

len Eira's 2012–2016 Council was officially sworn in at a Special Council Meeting on Thursday I November, following the October Council elections.

Thirty three candidates contested seats in the City's three wards — II candidates for Camden Ward, eight candidates for Rosstown Ward and 14 candidates for Tucker Ward.

Three new councillors were elected and six former councillors re-elected to represent the Glen Eira community for the next four years.

The nine elected councillors for 2013-2017 are:

- Tucker Ward Cr Jamie Hyams, Cr Oscar Lobo and Cr Jim Magee.
- Camden Ward Cr Michael Lipshutz, Cr Mary Delahunty and Cr Thomas Sounness.
- Rosstown Ward Cr Margaret Esakoff, Cr Karina Okotel and Cr Neil Pilling.

#### Glen Eira residents elect new Councillors

Glen Eira City Council welcomes three new faces. In the Camden

Ward, Cr Michael Lipshutz is joined by new councillors Cr Mary Delahunty and Cr Thomas Sounness. In the Rosstown Ward, re-elected councillors Cr Margaret Esakoff and Cr Neil Pilling will be joined by firsttime Councillor Karina Okotel. Past Mayor Cr Jamie Hyams along with Cr Oscar Lobo and Cr Jim Magee have been re-elected to represent the Tucker Ward.

On taking up office, the new councillors made the following comments:

#### Camden Ward — Cr Mary **Delahunty**

"I live locally with my husband, Christian, and three young girls. With a background in finance and social inclusion and a thorough understanding of Government I am committed to ensuring your voices are heard in your Local Government. I look forward to meeting you."

#### Camden Ward — Cr Thomas Sounness

"Thank you for supporting my election as an endorsed Greens candidate. I hope my voice in Council will be seen as a practical community

voice for the City and I look forward to representing the many and varied residents of our City."

#### Rosstown Ward — Cr Karina Okotel

"I am honoured to serve as a councillor for Glen Eira and hope to be a strong advocate on behalf of our community. I very much look forward to hearing from the community about any concerns, ideas or initiatives for the betterment of our municipality."

#### **New Council elects Mayor**

At a Special Council Meeting held on I November Cr Jamie Hyams was elected Mayor of Glen Eira for a second successive year.

Cr Hyams is serving his third term as a councillor and was the first-elected councillor in Tucker Ward in the 2012 Council elections.

Cr Oscar Lobo, who is serving his second term on Council, was elected Deputy Mayor.

Further information about the elections, councillors and Council meetings can be viewed at www.gleneira.vic.gov.au

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# High achievers receive awards

Glen Eira City Council's Student Achievement Award Program has had its largest ever response from local schools since it commenced in 2006, with 68 students nominated.

The *Program* recognises and encourages outstanding achievements by students attending secondary schools within the municipality.

Students will receive a certificate of recognition, as well as a \$40 book voucher from Benns Books, Bentleigh; Golds World of Judaica, Balaclava; or The Avenue Bookshop, Elsternwick.

Glen Eira Mayor Cr Jamie Hyams said he had enjoyed presenting awards to students at school assemblies during October and November, with more presentations scheduled for December.

"There are so many active and engaged young people in Glen Eira, so it's always a pleasure to recognise and celebrate their hard work," Cr Hyams said.

Schools were also invited to nominate a finalist who will be rewarded with an additional \$100 book voucher and



Glen Eira Mayor Cr Jamie Hyams presented Bentleigh Secondary School students with Council's Student Achievement Award. Photo: Bill Thomas.

entered in the Glen Eira Young Citizen of the Year Award 2013. This Award will be presented at Council's Australia Day Breakfast in January 2013.

Schools that nominated students for awards were Adass Israel School (ladies), Bentleigh Secondary College, Beth Rivkah Ladies College, Caulfield Grammar School, Caulfield Park
Community School, Glen Eira College,
Kilvington Grammar School, Liebler
Yavneh College, McKinnon Secondary
College, Our Lady of the Sacred Heart
College, St James College, Shelford
Girls' Grammar and Wesley College
— Elsternwick Campus.

## Mayor's column



It is a privilege to be elected as Mayor for a successive second year and I appreciate all the support I have received. I thank my councillor colleagues for the trust they have shown in me by electing me to this position.

I welcome the three new councillors, Councillors Delahunty, Okotel and Sounness. I look forward to the new ideas and perspectives that they will bring to Council. I also look forward to continuing to work with the returning councillors. I'm confident that working together, we can make Glen Eira an even better place.

The coming of the festive season sees the return of Council's Carols in the Park, at Bentleigh Hodgson Reserve on 9 December. With a great mix of professional and community performers, it promises to be an entertaining and enjoyable event.

January will see the first of our *Party* in the *Park* series, with an afternoon at Princes Park in Caulfield South catering for families with children of all ages and featuring Dorothy and Friends among many other highlights.

Also in January, we will host our annual Australia Day Breakfast, where we will announce the Glen Eira Citizen, Junior Citizen and Community Group of the Year, and the runners-up in these prestigious awards, and pay tribute to these outstanding volunteers.

You will find further information about these exciting events elsewhere in this edition.

On a sadder note, this month saw the passing of Geoffrey Patience, a three-time mayor and long-serving councillor of the City of Caulfield. Geoffrey made a huge contribution to the community even outside his role on Council, and will be sorely missed. On behalf of Council, I extend our sympathy to his family.

On behalf of councillors and Council, I wish you a safe and happy festive season and best wishes for the New

Cr Jamie Hyams Mayor

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#### **Deadlines**

The deadline for the next edition (February) of Glen Eira News is Wednesday 2 January for delivery 4–8 February (weather permitting).

#### **Coming deadlines**

The deadline for the March 2013 edition of *Glen Eira News* is Wednesday 30 January for delivery 25 February–I March (weather permitting).

For advertising and Community Diary enquiries, contact 9524 3333.

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# 2011-12 Annual Report

Glen Eira City Council's 2011–12 Annual Report is now available.

Council produces the Annual Report each year to provide the community, stakeholders and staff with information about how it has performed against the objectives set out in the Community Plan.

Glen Eira Mayor Cr Jamie Hyams said that a number of key improvements had been made to the City in 2011–12, meeting the strategic objectives and actions outlined in the *Community Plan*.

"The Annual Report is a snapshot of Council's achievements, challenges and difficulties faced over the year," Cr Hyams said.

"The information contained within the Report is an open, accurate and transparent look at our performance across all sectors.

"We encourage the community to take an interest in the report and welcome any feedback from our residents."

#### 2011-12 highlights

- Glen Eira Sports and Aquatic Centre (GESAC) was opened in May 2012 and is being used by more than 2,500 people a day.
- Public open space increased by the redevelopment of the former bowls site at Packer Park.
- · Council adopted a new Community



Public open space increased by the redevelopment of the former bowls site at Packer Park. Photo: Action Pix Photography.

Plan following a 500 person phone survey, six public meetings and extensive consultation.

- Two additional sportsgrounds, making a total of 26 grounds, were converted to warm-season grasses which have seen water savings of up to 60 per cent.
- Public open space was increased by the redevelopment of the former bowls site at Packer Park.
- The ECO-Buy Green Purchasing Report 2010–11 showed a 39 per cent increase in Council's overall green expenditure to a level that

is double the average of ECO-Buy member organisations.

- Council collected more than 85 tonnes of e-waste from Glen Eira residents at three e-waste collection days.
- Council was rated number one in Victoria for risk management by the industry insurers with a score of 100 per cent — the first time 100 per cent has been awarded.

To obtain a copy of Council's 2011–12 Annual Report, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or visit www.gleneira.vic.gov.au

# Community column

#### Speaking up for our City

## Glen Eira tops risk management

Glen Eira City Council presented at the Risk Management Conference on 4 October and collected the Award for Excellence 2010–12, including coming first in the state in the audit earlier this year. Fifty six councils took part in the conference.

#### Vibraline trial

Glen Eira City Council's 12 week Vibraline (profiled edged line for bike lanes) trial in Inkerman Road has been a success. Based on the positive response, consideration will now be given to rolling out Vibraline to other roads within Glen Eira to improve safety for cyclists.

#### **Employer of Choice Award**

For the second time Glen Eira City Council has been awarded the prestigious *Employer of Choice* (public sector and not-for-profits) Award at the National HR Awards 2012. Glen Eira has low staff turnover and very low OHS premiums. Glen Eira has the lowest operating cost, including all staffing costs, of all metropolitan councils.

#### Engaging our community

#### Glen Eira Sports and Aquatic Centre signs up its 8,000th member

Glen Eira Sports and Aquatic Centre (GESAC) has recently signed its 8,000th member. The facility has been developed to provide leisure, recreation and wellbeing opportunities for all segments of the community. For further information on how you can become a member or to join, contact the Centre on 9570 9200. GESAC is covering all its operating costs.

# A diet for Kokaribb Road, Carnegie

The final touches are being added to the Kokaribb Road streetscape renewal in Carnegie. Kokaribb Road will be transformed from a traditional car dominated street to a new sustainable urban environment.

Consistent with the goals of Council's Towards Sustainable Transport Strategy, the works have involved a 'road diet' which reallocates space so that the focus of the road shifts towards walking, bicycles and a place that welcomes people. Three new road humps have been installed with the central hump providing a zebra

crossing to calm traffic and give pedestrians priority over vehicles when crossing Kokaribb Road.

Council's car park to the north has had a makeover too, with reduction of vehicle crossovers limiting conflict points for pedestrians walking on the footpath. The three disabled parking spaces within this car park will also be upgraded to meet current standards.

The project has also included water sensitive urban design with a new Gross Pollutant Trap which filters litter and sediment to stop it entering Port Phillip Bay.

**Relocation of road space at Kokaribb Road, Carnegie.** Photo: Glen Eira City Council Transport Planning Department.

# Report card for Council's Road Safety Strategy

Glen Eira City Council's Road Safety Strategy was adopted in 2007.

Since its adoption, serious casualty crashes on Council's local roads have significantly reduced from 60 serious crashes in 2007 to 27 serious crashes in 2011.

Over the life of the Strategy:

- in excess of \$1.2 million has been obtained through federal black spot funding to improve the safety of intersections with crash histories;
- twenty two kilometres of new on-road bicycle lanes have been installed with a further six kilometres upgraded;
- speed limits through five shopping stips have been lowered to 40km/h (funded by VicRoads totalling approximately \$800,000);
- safety audits for 17 schools and eight shopping strips have been undertaken;
- speed cushions have been installed at 16 cross intersections; and
- Council's speed detection trailer has been placed in 79 streets.

Work has commenced in developing a new *Road User Safety Strategy* to continue improving safety on Glen Eira roads.

#### In memory of

Mr Geoff Patience OAM BEM JP passed away on 7 November 2012.

Mr Patience was a three time Mayor of the former City of Caulfield, the predecessor to the City of Glen Eira, in 1977, '78 and '90.

Mr Patience served our country during World War II, was a life member of the Lions Club International and a high office holder in the Freemasons.

His funeral was held at St John's Uniting Church, Elsternwick on 15 November 2012.

## CEO's column



2012 has seen solid progress on many of the community's key priorities.

Council redeveloped the disused bowls green at Packer Park, Carnegie into public open space. We gave

town planning permission for the creation of community recreation facilities in the centre of the Caulfield Racecourse.

We awarded the contract to convert more than 5,000 street lights from late 2012 to achieve lower energy consumption, lower electricity costs and lower greenhouse gas emissions. We conducted three highly successful e-waste collections, replaced the annual charge for a green waste bin to a one-off charge and planted 1,684 street trees (526 replacement and 1,158 additional). We implemented the next phase of the Bicycle Strategy including 12.8 kilometres of new bicycle lanes. We removed 4,110 square metres of graffiti from private property.

Council provided \$442,403 to local not-for-profit community groups and organisations to encourage community strengthening and inclusion.

Our Service Centre handled 250,917 calls with an average wait time of 10 seconds and with 89.5 per cent of calls handled completely by the first person to answer the call.

We continued to have below average rates, the lowest operating costs in metropolitan Melbourne (including all staffing costs), above average capital investment and one of Victoria's highest pensioner rate rebates.

The Local Government insurers rated us the best in Victoria for risk management and our WorkCover premium rate was half the industry average.

Looking to 2013, the State Government has proposed new land use zones and Council will need to protect Glen Eira's character in the translation to the new arrangements. We keenly look forward to detailed planning by State Government agencies to separate road and rail at key intersections in order to improve public transport and ease road congestion.

Best wishes for a safe and enjoyable summer.

**Andrew Newton Chief Executive Officer** 

# New stormwater pollutant trap

Council's Infrastructure Renewal Department has recently replaced the Gross Pollutant Trap (GPT) on Kokaribb Road, Carnegie with a new

Gross Pollutant Traps collect a wide variety of materials, such as takeaway containers, leaves, bottles, plastic bags and sediment.

Council's newly installed GPT, traps rubbish washed into Council drains from Carnegie Shopping Centre. Shopping centres can be a significant source of water-borne litter that can block drains or wash out into Port Phillip Bay causing pollution.

Council will periodically remove material from the GPT and send it to landfill.

The new GPT is part of renewal of the Kokaribb Road streetscape. The project includes renewal of the road and footpaths plus a new streetscape and traffic calming. The project also includes tree pits that harvest stormwater from the road surface to irrigate the new street trees.



Council's newly installed GPT traps Carnegie Shopping Centre.

Photo: Anonymous.

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# Council's Family Day Care service — exceeding national quality standard

Glen Eira City Council's Family Day Care service has recently been recognised by the Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority (ACECQA) for Exceeding the National Quality Standard in the National Assessment and Rating process for licensed children's services.

In determining the final ratings, ACECQA undertook a rigorous assessment of the quality of the service being provided by both the co-ordination unit and educators. There are currently 37 educators that provide home based childcare for children aged zero to 12 years. Of the 37 educators, five were independently chosen by the authorised officers to be assessed.

The service strives to continually offer a quality childcare service where a maximum of four preschool children are cared for by registered educators in their homes. The end result is an indication of the consistent work and continued dedication of the experienced co-ordination unit staff and educators.

It is wonderful for our educators to be recognised for their continued dedication to provide high quality childcare for the Glen Eira families utilising their service.

Comments made by the ACECQA included:

"The service is acknowledged for its commitment to continuous improvement and its positive participation in the assessment and rating process."

"Strong and collaborative partnerships with families and communities were evident throughout the visit."

"Co-ordinators and educators worked to provide care arrangements that offered flexibility to meet a diverse range of needs."

For further information about becoming a Family Day Care educator, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or email fdc@gleneira.vic.gov.au

# Attracting local native birds to Glen Eira: Brown Thornbill

This delightful bird called the Brown Thornbill (*Acanthiza pusilla*), may be found in local parks and gardens.

Residents can help attract native birds and insects to Glen Eira by adding plants to their garden that provide habitat and food.

#### **About the Brown Thornbill**

The Brown Thornbill is an active small insect eating bird, that feeds and nests within the dense lower-storey shrubs and grass layer.

It has a warbling call, often mimicking other birds and will even respond to human bird calls.



**Brown Thornbill (Acanthiza pusilla).**Photo: Chris Lindorff — Natureshare.

## What to plant to help attract the Brown Thornbill

There are a range of local indigenous shrubs that can help attract and protect the Brown Thornbill, including:

#### Hedge Wattle (Acacia paradoxa)

The Hedge Wattle is a dense shrub with flowers. It adapts to many soil or moisture situations and tolerates moderately salty winds and grows in full sun or partial shade.

Small thorns on this plant provide a

refuge for the Brown Thornbill and an effective barrier against unwanted pedestrian traffic. This plant can be pruned for hedging.

Height: two to four metres

Width: two to five metres

Flowers: April to November

Your local indigenous nursery will be able to assist you with other indigenous plants that also help attract insects which are a source of food for native birds.



**Hedge Wattle (Acacia paradoxa).** Photo: Russell Best — Natureshare.

# 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



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# Thirsty? New filtered water refill station on Glenhuntly Road, Elsternwick

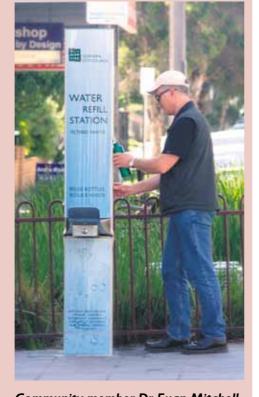
The first of three water fountains has recently been installed on the corner of Staniland Grove and Glenhuntly Road. It will help residents stay hydrated when out and about as well as reducing waste and carbon emissions from the production of plastic water bottles.

The water fountain has wheelchair access, provides filtered water to drink or fill up your water bottle and has a graffiti resistant surface.

Installation of the fountain was an action item identified in Council's Environmental Sustainability Strategy.

Bottled water is increasingly popular in Australia. However, plastic bottles generate an enormous amount of waste. Most bottled water is packaged in PET (polyethylene terephthalate) plastic bottles which are derived from crude oil.

Surprisingly, according to Clean Up Australia, more than 90 per cent of the cost of a water bottle can be traced back to the bottle lid and label.



Community member Dr Euan Mitchell making use of Council's newly installed water refill station. Photo: Sitha Lim.

# Plastic bags are bad for your recycling bin

Plastic bags filled with items for recycling are removed from the recycling stream and thrown into the rubbish.

This is because plastic bags interfere with the sorting machines and it is dangerous and time consuming for workers to open and sort the bags.

Plastic bags can be recycled by returning them to most supermarkets.

Make your recycling count — place your recycling loose in your recycling bin.





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# Caring for the Glen Eira community

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

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

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

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

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

A range of positions are currently available.

All prospective support workers must have a desire to work with older people and people with disabilities, good physical fitness, an ability to carry out the required duties, a car for work purposes and a current Victorian driver's licence.

All applicants will also be required to undergo a police check and a work-based medical check.

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

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# News in brief

#### Australia Day Breakfast

Glen Eira City Council's Australia Day Breakfast will acknowledge outstanding citizens and community groups that have significantly contributed to the Glen Eira community.

To be held at Glen Eira Town Hall on Friday 25 January from 7.30am to 9am, Council will honour and award the Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year and Community Group of the Year.

Cost is \$30 per head and bookings must be made by Friday 18 January.

To make a booking or obtain further details about Council's *Australia Day Breakfast*, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

## Upcoming workshop: composting — making black gold

Composting expert Maria Ciavarella will present:

- the 'recipe' for good compost;
- what can and can't be composted and be prepared for some surprises;
- different ways to recycle kitchen and garden waste including using worm farms;
- how to reduce your carbon footprint and make black 'gold' for your garden; and
- how to use compost in the garden.

When: Wednesday 12 December, 7pm to 8.30pm

Where: Glen Eira Town Hall, Caulfield Cup Room

For further information and to RSVP, contact Council's Sustainability Support Officer Sally Stewart on 9524 3333.

#### Free e-waste drop off day

#### **Sunday 2 December**

#### 8am-4pm

#### Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield

Please note: residents/small businesses are responsible for removing private/confidential data from any equipment provided for recycling. Limit of 15 items per drop. Large quantities will not be accepted.

Council will hold further e-waste collection days in 2013. Dates are yet to be confirmed.

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

### Almost 200 tonnes of e-waste recycled

Since October 2010, Glen Eira City Council has recycled almost 200 tonnes of electronic waste (e-waste) through six collection days.

While only a small fraction of total waste, e-waste 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 e-waste volumes.

Ninety eight per cent of e-waste is recyclable. E-waste contains a range of materials including plastic, lead, copper, gold, platinum and rare earth metals.

#### Why divert e-waste from landfill?

- to reuse scarce and valuable non-renewable resources;
- to reduce greenhouse emissions;

#### Graffiti removal

Prompt removal of graffiti is often the best deterrent. Glen Eira City Council encourages residents and traders to remove graffiti from their properties promptly. To assist, Council provides Glen Eira residents and traders with personal graffiti removal kits available free of charge from Council's Service Centre.

Glen Eira City Council also 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 are referred to a priority list for consideration.

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

#### out and about



Cr Oscar Lobo congratulates Cr Jamie Hyams on being elected Mayor for a second successive term. Photo: Action Pix Photography.



Glen Eira's 2012–2016 Council was officially sworn in at a Special Council Meeting on Thursday I November, following the October Council elections.

Photo: Action Pix Photography.

# **Festive** StoryTimes

Celebrate the festive season with stories and songs at these fun StoryTimes. Remember to collect your festive activity pack to take home. Sessions are suitable for preschool children three to five years of age.

## Celebrating Chanukah

Tuesday 11 December, 2pm at Bentleigh Library

Wednesday 12 December, I Iam at Carnegie and Elsternwick Libraries

Thursday 13 December, I lam at Bentleigh and Caulfield Libraries and 2pm at Carnegie Library

Friday 14 December, I lam at Carnegie Library

#### Homework Centre

The Homework Centre @ Carnegie will close for the year on Wednesday 28 November.

# Celebrating Christmas

Tuesday 18 December, 2pm at Bentleigh Library

Wednesday 19 December, I lam at Carnegie and Elsternwick Libraries

Thursday 20 December, I Iam at Bentleigh and Caulfield Libraries and 2pm at Carnegie Library

Friday 21 December, I lam at Carnegie Library

Visit library.gleneira.vic.gov.au for library addresses.



# LIBRARY HOLIDAY **OPENING HOURS**

	Bentleigh	Carnegie	Caulfield	Elsternwick
Monday 24 December	10am-3pm	10am-3pm	10am-3pm	•
Tuesday 25 December Christmas Day	•	•	•	•
Wednesday 26 December Boxing Day	•	•	•	•
Thursday 27 December	10am-9pm	10am-9pm	10am-8pm	2pm–6pm
Friday 28 December	10am–6pm	10am-6pm	10am-6pm	10am–6pm
Saturday 29 December	10am-4pm	10am-4pm	Ipm–4pm	10am-1pm
Sunday 30 December	12pm–5pm	12pm–5pm	12pm–5pm	
Monday 31 December	10am-3pm	10am-3pm	10am-3pm	•
Tuesday I January New Year's Day	•	•	•	•



— Closed

Normal hours resume Wednesday 2 January.

Borrowed items can be returned using the after-hours return chutes during the time libraries are closed.

library.gleneira.vic.gov.au

# Tap into Reading

During the holidays you can tap into reading, have great fun and have the chance to win fantastic prizes such as your own iPad.

Cut out the entry form below and borrow or download and read five books, or a combination of books and e-books from Glen Eira libraries between 16 December and 3 February.

Write the titles on your entry form and place it in the competition box at Bentleigh, Carnegie, Caulfield and Elsternwick Libraries.

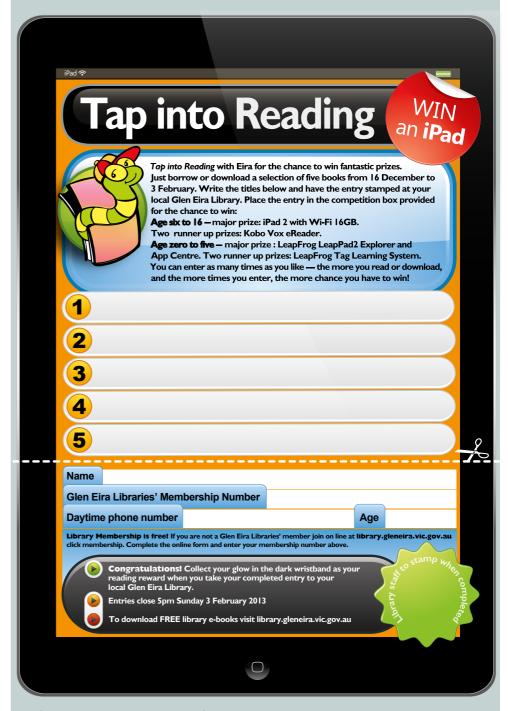
Remember to have your entry form stamped at the library to collect your glow in the dark wristband —

there are four different colours to collect. You can enter as many times as you like — the more you read the more chances you have to win.

For details and to download more entry forms, visit

library.gleneira.vic.gov.au Here you will also discover e-books and e-stories suitable for all ages and reading levels. Remember to be cybersmart and always ask your parent or guardian before you go online or download e-books.

Tap into Reading is open to children zero to 16 years. Preschool children can enter by having books read to them.



Refer to the library website for terms and conditions.

# Summer safety

With summer on its way and school holidays just around the corner, it's time to remind families about water safety and sun protection.

#### Water safety

A lot of young children love water
— it's fun to play with and swimming
is great exercise but it can also be
extremely dangerous if parents don't
take the right precautions when their
children are playing in or around water.

- Supervision is the most effective way to prevent serious injury and death. You should never take your eyes off children when they are around water.
- Remove any containers with water in them from around the house and make sure your child can't get to any bodies of water without you there.
- Drain sinks, tubs, buckets, baths and paddling pools when you're finished using them.
- Secure a toddler-proof lid over any water tanks.
- Fence off drains and seal ponds or other bodies of water when children younger than five years of age are around.
- Stay with children when they are

- playing in or near the sea, lakes or rivers. Hold the toddler's hand near waves and when paddling in rivers.
- Visit patrolled beaches where surf lifesavers are present and swim only between the flags.

#### **Sun protection**

For healthy development, your child needs to have a small amount of exposure to the sun. This can be as little as 10–15 minutes per day. A baby's skin burns much more easily than adult skin, so taking care in the sun is important.

- Pick the right time of day: ultraviolet radiation is strongest between September and April, between 10am and 3pm. If you can, save trips to the playground, the park or the beach for early morning and late afternoon.
- P Shade: shade provides some protection from ultraviolet radiation, but babies and small children can still be burned by reflected sunshine. Even if you're sitting in the shade, cover your child with clothes to stop burning and use sunscreen on any exposed skin.
- Clothing: keeping your child's skin covered with clothes made from tightly woven fabric such as cotton



Always stay with your child when they are playing in water.

will provide protection from the sun.

- Hats: a hat is a great way to protect your child from the sun.
   Look for a soft hat so they can still lie down comfortably while wearing it. A full crown hat with a full brim or a neck flap is better than a baseball cap because it provides more shade.
- Sunglasses: look for close-fitting, wrap-around sunglasses that meet the Australian Standard AS/ NZS 1067. Wearing sunglasses in combination with an appropriate hat

- can reduce your child's exposure to ultra-violet rays by 98 per cent.
- Sunscreen: use a SPF 30+ sunscreen on the face, hands and any other parts of your child that aren't covered by clothes. It will work better if you put it on 20 minutes before you go outside. Remember to reapply every two hours.

This information has been sourced from Raising Children Network's comprehensive and quality-assured Australian parenting website www.raisingchildren.net.au

# Keeping your pets safe

Like humans, animals can suffer from overheating, dehydration and even sunburn in the warmer months. There are a number of easy precautions that pet owners can take to ensure their pet is safe from the dangers of heat stress.

If pets are going to be left outdoors on warm days, owners need to make sure they have access to shaded areas and a constant supply of cool, fresh water.

To keep the water cool, try adding ice blocks and if you are home during the day, bring your pets inside and let them rest in a cool part of the house.

Remember pets, especially dogs, still need exercise in summer. It is best to walk your dog early in the morning or later in the evening to avoid them overheating and their paws burning on hot asphalt.

Under no circumstances should pet owners leave an animal in the

car on a hot day. Temperatures can quickly soar to more than 70 degrees causing fatality.



It is best to walk your dog early in the morning or later in the evening during summer.

Photo: Housemouse.

# Glen Eira Police Community Register

Caulfield Police are encouraging older or vulnerable residents who are not on the Glen Eira Police Community Register to take advantage of this successful initiative, particularly with the warmer weather now upon us.

The Register, which has around 1,300 residents listed, is maintained by trained and police accredited volunteers who contact registered residents regularly to check on their welfare, discuss any security issues and general concerns.

Leading Senior Constable Gary Oram said the *Register*, which is overseen by Victoria Police, is an important community safety initiative.

"The Glen Eira Police Community Register gives our older residents peace of mind," Leading Senior Constable Oram said.

"It's a great way for our more vulnerable residents to stay in touch with the community.

"Caulfield Police are very keen to ensure the continued success of the initiative and we see it as an ideal way of ensuring the continued safety of our citizens, particularly during the hot summer months."

Residents who provide their details will have their next of kin and emergency contact secured into the *Register's* database. All personal information is securely held.

Volunteers contact residents on the Register on a monthly basis (more regularly if requested) to check on their welfare and security and to assist them with any concerns they may have. Referrals will be made to the appropriate service providers if assistance is required or asked for.

Glen Eira Police also offer a home safety audit to those on the *Register* if requested, to ensure the resident's home has a clearly displayed house number, fitted smoke alarms, security doors, sensor lights and deadlocks.

If you would like to join the Register, contact Leading Senior Constable Gary Oram on 9556 6552.

# Keeping safe this summer

With summer now upon us, here are some simple safety tips to help you get through the warmer months.

#### Who is most at risk from heat-related illness?

- people over 65, particularly those living alone without air conditioning;
- pregnant women, breastfeeding mothers and infants;
- overweight or obese people;
- people with pre-existing health conditions;
- people with limited or poor mobility; and
- people taking medications that may interfere with the body's ability to regulate temperature.

#### Preparing yourself for a heatwave

- Improve your aerobic fitness by undertaking regular, moderate exercise in warmer weather prior to severe hot weather. This will enable your body to adapt and cope better during a heatwave.
- Lose excess weight.
- · Visit your doctor and make sure any pre-existing medical conditions are as well controlled as possible.

#### Preparing your house for a heatwave

Have your air conditioner serviced.

 Look at the things you can do to make your home cooler, such as installing awnings, shade cloths or external blinds on the sun-facing sides of the house.

#### Preparing for a power failure

- Think about what you would do if a heatwave caused a power outage or disrupted public transport — would you be okay?
- In the event of a power outage, ensure you have a torch, fully-charged mobile phone, battery-operated radio and sufficient batteries.

#### Look out for others

- Take care of yourself and look out for family, friends and neighbours who may need help coping in the heat. Help them to prepare their house for the hottest part of summer.
- Have a list of family and close friends' telephone numbers by your phone in case of an emergency.

For further information or for a copy of Glen Eira City Council's heatwave safety brochures and flyers, contact Council's Public Health and Community



Glen Eira Seniors Walking Group improving their aerobic fitness so that their body can adapt and cope better with a heatwave.

Photo: Action Pix Photography.

# Development Unit on 9524 3333.

# Prevent burglars from breaking in

Police statistics show there were 1,045 recorded incidents of residential burglary within the City of Glen Eira during the 2011-12 financial year. This is an eight per cent increase from 2010-II where there were 967 incidents recorded.

Most burglaries tend to be opportunistic, rather than planned. Burglars usually choose houses that have little or no visible security. So if your home does not look secure, seems unlived in, or provides unobserved access, it could be at risk. However, by taking just a few simple measures, you can reduce the chances of it happening to you.

#### Windows and doors

With summer underway, Victorian houses are at their most vulnerable when it comes to security as people open windows and doors to circulate air through their homes.

Ensure all doors and windows are locked before leaving your house. Windows should be secured with key locks or security grilles.

Sliding patio doors are vulnerable to forced entry because they can be lifted from their tracks. Fitting patio bolts to your door will prevent this from happening.

All external doors should be fitted with Australian Standard deadlocks.

It is also important not to leave keys hanging visibly on key hooks. A burglar may take these and use them to gain entry to your property at a later date.

#### **Alarms**

A monitored alarm system can be a deterrent to burglars if it has both visual and audible warning devices. An alarm will greatly reduce the amount of time burglars will be willing to spend in your property, thus reducing the amount of items they can steal.

#### Other useful tips

An overflowing mailbox could be a sign that you are away from your house. If you are going to be away for an extended period of time, ask a neighbour to collect your letters or have your mail held or re-directed at the post office.

The same applies to your garden make sure it is maintained and have a friend mow your lawn if required.

Keep gates in good condition and have them locked with a quality padlock.

A well-concealed safe can save personal documents, jewellery and other valuable property items in the event of a burglary. Fire resistant safes provide added protection.

Property marked with your personal identification deters thieves because it makes it harder to sell the items. It also assists police in recovering your property.



Arrange for a neighbour to collect your mail. Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

# Get to know your neighbours this summer

Glen Eira City Council is encouraging residents to get to know their neighbours this summer.

Having contact with others is critical during hot summer days.

The people usually most affected by a heatwave are the elderly and people living alone, particularly if they are isolated or lack social support.

If they come into difficulty in the heat, they may not be able to access medical help, or be able to get help from others.

People who know others in the community are more likely to ask for help and cope better in an emergency.

So this summer remember to:

- I. Look out for each other.
- 2. Get to know your neighbours, particularly the elderly and more vulnerable.
- 3. Keep in touch with family and friends and see how they are coping in the heat. It is also a good way to let them know that you are okay too.
- **4.** Keep a telephone list of friends, family and neighbours next to the phone in case of an emergency.
- 5. If you are worried about yourself or others don't be afraid to get help. Get a family member to come and pick you up from home and go to a cool place or call emergency services on triple zero.

Cut this out now! Place under a Fridge Magnet ≽

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#### **MEETINGS AND CLUBS**

Arthritis Support Group meets on the first Tuesday of each month from 10am at Bentleigh-Bayside Community Health, Gardeners Road, Bentleigh East. Contact: 9598 3094.

Australian Plants Society South East Melbourne Region meets on the first Tuesday of each month (except January and Melbourne Cup Day) from 8pm at Hughesdale Community Centre, corner Poath and Kangaroo Roads, Hughesdale. Contact: 9578 3171.

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

Bentleigh Ladies Probus Club meets on the first Thursday of each month from 10am at the Uniting Church, 497 Centre Road, Bentleigh. Contact: 9557 4067.

Bentleigh Men's Probus Club meets on the second Thursday of each month from 10.15am at Bentleigh RSL. Contact: 9579 5506.

**Bentleigh Recreation Club,** Arthur Street, Bentleigh, is employing a new coaching team and is looking for new members.

Contact: 0430 179 942.

Carnegie Lions Club meets on the first and third Tuesday of each month from 6.30pm at Murrumbeena Park Bowling Club, Gerald Street, Murrumbeena. Contact: 0423 680 163.

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 from 10am at Gladys Machin Hall, 8–10 Cedar Street, Caulfield South. Contact: 9563 5105.

**Caulfield Garden Club** meets on the first Tuesday of each month from 8pm at St John's, 567 Glenhuntly Road, Elsternwick. Contact: 9532 7848.

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

Caulfield Park Croquet Club teaches association croquet or golf croquet.
Coaching and equipment is provided. Flat soled shoes must be worn. We play every Thursday and Saturday.
Contact: 9596 3845.

Caulfield Park Petanque Club: come and learn to play French boules. Coaching and boules provided. Play social games on the first and third Saturday of each month. Contact: 0403 267 249.

Centre Bentleigh Garden Club meets on the first Tuesday of each month between February and November from I.30pm at YWCA Hall, I78 East Boundary Road, Bentleigh East. Contact: 9570 7045.

Friendly Tours Social Club has day tours to country areas on the first Sunday of each month.
Contact: 9569 0134.

Glen Eira Adult Learning Centre is offering computer classes, digital courses, MYOB, Introduction to Business Administration, Conversational French/Spanish, Italian for Travelers, Fun with Art and 'Needle, Knit, Natter' classes. Contact: 9578 8996.

Glen Eira Artists Society offers weekly tutored and untutored life drawing sessions, portrait groups and monthly en plein air days in Caulfield Park.
Contact: 0412 030 467.

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

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

Glen Eira Tennis Club Inc. offers free over 50s doubles tennis at Princes Park, Beech Street, Caulfield South. Mens doubles and mixed doubles: Thursday mornings from 9am. Ladies doubles: Tuesday mornings from 9.30am. Contact: 9523 6966.

**Kiwanis Brighton Club** holds social dinners on the fourth Wednesday of each month from 7pm at the Marine Hotel, New Street, Brighton.
Contact: 9596 4815.

**Ladies Probus Club** of Ormond meets on the third Wednesday of each month from 10am at The Bentleigh Club, Yawla Street, Bentleigh. Contact: 9569 7576.

**Life Activities Club Bentleigh Inc.** offers social activities for seniors. Contact: 9557 2562.

McKinnon Needlepointers meet every second Thursday from Ipm at Godfrey Street Community House, 9 Godfrey Street, Bentleigh. Contact: 9578 1117. Moorleigh Mens Probus Club meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month from 10am at Bentleigh East Sporting and Recreation Clubrooms, 62 Mackie Road, Bentleigh East. Contact: 9579 3352.

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

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

**Ormond Senior Citizens Club** meets at 2 Newham Grove, Ormond. Contact: 9557 1856.

**Qigong and Tai Chi classes** are held on Mondays at I Iam at Bentleigh Senior Citizens Club, Arthur Street, Bentleigh. Includes Tai Chi for arthritis. Contact: 9584 2428.

Rotary Club of Bentleigh Moorabbin Central meets every Wednesday from 7am at the Hemisphere Conference Centre, Holmesglen Moorabbin Campus, 488 South Road, Moorabbin. Contact: president@rotarybmc.org

**Sandbelt Ladies Probus Club** meets on the first Monday of each month from I 0am 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 from 10.30am at St Anthony's Parish Hall, corner Grange and Neerim Roads, Carnegie. Contact: 0415 501 312.

#### **EVENTS**

East Bentleigh Primary School operates a community market every Thursday at 3.30pm. Contact: 9570 3525.

Adelphi Players Theatre Company presents Aladdin and his Wonderful Lamp at Labassa, 2 Manor Grove, Caulfield North. Dates: 1,8 and 9 December at 1.30pm and 3.15pm. Bookings essential. Tickets: adults \$10 and children \$8. Contact: 9690 1593.

Murrumbeena Festive Season Market will be held on 8 December from 9am at 117 Murrumbeena Road, Murrumbeena. Entry: gold coin. Contact: 9568 7190.

Music Lovers' Society Concert will be held on 8 December at 8pm at Ewing Memorial Uniting Church, corner Coppin Street and Burke Road, Malvern East. Admission: \$22, seniors \$18, pensioners \$13, students \$9 and family \$50. Members free.
Contact: 0435 997 037.

Glen Eira City Choir presents Christmas Joy on 9 December at 2.30pm at St James' Anglican Church, 1461 High Street, Glen Iris. Tickets: \$25 and concession \$22. Contact: 0423 129 371.

Indie Market Place Handcraft Market will be held on 16 December from 10am at Brighton Recreational Centre, 93 Outer Crescent, Brighton. Contact: 0417 347 541.

#### **COMMUNITY**

Bentleigh Calisthenics College, Uniting Church Hall, Centre Road, Bentleigh welcomes new students. Contact: 0400 648 822 or visit www.bentleighcalisthenics.com

**Bridge for seniors:** learn the fundamentals of bridge at the Glen Eira U3A. This 20 week course is for people over 55, runs on Tuesday afternoons from 5 February.

Contact: 9572 0571.

Carnegie Playgroup including three-year-old activity group has places available each Tuesday of the school term in 2013. Contact:

www.wix.com/3yearold/activitygroup

**East Bentleigh Primary School** welcomes families to come and tour the school.

Contact: 9570 3525.

**Marriott Support Services** is seeking volunteers.

Contact: 9578 7557.

Moongala Community House offers adult classes in computing, ESL, returning to work, sessional childcare for 2013, playgroups, art classes and friendship groups.

Contact: 9570 3468.

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

Temple Society Bentleigh German School provides after school German language classes for school aged children at 152 Tucker Road, Bentleigh. Contact: 0407 271 764.

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.

# 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

**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*.

#### **Recent consultation opportunities**

Subject	Туре	Date
Child care services	Survey	Closes 8 December
Maternal and Child Health	Survey	Closes 14 December

#### 新的 Glen Eira 市政府

繼10月份市政府選舉之後,在11月1日星期四舉 行的市政府特別會議上,2013 - 2017年 Glen Eira 市政府正式宣誓就任。

三十二位候選人競選市政區三個選區的席位, 其中 Camden 選區有11位候選人,Rosstown 選區有8位候選人,而Tucker 選區有14位候選

兩位新的市議員當選,六位前市議員連任,他 們將在今後四年中代表 Glen Eira 社區。

新當選的九位2013 - 2017年市議員是:

- · Tucker 選區—Jamie Hyams 市議員; Oscar Lobo 市議員 ;Jim Magee 市議員
- ・Camden 選區—Michael Lipshutz 市議 員; Mary Delahunty 市議員; Thomas Sounness 市議員
- ・Rosstown 選區—Margaret Esakoff 市議 員; Karina Okotel 市議員; Neil Pilling

在宣誓就職儀式上,每個市議員都在家人和朋 友的見證下朗讀並簽署了就職誓言和市議員行 為準則。

維州78個市政府選舉的最終結果顯示有331位原 市議員連任,另有300位新市議員當選。

#### Νέο Συμβούλιο του Glen Eira

Το Συμβούλιο του Glen Eira για το 2013-2017 ορκίστκε επίσημα στην Ειδική Συνεδρίαση του Δήμου την Πέμπτη 1 Νοεμβρίου, μετά τις Δημοτικές Εκλογές του Οκτωβρίου.

Τριάντα τρεις υποψήφιοι διεκδίκησαν θέσεις στις τρεις εκλογικές περιφέρειες του Δήμου -11 υποψήφιοι για την εκλογική περιφέρεια του Camden, οκτώ υποψήφιοι για την εκλογική περιφέρεια του Rosstown και 14 υποψήφιοι για την εκλογική περιφέρεια του Tucker.

Δυο νέοι σύμβουλοι εκλέχτηκαν και έξι πρώην σύμβουλοι επανεκλέγηκαν για να εκπροσωπήσουν την κοινότητα του Glen Eira για τα επόμενα τέσσερα χρόνια.

Οι εννέα εκλεγμένοι σύμβουλοι για το 2013-2017 είναι:

- Tucker Ward Jamie Hyams, Oscar Lobo και Jim Magee.
- Camden Ward Michael Lipshutz, Mary Delahunty και Thomas Sounness.
- Rosstown Ward Margaret Esakoff, Karina Okotel και Neil Pilling.

Κατά τη διάρκεια της τελετής της ορκωμοσίας, που παρακολουθήθηκε από τις οικογένειες και τους φίλους ο κάθε σύμβουλος διάβασε και υπέγραψε τον Όρκο του Αξιώματος και τον Κώδικα Συμπεριφοράς των Συμβούλων.

Τα τελικά αποτελέσματα των εκλογών για τις 78 δημοτικές εκλογές στη Βικτώρια έδειξαν ότι τους 331 επανεκλεγέντες συμβούλους θα περιστοιχιστούν από 300 νέους συμβούλους.

#### **Nuova Giunta Comunale a Glen Eira**

La nuova Giunta Comunale di Glen Eira è entrata ufficialmente in carica per il mandato del 2013-2017 durante una seduta speciale del Consiglio Comunale tenutasi giovedì 1 novembre e facente seguito alle elezioni di ottobre.

Trentatrè candidati si sono disputati i seggi nelle tre circoscrizioni — 11 candidati per la circosrizione di Camden, 8 candidati per quella di Rosstown e 14 candidati per la circoscrizione di

Sono stati eletti due nuovi consiglieri e sei dei consiglieri in carica sono stati rieletti a rappresentare la comunità di Glen Eira per i prossimi quattro anni.

I nove consiglieri eletti per il mandato del 2013-

- Circoscrizione di Tucker Cons. Jamie Hyams, Cons. Oscar Lobo e Cons. Jim Magee.
- Circoscrizione di Camden Cons. Michael Lipshutz, Cons. Mary Delahunty e Cons. Thomas Sounness.
- Circoscrizione di Rosstown Cons. Margaret Esakoff, Cons. Karina Okotel e Cons. Neil

Durante la cerimonia del giuramento, a cui erano presenti familiari ed amici, ciascun consigliere ha letto e firmato il giuramento di incarico ed il Codice di Condotta del Consigliere.

I risultati finali delle elezioni per i 78 municipi del Victoria hanno confermato la rielezione di 331 consiglieri che saranno affiancati da 300 nuovi consiglieri.

#### Новый муниципальный совет Glen Eira

После проведения муниципальных выборов в октябре этого года, новый муниципальный совет Glen Eira 2013-2017 был официально приведен к присяге на специальном собрании, которое состоялось в четверг, 1 ноября.

В трех избирательных округах муниципалитета баллотировались 33 кандидата: 11 в округе Camden, 8 – в округе Rosstown, и 14 – в округе

В новый муниципальный совет, который будет работать следующие 4 года, были избраны 2 новых члена; 6 членов совета были переизбраны.

Состав муниципального совета Glen Eira на 2013-2017:

- Округ Tucker Jamie Hyams, Oscar Lobo и Jim Magee.
- Округ Camden Michael Lipshutz, Mary Delahunty и Thomas Sounness.
- Округ Rosstown Margaret Esakoff, Karina Okotel и Neil Pilling.

На церемонии приведения к присяге присутствовали друзья и родственники. Каждый член муниципального совета прочел и подписал "Присягу вступления в должность" и "Кодекс поведения члена муниципального

По всему штату Виктория, выборы проводились в 78 муниципалитетах. Были избраны 331 новых членов муниципального совета, и 300 членов были переизбраны.

## Immunisation sessions

### Health

#### Gardeners Road, Bentleigh East

Saturday 15 December and Saturday 19 January 9am-11am

Wednesday 5 December, Thursday 20 December, Wednesday 16 January and Thursday 31 January 5.30pm-7.30pm

#### Carnegie Library and **Community Centre**

#### 7 Shepparson Avenue, Carnegie

Wednesday 12 December

**Bentleigh-Bayside Community** 1.30pm–2.30pm and 5.30pm–7.30pm

Wednesday 23 January Ipm-2.30pm and 5.30pm-7.30pm

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

Monday 17 December and Monday 14 January 9.30am-1 Iam

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

Corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield

Tuesday 4 December and

Tuesday 8 January 6pm-7pm

Tuesday II December and Tuesday 15 January 9.30am-11am

Glen Huntly Maternal and Child **Health Centre** 

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

Wednesday 19 December and Wednesday 30 January 9.30am-I Iam

#### **McKinnon Public Hall** 118 McKinnon Road, McKinnon

Monday 3 December and Monday 7 January 9.30am-I Iam



# Party in the Park 2013

Glen Eira City Council brings the community together in January, February and March with a series of free outdoor events held in three of the City's best loved parks.

Come and enjoy two afternoons of free entertainment and family fun at Princes and Allnutt Parks and then join us for an evening of top musical entertainment at Packer Park.

A selection of gourmet food and refreshments will also be available along with loads of market stalls.

#### Sunday 20 January I2pm-4pm **Princes Park** Hawthorn Road, Caulfield South (Mel Ref: 68 A6)

Hosted by Jack Dan, activities include:

- · live shows by Dorothy the Dinosaur and Fireman Sam;
- roving performances by Elmo and Masked Marauders:
- art and craft activities including Glaze It pottery painting;
- · healthy kids cooking classes;
- · free rides and face painting;
- Petting Zoo and Animals of Oz Wildlife Education Program; and
- Talent Quest on day registration.

**Under the Stars** Saturday 16 February 6pm-I0pm

#### **Packer Park** Leila Road, Carnegie (Mel Ref: 68 J8)

Come and enjoy an evening of live music and delicious food in one of Glen Eira's most beautiful parks with performances by:

- Tim Freedman and Mama Kin; and
- After Dark winner of Battle of the Bands 2012.

Sunday 3 March I2pm-4pm **Allnutt Park** Wheatley Road, McKinnon (Mel Ref: 68 CII)

Hosted by Richard Vegas, activities include:

- live shows by Raa Raa the Noisy Lion and Angelina Ballerina;
- roving performance by Tubby the Robot;
- art and craft activities including puppet making;
- healthy kids cooking classes;
- · silent disco and free rides; and
- · face painting.

Pet Expo

obedience training demonstrations and vet advice;

Petting Zoo and Animals of Oz Wildlife Education Program; and

Pet Parade, competitions and giveaways.

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



Party in the Park 2012 — Princes Park.



Party in the Park Under the Stars — Packer Park.



Party in the Park 2012 Pet Expo — Allnutt Park.

Glen Eira City Council Art Gallery, Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield.
Phone: 9524 3333. Opening times: Monday–Friday 10am–5pm, Saturday and Sunday 1pm–5pm. Free admission.

#### The 2012 A.M.E. Bale Travelling Scholarship and Art Prize Exhibition of Finalists

#### I-I6 December 2012

The A.M.E. Bale Travelling Scholarship and Art Prize Exhibition of Finalists will feature works from three different award categories (Major Award for a Travelling Scholarship, A.M.E. Bale Art Prize in the medium of oils and/or acrylics and A.M.E. Bale Art Prize for Works on Paper). The travelling scholarship and art prizes are awarded to Australian artists who have demonstrated talent and achievement in traditional styles. They are intended to encourage, support and advance classical training of emerging artists (in their early to mid-career) at any stage of life, who are pursuing the study and practice of traditional art and who desire to study the works of old masters.

The A.M.E. Bale Travelling Scholarship and Art Prizes were established through the will of pre-eminent flower and still life painter Alice Bale. The judging panel is comprised through the Twenty Melbourne Painters Society and provides expert assistance to the trustee, Perpetual Trustees Victoria Ltd, in judging the award, taking into consideration the implementation of both the spirit and letter of Miss Bale's will.



Still life with birds 2011 Oil on canvas 55 x 90 cm Winner of the 2011 A.M.E. Bale Travelling Scholarship Award

#### **GALLERY ANNEXE**

Glen Eira Artists Society

4-16 December 2012

The Glen Eira Artists Society will feature a number of their evocative works from their 11 November 2012

Paint In the Park Day at Caulfield Park. The exhibition will showcase the beauty and activity of Caulfield Park — one of Council's most valued venues.

The Gallery will be closed to the public for its annual maintenance program from 17 December 2012 and will reopen 30 January 2013.



Monthly En Plein Air painting in Caulfield Park. Work by award winning artist Peter Edgeley. Photo: Rina Reiss.



# Look before opening

Did you know that 'dooring' represents one in five of all crashes involving cyclists reported to police and is the most common cause of a crash?

The idea behind placing a Look Before Opening (LBO) sticker on the inside driver's window of your car, is to provide drivers with a visual cue every time they open their door to look out for cyclists.

Cars and bicycles need to co-exist; LBO aims to change the habits of drivers who simply forget to 'look before opening'. It aims to create a safer riding environment for everyone and change driver behaviour and habits.

Look Before Opening is giving away free stickers. To obtain your sticker, follow the links provided at www.lookbeforeopening.com

# Young doctors looking out for you

Next time you're at Carnegie Swim Centre, you can be confident you have some of the most capable lifeguards in the state looking out for you.

As part of a proactive recruitment strategy, Centre operators YMCA have been recruiting staff through a number of local universities. Students are given practical experience to show them what to expect in a career in the medical field while Glen Eira residents can be assured they are receiving the best in safety standards at the pool this summer.

Brendan, Clare and Ryan are three of eight paramedic and medical students employed by the YMCA this summer at Carnegie Swim Centre. They will be working as pool lifeguards and duty managers.

Be sure to say hello next time you're having a swim.



Brendan, Clare and Ryan are three of eight paramedic and medical students employed by the YMCA this summer at Carnegie Swim Centre. Photo: George Stuckey.

# Access Unlimited

People with a disability will tell you that one of the main challenges they face is overcoming other people's negative or stereotypical attitudes.

Access Unlimited is a partnership between the cities of Glen Eira, Stonnington and the State Government aimed at creating an environment that encourages inclusion for people with disabilities in pre-existing programs.

The success stories have come from a wide range of activities including bowls, tennis, cycling, karate, dance, photography and dog training. Here's an overview of one person's experience at a local dog training club.

Hi, my name is Anne. I have a physical disability and live in a big, six wheel powered chair. My constant companion is Midnight, or Middie, as I like to call him. He is a large privately trained black poodle assistance dog.

Midnight needs to socialise with other dogs, and I need interesting activities to participate in, so I decided to try Bayside Companion Dog School.

Over the years, I have found it very difficult to find places that look at me as a person, before looking at my chair and making assumptions about my capabilities. Too often I have been told that an activity accepts people with a disability, only to find when I made enquiries I was restricted and not able to participate fully in all the activities.

I was pleasantly surprised when I turned up; everyone was friendly, and I loved that I was not treated like a child, but like the adult that I am. I was immediately accepted as a woman with a dog to train. I can participate in everything, even the competitions.

If you like dogs, come and try our club. I guarantee that you will be made to feel welcome. You don't even have to own a dog — one of the instructors will let you work with theirs.

If you have any questions or suggestions on inclusive opportunities, contact Access Unlimited on 8290 1185.



Anne and Middie at Bayside Companion Dog School.

# Packer Park west — stage two complete

Further works have been undertaken to finalise the redevelopment of the old lawn bowls site at Packer Park. The works follow on from the installation of community accessible lawn bowls and bocce rinks and pathways.

Recently completed works include a rotunda, picnic seating, electric barbecues and additional planting. The area is open to the public at all times and is sure to become a popular destination now that the warmer weather has arrived.

Like many other locations in Glen Eira, the rotunda can be hired for your special occasion. For booking enquiries, contact Council's facilities bookings officer on 9524 3333.

# Rotundas/open spaces for hire

As the warmer weather settles in, there's no better time for residents and visitors of Glen Eira to make use of the public facilities available within our parks and reserves. However, if you are planning a large function in one of the parks, please enquire through Council's Service Centre about making a booking.

Bookings can be made for all open space areas and rotundas/shelters. A booking administration fee applies for each reservation however, the peace of mind in knowing your guests can arrive and meet in a pre-arranged place makes it a worthwhile investment.

For further information, contact Council's Facilities Bookings Officer on 9524 3333.

# New outdoor area at Caulfield Recreation Centre

The ever popular Caulfield Recreation Centre has recently expanded to include an outdoor training area. Since opening, the outdoor area has proven to be very popular for a range of users including personal training clients, general members, challenge fitness camp (boot camp) groups, youth and older adult program participants.

In the future, the flexible outdoor space will allow for additional programs and provide gym members with the opportunity to enjoy the warmer weather while exercising.

For further information on the Centre and its programs, visit www.caulfield.ymca.org.au

# Youth Leadership Team blood drive

Glen Eira City Council's Youth Leadership Team (YLT) members have made it their focus to raise awareness of the importance of blood donation. The team recently met with Community Relations Officer Mark Jonasz from the Caulfield Blood Donation Centre to learn about the need for blood donation, and why locals should take part in a great cause that benefits so many Australians.

Currently, one in three Australians will need blood in their lifetime but only one in 30 actually donates. Demand for blood and blood products will double in the next 10 years so the need to raise awareness is important.

Along with the current technological drive, the Australian Red Cross Blood Service has expanded its reach by

turning to Facebook. They're urging Australians to 'go with the flow' and join its Facebook page to monitor Australia's blood supply and learn more about the importance of voluntary donation. It is this innovative move that has seen 8,000 members already liking the page with the hopes of increasing this significantly in the coming months.

YLT members would like to join in raising awareness, by donating blood themselves. As first time donors, they hope this move will inspire other young people to donate.

To learn more about the Blood Service online, visit www.donateblood.com.au or go to www.facebook.com/redcrossbloodau

Youth Leadership Team members — Back row: Lucy Thompson, Shruti Malaviya, Jenny Liu, Aimee Liu. Front row: Bekki Molineux, Amy Bismire, Billie Tumarkin. Photo: Tanya Fughs

# Youth Leadership Team 2013

Glen Eira City Council is currently recruiting new members to join the 2013 Youth Leadership Team (YLT). The YLT is a group of dynamic young people who are interested in further developing their leadership skills and organising and hosting events for young people in Glen Eira.

The program runs during the school year and members are given the opportunity to organise youth events such as the Youth Art Expo during National Youth Week, Battle of the Bands and advocate for local causes.

Members receive training in event management, occupational health and safety as well as an opportunity to develop their leadership skills in decision making, effective teamwork, evaluation and public speaking. Members are then encouraged to become active participants in their local communities.

If you or someone you know would like to join, please contact Youth Services on 9524 3676 or email youthservices@gleneira.vic.gov.au



Parents please note: The Australian Childhood

childhood vaccinations are completed by four years. If your child is not vaccinated by four years and one

Immunisation Register recommends that all

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## Introducing Youth Leadership Team member Billie

#### What is the Youth Leadership Team (YLT) and why did you want to be a part of it?

The YLT is a youth group based around learning leadership and organisational skills within the Glen Eira community. I've always been interested in event planning and when the opportunity presented itself,YLT felt like a great way to

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

Through the Glen Eira Leader.

#### What skills have you gained from the program?

I have improved my team working skills, but especially my understanding of all the behind the scene aspects that make an event happen.

#### What have you most enjoyed as a part of the 2012YLT?

The Battle of the Bands event that we recently hosted. It was great to see all our hard work and planning come together into what I thought was a really great event.

#### Where do you see yourself in 10 years time?

Hopefully in London involved in journalism, writing poetry, singing and studying youth psychology.

#### What is your favourite meal?

My favourite meal would have to be lasagne — but I love almost everything. Food is my guilty pleasure.

#### If you could have any job what would it be?

Prime Minister.



YLT member Billie. Photo: Tanya Fughs.

# Special four-year-old immunisation sessions 2012-13

Glen Eira City Council's Immunisation Service is offering immunisation sessions for four-year-old children in 2012-13. 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.

Saturday I December

9.30am-11.30am

Bentleigh-Bayside

Community Health

Gardeners Road

Bentleigh East

month they will be considered overdue and you will receive reminder letters from Council.

Bentleigh-Bayside Community Health Gardeners Road Bentleigh East

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9.30am-11.30am

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# Take your business to the next step with BusEd's IT Projects 2013

Glen Eira businesses have once again reaped the rewards of being involved in Council's BusEd Program — linking business and education for mutually beneficial outcomes. Monash University and Swinburne University IT students, with the support of their lecturers, have developed IT business solutions, systems and tools for local businesses, including websites, databases, software applications and business management systems.

The year-long Monash University projects culminated in a business expoheld at the Caulfield Campus last month where both students and I I local businesses showcased their new web-based business tools.

Swinburne students also delivered I4 IT Projects over one semester, working with Glen Eira businesses to develop or upgrade their websites or to create customised IT software to support their business.

The BusEd Program is now seeking expressions of interest from local business owners who would like to participate in the IT Projects 2013.

These projects are ideal for businesses with limited resources, which would like to take their business to the next level via a new or upgraded web-enabled system or customised business IT system.

The following examples from the Monash 2012 projects, illustrate some of the outcomes that can be achieved.

#### Ampvolt Electrical, Caulfield South — new website and information management system

Richard Ginsburg of Ampvolt is excited about the impact the new web-based system will have on Ampvolt Electrical.

"The website that the students developed provides us with a distinct online presence that enables existing

and prospective clients to connect with our business.

"The back-end system will streamline our processes enabling our customers to log work requests online and upload electronic drawings. This will enable us to provide a much faster service, spend more time out on the field and further improve the customer experience from start to finish," Richard said.

He said the company's experience with the project was excellent and the process ran surprisingly smoothly.

"The public website that the students developed is impressive and the backend system is exactly what we were looking for — plus it has number of additional features we didn't even think of before."

Richard said the students were enthusiastic, technically knowledgeable and took pride in their work.

"It was exciting watching the system develop week to week. Aside from receiving a fantastic end product, the whole process was valuable in terms of learning about web development and I am now much more confident in maximising the relationship with technical professionals."



Richard Ginsburg (second from right) — Ampvolt Electrical with Monash students Gavin Liu, Lily Li and Pradeep Kakumamu.

Photo: Lynda Bredin.

#### The Bread Roll Shop, Ormond — new website

Andrew and Tony Whitty of the Bread Roll Shop are delighted with the result of their Monash IT Project.

"The students produced a professional website that will further strengthen our business brand," Andrew said.

"We are very proud of the outcome — it is exactly what we had hoped it would be and we are excited that we now have the online presence we dreamed of even before our application for the project was even written.

"Our experience with the Monash students was first class. The students assigned to us were very knowledgeable and professional and we felt confident of a good result from our first contact with them."

Andrew said the students were always mindful of business time constraints and arranged meetings in less busy times.

"We would like to thank the students involved, and also Glen Eira City Council and Monash University for coming together to achieve such a perfect win-win scenario."



Gillian Newton (centre) — Vitalessence with Monash students Artur Franke, Jonathan Runtu, Thamer Al-Merry and Brendan Delosa. Photo: Lynda Bredin.

# Vitalessence, Bentleigh — new website with business management functionality

Gillian Newton of Vitalessence, a natural therapies business specialising in fertility and children, says that her involvement in the Monash IT Project was a positive experience.

"The system that the students have developed for my business is complex and I am very impressed with their abilities," Gillian said

It includes a public website that provides information about the company's services and products to prospective and existing clients. It also enables registered members to book an appointment online and receive

an online diagnosis for Chinese herbs
— a cutting edge service in such an industry that will enable clients in other regions to access the service remotely.

The students also developed a back-end system to streamline the process of prescription and stock management, appointment management and reporting, helping to make the practitioners more productive.

"My experience with the students has been fantastic. They created a clear project plan, were always prepared and their communication was excellent," Gillian said.

"I believe that this website will assist our clinic to grow over the next decade in areas that previously would not have been possible. I strongly recommend this program to any business that is looking to enhance its exposure and improve business management processes."



Tony Whitty (second from left) — The Bread Roll Shop with Monash students Stephanie Ng, Duke Du and James Micsko. Photo: Lynda Bredin.

While there is no cost to participate in the *Program*, the projects are a collaborative effort between client and students. Businesses must be committed and prepared to invest their time to allow for the best possible outcome.

The universities are looking for projects with varying levels of complexity depending on the length of the projects (one or two semesters). The universities will select projects that challenge the students and help them achieve their learning requirements. Simple information based websites generally do not provide enough challenge for the students and so businesses which are considering applying are encouraged to think about additional processes and functionality that would assist their business.

If you would like to apply for an IT Project for 2013 or discuss your project idea, contact Sandy Brouvalis on 9524 3333 or sbrouvalis@gleneira.vic.gov.au

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