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# Billboard blight hits East Melbourne

A VCAT decision has favoured billboard advertisers.

A decision by VCAT that over-ruled an earlier Council decision, has allowed the erection of a billboard measuring 67 square metres. This opens the way for other large advertising projects to hit heritage East Melbourne. Melbourne City Council received 27 objections to the proposal.

Since the recent erection of this billboard, another large billboard has suddenly appeared in Jolimont Road.

In March of this year, Mr Ian Marsden, Senior VCAT tribunal member, said it was OK to erect an illuminated billboard covering 23% of a blank wall in Wellington Parade. Jeremy Gobbo QC for the applicant Adspace Pty Ltd, told the tribunal that, "dominance of the billboard is limited and will not dominate the area".

Mr Stuart McGurn (Fulcrum Town Planners) on behalf of the applicant said, "the billboard will not detract from the heritage precinct and is not inappropriate for a heritage overlay".

Although the tribunal heard submissions from the Melbourne City Council, East Melbourne Group and residents from nearby apartments opposing the granting of a permit, Mr Marsden in his finding said, "the signage will have no impact on the heritage assets of East Melbourne".

The East Melbourne Group, in its submission at the tribunal claimed the proposed billboard had visual impact on nearby Yarra Park as well as heritage buildings nearby. Besides having zero benefit to the public realm, it must not be overlooked that Wellington Parade, once predominantly a business strip, now has a high proportion of residential apartments, many of which look directly on the signage.



Protestors outside the Feritlity Clinic





# **Council draws the line**

Allegations of harassment and displays of graphic effigies outside the East Melbourne Fertility Clinic have prompted Council to draw a white demarcation line.

Theresa Erfurth, Place Manager from Customer Relations department, City of Melbourne, has told the East Melbourne News that it is generally felt that the situation has improved considerably since a white line was painted on the pavement.

Protestors are to remain behind the white line on the roadside of the pathway at all times. The scheme aims to prevent interference with pedestrians walking past protestors outside the fertility clinic. Over the past few months council has organized round table meetings with the

police, the East Melbourne Group and representatives of the anti-abortionist group in an effort to find ways of preventing obstruction of the pathways and harassment of pedestrians and patients.

Clinic spokesperson, Dr Susie Allanson believes Melbourne City Council is still not doing enough to enforce its by-laws.

# Freemasons merger

Epworth Healthcare, the new owner of Freemasons Hospital in Clarendon Street and Victoria Parade, has stated it will continue operations of the hospitals in their current form in the short term.

The amalgamation of services has already seen the closure of the Emergency Department on the corner of Albert Street and Clarendon Street. When contacted the East Melbourne News, spokesperson Deb Cutts said that moving the 'East Melbourne Emergency' to Richmond, had ensured that funds are better utilized and that patient access to a first class emergency service was strengthened.

The media statement of Chief Executive Officer, Mr Denis Hogg said that a review will be conducted to ensure that optimal level of care for patients and facilities for doctors are maintained and enhanced. Epworth's acquisition of Freemasons will provide opportunities for Epworth to expand into obstetrics.

It was in mid 2005 that Mr Barry Reaper, Chief Executive Officer of Freemasonry Victoria, called for expressions of interest regarding the future ownership and management of the hospitals on two separate sites.



The 92 bed Victoria Parade Medical Centre opened in 1990 and has provided maternity, day oncology, day procedure and consulting suites.

In nearby Clarendon Street, the Art Deco hospital was built in 1937 and is now registered with Heritage Victoria for its inter-war architecture. After 70 years of ownership, it was felt that the potential sale would give a network operator a wonderful opportunity to buy a hospital in a prime location and turn it into an even bigger and better business.

Epworth Eastern has recently opened a new \$85 million, 223-bed acute-care medical and surgical hospital in Box Hill.



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# **News in Brief**

# Old cedars face the chop

The old grand cedars planted around the 1880s in Hotham Walk in the Fitzroy Gardens face the chop. The aging specimens are in very poor shape and have to come down.

Ian Shears, Tree Manager, City of Melbourne, said the Deodar cedars (Cedrus deodara) are declining and dropping their limbs. Stage One of the project will involve taking down five existing trees at the eastern end of Hotham Walk and replacement by eleven new trees of the same species. The project will be part of the Winter 2007 Capital Tree Planting Program.



# Old MCC seats recycled

Liz Chaplin (below), Convenor of the EMG Parks and Gardens Committee tries out one of the old pavilion seats outside the entrance to the Melbourne Cricket Club. Liz, a member of the MCC and a member of the MCC Women's Committee, approves of the placement of these wonderful relics on the concourse.



# Council drafts plans for speed humps in Powlett and Simpson Street

Council has informed the EMG that it proposes to install speed humps in Powlett and Simpson Streets. In its response, EMG has requested that individual views from effected residents be canvassed before there is any endorsement of the proposal. EMG would also like to wait and see what impact new traffic signals in Victoria Street have on through-traffic.

### Cricket wickets on the move

City of Melbourne has reported that it is considering a proposal to move the cricket wickets away from the grounds of the Gardeners Cottage. The proposal is to relocate them to a new home on the western side of the MCG. The EMG disapproved of the Gardeners Cottage garden being bulldozed to make way for the wickets.



# Two big water projects dig up local streets

The simultaneous installation of new storm water lines and mains water pipes has caused a degree of disruption in East Melbourne streets. City West Water is renewing mains water pipes along Powett Street and rear laneways, while City Wide have been contracted by City of Melbourne to lay new concrete barrels on the down run in Grey Street. A spokesperson for City West Water said that most streets will eventually have to be done, as no storm water infrastructure has previously existed.

# Roundabouts upgraded at last

Council has announced that the design and upgrade of the roundabouts in East Melbourne will be placed in the 2006/2007 design program. Commencement of works on the roundabouts will depend on the cost of the project. The EMG has been asking Council to improve the crumbling 1970s roundabouts for the past three years. A draft plan was to be available for EMG comment last September. Liz Chaplin has reported that she is still waiting to hear from Council.

# Gardeners Cottage and Community Garden

Community groups are still waiting for Council to decide whether the charming Gardeners Cottage will be kept for community use or completely demolished. The EMG believes the heritage cottage has too much history attached to it and could be well utilized by the community in conjunction with the community garden. Although council has announced the community garden will go ahead and will be completed by next April, EMG has not been asked to comment on the latest proposal.



# **George Street Cafe**

Its Christmas time again and another exciting year has passed. Over the past year the café has seen a change in owners and some familiar faces come and gone, but with these changes, you, the friendly faces of East Melbourne, have supported us during this time of change and for this we wish to thank you.

# **Christmas Puddings and Hampers**

From the 27th November you will be able to purchase delicious Christmas puddings prepared by our fantastic chefs for \$28.

And for that perfect Christmas gift why not purchase a Christmas Hamper for \$59.90. Includes: pudding, brandy custard, a jar of homemade jam, chutney and marmalade and 250g of ground coffee all presented and wrapped in a basket.

We are looking forward to an exciting 2007. It will start off when the café reopens on the 15th January and then in March with the East Melbourne Festa. On behalf of the George Street Café management and staff we wish you all a merry Christmas and a safe and prosperous new year.

Note: The café will be closing at midday on the 24th December.



George Street Café
65 George Street East Melbourne 3002
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# East Melbourne Festa

The East Melbourne Festa is scheduled to be held on Sunday 25th March 2007 in Powlett Reserve (corner of Albert and Powlett Streets) East Melbourne, from 11:00am to 3:00pm.

We welcome our major sponsors, the City of Melbourne, City Sustainability, Dingle Partners Real Estate, Toucan Printers, and Soulfresh Organic Juices. We also acknowledge the support of the East Melbourne Group.

Plans are moving along and the Committee of Management has secured some wonderful entertainment for the day.

Animal Farm Jumping Castle Trampolines Stage Entertainment

Kids Activities Horse & Carriage Rides Sand Wizard Mini Golf

Children's Crafts Sculpture & Art Exhibition Quilt Making Exhibition

Visits from the Fire Brigade and the Police Band

The Festa will be officially opened by the Rt. Hon. the Lord Mayor Cr. John So. City of Melbourne councillors will be in attendance during the day.

The Police Band and Sing Australia will entertain us in the afternoon. Local traders, George Street Café and Gipps Street Cellars have already committed to providing a variety of food and beverages. Holy Trinity Church will put on their famous Sausage Sizzle and St John's Catholic School will operate the Asian Food marquees.

Information services on our Parks and Gardens and Water Conservation and Sustainability will keep us up to date on how best to keep East Melbourne the most liveable suburb in Victoria www.melbourne.vic.gov.au



Please contact the Festa Committee of Management on 0418 363 755 or email: festa@emg.org.au for more details.



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# **Library News**

'What's on at the library' can be obtained from Councils website www.melbourne.vic.gov.au

For those who do not have access to the Internet, the East Melbourne News plans to give readers an update of this information in conjunction with other newsworthy items in its quarterly publication.

# Children's Story time

for pre-school children is held every Wednesday at 11am.

# Community Facilities

include a large meeting room available for community activities during library hours and after hours. It can be booked for social functions, seminars, presentations, education programs and fundraising events by phoning 9201 1510 or faxing 9210 1513.

### The Internet

can be accessed from eight computer stations. There is also a free wireless hotspot for library users to access the Internet from laptop computers.

# Local History Room

provides access to important documents and research materials for members of the East Melbourne Historical Society and the community. It is a 'one-stop history shop' for people who wish to research everything from family history to the history of their homes.

A Chinese and Vietnamese collection includes an extensive range of various materials and bilingual picture books for children.

# The Library & Community Centre Committee (LCCC)

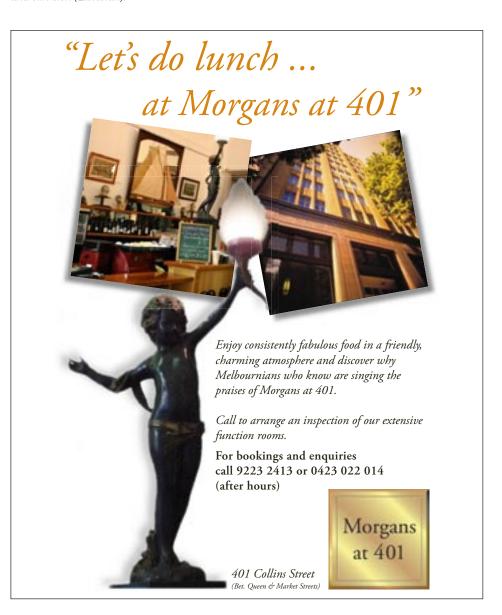
has been recently established for the specific purpose of representing all users of the recently opened library development in George Street. Named the "Library & Community Centre Committee", the aim of the committee is to assist library staff with the management of the centre and to report to council on facility issues, problems, maintenance and upkeep.

Members of the committee include representatives from the Friends of the Library (Elizabeth Cam), the East Melbourne Historical Society (Sylvia Black), the East Melbourne Group (Margaret Wood), Redevelopment Committee (Frank Lewis) and general community representative (Lynn Rogers). Jill Fenwick has been appointed Chair of the LCCC and is also East Melbourne's representative of the Library Corporations "Regional Library Consultative Advisory Committee"

Jill Fenwick can be contacted through the East Melbourne Group Office on 9415 7570 or email: jill\_fenwick@yahoo.com.au



Left to Right: Jill Fenwick (Chair of the LCCC), Jenny Khan (Library Corporation) and Jill Allen (Librarian).



# Yarra Park in damage control

Following a year of heavy car-parking usage in Yarra Park for the whole of the Sporting Precinct, an extensive maintenance project has been undertaken in an effort to rectify the damage. Melbourne City Council has contracted City Wide to carry out the works.

The local community has been observing the delivery of tonnes of topsoil by the truckload. Tractors have been ploughing up some of the worst paddocks while other areas have been thoroughly aerated.

Teams of gardeners and turfing contractors have systematically reseeded or laid ready roll-out turf in an effort to rejuvenate areas affected by the heavy traffic allowed into the park.

The East Melbourne Group welcomes this concerted effort to fix the damage but wonders if it could be money down the drain when car-parking is back in force for the coming Test Matches and Australian Open next month.





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# **EMG** president retires

President of the East Melbourne Group, Margaret Wood has stepped down. In her letter to members in early October, Margaret acknowledged the unfailing support, encouragement and friendship that she had received. She said her decision to step down was in the best interests of the association and that it was time for new energy and enthusiasm, new insight and direction.

When asked if she had any idea what the job involved when she took it on six years ago, Margaret said that she was fortunate enough to work alongside the former president Nerida Samson for two years. This enabled her to learn a lot about heritage issues in East Melbourne. "East Melbourne's lack of heritage protection was something I knew little about until I met Nerida", Margaret said. "Nerida Samson was instrumental in listing the Fitzroy Gardens and the Bishopscourt site on the heritage register."

But what Margaret didn't know was that East Melbourne was about to be caught up in the apartment boom and that it would be hit by a wave of high-rise applications one after the other. "We were confronted by developers wanting to build two towers behind the Freemasons Hospital at levels of 21 and 18 storeys; a 17 storey tower behind the MCG hotel; a 16 level high-rise beside Mosspennock. And it was about this time that we unearthed a secret proposal to build twin towers of 22 storeys at Eastside. It was a crazy time."

A fighting campaign was launched and the community dug deep into its pockets. Funds were raised to engage a good legal team and new EMG memberships came out of the woodwork. To help with the workload, a network of committees was established around the core committee. "Although we managed to keep the first wave of applications at bay, the next wave was just around the corner and they just kept coming," said Margaret.

"We soon realized that the EMG couldn't keep up the pressure for ever and that the planning regulations had to change if historic East Melbourne was ever going to be free of these over the top proposals. The existing planning regulations were pretty useless and full of anomalies. We asked Council to launch an urgent review and this has been achieved, but it took four years of hard work."

"These changes to the Melbourne Planning Scheme are now referred to as the Amendment C93. Unfortunately there is just one obstacle. Our current Planning Minister, Rob Hulls, for reasons best known to himself, is reluctant to approve the Amendment. This is disappointing for me as it would have been nice to see it activated before retiring."

"The other disappointing moment was

the day Minister Delahunty, former Planning Minister, decided to remove the Melbourne City Council as the planning authority for the Hilton Hotel site. In doing this, Ms Delahunty immediately approved the Hilton Hotel's applications for reasons of State Significance, being the Commonwealth Games."

When asked if developers have started to get the message, Margaret said she believed they are now realizing a lot can be achieved by talking to affected residents about heritage and amenity issues. "The Mercy Hospital development is one example of a successful outcome after a series of meetings with residents. The Hilton Hotel developers are still relying on the Planning Minister to help them out rather than negotiating with the community. That project has been on the drawing board since 2001. The Freemasons projects in Clarendon Street and Albert Street seem to have fallen away.'



When asked about the future of the East Melbourne Group, Margaret's final comments were, "I hope to see the EMG progress from strength to strength in membership and to keep doing what it does well and that is protecting this unique part of Melbourne."

# Victoria Parade works update

Vic Roads community liaison officer, Veronica Mici, has given the East Melbourne News the latest update on recent works in Victoria Parade.

Part of the *Think Tram* program to improve tram travel times, reliability and safety, a number of major changes are taking place.

New traffic signals are operating at the intersections of Clarendon and Powlett Street while existing traffic signals at Lansdowne Street and Smith Street have been upgraded with additional pedestrian crossing facilities. The Eades Street median break will be closed.

Between now and February 2007, four pairs of platform tram stops along Victoria Parade will be constructed at Lansdowne, Smith, Wellington, and Hoddle Streets.

Once all the new stops are open, Stop 14 at Eades Street and Stop 17 at Simpson Street will be closed.

Public benefits include improved access to trams, safer pedestrian crossings and safer intersection crossings for motorists.

For more information phone 1300 309 571 or email to thinktram@roads.vic.gov.au



# Planning News

# Jolimont Square

Residents have moved into completed terraced town houses on the Agnes and Charles Street sides of Jolimont Square in Wellington Parade South. A Victorian villa and a Federation house (sub-divided into two apartments) have also been sold. A section of land on the corner of Agnes Street and Wellington Parade South has been resold to another developer and remains vacant.



# Eastside - Becton Development

Reports of builders walking off the construction site at Eastside have come to the attention of the East Melbourne News. Residents at nearby Wellington Gardens noticed workers packing up some weeks ago and have not been back since.

This poses the question of what is happening to the Becton site?

# Mercy Hospital - Project

Salta has commenced demolition work on the Mercy Project in Clarendon Street and Gipps Street. Construction is expected to be finished in two years.

Refurbishment of the existing Clarendon Street building will include removing the curves at both ends and elongating the building. The façade will be recessed with balconies overlooking the Fitzroy Gardens.

Scaffold has been built on the outside to take down the façade of the building. Internally all walls and some flooring is being removed.

A 200 seat restaurant will be built as part of the retail and commercial space on the ground floor, while most of the 76 apartments will have two or three bedrooms with an average size of 335 square metres.

In Gipps Street, a 110-bed aged-care facility and 25 other dwellings will be





Builders are constructing a Marketing Suite for the residential development at 150 Clarendon Street.

Further information is available on 9673 1111.

### Hilton Hotel

Thakral Holdings Limited is asking the Minister for Planning to approve three fresh applications concerning the Hilton Hotel redevelopment in Wellington Parade and Clarendon Street. No construction has commenced, although there has been demolition at the rear of the MCC Hotel, under the 2004 Delahunty approved amendment 101. The East Melbourne Group has appealed against Justice Morris's earlier decision that the Amendment is lawful. The case is waiting to be heard in the Supreme Court of Appeal sometime next year.

# Charity workers in East Melbourne

The last newsletter resulted in a flurry of interest in the non-profit sector and many of our locals are tirelessly doing their bit for the community. So, in each news letter we will endeavour to give credit where credit is due!

Cottage by Sea has been a passion of Betty Hall, Prue Forster and a whole band of East Melbournians who work every day of the year organizing lunches, busy bees, the annual fete in January and selling the Christmas Cards.

Cottage by the Sea at Queenscliff provides short term relief care for children in need aged five to twelve. It allows a family the chance to cope with their difficulties knowing the children are safe and well cared for and having fun (which all kids should have plenty). Over 800 children each year are provided with relief care – showing there is a real need. To help go to <a href="https://www.cottagebythesea.com.au">www.cottagebythesea.com.au</a>

The Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia is a not-for-profit charitable service providing aero medical emergency and primary health care services together with communication and education assistance to people who live, work and travel in regional and remote Australia.

While Gerri is constantly on a plane, occasionally we see her in the George Street café or Fitzroy Gardens soaking up the city she loves so much. More info on RFDS can be found on: www.flyingdoctor.net

Finally, the Sisters of Mercy who live in Gipps Street work tirelessly to support Mercy Care a voluntary organization which provides free supported accommodation to women and children throughout Victoria, in particular the western suburbs, who are victims of domestic violence and need emergency overnight accommodation. The service can accommodate up to sixteen people per night with food, clothing and toiletries. The service is open seven days a week. Mercy Care is unique in that it not only seeks to empower the women and children who use our service but also the women who volunteer their time, knowledge and experience. Mercy Care receives no government funding and many in the Berry Street community



Photo – the group of workers gathered outside the library about to board the bus to Queenscliff.

have supported Mercy Care this year – more information can be found on www.mercycare.org.au

# New restaurant opens

A new restaurant has opened its doors in East Melbourne. Formerly known as Glaze at the eastern end of Wellington Parade, Megan Rogers, spokesperson for Komatsu would like the community to come and try some of its specialty dishes.

"There are choices on the menu that are devoid of ingredients that may cause common food intolerances such as gluten, lactose and fructose," Megan said. Fresh seasonal produce from local markets is selected to ensure a mouthwatering experience.

Diners will notice some changes to the

layout of the restaurant. Table place settings have been moved down stairs while the upstairs area is ideal for group functions. The bar area is in full swing and the small area behind has comfortable seating.

If you are looking for a venue for your Christmas function or you just feel like a meal out, Megan is happy to chat to you.

### Komatsu

62 Wellington Parade East Melbourne Phone: 9416 1566

Website: www.nexgeneats.co





# **Star Kingdom turns 25**

Most of East Melbourne knows Lili Ly – she says that's why she loves living and working here – everyday people say "Hello Lili" – they know her name and best of all they know her restaurant.

Lili and husband To Ha came to East Melbourne from Singapore where To Ha was Master of Hong Kong cooking (Cantonese Style) over 25 years ago. They have three children (all born here at the Mercy Hospital) and one gorgeous grandchild Amily, who you will see regularly with Van their youngest daughter in the restaurant.

Every morning around 7 am you will see To Ha walking their dog Lollipop regardless of what time he finishes cooking the night before. His quiet reserve is a reassuring start to the morning and part of our lovely East Melbourne community.

To Ha's cooking feeds many of us each week and it is a testimony to the quality that we keep going back!!! Every time anyone has the flu a good Tom Yum will clear the sinuses.

The other lovely quality of their food and service is that it is the same every time – you can still get a traditional Sweet and Sour with no pretensions and as they shop everyday it is always fresh!

However the family favorite would have to be the Salt and Pepper Squid – definitely not 'weight watchers' but a real treat. Try some soon.

Star Kingdom 82 Wellington Parade, East Melbourne Phone: 9417 6735



Lili Ly



# **Crime Watch**

Neighbourhood Watch Report for the area of East Melbourne - Provided by Sergeant Warren Jackman of the Victoria Police for the period of September - October 2006.

Due to privacy considerations NOT all offences for this area are listed.

Date	Details	Location
September		
3/09	Theft from sports area	Brunton Ave
7/09	Theft from motor vehicle, forced	Clarendon St
7/09	Theft from motor vehicles x 2	Brunton Ave
7/09	Burglary from business office, back window forced	Agnes Street
8/09	Hotel/Motel theft	Albert Street
8/09	Theft from motor vehicle, smashed window	Berry Street
8/09	Business office burglary x 2 ( no sign of forced entry; back door)	Albert Street
9/09	Sports area theft	Brunton Ave
9/09	Hotel/Motel theft	Albert Street
10/09	Sports area theft x 2	Brunton Ave
12/09	Burglary from house, front door forced	Hotham Street
13/09	Property damage	Simpson Street
13/09	Business office burglary	Victoria Pde
14/09	Burglary, other Health Theft from motor vehicle	Grey Street
14/09	Theft from hotel/motel	Jolimont Tce Powlett Street
15/09 15/09	Medical Centre burglary, forced entry	Albert Street
17/09	Hospital burglary, lock manipulated	Grey Street
18/09	Theft from motor vehicle, smashed window	George Street
18/09	Bicycle theft from apartment/unit	Grey Street
20/09	Burglary from business office	Albert Street
22/09	Burglary from flat/unit, back door, nil visible force	Hotham Street
22/09	Burglary from factory, unlocked/open window	Brunton Ave
22/09	Burglary	Wellington Pde
22/09	Business office burglary, forced-broken window x 2	Albert Street
23/09	House burglary, back door and window	Gipps Street
24/09	Burglary from business office, back door forced	Wellington Pde
26/09	Burglary – other health, lock manipulated	Albert Street
27/09	Burglary from apartment/unit, front door lock broken	Simpson Street
29/09	Theft from motor vehicle, car-park, window smashed	Simpson Street
29/09	Theft from motor vehicle in garage	Grey Street
29/09	Burglary attempt	Jolimont Road
30/09	Burglary from flat/unit, front window forced	Hotham Street
30/09	Theft from motor vehicle, smashed window	George Street
30/09	Theft from sports area	Brunton Ave
30/09	Theft from sports area	Jolimont Tce
October		
1/10	Burglary from flat	Hotham Street
4/10	Theft from motor vehicle in carpark, smashed window x 3	Victoria Pde
5/10	Theft from motor vehicle	Simpson Street
5/10	Business office burglary, unlocked door, no sign of forced entry	Wellington Pde
6/10	Theft from motor vehicle in carpark, smashed window x 2	Albert St, Grey St
6/10	Burglary from premises, back window	Clarendon St
7/10	Theft from motor vehicle	Darling Street
9/10	Business office burglary	Jolimont Tce
9/10	Theft from motor vehicle in carpark x 2	Albert Street
10/10	Burglary from flat/unit, no sign forced entry	Hotham Street
10/10	Burglary from garage, nil forced entry	Agnes Street
11/10	Theft from residence, bicycle	Albert Street
11/10	Theft from hospital	Clarendon St
14/10	Property damage, church	Albert Street
14/10	Theft from motor vehicle, front yard, theft of bicycle	Grey Street
15/10	Property damage Property damage	Jolimont Road Clarendon St
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21/10	Burglary, hotel/motel  That from mater vehicle, amenhad window	Albert Street Albert Street
21/10	Theft from motor vehicle, smashed window  Theft from motor vehicle, garage; burglary from carpark	
21/10	Theft from motor vehicle, garage; burglary from carpark	George Street
27/10	Theft from motor vehicle, smashed window  Theft from motor vehicle, forced lock x 1, smashed window x 1	Eades Street
29/10 30/10	Theft from flat/unit	Grey Street Hotham Street
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# **What's**

Symphony of Angels

Family Event of beautiful Christmas music Saturday 16 -17 December 8pm Arts Centre, Hamer Hall St Kilda Road, Melbourne

# 2006 Boxing Day Cricket - Ashes Test Match

Days 26 -30 December Melbourne Cricket Ground East Melbourne

Tennis - Australian Open 15-28 January 2007 Rod Laver Arena Batman Avenue. Melbourne

### 'Ednaville'-

Free Exhibition of the '50's

Celebrate Dame Edna's Golden Jubilee. December 2006 – 18 February 2007 George Adams Gallery - the Arts Centre St Kilda Road.

# **Twilight Moves**

Free dance lessons Sunday 7pm - 7.30pm 14 January – 4 February 2007 Fitzroy Gardens, East Melbourne

# Twilight Rhythms

Music under the stars. Saturday and Sunday 7.30-9.30pm 13 January – 4 February 2007 Fitzroy Gardens, East Melbourne

# The Fairy Tree Factor

Enchanting fairy fun for children. 10am - 12noon, near the Fairy Tree 2 January – 14 January 2007 Fitzroy Gardens, East Melbourne

# Press Photography Exhibition 'The 1956 Games'

December - 18 January 2007 City Gallery - Melbourne Town Hall Phone: 9658 9658 for Opening Hours

# Sundays in the Park

Concerts and Sing Along Sunday 3.30pm - 5.30pm 14 January - 4 February 2007 Fitzroy Gardens, East Melbourne

# Unmasked: 'Sidney Nolan and Ned Kelly' (1950-1990) An exhibition of Sidney Nolan's

original series.

December – 4 March 2007 Heidi Museum of Modern Art 7 Templestowe Road, Bulleen. Phone: 9850 1500 Opening Hours

# The Gardens Market

Royal Botanic Gardens -Observatory Site Saturday 13 January and 10 February 9:00am - 2:00pm Birdswood Avenue, South Yarra

Requiem - Tomas Luis da Victoria Melbourne Chorale Ensemble

28 and 30 March 2007, 8pm St. Patrick's Cathedral, East Melbourne Bookings: 9645 7770

Place your notice on this

# NOTICE BOARD

If you would like to advertise a community event or group activity, items to sell, positions vacant, services available.

Contact: Carmel **9415 7570** 

email: admin@emg.org.au

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# Library & Community Centre Committee

**REPRESENTS** 

All users of the new Library and Community Centre

If you have any queries about the centre or require information about its use, please contact:

Jill Fenwick - Committee Chair Phone; 9415 7570 (EMG Office) Email: jill.fenwick\_yahoo.com

# Holy Trinity Anglican Church

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Services of Carols and Readings for the Christmas Season

# Christmas Eve:

Sunday 24th December 11.30 pm Festival Eucharist

# Christmas Dav:

Monday 25th December 10 am Festival Eucharist

The Church is at the corner of Clarendon and Hotham Streets.

Further information from the Vicar, Canon John Stewart, Phone: 9417 3341

holytrinity@tpg.com.au

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Glen Eira City Choir Presents

# 'HANDEL'S MESSIAH'

Conductor: Jane Elton Brown Orchestra: Concentante

Soprano Judith Dodsworths Contralto Kerrie Bolton Tenor Christopher Busietta Baritone Ian Cousins

AUBURN UNITY CHURCH 81 Oxley Road Hawthorn

Sunday 10th December 2.30pm Contact: 9598 6501

TICKETS: \$22/20 Conc/Groups \$18

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# SUSTAINABILITY EVENT

At the East Melbourne Library & Community Centre

# SATURDAY 9TH DECEMBER

llam Morning Tea

11:20 Welcome - Librarian11:25 Welcome - Councillor

11:30 Presentation by Andrew Cooper -

'The Little things: Sustainable Living Diary 2007'

12:30 Lunch (low cost)

1:15 Worm Farm Workshop

Dianne Cotter

2:15 Participants Network

For more information contact:
Gabrielle Stannus
Community Sustainability Officer
CITY OF MELBOURNE
Ph: 9658 8557

# **Board**

# **Bridge Evenings**

Have commenced At the new Library and Community Centre

> 122 George Street East Melbourne

# NO PARTNERS NECESSARY

For more information please contact:
Lynn Rogers 9419 6039, or
Jennifer Stanisich 9417 6110

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**Library & Community Centre** 

# **NEWLY OPENED**

122 George Street EAST MELBOURNE

**HOURS:** Sunday Closed

Mon 12pm-6pm Tues 1pm-8pm Wed 10am-6pm Thurs 1pm-6pm Fri 1pm-6pm Sat 10am-2pm

LIBRARIAN: Jill Allen PHONE: 9201 1510

Website: www.ymrl.org.au

# **LADIES TENNIS GROUP**

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for more information phone Norma Wykes on 9419 4577

wkyes@iprimus.com.au

# First Saturday of the month

"Friends of the Library"

Meet for morning coffee 10am - 12 midday at the Library

> 122 George Street East Melbourne

ALL WELCOME

# East Melbourne Garden Club

Meets 8pm, first Tuesday monthly

At the East Melbourne Library 122 George Street

# **ALL WELCOME**

Non Members \$2

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Australian Comics and their creators

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Your local association is the **East Melbourne Group Inc.** 

Please fill in your details below and send to:

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The East Melbourne Group Inc.
152 Powlett Street,
East Melbourne VIC 3002

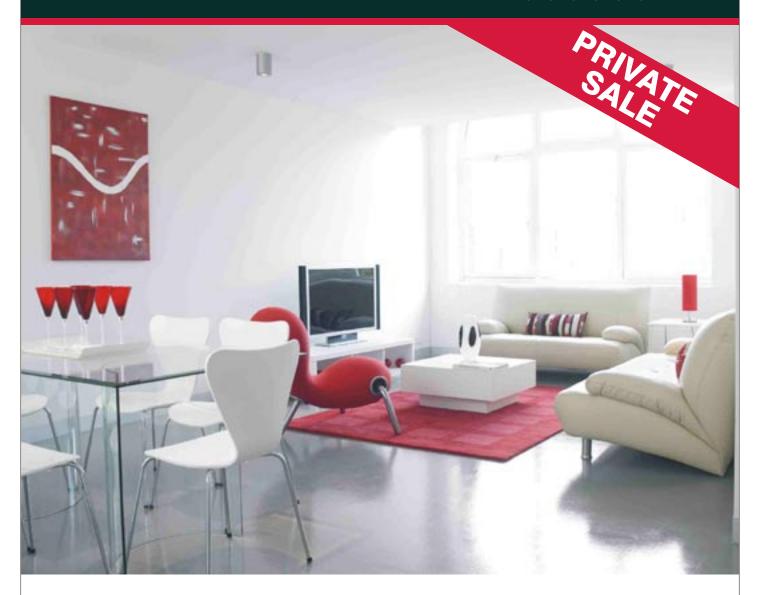
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