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The Docklands Community News

Time flies when you're having fun. And here we are and it's June already. The Docklands Community News has now been coming to you for two years, striving to provide local news and helpful information to the community in Docklands. Reader contributions are welcomed. To contact this paper, telephone **8622 4821** or e-mail to docklands.communitynews@vicurban.vic.gov.au

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Have you tried a CAE course yet?

Try something different, meet new people in the neighbourhood and have some fun with a short course at The Hub!

Don't spend all your nights in front of the TV this winter! As the nights turn chilly, warm up with a range of short courses from CAE at The Hub @ Docklands.

Whether you want to warm up with some aromatherapy, brush up on your creative writing skills before you start the novel or master the new digital camera, CAE offers a range of courses for Docklands residents, employees and visitors.

Commencing from June 2005, the following courses will be offered:

- Laugh for Life
- Aromatherapy Winter Warm Up
- Aromatherapy -ReflexAroma
- Digital Photography
- Creative Writing
- Jewellery Making Bead and Pearl Stringing

This is the perfect opportunity to discover your hidden talent or your passion in life!



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For the full course information, please refer to www.cae.edu.au or contact CAE on 9652 0611.

CAE is looking for your input - do you have any ideas or further suggestions for courses to be conducted at The Hub or in a Docklands venue?

Contact Giota Nikos on **9652 0756** or **giotan@cae.edu.au** to discuss your idea.



Devine's Victoria Point on schedule for March 2006 completion

Major Australian residential developer, Devine Limited is on schedule to complete its \$334 million debut Melbourne project, Victoria Point Docklands, by next March.

The landmark 42-level tower comprising 447 apartments has reached about 85% of its height, and workers have topped off both a 7-storey commercial building and a 9-storey serviced apartments component.

Settlement will take place in August for the commercial properties, in October for the serviced apartments, and for residential apartments in March 2006.

When completed, Victoria Point will be the area's tallest building and one of its most striking, with a bold sail-like façade featuring light masonry and silver glass, punctuated by gold, ochre, green and aqua glass accents.

Adjacent to Telstra Dome, at the corner of Bourke Street and Harbour Esplanade, the various elements of Victoria Points will become major attractions for locals and tourists.

The 9,000 sqm commercial and retail space will develop into an important local shopping and dining precinct, and Bendigo Bank has announced it will have a flagship presence there.

The largest manager of service apartments in Australia, the Quest Group, has also been contracted to manage the service apartments, all of which bar one have already been sold.

Of the 447 apartments, Devine reported just 13 remained available for sale at the time of its half yearly report in February 2005.

The residential tower offers views across the harbour, river, city and Port Phillip Bay, and the complex is an easy walk or tram ride to Melbourne's central business, shopping and entertainment district.

Its acceptance in the market place was a considerable success story for Devine, which previously had restricted its apartment activities to Brisbane.





In that city, the company is regarded as the largest and most successful developer and marketer of CBD apartment developments with projects like Cathedral Place, River Place, River City, Casino Towers, Festival Towers and Charlotte Towers.

Now, with Victoria Point, the company has completed or is working on almost \$1 billion worth of CBD high-rise projects, embracing more than 2200 apartments.

It also creates and markets about 2000 home and land packages a year in Queensland, New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia.









Calling all Squash Players

Are you a Docklands resident who is also a Squash player? Do you play other racquet sports and fancy trying Squash? Either way, the proposal to start a winter Squash competition in Docklands could be just the thing for you.

Squash is an active sport and a great form of exercise. Played indoors it will enable you to stay fit, meet people and have fun. If you're interested in this competition, please attend an information session to be held at 7.00pm on Tuesday, June 21 at the Hub at 17 Waterview Walk in Docklands.

The Squash competition will be held at Docklands Gym located in Siddeley Street, Ground Floor World Trade Centre, right at the bank of the Yarra River. For everybody who is interested in playing squash during the week: Members are entitled to play squash for free during "off-peak" times.

To learn more about the Docklands Gym's other offers call in or call 03 9621 2747!



Gary Prigg and Margaret Harris (right) with staff and students of the Wesley College Band at Art with Heart.

Art with Heart

By Tess Moshakis

I don't claim to be much of an Australian art aficionado, but I do know my Blackman's from my Boyd's. This appreciation came out blazing when I attended the "Art with Heart" Fine Art Charity Exhibition and Auction at the National Bank building in Docklands on May 11.



The display of beautiful Australian art (and a swish silver Lamborghini which left me dejected that I didn't possess a bit more cash) was to raise funds for the Cerebral Palsy Education Centre in conjunction with radio and television personality Derryn Hinch. Derryn's passion for the plight of cerebral palsy sufferers was especially evident during his impassioned speech. It was strange yet wonderful seeing this usually arrogant and outspoken man being reduced to tears while speaking of his experiences with CP children. While listening to him speak I thought, this is why giving something back to the community through charity work can be so self-enriching and allows you to gain a perspective on life (I volunteer with The Mirabel Foundation which works with children whose parents have died or are in jail from drug related incidences and their grand-parents are consequently their carers).

So with a glass of De Bortoli in one hand and smoked salmon (my new food obsession) in the other, I swanned around checking out the art works. All the usual suspects were looking down on me - Nolan, Boyd, Whiteley, and Drysdale. My favourite for the evening, a Sidney Nolan screen print called *Kelly Escaping* was, unlike the others, not actually an original. Nevertheless, with different shades of brown and Kelly riding away on a horse in typically detailed Nolan fashion it was still magnificent (forgive my unprofessional description). I am not sure why I liked it, as the others were just as significant, but I am a fan of his style and the importance of his work in Australian History and especially as many of my peers feel that "Australia doesn't have a history."

A huge thank-you is due to Gallery NewQuay and Director Margeret Harris for a fantastic night, and to Derryn Hinch. There are not enough of these evenings that incorporate great art work with great food and wine to raise money for a truly good cause.



Taking the Next Step with Nathan Deakes

VicUrban has announced it's sponsorship of Nathan Deakes, an Australian 'race walker' who will be competing in the Melbourne 2006 Commonwealth Games.

Nathan's career to date boasts an impressive portfolio with accomplishments such as a bronze medal from the Athens 2004 Olympic Games and in March 2005 he was awarded the Telstra Male Athlete of the Year. He is the favourite to win the 20km and 50km walk events at the Melbourne 2006 Commonwealth Games.

Nathan is currently based at the AIS in Canberra but during his sponsorship period with VicUrban he will be coming to Melbourne to participate in a range of promotional activities with the estate teams and the various precincts around Docklands.

Race walking is a sport that little is known about but creates a lot of curiosity. We thought we'd ask Nathan the questions on everyone's lips...

Nathan, as a previous runner how did you get started in 'race walking'?

I started off in Little Athletics when I was 10 and immediately took to the distance events. I was a long/middle distance runner until I was 16, when I thought I'd give race walking a go, following the footsteps of my younger sister Naomi. Ironically, I didn't race walk at all when I was in Little Athletics. I didn't like it.

How many kilometres would you cover in a typical week of training?

In my biggest weeks of training in the year I cover approximately 300km per week. I would only do this kind of week once or twice in the year. A usual week is around 240-250km and over a 12 month period I usually average 230km for the year. And yes, I don't drive that far in a week either!

With that many kilometres how often do you require new running shoes?

I go through a new pair of training shoes every two weeks. Sometimes I can squeeze three before the holes are too bad.

Tell us about your greatest achievement to date

Winning the Goodwill Games in 2001 was a great personal achievement for me. It was a month after the World Championships, where I'd finished 4th and at the Goodwill Games I beat the three medallists from the World Championships as well as the Olympic champion who hadn't been beaten for over two years.

Winning both the 20 and 50km walks at the Manchester Commonwealth Games, as well as winning the bronze medal in the Athens Olympics last year. The Olympic medal was a dream come true.

Who would be your main competitor?

Race Walking is a major sport amongst track and field in Europe. Most of my main competitors come from there including a Spanish walker, Francisco Fernandez. We've had a great rivalry from our junior days and we're currently ranked one and two in the world. It's always nice to beat him.

There are strong competitors from Russia, Italy, Germany, Mexico and China. Any competitors that make any of these teams are always competitive.



What do you eat before a main race?

Depending on whether I am racing a 20km or 50km walk, my eating in the last few days varies slightly. I always do a 'carbohydrate load', which means I predominantly eat carbohydrates to fuel my body for the arduous distances. I drink a lot of water as well.

What are you training for at the moment?

At the moment, I am training hard towards the World T and F Championships, to be held in Helsinki in August. I have been selected in both the 20km and 50km walks, which are held six days apart on August 6 and 12 respectively. I have recorded the fastest time for the year in the world over 20km, so will be one of the favourites to win.

Obviously with the Melbourne Commonwealth Games so close as well, that competition is never too far from my mind. My training at the moment is geared towards coming home in August and continuing onto March, where hopefully I can defend both the 20km and 50km titles I won in Manchester in 2002.

Any comments on the controversy of drugs in sport?

Unfortunately this is an issue that will never go away, but with constant testing and awareness, the cheats will be caught.

As an elite athlete, I must inform the international federation, IAAF, of my whereabouts at all times during the year. This is to enable unannounced, out of competition drug tests. It is a step in the right direction, deterring athletes from hiding from testers.

Any embarrassing moments you care to share with us?

Not that I can think of which probably means I have been embarrassed too much.

During the sponsorship period with VicUrban what activities do you see yourself getting involved in?

I am very enthusiastic about visiting the communities and trying to promote the environments VicUrban have established in the estates. I envisage lots of walking along the walking and bike paths and plenty of school visits! I'm keen to promote exercise for good well being generally.

What will you do after retiring from race

I am currently studying a double degree in Law/Banking and Finance. I see myself working in either of these two areas, most probably law. In many ways, the two are heavily intertwined.







Docklands Lions Club - 2nd & 4th Thursday contact Jo 8634 1599 or Nina 9322 7078



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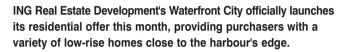
Business meetings held at Community Hub site in the Docklands Park, 6.30pm

Social meetings held at Vic Harbour New Quay 6.30pm

Activities Planned for 2005:

Feb - Easter Hamper fundraiser, March - Licola working bee weekend; commence Cork for Cord collection; Dockfest fundraiser, Apr - East Timor fundraiser, May Clean up Docklands, Jun - Trivia Night fundraiser, Jul - spectacle collection, Aug - Wine Tasting trip, Oct - Xmas cake fundraiser, Nov - Clean up Docklands, Dec - Xmas celebration.

Living differently at Waterfront City





Part of the \$1-billion development that will become Melbourne's new Urban Quarter, Waterfront City homes have been designed by a collaboration of leading architects - Hassells, BDP and DKO Architecture.

Waterfront City homes provide three-dimensional living via split levels, atriums and seamless transitions between internal and external spaces, delivering to purchasers a dynamic variety of dwellings otherwise absent in the Docklands.

The first exclusive release of the terrace moderne will offer only 22 individually designed, contemporary one, two and three-bedroom town homes featuring open plan living, entertaining decks, fireplaces and private courtyards.

DKO's Koos De Keijzer has focused on how the homes will feel as much how they will look, drawing inspiration from travel, film, art but above all; people.

"For a new city quarter to be truly successful it needs to have a little bit of everything. Dynamic suburbs and cities are interesting due to their high levels of diversity. For me, it is always about creating the "urban grain" for people - making homes that are high in liveability and urbanity," said De Keijzer.





Homes start at \$495K with development completion expected in November 2007.

The residential display suite is open every day from 10:00am - 5:00pm from Friday 27 May 2005. Pier One, Boatmans Landing - end of Dopel's Way, Docklands, (Melways ref 2E D4) T: 03 8628 6000

VicUrban Team Triumphant for Charity

Two VicUrban team members recently completed the Variety Clubs 2005 Victorian 4x4 Bash. Tom Graze and Owen Cavanough formed "Team Brother", and in a short period of time convinced a large number of people to join them to raise money for the children's charity.

Planning for the event started just six weeks before their 197 Range Rovers rolled across the starting line on March 4.

The trip was themed "The Man from Snowy River" and took the entrants via a loop through the Victorian High country across to Eden and then back to a finish in the historic town of Beechworth.

Along the way primary schools and small communities were visited, thus enabling Variety staff to show the entrants the effect of their donation of time and financial resources. It was a fun and rewarding trip for all involved and has definitely triggered the passion to get an entry in for next years event.

For the record, the VicUrban team won "Overall team prize" for attitude and team spirit, "Highest Points" for event tasks and Second and third highest funds raised.

According to the team, support from the VicUrban contractors was fantastic. Together with personal contributions from Tom and Owen the team's fund-raising tally exceeded \$17,000.

Tom and Owen would like to thank all involved in assisting us on this event in making their first Variety Bash such an enjoyable experience.







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As You Like It

by Inouk Arnall

Victoria Harbour - Explore the other side

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Melbourne Docklands is expanding, and with every visit to this wonderful waterfront destination there is something new to look at, and fortuitously for the food lover, another eatery to explore! Recently, it came to my attention that some people's knowledge of the broader Docklands precinct, namely the parallel sister precinct to NewQuay, Victoria Harbour, is a little limited... and so began my five-day As You Like It lunch safari to investigate and report back on this charming area.

At a glance, the colourful NAB building that stands tall at the start of the Vic Harbour Promenade may lead you to think this is a corporate locality, but take a stroll down to any of the five waterside eateries and you will soon see that this is far from the case. Instead I discovered stylish modern venues, interesting dishes from varying cultural backgrounds and eateries offering outstanding service with breathtaking views that stretch from The Bolte Bridge across Central Pier to the magnificent CBD skyline. There's even free two-hour parking and it's only a stones throw from Telstra Dome for pre-event get togethers or post match celebrations! This truly is an eclectic destination that all Melbournians should visit and experience.



Above: Chicken Foccacia Below: Chocolate Brownie and Griffiths Coffee

Day One: Appointment with the Bank

Venue: Café Banc Where: Building One, 800 Bourke Street

(inside NAB building) Overview: With a

the finest and freshest quality produce available", the operators of this casual café really deliver. They cater for varying tastes and dietary requirements, be they vegetarian, vegan or even gluten free. Don't be shy to mingle with the NAB employees, inside has a cosy vibe; the food is great and there's not a teller in site!

What they offer: A variety of wraps, quality salads, bagels and sandwiches, hot food like pasta, risotto and curries, daily soups, herbal teas, juices and a range of muffins, slices and sweets. They also claim to make the best coffee on the Harbour... why not judge for yourself?

What we tried: North African Sweet Corn, White Bean and Couscous Soup (Stunning! Lovely and sweet with a good kick of chilli), Vegan Roasted Vegetable Wrap (tasty and full of goodness), Chicken Foccacia, with spinach, basil pesto, grilled bacon and mayo (loved the lean tender chicken), Chocolate Brownie (rich and moist),

The Verdict: Save money at this Banc, prices offer great value with a real home-style feel to the food. Grab a loyalty card and earn points to spend on food or drinks.

Venue Features: Take away or dine in comfortable cushioned seats, surrounded by walls of glass and a big plasma TV screen.

Open: Breakfast and lunch, Mon-Fri 7am-5pm. **Contact: 9670 4484**

As You Like It Competitions

This edition's competition winners

Congratulations to the winner of dinner for two at Vic Harbour Kitchen and Bar, Julie Dillon. In my opinion, her favourite Docklands dining experience expressed the true essence of good eating, exploring the unknown:

"My favourite docklands dining experience was at Iku Izakaya. My dining partner eyed me warily as I worked my way through the sashimi (raw fish) menu. Then I proposed we eat eel. His reply - no way, you've made me eat many strange things before, but I WILL NOT EAT EEL! However, I batted my eyelids, promised him he would enjoy it and sure enough - after half a bottle of their excellent red - he proclaimed "I love eel - thank you baby for introducing me to this!"

The winner of the Tempus Two Sparkling Chardonnay is Patricia Gent. She correctly identified 'Methuselah' as the name for Champagne that is packed as an 8-bottle size.

August edition competition: 5 Lunches at Victoria Harbour to be WON!

To win one of 5 lunches for two, at each of Café Banc, Harbour Kitchen, Essence, Harbour Noodles and Watermark Bar, simply email me one thing off any of their menus that was NOT mentioned in my review. What a great reason to check out Vic Harbour for yourself? OR, to win a bottle of Stonier Pinot Noir, 2003 please answer the following question:

One of the classic food matches with pinot is duck, what's your favourite food match with Pinot Noir and why? All entries to: inouk.m@bigpond.net.au



Above: Dips and Lebanese Bread Below: Falafels



Day Three: The Essence of a Great Meal

Venue: Essence Café & Bar

Where: Shop 7, 800

Bourke Street.

Overview: This

beautifully styled space serves anything but standard fare, with Middle Eastern influences seeping into both the food and décor. The long dining room has spacious table settings that sit strikingly amongst a bright red backdrop with mirrored walls at one end and a bar at the other. The food here is flavoursome and seems to keep regular customers coming back for more.

What they offer: A mixed a' la carte menu including Tempura fish fillets, salads, pasta, dips and falafels, plus there's a fresh sandwich bar, focaccias and varying hot dishes including traditional souvlaki and wraps, Segafredo coffee.

What we tried: Falafels stuffed with turnips, tomato and parsley- served with tahini sauce (nicely crisp on the outside, moist and refreshing on the inside), Trio of Dips served with roasted vegetables and Lebanese bread (highly recommended, rich, creamy and divine), Moussaka with eggplant, chickpeas and a tomato/onion sauce (this vegetarian version is slightly sweet, aromatic and quite special)- served with Lebanese Rice, cooked with cumin (a lovely fragrant match), Marinated Chicken Wrap, with pickled gherkins, tomato and lettuce (highly recommended, tender and moist)served with the chef's secret garlic sauce which was impeccably fresh and superbly creamy.

The Verdict: This venue is great if you're on the run, but even better if you can sit down over a variety of courses. The wine list is good, a perfect balance to the flavoursome menu.

Venue Features: Take away or relax in a choice of areas; the main restaurant, outside seating or a purpose built smoking-friendly room.

Open: Breakfast/Lunch and catering, Mon-Fri 7am- late. Contact: 9606 0077



Above: Seafood Mee Gorena Below: Lemongrass Chilli Chicken

Day Four: Celebrate Asia Day

Venue: Harbour **Noodles**

Where: Shop 8, 800

Bourke Street.

Overview: The owner of this popular noodle

and sushi bar incorporates three styles into his contemporary Asian menu, Chinese, Japanese and Vietnamese. The philosophy here is fresh food fast, not 'fast food', as this often denotes unhealthy fare, which is far from the case. The menu is extensive, the servings are generous and so is the value and unlike most other noodle bars, you can even enjoy your lunch with a beer or glass of wine.

What they offer: 16 versions of wok-tossed noodles (or design your very own), soup noodles, 15 rice dishes, sushi-sashimi, 12 hand-rolls, Vietnamese rice paper and spring rolls plus some specialty dishes and Coffico

What we tried: Sushi (soft and well proportioned), Rice Paper Rolls (fresh and filling), Lemongrass Chilli Chicken with tender chicken and a good variety of slightly crisp vegetables (nicely spiced, flavoursome and generous serving), Seafood Mee Goreng with juicy Tiger prawns, tender calamari, fishcakes, egg and mixed vegetables (highly recommended, plenty of delicious, nongreasy seafood).

The Verdict: With such a variety of good quality food and prices that are more than fair, you can't go past this place whenever you're in the mood for Asian fare.

Venue Features: A smallish modern space that offers some indoor but more outdoor waterside dining. A great option for busy folk is to phone your order through and grab it on the run.

Open: Mon-Fri 9am-6pm. Contact: 9600 0268



Above: Shaved Ham Baguette Below: Ginger and Lemon Chicken Salad

Day Two: The Kitchen is Cooking!

Harbour Kitchen

Where: Shop 1, 800 Bourke Street.

Overview: This large café/bar offers several

dining areas, including waterside dining in a lovely glass pavilion, or cosy lounge get-togethers complete with fireplace. A long glass cabinet displays plenty of fast and fresh produce and rest assured, there's something here for everyone.

What they offer: A range of baguettes, bagels, wraps and bap rolls, five types of salads, two soups and three different hot dishes like curries and pasta, cakes, slices, Lavazza coffee, quality gelati and an extensive juice bar. An a' la carte menu for weekends only, includes lighter style meals like salads and pasta plus a good range of pizzas, wines and beer.

What we tried: Gnocchi with Mushroom and Cream Sauce (good texture and not too rich), Beef Curry and Rice (sweet and mild) Satay Wrap with chicken, brie, avocado, carrot, tomato and spinach (highly recommend, delicious), Ginger and Lemon Chicken Salad with sugar peas, capsicum, spinach, rocket and bok-choy (tangy and fresh), Shaved Ham Baguette with brie, semi-dried tomatoes and lettuce (nice and crusty with generous fillings).

The Verdict: The all-weather option to sit outdoors is reason enough to dine here, but add to that a vast array of contemporary dishes and this kitchen is well worth a visit. Friday night Happy Hour (5.30-6.30pm) includes \$5 beers and \$6 cocktails.

Venue Features: Take away or dine in, with counter service only Mon-Thurs.

Open: Mon-Thurs 7am-8pm, Fri 7am-11pm, Sat and Sun 9am-late. Contact: 9670 6612







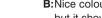
'Talking Plonk'

Task: Inouk and her dad Bruce share a bottle of wine from Dock on The Rocks.

Plonk: Stonier Pinot Noir, 2003.

R.R.P. \$24.99

Background: For over 25 years Stonier has been building a fine reputation, now boasting 38 Gold medals between 1997-2004. Located on the stunning Mornington Peninsula, Stonier is widely recognised as a producer of exceptional Pinot Noir and Chardonnay.



Conversation:

- B:Nice colour, not as bright as a lot of pinots, but it shows good potential.
- I: I'm getting hints of strawberry and a plumy bouquet, smells great.
- B: Yes, the intensity of fruit is there and when I taste It there's good acidity, it's quite well balanced.
- I: The acidity will allow it to age nicely over the next few years, but it's smooth and perfectly good right now- my favourite attribute!
- B:Definitely, but I do agree if you can save it, this pinot will reward you. So will making sure you open it up to breath a short while beforehand.
- I: We're trying it with an Asian prawn, ginger and vegetable stir-fry (thanks to you Dad), I think it's an ideal match, as it doesn't overpower the delicate flavours of the dish.
- B:What can't you match pinot with, that's the real question? This really comes into it's own matching up with the savoury flavours. It's got classic Burgundian 'farmyard' characteristics.
- I: Um, can't say I know what a farmyard tastes like, but I love your analogy!
- B:Yes, it's a bit like the guy who described a wine as having flavours of wet stones!
- I: Hmmm, interesting comparison? All I know is that this is a well-priced pinot in my books.

B:Indeed, a quality pinot for around \$25, I'll be drinking more of this...

You'll find this wine at Docks On The Rocks, which specializes in boutique and smaller wine producers, particularly from around Victoria.

Shop 23-25 Rakaia Way, **Docklands** Tel: 9642 3070





Above: Watermark Bar Below: Calamari Salad

Day Five: Hitting the Mark

Venue: Watermark Bar Where: Shop 9, 800 **Bourke Street**

Overview: At the end of the Promenade sits a venue that is as much



appealing for its style as its offerings. It's a large space, broken cleverly into separate areas, catering for many different moods and tastes. Serving contemporary rustic style food, much of which has a distinct Provencale influence, with slow cooked sauces, condiments and house cured produce a specialty. For a limited time, do NOT pass up the chance to sample their delicious meals with their incredible Mon-Thurs lunch offer, two for one mains at a mere \$15!

What they offer: Authentic Italian style pasta, daily curries, salads, traditional fish and chips, chefs grill of the day, sumptuous chicken parma, a substantial wine list, eight beers on tap and Piazza D'oro coffee.

What we tried: Bruschetta with char-grilled toast, tomato, red onion, fetta and pesto sauce (packs a good onion bite- ideal to share), Calamari Salad, lightly battered with 'secret' spicesserved on a noodle salad with fresh chilli and crisp vegetables (tender with a lovely piquant sauce), Lamb and Lentil Curry (sweet, fragrant and substantial), Porterhouse Steak served on a creamy mash with a flavoursome jus and Provencale onion jam (highly recommend, succulent- perfect for the winter months).

The Verdict: Pardon the pun, but his place really hits the 'mark'. Try Watermark regardless, but you'd be mad not to take them up on their special offer. Bookings are essential.

Venue Features: Stunning waterside glass pavilion, main bar with three plasma TV screens, the loft for formal dining, the mezzanine and lounge for comfortable gatherings.

Open: Daily 11am-late. **Contact: 9642 1880**

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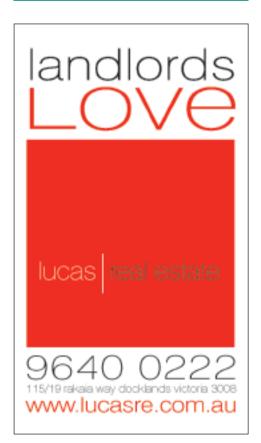


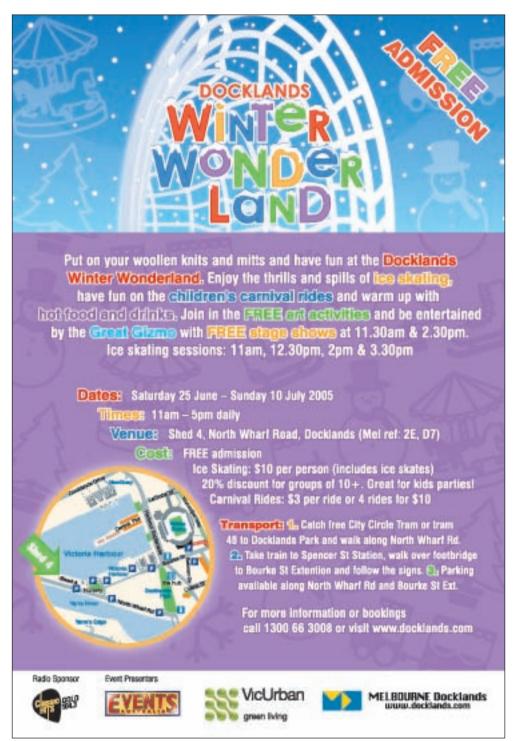


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Very Good, 26 words - Excellent Solution to be supplied in next issue.











Docklands Playgroup

By Peter Crowley

A few weeks back I visited the Docklands Playgroup at their regular meeting place at Polly Woodside. The playgroup commenced in mid-2003 and I was long overdue to pay them a visit and offer support. The Playgroup was started by a few Docklands mothers and is ably coordinated by NewQuay resident Irene Wasenko. The group now caters for up to 18 kids per session and attracts mothers and kiddies from Southbank and North Melbourne as well as Docklands.

Since 2002 the number of residents in Docklands has steadily increased as each new apartment complex opens. But here at Playgroup I was faced with evidence that our population is also growing steadily from within. Mothers who attended the first Playgroup meetings with one child can now be seen in attendance with two and, in some cases an obvious bulge hinted that they'll soon be there with three. Polly Woodside provides a great play space for the children and some opportunities for companionship and maternal networking for the mums as well.

To find out more about the Docklands Playgroup, contact the Community News or call Irene Wasenko on 0418 112 633



The Docklands Playgroup celebrates a birthday

Social and Service **Opportunities in Docklands**

Docklands residents who would like to take part in the activities of a formal group or service club could consider the following options.

Docklands Lions Club

Docklands Lions Club meets in Docklands twice a month on Thursdays. The Lions Club offers you the opportunity to meet and work with other residents to produce positive outcomes for the community. To find out more about your local Lions Club, contact the Community News or call in at Club NewQuay. See the notice on page 3 for dates and times of Docklands Lions meetings.

Inspiring Women at The Penguin Club

The Penguin Club is for women who wish to develop confidence in everyday dealings with other people. It is for women who need to speak in the work place or classroom, in public or in private life - women who may be called upon to "say a few words" at an event or occasion or who may wish to deliver a eulogy, a speech of congratulation, welcome or farewell. It is for women who are elected to office in a club or committee - women who need to know the finer points of chairmanship, the role of president or secretary or duties of treasurer.

The Penguin Club is for all women who wish to learn more about the use of language, to get the winning edge in the competition for employment, or simply to develop their personal skills so that they can "communicate with confidence".

A national non profit organisation established in 1937 to enable women to learn effective communication skills, the club is non political and non sectarian. Membership is open to all women over the age of 14 years. The city group meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month 6.30pm, at St John's Southgate 20 City Rd, Southbank. Call 9504 1129 for more information visit the website at www.thepenguinclub.asn.au



Rotary Club of Southbank

A new/young club of active professionals, male and female, working for the community both locally and overseas in an atmosphere of fellowship and fun. The Club meets Tuesdays 6.15 pm for 6.30 pm - 7.30 pm. Enquiries call Margaret McBride on 0402 892 778 or lan Morrison on 0419 495 593

The Zonta Club of Melbourne

The recent tsunami disaster has proven how generous Australians can be when it comes to helping those less fortunate. Many people clearly feel the need to give something more tangible back to the community. For those of you in this frame of mind, there is a local option.

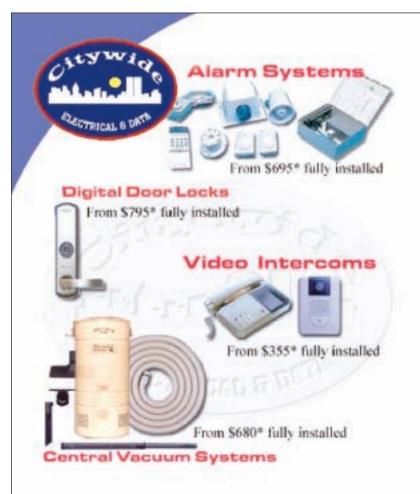
Zonta International is a worldwide service organisation (founded in 1919) of executives in business and professions working together to advance the status of women. In times of natural disaster and war, it is women and children who are particularly vulnerable. 70% of the world's poorest people are women, two-thirds of the illiterate adults in the world are women and two-thirds of the children not in school today are girls.Zonta International, which has special consultative status with the UN, participates jointly with aid organisations in various charity projects worldwide.

Current service projects include a micro-credit programme for HIV/AIDS affected women in Niger, support of an anti-human trafficking project in Bosnia and provision of education and health care for women in Afghanistan (photo above). Zonta has nearly 33,000 club members in 67 countries. There are currently six Zonta Clubs in Melbourne. The Zonta Club of Melbourne CBD was formed in 2000 by a group of like-minded women and meets once a month in the city for breakfast and at other times for fundraising and social events. The club undertakes local projects

Many clubs in Australia also contribute to a current service programme producing birthing kits for use in villages without medical facilities in countries such as Afghanistan, East Timor, Papua New Guinea and Guatemala. Demand greatly exceeds supply. Members raise funds, source materials and assemble the kits with assistance from suppliers and schools

as well as supporting International projects.

The Zonta Club of Melbourne CBD would like to invite Docklands residents to a local membership information session in February. If you would like to explore giving more than money, please contact the membership co-ordinator, Melinda Young via email at zontacbd@email.com or on 0401 989 482. More information on Zonta is available at the International website www.zonta.org or the Zonta Club of Melbourne CBD's site (home.vicnet.net.au/~zontacbd/).



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In Brief

Restaurant Deals

Take advantage of spring sunshine at these great Docklands restaurants and bars. Residents who show their security swipes will be able to access the following special discounts.

Renzo's Bar

10% off the take-away menu any night of the week

Fish Bar

10% off all drink and food, 7 days a week

The Lounge Room

Residents Night every Monday from 5:00pm. \$12 meal specials - select from an extensive menu.

Others

New Businesses in Docklands

Convenience Store at Watergate

Open now on Waterview Walk, this new convenience store offers a range of handy everyday needs plus a soon-to-open coffee lounge.

Curry on the Docks

Try this new Indian restaurant on the river's edge at Flinders Wharf.

Harbour Kitchen

Happy Hour each Friday afternoon from 5.30 'til 6.30 pm. Drink specials plus a barbecue and live music on the sunny Victoria Harbour Promenade. Great for pre-football entertainment.

LiveWire at Telstra Dome

Daily Lunchtime Specials - only \$6.80*

Mon Chicken Parma LiveWire Super Burger Tues Wed Bangers and Mash Thurs Pizza

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Vic Harbour at NewQuay

Roast Wednesday with Eran James Thursday Karaoke

Express Lunch Monday - Thursday for the months of June, July, and August - Call for more details Happy Hour - Monday to Friday 4.30pm - 6.30pm

Community Notice Boards

Notice Boards for Community use have been installed at Yarra's Edge, NewQuay, Victoria Harbour and at the Hub. For information about using these boards call 8622 4822

Naturalization

If you're a Docklands resident who would like to gain Australian citizenship in a naturalization ceremony, please call Eamon on 0438 123 698

Ticketmaster

Please note you can now purchase tickets at AFL house.

The In Brief column will publish notices or information useful to the Docklands Community for free. To place a notice contact the Community News on 8622 4821 or e-mail to docklands.communitynews@vicurban.vic.gov.au



Media Release Issued 9 May 2005

Shuttle tram to Docklands

Yarra Trams has introduced a shuttle tram between the city and Docklands as part of temporary service changes during the State **Government's project to remove the Flinders** Street overpass.

Tram routes 24, 30, 48, 86 and the City Circle, which serve the Docklands precinct, are affected by this project, from Sunday 22 May to late November 2005.

During this period, the shuttle tram provides a temporary tram link between Flinders Street and Docklands.

The shuttle tram travels via Market Street, Flinders Lane, William, Bourke, Spencer and La Trobe Streets, and Harbour Esplanade to the western end of Flinders Street.

Trams are unable to run along Flinders Street between Spencer and Market Streets while works are underway to remove the overpass and construct the new intersection at King and Flinders Streets.

Route 48, which normally terminates in Docklands Drive, is instead terminating at the intersection of Flinders and Market Streets. This is also the terminus for routes 70 and 75.

Route 86, which normally terminates at Central Pier, instead continues along Harbour Esplanade to the Docklands Drive terminus. People who are used to catching this tram at Central Pier should cross the intersection to the nearby tram stop in La Trobe Street outside Telstra Dome.

During the Flinders Street overpass removal project, Route 30 operates to the Docklands Drive tram terminus from 6am to 6pm Monday to Friday. The City Circle Tram runs in both directions between tram stop D6 at Flinders Street West via Harbour Esplanade, La Trobe Street and Victoria Parade to the Nicholson Street intersection. For service alteration information as a result of the Flinders Street overpass removal project, call Metlink on 131 638 or visit

Yarra Trams welcomes your feedback. Call 1800 800 166 between 6am and 10pm every day or visit www.yarratrams.com.au

www.metlinkmelbourne.com.au.

If you would like more information about the Flinders Street overpass removal project, visit www.vicroads.vic.gov.au/flindersst

www.yarratrams.com.au www.metlinkmelbourne.com.au

For Speech and hearing impaired, please call TTY facility on 9619 2727

Docklands Serviced Apartments

Docklands Serviced Apartments at NewQuay and Watergate is experiencing huge demands for accommodation requests and we invite all owners of properties to call us if you are considering turning your apartment into a serviced apartment.

Since January we have added 20 more apartments to bring the total number of apartments in our program to 110. With an occupancy rate of well over 80% it is easy to see why DSA is having tremendous success. Why not consider us as an option either when you settle with your apartment or when your existing client vacates. We are looking for more apartments at our 2 locations, NewQuay in all towers including the new Conder coming up soon, and at Watergate.

The Docklands' area has become Melbourne's favourite destination for both Corporate and Tourist visitors and with the introduction of the extended tram services to NewQuay it will only get better. The free City Circle Tram virtually goes past both Watergate and NewQuay and it is opening up a fabulous holiday type location for visitors to Melbourne and we invite you to join our very successful Docklands Serviced Apartments. Become part of Docklands' leading service apartment provider and reap the rewards on offer.



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iPort - Docklands

- The Future is With Us Now

What is iPort-Docklands?

iPort-Docklands is an optic fibre based technology that is being deployed to all new buildings in Docklands, to each and every new apartment, commercial office and retail space. The benefits of iPort are already being enjoyed by businesses occupying 700 Collins St.

Who owns iPort-Docklands?

iPort-Docklands is a joint venture between Powercor Telecommunications and VicUrban (the Authority responsible for the development of Docklands).

What are the benefits of iPort?

This technology will provide the Docklands community with the following benefits:

1. Telephony

- Lower phone costs
- Free local phone calls on the iPort-Docklands network, and
- In the near future even video phones

2. Internet

- Higher speed access (including speeds of up to 10Mb/s and even greater)
- Lower costs compared to equivalent service standards

3. Video

• In the near future Video on Demand will also be offered

Watch out for future editions of the Docklands Community News where further detail about the services on offer through iPort-Docklands will be provided.

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Docklands Keeps Growing!

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Source: Herald Sun, Saturday, March 12, 2005

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