Heat wave stops Southern Star

By Shane Scanlan

If you think you’ve had some setbacks lately, spare a thought for Fred Maybury and his team at Docklands Southern Star Observation Wheel.

After a delayed opening, Melbourne’s recent heatwave brought the 120 metre-tall monster to grinding halt.

“The excessive heat over the last few days has buckled some bracing members,” Mr Maybury said in a public statement on January 30.

“The wheel has operated successfully and without issue since 20 December 2008, however a decision has been made not to operate the wheel until a full inspection can be undertaken and rectification work carried out. Wheel operations will recommence once this issue is resolved,” he said.

As the DCN went to press Mr Maybury was awaiting an engineering report detailing the extent of the damage. It was not known when the wheel would be fixed.

A spokesman confirmed that Southern Star was in warranty discussions with the wheel’s Japanese manufacturer Sanoyas Hishino Meisho.

Recently Mr Maybury shared with the DCN his frustrations over delays which prevented the wheel from opening on its announced date of November 28.

“It was a bloody nightmare,” he said over coffee at Nina’s after a mostly sleepless night.

Mr Maybury explained that the delay resulted from replacement of a wireless computer back-up control system. He said the wheel was built with a 2.4GHz system but this proved inadequate because of interference from other sources and the wheel itself was found to behave like a huge antenna.

A 5.8GHz system was eventually installed but this took some weeks to complete.

The chairman of Southern Star Management Group first had the idea of an observation wheel for Docklands when ING was preparing its original tender bid for Waterfront City.

Mr Maybury has a considerable background in major event marketing having successfully brought the World Expo to Brisbane in 1988, introduced Indy car racing to Queensland and was a driving force behind the success of the Gold Coast’s theme parks.

He points out that the wheel represents Australia’s largest single investment in tourism since Movie World opened in 1989.

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The wheel was originally planned to open in November 2005 to coincide with the Commonwealth Games but ING later decided to include the wheel as part of a second stage of development.

Southern Star owns the rights to promote and run the wheel, but the wheel itself is the property of ING Real Estate.

Mr Maybury said he was pleased with the number of visitors to the wheel. He said Docklands was achieving its destinational status.

“We are more and more recognised in the local, interstate and international markets,” he said.

He said 70 to 75 per cent of visitors to the wheel so far were Victorians but this proportion was expected to drop as interstate and international marketing efforts kicked in.

And he said Docklanders could soon expect to see the much anticipated spectacular LED lighting display which was currently being installed at night.
Pedestrians see red and green

Victoria Harbour pedestrians were reminded how to correctly cross the road by two theatrical characters late last year.

The red and green men were supplied by Lend Lease in an attempt to prevent further accidents at the intersection of Bourke St and Harbour Esplanade. Cars, trams, cyclists and pedestrians come together at the intersection.

Lend Lease’s environment health and safety co-ordinator for public places Rodney Mounsey handed out safe crossing educational material and numerous police were in attendance to ensure the message was understood.

Red Man and Green Man are part of a City of Melbourne campaign to promote pedestrian safety.

Rotary Club is coming to Docklands

Rotary activist Ann White has formed Rotary Clubs in both Southbank and Yarraville and has now turned her considerable positive energy on Docklands.

Ms White, who runs a software business in South Melbourne, has had her eye on Docklands for some years now.

She assesses the precinct as now being sufficiently mature to successfully host its own service club and is running two information evenings at Waterfront City. The hour-long “interest meetings” are being held at 6.30pm on Tuesday, February 24 and Tuesday, March 10 at the Waterfront Room, Level 1, 427 Docklands Drive.

Ms White said a successful club had a mix of members. “Retired professionals are good to have. Executives, small business people and younger people who benefit from the experience are a good mix,” she said.

She said the common experience of being in business bound members together and advised that Rotary International was only open to professional and business people.

She also warned not to view Rotary as a “networking opportunity”. She said people who were not motivated to give something back to the community should save themselves the bother of applying.

“Business people with skills and talents acquired over many years often feel the need to give something back,” she said.

Ms White said she wanted the new Docklands Rotary Club to charter by the middle of this year and that the new club would choose a project to work on straight away.

“Each club is autonomous and has the power to support those projects the members select as worthy of their time and efforts. This makes it very exciting as the charter members will decide the direction of the new club,” she said.

“If you’ve been looking for a way to make some of your spare time useful and productive while meeting people who have similar values, Rotary may be the answer.”

“It’s always easier when working with a team of like-minded people to make significant changes. This world needs its best and brightest to give of themselves rather than just donate money.”

She said the new Rotary Club opened somewhere in the world every 12 hours.

Ms White can be contacted on 0402 306 790 or ann@landmarksoftware.com.au.
The world’s coolest boat, Earthrace, made a splash when she visited Docklands last month.

Skipper Pete Bethune explained that the primary purpose of the unique craft was to promote biodiesel fuels and build awareness of environmental issues.

Earthrace was sponsored to visit Docklands for the Skandia Invitational and the International Boat and Lifestyle Show.

While Earthrace was here, Mr Bethune demonstrated the craft to the media as an example of how bio-fuels could be a viable alternative to fossil fuels.

He said the only pollution from Earthrace was noise pollution and locals learned early in their stay at Waterfront City that the Earthrace crew love to party while in port.

Last year Earthrace set a new world record for a powerboat circling the globe with a voyage that lasted 60 days, 23 hours and 49 minutes.

He said Docklands afforded great facilities for visiting boats and was pleased to hear about VicUrban’s environmentally sustainable design principles.

“Our beautiful waterfront developments like this are the best that the world has to offer,” he said.

“It is incumbent on companies and individuals who live here to look after it.”

Docklanders are invited to tour the Port of Melbourne by boat.

The Port of Melbourne Corporation is hosting three tours leaving from Boatman’s Landing, Waterfront City by 10 am on February 21, 28 and March 7.

The hour-long tours will cruise the port areas and will be accompanied by commentary.

A spokesperson said the corporation had in previous years sponsored the Contempora sculpture festival but, as this event was not being held in 2009, decided on the boat tours as a way of contributing to the Docklands community.

The free tours will be conducted on the Pier 35-based The Magic and will be limited to 40 people per tour.

Children are welcome but must be accompanied by an adult. Proof of Docklands residency must be produced before boarding.

Bookings can be made on 1300 857 662.

With current events, local news and the most topical community issues, the page also provides a platform for Docklanders to actively contribute to public opinion.

The local community is welcome to upload photos relating to Docklands activities and events. We also welcome discussion on issues and stories that don’t make the paper.

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Community speaks on liquor licensing issue

Support for the Woolshed Pub's application has dropped to 40.7 per cent with 55.9 per cent of respondents opposed. 3.4 per cent were undecided. 42 people felt strongly enough to leave additional comments. These comments are published in full on our website – www.docklandsnews.com.au.

On the other two questions in our survey, voting was:

Should all licences be restricted to 1am?

64.2 per cent “yes”, 34.2 per cent “no” and 1.7 per cent uncertain; and

Are there too many liquor licences already issued in Docklands?

39.2 per cent “yes”, 48.3 per cent “no” and 12.5 per cent uncertain.

Additional comments were also posted in the survey and these too are published in full on our website.

Docklands Community Association vice-chairman Roger Gardner said: “The poll result was gratifying for residents, especially given that the voting right was not limited to residents and was open to everybody including commercial interests.”

“Whilst we as residents do not wish bar owners to have unsuccessful businesses, nevertheless we want to protect resident amenity and try and reduce the likelihood of anti-social behaviour.

“There are some 3000 residents in the immediate vicinity of NewQuay, Central Pier and Victoria Harbour. Unfortunately we experience excessive noise from the venues, including from the people outside and to and from vehicles and public transport.

“Associated problems include yelling, swearing, urinating and vomiting, vandalism, horn blaring and hoon driving,” he said.

The DCN approached the Woolshed Pub with the survey results offering an opportunity to comment. At the time of going to press, no response had been received.

This month’s survey is on the new Dame Edna statue at Waterfront City. Have your say at www.docklandsnews.com.au/edna.
Docklands’ new childcare centre has opened

The Harbour has opened for business with more than half of the available spaces already taken at the Docklands’ new childcare centre.

Ms Howard said that about half of enrolments were from people who either lived or worked in Docklands.

She said Gowrie and the City of Melbourne shared a common vision for the centre and this had resulted in an integrated approach to child and family wellbeing.

A maternal and child health service operates within the centre.

The centre features a “horseshoe” layout where all the children’s rooms front a living playground, despite being located on top of the Victoria Harbour Safeway supermarket. Environmentally sensitive design principles ensure that the extensive garden is watered from harvested rain.

Dedicated light-filled art studios are designed to encourage maximum creativity.

The centre is also a teaching centre, as Gowrie is renowned as a leading educator of early childhood practitioners.

Ms Howard said the centre should be viewed as a community facility and that rooms and other spaces within the centre were available for community use.

Community groups wishing to hire facilities should contact Community Liaison Manager Catharine Hydon.

The centre can be contacted on 8624 1000.

Fit mums with bubs

The Docklands Mothers Fitness Club (DMFC) has started back for 2009 with its weekly hour-long fitness classes held by Pocket Rocket Productions trainer and Australia’s highest ranked figure athlete, Sara ‘Pocket Rocket’ Picken-Brown.

These inspirational, fun, highly social and safe classes are designed to give local mums an opportunity to get out of the house with their bubs and toddlers, de-stress by getting those endorphins pumping and meet other mums in the area.

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Summer Serve on until month’s end

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For more information on Summer Serve offers in the city, visit thatsmelbourne.com.au

**Butcher’s Grill**

Pavilion 1, 439 Docklands Drive, Waterfront City

New arrival Butchers Grill Meat & Wine boasts a Mediterranean-style menu full of quality Victorian meat in two great locations, all cooked over an open fire grill. During summer, order the entree-size handmade pork sausage that’s been smoked for eight hours and cured. Two serves for $14.

**Melbourne Yacht Club Hotel**

Waterfront City, Docklands

Located in Docklands thriving Waterfront City precinct, Melbourne Yacht Club Hotel offers two delicious summer serves.

Choose from a baked herb crusted springbay scallop in the half shell with kingfish ceviche & celeriac remoulade, or a steamed springbay mussel with tomato & olive ragout, garlic bread & red capsicum mayonnaise. Two serves $18.

**Fish Seafood Grill & Rotisserie**

439 Docklands Drive, Waterfront City

Fish Seafood Grill & Rotisserie is bound to impress lovers of fresh seafood in a casual venue with floor to ceiling views of the harbour. Enjoy the salt and pepper calamari with lime aioli. Two serves $17.50.

**James Squire Brewhouse**

439 Docklands Drive, Waterfront City

The James Squire Brewhouse & Restaurant is located at Waterfront City, Docklands with spectacular views that stretch from the city to the Botte Bridge and beyond. Try the two for one Salt and Pepper Squid (entree size), lighty fried and served on a rocket salad with citrus aioli, perfect with James Squire Pilsner. Two serves $15.

**Bopha Devi**

27 Rakaia Way, NewQuay

The Bopha Devi Cambodian restaurant and bar is a contemporary and stylish space, combining Asian sensibilities with exotic glamour. Order the mango cheeks kissed with chicken and prawn paste during summer. Two serves $18.

**Alumbra**

Central Pier, Docklands

Situated at the end of Central Pier’s historic runway and housed in a 1914 heritage-listed cargo shed, Alumbra is an authentic warehouse conversion with an opulent penthouse feel. Try the two for one Middle Eastern Gourmet BBQ, available Friday to Sunday between 4-9pm. Two serves $15.

**Vic Harbour Kitchen & Bar**

70 NewQuay Promenade, Docklands

Vic Harbour Kitchen & Bar offers one of the best places to sit and take in the city waterfront scenery, with uninterrupted views across the water and a magnificent city skyline. Buy one entree during summer and receive the second one free. Prices from $15.

**The Lounge Room**

28 NewQuay Promenade, Docklands

Serving modern Australian cuisine, The Lounge Room offers an informal indoor and outdoor lounge area to advantage of the spectacular waterfront views. Enjoy two-for-one tapas, available seven days per week before 3pm. Two serves $30.

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Defend Our Docklands Or ... (DODO) convenor Michael Lindell has prepared the following series of points regarding the proposed low rail bridge in front of the Bolte Bridge.

Mr Lindell said in the absence of public debate, it was incumbent on the Port of Melbourne Corporation to either agree with or refute his claims.

The Docklands Community News supports public debate on this issue and put Mr Lindell’s claims to the corporation.

DODO has called interested Docklanders to a public meeting at Nina’s restaurant (below the Southern Star Observation Wheel) at 5.30 pm on Wednesday, March 18.

The Docklands Community News put Mr Lindell’s claims to The Port of Melbourne Corporation but it declined to respond.

The State and Port of Melbourne Corporation (POMC) are committed to shifting container cargo from “road to rail”.

The POMC preferred “low bridge” option has been designed by Denton Corker Marshall as an openable bridge.

Clearance below the bridge is 8 metres – This is 20 metres lower than the Bolte Bridge, which has 28 metres clearance.

It has been designed for up to 96 trains per day. Thus on a 24-hour operating cycle this means every 15 minutes.

At 96 trains per day it will carry 67 per cent of the Webb Dock container cargo in 2030...

The bridge has been designed for trains up to 2000m long, double loaded.

As a consequence of rail inclines and turning circles, all trains will travel very slowly.

No data is available about “train-generated” sound and vibration. No data is available about the “warning” system associated with the “opening” sections.

Watercraft waiting for the bridge to open may have to wait up to 30 minutes. Waiting craft will aggravate river and port congestion.

The proposed bridge will destroy the “buffer zone” originally recommended by MPC.

The bridge will not create 24/7 rail interactivity, a shallow tunnel will deliver 24/7 rail interactivity.

The bridge will significantly compromise watercraft movement on the river and within Victoria Harbour. A shallow tunnel will not compromise watercraft movement.

A bridge which will “open and close” up to 96 times/day is not a “logical” part of an intermodalism aspiration which promotes seamless interactivity.

The decision to select a “low bridge” must have been driven by capital cost expediency.

Sacrificing Docklands must not be allowed!
Docklands Valentine

Docklands chefs Emily O’Keefe and Arjen Zeeman are tying the knot on February 22.

The 34-year-old couple work at Fix at Waterfront City and met a few years ago when Emily was sous chef in a South Melbourne hotel and was looking to recruit her fifth head chef in four months.

The romance that ensued within two weeks of Emily appointing Arjen has certainly taken care of the staff turnover problem!

The couple has spent the last 18 months travelling the world and it was in Genoa, Italy, where Arjen popped the question in April last year.

Despite Arjen being extremely nervous and forgetting to get down on bended knee, Emily said yes.

Docklands diners raise $20,000 for StreetSmart

Docklands restaurants raised nearly $20,000 in funds for StreetSmart during the 2008 campaign, which ran from November 10 to December 24.

Mecca Bah topped the Docklands list by raising over $4000 for the charity, with Livebait coming in a close second.

StreetSmart’s Adam Robinson was pleased with the results.

“StreetSmart gives the public an opportunity to support very small charities who do not usually have the resources to fundraise,” he said.

“The restaurants of Docklands promoted the StreetSmart cause enthusiastically, showing a wonderful community spirit in what are challenging times for us all.”

“Their diners responded generously and these funds will go a long way in assisting the homeless in the local community.”

“We will be announcing the results in March/April along with the projects we are supporting.”

For more information on StreetSmart visit www.streetsmartaustralia.org
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From left to right: Docklands’ Michele Anderson, grand-mother Anne, dad Aaron, mum Katy, Docklands’ Hedy Orosz, grandmother Lyn and Theresa from Orchid Nails.
2009 has arrived in style at Docklands everyone is now back at work, looking fab and armed with resolutions.

I always have a list that is full of totally unreachable goals like, “look like Elle MacPherson by May”, “lose some height”, “drink less gin!” and of course exercise more and lose weight.

This year I decided not to put myself under this ridiculous pressure. If I needed to slim down I am sure I would be the first to notice! Then fate played its cruel hand.

I was walking along Batman’s Landing on a calm sunny day I could see my reflection – what was that thing following me?

I stared at the water trying to figure it out and then I realised – Oh my god it was my bottom! Big enough to have its own reflection and to cast a shadow on my legs. I calmed down. It was the water playing tricks.

Then the next day I was travelling around Docklands with Shane collecting pictures and stories for the paper. We used the company vehicle. You might have seen our moped! I realised that not only did the seat feel small but the rear tyre seemed to flatten and the bike struggled to pull us up hill!

Again, I convinced myself that it was not me. No, Shane had a big bum and took up the entire seat and the tyre was only soft because of the heat. I was still in denial.

It would take something big to get my attention. And then along came Pete Bethune from Earthrace, the boat that went round the world using fuel made from human fat. He and his crew underwent liposuction to produce 7 litres of biofuel.

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I have joined a gym. So your support is appreciated in my battle of the bum!

**Fix wants your feedback**

The new management at Waterfront City’s Fix Bar wants Docklanders to tell them how they can “fix” the venue.

The new team wants to transform the sometimes-controversial venue into a place that local residents can enjoy. Although the Showroom caters primarily for private functions and conferences, some of the plans for the Harbour View Room include sophisticated speed-dating nights, quiz nights, comedy nights and live entertainment six times a week with soul/ groove/jazz duos and trios and acoustic artists performing in a relaxed atmosphere.

Food will be tapas style and new luscious cocktails will be available. The management says they know they are heading in the right direction to create a great local lounge for the 30+ age group, but is seeking local input.

If you have any ideas of what you would like to have in a local venue, please email functions@fixdocklands.com.au and help them fix up Fix Docklands.

Free tickets to see Australia’s newest international rising star, comic illusionist, PIP, at the venue during the Melbourne Comedy Festival will be awarded to the residents submitting the best ideas.

Visit the website to see Fix’s current plans at www.fixdocklands.com.au

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ARE WE THERE YET?

**The Southern Star Observation Wheel** moving fast enough to evoke the nesting seagulls.

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**Inspect:** By appointment
**Contact:** Glenn Donnelly

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The ultimate in luxury lifestyle with a perfect blend of individuality, unique design, breathtaking sunsets and sunsets including absolutely stunning water views and aspects. Your Edge flagship building tower 5 has the very core of luxury living in no other new building, at its north facing terrace and 360 degrees of sheer edge views and structures designed and developed for your pleasure will ensure a harmonious lifestyle experience by 3 good sized bedrooms, 1 study, 2 bathrooms, 2 car spaces and storage.

**Docklands 2509 / 50 Luminer Street**
**INDULGE YOURSELF IN LUXURY**
**Style: 3 Bed 1 Study 2 Bath 2 Car**
**Price:** Private sale $549,000
**Inspect:** By appointment
**Contact:** Glenn Donnelly

Here is a spectacular one bedroom apartment directly facing the water and Crown Casino that provides you with full convenience due to its location. With access to the CBD, restaurants, cafes and bars galore and minutes to the city centre and easy access to all Melbourne’s fine facilities. The apartment consists of bedroom, large study (or second bedroom), a bathroom, a kitchen with stone bench tops and stainless steel appliances, dishwasher and washing machine, an adjoining spacious living room which opens onto a large terrace perfect for entertaining. Other features include a secure car space and the use of a lovely outdoor BBQ area and swimming pool.

**Docklands 2019 / 3 Carrum Drive**
**STYLISH WITH FANTASTIC VIEWS**
**Style: 2 Bed 2 Bath 1 Car**
**Price:** Private sale $670,000
**Inspect:** By appointment
**Contact:** Glenn Donnelly

Perfectly located on the North bank of the Yarra River is this impressive 6th floor apartment which is spacious, light filled and has an extremely functional floor plan. Consisting of 2 bedrooms and 1 large study (the master with walk through robe and private ensuite), a kitchen and stylish kitchen with stainless steel appliances, glass splash back, granite bench tops and plenty of storage. The lounge opens onto a large balcony overlooking the Yarra River and is perfect for entertaining family and friends. A perfect hideaway into the City for a night of fun.

**Docklands 603 / 60 Siddleway Street**
**ON THE WATER**
**Style: 2 Bed 1 Bath 1 Car**
**Price:** Private sale $640,000
**Inspect:** By appointment
**Contact:** Glenn Donnelly

Presentation is perfect with unobstructed panoramic views over the water. This impressive 2 bedroom and 2 bathroom apartment on the 19th floor is the epitome of Docklands living. Capturing glorious sun, this immaculate home enjoys open plan living and dining, balcony terrace, designer kitchen, bedrooms, hotel style bathroom (BIR & ensuite). Fitted with stone bench tops, and split system heating/cooling. Furthermore, this property has fantastic presentation that is complete with lift access. It is perfect for the post gym & BBQ facilities.

**Docklands 305 / 30 Carrum Drive**
**WATER WITH CBD BACKDROP**
**Style: 2 Bed 2 Bath 1 Car**
**Price:** Private sale $680,000
**Inspect:** By appointment
**Contact:** Glenn Donnelly

An exceptional residence located in Melbourne’s finest free ways. This apartment features an open plan living, gourmet kitchen with stainless steel appliances and stone bench tops, large balcony, bedroom, separate den and laundry that finishes, this north facing home is bathed in light and a great view of the city and space day and night. It provides easy access to public transport, fine dining and cafes. The building also has fantastic facilities such as Pool, gym, sauna, spa and steam room.

**Docklands 51 / 8 Mccrae Street**
**RESORT STYLE LIVING**
**Style: 1 Bed 1 Bath 1 Car**
**Price:** Private sale $595,000
**Inspect:** By appointment
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**Docklands 1807 / 8 Siddleway Street**
**ENTERTAINERS DELIGHT**
**Style: 2 Bed 1 Bath 1 Car**
**Price:** Private sale $690,000
**Inspect:** By appointment
**Contact:** Glenn Donnelly

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Well the year is already one month old and “Change the World” is happy to remain in Docklands for 2009 and is ready for a ground-breaking year.

From all the team, we would like to take this opportunity to thank the Docklands community for getting behind and supporting us.

Our launch party was a humbling experience. In the midst of all the Christmas parties we managed to get over 160 people to attend. This is testament to all the goodwill that exists in Docklands.

Our large office, which was donated to us last year by Harbour Town, was filled with people eager to assist us in “changing the world”.

Special thanks must go to the Rivers Group, whose fine restaurants spoiled us with lots of delicious food. We had lovely wines supplied by Zema Estate, carbon friendly beer from Lion Nathan topped with exotic vodka mixes from ASM Liquor.

Va Bene Pizzeria then “came to the party” with excellent traditional pizzas ensuring we were still going strong until midnight.

“Change the World” is unashamedly a Docklands project and we encourage any Docklands business or resident who would like to be involved in any capacity to visit our website www.changetheworld.com.au or contact our offices to say hello.

We need your support, as only through collective action can we all make a difference in a world that is crying out for change.

So please come and join us!

Brent Masters
Producer
Change the World, Suite 107, 425 Docklands Drive
Ph: 9600 0944

Happy New Year!
Pat on the back

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Jeff Gordon

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City Residential Real Estate: it’s about celebration

“We want the process of buying and selling to be the celebration it should be rather than the daunting process it often is today.”

Two years ago we had a vision – to create the finest real estate company in the inner city of Melbourne. What motivated us was the excitement of shaping a real estate company that excels at every level. This continues to drive us today.

At City Residential Real Estate, we aim to be the best. We strive to shine in every area of our business, continually reinventing ourselves as we find better ways to achieve our clients’ goals.

We are a learning organisation. We regularly review our structure, systems and processes, asking ourselves: How can we improve our service to our clients?

While our main focus is selling and leasing residential property, we have a range of complementary services to make it easier for you to do business.

Our residential selling department as well as our property management team, offer expert help in not only the Docklands but also in Melbourne, Southbank and in the St Kilda Road precinct.

We want the process of buying and selling to be an exciting and seamless experience for you.

You could say we’re high tech and high touch. We use technology to maximise results while continuing to offer excellent customer service.

Our reputation is built on:

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**Customer care:** We value our clients and express this in our relationships.

**Results:** We achieve superior results in every situation.

To succeed as a real estate company facing today’s business challenges, we continually develop our people, refine our systems and upgrade our service standards.

More importantly, we believe in the business of being human.

We value our clients and business partners, understanding that good working relationships need care and consideration.

As we move forward and expand, we continue to be enthusiastic, optimistic and grateful for your support.

I am delighted to work with the best and brightest people in the industry as we serve your real estate needs.

Glenn Donnelly and Richard Mindraoui
Managing Directors

For all your real estate needs feel free to contact Glenn on 0419 998 235 or at glenn@cityresidential.com.au or Richard on 0437 250 964 or at richardm@cityresidential.com.au

Marina Notes
by Allan Cazzer, Manager Marina YE

Waterfront developments around the world such as what we are experiencing here in the Docklands have helped grow marinas and marina management to new levels of design, service and efficiency.

Billions of dollars have been invested and continue to be invested on major and minor waterfront developments featuring marinas both large and small.

From the resort marinas emerging in the Florida keys areas to waterfront developments in Europe the accent today is on quality in all aspects of the marinas associated with the projects.

The docks themselves are becoming larger and more stable and able to accommodate larger vessels. Simple service pedestals that once contained a single 15 amp power outlet and garden tap are now required to supply not only the 15 amp outlet but also 3 phase power for anything up to 200 amps.

The increase in vessel sizes in marinas has led to a piping, cabling and ducting revolution with concepts such as in-berth fuelling and sewage pump-out, ever more powerful service pedestals with cable TV and communication services and a greater dependency on computer-based communications, security and management systems.

The management of the modern marina facilities has also undergone revolutionary changes with staff requiring constant training to meet the needs of this highly regulated and capital intensive industry.

There is a constant desire by marina managers to demonstrate that marinas and the environment are both complementary and compatible. This has seen the introduction of environmental management plans such as Clean Marinas Australia and the Carbon Reduction Institute’s Low Carbon Marina Program.

All of these issues are reflected in the Docklands marina developments as they keep pace with the world wide changes we experience today, none more so than the soon to be built extension to Marina YE at Mirvac’s River Edge Development.

This extension will have berths starting from 18 metres in length, reflecting the demand for larger berths requiring every modern convenience. As Melbourne’s Docklands leads the way with all of its many land-based activities the same can be said for its marina facilities.
Peer to Peer’s upcoming event on February 26th is going to set the tone for an exciting schedule of monthly events in ‘09.

One of the most prevalent issues remains both companies and individuals becoming environmentally sustainable and, as much as the economic downturn is on everyone’s minds, the focus needs to stay on maintaining a long-term vision for our relationship with the environment.

Held at Fix, a fantastic Docklands venue with some of the most amazing views in Melbourne, members and guests will learn from guest speaker Pauline Walker, of PK Walker, how to go green by becoming carbon neutral.

Pauline is passionate and knowledgeable about the environment and has aligned herself with Carbon Community, who can assist with anything from an individual or company’s commitment to go carbon neutral, to running carbon neutral events.

When: Thursday, 26th February
Time: 6.30-8pm
Where: Fix, Level 1, Suite 119/439 Docklands Drive, Waterfront City, Docklands
Cost: $20 for members, $35 for guests.
RSVP by the 19th of February to
rsvp@peertopeerclub.com.au
For more information call 0437 388 896 or go to peertopeerclub.com

February Event

Peer to Peer’s last event was a unanimously described by all who came as “fabulous” and was the perfect way to wind up Peer to Peer for 2008.

Hosted by the Atlantic Group [V] On Site, who plied guests with their award-winning gourmet delights and the luxury super yacht Platinum, it was no wonder no-one wanted to disembark when the event wound up.

And we didn’t make it easy as members and guests, including plenty of new faces, were pampered with massages by Spa Angels in between drinking, nibbling and enjoying the amazing sunset… networking is obviously harder than it looks!

Pauline Walker is an entrepreneur who has worked in the tourism and retail industries, created her own brand of leather accessories, men’s and women’s fashion using fine Australian wools, marketed and presented Broome pearls and mentored and coached young women entering the fashion industry.

Pauline is passionate about the environment and uses her knowledge to work with individuals and organisations establishing carbon reduction programs which are designed to accommodate everyone’s unique awareness and understanding.

By applying a series of easy steps, and supporting those with education, coaching and mentoring, Pauline can lead you through a process of developing a sound understanding of how your actions can minimise the impact of climate change.
Harbour Town retailer Michael Kastis has been meeting plenty of interesting people since Man to Man opened late last year.

The 33-year-old bachelor says plenty of Docklanders have been visiting the menswear store.

“We’ve had an interesting mix,” he said.

“About 50 per cent have been from Victoria and the same number from interstate and overseas.”

“It’s great meeting all these new people,” he said.

And Michael himself is no stranger to international travel. The flamboyant retailer has travelled to Europe seven times in the last 10 years to catch up with relatives in the Greek Islands.

“In order to know who you are, you must first know where you come from,” he said.

After his last trip in 2006, he was recruited by Man to Man from his role with a Highpoint menswear outlet where he had worked since he was 15.

He said there were 90 Man to Man stores Australia-wide.

“We’re family-owned and Melbourne-based,” he said.

“We’re constantly growing and our focus is on providing value.”

He said Harbour Town offered more than just shopping.

“With our outdoor approach, entertainment, restaurants and bars, we are offering a lifestyle experience,” he said.

NewQuay residents Ron and Kathy O’Neill are channelling their professional and general life experience into a new business aimed at making life easier for apartment owners.

The Condor couple have established One Apartment Maintenance. The O’Neills are offering a single point of contact for an almost exhaustive range of building-related services.

Ron has enjoyed a successful career in the building industry – both as a consultant commercial contracts manager and as a registered builder in his own right. Kathy administers a creative agency and has a talent and passion for interior design.

As apartment dwellers, the O’Neills know how frustrating it is to find, contact and co-ordinate tradespeople for repairs, renovations and maintenance. That’s why they have established One Apartment Maintenance.

“It’s not like renovating a house where you can leave a rubbish skip in the driveway,” Rob said.

Kathy said: “From our end, it’s really all about managing sub-contractors. People really just want to make one phone call and know that everything will be done professionally, promptly and reliably.”

They are hoping to work directly with building managers but are also very interested in hearing from individual owners. They are starting in Docklands but hope to expand to the CBD, St Kilda Rd and Port Melbourne.

Ron said: “There are plenty of good tradesmen out there doing their bit. But few companies offer the complete package.”

“Our work covers all trades and may include projects from total internal renovations, joinery installation, refurbishment and regular maintenance attendance.”

One Apartment Maintenance can be contacted on 0458 111 100.

Man to the people

It’s Just Life

with Abby Crawford

Valentine’s Day date tips

Valentine’s Day is upon us and women everywhere are being reminded of their unattached status – meaning they have their eyes peeled for someone to spend this holy-dating day with. And guys, this is your chance to go for your Scarlett or Angelina.

Strip yourselves in boys, because I’m going to help you win over the girl of your dreams. The lead up to Valentine’s Day is your best chance so take note of the tips in last month’s column to give her a melting kiss. Then, tell her how much you enjoyed the night, ask to see her again and go home.

Wait, you ask – no getting lucky on Valentine’s Day? That’s right boys. You need to pack the testosterone away and look at the bigger picture. You want this one to last so hold out for just a little longer. This will let her know that you actually care. If you don’t believe me, follow my instructions and as you walk away from her home watch her float inside, not walk.

So gents, pluck up the courage to ask out the girl of your dreams. The lead up to Valentine’s Day is your best chance so take it! Best of luck and happy Valentine’s Day.
Joe Yu, 34
Owner, Promenade Café, Yarra’s Edge

Joe has only been in Docklands for a few weeks but says it’s “beautiful”. “With more and more people coming, it is only going to get better,” he said.

Kim Khanna, 26
Shop Assistant, Village Docklands Convenience Store

The new convenience store is proving to be extremely convenient for the 190 apartments at Village Docklands and is one of the first signs of commerce in the precinct. Kim has been working in Docklands for about a month and loves its proximity to the CBD.

Desi Psomiadis, 33
Sales manager, Mono Menswear, Harbour Town

Before joining Mono’s Richmond store five months ago, Desi sold exotic cars. She says Docklands just keeps getting better.

Mark Harrison, 24
Camera operator, video editor Non Breaking Space

Mark has worked in Docklands for a year now and says it feels like home. “Docklands is really coming along now,” he said.

Shane Purss, 24
Business Development Manager, AFL Photos

A self-confessed sports nut, Shane has landed the dream job here in Docklands. He left Shepparton for the big smoke a year ago and his work colleagues say he hasn’t stopped smiling.

Jo Taylor
Marketing Manager – Docklands, VicUrban

Welcome back Jo, who has just returned to her position after 10.5 months maternity leave after having her second child, Indi.

Happy 2009 Docklands! Hope you are all doing exceptionally well, and are seeing some progress with your New Year resolutions.

In 2009 I plan to do something revolutionary: it’s called listening. A preacher who listens? Surely not! Yes its true. The average Aussie bloke speaks about 7000 words a day (women 20,000 – no surprises there!). I estimate that on Sundays’ (with both services now) I’m hitting close to the 25,000 mark! Yikes.

To balance things out I plan to hit the streets of Docklands through the week to hear what you have to say. Yes that’s right, armed with a question and a notepad you will see me in and around our great community listening to what you have to say about life, Docklands, God, spirituality, sex, relationships, church, sport, to name a few. I’m not great at listening, so just give me a nudge if I butt in!

As the pastor of the growing Docklands Church I’m really keen to breakdown some barriers and see bridges built in the community.

To this end I want to hear what your thoughts are so that we can continue to build a church that best serves Docklands.

So if you see me wandering around do come and say hi.

The topic for next month is – “The Economy”: How are we feeling with the change in the economy? How do you see this impacting the local community? What do you think God thinks of it all? What’s the best response in a time like this?

If you wish to post a topic for a month email info@docklandschurch.org.au Until then, take care and God bless.

Guy Mason
Pastor – Docklands Church
Docklands Church meets at James Squire Brewhouse (Waterfront City) at 10.30am and now 6pm every Sunday. To find out more visit www.docklandschurch.org.au
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WHAT’S ON AT WATERFRONT CITY THIS FEBRUARY

There’s always something on for young and old at Waterfront City, Docklands. Grab some friends and make the most of Melbourne’s waterfront in Summer.

Action Zone
Visit website for opening hours
Waterfront City Pavilion
Action Zone is a collection of the latest inflatable action amusement products. Don’t expect any bouncy castles here! All you need to bring with you is a little courage and energy to participate! Face Off, Bungy Trampoline, Challenger, Base Jump and High Wire Walk.

Martial Funk
7 & 14 February, 4.30pm - 5.30pm
Waterfront City Stage
From Kung Fu and Tai Chi to Hip Hop Funk, highly skilled dancers present a window into the performing arts of China, Korea and Indonesia. This hands-on (and feet-on) show features flags, swords and fans – plus the snappy footwork and fast pace of Asia today.

Discover Sail and Dine Package
Waterfront City
Enjoy a beautiful evening sail on our luxury 40ft yacht this February followed by a gourmet dinner. $140 per person. To book call (03) 9670 3499 or 0431 297 702.

Stick it Up Prostate Cancer Ride
22 February, 8.30am
Waterfront City Piazza
Presented by the E.J. Whitten Foundation, the Stick It Up Prostate Cancer Ride departs 11:00am from James Squire Hotel, Docklands (Breakfast available from 8:30am) for an event at Werribee Park Equestrian Centre. Register online at – www.ejwhittenfoundation.com.au (Fundraising).
All proceeds to Prostate Cancer Research.

Collector’s Sunday Market
1, 8, 15, 22 February, 10am - 6pm
Waterfront City promenade
Waterfront City’s Collector’s Market offers a range of truly unique and original products. Discover treasures from the depths of some of Melbourne’s finest antique and pre-loved stores, including art, jewellery, retro clothing, vintage books and car boot sales. You’ll be amazed at what you can find! Stallholders welcome.

For further information visit www.waterfrontcity.com.au or call 8628 6000
Waterfront City, Docklands Drive, Melbourne Docklands (MEL REF 2E D4)
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Nina’s make all celebration cakes and they also provide WHOLESALE prices for biscotti, cakes and pastries.

Did we mention our gelato? Have we told you about our salads? And have you tried our pastas, panini our pizza?

Renzo and Nina are the owners of Renzo’s Bar cafe Italiano, the first restaurant to open in Docklands.

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Drop by and see us under the Southern Star Observation Wheel at Harbour Town. Stay for a while and enjoy a coffee. Or dine on the best Italian food in Melbourne. We open at 7am for breakfast and all our products are take away.
## Docklands Community Calendar

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<td>Waterfront City Docklands Drive</td>
<td>Discover treasures from the depths of some of Melbourne finest antique and pre-loved specialists, including art, jewellery, retro clothing, vintage books and car boot sales.</td>
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<td>Every Sunday at 5pm</td>
<td>Salsa Dancing</td>
<td>Yarra’s Edge Bar / Café</td>
<td>Free. Bring the family, the kids, the dog! All welcome.</td>
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<td>First Wednesday of the month</td>
<td>Docklands Dinner Book Group</td>
<td>The Hub, 17 Waterview Walk</td>
<td>Sample a variety of restaurants in Docklands whilst discussing books with like-minded people. Contact CAE Book Groups at 9652 0620 or email <a href="mailto:bookgroups@cae.edu.au">bookgroups@cae.edu.au</a></td>
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<tr>
<td>First Wednesday of the month</td>
<td>Residents night</td>
<td>Alumbra, Central Pier</td>
<td>RSVP is essential. Please contact Mia via email at <a href="mailto:mia@alumbra.com.au">mia@alumbra.com.au</a> or on 8623 9669 or</td>
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<td>Second and fourth Sundays of the month 11am to 3.30pm</td>
<td>Try Sailing</td>
<td>Docklands Yacht Club, Shed 2 North Wharf Rd</td>
<td>Try dinghy sailing on the magnificent Victoria Harbour</td>
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<td>Until February 24</td>
<td>Summer Fun in the City</td>
<td>Various Docklands venues</td>
<td>For more information including a full program of events visit thatsmelbourne.com.au</td>
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<td>Thursday, February 19 12-1pm</td>
<td>Free physiotherapy assessment</td>
<td>The Hub, 17 Waterview Walk</td>
<td>10 minute sessions from the staff at Back in Motion. Call 9670 1377 for queries.</td>
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<td>Thursday, February 26 2-1pm</td>
<td>Free massage</td>
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**Give blood this year**

2009 has been declared the Year of Giving Blood and that opportunity exists in Docklands this month.

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Monday, February 16, Tuesday, February 17

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E-mail docklandstoastmasters@yahoo.com.au if you wish to speak to someone about coming, otherwise feel free just turn up on the night. Guests are always welcome.

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**How well do you know your neighbours?**

See the Port of Melbourne close up – from the water!

Port of Melbourne Corporation (PoMC) is offering Docklands residents a unique opportunity to see Australia’s largest container and general cargo port up close on guided boat tours.

Hosted by the PoMC Community Relations Team, the hour-long tours will take place on the mornings of Saturday 21 and 28 February and 7 March, departing Boatman’s Landing (in front of the big screen) at 10.00am.

To register your interest, call the PoMC Community Contact Line on 1300 857 662 or email community@portofmelbourne.com by 6.00pm on Wednesday 18 February 2009.

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Wild weather disrupts invitational

The Skandia Docklands Invitational was disrupted by wild winds with day two being postponed and eventually cancelled.

The two-day event on January 21 and 22 got off to a great start with people flocking to enjoy the free activities, which included Come Try Sailing and the radio-controlled yachts for the Audi One Metre Challenge. However most were there to watch the Audi King of the Docklands, with close racing right in the heart of Victoria Harbour.

Three heats were staged between 6 and 9pm and the competition was tight, with three winners ready for the chance to compete in the final on Thursday evening.

Day two however was a very different story, with strong winds forecast which disrupted invitational racing. Whilst racing was postponed, day two was declared a non-event.

However, there was no such reprieve for the Melbourne Yacht Club Hotel. Docklands event and post race drinks at Waterfront City, restaurants and bars at Waterfront City, patiently waiting for the wind to die down.

With two wins from two races, Loki was declared the eventual winner of the Skandia Docklands Invitational and the Audi King of the Docklands event with only three heats staged was declared a non-event.

Now, with the support of VicUrban, the City of Melbourne and Lend Lease the three-masted top-sail schooner is expected to be housed in Shed 2 Victoria Harbour for at least 12 months while she undergoes her transformation.

Owned by not-for-profit organisation Sail and Adventure Limited, company director Peter Harris said: “The company bought her in 1976, but she was just a hulk and it took till 1988 to fully refit her. She was ready in time for the bicentennial celebrations and was part of the tall ships fleet.”

She then operated as a youth sail training ship for more than 10 years in Port Philip Bay, during which time Mr Harris estimates that around 50,000 people sailed on her. More recently she has been a floating, static exhibition in Port Macquarie.

“We are currently involved in a new refit. Unfortunately the board back in the late 90s didn’t do what they should have and she lost her commercial survey. With this refit we will have a return for survey, then it is important to have a planned maintenance program for the next 10 years.”

While Docklands and the City of Melbourne are providing Alma Doepel with a berth free of charge and VicUrban is providing the shed, Lend Lease is working out how to get the ship into the shed.

“We need a shed big enough that can work as a community access and refit site. We want people to be able to come in and find out about its history and see what’s happening by providing ongoing education programs as the refit evolves,” Mr Harris said.

Mr Harris estimates the refit will cost about $1.5 million and, despite being ready to begin work within the next two months, Sail and Adventure is still looking for funding and further major sponsors as well as more volunteers.

“We are currently supported by about 200 volunteers, many of who sailed on her. But were also looking at providing opportunities for people from a range of other areas, such as young offenders programs, to get involved,” he said.

Of course, the Alma Doepel is also available for private functions of up to around 150 people.

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