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Docklands lights up

with City Circle Tram extension

Docklands goes off this month in a blaze of light and fire and thousands of new visitors can be expected to experience it thanks to an extension of the City Circle Tram to Waterfront City.

The now-annual Ignite@Docklands spectacular erupted at NewQuay and Waterfront City on Saturday, May 30 - the same day as the extended City Circle Tram came to Docklands for the first time.

The extension of the City Circle Tram is a lifeline to struggling retailers hit hard by the closure of the Southern Star Observation Wheel in January.

Docklands Chamber of Commerce President Keith Rankin said the tram extension was an indication that the plight of local traders was being taken seriously.

"It is a serious attempt to make things better down here and there's more to come," Mr Rankin said.

Businesses will also benefit from an integrated print, TV and billboard marketing campaign promoting Docklands - now underway thanks to a number of businesses, developers, VicUrban and the City of Melbourne (see our story on Page 5 for full details).

Holding true to the winter theme of illumination, a highlight of the Winter's Eve party was a fireworks show which set the night skies ablaze as a parade of 25 lit motor boats glowed their way around Victoria Harbour.





Creative Director for Ignite@Docklands, Scott Maidment said those who loved last year's event would find some old favourites and new surprises.

"Drawing on the success of 2008, we've gathered together a hot mix of international performance artists and lighting experts to invigorate, illuminate and stimulate the

"This year we've commissioned a new performance specifically for Ignite. We're calling them the Suits of Light - picture business men dressed head to toe in thousands of flashing lights."

"The Suits will be strolling the promenade throughout the festival, occasionally stopping to play music," he said.

Also new to Ignite@Docklands is the Sprocket, which is an illuminated, moving trolley featuring five performers connected by a rotating hoist. They are swung around the trolley merry-go-round style while playing acoustic instruments.

Popular and visually mesmerising installation, The LightScraper, will become a fixture of the Docklands this winter. The custom-built aluminium structure has an infra-red camera that tracks participants as they walk through, playing musical notes with every step along with constantly changing visual projections. The result is a giant musical instrument and visual delight!

As the lights go down, the imagination will be ignited by a shadow puppetry performed on a grandiose scale. Called Sticks & Stones, household items convert through shadow to become images of fantasy and fun. Melbourne's theatre favourites will also light up the Waterfront City stage with a special live performance offering a sneak peek at some of the city's major winter entertainment events.

The spectacular, flame-fuelled Pyrophone Juggernaut also returns for another explosive season with more bass, more fuel and more fire. The fire-fuelled organ erupts as international performance artists and musicians captivate audiences with its unique sound.

Ignite@Docklands runs each Thursday, Saturday and Sunday until June 14 (including public holiday, Monday, June 8).









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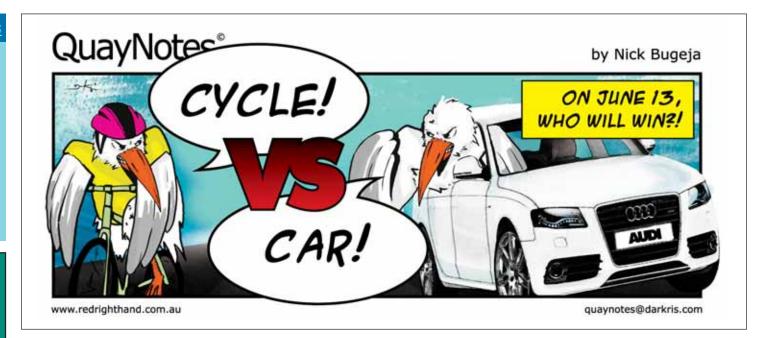


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Come on, **beat Amanda**

Docklands cyclists. Can you ride faster than an Audi A5 in a race from Mornington to Docklands?

DCN advertising director Amanda Innes thinks you can't.

Editor and cyclist Shane Scanlan thinks you can.

At 10.15am Saturday, June 13 Amanda will be heading off from Mornington to Docklands via the Sorrento to Queenscliff ferry and Geelong.

The cyclists will ride directly to Docklands.

It could be close. But who cares? There's complimentary refreshments available at the finish line at the Melbourne Yacht Club Hotel.

So come on, join in the fun.

There are four ways to participate:

■ Ride from Docklands - meet at Bike Force, Harbour Town at 7 am;

- Ride from Café Racer, St Kilda meet the Docklands bunch at 7.30 am;
- Catch the train to Frankston and ride to Mornington - meet at Southern Cross Station, 7.53am Frankston train (arriving at 8.58am):
- Meet at the start: Schnapper Point Rd, Mornington, 10am.



Movies on

the water

Feel like going to the drive-in but on water? Want to watch a movie from the comfort of your own boat?

For the first time in Docklands, Waterfront City Marina will be screening two movies on the water on Friday, June 19; Saturday, June 20; Friday, June 26; and Saturday, June

The kids' movie will kick off at 6.30pm and the adults' movie will commence at 9pm.

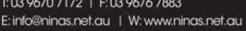
The screen will be floating in Victoria Harbour. Popcorn will be available throughout the evening.

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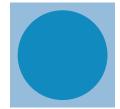
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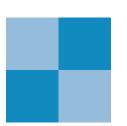












Presidential endorsement for Docklands

Docklands' environmental credentials have been internationally recognised with Victoria Harbour being chosen as one of 16 projects worldwide to be included in the Clinton Climate Initiative (CCI) global Climate Positive **Development Program**

Former US president Bill Clinton made the announcement at the C40 Summit in Seoul, South Korea, on May 19.

This means Victoria Harbour will be held up to the rest of the world as an example of excellence in the battle against climate change. And in return Victoria Harbour developer Lend Lease will get assistance from the Climate Positive Development Program to develop the rest of the precinct.

Only two Australian projects were chosen and both are VicUrban developments. The other local project is a mixed-use development at Officer, on Melbourne's south-eastern edge.

When the initial 16 projects are completed, nearly one million people will live and work in Climate Positive Communities. These communities will be located in Melbourne; Palhoca, Brazil; Toronto, Canada; Victoria, Canada; Ahmedabad, India; Jaipur, India; outside Panama City, Panama; Pretoria, South Africa; Johannesburg, South Africa; Seoul, South Korea; Stockholm, Sweden; London, UK; San Francisco, USA and Destiny Florida, USA.

To reduce the net greenhouse gas emissions of their Climate Positive Development projects to below zero, property developers and local governments will agree to work in partnership on specific areas of activity. This includes implementing economically viable innovations in buildings, the generation of clean energy, waste management, water management, transportation and outdoor lighting systems.

Last year, for the first time, half the world's population (3.2 billion people) lived in cities, and that figure is expected to grow to 70 per cent by 2050. Cities also occupy just 2 per cent of the world's landmass, yet are responsible for more than two-thirds of global energy use and greenhouse gas emissions. How cities change and grow is therefore a critical component to tackling the climate crisis.

VicUrban CEO Pru Sanderson said VicUrban was honoured to be invited to join the Climate Positive Development Program.

"The second decade of development at Docklands will need to make climate change a priority. Lend Lease already has a good track record in building some of the most environmentally sustainable buildings in Docklands. I am delighted that they will be continuing to lead through the Victoria Harbour project," she said.

COO Lend Lease Asia Pacific (APAC) and Global Head of Development, David Hutton, said: "Our participation in the Climate Positive Development Program further demonstrates our commitment to sustainable development in Victoria



Harbour, currently Australia's largest and most prestigious waterfront development."

"We have already delivered a precinct packed with some of the most sustainable buildings in Australia. The Gauge, at 825 Bourke St in Melbourne, uses a gas-fired cogeneration system to provide base building electricity, and a black water

treatment plant that recycles 92 per cent of water each year in the building. Features such as these have contributed to The Gauge receiving a number of industry awards acknowledging its leadership position in sustainable development, including the inaugural Built Environment Award at the Victorian Government's 2009 Premier's Sustainability Awards."

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Cops and robbers come to Docklands



Real life cops and robbers came to Docklands late last month with a twist in the tail which surprised onlookers.

Collins St, Docklands was its usual quiet self just after 2pm on Wednesday, May 20 when a police car with sirens blaring pulled up on the wrong side of the road

beside a chap riding a mountain bike (with no helmet).

The rider assessed the situation and launched his bike across the Batman Hill Drive intersection to take a cross-country route through the grounds of the Fox Classic Car Collection.

But the cops launched their patrol car into the paddock Blues Brothers-style and

raised some dust as the cyclist attempted to double back.

Just when they thought they had him cornered, the cyclist took off on foot back up Collins Street. And rather than give chase, the police radioed for reinforcements.

The officers were checking the abandoned bike when a member of the public ran over to inform them that their suspect had been captured by a passing cyclist.

The cyclist pinned the fugitive until the lumbering officers wandered over and took over proceedings.

"Super cyclist" gave his details to police and continued on his way.

Police later said they were interviewing the man over an alleged stolen wallet.

Work starts on wheel repair

Work has started to dismantle the Southern Star Observation Wheel.

The first task is to install fencing around the area and to apply protective coverings to the piazza and support buildings.

Last month Southern Star management confirmed that most of the repairs to the wheel could be conducted off-site.

The next tasks will include the temporary removal of the 21 cabins, followed by the disassembly and replacement of the outer structure, including rim and spoke sections.

The columns, hub and wheel building will be retained.

Sanoyas Hishino Meisho Corporation, the designers and manufacturers of the Southern Star, will carry out all works under warranty.

Independent engineers will sign off on all procedures throughout the program.

Defects in the wheel were detected in January following several days of extreme heat.

Rectification works are expected to take at least 12 months to complete.



















Docklands campaign frenzy!

Docklands is clearly in the spotlight this winter with an integrated series of promotional campaigns to attract visitors.

VicUrban has launched a major outdoor marketing campaign, designed to increase visitation and support the retail, hospitality and tourism sectors.

Research shows that many Victorians still aren't sure how to find their way to Docklands or just how much is on offer here.

So, the new campaign focuses specifically on reasons to come – and tells people how to get here.

Promoting ice skating at Wonderland Park, shopping at Harbour Town and dining on the waterfront, the campaign will use super billboards on CityLink and the Westgate Freeway and large posters at tram stops and on train station platforms to target commuters and city pedestrians.

The ads easily explain which tram, train or turn-off to take to pursue an activity of choice in Docklands.

The outdoor campaign supports a major new television campaign also due to launch in June. Northern precinct retailers, developers ING Real Estate and MAB Corporation and VicUrban have joined together to create a series of ads focusing on family fun, eating and drinking, shopping, marinas and the Sunday market.

VicUrban's General Manager Docklands and Major Projects, Michael Hynes, said the campaign was designed to support and complement other marketing activity, while addressing an identified gap.

June survey

How important is it to continually promote Docklands and how well is it being done?

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"The City of Melbourne is doing print advertising advocating 'Docklands for a Change', while the television ads are highlighting various broad offers which fall into the categories of family fun, marinas, shopping, dining and the Sunday markets," Mr Hynes said.

"VicUrban has gone to the next level of detail, focusing on specific activities and using specific outdoor sites to direct people to those offerings."

"Together, we think the print, television and outdoor ad campaigns will have a really positive impact on visitation to Docklands over the cooler months," Mr Hynes said.

While the groups behind these campaigns all worked tirelessly to ensure the results were co-ordinated, Mr Hynes said that, in future, it was hoped that marketing campaigns would be co-ordinated and delivered through a new marketing group for Docklands currently being put together under the guidance of Tourism Victoria.

The structure, charter, membership and marketing program for this new group is expected to be finalised soon.

Go to **www.docklands.com** for more detail on the campaigns.

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DOCKLANDS - A HISTORY IN PICTURES

By Sarah Murray

For a snapshot of Docklands' long and rich history the Maritime Heritage Exhibition currently on display in Merchant Street, Victoria Harbour, provides a fascinating survey of life on the docks during Melbourne's formative years up to the present day.

Presented by Tallships Victoria with the support of Lend Lease, the exhibition includes images, etchings and newspaper illustrations which, according to curator and local historian Dr Judith Buckrich, show the Docklands area during its busiest period from the 1850s through to the late 20th century.

"This was Australia's busiest port. As it was also the original site of the gas works and a lot of other industry, lots of coal and timber was brought in, along with everything else. Victoria Harbour was not created till the 1880s but the Yarra was still very active with commercial trade before then, while most of the passenger ships used North Wharf," she said.

Much of Docklands' early activity could also be attributed to the 1850s gold rush but, according to Ms Buckrich, "It continued well after that and was, in fact, one of the world's largest ports until the financial crash came in the 1890s".

With the growth of shipping came the inevitable changes and developments to improve access and efficiency. Some kinks in the Yarra's original course were straightened out and Victoria Harbour was fashioned out of swampland.

But, despite its eventual growth into a world-class port, amenities were primitive and pollution went unchecked. In fact, Ms Buckrich says the area stunk.

"It was really pretty disgusting as sewage wasn't introduced till 1901, when a public works program was undertaken. Like today, they needed programs to get people into work, and this was an important one,"

With the exhibition divided into areas of interest covering cargo, people, landscapes and ships it depicts a way of life now all but gone. Tall ships laden with a diversity of cargos either being unloaded or readied for shipping out to ports as far a field as Russia, India or elsewhere, divers preparing to lay dynamite to deepen the Yarra, workers shovelling coal in the gas works, an 1860s image of the swamp that was to become Victoria Harbour, US warships "lined up like sardines" during a visit in the 1920s and maps showing the original route of the Yarra are all included.

Life was tough for many who worked on the docks, especially when it came to handling cargo such as untreated hides. "Many of them became quite sick. I spoke to one wharfie whose father died of TB, which was not uncommon," Ms Buckrich said.

Rich in stories and anecdotes that together tell the story of the importance of Docklands in the development of Melbourne, the exhibition is a must for anyone who wants to know more about the area, or shipping in general.

Run by volunteers, the Maritime Heritage Exhibition is open until mid-June, week days between 12.30 and 2pm in Merchant St, Victoria Harbour.



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BP moving to Docklands

BP Australia is the latest corporate to announce it is relocating to Docklands.

The oil company is expected to move up to 800 staff into its new national headquarters at 717 Bourke St after the building is completed mid-next year.

The building's developer Melbourne Civic City Pty Ltd said BP would take more than 10,000 square metres of office space.

Melbourne Civic City director Graham Fraser said he was targeting a 5 Star Green Star rating for the building's design.

"The building itself offers one of the very few options in Melbourne for commercial tenants seeking high quality, high efficiency options with exceptional staff amenity and ESD credentials," he said.

VicUrban's General Manager Docklands and Major Projects Michael Hynes welcomed the news saying such developments and tenants were playing a key role in assisting Docklands' transition into a vibrant and diverse community, as well as enhancing its integration with the CBD.

"As development takes shape over rail and along Bourke and Collins streets, the city's most prestigious commercial hub is being drawn right into the heart of Docklands," Mr Hynes said.

"The additional people and activity they bring are all serving to enhance Dockland's reputation as a great place to do business," he said

The Bourke St site which is located across from Etihad Stadium represents a key gateway between the Docklands and the CBD. Southern Cross Station will be connected to the site by a new pedestrian bridge from the existing concourse, providing a new link into the Docklands.





Costco internationals settle in Docklands

The soon-to-be-opened Costco store has brought five new international residents into the Docklands community.

The American, British and New Zealandborn workers have settled into their new Docklands homes and they're loving it.

Front-end staff manager VJ McMurray lives at Victoria Point and has adopted AFL team Carlton, He's started hosting pre-football social events at his apartment and has learned to support "any team which beats Collingwod".

VJ is in his 20th year with Costco and left Tacoma Washington in favour of Docklands "for the adventure and excitement of meeting new people and opening up in a new country".

Liverpool-born Kyla White spent the last nine years working for Costco in Japan. The assistant warehouse manager is very comfortable living at The Nolan tower and is so close to work, she can see the store from her apartment window.

"I think it's fantastic here. I love the sense of community and it's so convenient to everything," she said.

Receiving manager Stuart Macman is returning to Australia, although technically he was born in the UK having been brought to live in Perth when he was a babv.

He travelled to Britain for a six-month holiday in 2005, took a temporary job with Costco and was still there in March when he packed up and headed for Docklands.

Stuart and Kiwi night merchandising manager Mick Cottle live in Harbour Town. Mick found his way to Docklands via Costco in Los Angeles.

Stuart said living in a shopping centre was a little too quiet and that the convenience of so many great places to eat was a little too convenient.

Paul Perrett, a baker from the UK, is the fifth "foreign legion" member living in Docklands.

Costco hasn't yet announced an opening date. The previously mentioned late July may become early August.

DCN is bigger, better than ever

Docklands Community News has reached another milestone this month with an increase in our circulation to 10,000 copies, so thanks to all our readers who have encouraged us through so much positive feedback.

This represents a doubling of our circulation in the last two years - or quadrupling if you take into account we used to publish every

Most of this growth has occurred through welcoming our commuter community into our Docklands family. We now hand copies of DCN to workers as they make their way to Southern Cross Station so they can read all about Docklands on their journey home.

We are also now distributed through tourism information centres in Federation Square and throughout the CBD as well as other key distribution points in neighbouring suburbs.

Readers will notice that we have moved to a high-end newspaper stock for our publication. While we will miss the glossy art paper, we could not afford the growth under the old regime. And we believe the new product is still classy enough to be embraced by Melbourne's premier postcode, 3008.

This month we bring you our biggest edition ever – 28 pages of exclusively Docklands news and information. And, of course, the printed version is only part of the story. The paper has hundreds of online subscribers and gets distributed through most of the Docklands' corporate intranets.

Another exciting change slated for June is the imminent launch of a new interactive website (www.docklandsnews.com. au). Subscribers to the electronic version will be sent an email of headings and summaries with links back to the site.

All stories will accept comments from readers and we hope to build online conversations around all our material. RSS feeds will be available to provide a Docklands news service to other internet sites.

The paper has also started "tweeting" on Twitter so if you want bite-sized snippets of Docklands news, follow us @docklands_ news (twitter.com/docklands_news).

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E-Gate, what is to become of it?

There's a lot of excitement currently surrounding the potential future of the E-gate site, located north of Docklands.

Ideas have included a housing and commercial development and even a new football stadium but, according to a State-Government think tank, it's an ideal opportunity to develop a world-leading Ecological Business District (EBD) or zerocarbon eco-city.

E-Gate encompasses 20 hectares in West Melbourne, between North Melbourne Station and Footscray Rd and is called E-Gate because it is gate number 'e', along Footscray Rd. The land is owned by VicTrack and is currently used mainly for logistics and transport-related purposes.

According to a statement by the State Government, "The site's current leases extend to the end of 2014, and any potential redevelopment plans are some way off. The feasibility study is the next phase of planning."

Jumping in early, the Victorian Eco-Innovation Lab (VEIL) has been quick to raise the idea of an eco-suburb that also becomes an on-going expo for ecoinnovation.

VEIL's Project Co-ordinator Dianne Moy said: "When we heard the E-gate site was coming up for lease we thought it was a great opportunity for us to intervene in which way the development was going and to push sustainability.'

In utilising academics and students from Melbourne, Monash, RMIT and Swinburne Universities VEIL looked at what Melbourne needed and came up with a series of proposals for a sustainable mixed-use residential and commercial development

that includes producing renewable energy onsite, growing its own food, an 80 per cent reduction in greenhouse gases and no cars.

"We'd anticipate about 6000 residents and, of those, maybe 3000 would work in the city. They could either walk or cycle in or catch existing transport. There would also be jobs on site as well, developing new green businesses."

Other ideas include using photo and bio remediation, or using plants, to clean up the site; developing high density, low-rise apartments; sewage would be treated on-site with the methane used for power production: urban wind towers and solar panels to create electricity.

Ms Moy said: "We'd also be looking at how this can integrate with the rest of Melbourne, but as many of these systems are still quite new, just how effective they are is still not fully understood. We'd use the site for research to test and trial systems, which could then be exported."

"This is a unique opportunity to understand how a sustainable community works from the ground up and to measure how well it's working. This has not really been done before. It would become a living testing ground. People would come and experience the site and take their learnings back to their own part of Melbourne."

Ms Moy acknowledged that cost was a major factor, "which is why we wanted the Government to start thinking about the site. We should be aiming to meet target goals for 2050 ... doing the best we can possibly do now.'









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Four of the eight storeys have been set aside as affordable housing for "key workers" like Rachel Box, 23, who is a graduate nurse at St Vincents Private Hospital.

Rachel (pictured left) earns less than \$40,000 and currently commutes from Box Hill.

When The Merchant opens early next year, Rachel is hoping to rent one of the 57 apartments which were bought by Melbourne Affordable Housina.

"It would be great. I could ride my bike to work," she said.

At the "topping off" ceremony, the Minister for Housing, Richard Wynne, said the affordable housing component of the development made The Merchant unique in Australia.

He said the fact that the rest of the block had sold out was evidence that the commercial market had accepted the concept.

"It's an argument for inclusionary zoning," he said. "The market has said it is a good concept."

Mr Wynne said The Merchant was a turning point in the way residential developments would be approached in the future.

"It's a fantastic thing that Lend Lease has done here," he said.

David Hutton, CEO of Lend Lease Retail and Communities, said the collective goal of all partners was to see Victoria Harbour evolve into a vibrant community, full of energy for all who live, work and visit there.

"The success of The Merchant is just one example of how we are jointly working together to ensure opportunities to enrich the Docklands precinct are capitalised on," he said.

VicUrban CEO Pru Sanderon said it was essential that Docklands consisted of a diverse range of people from all walks of life to assist its transition to a true Melbourne community."

"Partnerships such as this play a key role in realising the vision for Docklands and we are seeking to work with other developers to identify additional, appropriate affordable living initiatives for this area," Ms Sanderson said.



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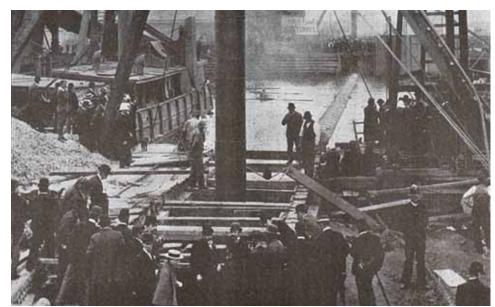








The "cofferdam" is coming to a river near you



The first time the sewer was laid across the Yarra.

Docklanders will soon have a bird's eye view of an interesting piece of engineering when Melbourne Water begins replacing Melbourne's 100-year-old main sewer under the Yarra River.

The 140-metre section of new pipe will lie under the riverbed just upstream of the Charles Grimes Bridge, it is being replaced as part of a \$220 million project involving 2.3 kilometres of sewer from Docklands to Port Melbourne.

Yarra's Edge residents are already aware of the project because of concerns surrounding blocked pedestrian and cycle access to the southern bank of the river.

Melbourne Water and contractor John Holland are holding a public information session to explain the project and address this issue at The Hub, Waterview Walk, on June 29.

The sewer replacement under the river will be done in three stages and will involve a "wet cofferdam" construction method.

A cofferdam uses steel sheets to build an enclosed area in which to work. Once constructed, specialist divers will work underwater within the structure undertaking the installation of pipe supports, steel pipe, sealing and protection works.

Docklanders will notice a large floating barge with a crane which will be used to install the cofferdam and then service the works within the cofferdam.

A third of the Yarra River will be closed to marine traffic for each of the three stages of work, with each stage expected to take about eight months to complete.

A river traffic management plan will be implemented for each stage to ensure the safety of river users. This plan has been consulted widely with commercial and recreational river users and approved by relevant authorities.

Construction methods for the river crossing have been designed for a one-in-100 year flood and king tide event.

The Melbourne Main Sewer Replacement is being constructed by John Holland on behalf of Melbourne Water and will be completed during 2012. The Yarra crossing will be completed by mid-2011.

> Melbourne Water and John Holland Constructions have invited Docklands residents to an information session at:

The Hub 17 Waterview Walk June 29, 2009 6pm to 8pm



The Hilton opens its doors

The new and very glamorous **Hilton Melbourne at South** Wharf is now open.

Vice president Hilton Hotels Australasia Ashley Spencer, said: "Hilton Hotels has invested heavily in Melbourne and view the city as one of Australia's. if not the world's premier business events destinations."

Offering a range of new eating and drinking destinations, choices at the Hilton include Nuevo 37 restaurant, featuring Spanish cuisine by Michelin-starred Chef Ramon.

In keeping with the theme, the Sotano Wine and Tapas Bar features a wine tower suspended from seven-metre-high ceilings, and a four-metre-high charcuterie tower laden with Spanish meats and cheeses,

anchors for the tapas menu. Or for a quick snack, there's Caffe Cino.

The hotel itself has 396 rooms and is 20 storeys high with spectacular views.







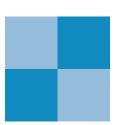
















Our star is still shining for Marco



The Southern Star Observation Wheel's recent dramas haven't detracted from its inspiration for renowned Melbourne artist Marco Luccio.

Marco is currently exhibiting in Carlton a collection of works which feature Docklands' wheel as its centrepiece.

Totem City explores the city under construction, the city as a working sketch and as a changing organism. It stamps the crane, a common thread in Marco's work throughout his 20 years of image making, as a symbol for civilisation.

The key to the creative intensity of Totem City is the time Marco spent on the construction sites around Melbourne, where he drew for countless hours responding to the "theatre" of these industrial sites.

"I was formally 'inducted' onto these sites which gave me very close access to the action. I worked amongst the noise of the cranking of heavy machines, the whistles of the foreman and the shouts from men as they worked together in building these massive constructs. The whole thing was like a symphony," he said.

"Once inducted on-site and surrounded by massive cranes, for example at times five cranes wrapped around the wheel simultaneously, it was surreal - I felt like I was in a Jurassic Park for cranes," he said.

Why the wheel? "The first moment I saw the wheel it was just the striking metal star and the long white legs holding it up. It struck me as a type of motif or symbol, a possible totem for civilisation. A tribal gesture. Simple. Bold," he said.

"Later as the circular surrounds were added it resembled a logo, similar to a Mercedes Benz logo, the car hood ornament. It was also such a simple and elegant shape. As the pods were being added it took on a science fiction quality as the large arms of cranes picked up and delivered the pods to the wheel racks.'

"One of my favourite moments on the wheel site was drawing it from below, from beneath a mountain of rubble, a pile of site leftovers that included plastic strips with skeletal shapes, metal bolts and bricks. From here the wheel appeared totemic, clean and white, defiant to the unfinished, dirty discards of leftover parts no longer useful."

"Presently the wheel stands still. A symbol of disrupted commerce, a disparate and self-conscious symbol of modernity sitting idle amongst the 'wastelands'."

"I chose the wheel because I knew the fascinating star shape and its massive tubular legs would fire the automatic response that inspires my work."

"With the wheel not currently in use, it somehow seems poignant and adds another level of meaning to the ideal of the structure as a totem for civilisation."

Forty works are being exhibited. Showcases filled with sketchbooks, tools and photographs - as well as a DVD of Marco working in his studio and on site - add depth and interest to the visitors' experience to the exhibition.

The exhibition runs until June 28 at STEPS GALLERY, 62 Lygon St, Carlton South. www.marcoluccio.com



















Docklands 38/801 Bourke Street

MOSAIC IT'S HERE

2 Bed 2 Bath 1 Car

Price Private sale \$720,000 By appointment Contact Glenn Donnelly

Situated in the Victoria harbour precinct of Docklands and located directly in front of beautiful parklands and 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.

Perfectly located on the

Northbank of the Yarra

floor apartment which is

spacious, light filled and

floor plan. Consisting of 2

coffee machine and, wine

fridge. The lounge opens

onto a large terrace which

overlooks the Yarra River.



Docklands Lot 20 Yarra's Edge RIVER PRECINCT HAS TO BE SEEN

4 Bed 1 Study 4 Bath 4 Car

Private sale \$4.8m Price By appointment Glenn Donnelly Contact

River precinct offers a special opportunity to choose the sanctuary of home-style living in an already well established exclusive community. This north facing Riverfront Home captures enviable views across the Yarra to the city of Melbourne and beyond. This homes interior has been carefully designed to capture light, optimise views and maximise privacy. It offers the latest in style and innovation that has been planned around internal open spaces that include only the very best fittings and finishes. The floor plan bests suits your lifestyle needs and comes with a large marina berth lease just metres from your front door.



nds 64 / 801 Bourke Street

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Auction 20th June 1pm By appointment Contact Glenn Donnelly

Located in the Mosaic building, this apartment is cleverly designed and 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 1208 / 60 Siddeley Street ENTERTAINERS DELIGHT

2 Bed 2 Bath 1 Car

Private sale \$599,000+ By appointment Inspect Glenn Donnelly Contact



Docklands 1505 / 5 Caravel Lane STYLE, AMBIENCE & LOCATION

2 Bed 2 Bath 1 Car

Inspect

Private sale \$600,000 By appointment Glenn Donnelly

This sensational 2 bedroom z bath apartment is superbly located in the Boyd building. Located on level 15 you can enjoy fabulous views overlooking New Quay Promenade, Port Phillip Bay, Victoria harbour and the marina below. Superb modern style kitchen with quality stainless steel appliances. large bench tops and ample storage. Floor to ceiling windows compliment the generous living/dining area leading to the outdoor balcony. Two generous bedrooms both with BIRs large main bathroom offering shower over bath, and a separate Laundry.



Docklands 3702 / go Lorimer Street

JUST ENJOY THE VIEWS

3 Bed 2 Bath 2 Car

Private sale \$1.5m By appointment Inspect Glenn Donnelly

Presentation perfect with unrivalled panoramic views from the bay across the bridges to the Yarra and the city skyline, this impressive apartment on the 37th floor is the epitome of inner city living, Capturing glorious northern sun, this immaculate home enjoys open plan entertaining with balcony terrace, designer Miele kitchen/meals, hotel style main bedroom (BIRs & ensuite) & a wing of 3 bedrooms (BIRs), family bathroom. Including stone bench tops, zoned heating/cooling, video intercom & two security U/C car spaces & a storage cage, it's pure excellence complete with lift access, and use of the pool, gym & BBQ facilities.



cklands 1206 / 60 Siddeley Street ENTERTAINERS TERRACE

2 Bed 1 Bath 1 Car

Private sale \$500,000 Price Inspect By appointment Contact Glenn Donnelly

Consisting of 2 bedrooms, a modern and stylish kitchen with stainless steel appliances, glass splash back, granite bench tops and plenty of storage. The lounge opens up to a large terrace and the two bedrooms have built in robes, perfect for entertaining family and friends before heading into the City for a night of fun. You have the option to use the impressive facilities which include a fully equipped gymnasium, steam and sauna rooms, spa and swimming pools. Close to public transport, Crown Casino and all that exciting Melbourne has to offer. The property also comes with one secure car park



Docklands 1606 / 50 Lorimer Street VIEWS A PLENTY

2 Bed 1 Bath 1 Car

Price Private sale \$550,000 Inspect By appointment Glenn Donnelly

A stunning property where you not only get water views from every room of this home, you also get 2 bedrooms with built in robes and a large living room. But wait there's more! Timber floors, balcony, stone bench tops and the use of the stunning leisure centre that Lorimer Street has been renowned for The facilities include access to Mirvacs Rekdek which includes indoor heated lap pool, spa, steam and sauna room, and fully equipped gymnasium.



Docklands 1308 / 8 McCrae Street TERRIFIC CITY VIEWS

1 Bed 1 Study 1 Bath 1 Car

Private sale \$390,000

By appointment Inspect Glenn Donnelly

No earthly reason to accept second best when you can live in this fabulous apartment which includes one bedroom plus separate large study. With the City at your finger tips, combined with facilities including an outdoor. This apartment offers everything to the owner occupier or investor, Village Docklands is situated very close to the Southern Cross station, Crown Casino and Telstra Dome. The building is positioned less than 3 minutes drive from the freeway entrance and has a tram stop directly in front of the building.

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Official opening for

Docklands' new neighbour

Docklands' new neighbour, the Melbourne Convention Exhibition Centre (MCEC), has already hosted a number of events, and has even received a few gongs, despite the fact that it won't be officially opened until June 5 when the Premier, John Brumby, will be cutting the ribbon.

MCEC claims it is "the world's first and one-and-only" 6 Star Green Star convention centre. According to the MCEC Chief Executive Leigh Harry, its environmental rating is based on a mix of initiatives to reduce overall energy usage and promote recycling.

"The ultimate aim is to make the lowest possible impact on the environment. The MCEC has set an environmental benchmark for the industry, becoming the only convention and exhibition venue in Australia with both Green Globe and Waste Wise accreditation," Mr Harry said.

"The MCEC has the first privately-funded black water treatment plant in a public building in Australia. The treatment plant receives 'black' water from the building's sewer systems and rainwater collected from the roof. After being treated, the water can be used for toilet flushing, cooling towers and watering the parks and gardens."

The system gives the MCEC a 20 per cent reduction of water saving inside the centre, and a 100 per cent saving outside the building. Despite opening it's doors at a time of economic uncertainty, Mr Harry is upbeat.

"We have a significant number of international and national conventions booked from post-opening on for the next four years. There is no doubt that there will be some challenges in relation to delegate numbers over the next 12 months. We are focussing our efforts on how we can best assist event organisers in this area ... There is no evidence to date of major changes in the booking patterns for international and national conventions which is the primary business areas of most convention centres."

Currently the MCEC has won 49 major international conventions, which will bring 100,800 delegates to Melbourne between 2009 and 2014, which Mr Harry says "will inject hundreds of millions of dollars into the Victorian economy."

"The MCEC represents world leadership in best practice, innovation and sustainability and is raising standards to new heights in technology and imaginative food and wine options," Mr Harry said.





Docklands

Docklands photographer Vito Fisicchia married his sweet heart of five years Gisella on March 29.

The couple met while working at a wedding. Vito, 37, was the photographer and Gisella, 26, was the wedding singer.

Their own special day took place at Gisella's old school the Academy of Mary Immaculate in Fitzroy. Media personality Father Bob Maguire did the honours and the reception was held at Quat Quatta, Ripponlea.

The couple honeymooned in Hawaii.



Vito works in Docklands for Yervant, who for the third year running has been awarded Capture Magazineis number one wedding photographer.

Yervant said this was a particular honour as the award is voted on by industry peers and is based on reputation and perceived leadership among professionals.

Docklanders Richard and Lisa Cozzella were married on March 1 and naturally had their photos taken at Docklands.

held at Rippon Lea Estate, Elsternwick























Liquor licensing joke!

My wife and I recently had a great weekend in NewQuay to celebrate our anniversary. We love the place. I was however pretty amazed to be reading in your local paper all the dramas about a 1am licence for the Woolshed Pub.

We stayed in the Sant Elia building and had to put up with music and noise from the Loungeroom until 3am.

The weekend we were there, there was a huge fight out the front of the Lounge. We were really shocked to see this happening in an area we thought was pretty safe.

We don't know how those living in the building put up with all the noise. We probably will be back but will be staying somewhere else. Surely residents should be more concerned about trying to reduce the hours of the Lounge Hotel so that those staying or living there can get some sleep, rather than worrying about the Woolshed which will have no impact.

We think that the area could really benefit from a bar that is close by, but away from

I can't see how the Woolshed would have any effect on residents if it closes at 1am which is probably when the Lounge Hotel should also have to close.

Hayden James

Move Blowhole back into the wind

The once active and colourful Dockland's icon "The Blowhole" which cost a significant amount to build is now still and dwarfed by the new ANZ building.

This unique moving example of modern art requires wind to turn the cups and be active. (The main and largest cup is broken and has not been repaired for nearly a year.) The wind no longer makes this piece interesting to watch as they have built a wind shield in its path (good planning!).

All in all, it's a complete waste of money in its current position.

Why not move it to the foreshore along Harbour Esplanade or the far end of NewQuay where the wind blows nearly every day where it will, once again, entertain visitors.

Ray Spencer Resident



Dear Amanda

Just got back from Queensland and read the Docklands Community News and saddened to see that you had reached the venerable age of 40 while I was away.

Please give a thought therefore to this poor old scribe who is twice your age plus two and the delight that it has given me to read that a nice young lady thinks that I am just as mad as she is.

If you want to be as mad as me when you're 82, you'll have to keep working at it, but please don't give up. It's the only way to survive.

An amazing line of research now will be - and I am sure you could get a grant for this - to ascertain how a deceased pirate who has just been buried under the Bolte Bridge Silver Sticks all these years, could suddenly spawn the Dockness Monster.

The biologists, anatomists and scientists of at least a half dozen other disciplines could have a field day with this, and set up the world's first vertical research establishment right on the job, inside the Silver Sticks.

Better stop now or they will want to lock me up in the Silver Sticks and throw away the key.

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Cards anyone?

Anyone for a game of 500?

Watergate resident Reg White wants to meet fellow card players for a regular weekly game. Games would most likely be played at The Hub, at Victoria Harbour.

In a move which would confound critics, 82-year-old Reg moved to Docklands from a retirement home in suburban Donvale.

From his new Docklands home he can actually walk to public transport, the doctor, pharmacy and supermarket.

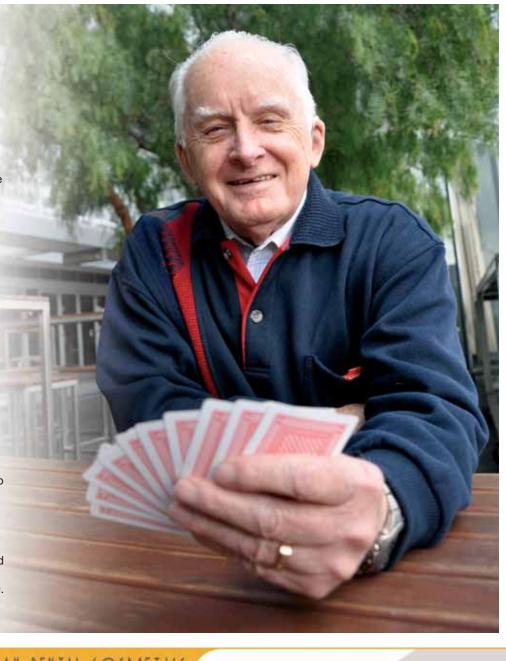
Reg has retained his car to travel over to Doncaster RSL for weekly card games and to drive to church on Sundays. But if he found some cards or chess companions in Docklands it would tick another box reinforcing why Docklands is a great place

Reg moved to Docklands in 2006 following the passing of his late wife, Nancy. His daughter Sharon lives at Dock 5.

He and Sharon recently returned from a trip to Japan. The previous time Req visited Japan was in 1946 when he witnessed Hiroshima as part of an allied occupation

He is very impressed with Japan and would be only too pleased to discuss this and many other issues over a few hands of 500.

Interested players can contact Reg on 9670 0909.



Violence shakes Docklands

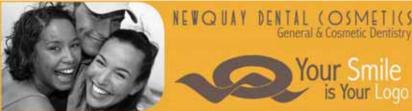
Two thirds of Docklanders surveyed in May said they felt less safe after an attack at Watermark Bar.

A gang of 15 men wielding machetes and baseball bats almost severed the thumb of a security guard in April.

Some 15 people responded to the online survey with 10 (66.7 per cent) saying they felt less safe, four saying they didn't feel less safe and one being uncertain.

To the question: "What can be done about violence in Docklands?", 12 people left comments. Among them were:

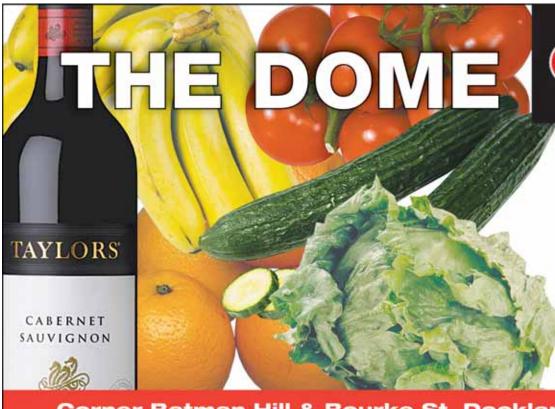
- More police patrols.
- The owners and staff of the nightclubs need to take more responsibility who they serve with liquor.
- Increase security and reduce all liquor licences in the Docklands precinct to 12am to minimise anti-social behaviour.
- Police should have more of a presence on Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights. It would be perfect if we had a subpolice station at Docklands.
- A greater after-dark police presence when unruly visitors become violent.
- Don't attract thugs!
- No exclusive ethnic nights.
- Restrict the number of patrons.
- We need more police presence in Docklands, 1am liquor licences and a change in society's attitudes.
- No new licences whatsoever.
- Community vigilance.



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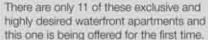
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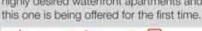






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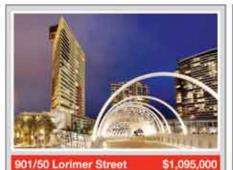
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Anita Paganoni, 40 Community Hubs officer, City of Melbourne

Anita is a familiar face to the many Docklanders who use The Hub for community activities. She has a background as a children's librarian.

'I love meeting new people all time.'



Jason Campbell, 29 **Tourism Lounge co-ordinator, Harbour Town**

Jason was a flight attendant before he began looking after Docklands visitors about four months ago.

He is excited by the growth potential of the precinct. "I'm looking forward to seeing it grow," he said.



Joe Murphy, 53 Events manager, **Melbourne City Sports**

Joe brought his team to Docklands last November and sees tremendous opportunity to involve the local

"I think it's a blank canvas. The scope is enormous in Docklands," he said.



Leisa Wheatland, 46 Hotel manager, Grand **Mercure Apartments**

Leisa is a third generation hotelier and has been running Grand Mercure for more than three years.

she said. "It's such a vibrant community.



Marisa Travain, 39 Head chef/co-owner Va Bene Pizzeria

Marisa is fast gathering a following among the foodies of Docklands.

really nice.



Ruggero Facchi, 60 Pizz chef Lamore Restaurant

Ruggero has been creating pizzas at Lamore for two years and has seen a lot of old faces and new.

"Docklands is fantastic. It's improving by



Fishing at Docklands By Fishy

Have you noticed the increasing number of men and women at the waters edge of the Docklands, trying their hand at catching the monster bream that live under our pylons and piers?

It is an exciting pastime to enjoy with children. It teaches patience and is calming and therapeutic (although it can be damn frustrating when you lose a big one). We all need to relax in this mad world of ours.

For those wanting to try their luck, it's easy but not just a case of dangling a worm on a bit of string. How much you spend on equipment i.e. rod and reel etc. is up to you, but you can enjoy yourself and have some fun for very little outlay.

All you really need is a small lightweight rod, a small reel filled with light line, small hooks, small sinkersm and a large bucket to keep your fish in (unless you are like me and prefer to return them carefully to the water, so they can come back when they are a foot long and weigh 6 kgs). The bucket is good to have, for sitting on, keeping your beer cold, washing your hands, or other things.

Baits used are, once again, anything. Any bit of fish, mussels, prawns, worms. Or if you want to keep your hands clean, use rubber worms. One of the best bream baits is bread, rolled into a ball to completely cover the hook and use it without any sinker.

Another good tip is to wrap very fine elastic around the fish and soft baits. This will help keep the fish from pinching your offering.

What fish are you likely to catch? Well, when in season, there are: Pinkies, Bream, Mullet Jewfish Skate a size 10 Wellington fish (which are rare and not very good eating) and a few more species.

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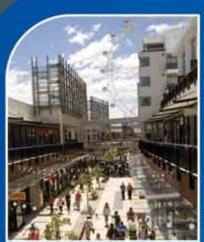




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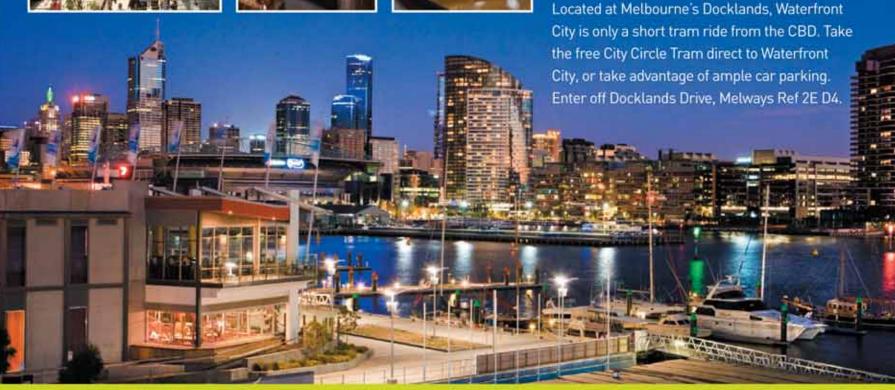






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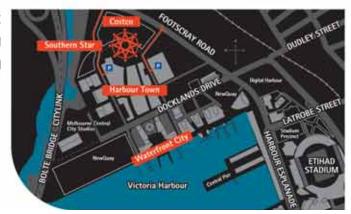
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Slow Sundays

Every Sunday in June – August, 2:00pm – 6:00pm Various venues at Waterfront City

Enjoy a tasting plate and glass of wine or beer for \$15.00 at participating venues on the Waterfront. Valid from 2pm to 6pm Sundays in June, July and August 2009. Visit www.waterfrontcity.com.au to view all venues and menus.



Cabaret Cruise - ELVIS

Saturday 6th June, 7.30pm The Voyager cruise ship

The legend of Elvis lives on with a tribute show on a large luxury vessel. Includes 3 courses, Elvis floor show, dance floor. Cruising from Docklands 7.30pm.

Bookings essential, \$99pp. Ph 9285 0000, www.rivers.net.au



Ignite@Docklands

30 May 2009 – Ignite 2009 opening night and Winter's Eve Party Time: 6:00pm Ignite@Docklands – Thursday to Sunday evenings until 14th June 2009, plus Monday 8th June (Queens Birthday Public Holiday). Waterfront City Piazza. Cost: FREE

Docklands will ignite in a spectacular display of light and warmth this winter with an array of visual attractions along the waterfront. Kicking off with a Winter's Eve Party on Saturday 30 May, the City of Melbourne is hosting a night of free family entertainment to launch its 'Winter in the City' program and celebrate the return of Ignite@Docklands. With fireworks, illuminated boats on the harbour, live performers and the spectacular Pyrophone Juggernaut – you'll be thoroughly entertained each time you visit..

Visit www.thatsmelbourne.com.au for more information.



Harbour Town Winter Village

June to August

Winter at Harbour Town Shopping Centre

Harbour Town Shopping Centre has more than great shopping this Winter. Visit the Harbour Town Winter Village for the daily snow falls on the hour, every hour, between 11am and 4pm and the spectacular live ice carving shows every Saturday in June at 10.30am and 1.30pm. Plus you can bring the kids along for a FREE carousel ride. There will also be a great range of free school holiday entertainment including pony rides, animal farm and craft activities.

Visit www.harbourtownmelbourne.com.au for all the latest winter activities at Harbour Town Shopping Centre.

What better way to spend a day out - indulge in some retail therapy at Harbour Town Shopping Centre in one of the many Brand Direct Outlet and Specialty stores, and the new Designers' House!

For further information visit www.waterfrontcity.com.au or call 8628 6000 Waterfront City, Docklands Drive, Melbourne Docklands.(MEL REF 2E D4)

Creative

writing awards

Docklands writers have a chance to win the inaugural **Lord Mayor's Creative** Writing Award.

The awards are open to all emerging writers living in Victoria. The Lord Mayor's Award, which will be chosen from one of the following four categories:

- General prose or poetry;
- Three hour book or novella; and
- Young Writer (up to 25 years of age).

Prizes of \$1000 will also be awarded in each of the categories.

Submissions close on August 31, 2009. Winners will be announced at an awards ceremony in November. All winners will be published.

For terms and conditions, visit the Melbourne Library Service website, or contact the service by phone.

Entrants must include a completed application form with their entry and agree to the terms and conditions as part of the application process.

For more information about how to enter call 9658 9495 or visit www.melbournelibraryservice.com.au.

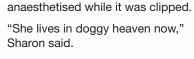
Jamaica crosses the line

Jamaica the nine-year-old shih tzu crossed the line between living hell and doggy heaven when she was rescued five years ago by the Hedley family of Dock 5.

Sharon Hedley explained the Jamaica was originally a gift for her son Blake's

"The girlfriend has gone, but Jamaica is still with us," she laughed.

She said Jamaica was rescued from



was so matted, she needed to be

Jamaica may look sweet but is known for enthusiastically defending what she perceives as her territory.



Eco-city photo competition

Calling all photographers! You're invited to cast your eye over the city and photograph your image of Melbourne's future as a sustainable city.

In 2007 and 2008, the City of Melbourne led a large-scale community consultation to envisage Melbourne's long-term future. The resulting plan, Future Melbourne, encapsulates the community's vision for all aspects of city life.

Part of that vision was for Melbourne to be an eco-city - where our environmental footprint is decreased, the community adapts to a changing climate and we work together to build a sustainable future.

The City of Melbourne invites you to get involved and photograph what you think are the most important things to consider for our future as an eco-city, what you think sustainability looks like in our city, and what you think an eco-city should look like.

Who can enter?

The Melbourne: eco-city Photo Competition is open to all photographers - from amateur and professional, to juniors and seniors who live or work within, or visit, the City of Melbourne.

The best photographs from different categories will win prizes and will be used in City of Melbourne publications to illustrate our environmentally sustainable initiatives.

Photographs used will be credited to the photographer.

Entrants can submit up to three photographs but they must be taken in the City of Melbourne between February 1 and June 30, 2009. The competition closes on June 30. All entries must be supplied in digital form as a high-resolution .jpeg or a .tif file on CD-Rom.

Prizes are \$100 vouchers for Todae, a leading online eco-store, for each category winner, plus a print of the photo in a beautiful reclaimed timber frame from Mulbury Gallery. For more information about competition categories, prizes, terms and conditions or to download an entry form, visit www.melbourne.vic.gov.au



It's Just Life

with Abby Crawford

I don't know about everyone else, but it seems to me that right now we're all putting in a lot of effort to win new business. The financial world is up and down and we head to the office hoping that today's the day we get that new client we've been pitching for.

We've feverishly compiled our list of all the unique selling points we have to offer, the quality assurances we can give and are putting on our best faces to appear trustworthy, interesting and wildly appealing!

Funny how that relates so well to our approach when single ... We are at our best when trying to lock in that shift from attracting attention to securing the deal. Nothing is too much trouble. You spend time ensuring the "outer" you is perfectly styled to show off your hearttelt "inner" you.

The trick is ensuring you continue to deliver well after your pitch mode! Many make the grave mistake of over promising and making a great song and dance of all the things that are going to happen. And that's the end of

Like a peacock quivering its plumes to attract the females attention, all

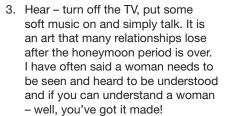
too often it is not long before the awful realisation sinks in that the peacock has only one show.

So gentlemen, you know how important it is to ensure the very best presentation is made in securing that new client, but you would also know that the key to keeping business going is retention. Keep the client you have happy and growing, and there may not be a real need to go out seeking new clients to fill the gap!

So if you have a wonderful partner, maybe it's as much about keeping the romance up and keeping a happy relationship that can really develop and bloom than going out constantly "pitching" for someone new.

Your retention strategy is simple, your check list is your five senses!

- 1. See notice her hair, her eyes, remind yourself of the things that first attracted you to her - and tell her. If she wore red lipstick when you fell in love with her, buy it for her again
- 2. Touch a simple hand or foot massage - without her feeling it is a request for any further activity, and she'll be smiling at you for days to come. Touch is reassuring, and evokes memories of the tenderness of when you first met.



- 4. Smell a single beautifully scented flower, with a hand written note to say it is nearly as beautiful as she is. Or a gorgeously scented soap, just a token of how divine her world should be.
- 5. Taste cook tantalising morsels of her favourite food, strawberries, chocolates, a glass of cognac by the fire and most importantly of all - a sensuous, slow, delicious kiss.

Gentlemen, if you have been fortunate enough to have found someone special, isn't she worth hanging on to? Go on, have the relationship you've always dreamt of – a little effort can go a very long way!

Abby X

Don't forget to email me any questions you have about What Women Want at life@docklands.com.au!

















INDEPENDENT REVIEWS FROM DOCKLANDS' PHANTOM DINER

I consider myself an honorary Indian, by virtue of the fact I once lived in Brunswick - almost Coburg in fact, which only enhances my credibility.

When your local milk and bread stop doubles as the Bollywood video joint and the only flour on offer is made from chick-peas - you can't help but acquire a taste for chapattis and bhaji. I've also been to India - although Coburg was much more like the real thing.

So what better venue to launch my restaurant reviewing career than Bhoj of Docklands - recipient of numerous foodie accolades, yet a restaurant still largely unheard of by many of the visitors I drag through Docklands.

I'm yet to tire of the looks on their faces when it dawns on them there's no bain

marie full of various shades or orange, and the food won't be served into plastic takeway containers.

In fact, the décor is the first indication that Bhoj is clearly a cut above your six-buck a curry take-out joint (well, second, the first being you are actually in Docklands!). Overlooking the waterfront promenade, the interior of Bhoj is decked out with intricately carved wooden tables, some fabulous carved artwork and old Indian doors doubling as wall art.

If I weren't such an upstanding citizen, I'd have long ago pocketed a set of the artfully designed cutlery with their coppery ends twisted into little curls ...'

Knowing my Indian, I can't at first resist from balking at the prices - the meat curries start at around \$20 and wouldn't even fill half a plastic take-out dish, but when you sample the quality of the meat and the delicate blend of spices - none

of which is swimming in that tell-tale slick of oil that appears to be a standard accompaniment of northern suburbs Indian - you start to appreciate the value.

No grey, slimy chicken bits here, doused in ghee and cream. Only tender, bite-sized pieces of fillet, marinated to perfection so that even the dry dishes are moist and full of flavour. You must try the Mulai Chicken Kali Mirch Kebab – chicken tenderloin marinated in yoghurt, crushed black pepper, lemon juice and coriander roots, enriched with cheese and finished off in the clay oven. Don't ask me to explain the cheese bit, but it works!

Another stand out is the garlic prawns another dry dish but consisting of large, juicy morsels with a touch of the tandoor flavour providing the perfect lift to the fresh garlic.

You can find all your standard curries here, Kormas, Vindaloos and Madras, but thankfully Bhoj also represents some of

the culinary diversity of India itself - try some of the dishes more reflective of the delicate flavours of the south - the Murg Dolchi Golmirch - chicken cooked in green onions, peppercorns, cashew nuts, coconut and tamarind, being a stand out.

So while the prices aren't exactly Indian, they still represent darn fine value in Docklands. And I'll tell you one thing you won't find a wine list complete with food matching recommendations in those joints on Sydney Road.

Bhoj is at 54 NewQuay Promenade. Ph: 9600 0865.

* In no way is the author encouraging, recommending or advocating stealing!



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mandah anale

I want to start this month by saying to those of you that were expecting the more sophisticated article that I promised, well

I know I promised that I would try, but actually after spending my birthday at Dreamworld and going on my first ever roller coaster, I have discovered I am now more immature than I realised.

> So back to normal and the normal rationale of my mind. I am currently flat hunting in Docklands and I am finding the process very difficult. Not only can I not find anything in my price range when I do find a good one I am competing against another 50 applicants who all offer more than I can afford ... not fair. Don't they know who I am!

> > And then the estate agents suggest that on my budget I should look at surrounding suburbs and I think, great I could live in Port Melbourne but then they hand me the schedules for property in Footscray and Spotswood. No way. I am a Docklander

there has to be a solution.

Anyway, on a gin-filled haze one evening it came to me - THE WHEEL.

There we have 21 compact homes and it is not going anywhere for the next 12 months. And then I remembered the publicity that David Blain got when he was suspended in a glass box above the Thames in London for 44 days, a great tourist attraction. He attracted global

> I could do the same. This could be great for Docklands and great for me! Close to the shops, excellent views, close to public transport. I am sold!

> > Then came Saturday morning. What was I thinking? I suffer from claustrophobia. I have vertigo. I am over 6ft tall. Not to mention, where would I go to the toilet?

> > > I am still looking. Any serious suggestions welcome.

Rotary Club

is up and running

After months of preparation, Docklands' new Rotary Club is ready for chartering.

The club will charter at a special event in Docklands on Tuesday, June 23.

So far, the club has 23 members but hopes to have 50 to 60 within a year.

A number of positions in the new club have been filled including:

- President Mark Nutter
- Club secretary Peter Ruefli
- President-elect Ann Ellis
- Assistant treasurer Jim Hardy
- Service projects Adrian Stanners
- Membership Leisa Wheatland (with Ann White assisting)
- Rotary Foundation Dennis Ginn
- Protection officer Adam Jones
- Public relations Shane Scanlan (with Julie Collings assisting)
- Club administration Antoinette Saunders
- Program Kylie Rich

The new club meets weekly at Lamore, Victoria Point between 6.30pm and 7.30pm on Tuesdays. For further information ring Ann White on 0402 306 790.

Marina Notes

by Allan Cayzer, Manager Marina YE

Tasmania from the outside

In February this year Marina YE residents Robert and Rosemary Unger undertook a 27-day cruise around Tasmania in their 18 metre motor yacht Cracklin' Rosie.

The journey started with the trip from Yarra's Edge to Queenscliff for the first overnight stop. With an early morning start to navigate the Rip on the tide, Cracklin' Rosie set a course for Stanley on the north west corner of Tasmania for another overnight stop. From Stanley it was off to Strahan via Green Point and the Three Hummock and Hunter Islands. Two days were spent at Strahan cruising the magnificent Macquarie Harbour and the Gordon River.

From Strahan it was off to Port Davev and Bathurst Harbour and Melaleuca Inlet where they spent four days cruising this picturesque part of Tasmania. Robert and Rosemary recalled the scenery in this area as being outstanding and naturally the camera was in constant demand.

After enjoying Port Davey it was off around the bottom end of Tasmania and on to Hobart. This was a three-day trip with overnight stops. After Hobart a leisurely nine days were enjoyed cruising back up the East Coast of Tasmania to Launceston where they spent another three days before the return trip across Bass Straight to Queenscliff and home to Yarra's Edge.

Robert and Rosemary were joined by friends for various stages of the trip and never had less than six on board at any

The cruise covered 1402 nautical miles and required several fuel stops one of which

was from a pre-arranged rendezvous with a fishing boat that was able to transfer 1000 litres into Cracklin' Rosie's tanks - such is the remoteness of this part of our country.

Robert and Rosemary are looking forward to many more future expeditions aboard Cracklin' Rosie.



Energy Saver it all starts at home

Your household can get a free consultation on the best ways to save energy in your home reducing your energy costs and greenhouse gas emissions.

The City of Melbourne, in cooperation with the City of Yarra, has introduced the Energy Saver scheme to help residents improve the energy efficiency of their homes.

All residents of City of Melbourne and City of Yarra are eligible. Residents will be encouraged to get in touch with one of three selected organisations who will advise on the best way to save energy.

The councils chose the three providers for their capacity to offer a comprehensive, low cost service. They are Brotherhood of St Laurence, Ecovantage and Enact.

By saving energy at home, you can make a difference to the impact you and your household have on climate change, as well as reducing the costs of energy consumption.

How does the scheme work?

Melbourne and Yarra households are eligible to receive:

- A free energy audit;
- Some free energy saving technology, including installation (for example, light globes, showerheads, insulation);
- Where possible, reduced cost energy saving technologies (including solar hot water and draught proofing); and
- **Free** information to help you further reduce your environmental footprint.

Visit www.melbourne.vic.gov.au for more information on how to register.



















The name game

Vanessa and I have just a few days to come up with a name for our son to be. We currently have a two-year-old named Summer (cutest girl in the universe!). I don't know what it is, but it seemed a million times easier to come up with a name for a girl.

Boys seem much trickier. You want it to be unique but not too unique, you want it to be strong but not so strong he sounds like a superhero (though Batman certainly has a good ring to it).

That being said, most people assume that being a minister I'm going to go for a Bible favourite, e.g. Matthew, Mark, Luke, John or perhaps the less prominent Bible names like Noah, Jonah, Merodachbaladan, Tilgathpilneser or why not Judas? All great names, but I think I'll go for something different.

Maybe our celebrities have something to offer. They certainly aren't afraid to think outside the square. Bon Jovi named his son Jesse James, David Bowie went for Zowie, Nicolas Cage chose Weston, Jane Fonda couldn't go past Troy, Stephen Seagal decided on Justice, Shannyn Sossamon named her boy Audio Science, and Robert Rodriguez went for Rocket.

As much as I like creativity I'm not sure how Rocket Troy or Audio Science would fit into the Melbourne scene.

So in search of further wisdom, deep insight and an expert opinion I went where every urbanite goes - Facebook and Twitter!

Yes that's right I have recently put the challenge out on my status. Some great suggestions have come in - Optimus

Prime, Winter (a good match for our daughter Summer, Stone (a good match for my surname Mason), Perry, Thor, Levi and probably my favourite Chuck Norris.

What dad would not be proud of a son named Chuck Norris?

Choosing a name is clearly not only a hard task, but also very important. A name says so much of who we are, our heritage and our personhood.

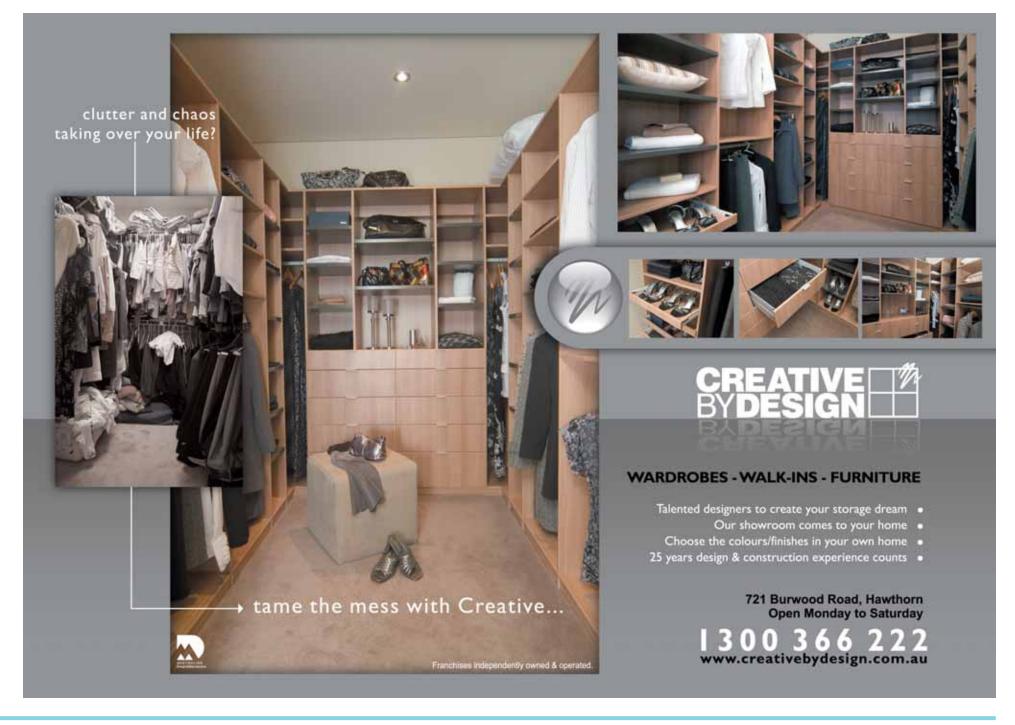
In the Bible for example, Jesus changed Simon's name to Peter. Why? Because Peter (in ancient Greek) means rock! Jesus wanted "The Rock" to know that he was a man of strength, courage, conviction, a man on whom the church would be built.

Jesus himself had a significant name - it means God saves.

At other times Jesus is called Immanuel which means God is with us. Both are awesome descriptions of who Jesus is and why he came. He came as God in flesh, to be amongst us; and he came on a rescue mission to save and liberate us. It's a most significant name.

So Docklands I have a challenge - help me find a name. If you have a suggestion email guymason@ docklandschurch.org.au. God willing, we will have boy (and a name!) by the next edition and I will announce the winning name.

Guy Mason is the lead pastor of Docklands Church, a new and growing community that meets Sundays at 10.30am and 6pm upstairs at James Squire Restaurant, Waterfront City.

















Old-school Docklands still going strong



With Docklands not even half way to being fully developed, it's strange to talk about old-timers. But that's what Leo Papagiannis and Kosta Loukopoulos are.

The knock-about pair have been in business together for two years but each has an original Docklands story to tell.

Leo used to be in IT but started cleaning when NewQuay was first developed. He has been building manager for a number of the towers and knows everything worth knowing about the precinct and the people.

Kosta was site manager for the private security firm which used to have the Docklands precinct contract.

These were the days when Docklands mostly consisted of derelict sheds and the population included down-and-outs, ravers, druggies and drunks.

Listening to Kosta speaking of these times, conjures up images of a maverick sheriff determined to clean up a wild west town.

He subsequently performed a similar role for VicUrban until the municipal functions of the precinct were passed back to the City of Melbourne nearly two years ago. After that he joined Leo and formed LPC

The way Leo tells the story is a bit different. "He annoyed me for six months until I finally relented," he laughed.

Kosta reluctantly agreed. "Yeah, I basically just kept busting his chops until he said yes," he said.

The pair still maintain a core of NewQuay cleaning contracts but have expanded outside of Docklands and interstate. Among their Docklands clients are 5 Star Docklands Apartments, Seven Affiliates (Prime TV), MCN (Foxtel) and IRT.

They also provide a range of property services such as cleaning products, dispensers, linen services and other consumables for the hospitality industry.

The pair are passionate about Docklands and won't have a bad word said about it.

"It's not just about the business. It's about us. It's our home," Kosta said.

The pair describe their approach to business as personal and hands on. They say their office is The Lounge at NewQuay and it is from here that they liase with more than 20 staff both in Victoria and Tasmania.

Leo and Kosta can be contacted

New businesses in Docklands

Docklands-based businesses wishing to be profiled in this section should email: amanda@docklandsnews.com.au

New business has eyes wide open

Optometrist Tran Nguyen has started her first business here in Docklands after seven years working for other people.

Tran graduated with honours from the University of New South Wales in 2002 and has worked in South Australia, Queensland, News South Wales and Victoria.



She said working for others left her disconnected with her patients as she was never quite sure how the next optometrist would respond to her patient care regime.

"I would never get to follow up with patients and I really want to give my patients the best possible care," Tran said.

"There needs to be continuity to get the best out of our service."

Kaleyedoscope offers a full range of optometry services as well as a style range of frames. The splendid "cigar lounge" décor is a hint that this business is focussed on only the best and classiest glasses.

Tran says she is not impressed with top brand names per se. She personally selects only the frames that she likes, regardless of brand.

Since opening on May 4, she says, business has been good at her Bourke St, Victoria Harbour location.

Apart from meeting more residents, she is hoping to make connections with other medical practitioners as well as tapping into the corporate market.

Kaleyedoscope is at 831a Bourke St, Victoria Harbour. Ph: 9629 5495.

These women are streets ahead

The latest real estate agents on the block are the charming Street sisters, Cheryle and Julie.

Older sister Cheryle is the "officer in effective control" for JC Street Real Estate. But younger sibling Julie laughs that this has always been the case within their large family.

The Streets says they want to bring a badly-missing element of personal service and compassion into the Docklands real estate scene. Both have strong Docklands connections, having sold many NewQuay properties for other agents in the past.

Cheryle said: "When I first started here there were just paddocks. It's gone from tumbleweeds to towers. I was based at a city agency and people didn't even know where Docklands was."

Since that time both Cheryle and Julie have worked in real estate in other suburbs.

The idea of a Docklands agency came two years ago when Cheryle moved to Yarra's Edge to live and kept bumping into people she has sold property to.

"They all said 'you should do something down here'," Cheryle said. "So really, the community has asked us to set this up."



The Streets are located in a smart new office under LifeLab on Harbour Esplanade.

The classy fit out is no accident. In her other life Cheryle is an interior decorator and JC Street Real Estate offers this as part of the service

In fact, one of the differentiators between them and other agencies is a end-to-end service which includes removals, cleaning and presentation services.

But the sisters say their real strength is being personal and caring about the people they work with.

"Business for us feels like family," Julie said.

JC Street Real Estate is at Suite 10, 198 Harbour Esplanade. Ph: 9600 4988.

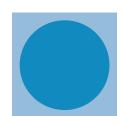
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Docklands Community Calendar



Storytime

Every Monday at 11am

The Hub, 17 Waterview Walk

Storvtime is a special time for children (aged 2-5years) and their care-givers to share time together enjoying stories, songs, rhymes and simple craft. No bookings required.

yahoo.com.au if you wish to speak to someone about coming, otherwise feel

Toastmasters

public holidays), 7pm

The Hub, 17 Waterview Walk

free just turn up on the night.

The Hub, 17 Waterview Walk Breath-centred hatha yoga class. It's Call Nadine on **0450 634 589** or visit

Second and fourth Mondays (except

E-mail docklandstoastmasters@

Every Wednesday, 10am The Hub, 17 Waterview Walk

Open days for groups & individuals

Every Tuesday, February to November, 10am to 2pm

Fox Classic Car Collection

Cnr Batman's Hill Drive and Collins St, Docklands. Entrance off Batman's Hill Drive. For car enthusiasts, visit www.foxcollection.org

Kickboxing

Every Tuesday &Thursday, 6pm to 7pm The Hub, 17 Waterview Walk First class free during April. To book your place, email Kacey Chong at info@corporatekickboxing.com.au

Hatha yoga

Every Tuesday, 7.30pm to 8.30pm suitable for all ages and levels of ability. nadinefawell.net for more details.

Pram Walkers

For more information contact: Anita at The Hub on 8622 4822 or Fiona Burnes at YMCA on 9347 3677.

Mum and Bubs Yoga

Every Wednesday, 10.30am to 11.30am The Hub, 17 Waterview Walk From July 1, heal your body, build strength, and learn to relax in a peaceful and rejuvenating way while bonding with your baby! Call Nadine on 0450 634 589 or visit nadinefawell.net

Lunchtime walks

Every Wednesday, 1pm to 1.30pm The Hub, 17 Waterview Walk For more information contact: Anita at The Hub on 8622 4822 or Fiona Burnes at YMCA on 9347 3677.

Community Walk

Every Wednesday at 5.30pm YMCA Docklands, Level 4, 100 Harbour Esplanade

In conjunction with the Heart Foundation, a great opportunity to meet new people, walk and talk.

Trivia Night

Every Thursday, 6pm to 8pm The Nixon Hotel, 757 Bourke St To register or find out more, email to info@nixonhotel.com.au or phone 9642 3272.



Hatha yoga

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Collector's Sunday Market

Every Sunday, 10am to 4pm Waterfront City Docklands Drive

Discover treasures from the depths of some of Melbourne finest antique and pre-loved specialists, including art, jewellery, retro clothing, vintage books and car boot sales.

Salsa Dancing

Every Sunday, 5pm Yarra's Edge Bar / Café Free. Bring the family, the kids, the dog! All welcome.

Docklands Dinner Book Group

First Wednesday of the month The Hub, 17 Waterview Walk Sample a variety of restaurants in Docklands whilst discussing books with like-minded people. Contact CAE Book Groups at 9652 0620 or email bookgroups@cae.edu.au

Residents night

First Thursday of the month Alumbra, Central Pier RSVP is essential. Please contact Mia via email on mia@alumbra.com.au or phone 8623 9669

Try Sailing Day for the Community

Second and fourth Sundays of the month, 11am to 3.30pm Docklands Yacht Club, Shed 2 North Wharf Rd

Suitable for all ages and abilities and no booking required. Contact Terence O'Donnell 0425 737 389 or visit www.docklands.yachting.org.au

Action Zone

Every Saturday & Sunday, 10am to 5pm Pavilion, Waterfront City Piazza Action Zone is where it's at for the latest in inflatable fun. Bring those legs of steel and dive into the inflatable challenges. Call 8628 6000 or visit waterfrontcity.com.au for details.

Dralion - Cirque du Soleil

Until June 12 Under the Grand Chapiteau, Waterfront City

Prices range from \$35 to \$270. Visit www.cirquedusoleil.com or call 1300 130 300.

Cvcle versus Car

Saturday June 13, 10.15am start Schnapper Point Rd, Mornington Race the Audi A5 back to Docklands through Sorrento across the car ferry, through Queenscliff and Geelong. For more details contact Shane Scanland on 0419 542 625.

Ignite@Docklands

Thursdays to Sundays through to June 14 Waterfront City and NewQuay Docklands will ignite your senses again this winter with the return season of Ignite@Docklands featuring the

explosive Pyrophone Juggernaut, wildly

energetic fire and light performances.

Melbourne Main Sewer Replacement, Community **Information Session**

Monday, June 29, 6pm to 8pm The Hub, 17 Waterview Walk Information from Melbourne Water and John Holland Constructions of an overview and benefits of the project.

Sail-in theatre

Friday, June 19, Saturday 20th, Friday 26th and Saturday 27th Waterfront City Marina

Drive-in theatre for boats with floating screen. Kids movie kicks off at 6.30pm adults 9pm. Book on 9658 8738 or berthing@melbourne.vic.gov.au

Dimitri From Paris

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In response to requests from local businesses the Docklands News is stepping into the business networking space with a series of lunches.

The inaugural Docklands News Networking Lunch is booked for June at the Melbourne Yacht Club Hotel, so look out for your invite from one of our hosts.

Lunch will be of the long, lazy variety so participants are advised to consider marking out the rest of the day.

DCN Advertising Director Amanda Innes said it had become obvious that Docklands needed an exclusive networking event to build and strengthen business relationships within the precinct and to introduce other businesses to the services we have to offer here.

"There is a real need to have a networking event that is designed to do that in an environment where you can make real connections," Miss Innes said.

"I wish I had a dollar for every time someone had suggested the paper do something in this area." "But we don't want speeches, sponsors or anything complicated," she said.

"We think the key to success in this arena is to keep it simple and just bring together the right people for a relaxing afternoon."

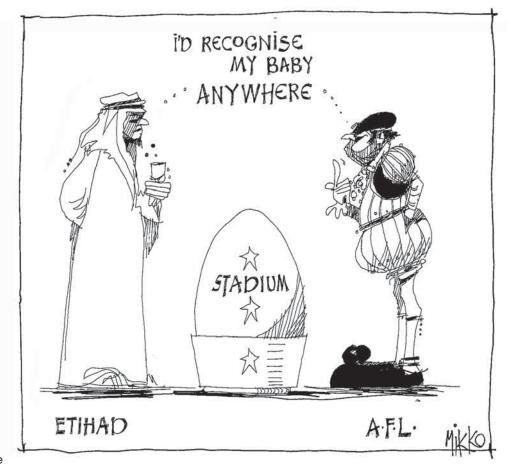
Miss Innes explained that the format relied on six table hosts inviting between six and eight guests to the lunch.

Guests will be asked to bring a bottle of wine and to pay a fee to cover their meal.

Miss Innes also added that she was planning to hold a larger scale event at the end of the year for all the members of the networking lunch, "how fantastic to have a ball where we can all dress up relax and maybe raise some money for charity, I will keep you posted".

Hosting opportunities for the June lunch are no longer available but Miss Innes said she was happy to hear from people interested in hosting a table for July's Docklands News Networking Lunch.

If you are interested in hosting a table please email lunch@docklandsnews.com.au.





The winning Haileybury team aboard the Lady Cutler.

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