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## Riverside party impresses

*Docklands hasn't seen a party like this for a very long time.*

On October 19 the investors behind WTC Wharf at North Wharf spared no expense in launching their revitalised precinct.

In what was reputed to have cost \$250,000, the old World Trade Centre was relaunched

WTC Wharf, "Melbourne's meeting place".

It had masses of sound and light, mini-orchestra, opera, ballet, a celebrity DJ and Premier Ted Baillieu who launched the precinct with a gigantic remote-control.

# Docklands is Beautiful

*Docklanders, tell the world how beautiful our suburb is.*

Docklands News has launched "Docklands is Beautiful", a grassroots campaign designed to counter a growing negative public perception of Docklands.

We want your stories about what a great place this is to live, work and visit.

A website has been established at [www.docklandsisbeautiful.com.au](http://www.docklandsisbeautiful.com.au) to house these stories. So email us your words and pictures at [beautiful@docklandsnews.com.au](mailto:beautiful@docklandsnews.com.au)

Docklands News editor Shane Scanlan said the campaign flowed from conversations he had in the street with Docklanders disappointed by consistently-negative media coverage in early October.

"There we were trying to figure where it was coming from, when Docklands is so obviously beautiful," Mr Scanlan said.

"We all view Docklands from our own perspectives, whether we are residents, traders or developers. And we need to respect our divergent points of view. But we all agree that Docklands is beautiful. And we need to tell this to people we meet."

Mr Scanlan said he hoped the campaign would unify and encourage Docklanders to have pride in their suburb in the face of ill-informed criticism.

"We all know Docklands is not perfect. But it's a work in progress. Why can't they get off our backs or help us make the place better?" Mr Scanlan said.

"We've got so much to celebrate down here. We've come from nowhere in 10 years and look at how much we have achieved. It's stunning."

The Docklands is Beautiful website has a number of suggestions about what Docklanders can do to promote Docklands.

One simple idea is to include the words "Docklands is Beautiful" in your email signature. Or include the words in the promotional and marketing materials of your business. Link to the website, "like" the Docklands is Beautiful Facebook page and follow the campaign on Twitter.

"And we're looking for more promotional ideas that we can share with the community," Mr Scanlan said.

Mr Scanlan said the campaign was inspired by a recent address by Destination Melbourne CEO Chris Buckingham who advised Docklands to speak with a single voice and consistently repeat the message.

"This campaign doesn't need a brand or a logo. The message that Docklands is beautiful is enough," Mr Scanlan said. "Everyone will have their own way of getting the word out. The important thing is that we all do it."

See also Sam Sangster's story on page 7.

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edition is November 25.

## Get close to Cadel

*Victorians have a great chance to get close and personal with cycling hero Cadel Evans when he participates in Suit Up and Ride in Docklands on November 25.*

Thousands of fans are expected to flock to NewQuay to witness the event which is a corporate fundraising effort towards improving youth mental health.

The event is organised by Orygen Youth Health and involves teams of five time-trialling up and down NewQuay Promenade on blue Melbourne share bikes.

Organisers expect more than 50 teams to be entered.

See our official event souvenir program in the centre pages of this edition of *Docklands News* for more details.

*Docklands News* will reprint 10,000 copies of this program just before the event and will distribute them to the crowd on the day.

Cadel is expected to ride in the morning with Fox FM radio broadcaster Matt Tilley and will return in the afternoon for a celebrity race and also present prizes at the end of the day.



## Wow Cheryle

*Life for Docklands real estate agent Cheryle Street took a quirky and unexpected turn last month when she married a federal member of parliament.*

Cheryle married Western Australian MP Steve Irons at Crown Casino on October 21 and less than a week later she met the Queen at a garden party at Western Australia's Government House.

"From the moment I met Steve, I felt I had known him my entire life," Cheryle told *Docklands News*. "I am sure we played together at school or in kindergarten. It was truly love at first sight for the both of us."

Cheryle will be wracking up the frequent flyer points in the future as she juggles her commitments between Melbourne, Canberra and Perth.

And to start things off, this month she is accompanying Steve to Asia where the couple will attend an official delegation followed by a honeymoon in December.

"We are heading off to Bintan Island, which is off the coast of Singapore for our honeymoon," Cheryle said. "There are numerous golf courses on the island and I intend to improve my golf swing."

Mr Irons was originally a Victorian but moved to Western Australia in 1981 to play football. Four years ago he won the seat of Swan for the Liberal Party and was successfully again at last year's election.

## Car parking woes at Yarra's Edge

*Yarra's Edge has gone from having the best public car parking in Docklands to arguably the worst following the closure last month of the public car park next to Tower 5.*

The car park was always earmarked for development but traders are upset that they were not given more notice or any alternative parking arrangements.

Yacht charter operator David Krinsky accused developer Mirvac of disregarding the interests of businesses and residents.

In a letter to Mirvac, Mr Krinsky said: "I understand it is Mirvac's property but one week's notice is less than inadequate under any circumstances."

"I am extremely concerned as there is now no long-term parking available. The only current parking available is two-hour parking and this is very limited. I cannot understand why we were not given more notice to discuss alternative options?"

Mirvac says it gave two weeks' notice and that the closure was necessary to allow Melbourne Water to upgrade a major storm water drain and other authority services.

It says that, while the works are expected to be completed by March, there is no guarantee that the car park will reopen.

"Whilst there is potential to re-open the car park, this is dependent upon future development activity," a Mirvac spokesperson said.

"Mirvac understand that, whilst there may be some short-term frustration amongst businesses, the continued development of Yarra's Edge will deliver an increased population and further business opportunities to the retailers."

Marina YE manager Allan Cayzer said while he was pleased that the works to the storm water drain would protect the river from contamination, he was disappointed to lose the car parking.

He said Docklands' car parking problems were now most pronounced at Yarra's Edge.

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# Docklanders take to the promenade over NewQuay

*Docklands experienced its first public protest meeting on October 6 with about 100 people gathering in the Waterfront City Piazza to protest MAB Corporation's plans for NewQuay Central.*

The meeting heard from three speakers and ended with a suggestion that participants write to the Minister for Planning, the Lord Mayor and Places Victoria (formerly VicUrban) with their concerns.

MAB has bought Waterfront City from ING Real Estate and has announced five new buildings for the under-performing precinct. The two most unpopular aspects of the plan are a 15-storey hotel at the front of the piazza and a 42-storey residential tower.

Leading the charge is Docklands Community Association president and Arkley owners corporation chair Roger Gardner who spoke against the proposal at the protest meeting. Nolan owners corporation chair Michele Anderson and local landscape architecture academic Dr Marieluise Jonas also addressed the meeting.

Mr Gardner is confident of influencing the outcome and has secured a meeting with Planning Minister Matthew Guy this month.

Buoying his confidence is the City of Melbourne's response to the plan which it says "does not satisfy the 'key goals' of the NewQuay Central Urban Design Framework."

In a referral response on September 28, a

council planner criticises MAB's proposal on many grounds including: heights, setbacks, street activation, wind mitigation, shadowing, traffic access, car parking, traffic generation, bicycle facilities and density.

The council warns of increased shadowing of the waterfront promenade as well as the proposed new park space and the recently opened Quay Park. "Where this is combined with increased wind effects, it will significantly reduce the attractiveness of these public spaces," the council said.

The council said the width of the proposed hotel "reduced views and physical connections from Docklands Drive through to the waterfront, contrary to a key criteria of the existing Waterfront Piazza, which is to retain and enhance these connections."

MAB says it is disappointed with the council's response and says it did not come from the council officers who were specifically involved in the planning workshops which produced the proposal.

NewQuay project director David Allt-Graham said MAB was sticking to its guns and believed that the proposal was still the best outcome for the area.

Places Victoria is still compiling a report

of community reaction to MAB's proposal. When completed, it will be forwarded to the Department of Planning and Community Development. The department, in turn, will make a recommendation to the Minister. All parties are hoping for a decision before Christmas.

Mr Gardner said the protest meeting was unanimous in its condemnation of the project – calling it vandalism.

"It would destroy the only purpose-built outdoor theatre, recreational and leisure plaza in Docklands, which already suffers from a severe lack of open space. We are calling on the Planning Minister Matthew Guy to veto the project," Mr Gardner said.

"The developers MAB Corporation are cramming more high-rise buildings into the area without regard to proximity of buildings, wind tunnel effects, vehicle access, overshadowing and open space.

"There is a distinct lack of formal regulations and the government authority for Docklands development, VicUrban, appears to be rubber-stamping developer proposals."

"MAB Corporation is claiming it will install a park behind the 15-storey hotel. That is clearly misleading with inaccurate graphics."

## Survey results

*About two thirds of Docklanders are opposed to MAB's plans for NewQuay Central, according to the October Docklands News survey.*

We asked what people thought of the plan for five new buildings, including a 15-storey hotel in the Waterfront City Piazza and a 42-storey residential tower.

Of the 127 responses received, 39 said their general response was extremely positive, six said positive, one was neutral, 14 were negative and 67 extremely negative.

In percentage terms, this equates to 35.4 per cent being positive and 63.8 per cent being negative.

Respondents voted in a similar pattern to a specific question about how they felt about the hotel proposal.

Comment from the online survey can be read on the online version of this article at [www.docklandsnews.com.au](http://www.docklandsnews.com.au)

## Review underway

The City of Melbourne's electoral review is underway with a series of public sessions planned for this month.

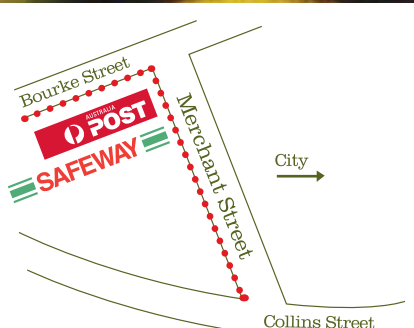
The Victorian Electoral Commission (VEC) is considering the number of councillors for the city as well as its electoral structure and is due to report back in late January.

The Victorian Electoral Commissioner, Steve Tully, is inviting anyone interested in the review to attend a public information session at the town hall on either: 5.00pm on Monday, November 7; 12.30pm on Wednesday, November 9; or 7.00pm on Thursday, November 10.

Information about the review can be found at [www.vec.vic.gov.au](http://www.vec.vic.gov.au)

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# Collins Square is the biggest

By Bethany Williams

***Docklands is currently home to Australia's largest commercial mixed-use development.***

Collins Square, at 735 Collins St, is being developed by the Walker Corporation.

The \$1.3 billion project is located on the block bordered by Collins Street, Wurundjeri Way, Flinders St and Batman's Hill Drive.

It will feature 185,000sqm of commercial space, consisting of five commercial office towers and a 10,000sqm retail podium.

According to Collins Square project manager Michael Spence, this retail area will be a welcome addition to Docklands.

"There's lots of good services down here, but they're distributed across Docklands," he said. "There's no single weather-protected destination where you can do everything from buy the newspaper, get a shirt tailored, pick up some fresh food and get your lunch."

Mr Spence said 48,000 people per day would visit Collins Square when it was finished.

The project also involves the refurbishment of the heritage-listed Goods Shed South,

which will be home to the Pearson Australia Group when construction is completed.

Some 40 per cent of Collins Square has already been leased to major tenants including the Australian Tax Office (ATO) and Marsh Mercer Companies.

Mr Spence said the first of the five towers, the ATO building at Three Collins Square, was due for completion in April 2012.

The Goods Shed South is due for practical completion in 2012. One Collins Square, a large proportion of which has been leased by Marsh Mercer, is due for completion in July 2013.

"The strategic importance of this site is that it has over 200 metres of Collins St frontage, so its connectivity with the core part of Melbourne, being the CBD, is still strong," Mr Spence said.

The name of the development reflects this location.

"The fact that we've got nearly 200,000sqm of space here means that the site has the ability to really proudly take some ownership of a Collins St name," Mr Spence said. "We see ourselves as being the modern equivalent of Collins Place, just the other bookend."

It is expected that Collins Square will be completed by 2014 or 2015.

# Retail boom for Docklands

By Bethany Williams

***The City of Melbourne is expecting Docklands to lead retail growth over the next five years.***

According to the *Melbourne Retail Strategy 2006-2012 Year 5 Report Card 2010-2011*, released last month, Docklands will be responsible for 31 per cent of Melbourne's retail growth over the next five years.

The report also showed that the amount of businesses in Docklands had increased by 517 per cent since 2002.

According to the report, in 2010 there were 864 business locations in Docklands compared with 140 in 2002.

Of these businesses 284 were retail - a big increase when considering Docklands started with 10 pioneer retailers in 2002.

The projected retail growth rate in Docklands is encouraging, but raises questions about how such growth will be supported.

Last month *Docklands News* reported that commercial property vacancies in Docklands had risen by 4.9 per cent between February and August. Commercial property includes office buildings, industrial property and retail stores.

These statistics were gathered through a report conducted by Savills Research as part of the Melbourne Retail Strategy.

The report showed that Docklands had 10.2 per cent more commercial property vacancies than the CBD.

Other statistics provided in the report go some way to explaining this, particularly

with respect to retail vacancies.

The report also showed that Docklands residential population increased by 55 per cent to 6532 people between 2006 and 2009. However, even this population increase cannot provide sustainable local support for the 284 retail businesses.

In fact, this is a ratio of 23 residents per business.

"As everyone knows that is nowhere near enough to provide a local economy," Docklands Chamber of Commerce president Keith Rankin said.

"Docklands operates as a visitor economy, which the city is aware of, the chamber is aware of, and the businesses are aware of. We are all working towards making Docklands a sustainable visitor economy," he said.

A spokesperson from City of Melbourne said the council held and supported a number of events at Docklands such as the July Friday night fireworks, Melbourne International Boat Show and the Japanese Summer Festival in order to help boost retail spending in the precinct.

"All events and campaigns are aimed at encouraging increased and repeat visitation to Docklands throughout the year. It is campaigns like these that will continue to support and encourage retail growth in Docklands," the spokesperson said.

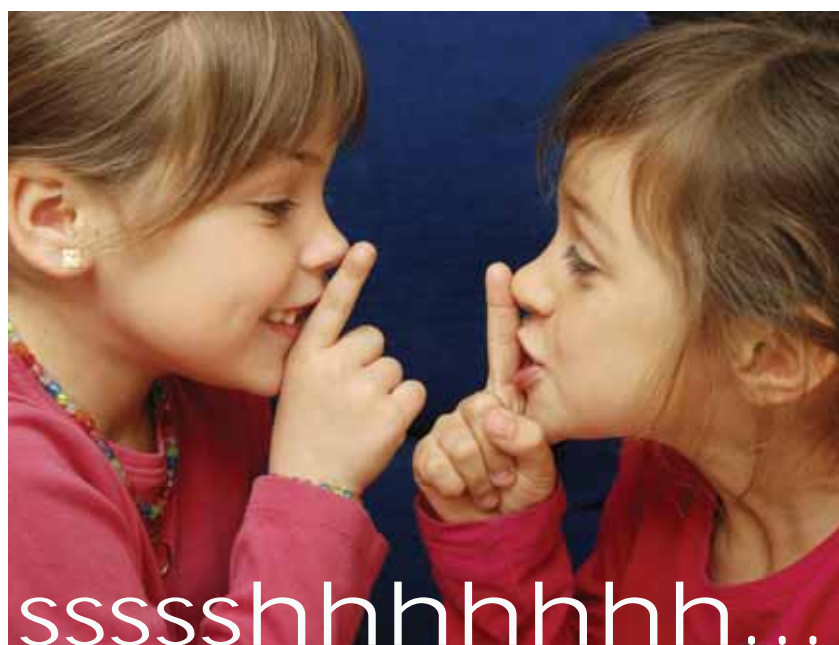
## Pedestrian link upgrade

Places Victoria (formerly VicUrban) is in the process of implementing landscape and signage upgrades to improve the pedestrian experience between the Etihad Stadium car park entrance and Central Pier.

The works aim to enhance the pedestrian

journey between Central Pier and the Etihad Stadium car park to create a more visible, legible and memorable link.

These works are expected to be complete by mid this month.



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## Council moves on apartment owners

*The City of Melbourne has issued building orders to 26 owners of Watergate apartments being used for short-term accommodation.*

The council is demanding the owners undertake works required of a hotel-standard building if they want to continue using their units for serviced apartments.

The owners have been given until November 24 to comply. However, the council is expecting them to appeal, which would delay any legal action against them.

The council is using Watergate as a test case. If it successfully prosecutes owners at here, it is expected that it will turn its attention to serviced apartments in residential buildings in the rest of the municipality.

In April the council wrote to 30 Watergate owners asking them to “show cause” how the use of their apartments was consistent with the Building Code of Australia (BCA).

It had granted owners until September 27 to put a counter argument via consultant building surveyors. But the council’s building surveyor was not satisfied that “adequate cause” had been shown.

“After considering the representations, the municipal building surveyor was not satisfied that adequate cause had been shown and accordingly building orders have been issued with a date for compliance of November 24, 2011,” a spokesperson said.

Serviced apartment owners argue that the council’s demands are designed to put them out of business. They say that the works demanded are impractical and would be too expensive to contemplate.

However, even if they did comply, this would have zero affect on solving the problems associated with serviced apartments – noisy and disruptive behaviour by guests who have not been properly screened or inducted.

The operators are working towards establishing an association which would be governed by a code of practice to protect residential amenity.



Emily Ballantyne-Brodie packs up her garden and ships it to Mt Waverley.

## Community spirit takes a hit

By Shane Scanlan

*Docklands is getting a new community garden by the new year, but it hasn't come without the pain of losing its first, temporary garden at Victoria Harbour.*

There is now no sign of the garden which did not survive a move into a wind-tunnel between Dock 5 and the Ericsson building at the harbour end the Merchant St.

The few items that are being used in the new design and have been moved into storage. But the bulk of the planters, tanks, beds and plants were trucked out to Brentwood Primary School in Mt Waverley on October 19.

For supporters of the original community garden, being forced into a temporary relocation in a wind prone area severely tested their interest in participating in the new, more-permanent garden.

Put simply, they don't understand why the garden could not have remained at the water plaza site until the new facility was

established in the new year on the corner of Keera Way and Geographe St under the Myer building.

And no one, it seems, is willing to take responsibility for moving the garden, with Places Victoria (formerly VicUrban) and Lend Lease both privately blaming the other for the decision.

For Urban Reforestation founder Emily Ballantyne-Brodie, trucking the garden remnants out of Docklands was the end of a four-year, bitter-sweet journey which began with an idea in Shed 4 in 2007.

Innocent about the destructiveness of bureaucracy and driven by idealism, Emily battled heroically in the name of urban sustainability, but has now said her organisation is quitting Docklands.

Essentially, Urban Reforestation feels that its largely-voluntary effort has not been valued by the various authorities which continue to overlook it and award paid “community engagement” consultancies to outsiders.

“I don't want to sound resentful, but we did everything,” she said. “And the way we have been treated is disgusting.”

“They are so out of touch. They are up there in their boxes trying to design for a community they don't understand.”

“They value Jan Gehl's work and will be paying him to come out from Copenhagen and talk to them next month. They respect him. But we have been doing what he talks about here on the ground and they don't respect us.”

The day after the garden was trucked out to Mt Waverley, Emily was contacted by a Dock 5 resident enquiring what happened to the kaffir lime tree that he had planted.

For Urban Reforestation, this call solved a mystery it had long pondered – who had planted the tree, which had just appeared without fanfare one morning?

“The kids at the school are going to look after it, and then when the new garden comes, he is looking forward to installing it in there,” Ms Ballantyne-Brodie said.

“It was nice to have him call and show appreciation for the garden, and also to show that there is a community spirit in the Docklands. What a lovely thing to happen in the middle of a city! This says something about Docklands.”



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# Docklands loses a true believer

## *Docklands lost a special resident in September with the passing of 27-year-old Liam Paterson.*

Liam lived with a chronic disability from birth but lost his battle on September 13.

Docklands had been a dream come true for the wheelchair-bound software engineer as it offered an opportunity to live independently from his parents.

Mum Gwenda Donaldson and dad Peter Paterson said their son was taken suddenly but at least he experienced his ultimate ambition of living out of home.

Ms Donaldson said the family was grateful for the wheelchair-friendly amenity Docklands offered Liam and also for the support he received from the local community.

“He loved Docklands,” Ms Donaldson said as she and Peter were clearing out Liam’s apartment in The Merchant in Bourke St last month. “Everyone down here has been a wonderful support.”

Ms Donaldson said she and her husband wanted to let people know that Liam had passed away and they also wanted to thank the community for the chance it had given their son.

Liam was born with a dystrophic version of the rare skin condition epidermolysis bullosa (EB). Liam suffered burn-like blisters over almost all of his body. His daily bandaging procedure could take up to four hours.

Liam had studied software engineering at Swinburne University and had become somewhat independent of his family. But he was prevented from living away by cost and lack of suitably accessible accommodation.

But early last year his case manager came across Housing Choices Australia and its management of 57 apartments in The Merchant. It was a perfect match



*The late Liam Paterson enjoying Docklands.*

– Dockland’s general disabled-friendly building standards and Housing Choices’ small number of specially-fitted apartments for disabled tenants.

Liam moved into his apartment in June last year and turned his attention to his next goal of joining a software team within a Docklands technology company. Unfortunately, Liam passed away before achieving this.

Ms Donaldson said Docklands’ contemporary urban design meant it was totally accessible for her son. She said with only limited number of low-floor trams, Liam was often forced to drive his motorised wheelchair to the Royal Melbourne Hospital.

“He put long-range batteries in it so he could make the distance,” she said. “I’d sometimes jump on the City Circle Tram and say ‘I’ll meet you at the top of the hill!’”

Like many others not accustomed to Docklands, Gwenda and Peter were sceptical

about Docklands before Liam’s move.

“But we absolutely love it now,” Peter said. “And we’ve been to New York in the meantime and totally get apartment living.”

“It would be great to win Tattsлото and buy an apartment. It’s so central and handy to everything.”

Gwenda said Liam always felt safe in Docklands. “We never had any fears for his safety, even late at night,” she said.

“And everything he needed was on hand – the medical centre, pharmacy, and how good is the supermarket? There’s never any queues and the staff know everyone.”



*Gwenda Donaldson and Peter Paterson cleaning out Liam’s apartment following his death.*

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# Sam says 'give us time'

By Sam Sangster, CEO, Places Victoria (formerly VicUrban)

*In recent weeks Docklands has come under scrutiny for what many perceive as lack of planning, or in some circumstances, over planning. But to suggest that Docklands suffers from a lack of planning is to suggest that we are looking at a finished product.*



Docklands is 38 per cent complete. While nobody is arguing that Docklands is currently the utopia to which so many would have it aspire, those behind the \$2 billion worth of private development currently occurring in Docklands have been prepared to back the odds that it will be – in time.

When Docklands was first envisaged in the late 80s and early 90s, Victoria was an economic basket case. The Kennett Government's vision was to drive economic vitality back into the state – which has been achieved incredibly successfully.

Over the past 10 years, Melbourne has had a competitive advantage over other Australian cities by being able to offer high-profile businesses large tracts of land for development right on the doorstep of the CBD, at a fraction of the rent charged in similar locations in Sydney and Brisbane.

The result – since 2002, close to 40 corporates

have relocated to Docklands, contributing to the 22,500 workers who now experience the area daily.

The Kennett Government and the Docklands Authority knew that to create a market in what was effectively a barren wasteland, commercial players needed sufficient and long-term land supply pipelines to make their considerable investments worthwhile.

This single commercial paradigm of long-term, large scale land supply has, to date, created exactly what was expected – one fairly consistent development outcome; a series of big buildings and structures.

Without this, the area would never have attracted the 6500 residents and 22,500 workers or the millions of visitors each year.

The \$2 billion worth of private development that is currently occurring across the precinct in 14 developments is expected to bring a

further 9400 workers to Docklands over the next 18 months.

Both Places Victoria (formerly VicUrban) and the City of Melbourne have acknowledged that now there are people in Docklands, the next era of development needs to address their needs – not necessarily in grand gestures, but by filling in the gaps between buildings, providing the fine grain and community infrastructure that will now attract day-to-day users rather than sitting empty.

Another of our key objectives over the next 10 years of development is to increase the diversity of product and the social diversity.

Docklands' first affordable housing project – The Merchant – was completed in late 2009 and sold out at least nine months prior to its completion. This development includes 133 apartments – 57 of which are managed by Housing Choices Australia and are available to rent by low to medium income tenants.

The Mariner at NewQuay reached practical completion in June 2011. It provides 85 apartments which are owned and managed by Housing Choices Australia.

Docklands has now reached critical mass. The momentum that has gathered over the past 12 months will continue to grow, bringing with it a wave of street-level activity.

In early 2012, the successful developer will be announced to develop the last uncontracted parcel of land – a two hectare site with a prestigious Collins St address, air rights over Wurundjeri Way and a Flinders

St frontage. This development, along with Walker Corporation's 180,000 square metre commercial and retail Collins Square Precinct, will complete the important Collins St link between Docklands and the CBD and add to the pedestrian experience for those who walk from Southern Cross station.

The retail spaces at the base of the current developments have, by necessity, been delivered ahead of need – 70 per cent of the planned retail has been delivered, while the precinct itself is only 38 per cent complete. Over time, as more and more workers and residents move to Docklands, these spaces will fill up with retailers and businesses to service the ready clientele.

When painters begin on a canvas they start with broad, often bold strokes. The details, the light and shade and the nuances come later.

Melbourne, as the city we know today, with its intricate laneways, cultural precincts and vibrant cafes, has taken 150 years to develop. In fact much of what we celebrate about Melbourne today is recent. Even 25 years ago, when the experience of Melbourne's CBD was soulless and desolate after the workers went home, the Postcode 3000 project was required to revitalise the city. It is simply short-sighted and wrong to judge Docklands after just 10 years.

Plans are important and Docklands certainly had one, but plans need to be broad enough to be flexible to respond to the needs of changing economic and social priorities and a changing landscape.



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This stylish beauty boasts breath taking city views from every angle of the spacious open plan living areas. Comprising of a gourmet kitchen including the combination of both stainless steel and stone finishes, 3 sensational bedrooms with BIRs, main with ensuite. A massive entertaining balcony stretches along the entire length of the apartment. Features include air con / heating, storage cage, 2 side by side carparks.

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# Back on the ice... and loving it

**Docklander Sharon Hedley has returned to her childhood passion of figure skating after nearly 30 years and is blossoming from the experience.**

As a teenager Sharon (right) won a novice Australian gold medal in the sport but gave it up when she married in 1982.

The Dock 5 resident didn't really give ice skating a second thought - that is until the Icehouse came to her home town Docklands early last year.

And now she's rediscovered the feeling of freedom that goes with gracefully gliding and spinning across the ice.

"It feels fantastic to be back on the ice," the 54-year-old said. "It's such a buzz."

Sharon's involvement goes beyond skating. She has accepted an invitation to learn to judge the sport and is now giving back to the sport by developing a new generation of skaters.

And she is not content to rest on her laurels with just figure skating. She is taking lessons in ice dancing and hopes to go all the way to the top grading with this side of the sport too.

"It's a sport you can do until you can't walk

anymore," Sharon said, pointing out that there were competitors in a recent contest in their 60s and 70s.

But, she admitted, while the mind was willing, the body was still lagging behind where she was 30 years ago.

"I did a jump before and went a little higher than I wanted to. I thought whooa," she said. "I still get dizzy when I spin, but I'm sure I will get over that."

Sharon never lived near an ice rink in her earlier life. She grew up in Sydney, where she won a NSW and Australian title in 1973 and moved to Melbourne with her family.

Back then, she skated at St Moritz in St Kilda before the formerly iconic landmark was bulldozed to make way for apartments. From there she moved to a rink in Dandenong where she also used to coach juniors before and after school.

She made the decision to quit skating so she could dedicate her time to her marriage. But with two children now grown up (aged 25 and 27) Sharon has more time for herself.

"I am happy to accept where my life has taken me so I don't really have any regrets about giving it up," Sharon said. "And if I hadn't, I wouldn't be able to make a comeback would I? I can combine everything now - marriage, working and skating."



# Long haul for VCAT action

**The NewQuay traders' battle with MAB Corporation looks like being a long and protracted matter with a timeline being set which extends well into next year.**

According to lawyer Frank Guastalegname, the traders wishing to recover precinct fees need to present their cases to Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT) by November 14.

Mr Guastalegname said MAB (as Metro Real Estate) would then be given three weeks to respond and, if agreement was not reached, a mediation date has been set for March 12 next year. If the mediation is not successful, a hearing date will then be set.

Only traders who own their premises are currently involved in the action. From the 27 who tried to take action in August, the list is down to 15 - the rest being tenants and technically ineligible.

The traders are seeking refunds of precinct fees they claimed were overpaid since 2006, as well as damages and costs.

The combined claim could potentially top \$5 million.

# Docklands kids not welcome

By Bethany Williams

**Already without a primary school of their own, Docklands children are now likely to be zoned out of one of the closest government schools.**

The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development is likely to announce the rezoning of Port Melbourne Primary School this month.

The Yarra River is the proposed northern boundary, cutting out Docklands.

According to a department spokesperson, Port Melbourne Primary School Council requested that the department consider a neighbourhood boundary due to increasing enrolments in the area.

"The department recognises the need for certainty for families on this matter and expects to have a decision in early November," the spokesperson said.

According to Port Melbourne Primary School principal Peter Martin, without the rezoning, the school will outgrow its facilities.

Mr Martin said the school had 457 students enrolled this year, 548 enrolled for 2012 and over 600 for the following year.

Mr Martin said the school was waiting on confirmation from the department about the status of new Docklands enrolments for next year. He said the school had been advised not to complete enrolment for Docklands students pending advice from the department regarding the proposed northern boundary.

The school is accepting enrolments from Docklands children whose siblings already attend the school and will continue to do so until directed otherwise.

Mr Martin said some Docklands residents had already expressed their disappointment about the proposed boundary.

"As principal I have mixed feelings about this, the school has grown so much even with just Port Melbourne and Southbank enrolments. However, I feel that all children should be entitled to a local school, which Docklands doesn't have," Mr Martin said.

Mr Martin said it was likely Docklands would not be the only area to be locked out.

He believes by next year southern and eastern boundaries will also be announced, restricting parts of South Melbourne and Southbank.



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# North Wharf building revealed



**Asset1 WTC has revealed its intentions for a 14-storey commercial building between Flinders St and Shed 5 at North Wharf.**

The developer believes the proposal is sympathetic with the adjacent heritage-listed Mission to Seafarers building and Shed 5.

Asset 1 WTC chief operating officer Gavin Boyd said the development included restoration of Shed 5 and would soon be revealed and submitted to the State Government for town planning input and approval.

Mr Boyd said the proposal had been carefully designed to reflect the heritage significance of the former Australian Wharf building and historic crane, and rejuvenate the Seafarers Park and wharf frontages to create “a harmonious amenity” for the precinct.

“For many years the existing building has been derelict so, as part of our planning, we aim to restore the building to its original heritage and integrate the site to create a very high quality corporate environment and one which is inviting to the community,” Mr Boyd said.

Mission to Seafarers CEO Andrea Fleming said: “The Mission to Seafarers Victoria looks forward to neighbouring the new Shed 5 development and appreciates greatly WTC

Asset 1’s support for the restoration also of the heritage-listed seafarers centre at 717 Flinders Street, Docklands.”

Asset1 WTC strategic director Philip Hill said the proposed development would enable water linkages to WTC to be activated.

The developer sees North Wharf as a cornerstone of the CBD grid, “alongside a sweeping bend in Melbourne’s iconic Yarra River, hugging the southern corner of Melbourne’s vibrant Docklands.”

“This unique corner of the city is one of the last precincts to be regenerated and presents a great opportunity to revive the city’s cornerstone.”

“The project provides an opportunity to become a visual icon for the western gateway to the city, a company-connected, destination-driven public place that fulfils Melbourne’s planning vision for the North Bank Precinct; a precinct that offers and provides an innovative mix of commercial and retail functions, public domain improvements for employees and visitors alike, convenient and equitable access, increased parkland connections, and a wider range of development uses within the city edge.”

“It is also perfectly situated next to the intersection of main roads, pedestrian and bicycle connections and major public transport routes.”

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Seafarers Mission CEO Andrea Fleming, winning artists Lisa Radford and Sam George and exhibition curator Claire Ulenberg at the announcement.

## Love wins at art show

*Love triumphed at this year's ANL Maritime Art Prize with the winning entry going to a coded semaphore message summing up the exhibition's theme.*

The prize was announced on October 6 with Victoria's senior naval officer Captain Mark Hill being one of only a few present capable of reading the message.

"We can say love," Capt Hill read.

The winning work *Untitled (International Code Signal)* was by Melbourne artists Lisa Radford and Sam George who were awarded the \$15,000 first prize sponsored by ANL Container Line.

It was the first time a female artist, or in this case two female artists, had won the prestigious award.

The maritime art show has been conducted at Docklands' Mission to Seafarers in Flinders St since 2002 and has raised about \$180,000 towards the mission's charitable works in that time.

Lisa and Sam said their work was a natural progression from their earlier material.

"We both like maritime flags and their use for communication," Sam said. "Yes we were surprised we won. Lisa won \$2 from a scratchie once and I won a voucher for a shop that closed down two weeks after winning."

The pair plan to use their prize money to

travel to Europe. Lisa will go to Paris and Sam will go to Germany.

Lisa and Sam suggested the message they have presented in their work is one for all of the seafarers and visitors to the mission.

"We both hope to spend some time on the sea past the heads on a boat with the people who were part of our win," Sam said.

Speaking on behalf of the judging panel, Greg Creek described the work as a clever interpretation of the theme "The relationship between humanity and the sea".

Norman Quinn was awarded the ASP Group "Best in Traditional Maritime Art" (\$5000) and Sharon West was awarded the Bendigo Wealth Emerging Artist Award, (\$5000).

The Mission to Seafarers ANL Art Prize and Exhibition World Trade Centre (WTC) People's Choice Award attracted 1237 votes (10 votes from Docklands residents) from the viewing public. Geelong artist Phil Suter won the WTC \$2000 award.

Mission to Seafarers Victoria CEO Andrea Fleming said: "The mission is thankful to all of the contributing artists and sponsors. The award attracted over 180 entries this year and we are thrilled with the outcome."

# VicUrban becomes Places Victoria

*VicUrban has become Places Victoria and Sam Sangster has been appointed its CEO.*

Places Victoria is the trading name of the Urban Renewal Authority, which was formed with the announcement of a new board on October 27.

Mr Sangster has been VicUrban's acting CEO since Pru Sanderson resigned the position last December.

Places Victoria has reverted back to geographic portfolios with Simon Wilson being appointed general manager for Docklands, Fisherman's Bend and E-Gate. In 2009 VicUrban restructured itself to give general managers functional portfolios across all of its projects.

In explaining the reversion back to portfolios based on regions, Places Victoria chairman Peter Clarke said there was simply too much for one person to do under the old system.

Mr Clarke said Places Victoria's City West division would concentrate on designing only Docklands, Fisherman's Bend and E-Gate.

Planning Minister Matthew Guy appointed deputy chairperson Ken Fehily and nine directors to join Mr Clarke.

The new directors are William Bowness, Lorna Gelbert, Judith Nicholson, Graeme Parton, Timothy Shannon, Janet West and Professor John Stanley.

Six former VicUrban directors were not reappointed to URA - Gabrielle Trainor, Andrew Fairley, Julia Mason, Michael Roberts, Hamish MacDonald and Meredith Sussex.

Messers Clarke, Fehily, Parton and Ms Nicholson have been appointed for five-year terms. The remaining directors have been appointed for three years.

### Director profiles

#### Peter Clarke (Chairperson)

Mr Clarke was appointed to the role of chairperson of VicUrban in June 2011 and has led the transition. He has a Bachelor of Architecture and was a councillor of the City of Melbourne and planning chairman.

#### Ken Fehily (Deputy Chair)

Mr Fehily is a director of Fehily Advisory and a taxation specialist. He is a former partner of Pricewaterhouse Coopers and Arthur Andersen. Mr Fehily has previously advised a number of state departments and agencies.

#### William Bowness

Mr Bowness is CEO of the Wilbow Group which focuses on the provision of venture capital and funding for property development and investment activities.

#### Lorna Gelbert

Ms Gelbert is a law partner in Madgwicks with over 35 years extensive experience in property and commercial law. She is chair of the Law Institute Property Law Advisory Committee and a member of the Board of the Women's Legal Service Victoria.

#### Judith Nicholson

Ms Nicholson has 25 years consulting experience in town planning. She is a former member of the Building Appeals Board and Victorian Heritage Council and former vice-president of the Victorian Division of the Planning Institute of Australia.

#### Graeme Parton

Mr Parton is a director of Charter Keck Cramer and has over 35 years of experience in property development and construction.

#### Timothy Shannon

Mr Shannon is an architect and was the managing director of Hassell from 1993-2008. He is a noted urban designer.

#### Professor John Stanley

Professor Stanley is an economist and adjunct professor and consultant in transport and logistics.

#### Jan West AM

Ms West is a chartered accountant and senior audit partner with Deloitte. She is also a member of the Financial Reporting Council and former national president and chairperson of the Institute of Chartered Accountants.

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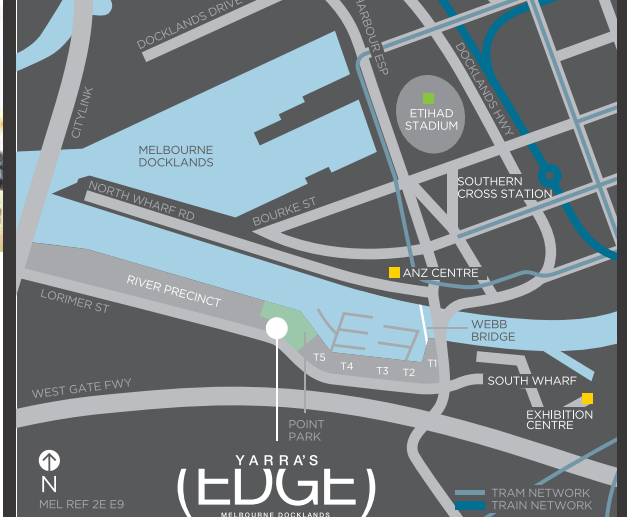
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### YARRA'S EDGE



## Design project lasts one week

*A wind-mitigating, design project has been short-lived with Places Victoria (formerly VicUrban) removing the structure after it was vandalised within a week.*

*Chroma*, by Edwards Moore Architects won first prize in a URA-sponsored competition in July to enhance and activate the pedestrian thoroughfare along 50 metres of Collins St Bridge in Docklands.

URA contributed \$25,000 towards the installation of the piece which went up on October 12. But it was removed on October 17 after suffering weekend vandalism.

Commenting on the *Docklands News* website on October 12, "Paul" said: "This project is being installed and it's already horribly flawed! The acrylic (not UV stable) sections aren't finished well so the edges are sharp. It's also a brittle plastic, so I'd say it'll be vandalised within a few days, missing sections will make it look awful. Not to mention the danger to pedestrians when it's windy, they bend a lot, so it'll be a serious hazard to people's heads."

URA's acting general manager for Docklands Simon Wilson said: "The winning submission was installed on Wednesday 12 October, however the artwork was vandalised over the weekend, posing a risk to the public and the decision was made to remove it."



## Happy birthday Platform 28

*Platform 28 turned one last month and threw a party to thanks its most loyal patrons.*

Young corporates comprised the majority of the bustling crowd with a healthy sprinkling of Docklands residents completing the picture.

For managing director Mark O'Reilly and manager Gale Watchorne (pictured above) the first year's operations have repaid their faith in Docklands.

## Sack Yarra Trams, says chamber

*The Docklands Chamber of Commerce wants a new tram operator because it says Yarra Trams has failed the area.*

Speaking on Docklands TV on October 13, chamber president Keith Rankin said Yarra Trams was treating the travelling public with contempt.

"They are constantly cancelling scheduled services, constantly bunkering up - stopping a tram, making everyone get off and telling them to catch the next tram that comes along," Mr Rankin said.

"When you have appointments, when you have a public service system on which you need to rely, this is just not good enough."

"The Docklands region needs an efficient and timely public service system - particularly into the city as a lot of our appointments take place there."

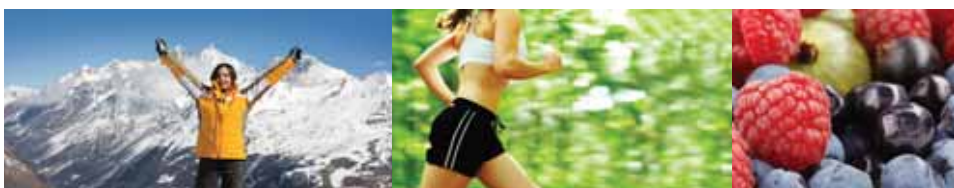
Mr Rankin said it was common for Yarra Trams to cancel the last three daily number 35 services. And he claimed that one in five City Circle services did not run.

"We must all ring Yarra Trams and lodge our complaint, get our complaint number, wait for lack of resolution and take our complaints to the ombudsman," Mr Rankin said. "If Yarra Trams can't service our area, it's time we had a new operator. This is really serious stuff."



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## Irish joke over 'our' cow

**John Kelly's 'Cow up a Tree' has caused a stir in Ireland where a local council has apparently paid €20,000 for the privilege of displaying a copy of the statue for 15 weeks to attract Christmas shoppers.**

The *Cork Independent* reports that Cork City Council management has "cheesed off" a number of councillors with its plan to display *Cow up a Tree* outside the Cork Opera House to draw visitors into the city.

The artist now lives in Cork and is reported to have sold the "image rights" to the sculpture to the council for €20,000 in 2008.

The *Cork Independent* says the sculpture "has been a huge success across the world".

It reports that: "it was displayed on the Champs Elysées in Paris in a distinguished French museum while another edition is permanently on display in the Melbourne Docklands."

Cork is getting the Paris version of the sculpture and the artist is helping with the 15-week installation.

The newspaper reports: "The proposal has been met with widespread criticism in Cork, and some have called it more of a 'Pig in a Poke'."

Online *Cork Independent* readers have been having fun with the row, with one reader labeling the spending an "udder disgrace".

City manager Tim Lucey is reportedly unrepentant saying the *Cow up a Tree* was "iconic in Paris, Melbourne and worldwide".

"Cork City Council purchased it three years ago and we have been waiting for the opportunity to put it on display. It will draw people into town from the Grand Parade, it will be a unique opportunity in this country. I make no apology for using it," he is reported saying.

The various councillors are reported to have mixed views: Fianna Fáil Cr Tim Brosnan stated that he did not have any "hand, act or part" in this. As a member of the Arts Committee Cr Chris O'Leary said he had never heard of this. "Hearing this at the 11th hour is not good enough," he said.



From left: Boris Press, Mendel Reicher, Menachem Bacher and Rabbi Shlomo Nathanson.

## Dining out Jewish style

**Dining out took on new meaning for Docklands' Jews last month. It meant eating their meals in a temporary, tent-like structure known as a sukkah.**

Rabbi Shlomo Nathanson from the Chabad Jewish Community Centre erected the structure outside the Hub in Harbour Esplanade for the duration of the Jewish festival of Sukkot.

He explained the phenomena: "It's much like a bizarre muddle of primordial style living and environmental hard-core. We spend eight days eating meals and sometimes sleeping in an outdoor shack or tent."

"Despite the odds, and the slightly more attractive option of eating in the comforts of one's home, the Sukkot customs have remained strong and thriving in contemporary Jewish living."

Rabbi Nathanson said the sukkah attracted a lot of attention from Docklanders not previously exposed to the experience.

"Most people who walked by had never seen a sukkah before and were intrigued to come inside and have a peek," he said.

"This is the second year that we have had a public sukkah up in Docklands. Last year it was located at Urban Reforestation's community garden."

"We hope to continue to provide this service each year. Our goal is to reach out to all people and promote the eternal message of Sukkot, one of unity and love."

The structure itself has to have a roof made from a natural unprocessed material that has grown in the ground.

Rabbi Nathanson has weekly TV show on Docklands TV. It can be viewed at [www.docklandstv.com.au](http://www.docklandstv.com.au)

For more information see [www.cjcc.com.au](http://www.cjcc.com.au)

## Seeing the bigger picture

**Paul Doran is a regular customer at LATS Bakery-Cafe, in NewQuay. And his loyalty has paid off.**

By spending \$30 at the St Mangos Lane bakery-cafe, Mr Doran successfully entered the draw for an Epson HD Digital Home Cinema Projector, valued at \$2499.

Mr Doran now has every reason to eat locally and stay in at night.

"I can vouch for the exceptional service provided by owners Bill and Rachel as well as the fresh food and excellent coffee," Mr Doran said.

"I wish Bill, Rachel and family every success."

It was the final of three projectors given away by NewQuay Precinct Management on behalf of the restaurants, cafes and retailers.



LATS Bakery-Cafe owner Bill Price congratulates home theatre competition winner Paul Doran.

## Lunch places are scarce

**Fewer than 20 places are left for the December Docklands News Networking Lunch.**

People wishing to attend the \$60 lunch at Bob's Steak and Chop House in Bourke St need to book their place by either calling 8689 7979 or email [lunch@docklandsnews.com.au](mailto:lunch@docklandsnews.com.au)



## Cranking up a free brekky

**More cyclists participated in Docklands' Ride to Work Day than ever before with an estimated 400 taking advantage of a free breakfast and other activities on October 12.**

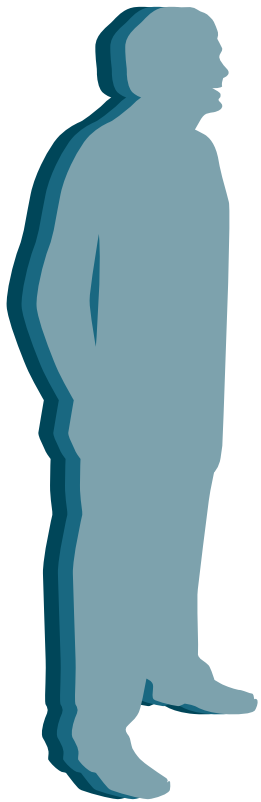
Active Melbourne City Sports hosted the event with local businesses NAB, Ericsson, Medibank, Shotz Sports Nutrition and Carrick Education.

Events and marketing manager Sandra Vernuccio said Lend Lease also helped out by providing massages for riders.

"The Docklands Ride to Work breakfast gets bigger each year with more cyclists embracing a healthier and environmentally-friendly mode of transport," Ms Vernuccio said.

"The Docklands breakfast has so much to offer with local businesses contributing and getting involved in this great community initiative."

Left: City on a Hill pastor Nik Mamilo arrives at work.



# DOCKLANDER

## Falling in love with Docklands

*Rosslyn Cooper is one of Docklands newest residents.*

The 25-year-old moved to Melbourne from Queensland's Sunshine Coast six months ago and couldn't be happier with her new home.

Rosslyn and her husband live in Yarra's Edge, an area that she absolutely loves. "It's awesome being on the south side of the river," Rosslyn said. "We love having all the boats around."

By choosing to settle in Docklands Rosslyn has found the world at her feet.

She loves the convenience of the location and the fact that she is walking distance from the CBD and from her workplace in Southbank.

Rosslyn moved to Melbourne with her job as a project administrator. After arriving she decided to explore the range of choirs that perform in Melbourne.

Rosslyn started singing when she joined her primary school choir at the age of six and hasn't stopped since. She's been involved in church choirs, musical theatre groups and has performed at weddings and cover gigs.

Rosslyn joined Melbourne Singers of Gospel (MSG) four months ago. The community choir is performing a gala concert later this month.

The choir will perform a wide repertoire at the event including African and southern gospel songs along with songs by Adele

and Michael Jackson. The choir consists of around 60 people ranging in age, occupation and singing experience.

"The choir has a really good community feel," Rosslyn said.

Community is important to Rosslyn, which is another reason why Docklands provides the perfect lifestyle.

"I think there is definitely a sense of community in Docklands," Rosslyn said.

"Because it's been getting a bit warmer lately we've been walking along the boardwalk a lot and often see people having barbecues in the park. On Wednesday afternoons we always see a group of guys who all play soccer in the park," she said.

Rosslyn also said she had met a lot of the locals who walk their dogs and the owners of the cafes at Yarra's Edge.

"I love the waterfront down here, with all the little cafes. We love having breakfast down

here on a Saturday morning or grabbing coffee on a Sunday afternoon," she said.

And if you thought that an area like Docklands couldn't possibly have a neighbourhood, Rosslyn will prove you wrong.

"Believe it or not we've actually ended up being great friends with our next-door neighbours," she said.

Rosslyn and her husband bonded with the couple after she knocked on their door to ask if she could borrow a can opener.

"That's another reason why we love the area, we've met some great people," Rosslyn said.

You can see Rosslyn perform with the Melbourne Singers of Gospel choir at their gala concert 'Shake Yourself Loose' on Saturday, November 19.

The concert starts at 8pm at Methodists Ladies College, Kew.

Tickets from \$25. Bookings at [www.trybooking.com.au/GQC](http://www.trybooking.com.au/GQC)



By Bethany Williams



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# CUISINE UNDERCOVER

INDEPENDENT REVIEWS FROM DOCKLANDS' PHANTOM DINER

## Fish Bar

### *A bit of character, not class, by the water ...*

Docklands sometimes reminds me of an old girlfriend I had at university. By night (and after a few drinks), oh how she sparkled. She could be beautiful, warm and welcoming, making me glad to be alive and glad to live in Melbourne. But by day she could be cool and aloof, still beautiful (or so I thought) but others felt her to be remote and somewhat austere ...

I thought of this girl as I headed towards NewQuay for lunch on a Tuesday. No set destination in mind, just some lunch by the water where I could enjoy one of my favourite views. But Docklands, oh my darling Docklands, sometimes you make it so hard ...

The first place I encountered, the first place anyone encounters at the entrance to NewQuay, was *NewQuay Buffet*. But it is closed on Tuesdays. The next spot, *Waterside Oriental* did look quite lively, but you have to be in a specific mood for yum cha and I'm afraid I wasn't. I could have gone some

Indian, which is what the next spot, *ShiRaaz*, was offering – but not for lunch, or not during the week at any rate. And then there was *Outback Jacks* – a steakhouse offering lots of big, American-style meals. It looked like it should be cheap and fun – but the meals were really pricey and with so many other steakhouses in Docklands these days, you'd think they'd be working a bit harder for the competition. Particularly given it was empty.

By the time I reached the *Fish Bar* I was already tired and starting to slump. Perhaps some simple fish by the water's edge would revive the passion with which I'd started out? I did briefly wonder if I could review a fish 'n' chip shack – but it passed one of my key criteria – it sold wine by the glass – and so down we sat.

*Fish Bar* is the kind of thing Docklands needs more of. The "pod" over the water's edge is the closest thing to a beach shack Docklands has to offer and it adds a real bit of character. Plus families need access to some simple, cheap fare they can take away and there ain't much of that around. It's also a plus to be able to sit outside in the sun, with most of the southern-facing NewQuay Promenade often doused in shade.

The choices aren't huge at *Fish Bar*, but the fact it also offers sushi and salads with the fried stuff gives it extra kudos. Nothing special – the Greek Salad for example lacks olives, but you are at a fish 'n' chip shack after all so how fussy can you be? I thought it best to go with something completely traditional – flake (\$6.50) and a potato cake (\$1.00). It's been that many years since potato has passed my lips – let alone the deep fried variety – I was virtually salivating by the time it arrived.

Unfortunately, the potato was still slightly raw and crisp to bite (on the inside, not outside) and so my decision to ingest carbs was not quite as rewarding as anticipated. The flake, on the other hand was a touch overcooked, the batter the slightly wrong shade of golden, veering more towards brown. With a squirt of garlic aioli however and a squeeze of lemon juice, it tasted just fine. A \$7 glass of Classic Dry White from Margaret River cut through the oil and matched the quality of the food – not great by any means, but not out of line with expectations.

Families can pick up a "family pack" for \$39, or the individual can grab the "fish 'n' chip"

pack for \$9.80 – but be aware the fish in the packs is mostly blue grenadier, not flake. You can also get the original South Melbourne Market dimmies for just \$1.90 each. If dieting, you can choose to get your fish char-grilled, after it's been marinated in garlic, chilli and parsley – but who goes to a fish 'n' chip shop to eat char-grilled food?

The menu in general tells you *Fish Bar* is making an effort at least, even if the cooking when we visited fell a bit short. And look, I know it was a Tuesday and I know she's not always like this, but this area of Docklands in particular could maybe try a bit harder. Because first impressions count.

Location: 25 NewQuay Promenade

**Overall rating** ★★☆☆☆

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## Docklands welcomes Cadel - our Suit Up and Ride hero!

# SUIT & UP & 2011 RIDE



FOR YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH - NOVEMBER 25TH 2011

[www.suitupandride.com.au](http://www.suitupandride.com.au)

*Victoria, come down to Docklands on November 25 to meet and watch Tour de France winner Cadel Evans "Suit Up and Ride" to raise funds for youth mental health.*

Cadel set the standard last year and is back again to time-trial up and down NewQuay Promenade on Melbourne Bike Share bikes in the name of charity.

Suit Up and Ride is Orygen Youth Health's quirky corporate team cycling event in which teams of five time-trial in their suits, or regular office attire.

Last year miners, fire fighters, a Melbourne Storm team in purple, and someone in a gorilla suit joined in the fun - raising \$47,000 in the process. This money allowed about 700 Year-10 students to participate in the Headsmart program in three schools in the north and west of Melbourne.

Cadel will join FOX FM's Matt Tilley in a challenge the whole community can get behind. And it gets just as exciting off the bike. The wonderful ARIA award-winning Australian singer songwriter Clare Bowditch will be performing!

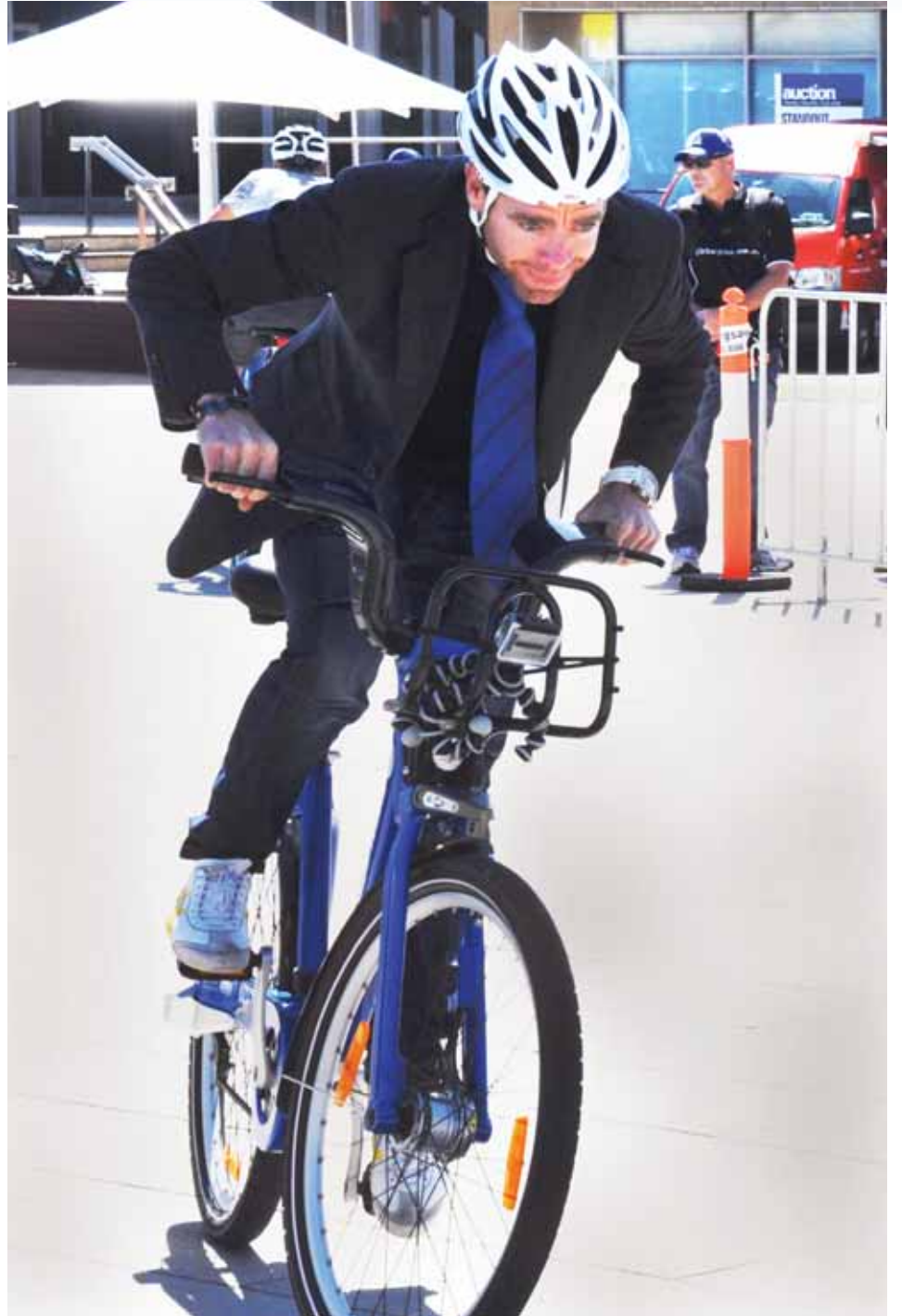
And participants, supporters and spectators will be able to enjoy culinary delights from a Maggie Beer Gourmet barbecue.

Places are limited and expected to sell out quickly, so if you are planning to register a team, get on your bikes and visit [www.suitupandride.com.au](http://www.suitupandride.com.au)

And Docklands retailers, cafes and restaurants have got behind the event - as evidenced by their participation in this special souvenir program. Docklands has some of Melbourne's best hospitality so don't forget to explore NewQuay and Harbour Town Shopping Centre after the event.

The vouchers presented on the next two pages generally don't have to be redeemed on the day. The validity of the offers will differ from business to business.

So plan another trip to Docklands before the year is out.



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# The course

*There's plenty of public viewing along NewQuay Promenade to watch Suit Up and Ride on November 25.*

On our map below, this area is marked in orange. Please stay behind the barricades and used the specially-constructed pedestrian crossings only when directed by an event marshal.



Spectators are advised to keep clear of the events marshalling area in the Waterfront

City Piazza at the western end of the course. Team registrations, the start and finish line,

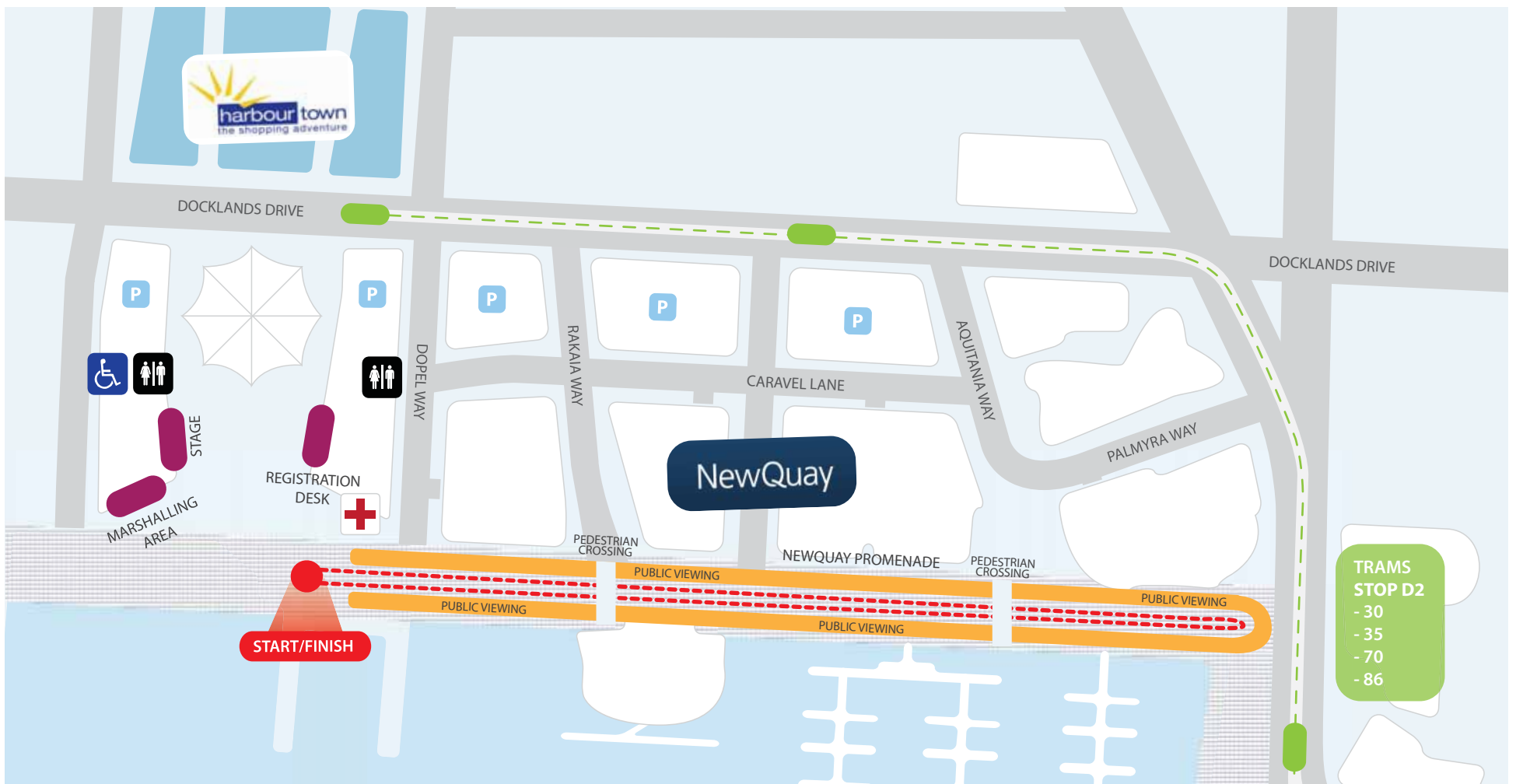
cloak room, first aid and team marshalling will be conducted in this area.

Only when the event is finished at 5pm are you welcome into this area to see Cadel Evans present the day's prizes.

And hang around for Clare Bowditch's performance which follows immediately after the presentations.

Each team needs to complete two complete laps of the course, with a ringing bell signalling each team's last lap.

It's the time of the final cyclist to cross the line which is counted, so teamwork is critical in this event.



## NewQuay Cafe

105/9 Rakaia Way, NewQuay  
**Takeaway lunch box**  
 \$6.50 vegetarian  
 \$7.50 meat  
 Expires: 30-11-11

## Outback Jacks

12 NewQuay Promenade  
**Kids eat free between 5pm to 7pm during November**  
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## Luna Naturally

21 Rakaia Way, NewQuay  
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 Expires: 31-01-12

## Bopha Devi

21 Rakaia Way, NewQuay  
**40% off food bill when drink purchased**  
 Lunch time only. Expires: 30-11-11

## Burger Club Cafe

39A Caravel Lane, NewQuay  
**Free small chips or can of drink with any main meal purchased**  
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## Renzo's Bar

46 NewQuay Promenade  
**2 courses includes glass of Chardonnay or Shiraz \$29.50**  
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## LATS Bakery

28 St Mangos Lane, NewQuay  
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## TT Cottage

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**Man Mo**  
42 NewQuay Promenade  
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drink and food  
Valid: 25-11-11

**Le Cirque**  
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# The teams\*

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- Air Liquide Australia Team 2
- Air Liquide Australia Team 3
- Australian Institute of Fitness
- Badjar Ogilvy
- Bendigo and Adelaide Bank
- CHE Team 1
- CHE Team 2
- City of Melbourne
- Credit Suisse AG
- CSC
- Deutsche Bank AG
- Docklands Chamber of Commerce
- Ericsson
- Ernst & Young Team 1
- Ernst & Young Team 2
- Ernst & Young Team 3
- Ernst & Young Team 4
- Ernst & Young Team 5
- Ernst & Young Team 6
- Harbour Town Shopping Centre
- Hayball
- Industry Funds Management
- ING Real Estate Development
- JCP Investment Partners
- Medibank Icehouse
- Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre
- Mental Health First Aid
- MMG
- Monash University
- OYH Heels on Wheels
- OYH Trainers on Training Wheels
- Pitcher Partners
- PwC
- RACV
- Realestate.com.au Team 1
- Realestate.com.au Team 2
- Realestate.com.au Team 3
- Realestate.com.au Team 4
- RMH Orthopaedic & Trauma Nurses
- Victoria Police

\* As at November 1

**Aqua**  
15 Saint Mangos Lane, NewQuay  
20% off anything in  
the store  
Expires 30-11-11

**Bar Sabor**  
28 NewQuay Promenade  
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one half price  
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**Waterside  
Oriental Bistro**  
5/10 NewQuay Promenade  
10% off Yum Cha  
banquet  
Expires: 30-11-11

**Shiraaz**  
12 -16 NewQuay Promenade  
Friday Lunch special  
Thali \$14.50  
Expires: 30-11-11

**Bhoj**  
54 New Quay Promenade  
25% off bill on  
presentation of coupon  
Expires 30-11-11

**Bar Sabor**  
28 NewQuay Promenade  
Buy one cocktail, get  
2nd one free  
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and Laser**  
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Expires: 30-11-11

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# Suit Up and Ride Program\* (\* as at November 1, subject to change)

Time	Action	Location
6:00 am	Fox FM Breakfast Show	Waterfront City Piazza
8:20 am	Fox presenter Matt Tilly races Cadel Evans	NewQuay Promenade
12:00 pm	Team registrations commence	Waterfront City Piazza
12:40 pm	Suit Up and Ride Official welcomes	Waterfront City Piazza main stage
1:00 pm	Start of Suit Up and Ride	NewQuay Promenade
3:00 pm	Celebrity time trial challenge	NewQuay Promenade
5:00 pm	Suit Up and Ride official presentations	Waterfront City Piazza main stage
5:30 pm	Clare Bowditch performs	Waterfront City Piazza main stage



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  - Win great prizes.

## What is Suit Up and Ride for?

**Money raised through this event will support the work of Orygen Youth Health (OYH) and its executive director, 2010 Australian of the Year, Professor Patrick McGorry.**

Orygen Youth Health is based in Parkville in Melbourne and is Australia's largest youth mental health organization.

It comprises:

- An internationally-renowned research centre - Orygen Youth Health Research Centre (OYHRC);
- A clinical service for young people aged 15 to 24 years with emerging serious mental health and substance use

issues residing in the north and west of Melbourne - Orygen Youth Health Clinical Program (OYHCP); and

- A training and communication program - Orygen Youth Health Training and Communications (OYHT&C).

Orygen has taken a national and international leadership role in youth mental health.

The integration of the research centre and clinical service is an internationally unique clinical-research partnership which has led to the development of evidence-based approaches in addressing youth mental health issues.

This integrated "Orygen" model has been replicated around the world in countries such as the United Kingdom, USA, Canada, Germany, Denmark, Switzerland, Austria, Hong Kong and Singapore.

The organization is dynamic and entrepreneurial. And its energetic and passionate team is committed to its work and, more importantly, to making a positive difference to the lives of young Australians and their families.

Areas of research include: First episode psychosis, bipolar disorders, mental health literacy and mental health first aid, "at risk" studies, suicide research, mood and anxiety disorders, personality disorders, neuropsychology, neuroimaging and psychosocial/functional recovery.

Orygen Youth Health aims to lead the reform of the mental health service system and, as such, works collaboratively with state and federal governments on creating a more effective and efficient system.

One of the key organisational goals in doing this is to create better outcomes for young Australians suffering from a mental illness.



Chiara's pedal power on NewQuay Promenade.

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## Docklands is a village

In the time I have been working in the Docklands community I have come to realise that Docklands is a village. And just as with any village there is a small community that calls Docklands home. This small community is active in Docklands and can be seen wherever there is a gathering.

Welcome to Docklands Village. Consider that you are a stranger, newly-arrived in town. The first thing you do is unpack your bags and make yourself at home. Time to head off out, meet the neighbours and discover what there is to do.

November is your lucky month to be new in town! Start by marking Friday, November 25 in your diary, because there is going to be a great spectacle coming to town. The "Suit Up and Ride Day" is coming to NewQuay (I will tell you how to get there in a minute). The village is expecting a great crowd and, as a new person in town, you are encouraged to pick up the *Docklands News* special souvenir program of the day and find out what the village has in store for you. The event takes place along NewQuay Promenade with the

Waterfront City Piazza being the start and finish.

There is a host of entertainment on offer on the day with TV and radio stations likely to be present. Matt Tilley is scheduled to start the day with the Matt and Jo morning show and Clare Bowditch will be singing on stage towards the end of the day. During the day you are very likely to see Cadel Evans, who will be making regular appearances.

You should approach your company to sponsor a team to ride in the event, and get your colleagues to come out in support. This is going to be a great day in Docklands – and the sun is gonna shine, gonna shine!

If you are new to Docklands here is how to find NewQuay. Follow the Harbour Esplanade from NAB building towards the intersection with Dudley St. Look out for the "Cow in the Tree" to your left.

Just before you get to the intersection and as you run out of water, turn left into NewQuay Promenade and you are in NewQuay. Along this stretch of water there are some fine restaurants and bars. This is the venue for Suit Up and Ride. You have arrived!

You also need to know that you are very

near to Harbour Town – home of some great Docklands shopping. Harbour Town is just at the back of the piazza where the start and finish will be located. Harbour Town is a shopping centre with some unbelievable bargains. Make sure you go in and see for yourself.

This newspaper regularly reports on up-and-coming events in the Docklands Village. There is even a page dedicated to the Docklands Community Calendar. Make sure you read that page for things to do.

Docklands Village is proud to say it has a world-class ice skating facility in the Medibank Icehouse. It is the home of the Medibank Melbourne Ice and the Groovetrain Mustangs ice hockey teams. You should have a look at the Medibank Icehouse website to see what is on offer.

The Wonderland Fun Park is another venue with loads of entertainment for kids. Have a look at its website too. There are many venues for entertaining your kids.

Just arrived is the Docklands' Snow Park for snowboarders. Here you can hone your snowboarding skills without waiting for winter and making the few hours' journey to the hills. It offers you a cost-effective

alternative for your training! The Snow Park has an active Facebook page for more information.

Here is the Good News Bill Challenge! Identify five other venues in Harbour Town – not mentioned here – that entertain kids. Email me on [bill@docklandsnews.com.au](mailto:bill@docklandsnews.com.au) and you will be rewarded with a gift voucher. This challenge is valid for the month of November. To enter, simply email me your response, and all correct answers will be entitled to a gift voucher redeemable in Docklands.

I have to say that in my experience Docklands Village has a lot to offer everyone. Docklands is a big place and, like anywhere, it gets very windy and wet at certain times of the year. Happily, it also has plenty of great days too.

There is now a "Docklands is Beautiful" Facebook page and website ([www.docklandsisbeautiful.com.au](http://www.docklandsisbeautiful.com.au)) where Docklanders share their happy experiences and photographs. You can add yours to the growing collection.

Docklands is Beautiful! You had better believe it, and welcome to Docklands!

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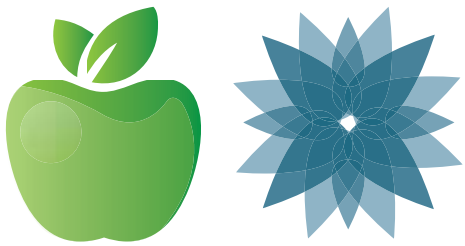
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# HEALTH & WELLBEING

with Sandra Vernuccio

from Active Melbourne City Sports



## City Soccer victory win for NAB

City Soccer was the first competition to launch the annual Sports Cup held at Flagstaff Gardens where workplaces from Docklands and the Melbourne CBD took part in an afternoon round-robin competition on Friday, October 14.

Team Red Star Melgrade from NAB (pictured left) took home the title as the first team to win the tournament. After being defeated by Porsche Cars Australia in the first round 4-0, NAB came back to win the close grand final defeating them 1-0.

Commencing at 3pm, the City Soccer tournament provided a unique opportunity for workplaces to finish up at the office early and take part in a productive team-building activity during work hours.

Active Melbourne City Sports will deliver the Sports Cup event to the Docklands next year with plans to include a wider range of sports depending on demand and venue availability.

Workplaces can register for upcoming events and programs by visiting [www.melbournecitysports.ymca.org.au](http://www.melbournecitysports.ymca.org.au)

## Wellness in the City

Give your body (and mind) a break with *Wellness in the City; Summer Series*.

This month, Docklands will be treated to outdoor yoga, pilates and tai chi sessions at Waterfront City. *Wellness in the City; Summer Series* is a free community activity held during lunchtime over spring and summer to encourage residents and city workers to embrace a healthier lifestyle.

Although most people may say that there's not much to low-intensity activities, the movements and positions do provide a challenging experience and will increase muscle strength, while the breathing and meditation techniques will help refresh the body and refocus the mind.

Wellness in the City will deliver benefits to people of all fitness levels and abilities. Participants will experience exercises that are known to assist with posture and ease back pain which is particularly common with most corporate workers.

### Locations and dates:

12 noon - November 24, Waterfront City Piazza Docklands

12 noon - February 23, 2012, Federation Square

12 noon - March 29, 2012, Waterfront City Piazza Docklands

## Good health is good for business

WorkSafe Victoria hosted a Work Safe week last month, providing the latest news and innovations to make the workplace a safer and healthier place. There was a strong focus on encouraging employers to incorporate health programs into the workplace in order to benefit workers and achieve business success.

The health of employees plays a major part in overall business performance with workers spending approximately a third of their lives at work. The workplace is a great opportunity to promote a healthy lifestyle and employees will appreciate an organization that fosters team building and staff wellbeing.

A report by Wesley Corporate Health (Future@Work Health Report, 2006) states that productivity gains of up to 15 per cent can be achieved by upgrading the workplace environment.

Research from Medibank Private found that absenteeism due to sickness was costing Australian businesses \$7 billion annually, or roughly \$1000 per employee per year.

WorkSafe offers grants to assist medium to large businesses to support health and their workers upon receiving health checks. Visit the WorkSafe website for eligibility.



## GREETINGS FROM THE DOCKLANDS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION



Hope you picked the winner of the Cup!

Don't forget our DCA Christmas party to be held again at the Harbour Kitchen venue on Wednesday, December 7. We expect a great crowd and a great night like we had last year. It is a central location on Victoria Harbour. If you haven't already please enter it in your diaries now. Starts at 7.30pm. Flyer reminders will be issued nearer the date. Remember it is free for members and only \$15 for non-members!

Council has sent out a notification of event plans for New Year's Eve. It includes fireworks again in Docklands which will be great! Also we hear there's a ferry service operating again between Docklands and Southbank - hooray!

Our AGM was held on September 29. Current committee members and office bearers including myself were re-elected.

Unfortunately a couple of committee members have had to resign due to moving out of the area and we will be recruiting others to assist. If you are a member or somebody interested in joining and helping in a non-demanding role, I'd very much like to talk to you. You can contact me on **0412 097 706**.

The public meeting held at Waterfront City on the evening of October 6 to protest against the proposed development by MAB Corporation attracted over 100 people from all over Docklands. The meeting unanimously condemned the proposed destruction of the purpose-built public plaza to make way for a 15-storey hotel.

The big marquee would go too. The plaza is the only public square in Docklands, used by visitors and locals alike. Other

elements of the plan condemned are the cramming in of more high-rise buildings including an overshadowing 42-storey tower and lack of traffic planning - with significantly extra traffic but no more streets and lack of parking. These are common problems in Docklands as we well know. A copy of a media release was sent to the Minister's office.

We will write to the Minister requesting he veto the destruction of the plaza and erection of a hotel on the site and review other elements detrimental to residents.

Interestingly, and to our warm surprise, the City of Melbourne has written to the Planning Department criticising the MAB plans for non-compliance with the objectives of the Urban Design Framework and highly critical of various elements of the plans including

positioning and height of additional buildings, wind effect problems, traffic problems and lack of parking. We look forward to favourable consideration by the department for the benefit of Docklands residents and visitors, as well as workers.

I have been included in a delegation on state planning issues to meet with the Planning Minister on November 29.

Everyone is welcome to contact us on [docklandscommunityassociation@gmail.com](mailto:docklandscommunityassociation@gmail.com). If you would like to talk to me about any aspect you are welcome to call me on **0412 097 706**. You can also keep up with things on our website [www.docklandscommunityassociation.com](http://www.docklandscommunityassociation.com)

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# What *With* Women *Abby* Want *Crawford*

## **Karma. It's basically the belief that you get back whatever you put in. Sort of.**

A cosmic balance sheet, you do a good favour for someone and somehow magically the universe records this and pays you back in kind.

Or, if you're more of the evil twin type character, you do something dodgy and karma comes back and bites you on the butt when you're not watching. It's like the ACCC of souls, wanting to make sure it's an even playing field, that bullies are put in their spots and that do-gooders out there are recognised and rewarded.

I don't know, I think it's a bit easier to believe that Santa really does know if you've been bad or good, and that is what determines whether the fat man is going to slip down your chimney.

The tooth fairy is also fairly convincing. After all, she follows rules of such simplicity – tooth falls out, money appears, there's no question of deserving, of being good or bad, just a simple and straightforward transaction.

Ok ok, they're stories for kids, I know ... but why haven't we relegated karma to a sweet or threatening (in the case of the kids next door that shoot Nerf bullets at the cat) bedtime story for kids?

I'm not meaning to be a doubting Thomas on the karma front, and certainly I have lived my life thus far "doing unto others" etc, etc ... but I do think I've been kind of over-extending myself and always giving just a tincy bit too much, based on the sub-conscious rationale of "it will be good karma".

I've given to charity regularly, I exercise with my kid (come on, that's worthy of good karma. You've no idea how frustrating it is to try to jog beside a scooter that's intent on taking out your heels every third step and your ankle bone every turn); I've worked

hard at launching my businesses; I pay my bills before my savings program (actually I never got around to opening it because I had nothing to put in there); I attend school pageants where my son is invariably something I can't quite figure out, such as the Mexican in the Christmas story (I kid you not); and to add insult to injury just this week someone actually said to me "it will be good karma" if you do what I'm asking you to do. Talk about reverse threatening. Doesn't that just scream "and bad karma if you don't"!?

My point is that I don't really recall something that seems to recognise the amount of good I'm sending karma's way coming back to me. I haven't won lotto, or even a meat tray at the local bowling club raffle, I haven't had some tall, dark and handsome guy whisk me away for a tropical holiday, even though I KNOW I deserve one ... what is going on?!

So I'm taking matters into my own hands. If every coffee shop on the planet can count

on your loyalty with a simple star cut-out on a small piece of cardboard, well I'm up for creating my own loyalty card.

I'm going to take my business card and stab it with a pencil every time I do something "karma-worthy".

I reckon by the time the card is stabbed beyond recognition, I'm going to reward myself with my own karma treat – a bottle of champagne – and I'm going to flick through a tropical island travel brochure ... any tall, dark handsome men wanting to whisk away will surely follow!

Sometimes in life, I think **you** have to recognise the good that you are doing and consciously reward **yourself**. I'm not sure that karma dishes out enough ... then again, I did survive a house fire! This month make sure you keep the good deeds up, but also just reward yourself!

Have a great month

Abby xx

## Letters to the Editor

### Thanks to local businesses

I would like to draw the Docklands community's attention to the generous support that the local Rotary club receives from Dockland's businesses.

Our Rotary club conducts several fund-raising activities throughout the year, to enable us to contribute to the many worthwhile Rotary projects undertaken globally and locally.

These include massive worldwide undertakings such as the Polio Plus eradication program, Rotarians against malaria prevention alliance, International disaster relief, Australian Rotary Health, and closer to home, assistance for under-privileged groups and individuals in need.

The major shopping centres, accommodation providers, as well as restaurateurs, have shown exemplary community spirit in their support of Rotary and should be publicly recognised and commended.

Ann Ellis  
President  
Rotary Club of Docklands

### Poor attitude to family

On October 15, 2011 we were invited to attend my sister's 40th birthday at NewQuay International Buffet and Bar at Docklands. However my experience at this restaurant was most disappointing.

I arrived with my family at 12.30pm and my son Noah had already fallen asleep in the pram as he was feeling unwell on this day. The restaurant manager greeted us at the door and told us that no prams are allowed in the restaurant. Obviously, I queried why and he had very little to say except that "we have a sign stating this and these are our rules". I looked around for the sign which I eventually found stating that "No prams are allowed due to OH&S reasons". I tried to ask if I could place the pram against the wall in the corner where it would not get in anybody's way but this was refused. I was asked to leave my son sleeping in the foyer of the restaurant as we could not wheel the pram through the restaurant. If it wasn't for the birthday celebration I would not have even bothered to stay.

Just after we entered another lady entered with another baby on a pram, however on this occasion the manager decided she was allowed to remove the capsule and bring

this into the restaurant. It seems to me that these rules are not clearly defined and if it really is an OH&S risk, this is not properly assessed because a baby in a capsule on the floor would pose the same risks as an infant in a pram.

I cannot accept that this restaurant can get away with this poor attitude to a family environment. If you cannot even go out dining with your family on a weekend lunch then when is this acceptable? Why not just exclude children from your restaurant altogether? Also, I would think that this restaurant would have higher risk of OH&S issues from their buffet lunch, rather than the risk a pram entering the restaurant could introduce.

This dining experience will have to be rated my worst and unfortunately it just had to be in my home town. So much for the Melbourne Docklands vision. A Place for Everyone – belonging to and offering quality experiences for residents, workers, investors, shoppers and visitors from Melbourne, regional Victoria, interstate and overseas. In my opinion this restaurant fails miserably!

Maria



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# DOCKLANDS FASHION



## Jess Mifsud

### LOCATION?

Harbour Town

### WEARS?

I'm in all my budget stuff today. Shirt and boots from Sportsgirl, fur vest from boutique on Bridge Rd, jeans from Cotton On.

### DESCRIBE YOUR STYLE?

A little bit indie, kind of casual.

### WHAT BRINGS YOU TO DOCKLANDS?

We're actually down from Sydney for three days of shopping and today's our last day.

### WHERE ARE YOU FROM?

Deer Park

### WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE PIECE OF CLOTHING?

My boots. They go with every outfit. You can easily mix and match them. It helps dress an outfit up or down. And I like how they have that "rocky" look.

### WHAT MAKES A GOOD OUTFIT?

Something that is edgy, a little bit different but works with a person's particular style.

## Kahlia Coe

### LOCATION?

Harbour Town

### WEARS?

This top is actually a dress but I wore it as a top today. It's from Supre. Skirt from Jeans West and necklace from Six.

### DESCRIBE YOUR STYLE?

I wear anything that looks good. I like vintage clothes and old stuff that you can get from Savers.

### WHAT BRINGS YOU TO DOCKLANDS?

I'm here for a job interview.

### WHERE ARE YOU FROM?

Pakenham

### WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE PIECE OF CLOTHING?

Cardigans. I just love them. Especially the old grandma style ones, they are the best.

### WHAT MAKES A GOOD OUTFIT?

Accessories because accessories put the whole outfit together.

## Travis Truter

### LOCATION?

Harbour Town

### WEARS?

Aquila shoes and socks, Lee jeans, Saba t-shirt and Politics shirt.

### DESCRIBE YOUR STYLE?

A little bit indie, kind of casual.

### WHAT BRINGS YOU TO DOCKLANDS?

Taking girlfriend out on a surprise date.

### WHERE ARE YOU FROM?

Altona

### WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE PIECE OF CLOTHING?

Jeans. I love wearing jeans full-time.

### WHAT MAKES A GOOD OUTFIT?

Accessories. Sunglasses watch and ring. Accessories can create a unique look for each person.



## Hats a-flutter

By Nicola St John

*If ever there was a time to step out of the house with something resembling a bird's nest in your hair, this is it!*

Apart from the odd bad hair day, church outing or royal wedding, never has it been more appropriate to assemble feathers, flowers, straw and other miscellaneous peacocking elements atop your head. Spring racing season is here and, in fact, it's almost required dressing.

Helping you out this season, we asked established Melbourne millinery designer Louise MacDonald to share her tips on what to do up-top.

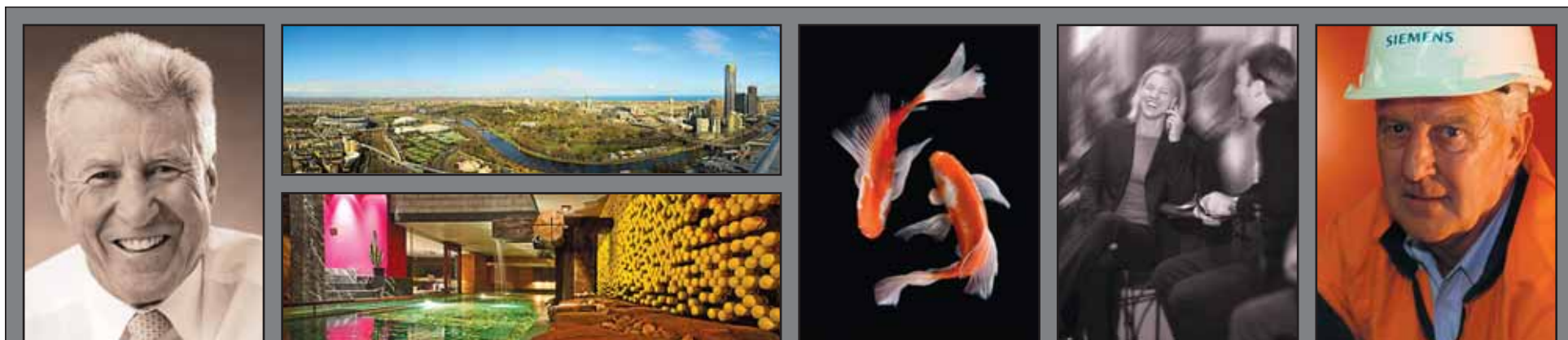
**What are the major trends in millinery design this spring racing season?** Strong bright clashing colours. Be bold!

**Is the reign of the fascinator over and will we see a return to classic hats?** People are choosing headpieces that are small to medium-sized and that are well made, rather than fluff glued on a headband or a single flower!

**What are clients looking for this season?** Bright colours. Small but solid pieces that perch forward on the head. Pieces that frame the face and flatter their proportions. There have been very few requests for a big brim.

**Does this season's colour-blocking trend extend to hats and accessories?** Absolutely. If you are unsure, stick to one colour family such as fuchsia, red and orange.

**When choosing accessories for the races are there any important rules to remember?** It's not a casual event. Put some thought into it. Accessories can help make different elements of the outfit work.

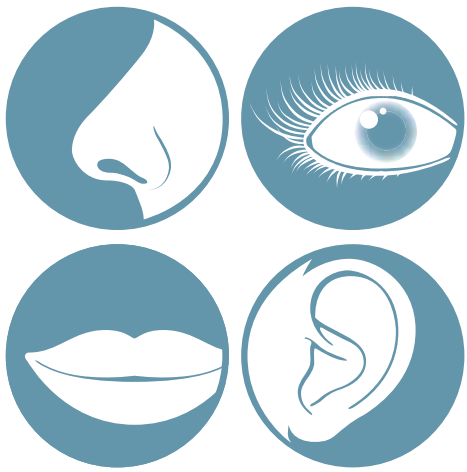


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# DOCKLANDS SECRETS

## Negativity makes Bunjil cry

*Bunjil has become a strong, iconic symbol of Docklands.*

But like Docklands generally, Bunjil is generally misunderstood and often misrepresented.

The descendants of the Wurundjeri aboriginal people are generally unimpressed that the 2002 Bruce Armstrong work does not more resemble an actual eaglehawk. So the statue is said to be “inspired by” the spirit creator of the Kulin nation.

Fair enough. But a tribe of recently-arrived Docklanders is fuelling a public perception that Docklands itself is a disaster.

And this misrepresentation, it seems, is making Bunjil sad.

This tribe of public opinion leaders earlier this year started a rumour that Bunjil would be moving to make way for new development. In fact, the successful developer has been asked to include Bunjil in its plans.



The rest of Docklands is left wondering why *The Age* is hell-bent on ruining Docklands' reputation. Last month saw a frenzy of anti-Docklands sentiment boiling over in its news and opinion pages.

The move from the eastern side to the western side of Spencer St has given *The Age* and 3AW a Docklands address.

Are they embarrassed by this? Why do they take every opportunity to take a cheap shot at Docklands?

Whatever the answer, the result can be seen in Bunjil's face. If you look closely, you can see a tear starting to roll down the statue's cheek.



# I THE NIGHTLIFE *with DJJ*



## Friday night and the lights are low ...

An offer of \$1 billion couldn't bring the original members of ABBA back to the stage. Damn, that's a lot of Swedish meatballs! But the next best thing, Bjorn Again – the number one ABBA show on the planet – is guaranteeing a good time.

Break out the disco shoes, mood rings and maybe that old karate outfit that you've only worn twice and head downtown for some 1970s action. Oh, and the chocolate at the bottom of this sundae is the fact that the fun-loving Old Romantics is playing as support act to the dancing queens.

They'll be cranking out their comedic retro 80s classics to bring out the big hair or mullet in you. So that's a good couple of decades in one night, Mama Mia!

**WHAT:** Bjorn Again

**WHERE:** The Palms @ Crown

**WHEN:** Friday, November 18 and Saturday, November 19

**WEB:** [www.bjornagain.com.au](http://www.bjornagain.com.au)

## DJJ says relax!

Relieve yourself, cornflakes, clean shirt, tram pass, work, sandwich, work, home, thawed chicken, TV show where you don't have to think, floss, bed, phew! I've noticed that people seem to be getting busier, except those people who spend all their time telling you how busy they are!

From Friday, November 18 to Sunday, November 20 there'll be 200 exhibitors at the Melbourne Convention Centre to help you get some “me time”. The MindBodySpirit festival is touring around the country leaving its incensed aroma and positive vibrations all over the convention centre.

So if you're keen on learning how to not pull all your hair out with stress or if you're keen to learn how to grow more hair, do yourself a favour and get on down to the festival, or get a hat like Molly Meldrum!

**WHAT:** MindBodySpirit Festival

**WHERE:** Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre

**WHEN:** Friday, November 18 to Sunday, November 20

**WEB:** [www.mbsfestival.com.au](http://www.mbsfestival.com.au)

## Meet the winemaker

Going out Thursday night is just so sneaky isn't it, and drinking on a Thursday night just makes it even more fun! Martin Krajewski from Chateau de Sours is taking wine buffs on a magical rosé tour.

Now I just know rosé as the dancing juice that can't decide whether it's white or red wine but I'm guessing there's a bit more to it.

Throw in a slow-roast pork roll (I'm currently drooling on my keyboard thinking of the one I had there a few weeks ago) and add some celebrity chefs from the Melbourne Storm behind the spit and you've got yourself a not-so-shabby school night. Enjoy, but you can't blame me come Friday morning!

**WHAT:** Meet the Winemaker

**WHERE:** The Wharf Hotel

**WHEN:** Thursday, November 10

**WEB:** [www.wharfhotel.com.au](http://www.wharfhotel.com.au)

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## Specials at Harbour Town

In addition to fantastic Harbour Town VIP offers, you can expect some unbelievable gift specials in the lead up to Christmas. Plus, enjoy late night trading every Friday until 9pm so you can take your time in shopping for your loved ones!

**Venue:** Harbour Town Shopping Centre



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**Venue:** Medibank Icehouse

**Cost:** FREE



## Harbour Town Gift Cards

With Christmas coming up very soon, why not purchase someone a Harbour Town Gift Card! These are available to purchase from the Tourism Lounge and are valid at most Harbour Town retailers.

**Venue:** Harbour Town Shopping Centre



## Planning a Corporate Function?

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**Venue:** Medibank Icehouse



## Suit Up & Ride

Join 2011 Tour de France Champion, Cadel Evans for Melbourne's quirkiest cycling event, Suit Up & Ride. This team cycling event is great fun with an aim to raise awareness of youth mental illness.

**When:** 25 November 2011

**Venue:** Waterfront City Piazza

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## FROM DOCKLANDS WRITERS

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### Child on a Swing

Swinging high  
I love you mum he shouted  
smiling  
blue scarf flowing

I love you mum he shouted  
free as a bird  
blue scarf flowing  
legs kicking high

free as a bird  
soaring towards heaven  
legs kicking high  
dancing in air

soaring towards heaven  
dreaming  
dancing in air  
with angel wings

dreaming  
blissful  
flying towards clouds  
with angel wings

carefree  
smiling  
ecstatic  
swinging high

Three poems by  
Jenny MacDonald

### El Fishawy's Cafe (a cafe in Cairo)

antique mirrors gild aged walls  
imbued with decades of discussion  
arabesque lanterns light veiled alcoves  
where young lovers  
vow to love, honour and adore

mint tea and cardamom coffee  
spice dusty, desert air  
apple scented tobacco wafts from intricate  
shisha pipes  
as philosophers look out on labyrinths of  
cobblestone alleys  
that echo the ghosts of centuries

a woman aged but ageless -  
mother of time  
wears a garland of gardenias  
her wrinkled, woven face  
embroiders hidden worlds

nearby a mosque stands silent  
silhouetted against a Cairo sky

### Esna (a town in upper Egypt)

Smoke from age-old fires  
snakes an ancient sky that once watched  
Khnum - creator  
God,  
breathe life into men and women  
moulded from clay

Children with tattered clothes and matted  
hair  
play on the banks of  
a sequined shimmering ribbon  
flowing through ancient land

A bus load of tourists  
crass, cameras in hand  
tramp through billowing reeds,  
trespassing the sacred

A mosque's slender tower rises  
above mud brick huts  
as a Moazzen's hypnotic chant  
echoes through time



## City on a Hill turns four!

*Recently I was on a flight with my wife Vanessa and our three children. Next to me, on the window seat was my four-year-old daughter Summer.*

It was amazing to watch as she looked through that small airplane window and took in the wonder of God's creation. One of my favourite moments is when a plane arrives at a new city and slowly begins its descent. At night-time it's spectacular because out of nowhere lights below begin to appear. The closer you get the brighter and more frequent the lights become, to the point where the whole landscape is lit up like a Christmas tree.

Cities are like this. They stand out as light in the midst of darkness. They are places of activity, growth and community.

I love that Jesus has this vision for the church. In Matthew 5 he says: "You are the light of the world, a city on a hill that cannot be hidden." Like a city on a hill, we're made to be men and women who, in the midst of darkness, emanate light. As people, we are known for the brightness of our love, generosity, strength and sacrifice

In October 2007, we launched a new church,

now called City on a Hill. Starting with a small team and a big vision to build a city that would make a difference for the glory of God ...

This October we celebrate our fourth birthday - and we have so much to thank God for.

It was our first full year at Hoyts Melbourne Central, plus the launch of a new venue for our evening service, at Arrow on Swanston. By God's grace our community - which was once just a small group, meeting in a Docklands apartment - is now upwards of 500 people, growing by over 30 per cent in the last year.

A real highlight for me was Easter Sunday when we gathered to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus and baptize a bunch of men and women who had given their lives to Jesus.

All this growth has led to the planting of new connect groups, our mid-week communities where people study the bible, pray and share life together.

Some groups helped out with flood recovery in Victoria, another was involved in "Live below the line", to fight against extreme poverty. We've also got a group looking at ways to care for women impacted by sex trafficking and another group of DJs mixing it up with the Melbourne dance scene. Whether it's workers, youth, students, families, married, singles, it's encouraging to see people doing life together for the glory of God.

We also kicked off a host of mid-week courses including *Introducing Jesus*, which attracted upwards of 50 people to hear about the man, mission and message of Jesus.

We launched *The Fight*, in which 30 blokes from across the church stepped into the ring and went head-to-head with porn.

This paved the way for a big year for men, our blokes battled on the footy field and had a night away for the inaugural Band of Brothers conference. It was also a great year for our women with wins in netball plus the inaugural women's conference *Draw Near* which is just around the corner.

Our media presence is also expanding with website and podcasts receiving hits from over 50 countries.

We appeared on *Sunrise*, in *The Age*, *Docklands News* and Triple J's *Hack* program, where I was asked what my thoughts were on polyamory and love with inanimate objects.

Speaking of love, wedding bells have been ringing all year. 12 people said I do, with another 12 about to walk down the aisle. We also had 13 new babies born, plus a bunch of babies dedicated ...

All of this has led to boom in City Kidz, which in the last 12 months has grown phenomenally. Another ministry going from strength to strength is Many Rooms. Launched with a vision to care for Melbourne's homeless, it now runs a kitchen offering meals and friendship to upwards of 70 people every weekend with a further 80 volunteering to for the cause.

And friends, all this is just the beginning.

In the next six months we're looking to plan our next service, expand ministries, launch our music team's first album, take *Introducing Jesus* online and give it away to other churches, and send out our first couple for overseas mission.

We're also hosting a leadership conference with Acts 29 and one huge city-wide event in May, where Melbourne churches are coming together, to proclaim Jesus and bless our city.

And so as we enjoy this fourth birthday we want to celebrate and take this opportunity to look out from our window seat through the window and see the lights of this city that God is building. One by one they are beginning to shine and day-by-day they are getting brighter.

On behalf of my wife and family, pastors and leaders at City on a Hill I want to thank *Docklands News* and this great community for being part of our journey. We love this city, love the people and indeed love our God.

*Guy Mason is the pastor of City on a Hill. Services are on Sundays at 10am (Hoyts, Melbourne Central) and 6pm (Arrow, 488 Swanston Street).*



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## Ella, the Docklands dream dog

### *Ella loves her view of Docklands.*

When not wrestling with her array of soft toys or going for walkies to South Wharf, she is staring out the window.

The 18-month-year-old pure shih-tzu is the prized puppy of Christopher and Tamara Tobing who have lived at Victoria Point for five years. The couple were one of the building's first tenants.

The Tobings love Docklands because it so convenient to public transport and major roads.

Tamara said Ella was a very good dog.

"She doesn't bark much, which is great for apartment living," Tamara said.

Tamara said Ella failed to differentiate between real dogs and those appearing on their TV screen. "She jumps up at the screen when other dogs come on," she said. "She thinks they are in the room."

Ella gets walked daily (weather permitting) over to the exhibition centre at South Wharf where she wears herself out chasing seagulls.

And while bold with the seagulls, she is generally shy with other dogs - particularly if the other dogs are outgoing.

"She likes to hang out with other shih-tzus," Tamara said. "But she is generally good when we put her into dog care when we go away."

Ella can't decide whether her favourite pet is the lamb she generally drags around the apartment with her, or the "doggie toy" which plays music when squeezed.

Either way, Ella is a fun-loving pet who brings a lot of joy into the life of her owners.

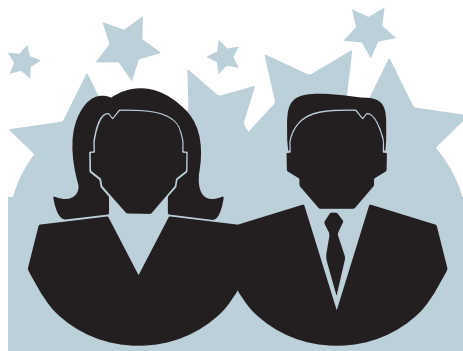


Ella receives a \$25 gift voucher from Pet Stock South Melbourne

# MADE IN HEAVEN WITH ANGELINA MAY

### *How compatible are you and your partner?*

Check the astrological charts by emailing your's and your partner's birthdate and time to [heaven@docklandsnews.com.au](mailto:heaven@docklandsnews.com.au)



#### **Jennifer Aniston**

February 11, 1969

Sun in Aquarius

Moon in Sagittarius

Mars in Scorpio

Venus in Aries

North Node in Aries

#### **Justin Theroux**

August 8, 1971

Sun in Leo

Moon in Aries

Mars in Aquarius

Venus in Leo

North Node in Leo

### *Is this love or lust?*

What do you bring to the relationship and what gifts does your partner bring to you?

#### **Jennifer Aniston:**

With all the media articles on how "poor Jen can't find a man", it is not surprising that even she had started to doubt her charm. Jen's chart states clearly that she finds it difficult to be in a relationship because she gives too much and loses herself in the process. Her lesson in this lifetime is to be independent, unique and in control of her own life.

Her past life programming makes it easy for her to bond with another and become all consumed with the "us" not the "me". The "us" is normally great for any relationship but not for Jen. She needs to learn the "me" in a relationship".

It is not surprising that she would chose both Brad Pitt and now Justin Theroux as her main partners in life. Both of these men have a strong independent streak. Both have the ability to leave a relationship once it gets too comfortable so she will be forced to either not become "one" or lose the love.

As she has had a great deal of time on her own now, she may approach this new relationship differently, although she has already started to change her dress sense to "fit in with" his.

#### **Justin Theroux**

Justin has a very powerful, masculine, appealing chart. He has a great deal of Leo in his chart which is charismatic, charming and very sexy in a relationship.

Jennifer has hit the jackpot with this one. Justin is a unique mix of wanting freedom and dominance in a relationship to being beautifully sexy and vulnerable.

His moon in Aries means that at times he can be quite sharp, abrupt and self-centered, without even knowing it. He will cool down quickly though and Jennifer will learn how to handle this as she is learning how important it is to stand her ground on issues.

Jennifer is indeed a good match for Justin. Their day-to-day lives and adventures would be satisfying for both of them and there is a genuine natural affinity with all they do and undertake.

### **Possible conflicts:**

Jennifer Aniston has a very strong "past life programming chip" that says "I have to be everything my partner wants me to be", instead of accepting that she needs to adopt more of the "I need to be everything I can be" attitude. Justin can be self-centered and egotistical which is appealing for Jennifer now, but if the two of them are not careful they may both fall into their normal traps of being controlling (Justin) and being subservient (Jennifer)

They both have the same issues around commitment in that both really want it but are not good with it. My advice to them both would be to have a very loose relationship which surprisingly will be very binding indeed. This is one relationship that Jennifer does not want to lose.

### **Outcome of relationship:**

Together, each of them feels at home. They have found their other half and are completed by each other. Both will learn and work on the challenge of "us" and "me" which, in essence, is the utopia in any relationship. I wish them both the best of luck as they have the right stuff to make it happen, unless of course they take it all for granted and let outside influences impact on their path. I give it an eight out of 10.

### **Featured terminology**

**Mars** - The planet of energy, sex drive and anger.

**Venus** - The planet that generally attracts love, money, creative activity.

**Moon** - This is our emotional responses to life.

# Businesses in Docklands

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## LAWYERS LOCAL TO DOCKLANDS



**Without a firm of lawyers resident in the precinct, Tolhurst Druce and Emmerson (TDE) is a law firm local to Docklands.**

Located at the western end of the city, on the corner of Bourke and William streets, the office is a short stroll or tram ride away from the Docklands.

There is nothing pretentious about TDE. In some respects it is what you would expect from a suburban law practice. The firm is no nonsense and prides itself on offering an excellent legal service at a cost-effective price.

In other respects, the firm is very much at home in the CBD. With a proud heritage of legal practice spanning well over 100 years, the firm offers a full range of services tailored to the needs of individuals, families and business. As a city-based firm there is ready access to barristers, the courts and other professionals.

The range of services offered by the firm

include: conveyancing and property law; wills, probate and the administration of estates and trusts; all areas of family law; commercial and business law matters; together with litigation and dispute resolution services.

The lawyers at Tolhurst Druce and Emmerson are skilled and experienced. Partners of the firm have decades of

experience in their area of practice. Several practitioners are accredited specialists in their fields of expertise by the Law Institute of Victoria.

The firm says results from a recent questionnaire illustrated that TDE clients felt comfortable, had confidence in the lawyers' ability and were able to rely on them. TDE says this environment is important, as it lays the groundwork to obtain the best possible legal outcome, whilst reducing the stress often associated with legal issues.

Peter Weller, a partner in the area of litigation and dispute resolution, is proud of the combination of expertise and service offered by the firm.

"We are large enough to offer a true depth of experience, whilst being small enough to offer the personalised service that is the hallmark of our firm," he said.

The aim of TDE is to build long-term client relationships. From the outset, it takes the time to listen to the needs of its clients. The lawyers then work with their clients to protect current interests, whilst also devising a legal strategy which will serve them into the future.

John Henry, a partner in the firm, works in the area of wills and estates. He says his firm has been servicing generations of the same families.

"We're proud to be their lawyers and we often work with several generations of their families. They see us as trusted advisers in times of trouble as well as coming to us to establish their legal affairs," Mr Henry said.

Level 3, 520 Bourke Street, Melbourne  
Ph **9670 0700**  
[www.tde.com.au](http://www.tde.com.au)

## ASSISTING DOCKLANDS' HEALTHY ATTITUDE TO EATING



**Docklanders have a healthy attitude towards lunch, according to Alex Wong (left).**

Mr Wong said a trend away from "junk food" in favour of healthier fare has justified his decision to invest in a Make Your Own franchise in Docklands.

"A lot of people are trading up from fast food such as potato cakes and the like, to sandwiches or a healthy salad," Mr Wong said.

"Surprisingly, many of my lunch customers are men."

Mr Wong said construction site workers were joining office and retail workers in opting to make their own sandwich or pizza from the 75 fillings he has on offer.

The fillings display nutritional information, such as fat content, carbohydrate and kilojoules.

Sandwich prices are based on weight, while salads are priced according to bowl size ... so stuff the bowl as full as you want.

"As well as sandwich bread and pizza bases, we offer wraps, rolls and croissants," he said.

"We have a different hot food dish every day - today's is lasagne bolognese."

If you are not in the creative *Masterchef* mood, MYO has chef-designed recipes for you to follow.

There is also a "Sandwich of the Week" - see how your tastebuds cope with avocado, roast beef and seeded mustard.

MYO also caters for breakfast, with cereals and coffee and tea.

MYO has 19 outlets in Australia, and six in the United Kingdom and Ireland.

Mr Wong opened his MYO outlet, on Batman's Hill Drive, two and a half years ago.

"I went to a franchise convention in Perth, and the MYO concept stood out to me," he said.

"Docklands seemed to be the perfect place to open one. It's all about potential."

"What appeals to me most about the Docklands area is what it will become."

MYO is open 7am-4pm, and is on Batman's Hill Drive, Docklands. Call **8648 8711** or visit [www.myo.com.au](http://www.myo.com.au)

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## CUTTING EDGE STUFF

### As far as men's hairdressing goes, this is cutting edge stuff.

The leather chesterfields, the timber panelling, the slight piquancy of men's fragrance, the relaxed atmosphere – The Barber Club, at Victoria Harbour in Docklands, has raised the bar for barbers.

And throw in a complimentary drink – yes, a free beer while you are being de-bearded.

Manager Aakash Shergill and his colleagues are celebrating the Barber Club's first birthday this month.

"We offer a suit-and-tie concept for men's haircuts," Mr Shergill said. "This is a men's haven. As well as a haircut, they can relax and read a magazine, have a snooze on the sofa, enjoy a drink – just chill out for a while."

"Men come in and say, 'I'm sick of having to line up at a barber on a weekend'. Here they can get a haircut during a spare hour while at work."

Mr Shergill said business was booming, as more people moved into Docklands.

"We love it here. All the local traders are cool and we promote each other," he said.

"We are noticing a lot of NewQuay residents coming over here to us. At first we catered just for the businesses and office workers, but now a lot of residents are moving here."

"The statistics show there are about 18,000 men in a 1km radius of us. That's a lot of haircuts."

"We find a lot of men come in for a face shave before a wedding, or going out. We even have ladies coming in and asking if we can do them," Mr Shergill said, with a chuckle.

"But I tell them we can't, we are exclusively for men. Then they say, 'I'm going to send my husband here.'"

Mr Shergill said men were a more challenging market than women.

"Men won't ask for what they want, you have to offer it," he said.

"I've just put on another staff member, so it's



The Barber Club manager Aakash Shergill and colleague Kate Duckworth offer a range of men's grooming services.

now myself and two girls."

Like the hair they snip, demand keeps growing for the guys at The Barber Club,

located at 844 Bourke St, Docklands.

Call 9600 2511 or visit [www.thebarberclub.com.au](http://www.thebarberclub.com.au)

## NEW LIFE FOR WATERMARK

### New owner Dante Mastrantuono (right) sees Docklands' Watermark through very different eyes.

While the previous owners variously presented the Victoria Harbour venue as a pub, nightclub, bar and generally somewhere to drink, Mr Mastrantuono's vision centres on food, wine and jazz.

Watermark will remain a favourite watering hole for after-work drinks, but it's the dining experience that will centre Victoria Harbour Promenade as a serious destination for Melbourne's foodies.

And while he is new to Docklands, he is no stranger to hospitality, having owned and operated Vialetto in Hardware Lane for the past 15 years.

In a sense, Dante is a reflection of Docklands' evolution from wasteland to wonderland.

Over recent years he had witnessed his corporate clientele disappearing and being replaced by mostly overseas students. The corporates had moved to Docklands. So he decided to follow them.

"It was time to move to a bigger, more

modern venue," Mr Mastrantuono said. "Docklands is the new CBD."

And as Hardware Lane heads down-market, Docklands is enjoying an influx of quality restaurants.

"We are fortunate in Melbourne that we have so many venues on the water," he said. "In five to 10 years, what we have here will rival Sydney Harbour."

In particular, Mr Mastrantuono is confident that the north-facing strip extending from under the NAB building to Dock 5 will become a dining destination in its own right.

"If we all open for dinner we will attract the crowds because we have an amazing offering down here now and no one is over-priced," he said.

Dante plans to open every night and offer live jazz five nights a week. Jazz band the Danny Dann Quartet has been playing for Dante for more than 12 years and is equally thrilled with the new venue.

The bebop-flavoured band comprises 11 members who operate a roster system to determine who will be part of the nightly trio or quartet.

Dante said he had his eye on Docklands for many years and had long been a fan of Docklands pioneer Renzo Mammolito.



Earlier this year he received a generous offer to sell Vialetto and within four months had bought Watermark.

Mr Mastrantuono said he acted quickly so he could keep his staff together. And this has paid off as he was open within a fortnight of getting the keys, including a full renovation.

Watermark is being officially launched on

Tuesday, November 8 and the Docklands community is welcome to attend.

Ohh, and you can bring your dog too. Dante plans to introduce a special line of dog biscuits and is currently researching a suitable recipe.

For bookings ring 9642 1880. See [www.watermarkdocklands.com.au](http://www.watermarkdocklands.com.au)

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# DOCKLANDS FACES OF



**ELENA MARKAKIS, 42**  
*Owner, Splendor Skin and Laser Clinic*

Elena recently opened her state-of-the-art beauty clinic on Docklands Drive at Harbour Town. Elena says the Harbour Town precinct is like a village, with nice people, a feeling of closeness and a community spirit. She says the harbour water is peaceful and calming – a perfect fit for her spa and clinic treatments.



**ELSA SCOTT, 28**  
*Pharmacy assistant, Victoria Harbour Pharmacy*

Elsa has been working in Docklands for six months. She loves that Docklands is so easy to get to and is so close to the CBD. However, she also likes the fact that Docklands has a bit of a different, more relaxed vibe than the city.



**FAYE LIU, 27**  
*Manager, Little Nyonya*

Faye has just opened a brand new Malaysian restaurant in Docklands. For the past four months she has been busy renovating her premises and is now ready to welcome customers. Faye said the decision to open the restaurant in Docklands was an easy one, as it was clear to her that the area was growing. She likes Docklands because of the nice view of the water, the friendly people and the relaxed atmosphere.



**MARCELO SE SANTANA, 30**  
*Personal banker, Westpac*

As a banker, Marcelo meets a lot of different people everyday. Working in Docklands for the past four months he has definitely noticed the wide variety of people who live and work in the area. Another thing Marcelo has noticed is the beautiful scenery, which can be found in Docklands.



**RAEWYN ELLIS, 25**  
*Cafe assistant, Coffee Gauge*

Raewyn said that she enjoyed working in Docklands, particularly when the weather was nice. She has worked in the area for two years and said that it had grown a lot over that time. Raewyn said the little cafes and stores which have opened had slowly been breathing life into the area.



**SUZANA METESIC, 38**  
*Receptionist, Snap Printing*

For the past year Suzana has enjoyed the surroundings of Docklands. She particularly enjoys the harbour view and Docklands Park. The accessibility of Docklands is another highlight for Suzana, who said it was so easy to get to, via public transport. She said that Docklands had a young vibe and that people in the area were friendly and easy-going. During the Friday night fireworks, Suzana enjoyed going out for end-of-week drinks and watching Docklands light up.



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## DOCKLANDS WRITERS

Tuesdays fortnightly 5.30-7.30pm  
The Hub, 80 Harbour Esplanade  
"Writerly" issues, workshopping, author talks and fun.  
Enquiries to: [rose@grahammercer.com.au](mailto:rose@grahammercer.com.au) or at The Hub.

## HUB CLUBS

Monday, Wednesday and Friday  
The Hub, 80 Harbour Esplanade  
Cost: No charge.  
Table tennis continues to grow in popularity and The Hub is also open to other suggestions. BYO lunch.  
For details 8622 4822 or [docklandshub@melbourne.vic.gov.au](mailto:docklandshub@melbourne.vic.gov.au)

## UPSTREAM 50KM CHALLENGE

Saturday 19th November, 7am - 8:30am  
Waterfront City Piazza  
Take part in this 50km walk/run from Docklands to Donvale as an individual, team or in a relay (30km) entry. The event raises funds for Camp Quality, Disability Sport and Recreation. Visit: [www.upstreamfoundation.org](http://www.upstreamfoundation.org)

## SUIT UP AND RIDE 2011

Friday 25th November, 8am - 6pm  
Waterfront City  
Suit Up and Ride, featuring Cadel Evans, is Melbourne's quirkiest, corporate team cycling event. Teams of five race in a time trial on Melbourne Bike Share bikes, around a short course at Waterfront City in Docklands. [www.suitupandride.com.au](http://www.suitupandride.com.au)



## JEWISH MYSTICISM... A WEEKLY INSIGHT

Every Thursday, 7.30pm  
Chabad Jewish Community Centre, 198 Clark St, Port Melbourne  
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Please contact Rabbi Shlomo Nathanson 0433 810 313 or [rabbi@cjcc.com.au](mailto:rabbi@cjcc.com.au)

## VARIETY SANTA FUN RUN

Sunday 27th November, 7.30am  
Waterfront City Piazza  
3000 people running in Santa suits. What a sight. Join the fun run of the season and help raise much needed funds for sick, special needs and disadvantaged children across Australia. Visit: [www.varietysantafunrun.com.au](http://www.varietysantafunrun.com.au)

## KARATE CLASS

Monday and Thursday  
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## GO SAILING DAY

Sunday 6th November, 10am - 3pm  
Docklands Yacht Club, Shed No. 2 North Wharf Rd  
More than 35 Melbourne and regional yacht clubs are set to play hosts for this year's free annual community Go Sailing Day. Contact [www.gosailing.com.au](http://www.gosailing.com.au)

## DOCKLANDS ROTARY

Every Tuesday, 6.00pm  
Watermark  
First Tuesday of the month is fellowship hour.  
Regular meetings on other Tuesdays. All welcome.

## LEARN TO SAIL

Every Sunday, by appointment  
Docklands Yacht Club, Shed No. 2 North Wharf Rd  
Docklands Yacht Club is an accredited Yachting Australia Training Centre and offers Get Into Small Boat Sailing courses. Contact Ray Allen 0429 868 304 [dyctraining.yatc@gmail.com](mailto:dyctraining.yatc@gmail.com)



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## BONZA CHRISTMAS CRUISE

Friday and Saturdays from November 26  
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The cruise includes the live four-piece Cruise Brothers band upstairs and a DJ downstairs playing all your favourite tunes. Contact [www.ladycutler.com.au](http://www.ladycutler.com.au)

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## CITY ON A HILL

Church Services  
Sunday 10am  
Hoyts, Melbourne Central  
Sunday evening 6pm  
Arrow on Swanston (488 SwanstonSt)  
Contact [cityonahill.com.au](http://cityonahill.com.au)

## FREE WELLNESS EXERCISE ACTIVITIES!

Thursday 24 November, 12pm start  
Waterfront City Piazza  
Wellness in the City Summer Series is an exciting new initiative which encourages city workers to participate in wellness exercise activities taking place in outdoor locations right in the heart of the CBD. Register [melbournecitysports.ymca.org.au](http://melbournecitysports.ymca.org.au)

## ALMA DOEPEL SUPPORTERS MONTHLY SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Third Saturday of every month 5pm - 7pm  
Alma Doepel Restoration Site Shed 2, North Wharf Road, Victoria Harbour, Docklands.  
Learn about our restoration project and see if you would like to get involved.

## DOCKLANDS SUNDAY MARKET

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

## HIGH TEA CRUISE

Sunday 13th November  
Berth 14, Central Pier  
Enjoy the traditional flavour and fun of a high tea with the added style of a cruise on board the elegant MV Mandalay. For more information contact: [www.boatcruises.com.au](http://www.boatcruises.com.au)

## THE RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS (QUAKERS)

Every Sunday 11am-12pm  
The Hub, 80 Harbour Esplanade, Docklands  
Meet for worship and enjoy a tea or coffee afterwards. Ph: 9827 3595 or visit [www.victoria.quakers.org.au](http://www.victoria.quakers.org.au)

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## Brazilian jiu-jitsu is anyone's game

By Yasemin Pelevan

*Docklands is home to the world's greatest sports. Football, soccer, cricket, ice hockey and now even Brazilian jiu-jitsu.*

Based at The Hub, Docklands Brazilian jiu-jitsu provides an after-work release for Docklanders.

Director and coach of Docklands' Brazilian jiu-jitsu Andrew Lai says the sport is anyone's game.

"It's a great way to up your fitness while learning useful self-defence techniques," Andrew said.

BJJ is a popular martial arts form that is effective for its ground fighting technique and grappling. BJJ is one of the few sports where size does not really matter. It is based on the notion that a smaller person can successfully defend him or herself, and ultimately control a bigger person.

"Being bigger and stronger has an advantage but that can be overcome by technique," Mr Lai said.

"I train a 45kg guy who beats guys double his size," he said.

As for the ladies, Andrew says BJJ is the

perfect self-defence sport for women. He said that, unlike other self-defence sports, jiu-jitsu did not require as much strength.

BJJ is a sport of technique. Translated from Japanese, jiu-jitsu means "the gentle technique".

"With the high-level practitioners of BJJ it's kind of like watching physical poetry. There's an aesthetic beauty. Their movement and level of technique is amazing," Mr Lai said.

Docklands BJJ is creating its own elite team of BJJ fighters from regular Docklanders.

Andrew, who works at NAB, opened the Docklands academy for the convenience of office workers.

"Docklands is a good area. It's very convenient for me, as well as other office workers, to commit to training," he said.

"There's a constant stream of competitions throughout the year and we always work on sending teams and being ready."

In the recent Pan Pacific Championships, the biggest regional competition, Docklands BJJ fighters Eddie Sam and Chris Pham brought home gold.

"Doing Brazilian jiu-jitsu is almost like living a dream for a lot of young men. And as a coach it's great to help people fulfil their dreams," Andrew said.

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## Pavilion takes shape

A temporary community pavilion is being built on the lowered wharf of Harbour Esplanade, near the intersection of LaTrobe St in Docklands.

The pavilion will remain for about six months and includes two intricately constructed timber buildings that offer some shelter and shade close to the water's edge.

The project is being designed and built by Monash University architecture students, who are collaborating with Norwegian-based architectural firm Rintala Eggertsson Architects, renowned for its site-specific installations as well as innovative teaching practices in "design-make" projects with students around the world.

The project builds on the "design-make" program as part of Monash's architecture course, which previously produced a pavilion for the King Lake community in response to the 2009 bushfires.

## History repeating

History repeated last month when historical figures James and Helen Gilbert came ashore in Docklands.

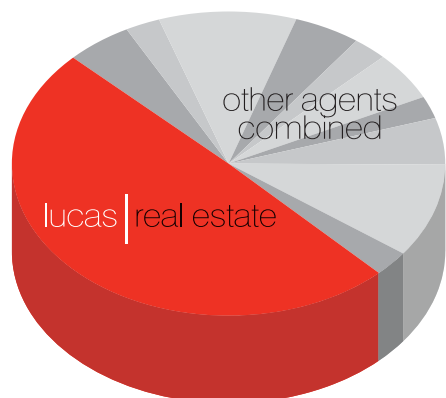
The Gilberts were one of Melbourne's pioneer couples, having been among the first shipload of settlers who stepped from the Enterprize in 1835.

Like the corporates inhabiting modern-day Docklands, the Gilberts were looking for land and prosperity. But unlike today's corporates, the government of the day did not recognise the Gilberts' claim to Melbourne's land.

Nevertheless, today's Gilberts (Rod Thomas and Helen Epsworthy) were last month spruiking voyages aboard the replica Enterprize, which is berthed at Docklands.

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