

DOCKLANDS community news

Docklands Warms Up with Hot Events

Thousands of Melbourne families rugged up in their winter woollies and headed to the Docklands Winter Wonderland for a fun outing during the winter school holidays.

With fun and laughter filling the Snow Dome, children were kept amused with winter themed activities including ice skating, stage shows, roving entertainment, carnival rides, snow play and art activities.

Novice and experienced skaters alike took to the ice rink to perfect their technique. The three Saturday Night Skating sessions were very popular with groups of friends and young couples enjoying a fun night out.

Special highlights included the international cast of Swan Lake on Ice showcasing their superb skating skills at three short performances. Local elite skaters inspired us with their figure skating routines. Channel Nine's current ice skating spectacular "Dancing on Ice" approached Docklands Winter Wonderland as a venue for the Melbourne celebrities to rehearse their routines. Giaan Rooney, Jules Lund and Dermott Brereton braved the ice much to the delight of

Winter Wonderland's fellow ice skaters. Channel Seven's Sunrise program broadcast live from the Snow Zone early one morning, providing national exposure to the successful Docklands winter event.

Young children enjoyed daily performances by Max Magician, The Loopy Frootz and everyone's favourite reptile, Pete the Snow Dragon from Falls Creek.

With fresh snow from Falls Creek, the Snow Zone was filled with kids tossing snowballs and making mini snowmen.

Waterfront City and NewQuay retailers also enjoyed the increase in daytime trade. The Docklands Winter Wonderland, combined with Slow Sundays @ NewQuay, the Da Vinci Machines Exhibition, visits by tall ships, Duyfken and The Enterprize, AFL matches and International Rugby has seen high visitation over June and July.

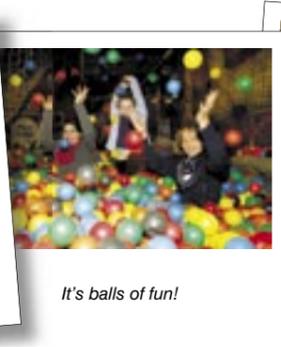
In August and September, look forward to more sport, art and cultural events.



Snowing at Docklands Winter Wonderland



Fun with the Winter Wonderland Polar Bear



It's balls of fun!



Look at my snowball!

Get your FIX at Melbourne's hottest new ultra lounge



Photos: Fix at Waterfront City
Top right: Hamish & Andy
Bottom right: Lauren Strauss & Chris Tarrant



Melbournians have been treated to an indulgent awakening with the opening of the city's first 'ultra lounge' at Waterfront City.

Over 400 guests attended the launch of FIX including celebrities, Kate Langbroek, Teresa Livingstone, Jules Lund, Jennifer Hansen, Anna Hind-Lunden, Chris Tarrant, Fiona Faulkner, Julie Quartermain, Dan O'Connor, Grant Smilie, Andy Lee, Hamish Blake and Nick Daffy. Guests sipped on winter cocktails and nibbled on delicacies, while listening to the soulful grooves of Axel Whitehead throughout the night.

Inspired by iconic ultra lounge venues in New York, Las Vegas and L.A., FIX is an uber cool bar and function venue complete with sweeping bar, intimate lounge areas, luxurious finishes and spectacular views of Victoria Harbour and the city skyline.

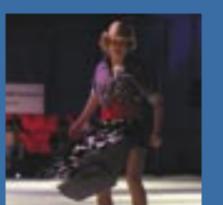
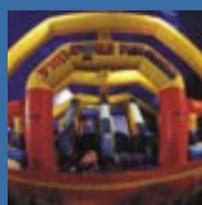
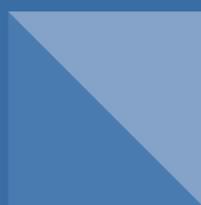
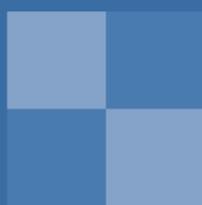
A chic brown leather bar and striking carved wooden screens throughout the venue compliment the softly lit lounge area featuring cosy club lounges, ottomans and secluded nooks for intimate gatherings.

FIX also features a separate function space, the FIX Jamm Room, designed especially for live band performances, comedy nights and corporate functions.

Chef Simon Turner has designed the menu, which is inspired by his travels in North Africa and Asia, offering an eclectic mix of tapas-style dishes.

Joint owner Nick Daffy says, "We've drawn upon our overseas travels and experience running other bars to create a venue that is not only unique to Docklands, but also Melbourne. FIX is a bar of unrivalled luxury – the knock out views and plush surrounds make it the perfect setting for sipping drinks, sharing tapas and taking in smooth live grooves in a relaxed, cool environment."

FIX
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From the Editor

As the Docklands community continues to grow and establish itself, so do a number of community interest groups. Whether you have business interests or live in Docklands, like to keep fit or learn a foreign language, are seeking social or charitable activities, there are now many formal and informal groups for like-minded individuals to come together. These groups all play an integral part of our community while also giving us a sense of belonging.

This edition provides detailed information about two very active groups in the community - the Docklands Chamber of Commerce and the Community Association. Both groups have identified issues and are seeking better outcomes for businesses and residents through the implementation of a range of initiatives. For community groups to succeed and produce great outcomes, they do need to expand their membership base, so please contact either group if you are interested in attending a meeting.

We continue to welcome new businesses to Docklands in particular Victoria Point, which has several new retailers opening along Bourke Street. The precinct remains active through the annual events calendar with thousands of visitors attending the Da Vinci Machines Exhibition in the Waterfront City as well as the regular AFL games at Telstra Dome. On these sunny winter days, we encourage you to get out and explore more of this amazing new community.

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Onboard

Community Intranet Gains Momentum



The final phase of Onboard, the Docklands Community Intranet, went live in mid June and the site has proven to be instantly popular. Site tracking software reveals that in the past 6 weeks more than 2,000 visitors have been to the Onboard site.

Onboard is packed with features and functions to deliver value to Docklanders at a local level. Over the next few issues of the Docklands Community News we will focus on several features of the site and outline the benefit they bring. This issue details the Community page and the Notice Board.

The Community page is navy blue - Onboard's pages having unique colours to help you remember where you saw information. Its functions are:

- The Docklands Story – this is a shared page which allows site members to add their recollections and experiences of Docklands to a collaborative local history.
- Classifieds – Have you got something to sell or exchange with fellow community members? The Classifieds allow you to post these items to be viewed by other community members.
- Forums – Post your ideas and opinions and receive feedback from other community members.
- The Gallery – Here you'll find some great images taken by local photographer Eamon McCarthy. These images can be sent as electronic postcards to your friends.

When you are a registered, logged-on site member, you can add content to each of the items in the Community page.

The Notice Board is the purple page. Its function is self-explanatory – a place to post items for the information of your fellow Docklanders. However, when you post a notice to the Notice Board you can specify the neighbourhood and even the building that you would like it to apply to. Similarly, as a site visitor you can use the Precinct selector at the top of the page to identify Notices applicable to a specific area or alternatively use the Category selector to find Notices that relate to a particular interest category. In this manner the site helps you sort and filter the content to find what you're seeking.

The best way to discover the potential of the community intranet is to get Onboard and use it. You'll find the site at <http://onboard.docklands.com>. If you live or work in Docklands you can register to be a site member and soon add your own information to the site. What are you waiting for? Get Onboard!

Beautiful Balcony Gardens

Do you have a balcony or balcony garden that needs reinventing? Would you like to know how to grow food in a small space or create a living, edible sanctuary?



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Toastmasters comes to Docklands

Docklands residents - are you looking for an alternative evening activity to your fabulous restaurants and bars? Toastmasters International is planning to establish a midweek evening club at Docklands.

A typical Toastmasters club is made up of 20 or more people who meet regularly to practice and develop communications and leadership skills.

To express your interest, please e-mail Darren McClelland at docklandstoastmasters@yahoo.com.au. For more information about Toastmasters, visit www.toastmasters.org

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Interview with Luigi Rizzo – Curator of **The Leonardo da Vinci Machines** – An Exhibition of Genius

How long has this exhibition been in the making?

Two generations. Carlo Niccolai began working as a young apprentice at the Leonardo da Vinci Institute, the institute responsible for establishing the Museum of Leonardo da Vinci in Florence. Carlo's son Gabriele created a number of machines as a hobby and these machines and many more found their way into the museum and now they are here at Waterfront City.

How did you become involved?

I grew up in Melbourne but left five years ago and lived in Florence. I met Gabriele Niccolai and was fascinated by his work. I knew that his exhibition had to come to Australia. We started a new company – Tecknoart Australasia, so we could tour the exhibition, which was an interesting concept considering the exhibition had never been to an English speaking country before.

What have been the highlights?

From a personal perspective it has meant that I could come back to my hometown of Melbourne which is such a wonderful multicultural city. To bring the exhibition to Waterfront City has been

extraordinary – so many of Leonardo da Vinci's principles have been implemented here – it really is a city within a city.

And the lowlights?

There were some delays in getting containers (of machines) here from overseas. We worked around the clock to be ready to open on 1 July and immediately achieved great attendance levels.

What is your favourite item in the exhibition?

This exhibition displays the largest airscrew in the world. The airscrew, an ancestor of the helicopter, was built in Melbourne specifically for this exhibition.

What is it about Da Vinci that intrigues you?

It is the subtleties and the hidden secrets in the machines that fascinate me. I admire his ability to observe nature and capture the most important elements. The fact that he was able to apply these observations to his technological concepts was genius. The study of the bird for instance developed into his flying machines, which evolved into the modern version of the glider.

The Pavilion at Waterfront City is such a great space – how does it differ from the Auckland Museum (where the exhibition was last shown)?

For the first time we are not in a museum. The higher roof in the Pavilion has allowed us to construct the largest airscrew in the world and the circular structure of the floor space allows a circular flow through the exhibition which works well.

Where is the exhibition going next?

Next stop is Palm Springs, California.

Dates: Ongoing until 1 October 2006
Time: 10am – 6pm daily
Venue: Waterfront City Pavilion, Cnr Docklands Drive & Doppel Way
Tickets: Available at the door or Ticketmaster
 Adult - \$18
 Concession - \$14
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Photos: Exhibition of Leonardo da Vinci Machines



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Target: 14 words – Good
20 words – Very Good
22 words – Excellent

Solution to be supplied in next issue

Solution to Puzzle from last edition

beet, bice, bite, cete, cite, cote, cove, jete, jibe, jive, veto, vibe, vice, vote, boite, civet, covet, eject, evict, voice, object, objective.

Time to count the Docklands



It's Census time again, and a Collector from the Australian Bureau of Statistics will be soon knocking on the doors of Docklands residents.

The 15th National Census of Population and Housing will be held on Tuesday 8 August and the ABS has appointed 26,000 Census Collectors to help count the country.

In Victoria, 6,200 Census Collectors will deliver and collect Census forms to homes from the city high-rise to the rural highlands. Even Victorians living in secure apartments will have their Census form personally delivered to their front door.

The Census provides a snapshot of everyone in Australia, and is used for a range of planning purposes by governments and private

organisations. The 2006 Census is an important opportunity to build a detailed view of the Docklands precinct to help guide future service and infrastructure needs.

In 2006, there are 61 questions on the Census household form and for the first time the form will include questions on the contribution of carers and volunteers within Australian society.

In another Census first, this year, Australians can choose to complete their Census form online with the eCensus option.

All information given on the Census form remains confidential and is not released to anyone outside of the ABS. People can, however, opt to take part in the 'Time Capsule' project. This special project gives people the option of having their Census forms stored for 99 years in the National Archives. Last Census more than 50% of Australians chose to opt into this project, and their details are now preserved in the National Archives until 2100.

Census forms will be delivered in the two weeks leading up to 8 August and will be collected in the three weeks after Census Night.

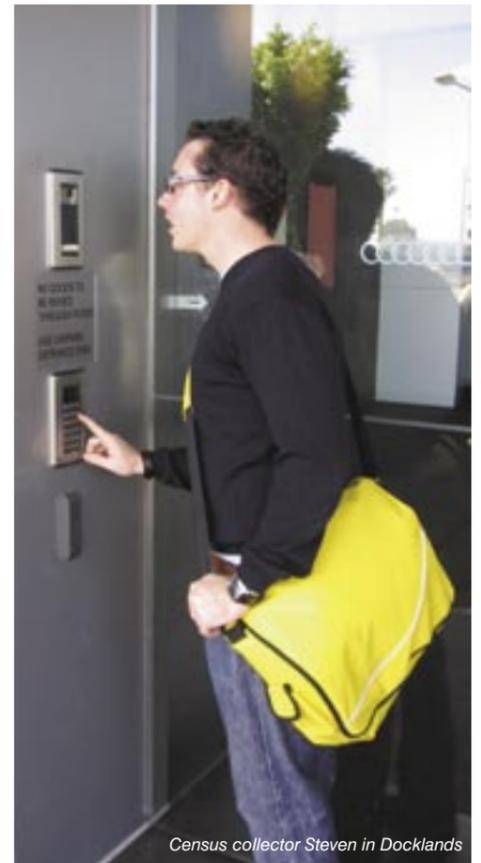
Make sure you are counted. By completing a Census form on August 8, you can help plan for a better future for the Docklands community.

Need help?

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Sunday 20th of August from 2:00pm onwards: We're holding a seminar on special needs of apartment pets. Debbie Calton, an animal behaviourist will speak on Environmental Enrichment for pets living in apartments or flats. We will also have Samantha Cirone from Royal Canin foods, talk about Obesity in dogs and cats. Door prizes will be given to the first 30 guests to arrive.

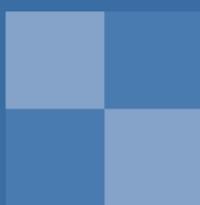
Meriel, the manufacturers of Frontline and Heartgard will be sponsoring us, and there will be a lot of other prizes and giveaways. We will also be running a "Best Pet Photo" competition, so be sure to bring along your pet's very best photo to enter in this competition. To RSVP for either event, please call us on the below number or email anne@flemingtonvet.com.au.



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New Businesses in Docklands

Docklands continues to grow at a rapid rate and this month we report further new business openings through recent months. The Docklands Community News acknowledges new business openings as an information service to the local community. Docklands-based businesses wishing to be included in this segment should e-mail - docklands.communitynews@vicurban.vic.gov.au

Beachclub

Beachclub, one of Melbourne's newest and most impressive bar and restaurant additions to Waterfront City, serves up more than just sensational signature cocktails and cuisine inspired by its harbourside location.

The sleek yet laid-back interior of the Beachclub bar invites visitors to lounge indoors whilst sipping the venue's infamous caprioska creation. Alternatively the balcony with its stunning Balinese wooden furniture and magnificent views of the city skyline is the perfect pre-dinner meeting place.

The Beachclub restaurant serves up exquisite modern-Australian food with a hint of Asian. The extensive wine list includes both recent and vintage drops. Cuisine is prepared by chef, Nigel Woodhead.

Beachclub
Level 1, 427 Docklands Drive, Docklands
www.thebeachclub.com.au
Tel: 9329 2360.



Dairy Bell Ice Cream

Dairy Bell Ice Cream, a firm favourite with Melburnians for the past 34 years, now has a fabulous new store at Waterfront City. This multi award winning manufacturer opened its first retail store in East Malvern 24 years ago and has gained a reputation for providing value for money by giving consistently large serves.

The Kiddie Cone here is bigger than most Kiddies', a single is a double in disguise and a double is well, impossible. The prepared ice cream cakes are ideal for that last minute office or birthday party and specialty cakes can be ordered. Tubs of ice cream are available to take home for dessert or a midnight snack with flavours such as Honeycomb Crunch, Coffee Cream Fudge, Swiss Mint, Tiramisu, Choc Chip, Vanilla and more.

Dairy Bell Ice Cream
Pavilion 4, Waterfront City
Tel: 9326 9842
(Look for the blue and white balloons in the Waterfront City Piazza)



Saganaki Bar & Grill

Saganaki Bar and Grill at NewQuay will change the way you view Greek restaurants. It stands above with superb interior design and quality finishes. The colour scheme is warm and inviting with wood grain and marble textures. Fine cloth dresses the tables while elegant crystal chandeliers hang overhead. Floor to ceiling windows make the most of the venue's prime waterfront position where every table has a great view of Victoria Harbour

Chef Sotiris Platis - born and raised in Athens - brings with him knowledge of traditional Greek cuisine, customs and flavours. While staying true to its Greek heritage, Saganaki also features dishes infused with a Modern Australian twist.

Service is first class, presentation is a feast for the eyes and the servings are generous. Two courses will cost around \$44 for a-la-carte or try a sharing plate from \$8. The restaurant is fully licensed and open 7 days for lunch and dinner.

Saganaki Bar and Grill
62 NewQuay Promenade, Docklands
www.saganaki.com.au • Tel: 9606 0008



Penguins in Melbourne!

Since 1956 when the St Kilda Pier was first established for the yachts competing in that year's Olympic Games 'Little Penguins' have built their homes along the breakwater.

Now you can see these unique creatures in their natural habitat within 2 hours aboard the Urbanpenguin Express.

Urbanpenguins.com is a new company in Docklands that specialises in taking clients via the seaway to view the penguins at dusk each night aboard a 55' cruiser, licensed to carry up to 50 people.

You will enjoy sushi on arrival with our own label Australian wines, light beer and fruit punch. On departure at sunset you will delight in our seafood noodle penguin pack prepared by our chef.

Your date with a Urbanpenguin has arrived as we anchor in flatwater behind the pier to listen

and watch as the 'Little Urbanpenguins' return home from their daily search for food. The onboard commentary will teach you all there is to know about the smallest and most urban of the world's penguin species.

We then weigh anchor and slowly move along the pier enabling an up close and personal view of our friends as they preen themselves before retiring to their burrows for the night.

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Docklands Chamber of Commerce



What is the Docklands Chamber of Commerce? Who are the members?

The Docklands Chamber of Commerce (DCC) is the collective voice of the business community in Docklands. It meets once a month, usually the first Tuesday of the month. The role of the DCC is to support members to address the day to day challenges of business in addition to supporting the strategic growth and prosperity of Docklands as a business environment.

The membership comprises small and large businesses located in Docklands.

The meetings are an opportunity for local networking and giving the Executive important feedback on the daily challenges being faced.

What are some of the challenges?

The challenges we face in Docklands are unique. We are essentially 3 precincts - north, central and south. Per square meter we represent a commercial / retail growth corridor almost the foot print of the Melbourne CBD itself. Docklands is also a new developing suburb and a unique new precinct to the city with all the related challenges of awareness and wider acceptance by the community of Melbourne.

What programs is the Chamber currently undertaking?

Within the forum of our monthly meetings concerns and issues are raised. For example, the issue of the damage being done by skateboarders operating in close proximity to the retail areas. We

have undertaken to work with local government, VicUrban and the Community Association to find a solution that best manages visiting skateboarders and the public space that they share with the rest of the Docklands community. The DCC Executive invited Dr Rob Moodie (VicHealth's Chief Executive Officer) to a general meeting to facilitate a discussion amongst members and to identify the priorities and responsibilities a high profile community, like Docklands faces in managing the public spaces. Dr Moodie and other members were able to highlight successful programs being implemented in other councils.

What other initiatives?

We recently engaged the services of an Executive Officer, Ilona Way, who is currently implementing the strategic plan. She is currently delivering the integration component for new business starting out in Docklands.

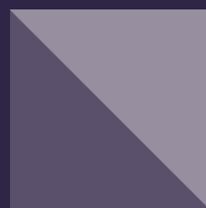
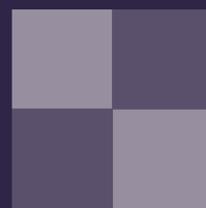
We encourage new businesses starting out in Docklands to attend a general meeting to see what value the DCC can add to their integration into Docklands.

What are you doing about facilitating some commercial / community activity and growth in Docklands?

At meetings issues relating to marketing and orientation around Docklands have been raised by members. To this end, DCC member Tony Beasley and Ilona Way have been working with VicUrban on a destination marketing poster to be installed at Avalon Airport courtesy of David Fox and Tim Anderson. The DCC is excited

Photos:

1. Lyn Kelly, Secretary
2. Tony Beasley, Ilona Way & Jo Taylor working together on the Avalon Airport poster
3. Peter Kelly, Vice President
4. Keith Rankin
5. John Ahern
6. Brian Tanti, President
7. Vic Stromos



Chamber of Commerce

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about establishing a relationship with Avalon that currently processes 3,000 people per day, of which 70% are currently coming straight into the CBD. The DCC will do as much as it can to encourage greater visitation to the new western face of the city.

We have worked with Waterfront City to actively build relationships with the RACV, the outcome of which has seen the relocation of the launch of its flagship event 'The Great Australian Rally' from Federation Square to Waterfront City. The event, which raises funds for cancer research at Peter McCallam Hospital, is a car rally starting at three locations around Melbourne with 1,000 classic cars converging on the Morningside Racecourse.

Two of our members have exercised initiative and proactively worked with James Dutton to build the 'Coffee and Cars' event showcasing high end classic cars and boats in the unique natural event landscape that Yarra's Edge provides.

DCC Member Dr Anne Dynon is providing a **free dental check program for pet owners** in Docklands. This will be held at the Community Hub, 17 Waterview Walk on **20 August at 2pm**. She will also be running a seminar on "The special needs of apartment pets" for Docklands residents.

What else is the Chamber doing to add value for its members?

The Chamber, in conjunction with the Hornery Institute, is poised to deliver the Springboard Program. The City of Melbourne has kindly donated \$23,000 to deliver a program aimed at

stimulating growth of home-based businesses in Docklands.

Currently one in three property occupiers are home based business and we would like to actively encourage them to both join the DCC and participate in this business development program. The program is approximately 16 hours and will be conducted over 8 weeks.

How are you working with VicUrban and government?

The DCC is working with VicUrban, City of Melbourne and developers to seek solutions on a range of issues including:

- Orientation and signage
- Outdoor dining protocol
- Car parking infrastructure
- Traffic synchronization
- Other precinct related issues

We are also active in voicing to government our members' strong opposition to plans for a low rail bridge being proposed by the Port of Melbourne.

Does the Chamber have a role to play in the community?

Sometimes the agenda of business can overlap with that of residents and property owners but the DCC Executive strongly believes that in the best interest of the community all groups need to work together. This is practiced by both DCC members on the ground and by Chamber as an organisation. Good outcomes and decisions that are in the best interest of the community will flow from this approach, and it is the Chamber's view

that sound logical arguments and transparent discussion will always produce the best results for the community. Because many of our members have also made Docklands their home we clearly have to take account of the broader community view.

Going forward, how will the Chamber evolve?

A survey was commissioned by the previous DCC administration as part of the Strategic Plan document. The survey concluded that the Chamber needed to be more balanced and truly representative of the size, mix and the geographic spread of Docklands business. In moving forward the Executive will be working towards an administration structure that will guarantee precinct representation for local business at the 3 sub-precinct level. This will be done to accommodate the foreseeable growth, and the level of issues we currently encounter.

The new President of the Community Association has expressed interest in being more proactively involved with the Chamber. We look forward to building stronger links with the Community Association to advance better community outcomes.

What is the benefit to a new business in joining the Docklands Chamber of Commerce?

The most significant benefit is that new members tap in to a resource that has much experience and established relationships across the business and

government spectrum. In our various business disciplines we have had to work with many levels of government and VicUrban to establish relationships at all levels from CEO through to Engineering departments, community and event management. We have lived through issues like road closures, soil remediation programs and harbour issues, and we know how to lobby constructively. These experiences have also forged good alliances with VicUrban and shared interest in a common goal - the best community model possible.

When a new member joins the DCC they instantly reap the benefit of that hard won experience and strong business network. New members joining the DCC can rest assured that their issues will be represented faithfully and effectively.

For more information about the Docklands Chamber of Commerce, please contact DCC Secretary, Lyn Kelly on Mob: 0417 116 793, email: lyn@newsfront.com.au or visit www.docklandschamberofcommerce.com.au

Docklands Community Association has New Life

Docklands Community Association aims to:

- Bring together people who live in an area
- Bring organisations together who work in an area
- Provide leisure time activities
- Fill gaps in community provision
- Provide a basis for an education in democratic practice
- Management of a community projects
- Provide a corporate voice for the community

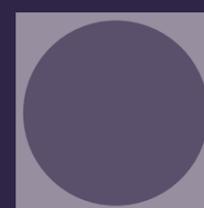
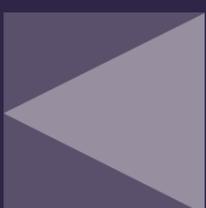
Docklands Community Association is a self governing, non-party political organisation, which is designed to serve an identifiable neighbourhood.

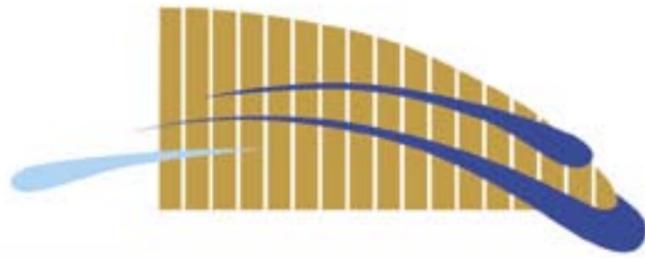
Community association membership is often only a small percentage of people who live in a neighbourhood. Despite this, associations can play a vital role in creating a community identity, with key membership being of particular importance to people moving into the area, or people who live in the neighbourhood who do not have family or friends nearby.

Community Associations have a vital role to play in the social and economic regeneration of the neighbourhood, providing opportunities for local people to gain knowledge and learn new skills, work co-operatively together to overcome a particular problem, provide a service, develop partnerships with similar organisations and strengthen the local community.

Have you ever thought about joining your local community association?

**For more information, please contact:
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VICTORIA POINT

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Impressive changes have been made and continue to be made on Bourke Street in Docklands. This main thoroughfare is becoming a thriving retail and commercial area. It has a special atmosphere of its own, an ambience of harmonious contrasts, of space without emptiness, bustle without crowding, and energy and purpose without pressure; a feeling of calm and relaxation, generated by people who enjoy what they are doing.

A small group of investors, 'The Victoria Point Joint Venture', carefully selected the tenancy mix to create the type of businesses needed to service the local community.

The group, consisting mainly of family and friends, created and carried out a master plan, beginning with 2 premises, and developing from there to establish 11 retail outlets, on Bourke Street from Batman Hill Drive to Harbour Esplanade.

Some examples of the variety you can expect to find on only one short block of Bourke Street:

Co-located at 744-746 Bourke Street

■ **Tax Aid** the income tax specialists: a taxation and accountancy service, established more than thirty years ago, and one of the first businesses to move into Bourke Street Docklands;

■ **SAC Construction:** Sam Caruso, registered builder, has been involved in shop fitouts and apartment modifications in the Docklands area. His skill and the high quality of his work mean that Sam is in high demand.

■ **Victoria Point:** A showroom and information office for properties in the recently completed Victoria Point building, Devine Limited development

In2style, which specialises in exclusive homewares, gifts and fashion accessories, and all aspects of interior design;

Maxx Multi Service, whose services include shoe-repairs, key cutting engraving, and giftware. Max also does Pet tags, leather repairs, watch glass & band replacement, pressure test, and shoe stretching – while you wait;

VP Convenience Store, a mixed business and one-stop shop for almost everything from groceries, newspapers and dry cleaning to dvd rental;

Hushh Hairdressers: to look your best, visit Kylie for all your hairdressing needs. Kylie has special deals on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, with 20% off all colour services;

Cento Celli: a friendly relaxed atmosphere for coffee, cakes and freshly made rolls and foccacias. Open from breakfast to afternoon tea.

Victoria Point Docklands Real Estate: located at 100 Harbour Esplanade, and dedicated to the Victoria Point Tower. After leasing the majority of Victoria Point Tower properties, it is now experiencing a shortage of rental properties. The friendly staff is located at the service desk in the foyer.

Other businesses, nearing completion or to open soon, include:

Flight Centre: offers cheap domestic and international airfares, hotels, accommodation, hot deals, car hire, tours and travel insurance.;

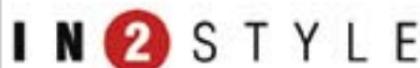
Sandwich Delight: for freshly made sandwiches and juices. Joe, the owner, is dedicated to the art of making a great sandwich.

Lamore Pizza and Restaurant: for Italian food to dine in or take away.

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Bendigo Bank Community Calendar

Date	Event	Time	Location	Description
Ongoing until 3 September	2006 AFL Premiership Season	Various	Telstra Dome	Catch the final rounds of the AFL Football Premiership Season as teams head into the business end of the season. For more information visit: www.telstradome.com.au or www.ticketmaster.com.au
Fri 4 August	Rd 18: St Kilda vs West Coast	7.40pm		
Sat 5 August	Rd 18: Carlton vs Melbourne	2.10pm		
Sun 6 August	Rd 18: Kangaroos vs Port Adelaide	2.10pm		
Sat 12 August	Rd 19: Richmond vs Brisbane Lions	7.10pm		
Sun 13 August	Rd 19: Geelong vs St Kilda	2.10pm		
Sat 19 August	Rd 20: Essendon vs Hawthorn	7.10pm		
Sun 20 August	Rd 20: Carlton vs Richmond	2.10pm		
Fri 25 August	Rd 21: Western Bulldogs vs St Kilda	7.40pm		
Fri 1 September	Rd 22: Western Bulldogs vs Essendon	7.40pm		
Sat 2 September	Hyundai A League Rd 2; Melbourne Victory vs Sydney FC	7pm		
Sun 3 September	Rd 22: Hawthorn vs Geelong	2.10pm		
Ongoing until 1 October	The Leonardo Da Vinci Machines – An Exhibition of Genius	10am – 6pm daily	Waterfront City Pavilion	In the 15th Century, inventions such as the bicycle, helicopter and glider existed only in the mind of Leonardo da Vinci. Waterfront City is proud to present the genius of Da Vinci via the internationally renowned exhibition Da Vinci Machines. The spectacular exhibition from Italy features 64 of Leonardo Da Vinci's famous machines, many of which can be touched, tried and tested by visitors, and each explores Da Vinci's genius in design. For more information visit: www.waterfrontcity.com.au or www.ticketmaster.com.au
Ongoing until 1 October	Leonardo Da Vinci – Renaissance Art and Jewellery	10am – 5pm daily	Cruz Galleries, Waterfront City	An exhibition featuring reproductions and fine art prints of Leonardo Da Vinci's most famous paintings and drawings including The Last Supper, the Mona Lisa, Vitruvian Man and The Virgin of the Rocks. Also, showcasing a fine collection of Medici Stone Jewellery proudly presented by the Niccilai Family of Florence as recently shown in Florence, Milan and London. For more information visit: www.cruzgalleries.com.au
15 October 2006	Around the Bay in a Day (cycling event)	All day	Departs and returns to Docklands	The 2006 Portfolio Partners Around the Bay in a Day event will introduce new rides, new courses and a new start/finish area in Docklands. The Legend 250km is designed to add an extra challenge to the committed cyclist – all new courses starting at Docklands, to Queenscliff, Portarlington, Sorrento and back to Docklands. Other courses include the ATB Challenge 210km, Classic 100km and the new 42km Great Melbourne Bay Ride. For more information visit: www.bv.com.au or www.greatrides.com.au
21 October 2006	Tri-Nations Rugby League Match 2	8pm	Telstra Dome	Watch the Australian Kangaroos and New Zealand Kiwis battle it out at an exciting match as part of the Tri-Nations Rugby League tournament. For more information visit: www.telstradome.com.au or www.rleague.com

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As You Like It

by Inouk Arnall



SALT BAR-RESTAURANT

Recently I was reminded why people should make every effort to explore the restaurants around the greater Docklands precinct. Take Yarra's Edge, you're closer to the water here than many other local venues, you get sun all day and being surrounded by boats and a stunning outlook make any dining experience feel like you're on holidays.



Named to reflect the restaurant's ethos, "Salt of the Earth", owner Andrew Ligdopoulos makes some bold statements on his website. Notably is that "Salt is the kind of restaurant that lives up to its promise" and Salt promises to "be a night to remember". Truth or marketing spiel, I decided to put this promise to the test.

The long attractive venue is divided between dining room and stylish bar/ function area by lovely transparent shimmering curtains. Beautiful bold barrel shaped lights hang from above, emitting intimate lighting to the well-spaced tables & leather-upholstered chairs. The menu is extensive, offering at least 9 entrees & an impressive 23 mains.

We began with Salt's *Harvest Plate* (\$14.50), which apparently changes like many dishes here, with what's in season. The standouts were the fresh pesto, cleverly made with pistachio nuts and also a lovely mild tzatziki not over-powered with garlic like many. Also a generous serving of delicious *West Australian Sardines* (\$14.00) came filleted and crumbed in fresh herbs and sesame seeds, deep-fried with a minted rocket garnish and skordalia puree (made from roasted potatoes, garlic and onion).

Next I couldn't help but be tempted by Salt's award winning *Spaghetti Marinara* (\$25.50), made in a white wine and Kyneton olive oil base. The pasta was flavoursome and came smothered with scrumptious calamari, fish, mussels and crab claws. The other dish was a special of *Marlin Steak*, char-grilled and served on potato pieces and spinach with a sweet balsamic reduction. It was a basic ensemble, but fresh fish doesn't need to be over complicated to be good.

Dessert finished off a wonderful evening. A *Chocolate, Raspberry and Pistachio Terrine* (\$12.90) was delightful and came drizzled with a warm milk chocolate and poached winterberry sauce. But the *Banana Tartan*, with its crunchy top layer and filled with a creamy blend of banana and custard and topped with rum and raisin ice cream was just incredible.

In all Salt stayed true to its word and definitely was a night to remember. An enticing way to check Salt out for yourself is to enjoy their fantastic Tuesday night special; pasta, salad and a glass of Yarra Valley wine for only \$15! I guarantee you'll be back for more.



Talking Plonk



Task: Inouk and her dad Bruce share a bottle of wine to evaluate

Plonk: Knapstein 2005 Hand Picked Riesling

RRP \$21.99

Background: Founded in 1975, Knapstein wines are synonymous with the Clare Valley in South Australia and for their quality produce. Many consumers associate the brand with Riesling and for good reason, they do it very well! The fruit is top notch and winemaker Andrew Hardy has proven many times over that he can produce an award winning vintage.

Conversation:

- B: On first impression this is clear, pale & gold in colour.
- I: There's an array of fruit on the nose that really opens up in the glass.
- B: It seems beautifully balanced with lots of lovely acidity.
- I: You can really taste plenty of citrus flavours, like limes, lemons and even passionfruit.
- B: This is typical of a quality fruit driven Riesling. It's got a nice clean finish and will likewise match well to clean flavours.
- I: So what do you think of serving it with our fresh snapper fillets with a citrus dressing?
- B: Absolutely lovely, the two compliment each other perfectly. Other suggestions might be fresh oysters with a dash of lime, or even a slightly oily fish like smoked salmon.
- I: I would highly recommend not serving this wine cold as lightly chilled brings out the fruit flavours so much more. I also think this wine will cellar very well.
- D: Yes, drink it right now or save it if you can. The acidity will drop and it will develop wonderfully. Overall I think we'll both be drinking more of this one.

Overall rating:	4/5	Décor:	4/5
Food:	4/5	Variety:	5/5
Wine List:	4/5	Value:	4/5
Price Range:	Entrées: \$9.00 - \$16.50 Mains: \$17.50 - \$29.50		

WIN As You Like It Competitions

June Edition Winner:

The winner of the unique chance for two people to meet highly skilled Executive Chef, Damien Styles and experience the fast-paced environment of COCAMO's kitchen is **Anita Fryday**. She correctly answered that the dish Beef Carpaccio originated from Venice. Well done Anita, you're in for a treat!

August Edition's competition:

Win Dinner for Two at Salt bar-restaurant

For your chance to win dinner for two at Salt, including a glass of wine, simply answer the following question:

The popular Italian dessert tiramisu is literally translated as what?

a) sweet tower b) pick me up or c) chocolate kiss
All entries to: inouk.m@bigpond.net.au by 8 Sept

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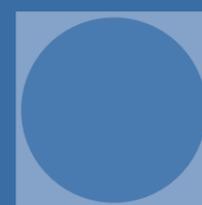
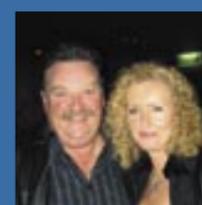
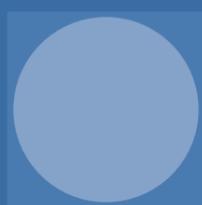
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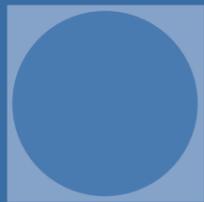
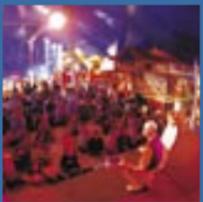


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YOUR COMMUNITY your newspaper

Victoria Harbour to be site of **New d'Albora Marina**

Macquarie Leisure Trust Group and Lend Lease recently announced the development of a 178 berth floating marina to be situated at Victoria Harbour.

Victoria Harbour is now rapidly delivering on its master plan to offer an eclectic mix of commercial, retail and residential space as an extension to the CBD. The Marina, to be called d'Albora Marina at Victoria Harbour, will be situated at the waterfront end of Bourke Street. First phase of construction began in June with 72 moorings taking boats from 10-35 metres due for completion by the end of the year.

Maurice Cococcia, Lend Lease's project director for Victoria Harbour, said the development represented an exciting phase of development for the city, opening up new leisure opportunities along the city's waterways.

"The addition of this marina adds lustre to the promise of Melbourne's CBD becoming a boating destination, and we are delighted to be working with Macquarie Leisure and d'Albora Marinas on the project," he said.

"There is nothing quite like owning a waterfront property with immediate access to your boat.

Victoria Harbour now offers property owners the opportunity to live in the Melbourne CBD with their boat moored in front of their apartment," he added.



Launch of new Melbourne **Cabaret Cruises**

Rivers Restaurant Cruises have just announced its line up of brand new "Cabaret Cruises". With a different live floor show every time, the cabaret cruises departs Saturday at 7.30pm twice a month from Victoria Harbour.

Cruising out into the bay on the grand Voyager, guests will enjoy a restaurant quality three course dinner while taking in the surrounding views. An extensive wine list and range of beers and spirits are available on board.

Don't forget to bring your dancing shoes as the live band will get you to your feet on the boat's huge dance floor. It's a great night out for couples and groups.

Cabaret Cruise Show Schedule

- The Elvis on My Mind Show - Sat 5 August
- Young Buddy Holly Show - Sat 19 August
- The Motunes Supreme Motown Show - Sat 2 September
- Dean Martin and Swing Music Show - Sat 23 September
- Tribute to Nat King Cole & Ray Charles - Sat 7 October

Bookings are essential. For more information call 9686 8668 or visit www.rivers.net.au



Australian Sports Stars gather at **Hot Chocolate**

Channel 9 was privileged to hold the first function at Hot Chocolate's new location at Waterfront City on 6 July.

Amongst the lively crowd were a number of sports stars, including Australian Cricket Captain Ricky Ponting having a laugh with fellow cricketer Matthew Hayden. The night was a great start for this new dessert restaurant.

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