want to thrive and not just survive will need to change their focus on marketing and growth.

Learn from one of Australia's leading experts on small business and marketing simple business development strategies that will help you to think differently and identify opportunities to take your business from survive to thrive.

Advertising and generic strategies are no longer enough to increase revenue and profit in an increasingly competitive marketplace. Being ready to seize every opportunity is the key. In this practical presentation the secrets of successful businesses that thrive and not just survive will be shared.

**Presented by consultant, speaker, author and media commentator Linda Hailey, you will:**

- learn to be customer focused not product focused;
- discover that not all clients are equal — don't try to be all things to all people;
- understand the true value of existing clients;
- see competition as a challenge not a catastrophe;
- unlock the opportunities within;
- tap into the power and true value of your competitive edge;
- gain practical ideas you can implement straight away; and
- capitalise on your investment.

This session will empower your business transforming it from reactive to proactive.

*"Just excellent — thanks Linda for generously sharing your know how and years of experience plus expertise with us! Great presentation, can we have Linda again please."*

*2011 participant*

Date	Tuesday 22 May
Time	6pm for 6.30pm start
Where	Glen Eira Town Hall
Cost	\$35 (light buffet meal included)
RSVP	Thursday 17 May



> Linda Hailey

Thursday 24 May (pm) — Seminar



> Kevin Hennah

# Create, reinvigorate, revive

## Five inspirational strategies to reinvigorate your business

Join Kevin Hennah as he fuses creative vision with an understanding of the commercial realities to help breathe new life into your business.

**Consultant, trainer and business coach, Kevin is focused on increasing sales and customer numbers through strategic visual merchandising, innovative use of space and a sales-driven layout.**

Through powerful imagery and a dynamic presentation of practical ideas, some of the themes Kevin will explore include:

- strategies to maximise the visual presence of your business;
- how to assess whether you are achieving maximum return on space;
- the relationship between lighting, music, ambience and sales;
- international trends in visual merchandising and retail store design; and
- practical strategies to help retail stores connect with their community and compete with online selling.

Date	Thursday 24 May
Time	6pm arrival for 6.30pm start
Cost	\$20 (light supper included)
Where	Glen Eira Town Hall
RSVP	Friday 18 May



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*"In the age of self-service stores, saturated markets and online stores, it's time to think outside the box."*

Tuesday 29 May (pm) — Seminar

# PR and marketing strategies



**Explore up-to-the-minute public relations (PR) strategies to leverage your passion, knowledge and your authentic self for business success.**

There's never been a more challenging time to be in business. Conversely, there's also never been a better time to be in business thanks to advances in technology that allow entrepreneurs to compete more effectively using content marketing strategies via the social web.

One thing that has never changed is that people do business with people they know, they like and they trust.

The goal for small business operators is to harness personal branding and up-to-the-minute PR strategies, to increase their profile in the marketplace and to get more potential customers and online influencers to like what you do and to put trust in your reputation.

**Presenter: PR Warrior Trevor Young**

Date	Tuesday 29 May
Time	6pm arrival for 6.30pm start
Cost	\$20 (Light supper on arrival)
Where	Glen Eira Town Hall
RSVP	Wednesday 23 May



Thursday 31 May (pm) — Seminar

## Untangling the web

Why your website doesn't look like you want it to



### Communicating with your web developer is the key

Invest now in the knowledge that can save you time, money and frustration.

Key topics covered include:

- what you need to prepare as a business, before enlisting a web developer;
- common problems encountered by developers and how to avoid these;
- keeping your project on time and in budget;
- technical jargon: What technical terminology do you need to know; and

– how to choose a developer — who is the right developer for you?

View some fabulous outcomes and some not so fabulous.

**Presenter: Senior Lecturer and Head of R&D Software Group at Swinburne University of Technology Kon Mouzakis**

Date	Thursday 31 May
Time	6pm for 6.30pm start
Cost	\$20 (light supper on arrival)
Where	Glen Eira Town Hall
RSVP	Friday 25 May

Monday 4 June (am) — Workshop

*“Be the change that you want to see in the world.”*

*Mahatma Gandhi*



## Making it happen

Fast track strategies for turning your ideas into reality

You're going to learn so many wonderful strategies in *May Small Business Month* to help your business grow.

But the most important asset you have is your TIME.

And there's the challenge — the more you learn about what you CAN DO, the more overloaded you can get.

This session will show you how to make things happen (on a shoestring budget).

It will help you identify, plan and prioritise your next steps so you can turn your ideas into profit in the fastest possible timeframe — instead of staggering slowly like most small business owners who are feeling out of control and behind the eight ball.

This session could be the most valuable one you attend to act as the glue between your ideas and your action.

**Presenter: About Time Management Solutions Elliot Hayes**

Date	Monday 4 June
Time	9am arrival for 9.15am start to approx. 12.30pm
Where	Glen Eira Town Hall
Cost	\$30 (morning tea included)
RSVP	Monday 28 May

## MAY SMALL BUSINESS MONTH 2012 REGISTRATION FORM

Mail Glen Eira City Council, PO Box 42, Caulfield South, 3162

Phone 9524 3333 Fax 9524 3482 Email [businessdevelopment@gleneira.vic.gov.au](mailto:businessdevelopment@gleneira.vic.gov.au)

Book five or more seminars in May and receive a 20 per cent discount. Conditions apply.

Bulk advanced bookings are non-refundable. Substitute guests are welcome. Workshops are not included.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile \_\_\_\_\_

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Additional attendees \_\_\_\_\_

- Wednesday 9 May (pm) Workshop Empower your business **\$20**
- Friday 11 May (am) Workshop Visualise > Create > Innovate **\$30**
- Monday 14 May (am) Seminar Creating a co-operative workplace **\$10**
- Tuesday 15 May (pm) Dinner Seminar Small is the new big **\$35**
- Friday 18 May (am) Workshop Take financial control **\$30**
- Tuesday 22 May (pm) Dinner Seminar A challenge is not a catastrophe **\$35**
- Thursday 24 May (pm) Seminar Create, reinvigorate, revive **\$20**
- Tuesday 29 May (pm) Seminar PR and marketing strategies **\$20**
- Thursday 31 May (pm) Seminar Untangling the web **\$20**
- Monday 4 June (am) Workshop Making it happen **\$30**

To register, please complete and return registration form to Glen Eira City Council corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads Caulfield. We will contact you to confirm registration and organise payment.

**Information privacy** The personal information on this form is required to register for the above events and will not be used for any other purpose. For more information about privacy at Glen Eira City Council, including the right to seek access to any information collected on this form, please contact Council's privacy officer on 9524 3333.



# Glen Eira's young leaders



**Aimee is part of the 2012 Youth Leadership Team.** Photo: Bree Cross.

Glen Eira City Council's Youth Leadership Team (YLT) is a group of enthusiastic young people aged 15 to 25. The YLT plan, organise and facilitate events for young people in the municipality. This year's team consists of seven young ladies who are all looking forward to the challenge of creating three exciting youth events for their peers. The team's first event, the *Youth Art Expo*, was held during *National Youth Week* in April. The next event, *Battle of the Bands*, will be held in September and a third event, which the team is yet to unveil, will also be held, so watch this space.

Aimee is one of the participants of this year's team and talks about why she signed up to be an active member of the program.

## What is the YLT and why did you want to be a part of it?

The Youth Leadership Team is a group of young people from Glen Eira who volunteer their time to organise events throughout the year to showcase local youth talent. We are the voice of Glen Eira's youth and I thought it would be a perfect opportunity to get involved in and give back to the local community.

## How did you find out about the YLT to become a member?

I saw an advertisement in the newspaper last year calling for applications for the 2012 Youth

Leadership Team, so I went in to the Youth Centre to find out more about what it involved.

## What skills do you hope to get out of the program?

The ability to work in a team and communicate ideas effectively is such an important life skill, and that's basically what we do every week. In the process of planning events, there are many problems and setbacks to overcome, so being creative and being realistic in our goals is something that I'm still learning. I also have a very busy schedule with my uni work and other extra-curricular and social activities, so organising my time well and learning to cope with pressure is essential. As a leader, I look forward to being a role model for others in the community.

## What are you most looking forward to doing as a part of the 2012 YLT?

Whenever I go to an event, I never appreciate how much work goes on behind-the-scenes. Now I realise how much extensive preparation and collaborating with Council is required for even a relatively small community event. Everyone in the team is so enthusiastic and they have such wonderful and inspiring ideas. I can't wait to see how we can work together to make a difference and create successful events.

The YLT is a 12 month commitment and members attend fortnightly meetings at the Youth Information Centre in Bentleigh. There is no cost for young people to be involved in this program. For further information, contact Youth Services on 9524 3676.

# Plugged In music program

Glen Eira City Council Youth Services would like to hear from young people who are interested in participating in the *Plugged In* music program during terms three and four.

*Plugged In* runs on Thursday afternoons during the school term and provides an introduction on how to set up and run a recording session, as well as mixing and mastering techniques.

*Plugged In* facilitator Tom McEwan has more than 30 years' experience in the music industry as a musician and sound engineer.

Participants Amelia Ransom and Nicole Rogalsky talk their involvement in the program.

## Why did you want to participate in Plugged In?

Amelia: I wanted to learn about editing music and recording various songs.

Nicole: I like singing and I wanted to learn how to record my own music and songs.

## What have you learnt so far?

Amelia: I have learnt how music is recorded and how different microphones work. I have also learnt how to edit the songs once we have recorded them.

Nicole: I have learnt the names of the different equipment, how to use Pro Tools and how to make changes to the music we have recorded.



**Plugged In participants Amelia Ransom and Nicole Rogalsky.** Photo: Natalie Alford.

## What has been a highlight of the program?

Amelia: Recording our own songs and mixing it ourselves.

Nicole: Recording my song *Dream Catcher*, which I wrote and composed.

## Who would you recommend the program to?

Amelia: Any young person who was thinking of a career in music.

Nicole: Young people who want to be singers, budding musicians and those with an interest in the computer (technical) side of recording.

## How do you find Tom, the facilitator of the program?

Amelia: Tom is very friendly and he definitely knows his stuff!

Nicole: He is very funny and easy to get along with and very knowledgeable too.

For further information or to book your place, contact Youth Services on 9524 3676.



**MEETINGS AND CLUBS**

**Australian Plants Society South East Melbourne Region** meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 8pm at Hughesdale Community Centre, corner Poath and Kangaroo Roads, Hughesdale. Contact: 9578 8434.

**Bentleigh East Probus Club (combined)** meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 9.30am at The Bentleigh Club, Yawla Street, Bentleigh. Contact: 9583 7783.

**Bentleigh Life Activities Club** offers social activities for seniors such as table tennis, card games, music and dine outs. Contact: 9557 6337.

**Brighton Carers Support Group** meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 7.30pm at Girrawhen Day Centre, 3 Murphy Street, Brighton. Contact: 9575 5322.

**Carnegie-Murrumbeena Elderly Citizens** holds social afternoons, entertainers, card games and bingo at 7 Shepparson Avenue, Carnegie. Contact: 9568 2727.

**Caulfield Combined Probus Club** meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 10am at Gladys Machin Hall, 8-10 Cedar Street, Caulfield South. Contact: 9563 5105.

**Caulfield Garden Club** meets on the first Tuesday of every month from February and the second Tuesday in November at 8pm at 567 Glenhuntly Road, Elsternwick. Contact: 9532 7848.

**Caulfield Over 50s Dance Group** meets every Monday (except public holidays) at 12.30pm at Glen Eira Town Hall. Contact: 9822 2064.

**Centenary Park Tennis Club** invites new players for Wednesday night mixed doubles for organised social tennis at 140 Brady Road, Bentleigh East. Cost: \$5 includes light supper. Contact: 9579 0451.

**Centre Bentleigh Garden Club** meets on the first Tuesday of every month between February and November at 1.30pm at YWCA Hall, 178 East Boundary Road, Bentleigh East. Contact: 9570 7045.

**Glen Eira Artists' Society** offers weekly tutored figurative painting and portraiture drawing sessions, as well as regular En Plein Air sessions in Glen Eira parks. Contact: 0412 030 467.

**Glen Eira Cheltenham Art Group** conducts classes in watercolour, oils, pastels, acrylics, decorative art and drawing. Day and evening classes available. Contact Rose: 9563 7621.

**Glen Eira Combined Probus Club** meets on the fourth Friday of each month at 10am at The Bentleigh Club, Yawla Street, Bentleigh. Contact: 9583 4822.

**Glen Eira Historical Society** will meet on 23 May at 7.30pm at Carnegie Library, 7 Shepparson Avenue, Carnegie. Guest speaker: Colin Boyd. Topic: Murrumbeena and the Boyd's.

**Kiwanis Community Service Club** meets monthly for dinner at The Marine Hotel, Brighton. New members welcome. Contact: www.kiwanisbrighton.org

**McKinnon Needlepointers** meet every second Thursday at 1pm at Godfrey Street Community House, 9 Godfrey Street, Bentleigh. Contact: 9578 1117.

**Moorleigh Mens Probus Club** meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 10am at Bentleigh East Sporting and Recreation Clubrooms, 62 Mackie Road, Bentleigh East. Contact: 9579 3352.

**Oakdale Angling Club** meets fortnightly on Wednesday nights at 8pm at Murrumbeena Park Hall. Contact: 0429 400 367.

**Once a month cooking** will meet for the first time on 15 May at 7pm at Caulfield South Community House, 450 Kooyong Road, Caulfield South. Learn to cook healthy, freezable meals. Contact: 9596 8643.

**Ormond Badminton Club** welcomes experienced and novice badminton players every Wednesday at 8.15pm at Ormond Uniting Church Hall, North Road, Ormond. Contact: 9578 1947.

**Sandbelt Ladies Probus Club Bentleigh** meets on the first Monday of each month at 10.30am at Bentleigh RSL, 538 Centre Road, Bentleigh. Contact: 9578 1322.

**The Handmade Show** is held on the third Saturday of each month and the second Saturday in December at 10.30am St Anthony's Parish Hall, corner Grange and Neerim Roads, Carnegie. Contact: 0415 501 312.

**The St George Day Club** meets every Tuesday at 10.30am at Caulfield RSL, 4 St Georges Road, Elsternwick. Cost: \$12. Contact: 9528 3600.

**EVENTS**

**Music Lovers' Society Concert** will be held on 19 May at 8pm at Ewing Memorial Uniting Church, corner Coppin Street and Burke Road, Malvern East. Admission: \$22, seniors \$18, pensioners \$13, students \$9 and families \$50. Members free. Bookings: <http://www.trybooking.com/BHLQ> Contact: 0435 997 037.

**Team of Pianists** presents *Fantasy and Fairy Tale* on 20 May at 6.30pm at Rippon Lea, 192 Hotham Street, Elsternwick. Marina Marsden, Justine Marsden and Robert Chamberlain will perform. Cost: \$40 or \$25 for full-time students under 25, children and pensioners. Contact: 9527 2851.

**Glen Eira Honey Bee Interest Group** will host an information night on the importance of cross-pollination and planting bee friendly plants in urban areas on 23 May at 8pm at Koornang Uniting Church, 117 Murrumbeena Road, Murrumbeena. Cost: Gold coin donation. Contact: [rotarycaulfield@gmail.com](mailto:rotarycaulfield@gmail.com)

**Glen Eira City Choir** presents *Favourites from Opera and Oratorio* on 27 May at 2.30pm at Auburn Uniting Church, 81 Oxley Road, Hawthorn. Conducted by Jane Elton Brown OAM, Jane O'Toole, Roy Best, Christopher Cook and Linda O'Brien will perform. Afternoon tea included. Tickets: \$26, \$23 concession, group booking (five or more) \$20 each. Contact: 0423 129 371.

**Free PACTS (Parents as Career Transition Support) Workshop** will be held on 29 May at 10am at Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield. The workshop is open to anyone involved with young people who wants to know more about education and training pathways. Contact: 8306 6300.

**Bentleigh Organ Music Club** presents *Rinspiration Handbell Choir* on 4 June at 8pm at Bentleigh East Sports and Recreation Club, 62 Mackie Road, Bentleigh East. Cost: \$10 includes supper. Contact: 9528 2539.

**COMMUNITY**

**Bentleigh Calisthenics College**, Uniting Church Hall, Centre Road, Bentleigh welcomes new students. Contact: [www.bentleighcalisthenics.com](http://www.bentleighcalisthenics.com)

**Carnegie Playgroup** runs sessions on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at 7 Shepparson Avenue, Carnegie. Contact: <http://home.vicnet.net.au/~carnegieplaygroup>

**Caulfield South Community House**, 450 Kooyong Road, Caulfield South, will run numerous courses throughout term two, including English as a second language; Introduction to Computers; Photoshop; and Horticulture. Contact: 9596 8643.

**Murrumbeena Playgroup**, corner Poath and Dalny Roads, Murrumbeena is open Monday to Friday, February to December, including school holidays. Contact: 0432 271 204.

**Washington Drive Preschool**, 3 Washington Drive, Oakleigh South offers an extended kinder program to children aged three to five on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Contact: 9570 6565.

**Immunisation sessions**

**Bentleigh-Bayside Community Health**

**Gardeners Road, Bentleigh East**  
Saturday 19 May and Saturday 16 June 9am-11am

Wednesday 9 May, Thursday 24 May, Wednesday 13 June and Thursday 28 June 5.30pm-7.30pm

**Carnegie Library and Community Centre**

**7 Shepparson Avenue, Carnegie**  
Wednesday 16 May and Wednesday

20 June 1.30pm-2.30pm and 5.30pm-7.30pm

**DC Bricker — Princes Park Beech Street, Caulfield South**

Monday 28 May and Monday 25 June 9.30am-11am

**Glen Eira Town Hall Auditorium (entry via Glen Eira Road)**

**Corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield**

Tuesday 1 May and Tuesday 5 June 6pm-7pm

Tuesday 15 May and Tuesday 12 June 9.30am-11am

**Glen Huntly Maternal and Child Health Centre**

**Corner Royal and Rosedale Avenues, Glen Huntly**

Wednesday 23 May and Wednesday 27 June 9.30am-11am

**McKinnon Public Hall**

**118 McKinnon Road, McKinnon**  
Monday 7 May and Monday 4 June 9.30am-11am





## 市政府徵求社區意見

Glen Eira 市政府在2月份舉行了六場公開社區諮詢會，這是《Glen Eira 社區計劃》徵求社區意見進程的一部分。

逾340名居民參加了為時兩個小時的諮詢會，這給予了他們機會發表自己對《計劃》的看法。

**徵求意見過程中被提及的最多問題包括：**支持社區的服務項目：顧客服務和家庭服務；青年及老年服務，包括圖書館整修；增加托兒服務；以及增加青年活動。

**車輛、停車與交通：**居民停車證；停車與限速的執法；增設自行車道和更安全的過路橫道線。

**城市規劃和發展：**保持街道特色；多單元房子的開發有所增加；對基礎設施的影響；以及建造與規劃執法。

**政府治理：**公開、透明的決策；更廣泛的社區協商；社區更多地參與當地問題的解決。

**娛樂與露天場地：**增設露天場地和綠地；確保露天場地的安全；增設娛樂設施；保留 Carnegie 游泳中心。

**垃圾、塗鴉和整潔：**亂倒硬垃圾；塗鴉控制；垃圾與回收；提高購物街的整潔。

**可持續的社區資產和基礎設施：**環境可持續性；排水的改進；改善街景和購物中心的外貌；栽種更多的街樹；增加照明。

**社區建設與參與：**提高社區參與和團結；增加社區協商的清晰度；增強社區意識。

《計劃》草案預計將於5月上旬發布，以便徵詢公眾意見。

我們將仔細研究所有收到的反饋意見，並提出最終報告供市政府考慮。

## Ο Δήμος διαβουλεύεται με την κοινότητα

Ως μέρος της διαδικασίας κοινοτικής διαβούλευσης για το Κοινοτικό Σχέδιο Glen Eira, ο Δήμος Glen Eira διεξήγαγε έξι δημόσιες κοινοτικές συζητήσεις όλο τον Φεβρουάριο.

Πάνω από 340 κάτοικοι παρευρέθηκαν στις δίωρες συζητήσεις, που τους έδωσε την ευκαιρία να εκφράσουν τις απόψεις τους για το Σχέδιο.

Μερικά από τα θέματα που αναφέρθηκαν περισσότερο κατά τη διάρκεια της διαβουλευτικής διαδικασίας είναι:

### Υπηρεσίες για την στήριξη της κοινότητας:

Εξυπηρέτηση δημοτών και υπηρεσίες για την οικογένεια, τους νέους και τους ηλικιωμένους, περιλαμβανομένου αναβάθμισης των βιβλιοθηκών, περισσότερες υπηρεσίες παιδικής φροντίδας και περισσότερες δραστηριότητες για τη νεολαία.

### Κυκλοφορία, στάθμευση και συγκοινωνίες:

Άδειες στάθμευσης δημοτών, επιβολή των περιορισμών στάθμευσης και ταχύτητας, και περισσότερες λωρίδες για ποδήλατα και ασφαλέστερες διαβάσεις.

### Πολοδομία και ανοικοδόμηση:

Διατήρηση του χαρακτήρα της γειτονιάς, αύξηση του αριθμού κτιρίων με πολλαπλούς ορόφους και οι συνέπειες στην υποδομή και επιβολή των κανονισμών ανοικοδόμησης και πολοδομίας.

**Διακυβέρνηση:** Ανοιχτή, διαφανής λήψη αποφάσεων, μεγαλύτερη κοινοτική διαβούλευση και περισσότερη συμμετοχή της κοινότητας στην αντιμετώπιση των τοπικών προβλημάτων.

**Άθληση και ανοιχτοί χώροι:** Περισσότεροι ανοιχτοί χώροι και πράσινο, διασφάλιση της ασφάλειας στους ανοιχτούς χώρους, περισσότερες εγκαταστάσεις άθλησης και διατήρηση του Κολυμβητικού Κέντρου Carnegie.

**Σκουπίδια, γκραφίτι και καθαριότητα:** Πέταγμα μεγάλων σκουπιδιών, έλεγχος του γκραφίτι, σκουπίδια και ανακύκλωση και αύξηση της καθαριότητας στους εμπορικούς δρόμους.

### Βιώσιμη κοινοτική περιουσία και υποδομή:

Περιβαλλοντική βιωσιμότητα, βελτίωση της αποστράγγισης ομβρίων υδάτων, βελτίωση της εμφάνισης των δρόμων και εμπορικών κέντρων, περισσότερα δέντρα στους δρόμους και αύξηση του φωτισμού.

**Κοινοτική συνοχή και συμμετοχή:** Μεγαλύτερη κοινοτική συμμετοχή και συνοχή, σαφέστερη κοινοτική διαβούλευση, και ανάπτυξη ισχυρότερης αίσθησης κοινοτικής ενότητας.

Το προκαταρκτικό Σχέδιο αναμένεται να δοθεί για σχολιασμό απ' τους δημότες στις αρχές Μαΐου.

Όλα τα σχόλια θα αξιολογηθούν και θα εξεταστούν και θα συνταχθεί μια τελική αναφορά για εξέταση από το Δήμο.

## Il Comune chiama a consulto la comunità

Come parte del processo di consultazioni comunitarie per l'attuazione del piano *Glen Eira Community Plan*, il Consiglio Comunale di Glen Eira ha tenuto durante il mese di febbraio sei fori comunitari.

Più di 340 residenti hanno partecipato ai fori della durata di due ore cogliendo l'opportunità di dare il proprio contributo allo sviluppo del piano.

Alcuni dei più comuni argomenti sollevati durante la consultazione includono:

**Servizi di supporto alla comunità:** Servizio clienti e servizi per la famiglia, i giovani e gli anziani, con inclusi aggiornamenti della biblioteca; incremento dei servizi per l'infanzia e delle attività per i giovani.

**Traffico, parcheggi e mezzi di trasporto:** Permessi parcheggio residenziale; applicazione di restrizioni per parcheggio e velocità ed un maggior numero di piste ciclabili e attraversamenti sicuri.

**Pianificazione e sviluppo edilizio:** Mantenimento delle caratteristiche architettoniche dei quartieri; incremento del numero degli sviluppi multipli e impatto sulle infrastrutture e sull'applicazione della pianificazione e costruzione.

**Indirizzo operativo:** Attività decisionale aperta e trasparente; maggiori consultazioni con la comunità e maggiore coinvolgimento della comunità nella soluzione dei problemi locali.

**Tempo libero e spazi aperti:** Un maggior numero di spazi aperti fruibili e di verde pubblico; garantire sicurezza negli spazi aperti; più strutture per il tempo libero e conservazione del centro sportivo Carnegie Swim Centre.

**Rifiuti, graffiti e pulizia:** Discarica rifiuti solidi; gestione graffiti; riciclaggio rifiuti e incremento della pulizia nelle zone commerciali.

**Beni e infrastrutture comunitarie sostenibili:** Sostenibilità ambientale; miglioramento della rete di scarico; miglioramento dell'apparenza delle strade e dei centri commerciali; incremento del numero di alberi lungo le strade e miglioramento dell'illuminazione stradale.

**Costituzione di un maggior impegno comunitario:** Maggior impegno e coesione comunitari; consultazioni comunitarie più chiare e sviluppo di un maggior senso comunitario.

La prima stesura del *Piano* sarà resa pubblica per eventuali commenti ai primi di maggio.

Tutti i commenti verranno valutati e revisionati e la relazione finale verrà poi sottoposta alla considerazione del Consiglio comunale.

## Муниципалитет проводит общественные обсуждения

В феврале муниципалитет Glen Eira провел 6 открытых форумов по обсуждению *“Плана общественного развития Glen Eira”*.

Каждый форум продолжался в течение 2-х часов, и в дискуссиях по поводу *“Плана”* приняли участие более 340 человек.

Наибольшее внимание было уделено следующим вопросам:

**Услуги для населения:** обслуживание клиентов и услуги для семей; услуги для молодежи и пожилых людей, включая обновление библиотек; расширение услуг по уходу за детьми; больше мероприятий для молодежи.

**Транспорт, парковка, уличное движение:** разрешения на парковку для местных жителей; выполнение требований по ограничению скорости и ограничению парковки; больше велосипедных дорожек и безопасных пешеходных переходов.

### Городское планирование и развитие:

сохранение исторического характера городских районов; распространение многоквартирной застройки; влияние на городскую инфраструктуру, и соблюдение норм планирования и строительства.

**Городская администрация:** открытый процесс принятия решений; принятие во внимание общественного мнения; участие местных жителей в принятии решений.

**Места для отдыха и развлечений:** больше открытых мест и зеленых насаждений; безопасность в общественных местах; развлекательные сооружения; сохранение бассейна в Carnegie.

### Мусор, граффити, поддержание чистоты и порядка:

незаконный сброс мусора и бытовых отходов; контроль граффити; уборка мусора и переработка отходов; чистота в торговых центрах.

### Общественные ресурсы и инфраструктура:

охрана окружающей среды; улучшение системы канализации; внешний вид торговых центров и улиц; больше деревьев и освещения на улицах.

### Общественное развитие и активность:

повышение общественной активности; изучение и учет общественного мнения; развитие общности и чувства принадлежности среди жителей муниципалитета.

Проект *“Плана”* будет представлен для дальнейших обсуждений в начале мая.

После рассмотрения всех отзывов и предложений, окончательный вариант *“Плана”* будет представлен в муниципалитет.

# 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. For further information, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or visit [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au)

**Please note:** Submissions are not confidential and will be incorporated in full (including all personal information) into the agenda and minutes of the Council Meeting at which they are considered, will be available on Council's website as part of the relevant agenda and minutes of meeting and will be made available for public inspection in accordance with all applicable statutory requirements, including, without limitation, those prescribed by the *Local Government Act 1989*.

## Upcoming consultation opportunities

Subject	Type	Date	Where
Draft Glen Eira Community Plan	Comments and submissions	The draft <i>Plan</i> is expected to be released for public comment in early May.	GECC Community Development Unit PO Box 42 Caulfield South Vic 3162
Library and Information Service	Telephone survey	During May	
Murrumbeena Park play space	Information evening	Thursday 24 May, 6.30pm–7.30pm	Murrumbeena Park Pavilion, Kangaroo Road, Murrumbeena



## Four-year-old kindergarten 2014 enrolment reminder

Glen Eira City Council operates a central enrolment system for 13 community based kindergartens within the municipality.

Parents wanting their child to attend four-year-old kindergarten in 2014 are reminded that enrolments open on 1 May 2012.

Children whose birth dates fall between 1 May 2009 and 30 April 2010 are eligible to attend kindergarten in 2014.

Applications are taken in date-of-receipt order from 1 May 2012. Applications will not be accepted prior to 1 May 2012.

Enrolment forms are available from your local kindergarten, online at [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au) or by contacting Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333. An application fee of \$17 applies.

Three-year-old kindergarten enrolments are taken directly by the kindergartens and do not influence four-year-old enrolments.

**Please note:** Kindergarten programs are also offered in community and privately owned long day care centres, early learning centres, and kindergarten centres. Families interested in securing places in those services should contact them directly.



Photo: John Brown Photography Services.

## Quality in Practise Early Years Conference



**More than 250 early childhood educators attended the Conference.**

Photo: Frank Amato.

More than 250 early childhood educators attended the *Quality in Practise Early Years Conference* at St Kilda Town Hall in March.

The two day *Conference* was hosted by Glen Eira, Port Phillip, Bayside, Kingston and Stonnington councils.

The *Quality in Practice Early Years Conference* focused on strengthening partnerships and setting direction around early years reforms, including the *Victorian Early Years Learning and Development Framework, National Quality Framework, National Quality Standards* and the introduction of universal access to 15 hours of four-year-old kindergarten.

Glen Eira City Council's Manager Family and Children's Services

Jill Jolliffe said it was wonderful to see all areas of early years' service provision represented with delegates from family day care, kindergarten, long day care, early intervention services and primary schools.

"Collaboration across the sector is essential to ensure that service delivery is seamless," Ms Jolliffe said.

"Understanding each other's perspectives is an important step in the process."

Recognised leaders in quality early years education and care presented at the *Conference*, including Catharine Hydon, Colin Pidd, Dr Anne Kennedy, Anthony Semann, Kathy Walker, Collette Tayler and Julie Bryant.



**Educational consultant Catharine Hydon.** Photo: Frank Amato.

## Feedback on Family and Children's Services

Glen Eira City Council Family and Children's Services recently sought feedback on the quality of the service it provides.

Surveys were circulated to families who use Council's children's centres, Family Day Care and Maternal and Child Health Service.

All three services were rated highly by their users, with Family Day Care receiving a satisfaction rating of 98.2 per cent. Council's Maternal and Child Health Service received a rating of 94 per cent, while Council's children's centres received a rating of 93.5 per cent.

Some of the positive feedback received from respondents included:

### Maternal and Child Health Service

"I have found the support invaluable and very thorough."

### Children's centres

"The child care workers are experienced, relaxed and gentle with the children and friendly to mothers and families."

### Family Day Care

"We are very fortunate to have such a warm and welcoming carer supervising and caring for our daughter."

Council's Manager Family and Children's Services Jill Jolliffe said the survey has helped identify areas for improvement.

"The survey results have been used to develop improvement plans," Ms Jolliffe said.

"Throughout 2012, the focus in children's centres and Family Day Care will be the provision and use of information with families.

"Staff will strengthen existing approaches and concentrate efforts to enhance the engagement of parents and exchange of information about children's care and development.

"Improvements in our Maternal and Child Health Service will be directed to the physical environments and information available in each centre.

"There will also be a review of how new parent groups are conducted."

Family and Children's Services would like to thank everyone who participated in the survey.

## Special four-year-old immunisation sessions 2012

Glen Eira City Council's Immunisation Service is offering immunisation sessions for four-year-old children in 2012. These immunisations are recommended to be given just prior to a child's fourth birthday.

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.

**Parents please note:** The Australian Childhood Immunisation Register recommends that all childhood vaccinations are completed by four years. If your child is not vaccinated by four years and one month they will be considered overdue and you will receive reminder letters from Council.



**Wednesday 2 May**  
4pm-6pm

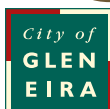
Carnegie Library and  
Community Centre  
7 Shepparson Avenue  
Carnegie

**Saturday 2 June**  
9.30am-11.30am

Bentleigh-Bayside  
Community Health  
Gardeners Road  
Bentleigh East

**Wednesday 4 July**  
4pm-6pm

Carnegie Library and  
Community Centre  
7 Shepparson Avenue  
Carnegie



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## Create a Kids' Book

Always wanted to write for children?  
Attend a Create a Kids' Book Workshop.

**Saturday 26th May**  
Picture Book  
Workshop  
Ormond  
10am-4pm  
with two tutors  
Dr Virginia Lowe and  
artist Jo Thompson.



**Saturday 28th July**  
Novel Workshop  
Ormond  
10am-4pm  
with two tutors  
Dr Virginia Lowe  
and novelist  
Jennifer Dabbs.

Bookings: [www.createakidsbook.com.au](http://www.createakidsbook.com.au)  
Contact Dr Virginia Lowe  
PO Box 2, Ormond, Victoria 3204

Phone: 03 9578 5689 Mobile: 0400 488 100  
"Stories, Pictures and Reality: Two children tell" (Routledge 2007)



## Becoming an Australian citizen



**Two hundred and sixty men, women and children can now call Australia home after making their Australian citizenship pledge.**

Photo: Les O'Rourke.

Glen Eira City Council has held two of its six Australian citizenship ceremonies for 2012.

Two hundred and sixty men, women and children can now call Australia home after making their Australian citizenship pledge in front of family and friends at Glen Eira Town Hall.

So how can you become an Australian citizen?

### How do I apply?

If you would like to become an Australian citizen, you must apply through the Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC). DIAC can be contacted on 131 880 or alternatively you can visit [www.immi.gov.au](http://www.immi.gov.au)

DIAC assesses the applications for citizenship and forwards the names of successful applicants onto Council.

### What is Council's role?

The Mayor of Glen Eira hosts the ceremonies, leads migrants through their pledges and presents them with a Certificate of Citizenship — the final step to becoming an Australian citizen.

### How will I know when to attend a ceremony?

If your citizenship application is successful, DIAC will write to you, advising of the details (date, time and place) of the citizenship ceremony to be held at Glen Eira Town Hall, as well as the paperwork you should bring for identification.

If you are unable to attend the ceremony on the advised date, you will need to contact the Department to make them aware as soon as possible.

### What is the duration of the ceremonies?

You will be asked to arrive at Town Hall no later than 7.30pm. The ceremony commences at 8pm and the duration of the ceremony is usually one hour.

### What are the dates for the remainder of 2012?

Four more ceremonies will be held in 2012 — Wednesday 9 May, Wednesday 11 July, Wednesday 12 September and Wednesday 21 November.

## Reduction in crime levels in Glen Eira Police Service Area



### Police will continue to be visible around Glen Eira's train stations.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

The strong focus on reducing crime within the Glen Eira Police Service Area resulted in a 3.4 per cent reduction in 2011.

Acting Inspector Darryn Cooper told *Glen Eira News* there have been significant drops in the incidence of robberies, residential and commercial burglaries.

"The number of assaults, excluding family violence, also reduced, but there is obviously more work to be done in this area," Acting Inspector Cooper said.

"In this context, family violence-related matters and all crimes against the person are a priority for us and we will maximise efforts to address these issues.

"Whilst these overall results are encouraging, there is still more work to be done — and for us to continue to be effective, we need your help.

"Please feel free to contact police if you have any concerns as your information and feedback is always valued."

### Antisocial behaviour

Acting Inspector Cooper said some great results have been achieved already in 2012 in regards to detecting and prosecuting incidents of antisocial behaviour, particularly around train stations and public transport hubs.

"We will continue to be visible around these areas and ensure that people feel safe using our public transport system, either during the day or at night," Acting Inspector Cooper said.

### Road collisions

Acting Inspector Cooper said in 2011 there was also a significant drop in injuries resulting from road collisions.

"This will continue to remain a focus for us in 2012 as disappointingly, the number of fatalities resulting from collisions has remained steady at four — which we believe is four too many," Acting Inspector Cooper said.

"Therefore, in the effort to prevent serious crashes on our roads and to get people to their destinations safely, we were out in force during the Easter break, targeting hotspots and utilising everything we had at our disposal, including booze buses and drug testing units."

## Fostering resilience and self-esteem in children

Presented by Kathy Walker for parents/guardians.

Being able to bounce back, take a risk, have a go and solve problems are important life skills for children and adults.

Resilience helps us to take on challenges and to have some independence and confidence as we proceed through life. To be resilient helps us to reach realistically for our goals and dreams and to tackle the difficult times.

This presentation provides strategies to help build resiliency skills and positive self-esteem in your child.

Tuesday 8 May

7.30pm–9.30pm (registration 7.15pm)

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

**Cost: \$5**

Places are limited. Registration and payment must be received prior to the session. No refunds or exchanges. To book online, visit [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au) or contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.



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## Battle of the Burbs blood challenge

Glen Eira residents have shown their community pride and spirit by donating blood as part of the Australian Red Cross Blood Service's latest challenge, *Battle of the Burbs*.

As of the mid-way mark, the City of Glen Eira had registered 444 donations. With every one of those donations saving up to three lives, residents have helped save more than 1,300 lives.

Each year, more than 1.4 million blood donations are used in Australia to save the lives of people with cancer, heart, stomach and bowel disease, accident or trauma victims, pregnant mothers and newborn babies.

One in three people will need blood in their lifetime, yet only one in 30 currently donates — chances are they could be your next door neighbour.

To make an appointment to give blood, contact 13 14 95 or visit [www.donateblood.com.au](http://www.donateblood.com.au)

## Social support volunteers needed

Social support volunteers are needed to participate in a valuable local community service.

The Social Support and Monitoring Service, funded by the Home and Community Care (HACC) Program, provides one-to-one assistance for older people or people with disabilities living in Glen Eira.

Volunteer tasks include assisting with shopping, transport and friendly visiting.

A car is essential for this volunteer work.

The Social Support and Monitoring Service is located at 1134 Glenhuntly Road, Glen Huntly.

If you have good communication skills, enjoy the company of older people and are available for a couple of hours a week or fortnight, contact the Volunteer Co-ordinator on 9571 8622.



## Exhibitions

### Encounters

**Open 10am Thursday 31 May and continues until 5pm Sunday 24 June**

This exhibition will investigate how contemporary artists explore themes of personal history, memory, identity, ritual, presence and absence, responding to specific sites in public, private, staged and natural environments. Curated by Diane Soumilas, real or virtual space is used as a location for performance, movement, gesture, exchanges or interactions to evoke a mood, psychological realm or moment in time, leaving traces of events that have occurred or are about to unfold.

The artists — Julie Rrap, Gosia Wlodarczak, Jane Burton, Fabrice Bigot, Simon Obarzanek and Clare Rae — share an interest in the interrelationship between the body, space and time, responding to and interrogating interior and exterior spaces, embracing diverse mediums such as photography, performance, drawing, video and installation. From the staged or filmic, to the unexpected or psychological encounter, intriguing scenarios are played out within specific environments, providing rich territory for viewers to engage with.



**Julie Rrap — Escape Artist: Castaway 4, 2009. Digital print on archival rag paper 120 x 120 cm.**

Courtesy of the artist and Arc One Gallery, Melbourne.



**Clare Rae — Untitled # 5 from the series Light Weight, 2011. Lightbox, 150 x 100 x 15 cm.**

Courtesy of the artist and Beam Contemporary.

### Public Programs at Council's Gallery for Encounters Exhibition

**Gosia Wlodarczak Shared Space Wall Drawing performance Wednesday 30 May, 2pm–6pm Free admission**

Renowned contemporary artist Gosia Wlodarczak will create a site-specific performance based drawing to coincide with the official launch of *Encounters*.

**Curator's floor talk Wednesday 20 June, 3pm Free admission**

Curator Diane Soumilas will discuss some of the exhibition themes addressed in the *Encounters* exhibition, including identity, memory, ritual, personal and cultural history. She will also discuss the telling of a story through the development of a curated exhibition from the concept stage to the selection of artists and installation. Diane will also provide a brief overview of her 25 year career as a curator in the public gallery sector.

**Floor talk by artist Clare Rae Friday 22 June, 3pm Free admission**

Emerging artist Clare Rae will discuss her photographic practice within the context of the exhibition themes, including identity, memory, personal and cultural history. She will also address the way her work challenges conceptions of space, through an encounter between her body and the photographic medium.

### Africa revisited: Looking forward looking back

**Until 5pm Sunday 6 May**

Presented by Sidewalk Tribal Gallery in Hobart, this exhibition will feature a fascinating collection of African tribal art that has not been presented in Melbourne before. The diversity of cultures and art from across the African continent, along with a global collection of ethnic jewellery, builds a spectacular must see exhibition for 2012.

**Victor Majzner and Deborah Masel Song of Songs Collaboration Opens 10am Thursday 10 May and continues until 5pm Sunday 27 May**

Through a selection of major paintings which represent a synthesis of Deborah Masel's poetry and Victor Majzner's paintings, this exhibition will provide viewers with a unique and original exploration of a contemporary Jewish response to the biblical *Song of Songs*.

A publication documenting this major artistic collaboration will be launched during the exhibition.

A floor talk by Victor Majzner will be held on Sunday 20 May at 3.30pm in Council's Gallery. Admission is free.

## Glen Eira Storytelling Festival

The *Glen Eira Storytelling Festival* will celebrate storytelling through writing, film, visual art, music and performance.

This year's event will take place at various venues across the municipality from Monday 18 June to Sunday 1 July.

Readings, performances, workshops, brunch with SBS television's *Rockwiz* host Brian Nankervis, short film screenings, children's *StoryTime* sessions, author talks and much more will make the *Glen Eira Storytelling Festival* an event not to be missed.

Full details of the *Festival* will be included in the June edition of *Glen Eira News*.

For further information, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or email [arts@gleneira.vic.gov.au](mailto:arts@gleneira.vic.gov.au)

## My Brother Jack Awards close Friday 25 May

Glen Eira City Council is calling all budding writers and photographers who have not yet entered the *My Brother Jack Literary and Photographic Awards 2012* to put their pens to paper or capture a photo before the Awards close on Friday 25 May.

The Awards, which are open to people who live, work or study in the City of Glen Eira, offer prizes for poetry, short stories and photography in Primary, Junior Secondary, Senior Secondary and Open categories.

The winners will be announced at an awards ceremony at Glen Eira Town Hall on Sunday 1 July, which will coincide with the closing of the annual *Glen Eira Storytelling Festival*.

### Sunflower Bookshop Open Short Story Award

3,000 word limit  
First prize: \$500  
Second prize: \$300  
Third prize: \$200  
Winning entries will be published in *Etchings* magazine

### Glen Eira City Council Open Poetry Award

60 line limit  
First prize: \$500  
Second prize: \$300  
Third prize: \$200  
Winning entries will be published in *Etchings* magazine

### Benn's Books Senior Secondary Short Story Award

1,000 word limit  
First prize: \$250 worth of books

### Benn's Books Senior Secondary Poetry Writing Award

30 line limit  
First prize: \$250 worth of books

### Hardie Grant Egmont Junior Secondary Short Story Award

500 word limit  
First prize: \$200 worth of books

### Grill'd Carnegie Junior Secondary Poetry Award

10 line limit  
First prize: \$200 voucher to Grill'd Carnegie

### Hardie Grant Egmont Primary Short Story Award

500 word limit  
First prize: \$150 worth of books

### Grill'd Elsternwick Primary Poetry Award

10 line limit  
First prize: \$150 voucher to Grill'd Elsternwick

### Elsternwick Camera Centre Photographic Awards

This year, entrants are asked to submit a photograph that captures a story relating to life in Glen Eira. All entries must be uploaded to the *My Brother Jack* photographic competition facebook page where viewers can vote for their favourite entry.

If you do not have access to facebook, you may email your entry to [arts@gleneira.vic.gov.au](mailto:arts@gleneira.vic.gov.au) and the photo will be uploaded on your behalf.

First prize: \$200 voucher to Elsternwick Camera Centre plus \$300 gift voucher to be used for any Focus 10 Photography workshop/course

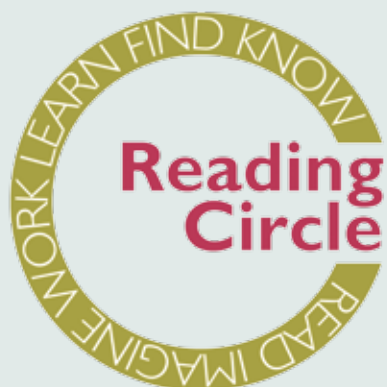
The *My Brother Jack Literary and Photographic Awards 2012* are proudly supported by Benn's Books, Elsternwick Camera Centre, Grill'd Carnegie, Grill'd Elsternwick, Hardie Grant Egmont, Ilura Press and Sunflower Bookshop.



# Library and Information Week — 20 to 26 May

*Think outside the box* is the theme for *Library and Information Week 2012*.

As part of the week, Glen Eira City Council's Library and Information Service will host the following events:



**Reading Circle**  
**Is the book endangered?**  
**With Sophie Cunningham**  
**Tuesday 22 May, 2pm–3.30pm**  
**Carnegie Library**

The market for books is changing like never before — bookshops are vanishing and eBooks and eReaders are transforming the reading experience. What is the future of the book and Australian publishing? Join Sophie Cunningham, an author, editor and journalist with 25 years' experience in Australian publishing, to discuss the future for writers, publishers and readers.

The *Reading Circle* is a relaxed and enjoyable discussion group that talks about books — books we love, books that surprise, books that make us think or laugh and even those that may not have impressed. Led by our enthusiastic host, the *Reading Circle* discusses a selected topic each session with a guest author whose writings relate to the topic.

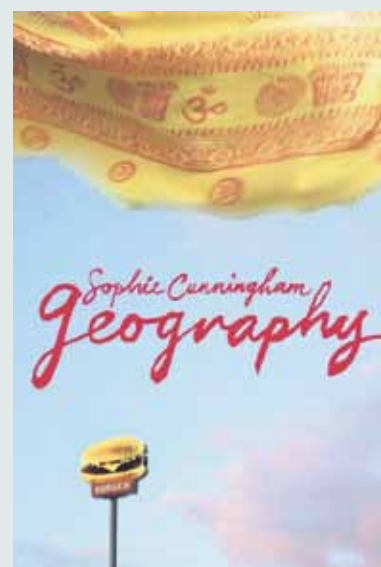
Afternoon tea will be provided. Limited numbers apply. Bookings can be made at any library branch, online at [library.gleneira.vic.gov.au](http://library.gleneira.vic.gov.au) or by contacting 9563 0971.

Watch out for coming *Reading Circle* events:

*Four Seasons in Italy* with Angela Di Sciascio: Tuesday 19 June, 7pm–8.30pm

*Flinders Street and its History* with Jenny Davies: Tuesday 14 August, 2pm–3.30pm

*Crime Stories* with Angela Savage: Tuesday 16 October, 2pm–3.30pm



**National Simultaneous Storytime**  
**The Very Cranky Bear**  
**Wednesday 23 May, 11am**  
**Carnegie and Elsternwick Libraries**

In the Jingle Jangle Jungle on a cold and rainy day, four friends found a perfect place to play. Moose had marvellous antlers and Lion, a golden mane. Zebra had fantastic stripes and Sheep . . . well, Sheep was plain. When the four friends encounter a cranky bear, Moose, Lion and Zebra all think they know how to cheer him up — but it is plain, boring Sheep who has the answer.

Come and join these friends as we read Nick Bland's *The Very Cranky Bear* as part of the *National Simultaneous Storytime*. Organisations from Broome to Hobart will read this fun and engaging story at this giant storytime.

The *National Simultaneous Storytime* is organised by the Australian Library and Information Association, to promote the value of reading and literacy, the importance of Australia's book industry and the role of libraries.

No bookings required.

**Off the shelf — discover what's new and recent**

**Thursday 24 May, 6.30pm–8.30pm**  
**Carnegie Library**

Join us to discover the library's new and recent titles. Be the first to borrow new items and find recent titles that you may have missed.

Enjoy a glass of wine and chat to our enthusiastic staff. Borrow a lucky book from the display and you could take home a prize. Hidden in some books will be a lucky bookmark. Just borrow the item to win a prize!



## Victorians love libraries



Victoria's public libraries are open to everyone and offer an expanding range of collections, technology and activities for communities to enjoy.

More than 2.6 million Victorians are library members, but a statewide campaign, *Victorians Love Libraries*, is encouraging more people to take advantage of the growing selection of resources and programs available at their local library.

Glen Eira's libraries are joining with public libraries across Victoria to let everyone know about the range of services libraries offer and the many ways in which they enrich the lives of Victorians.

If you haven't stepped inside a library for 20 years or even if you're a regular user, become a part of *Victorians Love Libraries* by discovering something new at your local library today.

## Still win with Reader's Rewards

Borrow six items before Thursday 31 May and enter the draw to win vouchers valued between \$25 to \$100 to some of the most popular retail and online stores. There are book, fashion, movie and homeware vouchers to be won.



## New playground at Bailey Reserve



**The new playground at Bailey Reserve.** Photo: GECC Recreation Services.

An exciting new playground and family area at Bailey Reserve in Bentleigh East is now open for public use.

The playground is located at the southern end of Bailey Reserve along Gardeners Road in a quiet corner of the park, surrounded by a number

of established trees. A rotunda, barbecues and seating complete the area and make it a wonderful location for families to meet.

The design of the playgrounds centrepiece is based on the adjacent Glen Eira Sports and Aquatic Centre profile and includes a pirate ship, climbing wall, cargo nets, a slide and a lookout at the top. The nautical theme is continued across other pieces of play equipment and collectively is able to cater for a wide range of ages and abilities.

So if you are around the area and think the kids would like something a little bit different, be sure to give the new playground a try.

For further information on playgrounds in Glen Eira, contact Recreation Services on 9524 3333 or visit [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au)

## Winter cycling tips



**Cyclist numbers in Melbourne have been steadily increasing.**

Cyclist numbers in Melbourne have been steadily increasing every year as people discover cycling is a great way to improve fitness, beat traffic and have fun. As the short and cold winter days become more common, the motivation to ride becomes a little harder to find.

Here are some tips on how to make things safer and easier over winter.

### Warm clothing

Invest in some good quality gloves and a windproof jacket. Gloves do not need to be cycling specific, but you will need to be able to use the brakes and change gears. There is a range of breathable jackets available from any outdoor store or bike shop.

Remember, a jacket that breathes will also keep you dry as you work up a sweat.

### Be seen

With fewer hours of daylight, chances are you will be riding in the dark. It is a legal requirement to have lights on a bike at night. As a minimum, they should be visible from at least 200 metres. Side reflectors are also important as many lights will not be visible from side on. Secondary helmet lights are also good as they are at a different height. Remember red lights at the back and white lights on the front.

Bright clothing with reflective strips will also make you more visible.

### Keep dry

Invest in some mudguards to prevent water splashing up your back. Many rear guards attach simply to the seat post. Carry a plastic bag to keep your seat dry if you are planning to lock your bike outside.

### Reward yourself

If you ride to work during winter, reward yourself with a hot chocolate or coffee at the end of the ride — you've earned it!

### Ring your bell

When cycling on rail trails and bike paths (shared pathways) where there are many people walking, cyclists should always ring their bell, call 'passing' and slow down when passing others from behind.

## Murrumbeena Park play space information evening

Glen Eira City Council is currently finalising a proposed play space project at Murrumbeena Park on Kangaroo Road.

An information evening will be held on Thursday 24 May at Murrumbeena Park Pavilion, Kangaroo Road, Murrumbeena from 6.30pm to 7.30pm. This will include a brief presentation by the play space designer and Council officers will be available to clarify any issues and answer any questions. Residents will also have the opportunity to view the plans.

For further information, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or email [recservices@gleneira.vic.gov.au](mailto:recservices@gleneira.vic.gov.au)



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## Murrumbeena Park play space

Glen Eira City Council is currently finalising a proposed play space project at Murrumbeena Park on Kangaroo Road.

The proposal sees the removal of the existing playground adjacent to the main sportsground and the creation of a new play space in the eastern side of the park. The design incorporates a number of leading edge components and treatments, which will make the playspace a model for future developments.

The design goes beyond any existing playground and merges traditional play equipment with interactive landscaping, family picnic areas, tree plantings and facilities. It provides areas for toddlers and active adolescents and can be accessed by wheelchairs and prams.

In January, the Victorian Government announced a grant of \$258,921 to assist in the construction of the Murrumbeena play space as part of Sport and Recreation Victoria's *Community Facility Funding Program*.

The project is listed as an item for consideration as part of Council's 2012-13 Budget.

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## Get into Bocce

Autumn can be a beautiful time to get out in the great outdoors. When planning your next trip out to one of Glen Eira's many parks and gardens, why not take time out to play a game of Bocce.

The game of Bocce originated in Italy and is fast becoming a popular recreational pursuit for people of all ages. All you need is a set of Bocce balls and a place to play. The municipality has Bocce courts at Harleston Park in Elsternwick (Mel Ref: 67H2) and Moorleigh Community Village in Bentleigh East (Mel Ref: 78 B5). Both courts are available free to the public with no bookings necessary.

Bocce is played between two players or teams of up to four players. It's similar to bowls in that the player aims to place their bowl as close as possible to the jack which may displace the opposition's bowl. The bowl can be bowled along the ground or thrown through the air.

So get out and have fun!

## Paving the way for girls' football

The South Metro Junior Football League (SMJFL) is leading the way in providing opportunities for young girls to get involved in football.

The SMJFL (formerly the Moorabbin South Junior Football League) has launched several new divisions for girls in 2012, with the Under 10, Under 12 and Under 14 competitions creating a much-needed pathway for girls in Australian Rules football.

Tailor-made for girls of all-abilities, the competition offers a great starting point for young girls, as well as an ideal progression from programs such as the AFL *Auskick* program. The new competition is an exciting development considering the limited opportunities available for girls to pursue their interest in the sport.

If you are interested in having a go or would like further information, contact your local club or the SMJFL office on 9553 5985.

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