Docklands received a much-needed boost last month with the opening of the Icehouse in the Harbour Town precinct.

To fireworks, loud music and a crowd of hundreds, Premier John Brumby officially opened Docklands' newest attraction on Friday, February 12.

In his speech, Mr Brumby remarked at the significance of the ice-skating centre in drawing tourists and creating employment for Melbourne and Docklands.

“Docklands is a great place to live, work and invest and it is now a great place to go ice skating,” Mr Brumby said.

Harbour Town retailers have also reacted positively to the venue that will be open 364 days a year.

Harbour Town Hotel manager, Mark Bailey, said he was looking forward to the increase in business as the months progress.

“So far we’ve experienced a slight increase in business but the Icehouse is only in its first week. We’re definitely noticing more people are around at night after the shops have closed up which is good,” Mr Bailey said.

The $58 million complex, developed by ING Real Estate, features two Olympic-sized ice rinks, with seating for up to 1000 spectators, along with a winter sports training gym and medical facilities.

The centre was launched on the eve of the Vancouver Winter Olympics and will become home to the Olympic Winter Institute of Australia.

Mr Brumby said the Icehouse would translate into more and better athletes.

“If you want great athletes … you’ve got to have great facilities,” he said.

Icehouse general manager Darren Walls congratulated ING on getting the Icehouse off the ground, saying the facility was the last ING project to be approved internationally before funding was stopped due to the global financial crisis in 2008.

Mr Walls, who described the venue as a "world class facility," closed his speech by saying: “Welcome to the Icehouse, please make it your house.”

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Wooden boat magic

The Chiera girls from Moonee Ponds were among the thousands who enjoyed Melbourne’s inaugural Wooden Boat Festival in Docklands on February 20 and 21.

Teresa Chiera, (foreground) 9, and six-year-old twins Francesca (middle right) and Sophia (top left) were joined by 12-year-old Olivia Russell of Essendon (top right) on the visiting tall-ship One & All.

The South Australian-built replica brigantine was one of the features of the festival which has been hailed as a great success. See our story on Page 8.
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Greener Apartment Living Forum

The City of Melbourne will be hosting on March 18 a second eco-city forum, Greener Apartment Living.

More than 70 per cent of residents in the City of Melbourne municipality live in high-rise apartments. Overall, residents account for 22 per cent of the municipality’s water consumption, 7 per cent of greenhouse gas emissions, and more than 14,000 tonnes of waste sent to landfill each year.

The forum, at Melbourne Town Hall, aims to provide information, skills and resources to apartment residents and building managers about how they can reduce their everyday environmental impact.

There will also be an open-mic session and opportunity for the community to learn about how the City of Melbourne’s sustainability programs can be applied to apartments.

If you have any questions you would like addressed at the forum please email ecocityforum@melbourne.vic.gov.au by Thursday, March 11.

When: 7pm to 9pm, Thursday, March 18
Where: Swanston Hall, Melbourne Town Hall
RSVP: Monday, March 15 to ecocityforum@melbourne.vic.gov.au

For more information visit www.melbourne.vic.gov.au

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Residents concerned about appearance of oil in Victoria Harbour on the morning of Tuesday, February 9 can rest assured that it was only a very small amount and was taken care of promptly.

A spokesperson for Marine Safety Victoria said that it was unclear what caused the oil to be in the water, but it was only very small amount.

“It was a light sheen of diesel oil and it could have come from anything. The Melbourne Boat Show was on the weekend prior so perhaps, due to the influx of boats, it came from that.”

The spokesperson said Marine Safety Victoria performed a very light clean with a boat and then let nature take its course.

He said residents should not be concerned.

“The oil was of no significance and we don’t know what exactly caused it,” he said.

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Real estate shake-up in Docklands

By Shane Scanlan

There has been a shakeup in the Docklands residential real estate market which will make it even harder for newcomers to enter the highly competitive market.

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Past dreamings move into the moment

The opening of the Red Desert Dreamings Gallery at South Wharf last month showed that Aboriginal art is being taken in exciting new directions.

The gallery has “discovered” sisters Tarrisse and Sarrita King who, according to gallery director Kevin Winward, are the future. Apart from their artistic talent, what impresses Mr Winward is the girls’ attitude. Tarrisse, 23, and Sarrita, 21, are confident, hard working and ambitious. “They are just so comfortable and relaxed with who they are,” he said. “These girls are really going to make an impression in the art world.”

The girls’ father was William King Jungala, a renowned Gurindji tribe contemporary artist who died in 2007. Their mother is English.

Tarrisse learned to paint when she moved from Darwin when she was 16 to join her father in Adelaide. “Dad was a contemporary, abstract painter and I’ve never lived in a community. So what Sarrita and I are doing is very different to what you might expect,” Tarrisse said.

“Middle inspiration comes from my aboriginality and my style comes from what I learned from my father.”

The girls’ art is a hybrid of traditional inspiration and techniques mixed with mesmerising graphical application and appeal.

The girls are exhibiting in Europe this year and their works have featured in more than 20 exhibitions.

To be a full-time artist at 23, speaks volumes about the future for Tarrisse King and her sister. “I want to bring a new generation of Aboriginal art to the world,” Tarrisse said.

Syndicated luxury yacht ownership coming to Docklands

The recent boat show brought a new concept to Docklands – the opportunity to own a luxury 42 foot cruising yacht at a fraction of the real cost.

Yachtshare is the brainchild of Queenslanders Wayne Woodward and Barry Pares who were in Docklands to promote the concept last month and return on March 11 for another information evening.

“Everyone has dreamed of sailing across the blue water with dolphins riding the bow wave and the feeling of fresh air through their hair. This dream normally comes with a hefty price tag that doesn’t just stop with the purchase of the boat,” Mr Woodward said.

“However, the notion of sharing the ownership and running expenses of a luxury boat is now an established, credible and practical option.”

“These days, leisure time is more valuable than ever and the pressures of modern life mean that having quality relaxation time is all the more important.”

Mr Woodward said the Yachtshare’s Syndicated Boat Ownership Program meant people could “own” the equity in a cruising yacht based at Victoria Harbour for a once only cost of $59,900 and around $750 per month. He said an online reservation system ensured fair access to every owner.

“Just go online, enter your private code, and tick the days that you want to use your boat. It is that simple,” he said.

To learn more or book a spot at the March 11 information evening, please contact Yachtshare on 0438 722 888 or visit www.yachtshare.net.au.
After two years at the bottom of Victoria Harbour it is likely that the historic Lady Chelmsford will soon be salvaged.

Marine Safety Victoria has called a meeting of the stakeholders to finally raise the former Sydney ferry which mysteriously sank at her Central Pier mooring late afternoon on February 18, 2008. The wreck is now the property of insurance company Nautilus Marine which has not announced its plans for the Chelmsford.

Nautilus marketing manager Mark Crockford would not speak to the Docklands News on the boat’s future.

And her former owner and principal of Pleasureboat Cruises Keith Rankin said terms of a settlement with the insurer prevented him from commenting on the past 24 months of negotiations and legal proceedings.

However, public record documents show that Nautilus denied liability, claiming the vessel was unseaworthy and, therefore, in breach of the policy. The case ended up being settled in Mr Rankin’s favour by the Financial Ombudsman Service last year.

Proceedings of the case reveal that Nautilus issued the policy in return for a website link as a sponsorship contribution towards the restoration of the vessel. Nautilus was ordered to pay interest on the sum insured plus the cost of salvage.

Lady Chelmsford was a wooden, single screw steamer built by Rock Davis in Blackwall, New South Wales. First launched in 1910 she had a gross weight of 98 tons, and was 110 feet long.

The boat was one of the last surviving “Lady” class ferries in substantially original condition. She was modernised with a diesel engine in 1933 which was replaced in 1957.

Lady Chelmsford continued working the harbour until 1971 when she was sold to South Australian interests before coming to Melbourne in 1985.

At the time of her sinking, Mr Rankin was in the final stages of restoring Lady Chelmsford.
Harbour Esplanade redevelopment – Stage 1

VicUrban has confirmed that the first stage of works to transform Docklands’ Harbour Esplanade into a waterfront destination is expected to commence in May, 2010.

The Harbour Esplanade redevelopment will ultimately see this key area of public space transformed into a major waterfront destination, creating a unique harbour-front park for Melbourne and completing the city’s inner ring of parks. The new green spine will also better connect the precincts within Docklands.

The first stage of works, between Bourke St and Docklands Drive, will see the creation of a tree-lined boulevard, dedicated bike and pedestrian paths, and the realignment of tram tracks into the roadway to provide additional parkland and recreational space. The redevelopment will be delivered in stages. Here’s an overview of what to expect throughout stage 1.

What does stage 1 involve? During stage 1, a tree-lined boulevard will be created, separate bike and pedestrian paths constructed, and public transport conditions improved with the realignment of tram tracks.

The first works people are likely to see will be the realignment of tram tracks to follow. These trees will be later replaced with a boulevard of around 230 araucaria heterophylla (Norfolk Island pines).

The tram tracks will be located in the road reserve, similar to most tram tracks in Melbourne. It is expected that these works will be complete in August, following which the trees will be planted.

Stage 1 will also see “super stops” built outside the Bendigo Bank, and Digital Harbour’s Life.lab building. These stops will replace those currently outside the NAB building and Central Pier.

Stage 1 will take around 12 months to complete.

Impact on tram services: Trams will continue to operate throughout the construction of stage 1 on the existing lines. They will then transfer to the realigned configuration.

The change over from the existing alignment to the new alignment will involve some disruption to tram services. VicUrban and Yarra Trams will work together to minimise the impact. Information on the impacts to tram services will be provided by Yarra Trams once the date of the switch-over is agreed.

Impact on traffic: Traffic along the length of Harbour Esplanade will be maintained as far as practicable during stage 1 with the exception of a few days mid-year when the road between Bourke and LaTrobe streets will be closed to through traffic. Diversions will be in place at this time.

One through lane in each direction will operate throughout most of the construction period and, on completion, a parallel parking lane will also exist along the majority of Harbour Esplanade’s length in each direction.

Impact on cyclists: The Capital City Trail, between Bourke St and Docklands Drive will also be realigned, creating a dedicated path that will run along the tree-lined boulevard, adjacent but separate to a footpath.

The existing on-road lanes will be removed, with all cyclists encouraged to use the dedicated path which links with the off-road paths north of Docklands Drive and south of Bourke St. Cyclists will continue using the existing bike paths until stage 1 is complete.

Impact on pedestrians: Stage 1 will free up waterfront space along Harbour Esplanade allowing for a separate pedestrian pathway. Upon completion, pedestrians will have access to seven designated areas for crossing.

What next? The latest concept plans for the planned recreational and parkland area are expected to be released for further public consultation mid-year.

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Mosaic and Montage residents say they have been told that a 16-storey mixed residential and commercial building is to be built on the site.

They say this contradicts what they were told when they bought their apartments and that they were expecting a development of not more than nine storeys with a substantial community component such as a childcare centre or library.

Lend Lease says it won’t comment on the residents’ claims as its plans for the development are awaiting approval by the State Government.

A spokesperson for the Department of Planning and Community Development said: “An application for the development of a 16-storey mixed use building at 807-817 Bourke Street Docklands (Site C2) was received on 29 January, 2010.”

“The site is part of the Victoria Harbour Precinct Masterplan (Victoria Precinct Development Plan) and has been identified for future residential development.”

“The application is currently being considered by the department,” the spokesperson said.

Vivas Lend Lease has written to prospective buyers offering a “snack preview” of the plans and offering preferential treatment to place a “reservation of interest” on a selected property.

Known as Serrata on the Park, Lend Lease has told prospective purchasers that anticipated price points are from $385,000 for one-bedroom apartments and from $573,000 for two bedroom apartments.

“I would strongly recommend you act promptly during the preferential pricing phase, prices are expected to be increased upon the wider market release,” salesman Matthew Davidson wrote.

Mosaic and Montage property owner Adrienne McGregor said the experience had led her to change her view on the “honesty of the Lend Lease company”.

“Not only was I informed verbally that this development site was to be low rise with a community focus, but Lend Lease employees, on many, many occasions during discussions prior to my purchase, were at pains to point out that the scale model of Victoria Harbour, on display in their showroom, depicted the maximum dimensions of any future development,” Ms McGregor said.

“They led me to understand that they could not possibly gain approval for a larger development. Some time later and after my purchase, the scale model changed to depict a much larger possible development.”

“When one is considering purchasing in an area such as Docklands, future development on land immediately adjacent to the property is a major factor influencing one’s final decision,” she said.

Resident anger on Lend Lease plans

By Shane Scanlan

Tensions are running high over Lend Lease’s plans to develop the vacant “paddock” between the Mosaic/Montage buildings and The Gauge in Bourke St.

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Harbour One Breaks Ground as MAB gets Ready for Construction Commencement

MAB Corporation has determined Melbourne Docklands as its development focus for 2010, with the ‘breaking of ground’ about to commence on the Harbour One (H1) tower along Docklands Drive with the creation of a new side street, to be known as Marmion Place.

Initial ground works have now commenced, with construction expected to be underway in the first quarter of this year.

Harbour One is the latest residential development within MAB’s NewQuay precinct and follows the construction commencement of The Avenues, luxury townhouses. Taking full advantage of its aspect and views to Victoria Harbour and the city skyline, Harbour One was designed by Plus Architecture and follows the lead from the already successful Arley, Palazzo, Boyd, Sant’ Elia and Conder Apartments.

Responding to the changing demographic demands of Melbourne’s population, Harbour One offers a mix of studio, one and two bedroom apartments.

Residents and their guests can utilise Harbour One’s exclusive library lounge and other building features including a magazine room and gymnasium.

Over 70 percent of the 292 apartments are now sold. This is the last opportunity to purchase an apartment taking advantage of ‘Off the Plan Stamp Duty Savings’. To find out more about purchasing a Harbour One apartment contact Rachael Hiscock on 0411 615 265 or email rhiscock@mabcorp.com.au

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No sign of Contempora yet
By Alison Kinkade

There is no concrete sign of a return by Docklands’ acclaimed sculptural festival and award, Contempora.

After receiving recognition in 2007 as an important event on the calendar for “Events in Melbourne”, Contempora has not been held since 2008. Contempora issued a media statement in September 2008 that said the 2009 event would be deferred but promised to return better than ever in 2010.

* … electing to defer the 2009 event in order to develop a master plan based on the world’s best practices to deliver a vibrant, viable, biennial, festival event. When Contempora is re-launched in 2010 it will be a major arts festival featuring the largest sculpture prize in the southern hemisphere – The Melbourne Contempora Sculpture Award,* the 2008 media statement said.

On February 5 this year, Contempora released another media statement that said the event was on hold, but would return to Docklands in the future.

“The Contempora Sculpture Festival and Award will be in recess until such time that an appropriate sponsor has been found,” the statement said.

The executive director of Contempora, Margaret Harris, said the next Contempora was planned to coincide with the launch of a redeveloped Harbour Esplanade. The first stage is expected to be completed by May 2011 (see our story on Page 6).

“Funding arrangements and the organisational structure are currently being finalised, however previous supporters are expected to continue to have a major role,” Ms Harris said.

Ms Harris said VicUrban and the City of Melbourne continued to support Contempora and The Port of Melbourne Corporation had reconfirmed its support along with another major sponsors.

“There is another major sponsor who will be announced closer to the event,” she said.

Ms Harris also said that the new Contempora would have more of an international focus.

More boating festivals to come

Wooden Boat Festival organiser Mark Bergin says he’ll be back in Docklands with another outdoor boating festival.

Mr Bergin said crowd feedback to the inaugural two-day event held over February 20 and 21 was “astounding”.

“it was certainly well beyond my expectation,” he said.

Mr Bergin said hot winds kept numbers down but, despite not making budget, he was encouraged by the experience of the people who did attend.

“Ice cream vendors talk about the optimum temperature of 25 to 28 degrees to get people out. We certainly had temperatures up into the 30s,” he said.

He said about 2500 people attended each of the two days, which was a little short of the 30s,” he said.

“It may not be a wooden boat festival next time, but I would certainly be looking at an event that celebrates boating in Docklands.”

Mr Bergin said he would be speaking with the Boating Industry Association which also held a show in Docklands last month.

“I am certainly wanting to collaborate with the BIA and whether it’s one festival or a number of events, Docklands is certainly the location,” he said.

A special march networking lunch

There are still some places available for the Docklands News Network Lunch on Friday, March 26.

The lunch, to be held at Watermark Bar on Victoria Harbour Promenade is limited to 40 people and is a great opportunity to meet in a personal and informal environment.

It will be third quarterly lunch that this newspaper has hosted in the interests of developing and strengthening business relationships within Docklands.

The $60 lunch will be held from 12pm and consists of two courses plus appetizer and drinks. There will be a short presentation from VicUrban on what’s ahead for Docklands in the next decade.

Email alison@docklandsnews.com.au or ring Docklands News 8689 7979 to reserve your place.
Tourist shuttle bus may go

By Alison Kinkade

The future of the Melbourne City Tourist Shuttle hangs in the balance due to a lack of funding.

Melbourne City Council’s Finance and Governance Committee met in a confidential session on February 9 to discuss the future of the bus which operates throughout Melbourne and Docklands.

The free service, which has been in operation since 2006, operates 16 services per day, costs $1.3 million to operate each year and attracts almost 300,000 people annually.

The chairman of the Docklands Coordination Committee, Cr Kevin Louey, is pushing to keep the tourist bus in operation.

“We have other buses that go other places in Victoria but there’s no economic benefit to Melbourne in sending people to Geelong and other places in regional Victoria. This bus brings and contains people,” Cr Louey said.

Cr Louey argues the bus has always been very successful, adding that there were four buses in operation with the route having been extended due to its popularity.

“No one disagrees that it isn’t successful. The only problem is the finance because there is no money in the budget for it. All the money dedicated to it has been put into cycling paths and green initiatives,” he said.

A spokesperson for the City of Melbourne confirmed that the route was extended in December 2008 which, in turn, reduced the number of circuits completed and the passenger capacity.

Cr Louey is calling for all businesses and residents to support the shuttle bus. “The decision has now been delayed because we’ve bought it into the open so that the public can have a say. Next month there will be another meeting,” he said.

The president of the Docklands Chamber of Commerce, Keith Rankin, is throwing his support behind the bus, describing it as an international success and one of the most innovative initiatives of the John So era.

“It would be a mini disaster if they cancelled it at this stage. I know my business and others have a lot of international visitors who comment on how great the service is,” Mr Rankin said.

Cr Louey agreed and said that businesses would suffer without the shuttle.

“Businesses pay 70 per cent of the rates and they need to get something back for it. We have a duty to our business stakeholders. Adelaide and Perth already have buses and Sydney wants to copy the system,” he said.

Driver Bus Lines currently operates the service and the present contract for the Melbourne City Tourist Shuttle expires on August 31.

Docklands Travelodge opens

After two years in the making, Tonga Hospitality has opened its Travelodge hotel on Docklands’ Aurora Lane.

Rachel Argaman, CEO of Tonga Hospitality, said: “Tonga Hospitality recognises the long-term vision for the Docklands area and is excited to be part of this emerging precinct.”

The 290-room hotel, which is located next to the soon-to-be completed 717 Bourke St building, is the 16th Travelodge hotel in the Travelodge portfolio.

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Located in the Victoria harbour precinct of Docklands and located directly in front of beautiful parklands and the CBD as the backdrop. The apartment that is cleverly designed ensures there is a place for everything, whilst its generous windows provide uninterrupted views. The expansive open plan living area has both a formal dining area and a modern kitchen with stone bench tops and stainless steel appliances. Featuring large main bedroom with built-in robes and en-suite and a large second bedroom with adjoining bathroom including deep relaxing bath and European style laundry. The apartment also includes reverse cycle air conditioning and an undercover car space.

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MOASIt’S HERE
2 Bed 2 Bath 1 Car
Private sale $699,000
Inspect By appointment
Contact Glenn Donnelly

This spectacular 2 Bedroom 2 Bathroom 1 Car space apartment were kept in splendid condition by owner. The apartment carries astonishing view towards Yarra River and Port Phillip Bay as well as the city situated on the left. There are two sizeable bedrooms both including BIRs. The apartment is fitted with good quality window furnishing, stylish contemporary bathroom, stainless steel appliances, European laundry facility heating/cooling unit and drawer dishwasher.

Docklands 1024 / 8 McCrae Street
WATER & CITY VIEWS
3 Bed 2 Bath 1 Car
Private Sale $540,000
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Docklands 1701 / 8 McCrae Street
EXCLUSIVE WATER VIEWS (SUB-PENTHOUSE)
3 Bed 2 Bath 1 Study 1 Car
Private Sale $1.11m
Inspect By appointment
Contact Glenn Donnelly

Situated in the Mosaic building, here is a spacious two bedroom, two bathroom apartment that can only be described as immaculate. The apartment that is cleverly designed ensures there is a place for everything, whilst its generous windows provide uninterrupted views. The expansive open plan living area has both a formal dining area and a modern kitchen with stone bench tops and stainless steel appliances. Featuring large main bedroom with built-in robes and en-suite and a large second bedroom with adjoining bathroom including deep relaxing bath and separate laundry. The apartment also includes reverse cycle air conditioning and an undercover car space.

Docklands 57 / 801 Bourke Street
VIEWS OVER THE WATER
2 Bed 2 Bath 1 Car
Private Sale $590,000
Inspect By appointment
Contact Glenn Donnelly

Located in Mirvac’s Tower A, this exquisite residence is a must see for those who expect the best. The gourmet kitchen is complemented with a large island stone bench top, Miele stainless steel appliances and generous storage space. The double size main bedroom includes a luxurious en-suite with twin vanities. The apartment captures over 180 degree vistas of the CBD, and Yarra River. Other features include air-conditioning throughout, separate laundry, 2 secure car spaces and storage cage. Also included is a membership to the exclusive health club featuring heated indoor lap pool, spa, sauna, steam room, fully equipped gymnasium and roof top deck.

Docklands 1004 / 801 Lorimer Street
VIEWS OVER THE WATER
3 Bed 2 Bath 2 Car 1 Storage
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Docklands is the green envy of the world

Docklands’ growing international reputation as an example of sustainable building excellence is a source of pride for Australian Green Building Council chairman Tony Arnel.

Mr Arnel is also Victoria’s Building and Plumbing Commissioner and late last year moved his 150 staff into Goods Shed North Building in Docklands.

“Docklands has a worldwide reputation,” he said. “We can talk about Docklands on the world stage because it is one of the most sustainable precincts in the world.”

And Mr Arnel is very pleased to do this talking as he is also the chairman of the World Green Building Council, which has its secretariat in Toronto, Canada.

He said Docklands had the largest concentration of green buildings of any precinct anywhere in Australia.

“So that immediately provides a point of difference for Docklands and what it stands for,” he said.

“If you are a resident down here or work down here it is something that you can be justifiably proud of because Docklands is leading the way in Australia by delivering buildings that are energy and water efficient.”

He said his own staff had responded well to working in the renovated Goods Shed North in Bourke St, which was Victoria’s first heritage-listed building to be awarded a 5 Star Green Star rating.

“They can feel good about the fact that they are not only in a high quality working environment, but they know that their building is energy efficient,” Mr Arnel said.

Mr Arnel said younger employees were driving the demand for energy efficient workplaces.

“It’s the Gen X and Gen Y who I think are the drivers for this. They want to work in buildings of these standards,” he said.

He said consumer demand was also largely responsible for driving the trend towards sustainable apartment building, although he acknowledged that Dockland’s current apartment supply “missed the green wave”.

“When Mirvac and MAB were doing their stuff on the drawing boards in the mid-90s the Green Building Council of Australia hadn’t been established,” he said.

“I don’t want to make excuses for buildings that probably don’t have the credentials that they would have if they were built today, but I think they were just ahead of the ‘green wave’,” he said.

He said the way developers were currently marketing new apartments was evidence of consumer demand for sustainability.

“Really people want to buy buildings now that actually say something,” he said. “What people possibly regarded five years ago as a bit edgy has become mainstream.”

“As Daniel Grollo says, if you’re not building green, you’re building in obsolescence. These days you just can’t build a serious building without any environmental credentials attached to it.”

Green Building Council chair and Victorian Building and Plumbing Commissioner, Tony Arnel.

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Docklands resident Professor Nel Glass from Australian Catholic University (ACU) has published her first book, exploring health care perspectives on communication, stress and crisis.

Interpersonal Relating focuses on human rights, humanism and the importance of the person as a framework to guide health care professionals in their practice intentions and actions.

A professor in the School of Nursing and Midwifery at ACU, and director of the Nursing Research Institute at ACU/St Vincent’s and Mercy Private Hospital in Melbourne, Professor Glass said her book was an important response to the current climate of health care delivery, which was often stressful and competitive.

“The results from my research conducted in Australia, New Zealand, United Kingdom and the United States consistently revealed that health care professionals, irrespective of experiences or qualifications, need to continue to build strong effective interpersonal skills,” she said.

“Health professionals need to equally manage the ‘everydayness’ of stress and crisis in order to gain greater workplace satisfaction and retention in the workforce.”

Written specifically for health care professionals, Interpersonal Relating puts forward positive optimistic views and strategic processes for the management of intrapersonal and interpersonal communication, stress and crisis.

Professor Glass said the reflective exercises and case studies interwoven throughout the book were grounded in real-life contemporary practical situations, which were of relevance to all health care professionals.

Interpersonal Relating is available from the ACU campus bookshop or local bookstores.
Meet your neighbours over a sustainable dinner

This Neighbour Day on March 28, why not meet some fellow Docklanders for dinner at the community garden in Victoria Harbour?

Garden founder Emily Ballantyne-Brodie said food-related carbon emissions were three times as damaging to the environment as personal mobility and transport emissions.

"The dinner will feature slow, sustainable, local foods as much as possible," she said. "It will be a fun, up-beat event starting with champagne in the garden."

The garden celebrated its first harvest recently with tomatoes, eggplant, various herbs (basil, rosemary, mint, sage), artichoke, spring onion, zucchini and other greens.

Ms Ballantyne-Brodie said the dinner would also demonstrate food-related carbon issues.

"28 per cent of the 19 tonnes of carbon that each Australian generates each year is food-related," she said. "That's twice as much carbon released as from personal use of electricity."

She said goods and services accounted for 29.4 per cent of emissions, construction and renovations 11.8 per cent, household use 20 per cent and transport 10.5 per cent.

The dinner costs $65 per head and bookings need to be made by March 21 to emily.b.brodie@urbanreforestation.com.

Urban Reforestation is holding workshops around food and how Docklanders can reduce their carbon footprint. For further information see www.urbanreforestation.com.

Mecurio visits Docklands’ garden

By Alison Kinkade

Paul Mecurio made a visit to Docklands’ community garden on February 10 to film a segment for his television show, ‘Mecurio’s Menu’.

Mr Mecurio, who hosts a lifestyle cooking and travel show on Channel Seven, interviewed Urban Reforestation founder Emily Ballantyne-Brodie about the garden and the produce it grows.

Mr Mecurio said it was great to be able to film the garden as part of his work.

"To me it’s about getting excited about it and feeling inspired … a lot of people will be inspired and want to create their own community garden and, hopefully, people in Docklands will see it and get involved in this one," Mr Mecurio said.

The produce of the garden will not be featured in the cooking section of the episode as it was filmed prior to the show’s visit to Victoria Harbour.

"If I was here yesterday I would have loved to have cooked with the produce or taken some herbs and things over to the restaurant where I cooked," Mr Mecurio said.

Ms Ballantyne-Brodie said she was very excited when she found out they wanted to film the garden.

The show, which is in its third season, will feature the garden in its 10th episode, which will air in April or May.
Survey results

Thanks to everyone who rated the Docklands News in our February online survey.

The responses were encouraging with most recipients saying very kind things about us.

Some 25 per cent of respondents thought we were generally “exceptional” and 50 per cent opted for “very good”. Thankfully, no one rated us as “pathetic”.

Not all our columns escaped the blowtorch to the belly however, with our coffee and muffin review and our business section picking up a few “shocking” ratings.

At the other end of the scale, our most popular columns are “Cuisine Undercover” and “Faces of Docklands” with both scoring a “wonderful” rating from 66 per cent of respondents.

Similarly, our editorial integrity and the relevance of our stories scored very well with many supportive comments to reinforce this.

Most comments on our perceived strengths centred around being local – with community focus and relevance.

To summarise what we have learned:
- We are on the right track with the paper;
- We can improve in many areas;
- Community is the key.

Tony and Angela Bassaly held their reception at Sketch, Central Pier, after being married at St Patrick’s Cathedral on February 13.
Icehouse warms up Docklands

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Following the official proceedings and a blast of pyrotechnics, hundreds of children from various Victoria schools took to the rink to test out the ice.

Skating with the youngsters, Jules Lund, who performed in the television show Torvill and Dean's Dancing on Ice, added the star factor element to the event.

Mr Lund said he loved the design of the venue and couldn’t wait to bring his daughter to the rink.

“I just had a baby girl three days ago and I can’t wait till she grows up a bit and I can get my baby girl out there and be one of those proud dads,” Mr Lund said.

The Icehouse, which is the largest ice skating venue in the southern hemisphere, has also achieved an Award of Excellence under the Docklands Environmentally Sensitive Design Guidelines, which is equivalent to a 5 Star Green Star rating.
Moomba Festival 2010

Moomba returns to Melbourne with another huge program of music, sport, art and culture, the Moomba Parade, children’s entertainment and much more.

Moomba is about celebrating Melbourne’s multicultural community – and you are invited to join in from Friday, March 5 to Monday, March 8. More than 700,000 local, state, national and international visitors flock to Moomba each year, making it Australia’s largest free community festival.

See Kasey Chambers, Vanessa Amorosi, Colin Hay, Paul Dempsey and Clare Bowditch play live. Watch spectacular fireworks and the Moomba Masters waterskiing action. See the gravity-defying Westpac Birdman Rally as well as the skate and BMX action at Riverslide Park.

Families will love the children’s garden presented by Ranger Roo with a fabulous new play space and all the fun and games in Active Melbourne. Or visit Melbourne Water’s backyard for a world of fun beside the river.

New this year are the Cultural Quarter, hosting performances and workshops from Melbourne’s multicultural community and Moomba Beats, presenting new musical talent from around Victoria.

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The secret and intricate world of salt

Docklands foodies will be interested in the launch of a new book about the use and value of salt in cooking.

The Salt Book will be launched at Kobe Jones restaurant at Waterfront City between 3 and 6pm on March 22 as part of the Melbourne Food and Wine Festival.

The event will feature a workshop and degustation menu allowing guests to taste a wide range of specialty and gourmet salts matched with food presented by top chefs.

Whilst being guided through the degustation menu, participants will also explore innovations in preparation, serving and finishing with salt – making your own flavoured salt; salt slabs, salt sprays; salt tasting notes and, importantly, how to take a “saltwise” approach to cooking.

The $60 entry fee includes a copy of The Salt Book (valued at $34.99) and a gift bag containing samples of exotic salts.

Bookings can be made via the Arbon Publishing website www.greatgrandfamous.com.

GREETINGS FROM THE DOCKLANDS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Welcome to our new members who have recently joined. Anybody else wishing to join is encouraged to contact Paige Jay at andypaige@optusnet.com.au who will be happy to assist.

We were pleased to accept an offer from VicUrban to make a presentation to members on the latest planning for the redevelopment of Harbour Esplanade.

A date is being organised for around mid-March and members will be notified by email.

We will take the opportunity to follow up on other issues including the provision of a library, sporting and neighbourhood hubs which have been talked about by VicUrban for some time.

The community boat tours being conducted by the Port of Melbourne Corporation of which members were notified were on Saturday, February 20 and 27. These were enjoyable and informative.

Further activities are in the pipeline.

Our DCA website development unfortunately has been delayed due to the need to replace the designer who had to withdraw for personal reasons. Priority is being given to organising a replacement. We are looking forward to launching a visually impressive and informative website.

At the last Police and Community Consultative Committee, which I attend on behalf of the DCA, the police representative explained that they do check patron numbers against licence restrictions at beer barns and other major venues and that this was done using a number of techniques including sampling. It was also advised that crime statistics by postcode are available online at http://www.vicpolice.com.au/myplace.html.

The events group meeting chaired by the City of Melbourne meets again in March to review upcoming promotional and other events in Docklands. I attend on behalf of residents.

The Boat Show held in February was again well organised and very popular. The AC/DC concerts were heard in the area but finished at 11pm and provided great entertainment for the big crowds present.

If any member, or reader for that matter, has any suggestions they wish to put forward in the DCA with respect to activities or issues to take up on their behalf you are welcome to do so by contacting us on the email address above.

Good to talk with you again and we will continue to keep in touch.

Sincerely
Roger Gantner
President DCA
Are you a little bit tired? Kind of flat? How did this happen? The months are flying past and this was meant to be the year I actually STUCK to my New Year’s resolutions. I mean I started well. I ran every day, didn’t miss one, in my fitness regime that lasted two weeks.

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Well get up! Get yourself a lemon and ginger iced tea, pop a cool cucumber mask on those puffy eyes and get excited! This is really the time that we make a difference in achieving what we really want in our lives — be it business success, a stronger relationship, a fitter and healthier body — you can have all of them. But make no mistake, right now, here, today and each day after are the ones that count. They are the steps that we take to make it all happen. The holiday season was just that — a holiday. Holidays are for creating the dreams, goals, visions, but now is the time to make them happen. Do not pack them away in the garage with the rest of the holiday paraphernalia. Motivation and time management are generally the main saboteurs of achievement. Find ways to overcome the hurdles and you’ll find it easier to do the things you set out to do.

If you have kids that are back at school, get your groceries delivered, maybe get a cleaner — just get your time back to find the balance for you, for your goals and inspirations. Get a friend to exercise with you and commit to a plan — you don’t NEED a new outfit to start a new exercise regime. Just get started!

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CUISINE UNDERCOVER
INDEPENDENT REVIEWS FROM DOCKLANDS’ PHANTOM DINER

The Woolshed Pub

That liquor licensing woman, Sue Maclellan, is actually quite a nice lady you know. She gave me a lift home from a function once – it may not surprise you to know that she, of course was sober and I, of course, was not.

Nice lady aside, I’ll never quite understand why she kept us waiting so long for The Woolshed Pub & Bistro. No, I am not one of those locals that feels the need to fight for my Woolshed Pub & Bistro. No, I am not one of those locals that feels the need to fight for my

The history of the former wool storage shed is saltated through carefully restored beams and features, and the experience of being able to sit almost right on the beautiful old pier’s edge, while smelling the (admittedly, quite manky) water, really is something quite unique to Docklands.

The space inside is really quite huge, but cleverly divided into subtle sections, with extensive outdoor, wind-protected seating in both the sun and shade. The overall effect somehow manages to create both an air of intimacy – despite the soaring ceilings – while also giving the impression you’re still right amongst it in a very happening place.

The menu is precise, perfectly matching the vibe – relaxed, low key, not overly ambitious, but not trying to outdo each other with their kick. Which was particularly pleasing as the chilli salted squid with rocket and red pepper almond salsa also sang a fine, nutty tune worth hearing. And oh, the power of a few little words. Put a veal parmigiana on the menu and I’m always happy. Add the words “milk fed” in front of it, and I’m salivating! I’m sure most little baby bovines are always going to be tender enough, but there’s something about those words, “milk fed ...” that just do it for me every time. Fresh tomato and blobs of real mozzarella and provolone sealed the deal (although I should have forked out the extra eight bucks for those chips!).

My friend was also very satisfied with her “grass fed” (again with the words!) porterhouse, the mushroom sauce and the red pepper almond salsa of intimacy and freshness.

We couldn’t fit in desert but I’m comforted just knowing there’s a sticky date pudding with vanilla bean ice cream and butterscotch sauce on the menu for when next I return. Which will be soon, I assure you. Perhaps I’ll take Sue ...

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LICENSED
Anthony Hoang, Age 23
LOCATION? Harbour Town
WEARS? Sunglasses, white cap, white singlet, chequered cuffed shorts and white sandals.
DESCRIBE YOUR OUTFIT? It’s a casual look. It’s very lazy.
WHAT BRINGS YOU TO DOCKLANDS? Shopping. I came here yesterday and I had some things to return today.
WHERE ARE YOU FROM? Maidstone.
WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE THING ABOUT AUTUMN? It would definitely be the weather.
WHAT MAKES A GOOD OUTFIT? Something that is different to everything else. It has to be unique. Accessories and originality are important.
WHAT DO YOU THINK OF DOCKLANDS? I’m not sure. It’s the first time I’ve been here in a very long time.

Rebecca Chan, Age 22
LOCATION? Harbour Town
WEARS? Nautical 80s-style dress cropped black jacket, brown leather briefcase-style handbag and patent black ballet flats.
DESCRIBE YOUR OUTFIT? I would call it office chic.
WHAT BRINGS YOU TO DOCKLANDS? I park my car here on my way to work in the CBD which I often do when I want to do a bit of shopping before work. The shopping is good and the prices are fairly cheap.
WHERE ARE YOU FROM? Doncaster.
WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE THING ABOUT AUTUMN? The great shopping sales.
WHAT MAKES A GOOD OUTFIT? Some good structure and great colours make an outfit.
WHAT DO YOU THINK OF DOCKLANDS? It’s great for shopping and the restaurants are good too.

Lynne Weedon, Age 43
LOCATION? Harbour Town.
WEARS? Sunglasses, black leather jacket, woven-style bag, black knee-length dress and caramel knee-high boots.
DESCRIBE YOUR OUTFIT? I would say it’s funky.
WHAT BRINGS YOU TO DOCKLANDS? I work here at Katies.
WHERE ARE YOU FROM? East St Kilda.
WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE THING ABOUT AUTUMN? The weather. I love autumn, probably even more than summer.
WHAT MAKES A GOOD OUTFIT? Going with a theme.
WHAT DO YOU THINK OF DOCKLANDS? I enjoy the views of the waterfront.

Hair trends for the season
An interview with Jai – Team leader and head stylist at Esprit

Jai, who has been working as a hair stylist for Esprit for six years, describes himself as an educator to clients, as well as younger stylists. When I asked him what made him get into hair styling, he laughed: “It’s amazing what a long night out can make you do”.

The stylist, who is hoping that the Icehouse will provide an increase in the steady flow of business, works in both the company’s CBD and Harbour Town salons. He says he loves working for the family-based company that has been leading the way in hair for the past 30 years. With 15 years experience in the industry, we spoke to Jai to get his advice on this season’s trends, styles and cuts.

What hairstyles are in trend for women?
Styles are less defined and more natural. The Charlies Angles look is on the move again and I think it’s really all about that get up and go look. I also think long hair will be back with a vengeance. Women need to avoid blade runner cuts, unless it’s a really great cut and they can pull it off like Ruby Rose. Bad bangs (fringes) are other things which need to be avoided.

What hair colours are in trend for women this season? For me, if you’re going to be dark, it has to be vibrant. Shades of mocha and cocoa are great. If you’re going to have light hair then it needs to be soft and golden tones. Brassy colours do not look good.

What celebrities are sporting fashionable trends for this upcoming season? Even though she doesn’t change much, Jennifer Anniston is someone who always looks good. Ruby Rose is also great and it’s nice to have an Aussie girl leading the way.

What are some trends for men’s styles?
Strong fronts which are flexible. The front or fringe can be short or long as long as it is a strong cut. They should avoid super short cuts in the short back and sides style unless they’re in the military. They should also avoid short bobs unless they’re on the catwalk.

What are some trends in colour for men this season? Natural always looks best. Mocha and soft cool dark tones are in trend this season.

Name some male celebrities who are sporting trends?
Jake Gyllenhaal and Zac Efron have good hair. Jeff Bridges is also looking good. Though his hair is grey it always looks quite in and fashionable.
How compatible are you and your partner?

Check the astrological charts by emailing yours and your partners’ birthdate and time to heaven@docklandsnews.com.au

Annie

Venus in Aquarius
Dec. 28, 1960
8.26 am

Olivier

Mars in Aquarius
Feb. 11, 1962
9.44am

Olivier:
In order to feel complete and fulfilled Olivier will need to remember to BUILD SELF CONFIDENCE. He will need to pursue his heart’s desires with total gusto without over-analysing the consequences.

Olivier, you are learning the value of taking responsibility for your life and happiness, keeping your commitments, and only when you do will you have a strong sense of accomplishment which will give you the accolades you so crave and deserve.

The special gift that this relationship brings Olivier is:

Annie loves Olivier unconditionally and with no hidden agenda. She, therefore, is able to correctly assess what is needed to help Olivier regain an objective focus and to take responsibility for his direction in life. Annie’s insights can guide Olivier around emotional responses that might have been blocking him from seeing things more clearly.

Annie:
In order to feel complete and fulfilled Annie will need to FULLY PARTICIPATE. In creating the kind of relationship she desires. She is quick to walk away from or escape difficult situations rather than staying to work on bringing about a positive outcome.

Annie, you cannot easily walk away from Olivier so you are forced to stay and work out what is needed to bring the relationship to a satisfying point for both of you.

The special gift that this relationship brings Annie is:

Olivier teaches Annie how to love and be loved. Annie is a little afraid to love with abandon and values her freedom above all else. Olivier teaches Annie that you can have both freedom and love. Annie’s usual aloof detached demeanor is slowly melted in the presence of Olivier.

You are drawn to one another because you instinctively understand each other. There are strong feelings of belonging, closeness and acceptance between you. You blend and merge with one another very easily and a strong mutual interdependence is likely to develop very quickly.

One of the defining features of Docklands is its urban art program that has decorated our suburb with a quantity of art that, quite likely, is unrivalled by any area outside the CBD.

Funded by developer contributions, which amount to a percentage of each development, the urban art program is sourced from a deep bucket of funds.

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Yet, read the plaques alongside these pieces and you’re told that it’s a three-piece work.

So, where is that missing third piece? Its whereabouts is a Docklands Secret.

The Docklands News can inform you that the third piece of this expensive artwork is on display to a private audience of pigeons.

Docklands News understands that the “By” section of the artwork has been collecting dust for many years in the southern and undeveloped end of Rail Goods Shed No. 2.

Who knows when this uncompleted piece will have a full airing to the Docklands community?

If you are aware of a Docklands Secret, e-mail us at news@docklandsnews.com.au
This summer's boating season has produced some great weather for that wonderful pastime of just messing about in boats. Like other marinas around the nation Marina YE has enjoyed one of our busiest times for boating activities.

While society in general is reviewing the mix between alcohol and personal behaviour in all forms of recreational activities, particular emphasis should be placed on alcohol and boating activities.

Our boats are not only a delightful means of relaxation whether we fish, sail or just motor around the bay, they are also a wonderful facility for entertaining and partying.

The summer weather so far this season has certainly encouraged us to use our boats and invite others to join us.

It is during these activities that particular care should be taken on the condition of our guests on board.

Naturally the skipper is expected to act in the manner of the designated driver but it should also be remembered that our passengers are always at risk when they are with us.

As such, particular care should be taken for their welfare and that they are capable of moving safely around our boats at all times in all conditions.

Just as we expect those in charge of a licensed premises to act responsibly for the serving of alcohol we as skippers should act responsibly with the consumption of alcohol by those enjoying our company on our boats.

It is important that we not only enjoy that pastime of messing about in our boats but that we do so in a safe responsible manner.

**Autumn School Holiday Activities**

**Wonderland Fun Park**

Soak up hours of family fun. Race dodgem cars, spin on the carousel, bounce on the bungee trampoline jump, shoot down the giant slide, spin out on "the sizzler" and watch out for the "bubblestorm" - its bubbletastic!

**Icehouse**

Bug up to catch the chill and thrill of skating at Icehouse, Australia's new and exciting, world-class ice sports and entertainment venue. Enjoy skating sessions and lessons, kids activities, games and competitions.

**Glow-in-the-dark**

Black Light Mini Golf

Golf your way around Australian iconic landmarks on the unique 19-hole glow-in-the-dark mini golf course, identifying Australian celebrities and memorabilia along the way and finish up at the Sydney Opera House.

**Does God LOL?**

Mark Twain once said that "humour is mankind's greatest blessing."

I think there's a lot of truth in that. I love to laugh. It makes me feel good.

So what about God? Does he have a sense of humor? Does he host comedy nights in heaven?

Perhaps the best indication that God has a sense of humor comes from Genesis, the first book of the bible. We are told there that we are made in God's image. This means that God made us like him. The fact that we both enjoy and find laughing so satisfying is perhaps a strong indication that he too enjoys and delights in the odd LOL moment.

Take also the example of creation. Seen an elephant or giraffe lately? Surely God had

comedy on the mind when he made them. Or what about us? We must be providing a truckload of great material to keep heaven laughing for eternity.

In Psalm 2:4 we read, "He who sits in the heavens laughs."

We also see that Jesus himself loved to use comedy. For example, Jesus made a laughing stock out of the religious. He regularly ridiculed them by saying "they strain out a gnat and swallow a camel (Matt 23:24)."

In light of all this, we are hosting a very special night at James Squire Brewhouse on March 18, from 8pm.

For one night only we will be hosting the Comedy Showcase. Four great comedians jam packed into a hilarious night with plenty of laugh out loud moments. Tickets are $10 and can be purchased at the door.

The event will also support Many Rooms, which is an initiative of City on a Hill that is caring for Melbourne's homeless.

For more information about the event or our weekly services visit cityonahill.com.au

**Weekly Services**

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**Contact no:** 9311 2264

**Venue:** 105 Pearl River Rd, Waterfront City, Docklands

**Cost:** Adult $18.50, child $14.50, 5 years and under $8, family $52, conc $17

**Note:** Skate hire $4 per person; safety equipment available

**Contact no:** 1300 756 699

**Bookings:** Visit website for skating session and group lesson times and to purchase tickets online

**www.icehouse.com.au**

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT TRIVIA!**

Every Wednesday at 7:30pm starting 3rd March. Great Fun & Prizes & Finger Food on arrival. Free Entry – all welcome!

For reservations call 96000 700

*The most fun you can have sitting down!*
On a mission for jazz

Review by Lou Lou Belle

Ah, the end of another working week. A balmy Friday evening and I am off to the Mission of Seafarers to attend the second appearance of John Scurry’s Fine and Dandy Quartet.

I don’t have any expectations of the evening and with a 5.30 pm start, commuters are rushing to get out of the city.

As I enter the 94-year-old heritage-listed masterpiece, I am transported into another world from a bygone era. It is surprisingly quiet. The traffic and outside noises are blocked out. I pay my $10 entry and go through to a small courtyard. The band is setting up. The bar has wine, champagne and a couple of imported beers to choose from. The courtyard is an intimate setting and the band starts playing as a steady stream of people arrive. There is a couple up dancing. I am introduced to others, business cards are exchanged and stories told. We all discuss how many times we have driven past the mission without understanding what was behind the closed doors. The band takes a break and a small group of us is treated to a guided tour of the premises.

The chapel, the beautiful stained-glass windows, the billiard room, the hall that contained a stage and used to host dances two or three times a week. The stage now houses computers for visiting seamen to stay in contact with their loved ones.

The band is playing again and there are about 50 people enjoying the jazz. The ambiance of the evening is wonderful. The band is playing at just the correct volume so you can have a conversation and hear what each other is saying. Before we know it the band announces their last song. We all agree the evening has gone too quickly.

Luckily the band will be playing for the next three Friday nights at the Mission, so we all agree it was a lovely way to end the week and plan to catch up with our new found friends to listen to some great jazz again next Friday evening.
Arnie – Docklands resident and company mascot

Frank and Katherine Gallen, who have lived in Docklands for five years, are the proud “parents” of five-month-old Arnie.

After doing six months’ research on the breed, they purchased the British Bulldog when he was just 10-weeks-old and they haven’t looked back.

“He’s cheeky and loves to play. He’s not keen on the walking, so we’ll do a walk and then have a 10-minute play session afterwards as a reward and he seems to love that,” Frank said.

Frank and Katherine started a business called Local Pet Care in November last year and Arnie is its mascot. Local Pet Care caters to Docklands and surrounding suburbs.

“We even have an image similar to Arnie on our business card,” Frank said.

The business, which is currently only a part-time venture, caters to working “parents”, as Frank calls them.

It provides dog sitting, dog walking and a drop-in service for the pets and Frank is hoping to make it a full-time job.

“It’s about going for what you’re passionate about,” said Frank.

For information on the business email Frank at localpetcare.docklands@gmail.com

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Marvellous March – delightful Docklands

Melbourne is marvellous in March, and Docklands is a delightful destination for land and sea-lubbers alike.

Get up with the latest at L’Oreal Melbourne Fashion Festival each night between Sunday, March 14 and Sunday, March 21. Central Pier will pulsate with the ultimate fashion available in Australia as leading designers are presented on a world-class fashion catwalk in the L’Oreal Paris Runway. Pick your favourite or come to all seven and enjoy the total fashions experience. With a history of sell-out shows, LMFF offers the public a fabulous opportunity to be part of one of the world’s most exciting runway events.

Boating comes to the city. Spend the day by the bay at Victoria Harbour as Victoria’s top sailing secondary schools contest the Victoria Harbour School Sailing Series between Thursday, March 18 and Sunday, March 21, and heed the call of the formidable booming drum and join the fun and spectacle of the Melbourne International Dragon Boat Festival, on Thursday, March 25.

Lightfoot around the picturesque Docklands precinct in the Docklands Dash, part of the Super Sunset Series, on Wednesday, March 10. Every Sunday you can discover treasures from the depths of some of Melbourne’s finest antique specialists and purveyors of pre-loved wares (including art, jewellery, retro clothing, books and more) at Dockland’s Sunday market, the ultimate eco-friendly market, right on Waterfront Promenade.

To find out more about why Melbourne is marvellous in March, visit thats melbourne.com.au
Andrea has been working at Docklands for the past three years and enjoys meeting with visitors from near and far, promoting the maritime history of the Mission to Seafarers and engaging with people from diverse and interesting cultures. She loves: “Wooden boats, wind in my sails, reflections on water, great food and wine. Tell me your secrets and I’ll tell you mine,” Andrea said.

Jane, who has been working in Docklands for the past year and a half, enjoys working in the outdoor shopping precinct of Harbour Town. She says she loves how everyone’s so friendly and she enjoys working so close to the river. “Docklands is one of the newest and most vibrant up and coming places in Melbourne. It just needs a few more years to reach its full potential,” she said.

Reaz has been operating his business on the top level of Harbour Town since December 20. He says he loves Docklands but the market is very slow and not what he had expected. “It’s a very nice area and has a very good view. It will be good once the wheel starts again,” he said. Reaz believes that putting in place some shade or awning could help attract people to the shopping precinct when it’s raining, windy or hot.

Ellie has been working in Docklands for the past year. She says that when she came back from overseas five years ago she was excited to see the development of the much-anticipated waterside suburb. “My favourite part of Docklands is the view from our garden,” Ellie said. She says the view of the harbour is spectacular and serves as a constant reminder of how many great places the city has to offer.

I enjoy reading Docklands News, but get confused as to where all the different locations are, for example NewQuay, South Wharf, Waterfront City, Yarra’s Edge, Harbour Town, as well as the location of the community garden and the various streets such as St Mangos Lane.

Would it not be possible to include a small map in each edition to help those who don’t necessarily live in the area? There seem to be new streets opening up all the time.

Max
March
(Mar 7 - Apr 5)
Month of the Rabbit

Monthly Element: Earth
Polarity: Yin

Favourable Colours: Orange, dark brown shades, beige, cream and sandy colours.

Tip of the Month: This March makes a harmonious link to holistic energies of the earth, bringing some peace and balance back into our busy lives. It is a time of self-discovery and learning how to become more comfortable within yourself, as well as maintaining your integrity while dealing with others. Living by the “golden rule”, or simply treating others the way you want to be treated is a soul lesson for this month.

Communication will be just as important, and this is an ideal opportunity to brush up on your social and networking skills and for any other self-development activities. Try avoiding confrontation at all costs this month. Remember that only diplomacy and tact will help you achieve desired outcomes both in your career and social life.

Feng Shui: Try allocating some space in your home, where you can relax and have some quality time to yourself. You can create such a private retreat practically in any part of your house by using indoor screens to separate it from the main areas. Choose subdued earthy colours and soft textures for decoration and surround yourself by your favourite objects. You can also use some candles or essential oils to eliminate negative energies in that space.

Yellow and orange colours are excellent remedies to enhance communication and social standing. Add splashes of these shades to your living areas for a more positive, “lifted” feel. Orange or yellow cushions, rugs, bowls, vases and other objects will provide an instant energy boost for your space and add more harmony and understanding to your relationships.

Forecast by Elena Mishina - www.fengshui-star.com

COFFEE & MUFFIN REVIEW

This is the final Coffee and Muffin Review from Docklands News. Next month we are changing our approach and will be publishing an ongoing ladder of what we believe are the five best places for coffee.

Our staff will continue to rank the coffee and we will also open the process to you, our readers, via an online poll. We’ll also ask you to nominate contenders.

To compile the results on the right, we visit these stores once and bought a selection of different coffees and muffins. We judged them across a range of criteria including service, price, taste and quality.

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Rating is out of 5 stars

NEW HEALTH CLUB COMING SOON

One membership Two Health Clubs
Speak to Customer service at YMCA Docklands Victoria Point for more information.

From the Institute

Humans have adorned themselves from the dawn of time with tattoos, body paint, face makeup and other decorations.

These additions to nature’s simple plan have arisen as we adapted to the environment by becoming less hairy than other primates. The skin markings and the bracelets, head-dresses and such must have signified position in the social order or official duties in the village - the kinglet dressed differently, no doubt, to the medicine man.

Anthropologists and psychologists have suggested a warrior’s need to identify with a proud unit, or to personalise, trust and feel affection for those implements that deliver the warrior from or to destruction.

So why are some Docklands citizens often seen not wearing their lanyards?

The Institute is being frustrated in this regard as we go about our investigations and surveys. Indeed, our research and reportage is being compromised by this delinquent behaviour.

It seems everyone treasures and loves the results of our labours but being compromised by this delinquent behaviour.

For example, we require being to able to count, on sight, how many ANZ (for want of another tribe) are enjoying coffee in a harbor-side cafe, and how many of the customers are interlopers seeking local enlightenment.

And those figures skulking about furtively. Who are they? What are their affiliations? Why are they so undressed?

The Institute should remember to proclaim their affiliations, significations, decorations and indications about their necks. The lanyards are more that mere key chains. They are garlands and ribbons.

Be proud. Otherwise, the sense of village is lost.
The Icehouse is Australia’s new world-class ice sports and entertainment venue now open at Docklands. This is the first facility of its kind in Australia with two Olympic sized ice rinks, state-of-the-art sound and light system, café, bar, function rooms and gym; plus exciting skating programs and events for everyone.

The venue will also house the Olympic Winter Institute of Australia and an official Olympic Sports training centre.

So if you’re into having fun and being active then come down to the Icehouse, conveniently located at 105 Pearl River Road, Docklands. For session times, functions bookings or information on skating lessons, visit icehouse.com.au or call 1300 756 699.
WHAT’S ON AT WATERFRONT CITY IN MARCH

Make your way to Waterfront City as it plays host to a myriad of exciting events throughout the autumn months.

Check out the Icehouse, Melbourne’s coolest new destination, watch a Raptor come to life at Harbour Town Shopping Centre, try your hand at Turkish dancing, learn how to perfect seafood cooking or entertain the kids with the multitude of live entertainment and activities on offer.

The Icehouse
Melbourne’s newest world class sports and entertainment venue is now open! Whether you’re a skating extraordinaire or simply want to test your beginner’s skills on the ice, the Icehouse is your new favourite destination. There are also skate schools and school programs offering classes for beginners. The Icehouse promises fun for the whole family!

Date: Everyday
Time: Check website for session details
Venue: Icehouse, Pearl River Road, Waterfront City, Docklands
Visit www.icehouse.com.au

Meet the Dinosaurs at Harbour Town Shopping Centre
Go back to the Jurassic period and experience the thrill of watching a Raptor come to life. Combined with heaps of free activity activities for the kids, Harbour Town Shopping Centre is the place to visit this school holidays.

Date: 23 March – 25 April. Tuesday to Sunday. (No shows Mondays)
Time: 11am, 12pm, 2pm, 3pm and 4pm
Cost: FREE
Visit www.harbourtown.com.au

March for Melanoma
The biggest ever MARCH FOR MELANOIMA is heading to Waterfront City. Join in the 4km walk to support melanoma patients and help family and friends remember loved ones lost to melanoma. All ages are welcome to join in the walk and enjoy the entertainment and live concert that kicks off from 5pm.

Date: Saturday 13 March 2010
Time: 4pm – 9pm
Venue: Waterfront City Piazza and Promenade, Docklands
Visit www.emilysfoundation.org.au

Turkish Festival
The annual celebration of Turkish culture is arriving at Waterfront City. Come down and enjoy traditional dancing, delicious food and lively entertainment on the waterfront.

Date: Sunday 14 March 2010
Time: 10am – 4pm
Venue: Waterfront City Piazza and Promenade, Docklands
Cost: FREE

Melbourne Food & Wine Festival – Flathead Festival
Seafood enthusiasts, the Docklands Flathead Festival is back! From classic fish and chips to wild barramundi, sample an amazing array of delicious signature dishes while soaking up the spectacular scenery along the waterfront. Enjoy the FREE weekend family entertainment including music, cooking demonstrations, interactive marine displays as well as jumping castles and face painting for the kids.

Date: 15 – 21 March 2010
Venue: Participating restaurants at Docklands
Visit www.waterfrontcity.com.au

For further information visit www.waterfrontcity.com.au or call 03 8628 6000
Waterfront City, Docklands Drive, Melbourne Docklands (MEL REF 2E D4)
After successfully owning a Cartridge Bay store in Port Melbourne since 2006, Adriana Valencia and her husband Mark decided to expand the family business and open up a shop in Docklands’ Harbour Town.

Adriana, who originally worked in real estate, said she and her husband started the business as they wanted to do something different and her husband was already working in the industry.

Opening on December 21, Adriana said they saw Docklands as a great opportunity to expand their business and tap into a new and dynamic area. “Anything you need is at your doorstep,” Adriana said.

Having recycled over 11,000 cartridges over the last four years at their Port Melbourne store, Adriana and Mark are thrilled to be part of the Docklands community.

“Being an up and coming suburb and being so close to the city, the opportunity is great,” she said.

Adriana, who enjoys working near the water and in Docklands’ open spaces, said she also enjoys the restaurants and entertainment for the kids, especially during the school holidays.

Adriana and Mark provide cartridge recycling services and Adriana said that you can save money at Cartridge Bay when you refill your old cartridges.

Cartridge Bay Harbour Town offers everything for your printing needs including: cartridges, compatibles, toner/laser cartridges, printing and copy papers, A3/A4 colour photocopy and fax services and other printing supplies.

DOCKLANDS OFFERS NEW OPPORTUNITIES

NEW DOCKLANDS CHILDCARE CENTRE

There is a new childcare facility in Docklands. And the director of Penguin Childcare Melbourne, Rebecca Zammit, says it is the best.

The brand new centre at 750 Collins St is Melbourne’s only ground floor childcare centre and is now open for business.

Rebecca has worked in the childcare industry for 12 years and has been a director for the last three years.

She says her passion and commitment is still the same as the day she started.

“We are focused on best practice and results for the children,” she said. “And we are great advocates for the childcare industry.”

Rebecca holds a Diploma in Childcare Services, First Aid and Anaphylaxis Certificate and she is also currently studying her Advanced Diploma.

She believes in working closely with the local community to ensure centre practices, procedures and policies reflect the needs and wants of the community members.

Rebecca wants to demonstrate to the community that Penguin Childcare is the best childcare provider that the state has to offer.

“Penguin Childcare has fantastic programs for children of all ages and also has a bachelor-trained kindergarten teacher that runs a fully funded kindergarten program,” she said. “Come and see the Penguin difference.”

Ambitious young entrepreneur Matt Nesci is sure to make a splash in the Docklands business community.

At 26 years old, Matt has done it all and he’s just warming up. With energy to burn, he radiates enthusiasm which is squarely focused on customer service.

Matt has just opened FoneIT, a telecommunications business which is a hybrid retail telco and service centre. He plans to use the new shop at LifeLab in Harbour Esplanade as a base from which he service customers both near and far.

“It’s the energy of Docklands that first attracted me here,” he said. “But how well connected is it with freeway access? It’s so central and easy to get to.”

Matt moved FoneIT from Williamstown and opened for business in mid-February.

FoneIT supplies services from a number of carriers across a range of platforms.

“Our point of difference is that we understand the frustrations that businesses have when dealing with telcos, so we come to you and look after everything for you,” Matt said.

Matt has an old head on his young shoulders. He grew up in a small business family and has been retailing since he was old enough to peer over the counter of his family’s numerous northern and western suburbs bakeries.

He struck out on his own with an Australia Post outlet when he was 18 and started working in telecommunications at aged 20. More recently he did a stint on the other side of the counter within Optus.

Not only did this reinforce his desire to build his own business, Matt says it gave him a valuable insight into how the corporate side of things work.

He plans to build a small staff at his new location to manage incoming calls and also look after front-of-house customers. This will allow him to travel to customers’ premises.

“We’re looking for new customers to service but we don’t ever want to be so big that we lose that personal connection,” he said.

FoneIT is at 04/198 Harbour Esplanade, Digital Harbour and can be reached on 0404 114 224.
THE ICEHOUSE
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Icehouse, Pearl River Road, Waterfront City
The Icehouse promises fun for the whole family! There are also skate schools and school programs offering classes for beginners. Visit www.icehouse.com.au

MELBOURNE MOOMBA WATERFEST
March 6 to 9
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MINI MAESTROS
Every Tuesday morning
The Hub, 17 Waterview Walk
Mini Maestros encourages children aged six months to five years to sing, dance and play percussion and musical games to stimulate their minds. Classes for a variety of ages are held. For more information phone 9387 1500.

DOCKLANDS FOOD & WINE FESTIVAL – FLATHEAD FESTIVAL
March 15 - 21
Participating restaurants at Docklands
From classic fish and chips to wild barramundi, sample an amazing array of delicious signature dishes while soaking up the spectacular scenery. Visit www.waterfrontcity.com.au

BELLY DANCING
Every Wednesday, 8pm-9pm
The Hub, 17 Waterview Walk
Cost: $120 for eight classes or $17 per casual class. Learn how to belly dance and improve your fitness, strength, posture and flexibility. Enjoy the classes with your mother, daughter, sister or friend.

FREE FOOD FOR KIDS
March
Taking the kids out for meal will be cheaper than ever. Valid at participating restaurants, families will be able to receive one free kids meal per paying adult for a child up to the age of 12. For more information visit www.rivers.net.au

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Every Sunday, 10am to 4pm
Waterfront City Docklands Drive
Discover treasures from the hoods of some of Melbourne’s finest antique and pre-loved specialists, including art, jewellery, retro clothing, vintage books and car boot sales.

LINUX USERS OF VICTORIA
Every 3rd Saturday of the month
Cinema Room, The Hub, 17 Waterview Walk
Newcomers to Free and Open Source Software (FOSS) are invited to develop their skills and knowledge at an informal hands-on workshop. Must bring your own computer. See www.luv.asn.au. Call Donna on 0411 838 966.

ICE WONDERLAND FASHION PARADE
Friday, March 19, 7.30pm
Designers House, Harbour Town
Enjoy a cutting edge fashion parade showcasing a range of fashionable clothing, swimwear, jewellery and accessories. For more information email info@thedesignershouse.com.au or call 9670 8118.

COMMUNITY WALK
Every Wed at 5.30pm and Fri 12.30pm
YMCA Docklands, Level 4, 100 Harbour Esplanade
In conjunction with the Heart Foundation, a great opportunity to meet new people, walk and talk.

STORYTIME
Every Monday at 11am
The Hub, 17 Waterview Walk
Storytime is a special time for children (aged 2-5 years) and their care-givers to share time together enjoying stories, songs, rhymes and simple craft. No bookings required.

THE RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS (QUAKERS)
Every Sunday
10.30am - 11.30am
The Hub, 17 Waterview Walk
Meet for worship and enjoy a tea or coffee afterwards.

DOCKLANDS INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS COMMUNITY (DISC)
Every Friday, 5pm, 6.30pm
The Hub, 17 Waterview Walk
Every Friday international students from Docklands and Melbourne CBD can meet up, share food, enjoy English conversation and study the Bible. For more details phone Kitty Cheng on 0411 838 966.

DOCKLANDS ROTARY
Every Tuesday, 6.00pm
James Squires, Waterfront City
First Tuesday of the month is happy hour. Regular meetings on other Tuesdays. All welcome. RSVP to Peter Blayney by noon on meeting day for catering purposes: 0408 319 695.

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ACTION ZONE
Wednesday - Sunday, 10.30am - 6pm
Waterfront City Pavilion
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THE ICEHOUSE
Everyday
Icehouse, Pearl River Road, Waterfront City
Melbourne’s newest world class sports and entertainment venue is now open! The Icehouse promises fun for the whole family! There are also skate schools and school programs offering classes for beginners. Visit www.icehouse.com.au

MARCH FOR MELANOMA
Saturday, 13 March, 4pm - 9pm
Waterfront City Piazza and Promenade
The biggest ever MARCH FOR MELANOMA is heading to Waterfront City. Join in the 4km walk to support melanoma patients and help family and friends remember loved ones lost to melanoma. Visit www.emilysfoundation.org.au

MINI MAESTROS
Every Tuesday morning
The Hub, 17 Waterview Walk
Mini Maestros encourages children aged six months to five years to sing, dance and play percussion and musical games to stimulate their minds. Classes for a variety of ages are held. For more information phone 9387 1500.

DOCKLANDS FOOD & WINE FESTIVAL – FLATHEAD FESTIVAL
March 15 - 21
Participating restaurants at Docklands
From classic fish and chips to wild barramundi, sample an amazing array of delicious signature dishes while soaking up the spectacular scenery. Visit www.waterfrontcity.com.au

BELLY DANCING
Every Wednesday, 8pm-9pm
The Hub, 17 Waterview Walk
Cost: $120 for eight classes or $17 per casual class. Learn how to belly dance and improve your fitness, strength, posture and flexibility. Enjoy the classes with your mother, daughter, sister or friend.

FREE FOOD FOR KIDS
March
Taking the kids out for meal will be cheaper than ever. Valid at participating restaurants, families will be able to receive one free kids meal per paying adult for a child up to the age of 12. For more information visit www.rivers.net.au

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LINUX USERS OF VICTORIA
Every 3rd Saturday of the month
Cinema Room, The Hub, 17 Waterview Walk
Newcomers to Free and Open Source Software (FOSS) are invited to develop their skills and knowledge at an informal hands-on workshop. Must bring your own computer. See www.luv.asn.au. Call Donna on 0411 838 414.

ICE WONDERLAND FASHION PARADE
Friday, March 19, 7.30pm
Designers House, Harbour Town
Enjoy a cutting edge fashion parade showcasing a range of fashionable clothing, swimwear, jewellery and accessories. For more information email info@thedesignershouse.com.au or call 9670 8118.

COMMUNITY WALK
Every Wed at 5.30pm and Fri 12.30pm
YMCA Docklands, Level 4, 100 Harbour Esplanade
In conjunction with the Heart Foundation, a great opportunity to meet new people, walk and talk.

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## BUSINESS DIRECTORY

### REAL ESTATE

**City Residential**
- **Managing Director:** Glenn Donnelly
- **Office:** 708 Bourke St, Docklands, VIC 3008
- **Phone:** 03 9600 2277
- **Website:** www.cityresidential.com.au

**Docklands Real Estate Agents**
- **Location:** Located in the heart of Docklands, Lucas Real Estate offers over 9 years of Docklands Sales and Leasing expertise.
- **Website:** www.docklandsrealestate.com.au

**Metro Real Estate**
- **Shop:** 1, 401 Docklands Drive, Docklands VIC 3008
- **Phone:** 9091 1400
- **Website:** www.metrorealestate.com.au

### RESTAURANTS, CAFÉS & BARS

**Lamere**
- **Italian Family Restaurant**
- **Location:** 708 Bourke St, Docklands, VIC 3008
- **Phone:** 03 9600 2277
- **Website:** www.lameredocklands.com.au

**Flemington Veterinary Hospital**
- **Full Veterinary Services**
- **Location:** 1 Collins St, Melbourne
- **Phone:** 9600 4443
- **Website:** www.flemingtonveterinary.com

**Metro Real Estate**
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**Bhoj Indian Restaurant**
- **Location:** 54 NewQuay Promenade
- **Phone:** 9600 0884
- **Website:** www.bhoj.com.au

**Perfect Pizza**
- **Location:** 10-11 Star Circus, Waterfront City, Docklands
- **Phone:** 9670 1128
- **Website:** www.goldleafrestaurant.com.au

**James Squire Brewhouse**
- **Location:** G16, 439 Docklands Drive
- **Phone:** 9600 0700
- **Website:** www.jamessquirebrewhouse.net

### SPORT

**Melbourne Netball**
- **The Specialists in Social Netball**
- **Website:** www.melbournenetball.com

**Healthy Burgers! Healthy Living!**
- **Location:** Ethel Stadium, Concord
- **Phone:** 9670 4183
- **Website:** www.urbanburger.com.au

**Port Melbourne Veterinary Clinic**
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- **Phone:** 9600 4443
- **Website:** www.silverwatertechnology.com

### REAL ESTATE BUYERS ADVOCATE

**Peter Rogozki Property Consulting**
- **Location:** Level 27, 525 Collins St - 9689 9080
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**Web specialists**
- **Design Room Factory Outlet**
  - **Location:** Shop SCF08 Star Crescent, Harbour Town
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  - **Location:** Shop 10 NewQuay Promenade, Docklands
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Docklands is getting its very own sporting team – Australian Ice Hockey League finalists, Melbourne Ice.

The team last year adopted a “heads of agreement” to make Docklands’ newest attraction, the Icehouse, its home rink.

The team, which is the only Victoria-based hockey team competing in the Australian Ice Hockey League, signed a three-year agreement in November.

Vice president and team manager, Ian Webster, said the team hoped to continue the arrangement beyond the current deal.

“At this stage it’s for three years but we now see the Icehouse as our home so we hope to continue it,” Mr Webster said.

The team has not yet started training at the Icehouse, but will play its first home game at the rink on May 1 against the Sydney Ice Dogs.

“We’re in the hands of the rink management and we can’t use the pucks on the general rink. So we’ll probably have to wait 10 to 12 days from now until we can begin training on the Henke rink,” he said.

Melbourne Ice also hopes that its arrangement with the Icehouse will help strengthen and create an exciting future for the winter game, which currently has 4000 registered players in Australia.

“We’ve had preliminary discussions with the Icehouse about running a five-day high-intensity hockey training camp during the school holidays,” Mr Webster said.

Mr Webster said the first camp would be in July and it would be an ongoing holiday activity.

“We couldn’t organise one for the next holidays because some of the senior players and myself will be in Mexico,” he said.

Melbourne Ice will begin its season in Newcastle on April 24 and will have four import players on the ice every game with two other imports playing for the local league.