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Enterprize crew members Peter Van Leeuwen, wearing a civilian mercantile-style costume from 1835, and Jessica Murphy, wearing a first-fleet, convict-style outfit from 1788.

## Ahoy, Docklands

*Petticoats, corsets, hats and linen shirts are all in a day's work for Helen Ebsworthy.*

Having made her first 18<sup>th</sup> century-style costume at age 13, Helen is now chief costume-maker for the crew of the Enterprize. A crew member herself, Helen said each costume was hand-stitched and made from authentic fabrics that would have been used

at the time. She also runs her costume business from Shed 3, so don't be too surprised if you see ladies kitted out in corsets and full skirts, men in 18<sup>th</sup> century sailing garb or the odd pirate running along the wharf.

## Owners fear widespread fibre campaign

*High-rise owners corporations are concerned about being locked out of the NBN due an aggressive fibre installation campaign by a TPG-owned company.*

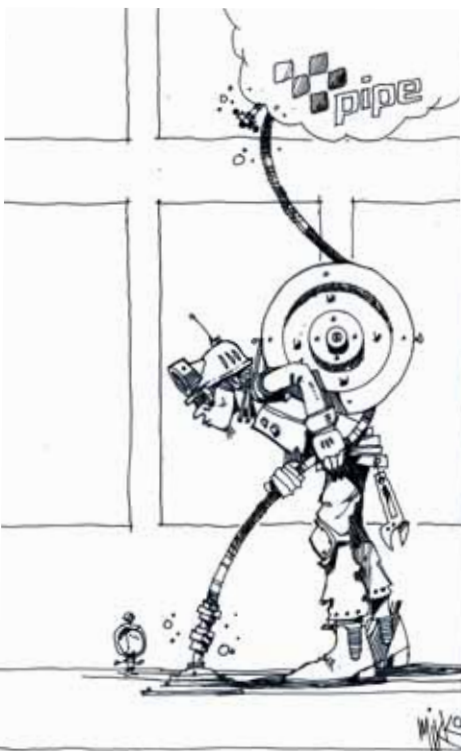
PIPE Networks (a TPG subsidiary) has told owners corporations (OC) in Docklands and in other high-density areas across Australia that it will be installing fibre facilities in their buildings.

A loophole in the Telecommunications Act has allowed PIPE Networks to build its Fibre-to-the-Basement (FTTB) network across high-rise suburbs in Australia and it aims to deliver FTTB connections to 500,000 apartments.

Under current legislation, carriers of telecommunications services have the power to install low-impact facilities in buildings, even where OCs resist the installation.

Dock 5 OC received a letter from PIPE Networks in March and sought legal advice before requesting the issue be referred to the telecommunications ombudsman.

Dock 5 OC committee member Tom Burt fears residents will miss out on the NBN roll out if PIPE Networks installs FTTB in the



building first. This view is backed up by Strata Title Lawyers' Tom Bacon, who said Pipe Networks would enjoy a commercial advantage if it was first to install its infrastructure within buildings.

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# Docklanders in the dark on marketing

*Docklanders remain none the wiser about the success of Destination Docklands' marketing and events campaigns over the past year.*

The events and marketing body, which is funded by the City of Melbourne and local stakeholders, held its last event for the 2013-14 financial year last month.

When *Docklands News* asked the organisation to comment on what it had achieved over the past financial year, Destination Docklands CEO Anita Donnelly did not provide a response.

Instead she offered a "formal interview" with herself and chairman David Cochrane and has promised to share "exclusive research results", but not until July.

Ms Donnelly also failed to confirm how much funding Destination Docklands received for the 2013-14 financial year, but *Docklands News* estimates it to be around \$530,000.

The organisation last year secured a funding agreement of \$300,000 per year, until June 2016, from the City of Melbourne.

A council report on Destination Docklands' three-year funding proposal, presented at the May 28, 2013 council meeting, stated that the total level of 2013-14 funding committed from other partners (apart from the City of Melbourne itself) was \$230,000.

The report lists the funding partners as ING Real Estate, Atlantic Group, MAB, Mirvac, Lend Lease and Medibank Private.

When asked how much of this \$230,000 funding was allocated to events, Ms Donnelly said both the figure and partner list were incorrect.

When asked for the correct figure and partner list Ms Donnelly said: "DDL (Destination Docklands Limited) has a number of cash and in-kind partners, in addition to the City of Melbourne's contribution, which enables DDL to manage

marketing, PR, social media, the consumer facing website destinationdocklands.com.au and deliver and support for the precinct and employ staff."

"These agreements and partnership contributions are confidential."

However, the agreements for the 2012-13 financial year weren't confidential when Destination Docklands submitted its funding proposal to the City of Melbourne last year.

The proposal states that the annual partner revenue for Destination Docklands in 2012-13 was \$450,000 and provides a breakdown of the individual amount each partner provided.

The proposal even goes as far as breaking down how the some of the funds from particular partners were used.

It states that \$10,000 of MAB Corporation's \$25,000 contribution was dedicated to market research, while \$10,000 of Mirvac's \$25,000 contribution was allocated to a single event.

Ms Donnelly did not provide answers to questions about how many visitors or the amount of visitor spending Destination Docklands had attracted over the past financial year.

She also didn't answer a question about the performance metrics Destination Docklands uses to measure its success.

However, she did make a presentation at the joint Destination Docklands and Docklands Chamber of Commerce Networking event on May 19, outlining the organisation's activities.

She advised guests that a copy of the presentation would be emailed the following day but did not provide a copy to *Docklands News* when requested.



## NewQuay fees dispute settled

*The long-running dispute between NewQuay traders and MAB Corporation over alleged excessive precinct management fees was settled last month.*

The case was scheduled for hearing at VCAT on July 14 but the parties settled the matter privately.

The traders' lawyer, Frank Guastelegname, told *Docklands News* the parties were pleased that the matter had been resolved.

Confidentiality clauses agreed to under the terms of the settlement prevented him from speaking further.

*Docklands News* understands that the parties agreed not to pursue claims against each other and each would handle their own costs.

The traders originally launched the action against MAB (as Metro Real Estate) in 2011, claiming they had received little value from the millions of dollars levied from them in precinct management fees.

NewQuay retail owners signed up for 10 years of precinct management fees and promotional levies when they purchased their properties.

The traders' involved in the VCAT action had sought a refund of these fees, which they believed had been misspent and for their contracts to be revoked.

It has previously been estimated that the combined claim of the owners could top \$5 million.



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## Water rats return

*The Water Rat race returned to Docklands last month, with 100 workers taking part in the corporate challenge.*

Organised by Destination Docklands and held for the first time in 2013, the event involves teams completing various challenges around Docklands, many in costume.

According to Destination Docklands CEO Anita Donnelly this year's challenges included dressing a mannequin while blindfolded, eating pizza, finding specific

boats in the harbour, learning how to dragon boat and visiting local artworks.

It appears Mirvac staff definitely know their way around Docklands, with its teams placing first and second in the challenge.

The team from Sladen Legal managed to place equal fourth with the Ticketmaster team and snag the best costume prize.

# Watergate short-stay case rolls on

*The Building Appeals Board (BAB) may need to hear further evidence before making a decision on the Watergate short-stay case.*

Lawyer for short-stay operator Paul Salter, Richard Niall had hoped the case could be resolved at a summary hearing last month.

At the May 22 hearing he argued the orders originally issued to Watergate short-stay operator Paul Salter in 2011 were "untenable".

The orders related to the perceived change in use of a number of short-stay apartments, but Mr Niall has argued throughout the hearings that there was no change in use.

However, members of the newly-appointed BAB panel questioned how they could make a decision without hearing evidence.

The new BAB panel was appointed after both the Supreme Court and Court of Appeals remitted the case back for re-hearing at the tribunal.

A different BAB panel originally heard the case in 2012 and found in favour of the City of Melbourne, upholding its decision to issue building orders against owners of short-stay apartments in the Watergate building in 2011.

Watergate is classified as a Class 2 building under the Building Code of Australia and the orders required the owners to comply with building regulations applicable to a Class 3 building (akin to a hotel or boarding house) or to cease trading.

The new BAB panel agreed to allow Mr Niall to argue his case on the "untenable" nature of the orders at a half-day hearing on May 22, but, at the hearing, panel member Stephen Kip questioned how they could make a decision without hearing evidence.

The new panel comprises fire safety engineer Mr Kip, municipal building surveyor Peter Jolly and lawyer Ian Pridgeon as chairman.

Mr Kip asked how the panel could fulfil its obligations to determine if there was no danger to life in the Watergate building at a summary hearing.

Mr Niall responded there was no issue in terms of safety and referred to council building surveyor Joseph Genco's evidence at the first hearing, where he said if he had found an issue he would have issued emergency building orders.

Mr Kip said while he understood Mr Niall's point in relation to Mr Genco's submission, he hadn't had the chance to ask Mr Genco's view himself.

"We have to decide if this building order was issued correctly. I don't know if I have enough information to determine that," Mr Kip said.

Further complicating matters is the fact Mr Kip's term with the Building Appeals Board ends in June. Speaking at a directions hearing in April, chairman Ian Pridgeon said the panel aimed to ensure the matter was settled before the end of June.

The first BAB hearing consisted of six full-day hearings and Mr Niall contended that if the matter was to proceed it should be on the condition that council pay the costs of the first hearing.

City of Melbourne lawyer Tim Margetts maintained that the matter of costs would be determined by the outcome of the current hearing.

Chairman Ian Pridgeon made no order for costs at the May 22 hearing. He said the panel would publish its decision in due course.

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# Docklands budget disappointment

*The City of Melbourne’s 2014-2015 draft plan and budget released last month reveals no plans for major Docklands projects in the next financial year.*

While last year’s budget saw more than \$12 million allocated to capital works in Docklands, this year sees just \$2.06 million allocated.

The main capital works investments include \$550,000 for the fit-out of the Docklands Community and Boating Hub and \$1 million for the implementation of the Docklands Community and Place Plan (DCPP).

According to a council spokesperson, the DCCP funding will be used for Queens Lawn landscaping, Harbour Esplanade and park improvements, including designs for a possible play space at Western Park.

Interestingly, \$1 million was also allocated in last year’s budget for the implementation of the DCPP, with the majority intended for the Queens Lawn project at the Fox Classic Car Museum, however there has been no apparent work at the site over the past year.

According to the spokesperson, funds were allocated to the project in the 2013-14 budget in anticipation of an agreed sub-lease and landscape design being completed.

The council spokesperson said the Fox Collection and council were working together on a design and details of how the project would be managed and hoped work would start once an agreement was reached.

Funds that had been allocated to the project were instead used on landscaping works at the southern entry to Docklands Park, near the new Jim Stynes Bridge.

Other capital works funding in the new budget include \$150,000 on new Christmas decorations, \$40,000 on Christmas decoration refurbishment, \$110,000 on Christmas decoration maintenance and \$212,000 on public lighting maintenance.

Apart from the capital works program, the budget also commits \$820,000 towards the operating costs of the new library and \$340,000 towards the Docklands winter activation program.

Fireworks will be held in Docklands every Friday night throughout July and August along with music and family entertainment.

\$115,000 has been allocated to new infrastructure works at Melbourne City Marina, along with \$1 million for the fit-out of the new marina facilities and waterways office and \$150,000 for wharf and marina maintenance in Docklands and along the Yarra.

The City of Melbourne will also continue to fund the Melbourne Visitor Service Shuttle, including additional buses during the peak cruise ship season, committing \$1.56 million.

In total, council will spend an estimated \$15.9 million in Docklands over the next financial year, resulting in a surplus of about \$9.5 million, according to the Docklands Income Statement.

The statement also says about \$2.5 million worth of indirect costs have not been reflected in the projected expenditure, leading to an overstatement of the surplus.

The 2014-15 plan also reveals council aims to continue to attract events and people to Docklands by raising awareness of the Events Partnership Program, promoting the Melbourne Star, working with the Docklands Chamber of Commerce and Destination Docklands and extending council events to Docklands, where appropriate.

Council also aims to continue to facilitate the introduction of water transport and ferry services to Docklands, however there is no specific funding allocated to this in the budget.

When asked how this goal would be achieved without funding, a council spokesperson said the City of Melbourne and Places Victoria were continuing to plan for the introduction of water transport in Docklands.

“Water transport is an important aspect of planning for future development in Docklands and we are working with the State Government on possible service models,” the spokesperson said.



Cirque du Soleil’s Ovo attracted large audiences to Docklands last year.

## No more Cirque du Soleil for Docklands

*Docklands will miss out on a significant tourism booster next year due to the development of Western Park.*

Cirque du Soleil is bringing its production, Totem, to Melbourne in 2015, but it will be staged at Flemington Racecourse, rather than Docklands.

Cirque du Soleil staged productions at the Western Park site, at the end of Docklands Drive, in 2009 and 2013, which attracted thousands of visitors to Docklands.

Places Victoria general manager Simon Wilson said Cirque du Soleil was informed the site wouldn’t be available for future productions following the staging of Ovo in early 2013.

Mr Wilson said the site wasn’t available because Places Victoria was moving forward with the delivery of a permanent community and sporting facility for Docklands, with work on the site expected to begin in July.

The first stage of the development will deliver a sports field, a community pavilion, a children’s playground, new roads and a car park.

Long-term plans for the site include three multi-purpose sports courts, a barbecue and seating area, mid-rise residential development and a pedestrian bridge between NewQuay and Victoria Harbour.



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# Docklands library opens to the public

*The new Library at the Dock received a warm welcome last month when hundreds of people attended its official opening.*

The Docklands community streamed through the doors at the May 31 open day, keen to explore all three levels of the building they have watched grow since construction started in September, 2012.

Visitors were welcomed to the building by musicians, singers, dancers, storytellers, tai-chi demonstrations and costumed creatures.

While some took part in the open day activities, including children's entertainment, 3D-printing demonstrations, music production workshops, table tennis and dance performances, others were keen to check out the library collection and settle down in a harbour-side seat for a read.

The recently-named Buluk Park and, in particular its brand new children's playground, were popular with visitors.

Premier Denis Naphine, Lord Mayor Robert Doyle, Lend Lease chairman David Crawford and Planning Minister Matthew Guy were on-hand for the formalities before the doors to the \$23 million facility were opened.

Premier Naphine said the new library would act as a vital hub for the growing community.

"It will provide world-leading spaces for all members of the Docklands and wider community to learn, explore and enjoy," he said.

Constructed from cross-laminated timber and recycled hardwood, the library has recently been rated with six-star green-star energy efficiency, making it Australia's most sustainable public building, Mr Guy said.

Delivered by Places Victoria, the City of Melbourne and Lend Lease, Lord Mayor Robert Doyle said the building was the product of great minds and rare talent.

"We have delivered a world-class building, through a unique partnership, that will serve Melbourne for generations to come," Cr Doyle said.

The Library at the Dock is located at 107 Victoria Harbour Promenade.



Various entertainers performed for the crowd throughout the open day, including an all-male choir, which first rehearsed by the water's edge.



A Welcome to Country ceremony took place before the library was officially opened.



City of Melbourne councillor Cathy Oke and daughter Charley enjoying one of the library's new books.



Nyet Nyet puppets wandered around the library and Buluk Park throughout the opening day.



Even Premier Denis Naphine was tempted by the Rotary Club of Docklands' barbecue.



Storyteller Jackie Kerin shared some tales of migratory birds in the reading lounge.



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# An open letter to Robert Moore

**Manager | Urban Design and Docklands Branch | City of Melbourne**  
**Re: Harbour Esplanade Waterfront Redevelopment**

Dear Mr Moore,

I live in the Life.lab building overlooking Harbour Esplanade and Victoria Harbour. I am also a director of Digital Harbour. I work in Docklands and have been involved here since 1999.

Docklands Stadium opened on March 9, 2000. Harbour Esplanade had been established but not completed to the masterplan designed by ARM. Trams ran along the waterfront amongst pedestrians, cyclists and skateboarders on a concrete deck sandwiched between the elevated docks and the new Harbour Esplanade.

Contributions to infrastructure by Docklands developers were not flowing through to the necessary upgrade of the dilapidated waterfront. Thousands of visitors to the new stadium and tourists were discouraged from crossing Harbour Esplanade. Access to the unattractive waterfront was difficult.

Fast forward to 2014 and little has changed. Harbour Esplanade has been reconstructed replacing earlier works with an alternative more expensive development, this time with trams down the centre of the road. A bicycle track along the waterfront and inappropriate Norfolk pines Re: Harbour Esplanade Waterfront Redevelopment have replaced an otherwise similar functioning roadway.

In 2000 Docklands had a forecast completion of 2020, now extended to 2025. Changing market conditions have been largely responsible for this extended time-frame. Much has been achieved. But leadership and investment in redevelopment of the waterfront have not been forthcoming from the State Government, City of Melbourne or development authority.

The waterfront is still a disaster. Crumbling docks are being demolished with no firm or agreed masterplan for redevelopment, no funding, and suggestions that



David Napier at the site of the Harbour Esplanade wharf rectification works earlier this year.

redevelopment of the waterfront will be undertaken in six stages over the next 10 years. This may mean that build-out of Docklands could occur before the waterfront is completed!

Successful reclamation projects around the world invariably commence with a publicly-funded focal point that stimulates private sector development. This could have happened in Docklands had the Government funded development of the waterfront upgrade beside the privately-funded stadium. The resultant negative

perception of Docklands has festered since 2000.

The City of Melbourne has committed to injecting \$300 million into Docklands infrastructure over 30 years. At \$10 million per year this does little to address the need for an immediate one-stage upgrade of the waterfront. I challenge the city to bring forward several years of committed funds and upgrade Melbourne's front porch to the waterfront.

A complete upgrade would attract more visitors and tourists, encourage more rapid

development and increase residents and major commercial tenants in Docklands whilst paying back sooner (through accelerated rates and taxes) this significant investment by the city.

The *Herald Sun* on Tuesday, May 20 quoted Roger Gardner, President of the Docklands Community Association, as saying residents of Docklands don't want heritage goods sheds reinstated along the waterfront, blocking the water views. What is desperately needed at this end of Docklands is publically accessible "GREEN" space.

We need grass and trees, passive seating and walking space, pop-up cafes and relocatable markets. We need attractive and comfortable space for people to enjoy, have a barbecue, play with their children and just relax. We need Melbourne's equivalent to the New York High Line or Sydney's proposed Goods Line. After all, a large part of the new deck replacing the docks will still be elevated over the water.

This linear space connecting NewQuay to Victoria Harbour, sandwiched between Harbour Esplanade and the waterfront, is similar to the High Line. It connects a number of major activity nodes: from NewQuay promenade to LaTrobe St and Digital Harbour, to Central Pier, AFL House and the stadium, to Victoria Harbour Promenade, Bourke St and beyond.

This project demands a landscape solution that provides the desperately-needed green open space that pulls locals, tourists and Docklands visitors to the waterfront. A place that attracts people and where people can wander, relax and socialise. It does not need more buildings.

I welcome the opportunity to meet with you and council officers and councillors to discuss accelerating this project.

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# Owners fear fibre campaign

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"A suburb, such as Docklands, which is home to a number of large residential towers, is an attractive target for telecommunications suppliers, and if most or all units in the building are forced to switch to one particular carrier for their internet and phone-line services, then the carrier stands to gain an increased market share and a substantial increase in revenue," Mr Bacon said.

Mr Bacon said the installation of TPG infrastructure wouldn't stop NBN or other telecommunications providers from installing similar infrastructure, but said the presence of two types of DSLAM systems could cause system interference and performance degradation.

"It may therefore, not be economically viable for the NBN or other internet/ telecommunications service providers to install their own equipment in a particular building," Mr Bacon said.

According to Mr Bacon, other providers may need to rent or lease the rights to share the infrastructure from TPG or decline providing the service altogether.

NBN Co is aware of PIPE Networks'

campaign and issued a statement in April saying it would bring forward its roll-out to apartments and office buildings in Australia's inner-city in response to emerging competition in these markets.

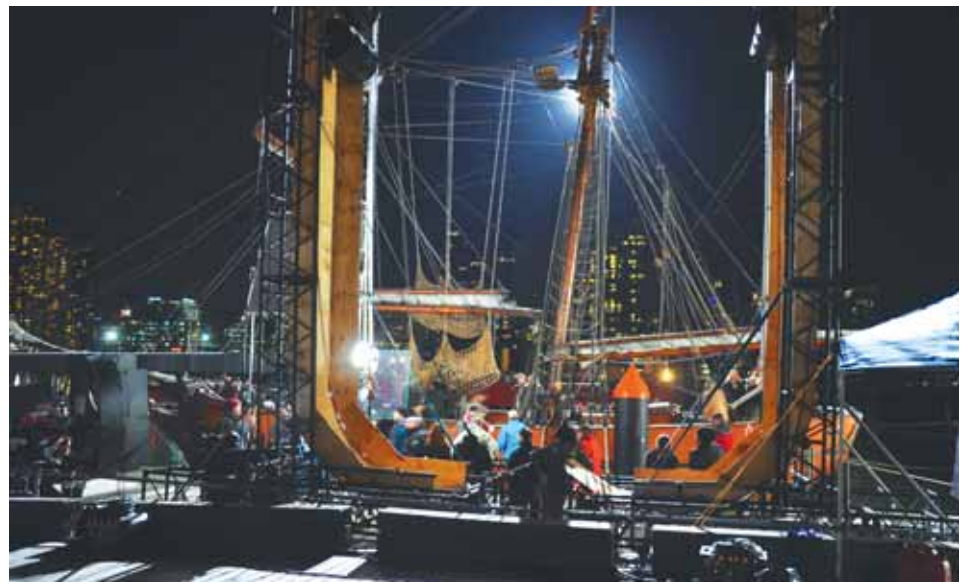
NBN CEO Bill Morrow said: "A building that signs up to TPG runs the risk of being left with only one retail service provider – TPG itself."

"The NBN levels the playing field for Australian telecommunications and creates real and vibrant competition. We can make this statement because the NBN doesn't sell directly to consumers and is open to all retail service providers to use on equal terms," Mr Morrow said.

"Vertically-integrated carriers – companies that both own networks and market to consumers – cannot offer those same guarantees," he said.

Not all Docklands tower are concerned however, with some building spokespersons saying TPG's approach could result in a welcomed increase in competition.

A TPG/Pipe Networks spokesperson did not respond to repeated requests for comment.



Filming of "The Moon and the Sun" took place on board the Enterprize in Victoria Harbour last month.

## Docklands' starring role

*Docklands is set to have a starring role in upcoming feature film "The Moon and the Sun".*

The film crew worked on scenes depicting a stormy night on a northern sea onboard local ship the *Enterprize* in Victoria Harbour last night, with sound and visual effects creating a very cinematic atmosphere in the harbour.

The team from the Alma Doepel also contributed to the film, restoring a traditional naval four-oared captain's gig for use in a scene filmed at Black Rock last month.

Alma Doepel restoration director Peter Harris said the film crew got in contact with the team seeking a boat for use in the film.

The boat was part of a matching pair, built by Cheoy Lee in 1956 and donated to the Alma Doepel in the late '70s.

According to Mr Harris, the boat hadn't been used for 30 years before being restored.

It now has a new lease on life, with other film companies since contacting the Alma Doepel team, looking to use the boat.

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**Docklands** 1604/8 McCrae Street

AS FAR AS THE EYE CAN SEE

2 Bed 2 Bath 1 Car

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**Inspect** By appointment

This spectacular apartment which is kept in splendid condition. The apartment carries astonishing views towards the Yarra River and Port Philip Bay as well as the city situated on the left. There are two sizeable bedrooms, and the apartment is fitted with good quality window furnishings. It has two stylish contemporary bathrooms, stainless steel appliances in the kitchen, European laundry facility, heating/cooling unit and drawer dishwasher. It is situated within walking distance to the Melbourne CBD.



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# Docklands to take part in age-friendly precinct pilot

*Docklands will become a senior-friendly place over the next 12 months through a unique pilot program.*

The Age Friendly Precinct Pilot Program aims to make Docklands a place more seniors want to visit.

Docklands Chamber of Commerce was last month accepted into the program, which is being run by the Department of Health, the Seniors Program and the City of Melbourne.

According to chamber president Joh Maxwell, Docklands already has plenty to offer seniors, from restaurants to its walking tracks and flat landscape.

She said the program would focus on developing and implementing ideas that further improve the appeal of Docklands to the seniors market.

This could include providing menus with larger fonts, signage improvements, increasing the availability of taxis at Harbour Town and discounts and offers for seniors.

The chamber is also considering running customer service training for local retailers.

"It's about having a really friendly atmosphere where they feel comfortable and feel respected," Mrs Maxwell said.

The program is currently at an early stage but a steering group has been formed and will meet monthly over the next year.

The group includes two chamber representatives, two City of Melbourne representatives, a Places Victoria representative, a Department of Health representative and community representatives Kay Setches and David Wong.

Ms Setches said she had enjoyed the opportunity to be involved in the program and said Docklands had a lot to offer seniors.

"There is a great opportunity to bring



Local resident Kay Setches and Docklands Chamber of Commerce president Joh Maxwell aim to make Docklands a more senior-friendly place.

seniors here so they can see what's available, particularly for visiting with their grandchildren too," Ms Setches said.

Mrs Maxwell agreed the program would target a segment of the market that Docklands hadn't necessarily focused on before.

"A lot of seniors like to come out mid-week, during the day, so it's a great way to bolster the amount of people coming in to Docklands," she said.

"Docklands also had quite a good mix of seniors already living in Docklands."

"The idea is to get Docklands in the forefront of people's minds as a place they can visit and enjoy," Mrs Maxwell said.

Mrs Maxwell said the chamber had begun speaking to local businesses about being involved in the program and had received positive responses so far.



## Building manager jailed

*A former Docklands building manager has been sentenced to a minimum of four years jail after pleading guilty to aggravated burglary and intent to rape a resident of the building he managed.*

Ross Cartwright, 35, was dismissed from his position as Conder building manager last year, after police arrested and charged him following the August 18 incident.

Melbourne County Court heard Mr Cartwright entered the 22-year-old female student's apartment using a masterkey at around 8.30am on August 18.

He was wearing a hooded jumper, baseball cap, sunglasses and white gloves and carried a pink necktie, a strip of fabric, a blindfold, condoms, lubricant, sedatives and a Viagra-like medicine.

The woman was sitting at a desk studying when Mr Cartwright appeared behind her and tried to muffle her screams by placing his hand over her mouth.

The women continued to scream and struggle with him and stuck him in the head with a cooking pot as he ran towards the front door. She also bit his finger when he again attempted to place his hand over her mouth.

Judge Claire Quin sentenced Mr Cartwright to six and a half years jail with a minimum of four years, less 276 days already served.

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# Council is comfortable with missing life buoys

*The City of Melbourne does not consider missing life buoys around Docklands' waterfront to be a safety hazard.*

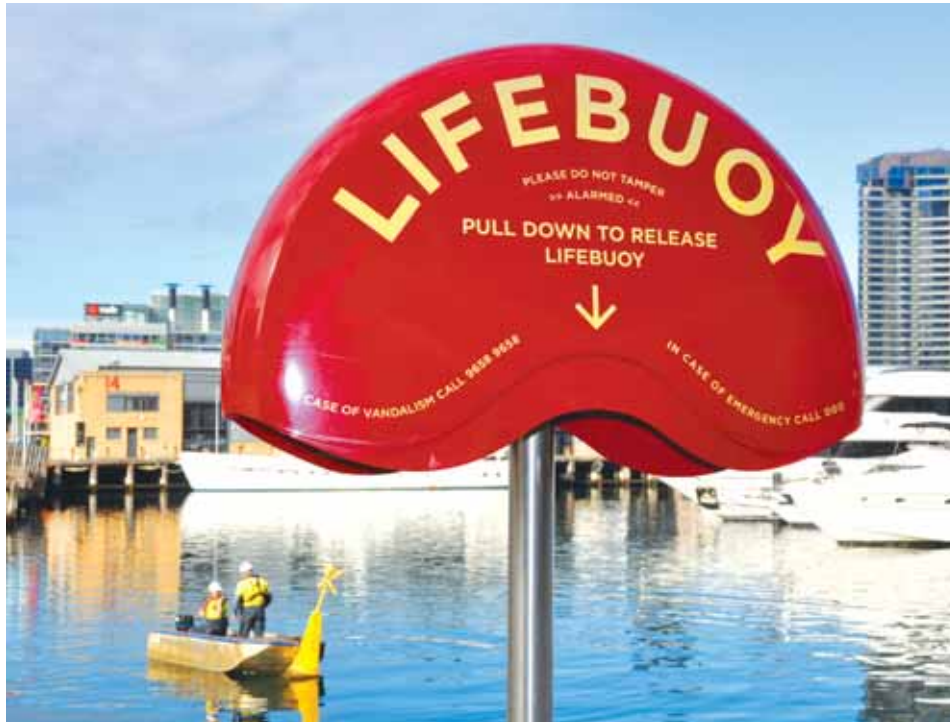
Council has 18 life buoys deployed across Docklands, which include nine housed in specially designed holders in public spaces and six located in private marinas.

On May 19 *Docklands News* observed more than 50 per cent of the public life buoys were either missing or not accessible.

Four of the life buoys were missing from their holders, while the fifth was located behind fencing on Victoria Promenade, which was in place due to the wharf rectification work.

A City of Melbourne spokesperson said it was good practice to have life rings deployed on public waterfronts but not a legal obligation.

When asked by *Docklands News* whether it considered the missing buoys a safety hazard, a council spokesperson said: "Lifebuoys are one component to waterfront safety that includes ladders, grab holders, kickers, lighting, passive and active zones.



A life buoy at New Quay Promenade had been missing for some time before being replaced last month.

All safety systems would have to fail for it to be considered a safety hazard."

The spokesperson said council was aware of the missing life buoys and was taking steps to replace them.

According to the spokesperson, the missing life buoys had been stolen and would cost approximately \$60 each to replace.

The life buoys had been replaced by the time *Docklands News* went to print.

## Buluk Park chosen by council

By Robert Bremner

*Buluk Park has been chosen as the name of Docklands newest landmark after a recent Melbourne City Council meeting.*

The indigenous name stems from the language with "buluk" meaning wetlands or swamp, a reflection of the original state of the area.

The decision reflected the public vote with two-thirds of locals in favour of the name Buluk, with the remaining third in favour of current name Dock Square.

The vote was open between April 23 and May 14. Council members took into account the public vote and unanimously decided upon the name.

The Victorian Aboriginal Council for Languages suggested the name after research and traditional owners had been consulted.

Buluk Park was officially opened on May 31, alongside the co-located Library at the Dock.

It features a large grassed area and a children's playground.



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## Lunchbox at the Library

*Docklands Lunchbox sessions will move from the Hub to the new Library at the Dock this month.*

Local residents and workers will enjoy a double dose of Lunchbox fun this month with both a music and gardening session planned.

On June 3, jazz duo Kindaflow, comprising singer Belinda Griffiths and guitarist John Theodoulo, will perform a lunchtime set.

Later in the month, Docklanders can learn about growing dwarf citrus trees on balconies with horticulturist Sandi Pullman.

Sandi will teach attendees to the June 17 session about the growing conditions needed to produce fruit from the trees along with fertilising, pest and disease management tips.

Lunchbox sessions run from 12.30 pm to 1.15 pm at the Library at the Dock, 107 Victoria Harbour Promenade.

# 50 shades of fluoro

*It was a cast of hundreds who turned out in every imaginable shade of fluoro to save Docklands from an imaginary disaster on May 22.*

There was no shortage of garden-variety coppers, ambos, SES and fires. But "Exercise Afloat" also attracted hordes of more exotic emergency services species, including controllers, umpires, commanders, observers, rescuers, safety officers, health protectors, and EMLOs (whatever they are!).

Some participants were happy to play along with the make-believe while others (like the police officer who kicked *Docklands News* off the dock because of imaginary potential explosion) took it all very seriously indeed.

Under the scenario, former Sydney ferry Lady Cutler had sliced through a cabin cruiser next to Melbourne City Marina in Victoria Harbour.

Fire and explosions followed and at least

two "victims" were dropped into the drink. Bandaged and blanketed survivors huddled together on the wharf awaiting instructions and treatment.

And, while the exercise had a carnival flavour, it had a deadly serious purpose.

"Exercise Afloat" aimed to test skills of emergency services, the City of Melbourne and the Department of Health and Human Services.

"We have worked with the emergency services to create a scenario that is as close to reality as possible and can be played out in real time," Lord Mayor Robert Doyle said.

"As a major capital city it is critical that we plan ahead and test our capabilities to respond to emergency situations in a coordinated and efficient manner."



## Call for applicants

*Chamber of Commerce president Joh Maxwell has put the call out for local businesses to apply for a Lord Mayor's Commendation.*

The commendations recognise businesses that have operated in Melbourne for 10 years or more who have less than 20 full-time staff.

"We need Docklands to be strongly represented in this year's commendations," Mrs Maxwell said.

Applications for the 2014 Lord Mayor's Commendations are open until June 13.

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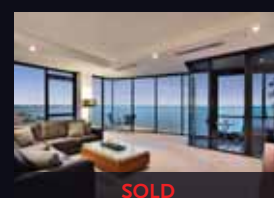
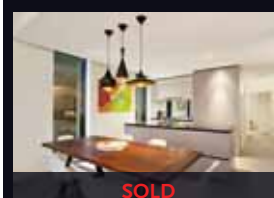
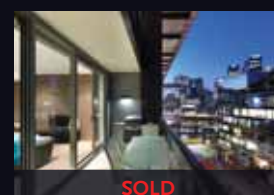
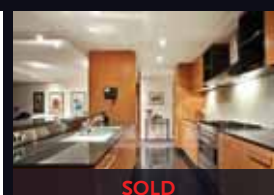
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# No opposition to Goods Shed demolition proposal

*There is no apparent opposition to a plan to demolish seven bays of Docklands’ historic Goods Shed North.*

A permit application for the proposal was advertised by Heritage Victoria in May, however a spokesperson said no submissions had been received in response to the application.

Equiset Grollo Group plans to demolish the seven bays, along with the existing three-storey 710 Collins St building, to make way for a 34-storey commercial tower.

The three-storey structure, which currently serves as the Collins St entrance to the Goods Shed North, was completed just four years ago, while the Goods Shed was built in the 1800s.

The proposed development would include a public staircase connecting Collins St with the Goods Shed and Village St and Aurora Lane below.

A new urban plaza would be located at the bottom of the staircase, running between the Goods Shed and the commercial tower, and connecting Aurora Lane and Village St, and retail would run along the Village St side of the building.



*An artist's impression of the staircase from Collins St leading to the open plaza below.*

According to the Heritage Impact Statement included with the permit application, the loss of original fabric from the structure is balanced with the reconnection of the shed

with Collins St and the introduction of a public plaza at ground level.  
“The change is an importance one in reinforcing

the presence of the historic building in the wider context,” the statement says.

The Heritage Impact Statement originally stated three and a half bays would be demolished, however a Heritage Victoria spokesperson confirmed the developers were proposing to demolish seven bays and had been contacted to correct the statement.

The spokesperson said this correction did not mean the permit would need to be readvertised and that the only reference to three and a half bays being demolished was “buried in the Heritage Impact Statement”.

The spokesperson said the proposal to demolish seven bays was clearly indicated on the Heritage Victoria Website, the notice on the website and in a print advertisement.

“As nobody has objected we don’t believe that anybody had been materially disadvantaged by the discrepancy,” the spokesperson said.

Unless further information is required in order for the executive director of Heritage Victoria, a decision is expected in July.

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# Planning approval for NewQuay hotel

*Singaporean developer Hiap Hoe has received planning approval to develop a hotel on the NewQuay site it purchased from MAB Corporation last year.*

The company has also entered into an agreement with Starwood Hotels & Resorts Worldwide to manage the hotel under the name Four Points by Sheraton, Melbourne, Docklands.

Interestingly, Sheraton had originally been connected with Digital Harbour's The Altus development.

Digital Harbour director David Napier said the deal with Sheraton fell through because an agreement on the management terms and

conditions could not be reached.

Pan Pacific Hotels Group has since been named as manager of the hotel component of the building under its PARKROYAL brand.

Hiap Hoe's seven-storey hotel will comprise 269 rooms and is part of a 3795 sqm site Hiap Hoe purchased for \$28.8 million last year.

Alongside the hotel, Hiap Hoe plans to build a 43-storey residential building and a 36-storey residential building, naming the mixed-use development Marina Tower.

# Rotary goes nuts over footy

By Robert Bremner

*Docklands and other local Rotary clubs have banded together to organise the "Footy Nuts" project to improve the diets of remote indigenous children.*

Part of a wider mission entitled "Nourish Our Kids", the initiatives aim to introduce nutrition into the diets of indigenous kids through a number of nut-filled products.

The idea is based upon indigenous children and their families swapping processed snacks for a healthier range of nuts.

"Footy Nuts" was launched in Docklands at The Village inside the NAB building as a breakfast with a \$20 donation requested from attendees on May 30.

Melbourne Rotary Club member Robert McGuirk has played a big part in the project.

"I visited an indigenous community recently

to find out more about the problems," Mr McGuirk said.

"The kids couldn't stay awake in school. One of the reasons is because they eat too many processed foods," he continued.

Mr McGuirk joined other Rotary members in forming the idea of adding nuts into the kid's diets. They had to first make sure young people would want to eat the nut bars.

"They've got to want to eat it. We are currently trialling the bars in a couple of communities."

With the help of Scalzo Foods, they were able to obtain the ingredients for the bars.



An artist's impression of 888 Collins St,

# Victoria Harbour update

*Victoria Harbour developer Lend Lease plans to construct a residential tower at the corner of Collins and Bourke streets.*

The building, at 888 Collins St will consist of a 15-storey podium-style triangular front and a 40-storey tower, located near Victoria Harbour's new civic precinct.

Designed by Woods Bagot, the building will target Green Star accreditation and its 587 apartments will range from \$398,000 up to \$1.2 million.

The development will also feature retail space and four mixed-use suites along Collins St.

Currently awaiting a planning permit, construction of the building is aimed to start in November, with completion of the building targeted for February, 2017.

Construction of Concavo is also well underway, with construction taking place between sister building Convesso and the Library at the Dock on Victoria Harbour Promenade.

"The construction of Concavo is in full swing with three tower cranes now operating on-site and the lift core will and truly out of the ground," a Lend Lease spokesperson said.

"The work force is currently at approximately 16 people on-site and we expect this to increase to 400 people at its peak."

According to the spokesperson, the construction schedule and the building is due for completion by the end of 2015.



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Manager Andrew Ward has invited members and non-members to come along and try-out the new and improved Victoria Point club during its open week this month.

# Upgrade for YMCA

*Docklands’ YMCA launches its new and improved Victoria Point facility this month.*

The not-for-profit organisation has invested \$650,000 into the facility, repainting the entire centre, replacing flooring, creating new exercise studios and replacing all of the cardio equipment.

According to YMCA Docklands manager Andrew Ward, the work illustrates the commitment the YMCA has to Docklands.

The Victoria Point gym first opened in 2006 and this year celebrates its ninth birthday.

According to Mr Ward the combined number of workouts across the two Docklands YMCA clubs since opening is 950,000 and

YMCA Docklands is on track to one million workouts by the end of the year.

“One of our aims is to make Docklands one of the healthiest postcodes in Australia,” Mr Ward said.

Mr Ward said alongside the physical refurbishment work at Victoria Point, YMCA Docklands also plans to maintain its ongoing commitment to community work in the area.

YMCA Victoria Point is holding an open week from June 16 to June 20 and both members and non-members are invited to come along and try-out the updated facility.

# CityLink signs to go

*The City of Melbourne will remove a series of congestion-causing CityLink signs, following an enquiry from ‘Docklands News.’*

The signs are directing CityLink traffic approaching LaTrobe St in King, William, Queen and Exhibition streets to turn left towards Docklands.

Signs in LaTrobe St (pictured) direct traffic further into Docklands.

Once reaching Harbour Esplanade in Docklands, there is no further signage, with some traffic choosing a left turn and others turning right.

Docklands News questioned the location of

the signs and pointed out that, apart from adding to congestion on Harbour Esplanade, LaTrobe St isn’t the most direct route to CityLink, with Dudley St a more logical option.

A City of Melbourne spokesperson confirmed council would arrange to have all of the signs removed.

The move follows action from VicRoads, who in April agreed to remove a similar CityLink sign from Spencer St.



The CityLink sign on LaTrobe St near the corner of King St is one of the signs to be removed.



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A Chamber of Commerce meeting in 2004 was attended by many people who still live and work in Docklands today.

# Docklands News close to a century

*'Docklands News' celebrates its 100th edition this August, marking a major milestone for your local newspaper.*

Starting out as a community-building tool initiated by VicUrban (now Places Victoria) in 2003, today the paper is independently owned by Shane Scanlan.

To celebrate, we're asking our readers to send in their best photos from the last 10 and a half years in Docklands for publication.

We've included one in this edition (pictured above), believed to have been taken at a Docklands Chamber of Commerce meeting in 2004, which features many faces who are still well-known in Docklands, including Renzo Mammolito, Peter and Lyn Kelly, Keith Rankin and Paul Lachal.

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## Clock comes home

*The historic Water Tower Clock had a homecoming last month, when it was restored to Southern Cross Station, where it stood between 1910 and 1967.*

Transport Minister Terry Mulder unveiled the clock on May 14, saying it was a wonderful timepiece and icon for generations of Victorians.

"It was often the first thing arriving passengers saw coming into what was then Spencer St Station," Mr Mulder said.

"It has had quite a long and interesting history and it is great that it has been restored and returned to Southern Cross Station after such a long absence."

The 130-year-old clock was built in 1883 and was originally located at Flinders St Station before moving to Spencer St Station in 1910, where it stood for 57 years.

It was decommissioned in 1967 and held privately until 1997 when the State Government purchased it and put it on display at Scienceworks.

The clock was originally mounted on an 18-metre high tower, but today is located atop a 5-metre high tower, which exhibits a storyboard of its history and advertising.

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The Water Tower Clock was unveiled at Southern Cross Station last month.

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# 'GHOST' OF TRAM BRIDGE LINGERS

The Fishermans Bend tram bridge appears unlikely to go ahead any time soon, but is not completely off the table yet.

The proposed tram bridge, which would cross the river from Collins St, cutting through Yarra's Edge, has been strongly opposed by local residents and boat users.

While opponents have been buoyed by its exclusion from last month's state budget, the potential transport link made an appearance in the Plan Melbourne report released on May 19.

Alternative transport options were favoured in the budget, with \$5 million allocated for improved transport infrastructure for routes 109 and 96 in the suburb and \$830 million to start construction of the Melbourne Rail Link, which includes a Fishermans Bend station at Montague.

Speaking at the launch of council's draft 2014-15 budget Lord Mayor Robert Doyle said the Yarra's Edge community would be delighted by the funding for a Fishermans Bend train station, considering they had been facing the threat of the tram bridge.

However, despite its exclusion from the State

Budget, the Plan Melbourne report released by the State Government on May 19 includes maps indicating a potential light rail crossing from the end of Collins St across to Yarra's Edge and into Fishermans Bend.

Planning Minister Matthew Guy was unable to confirm whether the Fishermans Bend tram bridge was still being considered as a potential future transport link.

"One of the keys of a Plan Melbourne document is to identify current, mid-term and long-term infrastructure and investment requirements. This is what makes it such an important document for the future of Melbourne," Mr Guy said.

"Not all elements will be budgeted for immediately, they will come on line as the need arises. Importantly the Government is prepared."

*Docklands News* did not receive a response when it asked if the tram bridge proposal was one of the current, mid-term and long-term infrastructure and investment requirements referred to.

The Yarra's Edge community also remains in the dark about potential plans for the tram bridge and is awaiting the release of the Fishermans Bend structure plan.

Marina YE tenants committee chair Philip Lack has been vocal about his opposition to the proposed bridge and said he was relieved when it did not receive any funding in the State Budget.

The marina tenants committee and Yarra's Edge owners corporations joined forces last year to produce a submission in response to the draft Fishermans Bend vision, which included the tram bridge plan.

He said he was happy to see the State Government's plans for alternate transport options for Fishermans Bend but so far had not received confirmation that the tram bridge plan was off the table.

"Our goal is for it to be removed from the plan completely," Mr Lack said.



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# CRUISE WITH THE LADY

If you're looking for something a little different to do on a Sunday in Docklands in winter then why not enjoy a lunch cruise onboard the Lady Cutler?

According to Lady Cutler Skipper Jeff Gordon, the Lady Cutler is holding a winter seafood and carvery cruise every second Sunday through to August.

"It's a great way of getting out on the water during the day," Mr Gordon said.

Cruise guests are treated to a great meal along with great live music from Brazilian singer Ju Tennuci, while enjoying a different view of Melbourne's port.

"It's great for tourists and for locals who are looking for something a bit different to do on the weekend," Mr Gordon said.

The next seafood and carvery cruise is on June 8 and then again on June 29.

And if you're looking for an interesting way to celebrate a hen's night, birthday or simply an excuse for a night out, you might want to book a ticket for one of the Lady Cutler's themed cruises.

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# ENA IS ON HER WAY

By Robert Bremner

*Steam yacht Ena will soon be relocating from Sydney to Melbourne. The historical vessel will be arriving in Docklands around June 10 depending on weather.*

The arrival will be a unique event with the vessel being accompanied by a flotilla of heritage style vessels from Williamstown.

The yacht will become a tourist attraction at Docklands with the owners offering it for hire for private events. The 116 ft vessel can hold up to 49 guests on board.

Owner Warwick Turner feels she will be a great addition to Docklands.

"We feel that she will be embraced by Melbourne whose culture and persona matches that of Ena," Mr Turner said.

SY Ena has a long and dramatic history. Built in 1901 she was the HMAS Slueth and has been used for fishing in the wild waters of Tasmania. She was meticulously restored for \$3.5 million in the mid 1980s. The SY Ena is said to be one of only three of this type of vessel remaining in the world.

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Ena left the Australian National Maritime Museum on May 31 for her final outing on Sydney Harbour.



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**Favourite food:** Everything and anything.

**Favourite pastimes:** Loves just being by the water, on the boat or walking on along the beach.

**Favourite toy:** His flatmate Cheech the Burmese cat.

**Pet hates:** Being left behind when going to QCYC.

**Known accomplices:** Bill his master and his family of cats, Cheech and the late mate Chong.



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## *I think there's a ghost in our house.*

In fact, I'm sure of it. And, before you ask, no I haven't been into the whisky. Well, actually I have, but not to the level of which you're suggesting. Just a nice neat little whisky by the fire at the end of the day.

Well actually, I haven't lit a fire because it's been too warm. But I pretend, because it's winter, that the fire is going and then I feel much more glamorous having a whisky by it. Oh gosh, I'm starting to sound crazy even to me ...

But back to my ghost. His name is Wal. Yes, he has a name and no, not from *Where's Wally* fame but the actual name of the previous owner of my house. He died. Actually he died in my bedroom. Before I bought the house, just to clarify. And I think he is still kind of here sometimes. He was born in this house and died in it, as his parents did before him. It was a real family home, passed on to the next generation. After Wal died, they decided it was time to sell the house. To me.

I have been thinking about this in the last day or two. Not on account of chains rattling,

or moaning noises or anything like that. I've been thinking about it because it's three years, to the day, since my house – and I guess Wal's house for that matter – caught fire.

It just about burnt down, but being double brick walls the house "frame" stayed – the floors burnt, the ceilings fell in, the windows exploded with flames ... It was a long time ago, but I can still recall the smell. Terrible smell. Like burning tyres. Worse when you know it's everything you own that's burning.

Anyway, the reason I think about Wal at this time of year, is because I woke up in time to carry my son out onto the nature strip and watch the house burn down. The point being that we got out. I've never felt so lucky in my life. And unlucky at the same time.

Waking up in time is something that I still question how it happened, and wonder what – or who – woke me up. Something woke me up. Before you make smart Alec suggestions like perhaps the heat of the fire woke me, or the smell of smoke woke me and so on, I'll share with you what the fire inspector told me when he visited me in emergency that night.

"It's amazing you woke up in time". He explained that most people aren't that lucky, as apparently you don't actually smell smoke when you're asleep. Or perhaps more to

the point if you are breathing in the smoke, you're breathing in carbon monoxide, which generally kills you way before the fire touches you.

So it is incredibly lucky that I woke up, even though you think you would spring up and straight into action sensing the emergency on your hands. I didn't spring into action, I woke up and was confused. I couldn't figure out what was going on – which seems ridiculous now – but I got us out in time and that's all that matters.

I think Wal woke me up. The fire inspector, when I told him my theory, agreed that this was as good an explanation as any. Perhaps he was humouring me, but I rather think he believed me.

Let's face it, we were all in a little bit of shock. But from that day I decided Wal rescued me. And Wal was elevated from mere ghost status to hero status. Occasionally, in the middle of the night, I still wake up with my heart racing and a fear I can physically taste (it always tastes like smoke, it's so acrid and dry) as I scramble to check on my son and ensure my walls aren't glowing with fire as they did that night three years ago.

Of course, they're not, but I have a little chat to Wal and just tell him I'm relying on him

to wake me up for anything like a house fire again. That he needs to watch over us from above, and just give me the heads up on the first sign of trouble, if that's ok. And I tell him I'm glad he still hangs out here, and I thank him and remind him he's my hero. And then I go back to sleep, feeling safe again.

You know, the adult in me knows this is just a little bit ridiculous and there's no such thing as ghosts that watch over you (although, can I just point out that the *Ghost and Mrs Muir* was a favourite show of mine). But the child in me is taking the greatest comfort in my imaginary friend, and this time the child wins because I'm just not ready to give up Wal.

What a woman wants is to hold her head in times of trouble, but maybe women also need that hero figure to live on in their hearts and make them feel that little bit protected.

I hope you all have a hero in your lives that you can talk to, and I don't think it matters if they're real or imaginary, just as long as they make you feel safe.

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# One of the originals

*For Elena Tsapatolis, the benefits of living in Docklands are undeniable.*

Having lived in NewQuay since 2002, Elena is one of Docklands' original residents.

She recently returned to Docklands after a two-year stint living in the suburbs, saying she had to come back.

"I did have a little break when a lot of the development was happening with The Quays, because I work from home and it was getting a bit tough," she said.

"My partner and I moved out to the suburbs for a few years, also to test out if we wanted to live in a house," Elena said.

"But we just had to come back, I absolutely love the fact it's a non-threatening environment, I can walk the dogs any time I want," she said.

Elena's dogs also love the Docklands lifestyle and even when they had a backyard to use they rarely went outside.

"They are definitely apartment dogs," Elena said, laughing.

Elena said having dogs was a great ice-breaker in Docklands, with plenty of people out and about when she takes her dog for their twice-daily walks.

"The funny thing is, most people don't recognise me without the dogs," she said.

Having lived in Docklands since the early days of its development, Elena has witnessed Docklands' development over the past decade, in terms of construction and the building of a community.

She was part of the Docklands Chamber of Commerce for six years, serving as a marketing executive and then becoming vice-president.

Elena said many of the ideas that were developed by the chamber in the earlier days continue to be developed, in particular the concept of water activation.

"A lot of that did plant the seeds for a lot of the



activation we keep talking about," she said.

Before moving to Docklands, Elena had spent the previous eight years living in Copenhagen in Denmark.

"I lived in Copenhagen, which is surrounded by water and there's a lot of that harbour side living, that's what I envision for here in the future."

"People will have their boats and water activities, get out there and do all that sort of stuff, it's been a bit slow coming but I think that's where its heading."

Elena said Docklands stacked up against other cities she had lived internationally as a

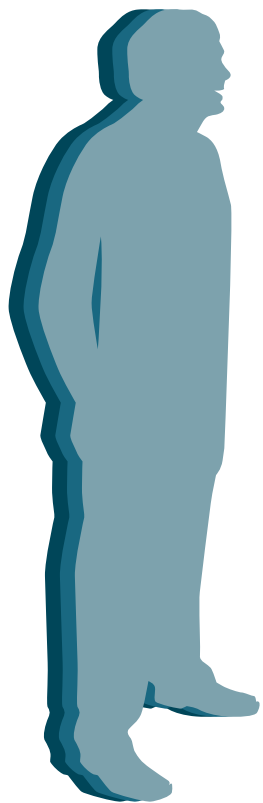
cosmopolitan environment.

"It's the environment, the water, the city skyline, it's quiet," she said. "You feel like you're close enough to the city you don't feel overwhelmed by the city lifestyle."

Apart from increased water activation, Elena also hopes to see more green space and more child-friendly spaces.

"I am probably one of the biggest advocates, and also one of the biggest critics of Docklands," Elena said.

"But, when it comes down to it I think the positives outweigh the negatives."



# DOCKLANDER

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# Lunchtime swim anyone?

*Did you ever see that episode of ‘Seinfeld’ where Kramer took up doing laps of the Hudson River because he found the pool too constricting?*

Which of course leads to some hilarious grilling by Jerry – the germ-phobe – about why on earth Kramer would want to do this. “What is that smell?” “That’s East River.” “You’re swimming in the East River? ...”

Jerry then goes on to express his disgust at the concept ... it’s classic Jerry vs Kramer sensibilities at play and it’s hilarious.

At the end of the day, whilst I, as a middle-classish, urban dweller, could relate to Jerry’s point of view, my heart was with Kramer.

Because there really is nothing like swimming in nature – the sea, a river, a watering hole ... a fake beach created from imported sand maybe?

When my friend Mikey gave me the little “Harbour Esplanade – Continuing the Conversation” postcard asking for community input to the conundrum that is the Docklands waterfront, I was a little bit excited because he mentioned “fake beach”, “bringing in lots of sand, and other stuff” which conjured up images of lunchtime swims, ice-cream stands, striped beach towels, and feeling refreshed and clean as only a swim in the sea can make you feel.

I was excited because everybody – young, old, in between, active, not very active, extra or introverted – gets something quite special

out of a beach, a body of water, a horizon to look at and dream into.

Our eyes are just as much made for gazing out at expansive and distant horizons, as they are for staring into computer screens, smartphone devices and the insides of trams and trains as we commute into work.

I haven’t been snorkelling in the bay but I know there is a whole secret world of creatures, fish, sea horses, jelly fish, seaweed, living in the sea in front of us. Hidden and very special.

I have a good feeling about this.

Imagine being able to cool off in the patch of water that fronts Harbour Esplanade on those hot summer days when the whole of Docklands – the city – the universe – seems to emanate heat, and when you feel like a marshmallow person slowly but surely melting into the concrete walking around in it.

I can’t tell you how many times I’ve looked longingly at the water, dreamed about stripping off and leaping into the sparkly cool water, swimming alongside (probably around) those elegant white jelly fish and deep into the cool, green depths.

Perhaps you can see yourself sitting on the sand and reading a book? Or walking along the beach holding hands? Or having a

picnic? Or skipping? Or ... you get the drift ...

Wouldn’t that be better than a whole lot of shops? Or a fun park? Or more restaurants?

Something experiential, that takes you out of yourself and puts you in a new element, so you can return to ground refreshed, clean, present.

The other flow-on effect of enabling folks to swim in the Docklands sea is that it would, I think, encourage a sense of pride in residents and workers of this area. There’s nothing like immersing yourself in an environment to create a sense of connection and belonging.

That’s what Jerry didn’t get about Kramer’s motivation to swim the East River. It was like he was, in swimming it, accepting its flaws, and embracing it anyway ... taking the good and forgiving the bad. As more people decided to join him in his swimming excursions there grew a sense of kinship between the ones who were willing to take the risk, to take the big leap of faith into that river, and those who would not. Basically everyone did, but I can’t remember the end – selective memory prevents me from remembering – something about ear infections? Who knows? Who cares?

So while the conversation about Harbour Esplanade continues, I can only hope that we get something special.



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# DOCKLANDS FASHION



## Fashion on the streets of Docklands

**Name: Grace Blackman**

**AGE:** 21

**LOCATION:** Central Pier.

**WEARS:** Jacket and jeans from Top Shop, boots from Tony Bianco and shirt from Zimmerman.

**DESCRIBE YOUR OUTFIT:** Casual with a coat.

**WHERE ARE YOU FROM:** Docklands.

**WHAT BRINGS YOU TO DOCKLANDS:** I live here and I'm out for a walk.

**FAVOURITE CLOTHING ITEM:** Jacket.

**WHAT MAKES A GOOD OUTFIT:** Being comfortable

**Name: Jelena Babic**

**AGE:** 27

**LOCATION:** Central Pier.

**WEARS:** H + M jacket, nude heels and pencil trousers.

**DESCRIBE YOUR OUTFIT:** Work wear.

**WHERE ARE YOU FROM:** Eaglemont.

**WHAT BRINGS YOU TO DOCKLANDS:** I work in Docklands.

**FAVOURITE CLOTHING ITEM:** Shoes.

**WHAT MAKES A GOOD OUTFIT:** Confidence.

**Name: Joseph Zoppi**

**AGE:** 50

**LOCATION:** Harbour Town

**WEARS:** Gucci jacket, Chanel scarf and Zara Man pants.

**DESCRIBE YOUR OUTFIT:** Early winter/sports casual

**WHERE ARE YOU FROM:** Brisbane

**WHAT BRINGS YOU TO DOCKLANDS:** Business

**FAVOURITE CLOTHING ITEM:** R & M Williams shoes

**WHAT MAKES A GOOD OUTFIT?** Being comfortable



## Letters to the Editor

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### Ditch the tents

Just voicing my concern at the lack of interest many Docklands restaurants in NewQuay have in maintaining outdoor areas. Surely this is costing them customers.

Personally I feel that the large presence of dirty, ripped and flapping plastic awnings makes the entire NewQuay area look like a dirty, abandoned festival.

I don't know anyone who thinks it is nice to dine in one of these tents. It is better to be cold and have a view. Also, looking out on one of these from inside a restaurant is not pleasant when, instead, we could be looking out over the water.

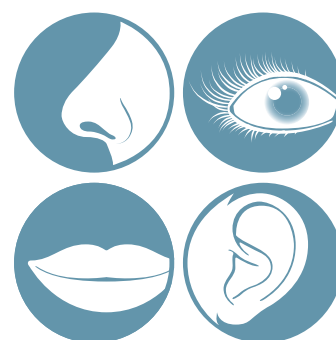
When walking along the waterfront, we don't even see what the restaurants are, just the plastic. I noticed NewQuay Buffet for the first time last month, when they removed their plastic tents. It actually looks quite nice inside, now I can see it.

These plastic tents don't have a place in Docklands. Perhaps they were a "temporary" measure to stop the wind, but they are just turning away customers and allowing restaurant staff to use their outdoor areas as a kind of dumping ground.

Meg

## DOCKLANDS DAZE

by Michelle Commandeur



## DOCKLANDS SECRETS

## Big spenders

Gowrie Harbour Family and Children's Centre in Docklands is the highest paying tenants on the City of Melbourne's property lease register, paying more than half a million dollars per year in rent.

Council released the register last month as part of the 2014-15 draft budget.

The register reveals Gowrie pays Council \$566,798 per year to lease the multi-level, 1 Seafarers Lane site.





# NORTH WHARF NEWS

***Within communities people with shared values come together to achieve all kinds of goals.***

My thoughts turned to the nature of community recently, and how it is best sustained, after participating in the activities of two long-standing associations at events in Melbourne and Ballarat.

On the second Sunday of each month at 10am the First Fleet Fellowship meets at the Mission to Seafarers Victoria, 717 Flinders St, Docklands. The fellowship's members are descendants of those who arrived with the First Fleet in 1788 with Captain Arthur Phillip. When considering the First Fleet, can you imagine the preparation that went into the voyage? There were certainly many skills on board that ship who proved to be equipped for building and construction and

other people who came together to plan a community that became a nation.

Last month, the First Fleet Fellowship celebrated its 30 year anniversary at Melbourne Town Hall. I enjoyed the hospitality of the occasion and the opportunity to speak with ancestors of the early Australian settlement. I found myself agreeing with members of the fellowship, however, that the 60+ age group needed a "giddy-up" to attract the next generation of ancestors to uphold this important history.

Earlier in the weekend I had been a guest speaker at the Anglican Men's Association (AMA) of Ballarat, at the historical St John's Anglican Church, Soldiers Hill. Founded in 1899, the AMA was established to provide Christian fellowship for men. In the course of my visit, I noted the age of the men and wondered, as the First Fleet fellowship had, what their plan was to attract the next generation to their meetings.

Vibrant communities are thoughtfully considered, they don't just happen randomly, and they require conscious succession planning for their future. Just as neighbours rally together to achieve outcomes for their communities, organisational communities need ongoing and renewed vigour to ensure that they can uphold their traditions, preserve their history and fulfil their purpose.

At the MtSV we have built an exceptional community among our neighbours and supporters near and far. They contribute greatly to our work and its social and community outcomes. Thanks to Bendigo Wealth, the wealth management division of Bendigo and the Adelaide Bank at Docklands, the sponsorship of the MtSV Heritage Program has seen our archive recognised as of both state and national significance. In recognition of this, and with funding from our sponsors, MtSV has formed

a succession plan for preserving this heritage for the next generation.

On South Wharf, ANL Container Line is the naming sponsor for the MtSV's annual ANL Maritime Art Awards, hosted annually in October.

Thanks to ANL, the art award is now our largest fundraising activity and is recognised as Australia's leading maritime art awards.

MtSV is now calling for entries into the exhibition, with artists responding to the theme "The Relationship Between Humanity and the Sea." For further information on community activities at MtSV or to make a donation see the website [www.missiontoseafarers.com.au](http://www.missiontoseafarers.com.au) or like Mission to Seafarers Victoria on Facebook.

*Andrea Fleming*  
CEO, Mission to Seafarers Victoria



## Cheery Cherry

***According to her owner Santi Rachman, Cherry is a very well-behaved pet. Cherry, a six-year-old King Charles Cavalier, is always very quiet.***

"She is the perfect pet to have in an apartment because she is quiet and never barks."

Cherry also likes the attention of people. Rather than going up to other dogs she will simply stare at people going past and want to follow them.

Ms Rachman also commented on how her beloved dog liked to think she was a human.

"When I'm sitting at the table having dinner, she wants to jump up on the chair so she is at the table with me."

Ms Rachman usually takes Cherry out around three times a day and said she was well trained.

"In all the time we have been living in Docklands she has never once had an accident in the apartment. She always waits till we go for a walk."

A well-behaved dog indeed.



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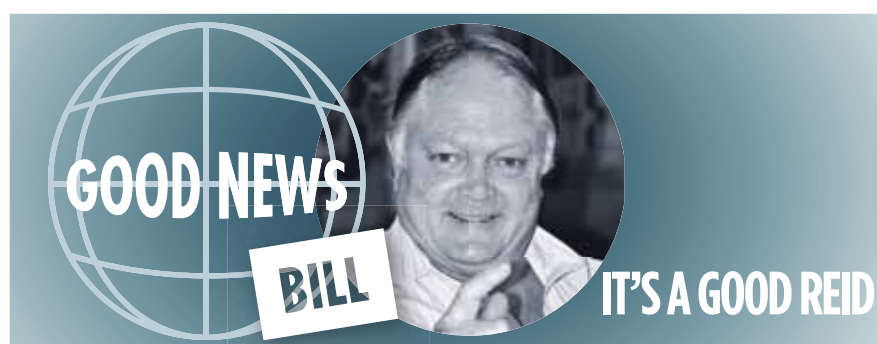
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## REPORTING FROM THE DOCKLANDS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

# A call to corporates to be more involved

*Greetings to all Docklanders, whether you live, work or play here.*

As you have picked up this edition of Docklands News you must be one of the above

– unless you have happened across a copy left in your neck of the woods. Docklands is on the edge of the Melbourne CBD and is enjoying an emerging status of being the newest precinct in the most liveable city in the world.

As a regular reader you will know I am a great supporter of Docklands. It is home to the most under-rated yet potentially the greatest asset Melbourne has to offer visitors – our waterways. The waterways start with the Yarra River – from its source in the Yarra Ranges to where it empties into Hobsons Bay. The river is home to the Melbourne’s port and services more than 3000 ships annually.

More than 90 per cent of world trade is transported via ships. Most of what you buy arrives by sea. But Melbourne has a maritime heritage that is in danger of being forgotten. Melbourne is still a major port city and it has a waterfront asset that is waiting to be embraced.

Over the last 10 or so years Docklands has been transformed into a mix of commercial and residential premises. There is another 10 or so years to go before we can say it is finished. Right now, Docklands is starting to see life being breathed into it and its transformation into a sustainable Melbourne precinct is becoming a reality.

This has not just happened by chance. It needed faith by local businesses to invest heavily and take huge risks in the belief that Docklands was going to become a great tourist destination. This belief was

underpinned by the emergence of many major corporations relocating their head offices to Docklands and promises by developers of great things to come. The notion was: “This has to be good for small business!”

I have been around long enough to know that these corporates – although promising community support – often only provide for their employees’ needs from within their giant fortresses. Their staff arrive in the morning and leave at night. Attempts by local small businesses and associations to connect with these corporates have been difficult.

Things are changing and this was demonstrated last month when Destination Docklands organised the second annual WaterRat Race with the aim of enticing Docklands corporates to engage in the spirit of discovering Docklands. The event was well supported by a number of corporates and was a hugely successful event – in so much as that those who supported the event learned a great deal about their neighbourhood.

The Docklands Chamber of Commerce – a group of dedicated volunteers, of which I am one – is supporting the City of Melbourne in delivering a fantastic winter program of events from June through to October. We desperately need the continued support of Docklands’ corporates, local businesses and the Docklands community. LISTEN UP, I say!

Commencing July through August every Friday night there will be the annual fireworks display. Everyone who lives, works and plays in Docklands needs to support this fantastic spectacle – tell your friends that public transport is the way to go, as we

all know what parking is like in Docklands! Make sure you attend at least one Friday night, and stay for dinner or a few drinks at one of the local venues that will remain open for your convenience!

The winter program also includes the AIDS 2014 Conference, July 20-25 being held at the Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre. More than 25,000 international delegates are expected to attend. Docklands corporates and businesses have been asked to “paint the town red” and support this event. Make sure you are part of this! Contact the Docklands Chamber of Commerce if you want to know how you can be involved. This is the single most widely covered event in the world. Of particular note, on Friday, July 18 our fireworks will be part of the “paint the town red” concept, so keep this in mind!

The Melbourne Regatta and Blessing of the Fleet will celebrate Melbourne Day on Saturday, August 30. This event recognises the spiritual significance of all who sail upon the seas. Father Bob will be presiding over ceremonies. Victoria Harbour will come alive with bands, street performers and local restaurants offering Melbourne Day specials.

We will also be activating Harbour Esplanade around to Central Pier, creating a spectacular arena for visitors to view the Blessing of the Fleet in Victoria Harbour. For a visual extravaganza there will be a flotilla of vessels, flares, whistles, pipe bands and a display of water cannons from emergency service vessels on the harbour.

Further entertainment will include the Enterprize performing a re-enactment of the first landing in period costume. The Alma Doepel volunteers will be sailing

their recently-restored traditional naval four-oared captain’s gig. This activity will be further complemented with a Port of Melbourne vessel showcasing the work it does and will be open to the public. There will be story-telling about the first landing for kids as well as street entertainment including works of Shakespeare! There will be vessels available free of charge for visitors to experience the water and see Melbourne from a whole new perspective.

Bands, vans and local venues will add to the many attractions that will bedazzle Docklands. All this is made possible by the support of our corporate neighbours and residents who live, work, and play in Docklands. The winter program promises to be another great Docklands Chamber of Commerce and City of Melbourne initiative that will activate Docklands and show Melburnians why Docklands is such a great place to live, work and play.

Don’t forget to book for the *Docklands News* and Docklands Chamber of Commerce Networking Lunch on June 13 at Rise.

There is so much more being planned here in Docklands. It is time get involved, be a contributor to breathing life into Docklands. It is about to emerge as a beautiful butterfly, having enjoyed a spell as a – well as a chrysalis. Nothing against chrysalises, I have a lot of friends who are chrysalises!

Thank you for taking the time to read this, and if you want a close-up chat with me – why not come down to the Mission to Seafarers on a Friday from 12-2pm and join me for a curry lunch and a quiet convivial drink. Remember – Docklands is Beautiful!

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## GREETINGS FROM THE DOCKLANDS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION



### Greetings everybody

The official opening of the community centre and library was held on Saturday, May 31. Everyone was invited and I hope there was a good turn out for this iconic event for Docklands. I had to miss it unfortunately due to being overseas.

Places Victoria and council released their concepts for the Esplanade redevelopment, which shows their plan to fill it over a period with up to a dozen or so buildings including old cargo sheds and pavilions for activities.

You can catch up with details on our website. Eventually the only open space would be laneways between buildings. Comments from residents indicate opposition to that, with preference being for open space. To establish the extent of preferences we are running a simple on-line survey and we urge you to complete it if you have not already done so.

Places Victoria and council have given us until the first week of June to respond to their plans, which is ridiculously short time considering the long-term nature of the project.

I attended a meeting of a few community representatives with Planning Minister Guy in mid-May. He was criticised on issues including the Metropolitan Planning Scheme, where inevitably residents are out to protect their suburban neighborhoods from excessive and random development.

In response to my concern regarding the Esplanade redevelopment he indicated he supported the Places Victoria and council plans which confirms that, despite conducting "community consultation", they've already agreed on the scheme. That may be so, but nothing is immutable.

He commented that open expanses are windy to which I replied that it's the buildings that cause wind tunnels and people wouldn't go and sit on open beaches if it was that bad.

I suspect they are wanting to save money by not having to rip up the concrete left over from the wharves, but so what!

We're redeveloping the old wharf areas and the concrete should go. If the worst came to the worst they could lay fake grass over the concrete in order to have open space as has been done in Waterfront City. We'd be grateful for small mercies, pathetic as it may be.

Council has advised they will be running a winter program of fireworks every Friday night from July 4 through August 29 in Victoria Harbour, which is great for the area.

On the owners corporation network front, with the help of the OC chair of Freshwater Place in Southbank, I have been campaigning amongst chairs of buildings in the CBD and surrounding areas to form a representative committee.

I was given the opportunity to address a group of OC Chairs from various areas on May 22 about the OCNV and its objectives. A number of chairs expressed interest in

taking part, which was encouraging. Once the committee is set in place we'll be able to proceed with general membership development and activities.

I'm in the North East of the US for a few weeks where the worst of the bad weather and flooding seems to be over and summer is starting. It's good to have a break but I will have to get back to work.

If any reader would like to become a member of the DCA or has any suggestions they wish to put forward regarding activities or issues, they are 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)

Regards to All  
Roger Gardner  
President DCA



## OWNERS CORPORATION LAW

With Tom Bacon

# Overcrowding of apartments

***It has long been an issue for apartment dwellers in Victoria and all around Australia –the common scenario is that a residential unit is let out to a person for a set amount of rent each week; that person then sets out partitions and curtains throughout the apartment, then sub-lets the apartment to groups of (mainly female) students and / or non-English speaking persons.***

The results are usually a large profit to the head-lessee, squalid conditions for the sub-lessees, and increased wear and tear on common property facilities for owners corporations from increased rubbish and drainage blockages.

However, there is an added sting in the tail for owners corporations – their insurance policies will most likely contain a clause requiring full and frank disclosure of circumstances that may cause damage to the building, and the duty of utmost good

faith requires an owners corporation to take positive steps to mitigate those risks, otherwise coverage by the insurer may be denied.

In 2013, three students living in an overcrowded apartment in Bankstown ignited a fire after lighting a cigarette on the balcony. In high winds, the embers lit the partitions and curtains inside the apartment. Next to go were the LPG canisters in the kitchen that doubled as alternate cooking facilities.

The results were catastrophic – one student

was killed leaping to the ground floor, and another was critically wounded and burned. The apartment building suffered extensive smoke damage, with 80 per cent of the apartments unable to be resided in for at least six months. In this instance, members of the owners corporation knew of the overcrowded apartment, yet took no action.

An owners corporation should report all instances where they suspect overcrowding of apartments to the City of Melbourne.

Council officers have the powers to inspect

private property, and the above scenario would most likely offend town-planning rules and would be considered to be a boarding house activity in the Docklands and Southbank precincts.

The council would most likely eject those that are unlawfully residing there, and impose a heavy fine on the landlord responsible.

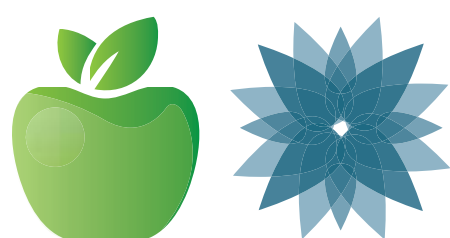
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# HEALTH & WELLBEING



By *Andrew Ward,*  
YMCA Docklands manager

## Core strength and a healthy spine

The days of doing hundreds of “old-school” sit-ups are well behind us, and the science of core training is here. Firstly, when we refer to the core, are we talking about the abs? Well, yes and no. The muscle groups of the core include rectus abdominus (front), obliques (sides), erector spinae (back), pelvic floor, diaphragm and the hip flexors. These core muscles hold our bodies upright, help us move and help hold our internal organs in. Core training isn’t about the “six pack”. A healthy group of core muscles leads to a healthy spine. Neglect of the core muscles or an imbalance in the muscles of the core can lead to back pain, injury, discomfort and reduced sports performance. Yoga, mat or clinical pilates and CX works (a Les Mills core class) are some of the best formats to develop a healthy core. Another alternative is specific training on a gym floor programmed or supervised by a personal trainer.

## Avoiding winter weight gain (Part 2)

Last month we talked about the impact that seasonality has on our motivation and ability to maintain our exercise and activity levels, especially during winter. It is definitely a challenge as the days get shorter and weather is wet and cold. I promised some tips this month so here we go! Make the most of the good days! Watch your weather forecasts and plan your activities accordingly. Save your lunch catch-ups or informal meetings for the rough weather days. When the sun shines, get out amongst it, your bones and muscles will appreciate the vitamin D. Form a winter exercise task force – help motivate each other to commit and find a way to exercise 30 minutes every day. Remember this is the minimum! Go to the gym! Gyms often have great winter offers to try or get started. So come inside, out of the wind and rain and try something new – yoga, pilates, GRIT or personal training. Most gyms offer free trials, so why not take them up on it!

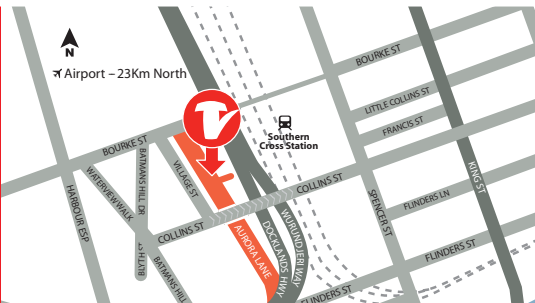
## Exercise and ageing

Before you rush off and buy the latest anti-ageing cream, or consider modern age-reversing treatments like botox or a face-lift, you should first make sure you are doing all you can from an exercise point of view first to reduce or reverse the effects of ageing. Here are some tips and outcomes to consider! Maximize your exercise and activity levels – remember they are different! Exercise is movement structured or programmed with intent, or specific outcome in mind. While activity relates to actions to get the body moving – e.g. walking the dog. Lift weights – you need to lift weights to maintain lean body mass and retain calcium in your bones. Strong full body movements like squats, lunges, presses, deadlifts are all great for preserving bone density and maintaining a healthy physique. Train your heart and lungs – Your cells, tissues, muscles and organs need a rich supply of blood, oxygen and nutrients to function and survive. Elevate your heart rate to about 70-80 per cent of your max heart rate for 30 minutes or longer. Don’t smoke, and drink alcohol with moderation. Exercise helps you maintain a healthy body for longer.

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## RELAX AT YARRA'S EDGE

*Yarra's Edge Japanese restaurant Zen Izakaya aims to deliver an experience that matches its name.*



Head chef and manager Thomas Chen invites readers to enjoy a drink and meal at Zen Izakaya.

According to head chef and manager Thomas Chen, the term “zen” means peaceful and calm, while “Izakaya” is a type of Japanese after-work bar.

So, combined, Zen Izakaya equals a relaxed bar where visitors, residents and local workers can enjoy a drink and some traditional Japanese snacks.

“Of course, we offer more than just snacks and drinks and can cater for meals also,” Mr Chen said.

For sake connoisseurs, Zen Izakaya is a must-visit, with a wide range of sake on offer, according to Mr Chen.

Zen Izakaya’s sake ranges from house sake, all the way to Daiginjo, which according to Mr Chen is the highest grade of sake.

For those not too familiar with the fermented rice beverage, Zen Izakaya staff can suggest sake and meal pairings.

But, if sake isn’t your thing the bar also has a range of Japanese and local beers on offer,

along with a selection of wine and cocktails.

The bar hopes to add to its regular clientele of local residents and workers from neighbouring businesses.

Apart from great food, Mr Chen said another great part about dining at Zen Izakaya was the view and convenient location.

“The location on the riverside has really beautiful views and it is nice and quiet.”

“It’s a quiet place to escape from the noisy city,” he said.

This month the restaurant is introducing steak nights each Tuesday.

Guests who order any dish from the a la carte menu can also order a 200g steak for just \$12.

Zen Izakaya is located on the riverfront at 70 Lorimer St, Docklands.

To find out more visit [www.zenizakaya.com.au](http://www.zenizakaya.com.au) or call on 9646 2400.

## SIX YEARS OF SELLING

**Local Real Estate agency City Residential Real Estate this year celebrates six years of selling and leasing homes across the inner-city.**

The business was started by Glenn Donnelly and Richard Mindraoui in 2008 and first opened in Siddeley St, before moving to Lorimer St two years ago.

“We decided to move into a high-profile office two years ago and we believe it’s Melbourne’s most high-profile real-estate office,” Mr Donnelly said.

The office provides high-exposure along Lorimer St, which Mr Donnelly says has helped to double City Residential Real Estate’s rent-roll over the past two years.

City Residential Real Estate has also increased its share of the Yarra’s Edge portfolio since moving into the office, according to Mr Donnelly.

“It’s been a fantastic move for us,” he said.

Although based in Docklands, City Residential Real Estate also services Melbourne, Southbank and St Kilda Rd.



City Residential directors and staff... celebrating six years of sales and leasing.

According to Mr Donnelly, the business tailors its services to the individual renter or buyer, by offering inspections at a time that suits them, rather than asking them to wait for open for inspections.

Mr Donnelly said another unique aspect of City Residential Real Estate was how heavily involved he and fellow directors Richard Mindraoui and Lina D’Ambrosio are in the day-to-day running of the business.

“All three directors are very active in the business,” Mr Donnelly said.

“I’m selling Docklands apartments, Richard is selling Melbourne and Southbank apartments and Lina is leasing Melbourne, Southbank and Docklands apartments.”

Additionally, all three directors live in Docklands, which not only makes for a quick commute, but has also increased their local knowledge.

“We can sell the benefits better than anyone else, because we’re here all the time,” Mr Donnelly said. “We’re true believers in the area.”

“I love living here, I love working here and I love selling and leasing in the precinct. I think it’s a really fantastic place to live,” he added.

City Residential Real Estate is located at 50 Lorimer Street. For more information visit [www.cityresidential.com.au](http://www.cityresidential.com.au) or call the office on 8614 8999.

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# FACES OF DOCKLANDS



**BILL PRICE, 43**  
Owner of Lats Bakery

Mr Price enjoys getting to know all the friendly Docklands locals who visit his bakery. He said he is able to interact with all the different people from a variety of different business sectors.



**NICHOLAS FIELD, 25**  
Store manager at Gloria Jeans

Mr Field's favourite part about working in Docklands is the location. He enjoys working near the waters edge and the surrounding landscape. Mr Field also likes to peruse the local shops when he has a chance.



**SHARON NYANGWE, 24**  
Guest services at Apartments @ Docklands

Ms Nyangwe believes Docklands is a great area to work in. "Everyone who comes to stay in the area is always very friendly," she said. At her workplace she is able to meet lots of new people who are staying in Docklands.



**CHARDONAY SIEMONS, 26**  
Retail assistant at Novo

The favourite aspect of Docklands for Ms Siemons is the location. She finds it very easy to get to her work from home. She also very much enjoys the area and likes the people who she works with at Novo.



**SUNITA GURUNG, 30**  
Manager at Subway

Ms Gurung likes how relaxing it is working in Docklands. "There are lots of tourists who come by here all the time," she said. Ms Gurung also complimented how lively Docklands was.

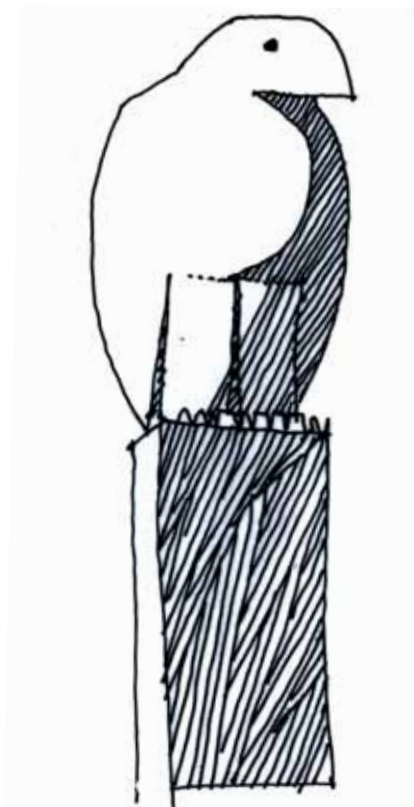


**ESTHER KAMIEN, 32**  
Reception at Lucas Real Estate

Ms Kamien enjoys the fact that her work is very close to home and is therefore very accessible. She enjoys the large variety of restaurants that Docklands has on offer. Ms Kamien also likes the people she works with at Lucas Real Estate.



*This is the first in a series of illustrations depicting birds sighted in Docklands. If you've seen an interesting bird in the area let us know what type and where you saw it. Send your sightings to [news@docklands.com.au](mailto:news@docklands.com.au)*



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# Networking in Docklands

*A joint event held by the Docklands Chamber of Commerce and Destination Docklands provided a great networking opportunity for local stakeholders last month.*

Guests (some pictured below) enjoyed Etihad Stadium's Terrace Bar, while hearing from Destination Docklands CEO Anita Donnelly and Docklands Chamber of Commerce president Joh Maxwell.

The next local networking event is the Docklands Networking Lunch on Friday, June 13 at Rise Waterfront.

As always, the lunch is \$60 per person. To book your seat, send an email to [lunch@docklandsnews.com.au](mailto:lunch@docklandsnews.com.au) or contact the office on 8689 7979.

The menu for the June lunch is:

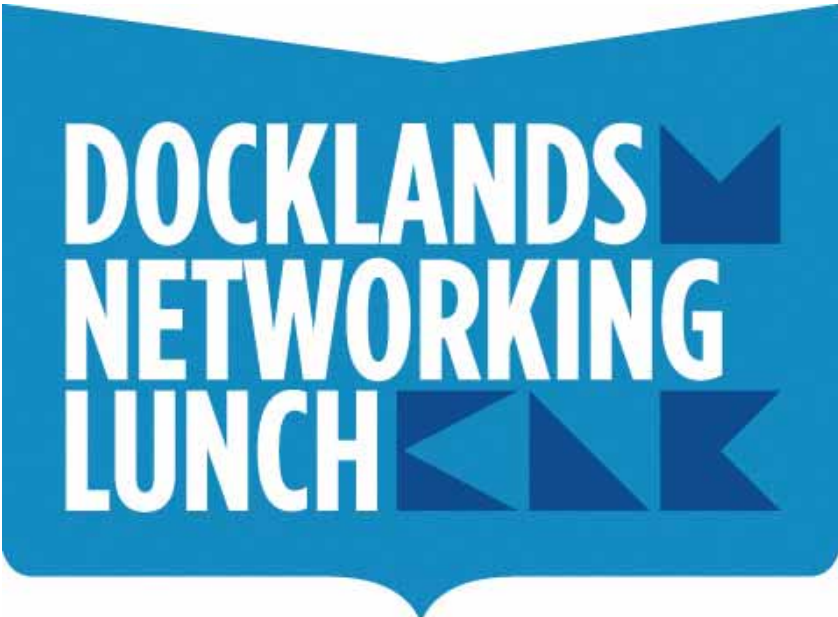
**First entrée:** Cheese baked lobster.

**Second entrée:** Cannelloni di ricotta with spinach and napoli sauce or lasagna.

**Main:** Pollo fiorentino or sirloin steak. Both mains served with roast potatoes and seasonal vegetables.

**Dessert:** Panna cotta or tiramisu.

**Beverages:** House red and white wines, champagne, beer, soft drinks and coffee.



Paul Keisler and Dylan Campbell.



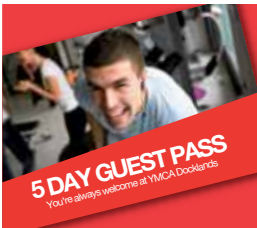
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# DOCKLANDS COMMUNITY CALENDAR



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# DOCKLANDS SPORTS PAGE

## Melbourne Ice doesn't disappoint

By Robert Bremner

*Melbourne Ice has continued its early season form by defeating the Mustangs 5-3 in front of a sold-out crowd.*

The local derby once again did not disappoint fans, with the match being very physical throughout.

Ice were up and about early scoring the first two goals of the match. They dominated the shots on goal during the first two periods and took a 4-2 lead into the final break. The Mustangs had much of the play in the final third having 16 shots on goal compared to seven for Ice. For all of their hard work the Mustangs still only managed to score one goal in the final third and were unable to make any inroads in the Ice's lead.

The win takes Melbourne Ice to its fifth victory from the last six matches against the Mustangs.

Both teams travelled to Sydney the following week, with the Ice continuing their winning ways – accounting for the Ice Dogs 6-3. They backed it up with a hard-fought 4-2 win over Sydney Bears only sealing the win with 34 seconds remaining and returned home with a full six points from their victories.

Meanwhile, the Mustangs held off the Bears in a tight, low-scoring 2-1 victory in Sydney. They followed it up with a disappointing 7-2 loss to Sydney ice Dogs who completely outclassed them after the first period. Both teams went into the second period tied at

1-1, before Sydney put on a master class – scoring six of the last seven goals.

While Melbourne Ice had a well-deserved bye the following week, the Mustangs hosted the second-placed Adelaide at the Icehouse. The first match was tight early with the Mustangs leading 2-1 at the first break. A scoreless third saw both teams with a chance at victory heading into the final period. It was the Mustangs that stood up with four goals to one running out 6-2 winners.

Adelaide exacted their revenge the following day with a come from behind 3-2 shootout victory. The Mustangs lead by a goal midway through the last period before Adelaide found an equaliser, leading to a shootout. Through Dean Peterson, Adelaide managed to score the only goal in the shootout and win the match.

Melbourne Ice remains outright on top of the ladder, now moving a full four points clear of the second placed Adrenaline. While the Mustangs currently sit in fourth position with four wins.

Next up, Ice travel to Canberra to take on the Brave and aiming for their 8th consecutive win. While Mustangs play host to the bottom placed Thunder.



Enjoy a hit of totem tennis with Adam from Active Melbourne.

## Docklands gets active

By Robert Bremner

*Docklands has welcomed a fitness program that is helping Melbourne workers to become more active before, during and after work.*

Docklands workers are able to leave the office to enjoy the backyard favourite totem tennis with a friend or colleague. Situated in front of the NAB building it is the perfect way to have some fun on your lunchbreak.

Programs such as zumba class, hula

hooping, Tai chi and many more are running throughout May and June and are supported by the Victorian Department of Health and VicHealth.

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