

Community Chit, Chat & Chew

Come for the news, stay for the food

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2020

PANCAKE DAY 2020!!!



Glen Park Community Centre & Cafe on the Park held our annual fundraiser for Pancake Day on Tuesday 25th February.

Café on the Park sold pancakes all day to raise funds for UnitingCare agencies to provide a variety of crisis support services in local communities to help those experiencing homelessness, domestic violence, addictions and financial hardship. Thank you to everyone who supported Glen Park on the day and helped raise funds for such a great cause!

MONTHLY RECIPE

Ingredients



LEMON ICING: 2 cups pure icing sugar, 20g softened unsalted butter, 2 1/2 tablespoons lemon juice.

Method

Step 1. Grease a 3cm deep, 15.5cm x 25cm (base) slab pan. Line base and sides with baking paper, extending paper 2cm above edges of pan. Step 2. Place condensed milk and butter in a small saucepan over medium heat. Cook, stirring for 5 minutes or until smooth and combined. Remove from heat. Step 3. Using food processor, process biscuits until fine crumbs. Transfer to bowl. Add coconut and lemon rind. Stir to combine. Add hot butter mixture and mix to combine. Press mixture over the base of prepared pan. Cover and refrigerate for 1 1/2 hours or until firm. Step 4. Make lemon icing: sift icing sugar into a bowl. Add butter and lemon juice. Beat with wooden spoon until smooth and combined. Spread icing over slice. Stand at room temperature for 30 minutes or until icing has set. Cut into pieces and serve!



VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

Glen Park Community Centre's Volunteer of the Month for February is.... Peter Yordonopulo!

Peter volunteers three days a week in Glen Park's Social Enterprise Café—Café on the Park. Peter also assists with the collection and sorting of the weekly fruit and vegetables for the Community Pantry members and general public.

Peter never hesitates to offer a helping hand, and will always tackle any task with 100% effort.

Congratulations Peter!!





GLEN PARK'S BLAST FROM THE PAST

This photo was taken on Pancake Day in 2013. Check out that flip action!!!

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SOCIAL ENTERPRISE COORDINATOR—NAOMI BUTLER-MOORE

Well, we're all back at work and into the swing of it again. My Christmas holidays were great! I got to relax, spend time with my family, travel around in the caravan a bit, do a touch of swimming and drink a cheeky glass of red here and there. What I love most about holidays is that I get to relax and actually do some experimenting in the kitchen. I have time and the mental energy to try different things that I normally don't get time for. These holidays, I made puff pastry for the first time and WOW!!! It was amazing. It wasn't hard to make, more a waiting game as you have to let it do it's thing in the fridge. You can certainly tell the difference, it's just delightful. I went to Dandenong market and picked up a tray of mangoes quite cheap, so I made mango chutney, YUM! I also like to collect chillies. Yes, your eyes aren't

tricking you, I like to collect chillies. Every time I see fresh chillies marked down I buy them and put them in the freezer. Well, there wasn't much room in the freezer, so I bought some cheap tomatoes, also from Dandenong market and made Tomato Chilli Jam, it goes quite well with, oh let me see, anything! Hopefully, we'll see you in the café enjoying a coffee or meal. If you say these words when ordering coffee "I love homemade puff pastry and chillies", we'll give you the second coffee half price. You must buy one coffee to receive the second cup half price. This deal is only valid from 14th April—31st May. Also, my birthday is approaching, I may as well let you know now so you can organise my present. It's 21st April, I'll be 18 so it's a big birthday.

ROVING REPORTER

Q1. How would you explain the word "love" to someone without using the word "love"?

A: Heidi said "family", how sweet! Maz said when someone means more to you than you mean to yourself. Darelle said someone that gives me joy.

Q2. If you had to describe yourself using only 3 words, what would they be?

A: Heidi—Loyal, Caring & Fun. Maz—Loyal, Resilient & Responsible.

Darelle—Giggly, Pedantic & Animal Lover

Q3. What part of the human face is your favourite?
A: Heidi, Maz & Darelle all said EYES!

Roving Reporter: Naomi Butler-Moore

Interviewees: Darelle Tenace, Maz Lewis & Heidi Butler-Moore

COMMUNITY MEALS/COMMUNITY PANTRY

Monthly Community Meals
on Wednesday 15th April at 6:00pm.
(Take away meals)

Monthly Community Pantry on Tuesday 7th February.

To register for the Community Pantry, please contact the office. Serviced areas: Bayswater, Bayswater North & Boronia.



HEIDI'S MONTHLY REPORT

Welcome to our 14th edition of Community Chit, Chat & Chew. Quarter I has started and wow are we off to a running start! All our programs are full to bursting and our Social Enterprise Café is busier than ever with catering, café sales, pantry, community meals and fruit & veg collection. Thank you to everyone who chooses to use the services of a social enterprise, you contribute to the ongoing financial viability of that social enterprise which in turn allows provision of much needed supports to some of our most vulnerable Victorians.

I think that's called "responsible social investment" or is it just community at it's best? You choose!

You'll notice a familiar face around the centre, Payton has returned to work full time for Glen Park. Payton and I have been very busy planning 2020 program outcomes and writing and planning for some new and exciting programs and partnerships. Payton is working on an end of year market stall, so let her know what you want to purchase for your Christmas stocking fillers.

Glen Park's Committee of Governance have announced the date of the 2019 Annual General Meeting. Over the coming weeks, all current member will receive an invitation, everyone is welcome to attend. Our 2019 Annual General Meeting will be held at Glen Park on Tuesday 14th April at 10:00am. The Ron Park Memorial Fund is now open for nominations. If anyone is interested in nominating themselves or someone else or would like more information about the Fund or eligibility, please contact the office.

Glen Park is certainly aware of the ongoing Coronavirus situation and are currently undertaking planning and preparation to ensure we're both a responsible employer and a safe community space. We ask anyone who is displaying symptoms or has come in contact with the virus to please choose not to attend the Centre.