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## My Brother Jack Awards 2015

Glen Eira City Council's *My Brother Jack Awards 2015* were announced at a ceremony at Town Hall on Sunday 21 June.

Held as part of the *Glen Eira Storytelling Festival*, a record number of entries were received this year, with 443 submitted.

To commemorate the 20th anniversary of the *Awards* and the Centenary of the Gallipoli landing, any short story or poem set in or around World War One was eligible to enter the *Caulfield and Bentleigh RSL Special Award* — 126 entries were considered for this *Award*.

Glen Eira Mayor Cr Jim Magee said for the past 20 years, the *Awards* have seen thousands of entries from Glen Eira residents, sharing their stories, their poetry and in more recent years their photographs.

"It's an extraordinary undertaking to create a story in any medium, one that requires a great deal of skill and passion," Cr Magee said.

"I hope that everyone who entered the competition enjoyed the process as much as we enjoyed experiencing your work."

Council would like to thank each of the judges for their time and commitment, as well as the sponsors, both old and new, and the supporters of the *Awards*.

Congratulations to the following prize winners.

**Avenue Bookstore Open Short Story Award**  
**Judge: Toni Jordan**

First prize: Marie Watt — *The Mud Crab*  
Second prize: Melisa Quigley — *The House on the Hill*  
Third prize: Debbie Jacobs — *Honesty*

Commended: Kevin Summers — *The Game of Doc Thomas*  
Commended: Peter Farrar — *Goodbye Opa*  
Commended: Fatema Ahmed — *A Suitable Bride*

**Caulfield Park Community Bank Branch Open Poetry Award**  
**Judge: Gayelene Carbis**

First prize: Megan Rogers — *Relativity*  
Second prize: Jesse Shapiro — *And Why Can't Poets Get Suntans*  
Third prize: Lisa Hart — *Rainbow*  
Commended: Chaya Herszberg — *Memories of a Colder April*  
Commended: Melisa Quigley — *Ice Cream*  
Commended: June Torcasio — *Shadow-world*

**Benn's Books Senior Secondary School Short Story Award**  
**Judge: Annette Trevitt**

First prize: Sidney Denham-Roberts — *Dear Brother*

**Benn's Books Senior Secondary School Poetry Award**  
**Judge: Wendy Joseph**

First prize: Lauren Rosenberg — *Would You Rather?*

**Hardie Egmont Junior Secondary School Short Story Award**  
**Judge: Annette Trevitt**

First prize: Harrison Stone — *Destination Lavatory*  
Commended: Grace Baldwin — *Previously*  
Commended: Hannah Bonney-Gibson — *Dear Gracie*

**Grill'd Healthy Burgers Carnegie Junior Secondary School Poetry Award**  
**Judge: Wendy Joseph**

First prize: Caleb Gering — *A Painting of War*  
Commended: Jodi Pang — *Apparition*  
Commended: Daniel Strom — *Through the Trenches*  
Commended: Alex Clancy — *Message to Bully*

**Hardie Grant Egmont Primary School Short Story Award**  
**Judge: Angela Meyer**

First prize: Chana Peshia Faigenbaum — *Granny Goldy's Bubble Trouble*  
Commended: Saylor Delves — *The Great Egret*

**Grill'd Healthy Burgers Elsternwick Primary School Poetry Award**  
**Judge: Ozlem Baro**

First prize: Ella O'Bryan — *Sprinter*  
Commended: Hannah Black — *Night*  
Commended: Jasmine Stern — *Spring*  
Commended: Charlotte Bilson-Evans — *Merciless War*

**Glen Eira City Council Photographic Award**  
**Judge: Diane Soumilas**

First prize: Sarah Black — *Bridge in Mallanbool Reserve*

**Caulfield and Bentleigh RSL Special Award**  
**Judge: Vin Elder**

First prize: Kevin Summers — *The Game of Doc Thomas*  
Commended: Marie Watt — *Uncle Andrew's Home*  
Commended: Emma Orwin — *The War Dragon*  
Commended: Ally Moylan — *Duty*

Cover image: Glen Eira Mayor Cr Jim Magee (middle) with the 2015 prize winners.  
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## Mayor's column

I recently had the opportunity to see for myself how Glen Eira City Council's *Community Grants Program* assists local community groups and organisations.

On Thursday 28 May, I had the pleasure of opening Glen Eira Adult Learning Centre's indigenous garden — I even had the opportunity to plant my own native plant.

It's fantastic to see firsthand how the *Program* assists with the implementation of local projects and activities. Grants for 2015–16 will be announced later this year.

A new event has been added to Council's Arts and Culture calendar. *Cabaret Lumiere* will excite and enthrall you with world-class entertainers on stage in the Auditorium at Glen Eira Town Hall, which will be transformed into a cabaret club for two afternoon and two evening performances.

Performance details, dates and ticket prices can be found on page 12.

Finally, Council's Youth Leadership Team is calling on bands, soloists, duos, acoustic acts or vocalists to submit their demo for a chance to play and compete for some awesome prizes in this year's *Sounds of Glen Eira* youth music event.

To enter, send your demo CD and contact details along with a musician or band biography to the Youth Information Centre by Friday 21 August.

*Sounds of Glen Eira* will be held on Friday 18 September. For further information, contact Youth Services on 9524 3676.

**Cr Jim Magee**  
**Mayor**



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## Council wins ARA Awards

Glen Eira City Council has won the *Governance Reporting Award* and *Sustainability Reporting Award* at the 2015 *Australasian Reporting Awards (ARA)*.

Announced in Melbourne on Thursday 18 June, Council received the Awards for its 2013–14 *Annual Report*.

Governance Institute of Australia Chief Executive Tim Sheehy said Glen Eira demonstrated “good governance culture and a strong commitment to open reporting.”

“Council’s *Report* demonstrated a detailed overview of its performance and its excellent approach to stakeholder management,” Mr Sheehy said

“Council showed that it is willing to discuss setbacks in order to improve overall performance.”

The ARA described Council as an outstanding performer and said the areas of governance and sustainability are critical to the performance and accountability of an organisation.

ARA judges said the *Report* provides an excellent overview of what happened in the City of Glen Eira in 2013–14.

“It is evident that Council has excellent stakeholder management and it is very

upfront about setbacks in performance,” they said.

“This engaging, easy to navigate report provides comprehensive operational, financial, environmental and social impact information.

“It is structured on Council’s strategic objectives to report to stakeholders on measures, actions, results and challenges.”

Council was also a finalist for the *Communication Award*, which was won by Plant and Food Research (New Zealand), and for the first time was a finalist for the *Report of the Year Award* (public sector), which was won by CSIRO.

For the seventh consecutive year, Council won the prestigious *Gold Award*.

Other organisations to win *Gold* included:

- BHP Billiton;
- Indigenous Business Australia;
- Sydney Opera House;
- Woodside Petroleum Limited; and
- other Victorian and interstate councils.

Copies of the 2013–14 *Annual Report* are available from Council’s Service Centre or [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au)

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## DEADLINES

The deadline for the September edition of *Glen Eira News* is Wednesday 29 July for delivery 31 August to 4 September (weather permitting).

For advertising and *Community Diary* enquiries, contact 9524 3333 or email [editor@gleneira.vic.gov.au](mailto:editor@gleneira.vic.gov.au)

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## Planning for additional open space

Glen Eira City Council has initiated formal processes to identify land for long-term use as open space in Carnegie and Gardenvale through community consultation.

Councils do not have the power to acquire private properties. They can, however, seek that power from the Minister for Planning in relation to specific properties through a four step process:

1. The Minister for Planning must authorise preparation of a Planning Scheme Amendment, which can then be placed on exhibition for community comment.
2. If there are submissions opposed to the Amendment, Council has three options — abandon the Amendment; change the Amendment in accordance with the submitters' request; or request the Minister to appoint an Independent Panel to hear the submissions.
3. If the matters are referred to a Panel, the Panel hears submissions directly from the community and provides an independent, public report back to Council.
4. Council can recommend that the Minister approves the Amendment and

incorporates it into the *Planning Scheme*. The Minister makes the final decision.

The involvement of a Panel and the Minister ensure independence in the process.

Glen Eira Amendment C140 proposes to apply a public acquisition overlay to land at 93 Mimosa Road and 11 Mile End Road, Carnegie. The purpose of the overlay is to identify land which is proposed to be acquired by Council at some point in the future and to reserve that land for a public purpose, in this case, public open space (pictured above).

As Council has never had the power to acquire these properties, media suggestions that Council was about to acquire property in Carnegie, evict residents or bulldoze housing were incorrect and needlessly distressing to residents.

Glen Eira Mayor Cr Jim Magee said following the commencement of the consultation process to acquire the two properties in Carnegie, there was widespread media coverage.

"Establishing an overlay and acquiring a property are two separate stages. Often the acquisition happens many years later when Council acquires the property to

turn it into something else — in this case, a new park," Cr Magee said.

Amendment C140 provides an opportunity for residents to comment about the land use issues in Carnegie.

Cr Magee said Council is also in the process of acquiring one property at 53 Magnolia Road, Gardenvale in order to enlarge the very popular Gardenvale Park.

"That Amendment (C135) was exhibited and attracted only one submission, which was in favour. Council has forwarded the Amendment to the Minister for approval," Cr Magee said.

Acquisitions are funded by levies on multi-unit property developments. Glen Eira charges the highest open space levy across the whole of the municipality (5.7 per cent) of any metropolitan council.

Cr Magee said the two proposals implement the *Open Space Strategy* adopted by Council in April 2014.

"Glen Eira has the least open space per person of any municipality in Victoria. The application of long-term land use planning and future purchase using developers' money will improve the quantity and quality of open space in both Carnegie and Gardenvale," Cr Magee said.

## Community column

### Speaking up for our City

#### Improved pedestrian safety

Glen Eira City Council's *Walking Strategy* identifies a number of high priority locations for new pedestrian treatments to improve safety and convenience for pedestrians throughout the municipality.

Funding has been allocated in the current capital works program to install pedestrian operated traffic signals at Inkerman Road between Orrong Grove and Ontario Street in Caulfield North. It is anticipated the new pedestrian facility will be operational by mid-July.

The signalised pedestrian crossing will start to build a north-south walking spine between Caulfield North and Gardenvale that will link pedestrians with public transport options, schools, shopping centres and open space.

For further information, contact Council's Manager Transport Planning on 9524 3333.

### Engaging our community

#### Save the date: Tuesday 11 August

The *Fifth Annual Communities Working Together Conference* will be held on Tuesday 11 August.

This year's *Conference* will focus on innovative ways to connect with the community.

Further information about the *Conference* will be included in the August edition of *Glen Eira News*.

#### 3D printing at Bentleigh and Carnegie Libraries

Create your own amazing 3D models or designs and Bentleigh and Carnegie Libraries. Great for home, school, university and business projects. For full details, visit [library.gleneira.vic.gov.au](http://library.gleneira.vic.gov.au)

## Home safety: residents urged to be vigilant

Glen Eira City Council is calling on residents to be vigilant when it comes to safety in their home.

The call follows an incident in May when a resident received a visit from a gentleman claiming to be from Council.

The gentleman, described to be in his 40s, informed the resident that he was visiting to check on the cleaning done by one of Council's home care workers.

Although the gentleman produced a badge, which looked to be from Council, he was not an employee of Council.

Council's Director Community Services Peter Jones said the gentleman asked the resident several times to be let in, however she refused.

"Council's support workers do not turn up unannounced," Mr Jones said.

"All clients are informed as to what day and time their support worker is attending.

"Residents who use Council's Delivered Meals Service and Property Maintenance Service are also advised as to when they will receive a visit."

Glen Eira Police Crime Prevention Officer Leading Senior Constable Peter Stefaniw advises local residents to be vigilant when approached by unfamiliar people at their home.

"Offenders often target the aged and the vulnerable within our community," Leading Senior Constable Stefaniw said.

"If you are not familiar with the person at your door, ask the person's name and where they are from — Council's community care staff (pictured) wear a uniform and photo identification.

"Don't open your front security door to someone who is unfamiliar to you or to someone who you haven't been informed will be visiting you — speak through the door and advise them that you will

contact Council to confirm their identity. Council can be contacted on 9524 3333.

"Residents can also contact police by dialling Triple Zero with a description of the suspect if there are real concerns about a person at their front door."





## Maternal and Child Health information sessions

### Settling in

Glen Eira City Council's Maternal and Child Health Service provides a free interactive information session focussing on the first four months with your baby.

This session is offered on a monthly basis at Glen Huntly Maternal and Child Health Centre.

Topics include:

- Understanding your baby.
- Sleep, crying and feeding patterns.
- Settling strategies.

Everyone in the family is welcome to attend.

Bookings are required and your maternal and child health nurse would be happy to make an appointment for you.

### Food in the first 12 months

Council's Maternal and Child Health Service, in partnership with Bentleigh and Caulfield Community Health Services, provides free information sessions about food in the first 12 months.

A maternal and child health nurse and dietician discuss the latest guidelines and tips about introducing foods to your baby in the first year of life.

Sessions are held at various locations across the municipality and bookings are essential.

To book, contact your maternal and child health nurse or Council's maternal and child health administration officer on 9524 3403.



## Rates: what you pay and why

### How rates are set

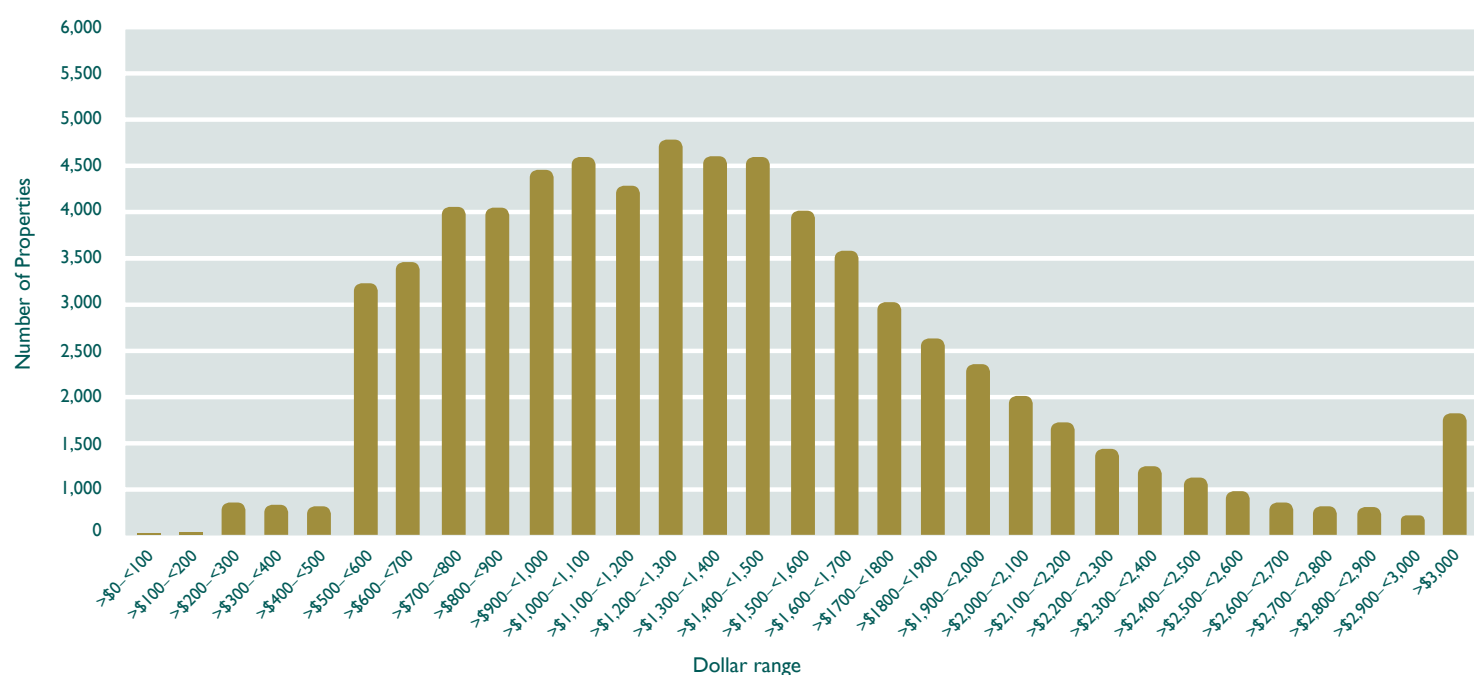
The rates system is set down in State Government legislation. One of the easiest ways to explain this system is that if you own one per cent of the value of property in a municipality, you pay one per cent of the total rates.

Rates are set according to how much your property is worth compared to the rest of the municipality. For example, a \$700,000 property in a wealthy municipality might be below the average house value, so the owner would pay below the average rates. However, a \$700,000 property in a less affluent municipality might be well above the average house value so the owner would pay above average rates.

The distribution of rates on residential properties within the City of Glen Eira is set out in the following graph:

### Distribution of Residential Rates and Charges Payable 2014–2015

(After rebate — excludes the State Government Fire Services Levy)



### Revaluation of all properties

All properties in the City have been revalued as at 1 January 2014. The total value of rateable property in Glen Eira is \$46.3 billion. The revaluations of all properties are required by the State Government to levy land tax and the Fire Services Property Levy.

The level of value, as set by the Valuer General, has been assessed as at 1 January 2014 and used for rating purposes from 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2016. Owners may object to the valuations.

### The revaluation has no effect on Council's total rate income

The revaluation has no effect on Glen Eira City Council's total rate income. Rising property values do not impact on Council's total revenue collection. They usually result in the adjustment, by Council, of a lower rate in the dollar to offset the overall increase in property values. For example, the rate in the dollar in 1991–92 (City of Caulfield) was 7.1178 of net annual value. The rate in the dollar in 2014–15 was 3.3120.

If Council had held the rate in the dollar constant at 1995–96 (amalgamation) levels, then Council would have raised more than \$320 million extra in rate revenue since then.

The revaluation can affect the rates on an individual property. Rates are redistributed according to the shift in property values that have occurred in different parts of the municipality. Some

ratepayers may experience a change in their rates depending on the type of property they own, where it is located and how its value has moved relative to the average.

### How does the City of Glen Eira compare with other municipalities?

Average rates and charges for the City of Glen Eira (2013–14) are \$247 per assessment below the average of inner metropolitan councils (\$15.2 million per annum; refer to figure one.) This means that Council charges \$15.2 million per annum less than inner metropolitan municipalities and has \$15.2 million per annum less for upgrading or providing facilities and services.

In 2015–16, average rates and charges are budgeted to be \$1,538 (excluding the Fire Services Property Levy). This is expected to continue to be the second lowest average rates and charges in metropolitan Melbourne (average State Government Land Tax in Glen Eira in 2015 is \$2,194).

Total rates in 2015–16 would be \$82.17 million, including \$550,000 generated from supplementary rates. This equates to an average rates per person, per day, (not including the waste and recycling charge) of \$1.60. Total rates and charges would be \$96.41 million. (Total Stamp Duty and Land Tax from Glen Eira to the State Revenue Office in 2015–16 is expected to exceed \$200 million.)



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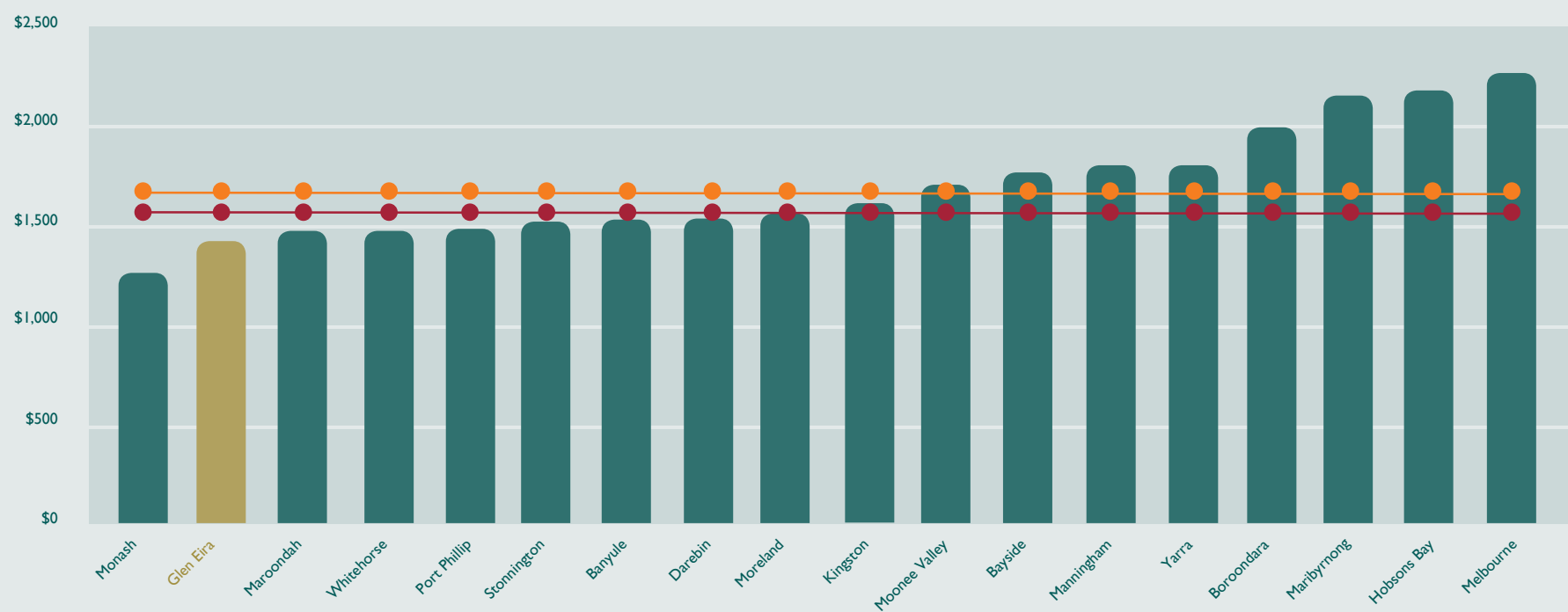
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Figure one: Rates per assessment 2013–14



Long-term financial strategy

Average rates and charges per property are projected to increase by between 3.18 per cent and 3.63 per cent per year, for 10 years, from 2016–2017 to 2025–2026. The recent *State Budget* projected an increase in aggregate Stamp Duty and Land Tax for 2016–17 of 5.5 per cent.

In terms of operational expenditure (excluding depreciation), Council ranks as spending \$197 less per assessment (\$12.1 million) than the average for the inner metropolitan grouping. Council gives high priority to capital investment in community facilities and infrastructure.

How does Local Government compare with other levels of government?

The whole community pays taxes and rates. Of the total tax revenue collected by all levels of government, currently councils only collect 3.5 per cent. The other 96.5 per cent goes to federal and state governments. The more tax revenue that federal and state governments return to local projects, the less pressure there will be on rates.

Council’s reliance on rates is influenced by policy and legislative factors that preclude or limit Council’s ability to charge. Council does not have discretion to set user fees and charges for a range of services where this is set out in State legislation or regulation, such as prescribed fees for planning permits, or in funding agreements with other levels of government such as those applying to aged services and maternal and child health.

The amount of rates collected by a council depends on conscious and considered choices as to the quantity and quality of services that it decides to provide and how much of the cost is to be recovered from other revenue sources. The amount collected in rates represents the difference between the total expenses required by Council to fund programs, maintain assets and to service and redeem debt, and the total revenue from all other sources. Other revenue sources include grants from other levels of government, prescribed and discretionary fees, fines and charges, income from the sale of assets and interest earned. Hence, rates are the balancing item between total expenses and all other revenue sources.

What are the pressures on rates?

The renewal of ageing infrastructure and community facilities needs to be accelerated.

The majority of Council’s buildings and facilities were built before or during the 1950s, 60s and early 70s and are reaching the stage of their life where they require major maintenance and renewal works. In addition to this, a number of shopping strips need to be upgraded along with roads, footpaths and drainage systems.

Following widespread community consultation, Council is also implementing the *Open Space Strategy*. The *Strategy* calls for expenditure during the period 2013–2026 of approximately \$201 million. The majority of the resourcing for this *Strategy* needs to come from rates.

Investments in local facilities can have a positive impact on property values. Properties in areas with good shopping strips, parks and playgrounds (pictured), children’s services, libraries, recreation facilities, etc. can be more attractive and therefore more valuable.

Another pressure on rates is cost-shifting — situations whereby federal and state

governments shift their responsibility for delivering programs and service onto Local Government, with no or insufficient funding.

Over the years, many joint government–council programs have been established on the basis of cost-sharing. As the years unfold, governments do not maintain their share and ratepayers are left to pick-up more of the costs.

The Federal Parliamentary Inquiry into cost-shifting several years ago revealed:

3.10 “The submissions make a strong case that there has been cost-shifting from the States and the Commonwealth to local government:

- States (and to a lesser extent the Commonwealth) have legislated for local government to assume additional responsibilities, or changed regulatory frameworks in such a way as to impose additional costs on councils, without providing matching resources.
- States (and sometimes the Commonwealth) have reduced or withdrawn financial support for services leaving local government to deal with community expectations that those services will be maintained.

3.25 On the available evidence, the Committee has little doubt that local government faces some real difficulties in generating adequate revenues to meet its expanded responsibilities, and that significant financial problems may be in prospect. Shortfalls in infrastructure spending are of particular concern.”







## Carers' Fitness Program — register now

Glen Eira City Council, in partnership with Caulfield Recreation Centre, is running a *Carers' Fitness Program* for carers of people with a disability.

The *Program* aims to encourage carers to set aside time each week to focus on their own health and wellbeing.

The one hour class incorporates a mix of circuit training, pilates and yoga. Carers are also provided with an opportunity to connect with others who can relate to and understand the complexities of being a carer.

Alison, Sherene and Wendy (pictured below with trainer Raelene) have been attending the *Carers' Fitness Program* since the first class in April 2014.

Wanting to keep fit and do something for herself is why Alison joined the *Program*.

"It's nice to be able to do something just for me," Alison told *Glen Eira News*.

"The *Program* has pushed me to get out the house and enjoy fitness in a way I haven't before.

"The *Program* has also given me the opportunity to meet people who are in a similar caring role to me."

Sherene said she joined because she didn't have a regular fitness program.

"Each week, I look forward to setting time aside for myself to exercise and connect with the other carers and our wonderful trainers," Sherene said.

"During the class, we do a variety of things. The *Program* is usually alternated between a week of pilates/yoga and a week of personal training/circuit.

"The training sessions include time in the spin room, boxing, weights, using the fitballs and general cardio work."

Wendy said she had known for a while that she needed to do something to regain some of her former fitness that had lapsed due to being a busy carer.

"I enjoy the sessions, as well as the company of the other carers. Our trainers are versatile and understanding," Wendy said.

"I recommend the *Program* to any carer. You will feel better about yourself and it is fun."

The next *Carers' Fitness Program* will run for 10 weeks from Wednesday 15 July until Wednesday 16 September at Caulfield Recreation Centre, 6 Maple Street, Caulfield South.

Sessions will be held from 11.15am to 12.15pm and the cost is \$5 per session or \$40 for the 10 week block.

For further information or to enrol, contact Caulfield Recreation Centre on 9519 7500 or email [caulfield@ymca.org.au](mailto:caulfield@ymca.org.au)



## Sensory friendly film session: Penguins of Madagascar

**Sunday 19 July, 11am**

**Glen Eira Town Hall — Theatrette, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield**

This free film session will be sensory friendly — lights will be left on and the sound turned down to create a more comfortable experience for people with autism spectrum disorders and their families.

This is the third film session that Glen Eira City Council has hosted, with previous sessions receiving a lot of positive feedback, including:

"My husband took our son to the film and he loved it. It was such a fantastic idea as we've never taken our son to the cinema before as we didn't know how he would cope."

"All-in-all, a great experience for our family. I love that siblings can come along too, so it's a family outing where we don't need to explain our son's behaviour. Being able to exit when he has reached his limit is a real positive too. He also loves that it's not too loud."

Places for *Penguins of Madagascar* are limited. To register, email [metroaccess@gleneira.vic.gov.au](mailto:metroaccess@gleneira.vic.gov.au) or contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.



## Good access makes good business sense

Glen Eira City Council is committed to ensuring that everyone in our community is able to enjoy the many social, cultural and business benefits of living and working in the municipality.

This includes all people who live, work and visit the City of Glen Eira, including young people, older people, families, employees, employers and people with disabilities.

There are more than 24,000 people in Glen Eira with some type of disability — that's one in five people.

As potential customers, people with disabilities will make choices about the businesses they frequent, based on preferences for product, feeling welcome, the customer service provided, and often how easy a business is to physically access.

Improving accessibility to your business makes a whole lot of sense not only for people with disabilities, but families with young children and senior citizens who might have mobility issues. Some changes that can make access easier aren't expensive.

A combination of decluttering entry areas and customer service training will go a long way to making your business more attractive to many people, including people with a disability.

Consider implementing a few of the following changes to improve access to your business.

- Provide adequate circulation space inside the shop so people who are vision impaired, frail or have mobility problems can move around more easily.

- Make signage clear and easy to read for people with vision impairments.
- Monitor the level of background noise that can make it hard for people to hear and communicate easily.
- Provide adequate lighting around service areas and at tables to make it easier to read menus.
- Print menus in larger font with good colour contrast to support those with low vision (older adults appreciate larger sized font).

Council has developed the *Missed Business Guide* to help small businesses understand how to improve access to their goods and services.

For a copy of the *Guide*, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or visit [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au)



# News in brief

## Sustainable practice everyday

Wednesday 15 July, 7.30pm–9.30pm

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

Cost: \$8 per person

RSVP: essential to Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333

Have you thought about growing your own vegetables and herbs, but decided it was too hard? Do you find it difficult to recycle? Are you concerned about the waste we generate and feel you would like to do more about it, but not sure where to start?

Glen Eira City Council, in partnership with the Centre for Education and Research in Environment Strategies (CERES), presents *Sustainability Everyday*, a presentation on practical ideas you and your family can use to support sustainable practice in everyday life.

CERES is working with Council's Family and Children's Services Unit to introduce *ResourceSmart Early Childhood* — a Victorian Government initiative that helps early childhood settings benefit from embedding sustainability in everything they do.

## Safer living in the community: seminar for seniors

Thursday 16 July, 10.30am–12pm

Bentleigh RSL, 538 Centre Road, Bentleigh

Special guest speaker: former Victoria Police Homicide Detective Charlie Bezzina

RSVP: essential to Sylvia Lindsay on 9557 4547 or email

sylvia@bentleighrsl.com.au

Hosted by the Glen Eira Proactive Policing Unit, this seminar will cover personal safety and home security; fire safety in the home;

and travelling con men.

## National Blood Donor Week

*National Blood Donor Week* will be held from Sunday 26 July until Saturday 1 August and pays tribute to all blood donors across the nation who each year give more than 1.35 million lifesaving blood, plasma and platelet donations across Australia.

Blood donors are the heroes to many cancer patients, trauma victims and renal dialysis patients amongst countless others.

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

The Caulfield Blood Donor Centre is located at 322 Hawthorn Road, Caulfield.

## Building children's resilience in a risk averse world

Wednesday 5 August, 7.30pm–9.30pm

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

Cost: \$8 per person

Presenter: Louise Dorrat

RSVP: essential to Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333

This session will cover how to:

- encourage children to take risks while ensuring their safety;
- help young children learn the skills that build their resilience so they can bounce back after life's disappointments; and
- turn off the screen.

## Seven tonnes of leaves swept from streets daily

Glen Eira City Council's street sweeping contractor sweeps residential streets and commercial areas throughout the municipality to collect leaves and litter.

At this time of year, they collect around seven tonnes a day and it averages around 5.5 tonnes a day over the whole year.

The photo below shows just one third (around 2.5 tonnes) of what they collect a day. The street sweepers sweep roads and footpaths in our major shopping strips seven days a week (in the very early morning) and residential streets monthly.



Other shopping centres are swept on various schedules depending on their size and use.

In the next few months, most of the leaves collected will go to a composting facility after the contractor finishes trialling a new facility it has set up to separate leaves from sand and other litter.

## out and about



**City of Caulfield Lions Club indigenous garden project** — Students from Bentleigh West Primary School and Luurnpa School, Balgo, Western Australia; Cr Oscar Lobo; Cr Thomas Souness; Bentleigh West Primary School Principal Steven Capp; parent and the garden's designer Jason Anderson; Member for Bentleigh Nick Staikos MP; Shannon Mason from City of Caulfield Lions Club, who received a community grant from Council for the project; and Council's Sustainable Education Officer Sally Stewart.

Photo: Bentleigh West Primary School.



**My Brother Jack Awards 2015** — Cr Karina Okotel; Chaya Herszberg; Cr Margaret Esakoff; Cr Jamie Hyams; Sidney Denham-Roberts; and Toni Roberts.

Photo: Robert Churchus Photography.





# School holidays at GESAC

Glen Eira Sports and Aquatic Centre (GESAC) is the perfect destination these school holidays to keep your child active in a fun and safe environment.

The waterslides will be open from 10am to 7pm during the holidays, along with a giant inflatable obstacle course, which will be open from 12pm to 3pm.

In addition, GESAC will hold its *Fast-Lane* holiday program. The program offers swimming lessons every morning Monday to Friday to accelerate progression. This program is open to swim school members and the public.

Captain Swimalot is scheduled to make regular appearances with lots of fun and activities planned for the kids.

*Team Holiday*, a multi award-winning school holiday program provider, will run a range of fun and interactive activities for kids from 29 June to 10 July.

All activities will utilise the state-of-the-art facilities in and around GESAC — the swimming pools, stadium

courts, surrounding parks and playground.

The program operates during the holiday period Monday to Friday from 8am to 6pm. You can enrol in as many or as few days as you like.

Basketball lovers are also well catered for with three separate holiday programs on offer at different times over the two-week holiday period.

The Warriors Basketball Association, Melbourne United and *Hoopsmart* will run basketball programs within GESAC. Further information can be obtained by visiting each clubs respective website.

The courts are also available for casual hoop shooting.

For further information regarding GESAC school holiday programs, contact 9570 9200.



## Le Tour de France — ride a bike

With the *Tour de France* about to start, why not get into the spirit by going for a bike ride.

Cycling is a healthy, low-impact exercise that can be enjoyed by people of all ages. It's also fun, cheap and good for the environment.

To be held from Saturday 4 July to Sunday 26 July, the *102nd Tour de France* will be made up of 21 stages and will cover a total distance of 3,344 kilometres.

This year's *Tour* features a number of Australian athletes. Keep an eye out for Simon Clarke from the Carnegie Caulfield Cycling Club (CCCC) who might be riding. Simon is a cyclist for the Orica Green Edge team and raced in last year's *Tour*. CCCC use the Velodrome at Packer Park in Carnegie as its home track.

## Elsternwick Plaza redevelopment

Works have commenced on the redevelopment of Elsternwick Plaza. Over the coming months, the Plaza will be transformed into a lively, attractive and accessible public space.

From the Glenhuntly Road side, access and functionality will be greatly improved with new seating, trees, garden beds and a civic space.

A little further back, a sloped lawn and pedestrian ramps will connect through to Riddell Parade and an upper plaza area, which will provide views across the plaza.

Along the Riddell Parade frontage, an upgraded playground, picnic facilities and gardens will provide the perfect area for family gatherings and socialising.

The redevelopment is a key priority of Glen Eira City Council's *Open Space Strategy*, which recognised the potential of the Plaza to become a significant open

space and community hub.

Works are expected to be completed by 30 October (weather permitting).

For further information, contact Recreation Services on 9524 3333 or email [recservices@gleneira.vic.gov.au](mailto:recservices@gleneira.vic.gov.au)



## Halley Park upgrades

Halley Park in Bentleigh has recently undergone upgrades to implement plinth kerbing.

The park was previously surrounded by an old pine log fence, but has now been replaced by plinth edging, which adds to the overall character of the park and opens up the space.

Some sections of the adjoining footpath have also been replaced.

Halley Park features wide open spaces, beautiful gardens, a wonderful playground and a designated dog off-leash area for families to enjoy.



### Facts and tips

- Cyclists can travel up to 35 to 45 kilometres per hour, so judging gaps can be difficult.
- Under current law, cyclists are allowed to ride two abreast and take the whole lane, if necessary, to ensure they are visible.
- In Melbourne, the average speed of a commuting car is 19.7 kilometres per hour. Cyclists can comfortably average 17 kilometres per hour, with many experienced cyclists travelling above 20 kilometres per hour.
- Thirty eight per cent of car trips are less than three kilometres and 53 per cent are below five kilometres.

If you are cyclist and you are utilising a shared path, remember to be courteous and warn pedestrians if you are approaching.





# Dog owners' obligations in off-leash areas



Glen Eira City Council recognises that dog off-leash areas are beneficial for the health and wellbeing of dogs.

However, off-leash areas are still public areas which mean they are open for all to enjoy, not just dog owners.

Next time you are exercising your dog in one of the City's parks or reserves, remember:

- You must clean up after your dogs at all times.
- Dogs should be on a leash at all times in public places, except in certain parks and reserves that are designated off-leash areas.
- Dogs are not permitted within 20 metres of playgrounds, barbecues or picnic areas; Duncan Mackinnon Athletics Track and netball facilities; Packer Park velodrome; sportsground preparation and sporting events; and organised public meetings.
- If your dog is likely to worry, threaten, rush or attack any other

person or other animal, the dog is to be brought under effective control by means of a chain, cord or leash, which is no more than 1.5 metres in length.

- If your dog does not return to you when called or you have difficulty controlling your dog's behaviour, you should not let your dog off its leash.
- Some parks, including Caulfield Park, Caulfield North, EE Gunn Reserve, Ormond and Princes Park, Caulfield South, have shared pathways or car parks where dogs aren't allowed to be off-leash — even though there may be an adjacent off-leash area.

Council regularly patrols parks and open spaces to ensure owners are meeting their obligations. Fines can apply to owners found doing the wrong thing.

For a copy of Council's *On and Off-leash Guide*, visit [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au) or contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

## Exercise tips for winter

Finding time to exercise and stay fit during winter can be a challenge. Here are some tips to help you prepare and stay motivated.

### Wear proper clothing

Exercising outdoors in the winter often means working out in cold temperatures. Ensure you wear several layers of clothing when you first start your workout so your body can adjust to the temperature. As you exercise and begin to feel warm, take off one layer at a time.

### Warm-up

Make sure you take a few extra minutes before your workout to warm-up your muscles. Cold weather causes your muscles to tighten and become more injury prone than loose muscles. Before heading out for a run or brisk walk, be sure to warm-up your muscles by walking slowly for a few minutes.

### Adequate fluids

Although you might not feel as thirsty, drinking adequate amounts of fluid and fueling your body during winter is just as important as during the summer. Make sure you carry a drink bottle with you when you exercise outdoors this winter.

### Be flexible

Some days, no matter how much you prepare, Old Man Winter can just be too hard to conquer. On really cold days, get your exercise fix indoors. Go to the gym, hire an exercise DVD or simply spend some time walking around your local shopping centre.

## Personal training

Everyone has a reason or a goal for joining the gym. Let Glen Eira Sports and Aquatic Centre's (GESAC) personal trainers help you achieve yours faster.

Our trainers are positive, motivating and driven to ensure you get the results you have been searching for.

Training with a personal trainer at GESAC will make your time at the gym more efficient.

You don't have to worry about which exercises you will be doing, how many sets or reps, how to adjust the equipment or whether you are doing the exercises correctly — you will have the full attention and help of an expert. You will also be able to work-out at a time that suits you and your daily/weekly routine.

With your permission, your personal trainer can also liaise directly with your

medical professional to create the best exercise plan for you. This will ensure injuries are avoided and any health concerns are addressed.

At GESAC, we have a number of friendly trainers who are experienced in a range of different areas to suit your needs. Choosing one that fits your goals and routine is the first step to achieving the best results.

To make it easier, GESAC offers a kickstart program to help you get started.

This includes three sessions for \$99. After that, you can either decided to exercise on your own or book in weekly sessions with your trainer.

For further information, visit [www.gesac.com.au](http://www.gesac.com.au) or contact 9570 9200.

## Did you know?

Glen Eira City Council often gets calls from enthusiastic joggers and walkers querying the distance around some of our popular parks.

The walking track around Caulfield Park is 2.2 kilometres while the Duncan Mackinnon Reserve track is 1.2 kilometres. For those who prefer smaller distances, Centenary Park is 687 metres.

Remember that just 30 minutes a day is enough exercise to significantly reduce the risk of heart disease, so rug up and get those walking shoes on.



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## Community Diary

Please note: due to high the volume of submissions we receive, entries must be submitted monthly. Only submissions received each month will be published. For a list of deadlines, email: [sbrown@gleneira.vic.gov.au](mailto:sbrown@gleneira.vic.gov.au)

### MEETINGS AND CLUBS

**Bentleigh Bayside Parkinson's Peer Support Group** meets on the fourth Monday of every month from 1.30pm to 3.30pm at Bentleigh-Bayside Community Health, Gardeners Road, Bentleigh East. Contact: 9581 8700.

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

**Carnegie/Murrumbena Senior Citizens Club** meets every Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 1pm to 4pm in the Boyd Room at Carnegie Library, 7 Shepparson Avenue, Carnegie. Contact: 9568 2727.

**Caulfield Over 50s Dancing Group** meets every Monday (except public holidays) from 12.30pm to 3.30pm at Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield. Cost of \$5 includes afternoon tea. Contact: 9822 2064.

**Centenary Park Tennis Club** hosts Wednesday night tennis from 7.30pm at 120 Brady Street, Bentleigh East. Cost of \$10 for non-members includes light supper. New members welcome. First night is free. Contact: 9579 5774.

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

**Elsternwick Toastmasters Club** meets on the second and fourth Thursday of every month from 7pm to 9.15pm at Caulfield RSL, 4 St. Georges Road, Elsternwick. Contact: 0450 100 655.

**Glen Eira Brass Band** rehearses every Wednesday from 7.30pm at the back of the Caulfield Park Bowls Club. If you can play a brass instrument or would like to learn, then come along. Contact: 0408 354 398.

**Glen Eira Cheltenham Art Group** in Bentleigh East offers art classes for both adults and children. Day and evening adult classes are held Monday to Friday and include drawing, tonal oils, watercolours,

mixed-media, acrylics, oils, pastels and life drawing. Children's classes are held on Wednesday afternoon and Saturday morning. New term commences 13 July. Contact: 9563 7621.

**Glen Eira Combined Probus Club** meets on the fourth Friday of every month from 10am to 12pm at The Bentleigh Club, Yawla Street, Bentleigh. Contact: 9583 4822.

**Phoenix Park All Ability Table Tennis Group** meets every Monday and Thursday during the school term from 5.30pm to 7pm. Coaching by Zvi Schweitzer and Paul Bronstein. Contact: 0412 804 036.

**Phoenix Park Community Table Tennis Club** operates on Mondays and Thursdays. Seniors: 9am to 1pm. Juniors: (all ages and abilities) 5.30pm to 10.30pm. Junior coaching held on Mondays and Thursdays from 5pm to 7pm with Paul Bronstein. Contact: 0412 804 036.

**Piano Lovers Group** meets monthly on Monday mornings for two hours. The Group has access to a Beale grand piano. Contact: 9391 4091.

**Probus Club of Bentleigh East** meets on the second Tuesday of every month at 10am at The Bentleigh Club, Yawla Street, Bentleigh. Contact: 9592 2071.

**Ormond Angling Club Inc.** meets on the first and third Wednesday of every month from 8pm at 462 North Road, Ormond. Contact: 0407 800 719.

**Sandbelt Ladies Probus Club** meets on the first Monday of every month from 10am at Bentleigh RSL, 538 Centre Road, Bentleigh. Contact: 9570 6766.

**The Clarinet and Saxophone Society of Victoria** has two ensembles which meet fortnightly in Carnegie for adults of an intermediate standard. Contact: 0407 247 410.

### EVENTS

**Carnegie Rostrum Club** hosts the *Gil Lee Archer Speaking Competition* on Monday 6 July at 7pm in the Boyd Room at Carnegie Library, 7 Shepparson Avenue, Carnegie. Visitors welcome.

Contact: 0413 442 790.

**Merry Melodies** will be held on Tuesday 7 July from 2pm to 4pm at St Paul's Anglican Church, 530 Dandenong Road, Caulfield North. Cost of \$5 includes afternoon tea. Contact: 9576 1477 or 0409 999 904.

**Oakdale Angling Club** is celebrating its 60th birthday with a reunion on Friday 17 July. All members both past and present are most welcome to attend. Contact: 0429 400 367.

**Caulfield Bears** will host an access all-abilities, side-by-side Auskick session on Saturday 18 July from 9.30am to 11.30am at Koornang Park, Munro Street, Carnegie. The session will provide children of all-abilities the opportunity to experience football and improve their ball skills. To register, email [auskick-bears@hotmail.com](mailto:auskick-bears@hotmail.com)

**The Handmade Show** will be held on Saturday 18 July from 10.30am to 3.30pm at St. Anthony's Parish Hall, corner Grange and Neerim Roads, Glen Huntly. There is a café, entertainment and giveaways. Entry is free. Contact: [www.thehandmadeshow.blogspot.com](http://www.thehandmadeshow.blogspot.com)

**Old Haileyburians' Amateur Football Club** play Old Ivanhoe Grammarians on Saturday 18 July and Williamstown CYMS on Saturday 25 July. Both matches start at 2pm at Princes Park, Beech Street, Caulfield South. Contact: 0402 526 606.

**Team of Pianists** concert, *Friends and Fairy Tales*, will be held on Sunday 19 July at 6.30pm at Rippon Lea, 192 Hotham Street, Elsternwick. Rohan Murray (piano) and Phillip Arkinstall (clarinet) will perform. Cost: \$40 adults, \$35 pensioners, \$35 National Trust members, \$20 children and full-time students under 25 years. Contact: 9527 2851.

**Violence against women forum** will be held on Tuesday 21 July from 11am to 1.30pm at St David's Anglican Church, 4 Redhome Street, Moorabbin. Guest speaker: Dr Ree Bodde. Cost of \$10 includes a light lunch. RSVP by 10 July. Contact: 9029 6084.

**Glen Eira Historical Society 42nd Annual General Meeting** will be held on Wednesday 22 July at 7.30pm in

the Boyd Room at Carnegie Library. Special guest speaker is Lemnos Gallipoli Commemorative Committee Secretary Jim Claven. Jim will speak about Australia's significant connection with the Greek Island of Lemnos during WWI. Contact: 9077 5395.

**Glen Eira Adult Learning Centre** will host a free winter community lunch on Tuesday 28 July from 12pm to 2pm at Ormond Uniting Church Hall, corner North and Booran Roads, Ormond. Contact: 9578 8996.

### COMMUNITY

**Australian Multicultural Community Services** is looking for volunteers who speak Polish, Russian, Greek, Italian, Croatian and English to visit socially isolated seniors who live in their own homes. A commitment of one hour per fortnight is required. Contact: 9689 9170 or 0427 824 519.

**Caulfield Community Toy Library**, 12 Munro Avenue, Carnegie, is open Wednesdays, 7.30pm to 8.30pm; Thursdays, 10am to 11.30am; and Saturdays, 10am to 12.30pm. Contact: [www.cctl.org.au](http://www.cctl.org.au)

**Elsternwick Croquet Club:** come and try golf croquet. Easy-to-learn. All equipment supplied. Just wear flat heels. Groups welcome. Contact: 0411 806 208 or 0411 217 167.

**Glen Eira Adult Learning Centre** offers iPad classes; computer courses, including internet shopping, social media and government services and digital photos; MYOB; career choices; business admin; event management; and Tai Chi. Contact: 9578 8996.

**McKinnon Playgroup:** relax with a cuppa and chat while your preschoolers play at McKinnon Playgroup on Thursday mornings from 10am to 12pm at 261A McKinnon Road, McKinnon. Come along and have a play before joining. Contact: 0420 348 970.

**Moongala Community House** in Bentleigh East offers classes in social media; iPad; digital photography; office computer skills; eBay; and photo editing. There are also vacancies in the KidsCare childcare program and Tuesday Tots Playgroup. Contact: 9570 3468.



Home safety

Council is calling on residents to be vigilant when it comes to safety in their home.

The call follows an incident in May when a resident received a visit from a gentleman claiming to be from Council.

The gentleman said he was visiting to check on the cleaning done by one of Council’s home care workers.

Although the gentleman produced a badge, which looked to be from Council, he was not an employee of Council.

Council’s Director Community Services Peter Jones said the gentleman asked the resident several times to be let in, however she refused.

“Council’s support workers do not turn up unannounced,” Mr Jones said

“All clients are informed as to when their support worker is attending.

“Residents who use Council’s delivered meals service and property maintenance service are also advised as to when they will receive a visit.”

Leading Senior Constable Peter Stefaniw said if residents are not familiar with the person at the door, ask the person’s name and where they are from — Council’s community care staff wear a uniform and photo identification.

“Don’t open your front security door to someone who is unfamiliar to you,” he said.

“If there are real concerns about a person at their front door, contact Triple Zero.”

住家安全

市政府呼吁居民提高警惕，注意住家安全。

发出这项呼吁的起因是五月份的一场意外：一个男人以市政府员工的名义去了一家住户。

这个男人说他上门访问是要检查市政府住家护理工作者的清洁工作做得怎样。

虽然这个男人出示了看上去是市政府的工作标牌，但是他不是市政府的员工。

市政府社区服务主任Peter Jones 说，这个男人几次要求进屋，不过居民拒绝了他的要求。

Jones先生还说：“市政府的服务人员在没有事先通知的情况下绝不会上门访问居民。”

“所有客户都会得到通知，告诉他们服务人员什么时候上门提供服务。”

“使用市政府送饭上门服务和房屋维修服务的居民也会得到通知，告诉他们什么时候有人上门提供服务。”

高级警官Peter Stefaniw说，居民如果不认识敲门的人，就应该询问来人的姓名和所属机构，市政府社区服务员工都穿工装并配带有照片的身份证明。

他还说：“门口有不认识的人就绝不要打开安全防盗门。”

“如果你对门口的人感到担心， 请拨打电话000报警。”

**Ασφάλεια στο Σπίτι**

Ο Δήμος προειδοποιεί τους κατοίκους να είναι προσεκτικοί όσον αφορά την ασφάλεια στο σπίτι τους.

Η προειδοποίηση αυτή έρχεται μετά από ένα περιστατικό τον Μάιο όταν ένας κύριος επισκέφθηκε κάποιον κάτοικο και ισχυρίστηκε ότι ήταν Δημοτικός Υπάλληλος.

Ο κύριος αυτός είπε ότι επισκέφθηκε για να ελέγξει τον καθαρισμό που έκανε ένας από τους δημοτικούς υπαλλήλους της υπηρεσίας φροντίδας στο σπίτι.

Παρόλο που ο κύριος αυτός παρουσίασε ένα σήμα που φαινόταν να είναι από το Δήμο, δεν ήταν Δημοτικός Υπάλληλος.

Ο Διευθυντής Κοινοτικών Υπηρεσιών του Δήμου Peter Jones είπε ο κύριος ζήτησε από την κάτοικο αρκετές φορές να τον αφήσει να μπει στο σπίτι, όμως αυτή αρνήθηκε.

«Οι εργαζόμενοι υποστήριξης του Δήμου δεν εμφανίζονται αιφνிடιαστικά», είπε ο κ Jones.

«Όλοι οι πελάτες είναι ενημερωμένοι για το πότε θα έρθει ο υπάλληλος της υπηρεσίας τους.

«Οι κάτοικοι που χρησιμοποιούν την υπηρεσία κατ’ οίκον διανομής γευμάτων και συντήρησης ακινήτων του Δήμου επίσης ενημερώνονται για το πότε θα τους επισκεφθούν».

Ο Υπαστυνόμος Peter Stefaniw είπε ότι αν οι κάτοικοι δεν γνωρίζουν το άτομο που χτυπάει την πόρτα τους, να ρωτήσουν το όνομα του ατόμου και από πού είναι - το προσωπικό κοινοτικής φροντίδας του Δήμου φοράει στολή και ταυτότητα με φωτογραφία.

Πρόσθεσε ότι «Μην ανοίγετε την πόρτα ασφάλειά σας σε κάποιον που σας είναι άγνωστος».

«Αν έχετε πραγματικές ανησυχίες σχετικά με το άτομο στην πόρτα σας, καλέστε τον αριθμό Τρία Μηδενικά (000)».

**घर में सुरक्षा**

काउँसिल अपने घर में सुरक्षा के लिए निवासियों को सतर्क रहने के लिए आगाह कर रहा है।

इसके पीछे कारण यह है कि मई में एक ऐसी घटना घटित हुई जिसमें एक निवासी के घर पर एक सज्जन ने काउँसिल की तरफ से आने का दावा किया।

उस सज्जन ने कहा कि वह काउँसिल के गृह-देखभाल कर्मियों द्वारा की जाने वाली सफ़ाई की जाँच करने के लिए आया था।

हालाँकि उस सज्जन ने एक बिल्ला दिखाया जोकि काउँसिल की तरफ से दिया गया प्रतीत होता था, परंतु वह काउँसिल का कर्मचारी नहीं था।

काउँसिल के सामुदायिक सेवा निदेशक पीटर जोन्स ने कहा कि उस सज्जन ने अंदर आने के लिए निवासी से कई बार आग्रह किया, लेकिन निवासी ने मना कर दिया।

“काउँसिल के समर्थन कार्यकर्ता अघोषित तरीके से नहीं आते हैं,” श्री जोन्स ने कहा

“सभी ग्राहकों को इस बारे में सूचित किया जाता है कि काउँसिल के समर्थन कार्यकर्ता कब आएंगे।

“जो निवासी काउँसिल की भोजन डिलीवरी सेवा और संपत्ति की रख-रखाव सेवा का उपयोग करते हैं, उन्हें भी इस बारे में सलाह दी जाती है कि उनके घर पर विज़िट कब होगी।”

अग्रणी वरिष्ठ कांस्टेबल पीटर स्टेफेन्यु ने कहा कि यदि निवासी दरवाज़े पर उपस्थित व्यक्ति से परिचित न हों, तो वे उस व्यक्ति का नाम और वह कहाँ से आया है, इसके बारे में पूछें – काउँसिल के सामुदायिक देखभाल कर्मचारी वर्दी पहनते हैं और उनके पास एक फोटो पहचान-पत्र होता है।

“किसी अपरिचित व्यक्ति के लिए अपने सामने का सुरक्षा दरवाज़ा न खोलें,” उन्होंने कहा।

“यदि सामने के दरवाज़े पर उपस्थित व्यक्ति के बारे में वास्तविक चिंताएं हों, तो ट्रिपल ज़ीरो पर संपर्क करें।”

**Sicurezza in casa**

Il comune invita tutti i residenti a prestare attenzione alla sicurezza in casa propria.

L'appello è stato lanciato in seguito ad un incidente avvenuto a maggio in cui una residente ha ricevuto la visita di una persona che ha dichiarato di essere un impiegato del comune.

Questa persona ha detto che era lì per controllare che uno degli assistenti domestici che lavorano per il comune avesse fatto bene le pulizie.

Anche se questa persona ha fatto vedere un tesserino di riconoscimento che all'apparenza risultava essere del comune, in realtà non si trattava di un nostro impiegato.

Il direttore dei servizi comunitari del comune Peter Jones ha dichiarato che questa persona ha chiesto diverse volte alla signora di poter entrare in casa, ma lei non lo ha fatto entrare.

“Gli addetti all’assistenza del comune non vengano a casa vostra senza preavviso” ha detto Mr Jones.

“Tutti i nostri clienti vengono informati di quando uno dei nostri impiegati si presenta a casa loro”.

“Anche i residenti che usufruiscono del servizio del comune che consegna pasti a domicilio o del servizio che effettua lavori di manutenzione vengono avvisati quando aspettarsi la visita di uno dei nostri impiegati”.

L’agente di polizia Constable Peter Stefaniw ha ribadito che se i residenti si trovano alla porta qualcuno che non conoscono, devono chiedere il nome e per conto di chi si presenta – il personale di assistenza comunitaria porta l’uniforme e un tesserino identificativo.

“Non aprite la porta di casa a qualcuno che non conoscete” ha detto l’agente.

“Se siete seriamente preoccupati per qualcuno alla vostra porta d’ingresso, contattate il numero 000”.

**Безопасность в доме**

Муниципалитет напоминает жителям Glen Eira о мерах предосторожности, необходимых, когда вы находитесь у себя дома.

Мы делаем это в связи с тем, что в мае произошел инцидент, когда к одной из жительниц нашего района пришел человек, который выдавал себя за сотрудника муниципалитета.

Этот человек сказал, что пришел проверить качество уборки в доме.

Он показал опознавательный значок, который выглядел, как будто он на самом деле из муниципалитета. Однако этот человек не был сотрудником муниципалитета.

Он несколько раз пытался убедить женщину, к которой он пришел, разрешить ему войти, но она отказалась, как сообщает нам Директор отдела услуг населению г-н Peter Jones.

“Сотрудники муниципалитета никогда не приходят без объявления,” сказал г-н Jones.

“Мы всегда заранее сообщаем клиентам о времени прихода наших сотрудников.”

“Это относится и к таким услугам, как доставка готовой еды и мелкий ремонт дома.”

Если к вам позвонил незнакомый человек, старший констебль полиции Peter Stefaniw рекомендует спросить его имя и откуда он. Сотрудники муниципалитета, которые обслуживают вас на дому, носят форменную одежду и имеют опознавательный значок с фотографией.

“Не открывайте дверь людям, которые вам незнакомы, и вы не знаете откуда они,” советует Peter Stefaniw.

“Если кто-то вызывает у вас серьезные опасения, звоните 000 (три нуля).”



# Save money on power bills by installing a FREE water efficient showerhead.

To see if you are eligible to receive this free Council service, contact Energy Makeovers on 1300 788 776 or visit [www.energymakeovers.com.au/energy-savers-glen-eira/](http://www.energymakeovers.com.au/energy-savers-glen-eira/)

Council has contracted with Energy Makeovers to provide the services. All dealings with Energy Makeovers will be confidential and Energy Makeovers will abide by the same privacy obligations that Council has in relation to the information provided to them by residents who use the service.



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# Cabaret Lumiere

*Cabaret Lumiere* will excite and enthrall you with world-class entertainers on stage in Glen Eira's historic Town Hall Auditorium, which will be transformed into a cabaret club for two afternoon and two evening performances.



## Eddie Perfect Thursday 13 August, 7pm

Eddie Perfect is one of Australia's most diverse, respected and prolific writer/composer/performers. His solo music comedy shows have received *Helpmann* and *Green Room Awards* and in 2013, Eddie wrote his first play *The Beast* for Melbourne Theatre Company, breaking box office records and garnering critical acclaim.

"... smooth vocals ... sharp ... Perfect oozes bad boy charm ... Eddie is biting entertaining ..." *The Australian*

## Jon Jackson Sunday 23 August, 3pm

One of Australia's most outstanding vocalists lends his unique styling to the world's megahits. Jon applies his enormous vocal range to works of Rodgers and Hammerstein, Handel, Wagner, Puccini, Dusty Springfield, Judy Garland, Petula Clark and the *Eurhythmics*. It's been said that his voice is able to wallow in the depths like Johnny Cash, growl like Eartha Kitt, purr like Peggy Lee and trill like Maria Callas.

"As ever, Jackson's wit and intelligence work for him as much as his incredible voice." *The Age*

## Amanda Harrison Thursday 27 August, 7pm

Musical theatre star Amanda Harrison (*We Will Rock You*, *Wicked*, *Mamma Mia!*) performs her one woman show *Up Close and Reasonably Personal*, an intimate, colourful and rare insight into the life of a wife/mother/diva.

"Spending the night *Up Close and Reasonably Personal* with her is to be treasured." ★★★★★ *Herald Sun*

## Paul Capsis Sunday 30 August, 3pm

Paul Capsis needs no introduction. A star of stage and screen for more than two decades, Paul delivers a performance you will never forget. His ability to completely captivate an audience from the moment he appears places him amongst the greatest names in show business.

"Whether swooning with soul or belting it out like a bruise, Capsis' turbo-powered voice makes each tune his own." *Sunday Telegraph*

## Glen Eira Town Hall

Corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield

Tickets available online: \$25, \$21 concession

A range of entertainment options are available including group bookings and food and drink packages.

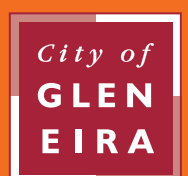
For further information and to book online, visit:

[www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/cabaret-lumiere](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/cabaret-lumiere)



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# Foundation for Youth Excellence Award



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YOUTH NEWS

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In April, Josh received Glen Eira City Council's *Foundation for Youth Excellence Award* to support him in competing at the *2014 Australian Open Short Track Speed Skating Championships*.

Youth Services interviewed Josh (pictured above) after the event to find out how he went at the Championships and how he got into speed skating.

## Can you tell us a bit about how you first got in to speed skating?

My dad is a three times speed skating Winter Olympian and mum skated in the Australian team with Steven Bradbury. They got me skating at a very young age, which I loved instantly.

When I was 11, we moved from Mornington to Glen Eira so my brother and I could attend McKinnon Secondary College. As we lived closer to Medibank Icehouse, I started speed skating with the Olympic Southern Flyers Club. Last year, the Australian Olympic Squad got a new

American coach, Anthony Barthell, and a junior elite national squad was created. I was able to qualify for the junior elite squad along with my brother Skyler, which means I get to train with the national squad before school.

## Can you tell us about your experience at the recent Championships?

In October last year, I was able to attend the *Australian Open Short Track Speed Skating Championships* that were held at Medibank Icehouse.

I wasn't sure how I would go, as New Zealand put in a team and the New South Wales skaters were also supposed to be very fast.

As I had had an intensive two weeks training with the Olympic team, I skated better than anyone expected and I ended up becoming the *2014 Australian Sub-junior Champion*. It was exciting racing and a great experience.

## Where to from here? What are your plans for the future?

After the *National Championships*, I set myself the goal of trying to break the two Australian sub-junior records, which are of an international standard. In April this year I was able to break the record for the 333 metres and now have my eyes set on the 777 metres.

The Australian team is going to Salt Lake City to train with the USA team for three months and I hope to go with them for six weeks.

I am doing three VCE subjects this year and I'm going on a German exchange at the end of the year. Keeping my grades up is important. I hope to make the three *Junior World Championships* in the 2016-17 season.

I will try-out for the *2018 Winter Olympics*, but VCE comes first. I want to be an actuary or engineer, so my aim is to make the *2022 Winter Olympics*.

## Youth performers wanted

Do you play in a band or are you a soloist, double-up as a duo, love playing acoustic or just belting out some amazing vocals? We want you for *Sounds of Glen Eira 2015*. This is your opportunity to perform to a live audience and show it what you've got.

Selected performers will be in the running to win two full-days recording in Youth Services Plugged In music recording studio, with a professional sound engineer who will record, mix and master your tracks. One of the finalists will also be selected to perform at Glen Eira City Council's *2016 Party in the Park* event — *Under The Stars*.

All you need to do is bring or send your demo CD along with contact details and a musician or band bio by Friday 21 August to the Youth Information Centre, 86 Robert Street, Bentleigh.

Performers must be aged between 10 and 25 and have a connection with the City of Glen Eira. *Sounds of Glen Eira* will be held on Friday 18 September and is a fully supervised drug, alcohol and smoke-free event. Admission is free.

For further information, contact Youth Services on 9524 3676 or email [bcross@gleneira.vic.gov.au](mailto:bcross@gleneira.vic.gov.au)



## Fit-Social

*Fit-Social* provides an encouraging and supportive environment to meet new people and be active. With a range of activities like Zumba, cardio drills, ping pong, basketball and cricket, *Fit-Social* is guaranteed to make your Thursday afternoons so much better.

The program is for young people aged 14 to 25 who live, work or study in the City of Glen Eira. It's free and open to all fitness levels. Come and check it out and meet some new people, have a bit fun and learn about health and fitness along the way.

*Fit-Social* is held on Thursdays from 4pm to 5.30pm at Bentleigh McKinnon Youth Centre, 5 Higgins Road, Bentleigh.

Dates for term three: 23 and 30 July; 6, 13, 20 and 27 August; and 3 and 10 September.

For further information or to register your interest, contact Youth Services on 9524 3676.



## Positive feedback from Chill It participants

Glen Eira City Council Youth Services *Chill It* program is for young people aged 10 to 14. Participants join in a wide range of activities run by a youth worker in a safe and fun environment.

Activities are decided on by the group and in the past have included dodge ball, indoor and outdoor games, building paper planes and making mini pizzas.

Youth Services interviewed some of its *Chill It* participants (pictured below) to find out what it's really like to be involved in the program.

## What has been your favourite Chill It activity?

Heath — "My favourite activity has been making mini pizzas and biscuit decorating."

Charlie — "I like playing soccer with everyone."

Spencer — "We do many fun activities. It's hard to choose just one as my favourite."

## What activity did you try for the first time at Chill It?

Charlie — "I had never tried the Easter egg drop before. We made parachutes for our Easter eggs and dropped them

from different heights onto the floor, tan bark and concrete to see if our egg survived the drop or smashed. It was heaps of fun."

## Why should other young people come along to Chill It?

All participants agree that *Chill It* is a great program if you want to socialise, meet new people or just hang out with friends.

*Chill It* is held on Monday afternoons from 4pm to 5.30pm at DC Bricker Pavilion, Beech Street, Caulfield.

If you are interested in getting involved in the great activities on offer through *Chill It*, contact Youth Services on 9524 3676 or visit [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/youth](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/youth)





# Exhibitions

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.

## Interactive children's activity — Telling Tales Friday 3 July, 2pm–4pm

Come along and explore this free vibrant interactive component of the *Arcadia* exhibition. Children are invited to create their own artworks and add them to the display throughout the duration of the exhibition.

This interactive activity is designed for primary school children aged four to 12 and is facilitated by local artist Madeleine Grummet from Do Re Me Creative.



## Arcadia Until 12 July

This exhibition explores the realms of history, cultural identity, migration, storytelling and the natural world, immersing the viewer in staged utopian landscapes, real and imagined mysterious dream worlds and local environments.

Works by established and emerging Australian artists including Valerie Sparks, Michael Cook, Polixeni Papapetrou, Sonia Payes and Abdul-Rahman Abdullah are featured.

The artists' concerns with memory, personal history, cultural, colonial and natural history are investigated, traversing fictional dream environments and reality.

Presented in association with the *2015 Glen Eira Storytelling Festival*.



Polixeni Papapetrou  
*The Storyteller* 2014  
from *Lost Psyche*  
Pigment ink print  
100 x 150cm  
Courtesy of the Artist and Stills Gallery

## Twenty Melbourne Painters Society Inc 16 July–2 August

Trevor Victor Harvey Gallery presents the 97th annual exhibition of the Twenty Melbourne Painters Society Inc, showcasing recent paintings from this prestigious group of traditional realist painters.

Established in 1918, the enduring strength of this group to the present day is due to the foresight and conviction of its founding and past members.



Bill Caldwell  
*Blue Gum* 2015  
Oil on Linen  
60 x 60cm

## Summer events 2015–16 expressions of interest

Glen Eira City Council will host several outdoor events over the summer season and we invite the community to be involved.

We are seeking participation from individuals, schools, community groups, retailers and service providers who live, work or study in the City of Glen Eira. We are seeking participants for:

- choirs, music groups, entertainment and performers for the onstage entertainment;
- running of children's activities; and
- food stalls that predominantly offer healthy food choices.

If you would like to participate, visit [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/eventsEOI](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/eventsEOI)

## Immunisation sessions

### Bentleigh-Bayside Community Health Gardeners Road, Bentleigh East

Saturday 18 July and Saturday 15 August  
9am–11am

Wednesday 8 July and Wednesday  
12 August 5.30pm–7.30pm

Thursday 30 July and Thursday 27 August  
5.30pm–7.30pm

### Carnegie Library and Community Centre

7 Shepparson Avenue, Carnegie  
Wednesday 15 July and Wednesday 19  
August 1pm–2.30pm and 5.30pm–7.30pm

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

Monday 27 July and Monday 24 August  
9.30am–11.30am

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

Corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn  
Roads, Caulfield

Tuesday 14 July and Tuesday 11 August  
9.30am–11.30am

Tuesday 7 July and Tuesday 4 August  
6pm–7pm

### Glen Huntly Maternal and Child Health Centre Corner Royal and Rosedale Avenues, Glen Huntly

Wednesday 29 July and Wednesday  
26 August 9.30am–11.30am

### McKinnon Public Hall

118 McKinnon Road, McKinnon  
Monday 6 July and Monday 3 August  
9.30am–11.30am





# Glen Eira Libraries and Learning Centres



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LIBRARY NEWS

## Free music downloads and streaming

You can now access more than eight million free songs, including Sony Music Entertainment's catalogue of legendary artists through the Glen Eira Libraries and Learning Centres website.

*Freegal Music* has become the most popular way for library users to download music. This free service provides access to more than 28,000 music labels from 101 different countries, and popular music videos for download.

To access *Freegal Music*, you need to be a library member. Membership is free and takes a few minutes. You can join online or at any Glen Eira library.

Once you are a member, *Freegal Music* apps are available to download from Apple® App Store and Google Play®. Visit [library.gleneira.vic.gov.au](http://library.gleneira.vic.gov.au) to view the *Freegal Music* catalogue. There is music for everyone from the latest hits to golden oldies.

## Streaming and catch-up TV

**Thursday 2 July**  
**10.30am–12.30pm**  
**Carnegie Library — Tech Room**

Learn how to stream and listen to music on your iPad.

We will look at the different options for catch up TV such as ABC iView, Foxtel, the BBC and the more recent services — Netflix and Stan.

Discover podcasts and learn how to organise and create playlists.

Limited numbers apply. Bookings required, book online at [library.gleneira.vic.gov.au](http://library.gleneira.vic.gov.au), at any Glen Eira library or contact 9524 3700.

## Reading Circle

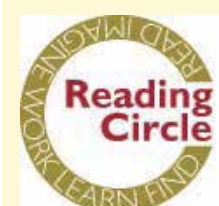
**The world of today's cartoonists**

**Wednesday 15 July**  
**2pm–3.30pm**  
**Carnegie Library**

Oslo Davis is an illustrator and cartoonist who has drawn for magazines and newspapers worldwide.

As a satirist, Oslo has a particular interest in drawing the foibles and ridiculousness of modern day life. In today's world, what are the risks for a cartoonist. Hear Oslo as he discusses this and the creative world of a cartoonist.

Bookings required. Book online at [library.gleneira.vic.gov.au](http://library.gleneira.vic.gov.au), at any Glen Eira library or contact 9524 3700.



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## Love chatting about books?

Then come along and meet new people and have a chat at one of our group discussions.

*Book Chats* are a relaxed and informal chat about books and reading held at 2pm. In July, we will be discussing great love stories.

Carnegie Library, Wednesday 1 July  
Caulfield Library, Tuesday 14 July  
Bentleigh Library, Thursday 16 July  
Elsternwick Library, Tuesday 21 July

### Cover 2 Cover book club

Come and discuss the latest books in a small, intimate and free book club — *Cover 2 Cover*.

There is a different title at each library, every month.

Take a look at the coming titles online at [library.gleneira.vic.gov.au](http://library.gleneira.vic.gov.au) or contact 9524 3700.



## Foreign language magazines now online

Glen Eira libraries are continually expanding their online magazine catalogue. Along with our wide range of popular titles, you can now access magazines in Chinese, French, German, Italian and Afrikaans. You can download magazines to your computer, tablet or smart phone so you can read them anywhere, any time.

With your library card and internet access, you can choose from a range of digital magazines with no loan period and no limit on the number of magazines you can download.

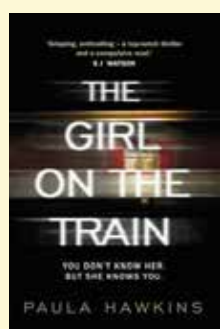
Take a look at our e-magazines and e-newspapers at [library.gleneira.vic.gov.au](http://library.gleneira.vic.gov.au)

## Glen Eira libraries bring you the latest

Pick up the latest bestsellers at Glen Eira libraries. With multiple copies of the top 10 books to choose from, it's easy to be among the first to read what's hot.

Choose from the latest blockbuster movies; Australian and international releases; musicals; timeless classics; children's favourites; popular television shows; and fascinating documentaries on DVD and Blu-Ray.

From PS4, PS3, Wii U, Xbox One and Xbox 360, the libraries have a great range of games to borrow.





## Attract Eastern Spinebill to your garden



Following her registration in Glen Eira City Council's *Neighbourhood Sustainable Gardening Program*, Carnegie resident and passionate gardener Sarah contacted *Glen Eira News* to share some gardening tips on attracting native birds to her garden.

Sarah said that she is pleased the Eastern Spinebill has returned to her garden this autumn.

"I recommend planting Salvia, Correa, Fuchsia, Grevilleas and Kangaroo Paws in your garden to help attract native birds such as the Eastern Spinebill," Sarah said.

"I am fortunate to have various birds visit my garden, including the Tawny Frogmouths, Brown Thornbills, Wattlebirds and Lorikeets — the birds seem to feel safe in my garden."

After nine years of caring for her family garden, Sarah has a bountiful garden including a large array of vegetables and fruit trees such as pineapple and strawberry; guava; pears; nectarines; plums; apples; broccoli; celery; asparagus; warrigal greens; snow peas; black seeded chillies; and more.

Sarah also enjoys growing lots of herbs including her favourite — Fat Hen and Stinging Nettle.

"Fat Hen is a great alternative to spinach. I cook it briefly before eating it — it contains antioxidants and vitamin A," Sarah said.

Her children also enjoy eating potato and nettle soup for a weekend lunch.

Gardening is a relaxing hobby for Sarah, which she enjoys when she has some

down time; she enjoys the company of her two chickens whilst gardening as they help keep the insects at bay and produce the odd egg or two.

If you are interested in joining Council's *Neighbourhood Sustainable Gardening Program*, contact Council's sustainable education officer on 9524 3333 or join online at [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/sustainable\\_garden](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/sustainable_garden)



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## Addressing the cat overpopulation

Did you know that 22 per cent of people feed cats that don't belong to them?

Feeding unknown cats and not taking full ownership or responsibility for them contributes to the high number of feral and stray cats.

As part of the *Who's for Cats?* campaign, Glen Eira City Council is calling for people who are feeding an unowned cat to act humanely and take full responsibility for the cat by contacting Council to seek advice on either taking ownership of the cat (registering and desexing) or by bringing the cat into their local pound or shelter.

Council's Manager Building and Civic Compliance John Bordignon said it's important to educate the community about the problems associated with cat overpopulation.

"Large numbers of unowned cats on the streets are causing problems for residents, such as spraying strong smelling urine around houses and cars, fighting with other cats, spreading disease, yowling at night and defecating in gardens and sandpits," Mr Bordignon said.

"Unowned cats often suffer from very poor health, and live in a state of starvation and disease. The average life expectancy of an unowned cat is three years, compared to 12 to 15 years for an owned desexed cat."

Mr Bordignon said feeding unowned cats helps keep them alive and strong enough to reproduce. They keep breeding more and more kittens into a life of disease and neglect. This contributes to the tragic cat overpopulation problem in Australia.

"This is a situation no humane person or cat lover wants to see continue," Mr Bordignon said.

## Special four-year-old immunisation sessions 2015

Glen Eira City Council's Immunisation Service is offering immunisation sessions for four-year-old children in 2015. 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 and one month. If your child is not vaccinated by this recommended age, they will be considered overdue and you will receive reminder letters from Council.



**Wednesday 1 July**  
4pm-6pm

Carnegie Library and  
Community Centre  
7 Shepparson Avenue  
Carnegie

**Saturday 1 August**  
9.30am-11.30am

Bentleigh-Bayside Community  
Health Centre  
Gardeners Road  
Bentleigh East

**Wednesday 2 September**  
4pm-6pm

Carnegie Library and  
Community Centre  
7 Shepparson Avenue  
Carnegie



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