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City Council Elections 2012 Candidates Forum

Prior to the election CRA again collaborated with Dr John Evans, to host a 'Meet the Candidates' Forum at the Church of All Nations (CAN), on Monday evening 15 October. Representatives from eight of the nine 'Lord Mayoral teams' and the two 'Councillor teams' attended to address and be questioned by attendees from Carlton and across the city. It was the usual lively and interesting 'town hall' style event, and most of the significant issues of the election were debated. Discussions continued long after the Forum concluded at 9.30pm. Grateful thanks are extended to John Evans for facilitating this important community event in Carlton.



Candidates face the people before the 2012 CoM election

Congratulations to Cr Jackie Watts

Hearty congratulations to Cr Jackie Watts (Morgan-Elliot Team) on her re-election to the Council. She is the first residents' association member to be elected to the Council in her own right since Wards were abolished eleven years ago. Jackie is a prominent CRA and CoRBA (Coalition of Residents & Business Associations) member and has demonstrated her ability to represent the interests of residents and small business on the Council. Since she was first elected to the Council in 2011, following the resignation of Cr Peter Clarke, Jackie has worked tirelessly for the entire Melbourne community

Cr Jackie Watts collaborated with other councillors to ensure the Kathleen Syme Community Centre-Library was achieved for Carlton. '*My intention*

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is to enable ratepayers, through better information and genuine stakeholder consultations, to directly impact upon Council policies and decisions. Electoral reform is obviously the basis of this empowerment' (Herald Sun, 30 October 2012). At the official declaration of the poll on 30 October, she said 'I look forward to continuing to vigorously represent the residents and ratepayers of Melbourne', in the wake of what I sincerely hope has been the last election under this unique and clearly flawed electoral system in Melbourne'.

The Lord Mayoral outcome was as predicted: Team Doyle (Crs Doyle & Riley) gained 41% of the primary vote. Lord Mayor Doyle claims this high level of support gives him a 'powerful mandate', however he lacks 'authoritative control' over the Council with just five of the eleven votes. Other successful candidates (in order of success) are: Cr Louey, Cr Oke, Cr Ong, Cr Wood, Cr Pinder-Mortimer, Cr Foster, Cr Watts, Cr Mayne, Cr Leppert . With 6 former councillors and 5 recent appointees, the Council now has a mix of experience and new skills.

The election process has been controversial. According to *The Age*, 25 October 2012, *'Victoria's local government elections are in a shambles with widespread allegations of tricks and smear tactics in one of the dirtiest campaigns in years'*. And none more so than the Melbourne City Council election, with claims and counter claims of bribery and corruption as daily fare in the media. Of major concern were claims of donations from developers and big business aiming to curry favour with the 'Town Hall' after the election. It was an unedifying spectacle! As election funding details for each team must be provided to the Victorian Electoral Commission within forty days of the poll, further revelations may come to light.

The unique *City of Melbourne Act*, introduced by the Bracks Government in 2001, was at the base of the many evident electoral process problems. For example, directly elected celebrity Lord Mayoral candidates with deep pockets; postal only voting which is impossible to securely distribute or audit, and may lead to potential fraud and 'vote harvesting'; lack of a Ward structure; voter eligibility; low voter turnout (60%) etc, were all matters raised by CRA (and others) at the Victorian Electoral Commission (VEC) review last year. VEC approved these undemocratic election processes, supported by the *Act*, which are set to continue unless the Minister for Local Government intervenes.

Election Statistics

- Enrolment: 108,514, voter turnout 59.9%, informal votes cast 4.35%
- Lord Mayoral Teams (after preference distribution): Team Doyle 52.42%, Greens 25.07%, Melbourne Living (Singer-So) 22.51%.

Reference Group Reports Carlton Gardens and REB – World Heritage Site Royal exhibition building \$20m project – progress report

Melbourne Museum Manager Brett Dunlop has been appointed project manager responsible for spending \$20m over 4 years to renovate the Royal Exhibition Building and to increase public awareness of the historical importance of this unique World Heritage site. At a meeting with community representatives on 19 November, Brett commenced his progress report by acknowledging Adam Bandt's contribution towards securing the funding in the May Federal Budget. The community representatives present delivered an enthusiastic round of applause for Adam, who was in the audience.

Brett described the difficulties of "getting on top of" the day to day maintenance needs of the 100 -130 year old iconic structure so that preventative maintenance becomes the norm.

In the lead up to the May Budget, Adam provided us with his vision:

"The federal member for Melbourne, Adam Bandt MP, would like to see the site given its due recognition, attention and care and is working with stakeholders to make this happen. It will require action from all three levels of government in consultation with community, museum and heritage advocates.

Importantly, due recognition of the first people of the area, the traditional people of the Kulin Nation, the Woiworung people, is also required.

<u>Proper recognition of the birthplace of the Australian</u> <u>Parliament would include</u>:

- Acknowledgement of the Woiworung people their struggle and survival
- Appropriate recognition of the site as the birthplace of the Australian Democracy with appropriate signage and information provided to tourists
- Restoring the external walkway around the circumference of the Dome
- Establishing an annual commemoration of the birth of the Australian Parliament
- A democracy education centre at the Royal Exhibition Building."

Stages or "packages" were presented as:

- 1. Cupula, dome, drum and promenade (conservation and repair)
- 2. Promenade viewing (restore)
- 3. Roof sheeting, paint stormwater drain ("Fix the roof")

For further details see <u>www.vec.vic.gov.au</u>

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- 4. Facade render repair and repaint all joinery ("Fix externals")
- 5 External lighting (if funds permit)

The project team's milestone aim is to obtain Board approval of these preferred strategic investment options during December. The approval of the Museum's executive was obtained shortly after this meeting with community representatives

At the close of the meeting, Adam acknowledged Brian Falconer's contribution on behalf of Carlton Residents Association (CRA) in making the original approach to the Museum several years ago, about re-opening the Dome viewing promenade to the public.

The community representatives have welcomed the opportunity to help the Museum to find ways of engaging the wider community and obtaining its support for this major contribution to "Marvellous Melbourne".

Kathleen Syme Centre (KSC) - a Library for the Community

Readings bookshop and Carlton Gardens Primary School were pleased to host the annual book celebration on Thursday 18th October 2012, as part of the Premier's Reading Challenge to promote children's literacy.

At the event, The National Year of Reading was celebrated, together with the wonderful new investment by Melbourne City Council in a much needed local library for our community, to be housed in the Kathleen Syme building.

Guest speaker Carolyn McCabe, from the Premiers Reading Challenge, spoke about the thinking behind the selection of books for 2012 as well as recommendations for next year's Challenge. Tai Snaith, local children's book author, also spoke about her latest book *The Family Hour in Australia* and other recommended children's books.

Carlton Gardens Primary School fully embraced the Premiers Reading Challenge in this special year. Here are some OUTSTANDING statistics:

Out of 205 total student enrolments 205 STUDENTS REGISTERED for the Reading Challenge (100%, the WHOLE school!) and 100% OF THE PARTICIPANTS COMPLETED THE CHALLENGE! A TOTAL OF 7486 BOOKS WERE READ!

This reading achievement is particularly impressive since there are over 40 different nationalities at the school, and for over 45% of the school population, English is not a first language.

One of the biggest hurdles for completion of the challenge has been access to books. This has inspired the whole community to rally together to raise money to buy books for the new library at KSC. The attendees of the event - not only from Carlton Gardens Primary School, but also from University High School and North Carlton Primary School were generous enough to purchase over \$2300 worth of new books for the new KSC library.

Carlton Gardens Primary School, and all of the local students in our community are indebted to the CRA for working so hard to secure the much needed local library.

Traffic, Transport and Parking



Doncaster Rail Rally

On Saturday 22 September, CRA joined with other community groups in a 100 strong pro-rail rally convened by the Yarra Campaign for Action on Transport (YCAT) on parkland at the corner of Princes and Nicholson Streets, Carlton. As detailed in *Newsflash* Winter 2012, Doncaster Rail could be built for 10% the cost of the controversial \$10 billion East-West Road Link tunnel and dramatically reduce traffic congestion and improve air quality. Several speakers, including Federal Member for Melbourne, Adam Bandt MHR, and City of Yarra Mayor, Cr Geoff Barbour, extolled the virtues of the long-debated Doncaster rail proposal, now sidelined by the Bailleau State Government in favour of the costly road tunnel project.

The Bailleau Government had been elected to office with policy promises to revitalise public transport, long neglected by the previous Bracks-Brumby Governments. However, neglect of public transport continues.



Adam Bandt MHR, Federal Member for Melbourne, addressing the Rally

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Planning and Development

Applications: Each month, the committee considers the current planning applications for the 3053 postcode, addressing issues that threaten 'loss of amenity', e.g. car parking, compliance with heritage overlay, and residential diversity. Access up-to-date information on the status of a Planning Permit or current application at:

http://www.melbourne.vic.gov.au/BuildingandPlanning/Planning/Pages/PlanningrRegisterSearch.aspx

If you are aware of developments needing attention please contact the Planning Committee: <u>planningcra@gmail.com</u> **Summary:** Since the last Newsflash, the Planning Sub-Committee has reviewed 41 Planning Applications for Carlton. While no objections have been submitted to the City of Melbourne at this stage, further information has been sort on 5 applications.

The number of applications and associated objections appear to reflect a reduced level of activity in the construction and development industry.

| APP No./ADDRESS | DETAILS OF WORK/CRA INTEREST |
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| August—6 Applications; 0 objections | Applications related to works of a minor nature or with no valid grounds for objection. |
| September- 9 Applications; 0 objections | As above |
| October—26 Applications; 0 objections. 5 – pending additional information: TP-2012-717 69 Rathdowne St TP-2012-720 334 Lygon St TP-2012-739 121 Barkly St TP-2012-767 13 Faraday St TP-2012-792 37 Owen St | Installation of illuminated lightbox Application for change of use Alterations & additions Development for 5 stories; 9 dwellings Two storey addition at rear |
| CRA Objections pending: TP 2010 – 294 411 – 413 Cardigan St | Processing Suspended (3 objections) |
| TP 2011 – 805 93 Barkly St | Applicant has lodged revised drawings with a reduced footprint and a reduction from 3 stories to 2. Application to be reassessed and probably readvertised. |

Calculating population densities – a useful tool

The 2011 Australian National Census has given us a powerful tool to analyse the population density impacts of tall, boundary-to-boundary apartments that are now appearing in our tightly packed inner-city neighbourhoods. It is worth noting that tall apartment buildings do not necessarily show high population densities, at least the ones analysed in Flemington.

There are three steps you must follow to calculate population density.

First you must establish the number of people who live in your SAI (Statistical Area Level 1 – the smallest area that is released for public analysis). This is an area in your neighbourhood that has roughly 300 to 500 residents. You can find this number by typing in a street address. An interesting website to use is:

www.censusdata.abs.gov.au/census_services/getproduct/

census/2011/quickstat/2112102?opendocument.

This link will show you how the data should look when you analyse your own street.

Now try your own address. You will need to find the link: <u>www.abs.gov.au/websitedbs/censushome.nsf/home/map</u>. Use the address search option to find the map and information about your block.

The second step is to find the viable area around your house. Do not include drains, tollways or railway lines. You can walk around your block with the appropriate iPhone app or use this mapping tool: services.land.vic.gov.au/maps/ pmo.jsp.

Lastly, divide the number of residents by the area selected. You can now see that 'hot spots' around Melbourne match some of the highest population densities in the world.

For help or advice, please contact: John Widmer on 0419 569 138 .

VCAT Presentations

The Queensberry Hotel's application, (no. 2011/011152) for the installation of 30 gaming machines was refused by the Minister for Planning on 31 August 2012. CRA was an objector to the application as was CoM and RMIT.

The Hotel has since lodged an application with VCAT for the decision to be reviewed. CRA has submitted a Statement of Grounds with VCAT with a request to be joined as a party to the hearing.

Public Housing



Aerial view of Public Housing garden renewal

The Carlton Housing Estate Redevelopment Progress reports:

Three major milestones have been achieved since the last Newsflash.

Stage 2 – Keppel/Cardigan Precinct – comprised of 50 public and 98 private apartments, was completed and residents are currently taking up occupation. Construction has commenced on both stages 3 (Elgin/Nicholson Precinct) and 5 (Australian Unity – Rathdowne St). A more detailed progress summary can be viewed at the CRA website under Public Housing. <u>http://www.carltonresidents.org.au/</u> referencegroups/PublicHousing.html

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Police Community Consultative Committee (PCCC)

The following points were raised and discussed at the October 2012 meeting.

Crime in the region:

- There are concerns with the increase in family violence
- In Carlton there is an increase in drug activity; the use of heroin is on the rise
- There is a decrease in the number of burglaries in Carlton and a drop in late night assaults
- North Melbourne is experiencing an increase in burglaries.

Community Involvement:

- The annual toy and food drive will be held again this year.
- The Royal Walk and Community Fun Day to raise funds for the Royal Melbourne Hospital will be held on Sunday 2nd December. Walk for your hospital, just 4 kms around Princes Park plus a Community Fun Day.

Design and development of the new City West Police Complex at 313 Spencer St opposite the Remand Centre: This will be a new concept for a police facility with open spaces and people-friendly areas as well as offices for police interviews and investigations.

The community is invited to submit ideas for improving public interaction with the police at this new facility. General questions and comments about the facility may be directed to Nick Parissis (Police Community Liaison Officer). He can be contacted through North Melbourne Police Station (03) 83790800.

Community News NBN for Carlton

High speed fibre optic internet services will be installed in a section of Postcode 3053 during the next 12 months. Around 9000 homes, in an area bounded by Elgin St., Nicholson St., Queensberry St. and Royal Parade, will be included in the National Broadband Network (NBN). For further information: <u>www.nbnco.com.au</u>

Neighbourhood appointment

Lyn Dundon has joined the Opportunities for Carlton (OFC) project as the Community Development Officer. Lyn brings great experience from her work with Department of Human Services as Tenant Participation Regional Coordinator, focused on systemic approaches to community engagement. She will be familiar to many around Carlton through her work with OFC initiatives in the last few years. Lyn's focus through to June 2013 will be to explore and implement the recommendations generated by the OFC September network meeting. Lyn can be contacted on: lyn.dundon@melbourne.vic.gov.au

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Vale Fred Jevons AO

Long-time CRA members will have fond memories of Professor Fred Jevons; he was actively involved with our Association for many years. Fred died on 19 September 2012, following a long illness; he was 83. We last saw him in 2010 at the height of our campaign to gain KSC as a Community Centre-Library for Carlton, a project he wholeheartedly embraced.

As a 10 year old in 1939, Fred escaped the Nazi regime in Austria with his sister and settled with a family in England. He won a scholarship to Kings College Cambridge where he studied biochemistry and was awarded a PhD degree. In his subsequent career at Manchester University he established a unique department of Sciences and Humanities. Fred and his family moved to Australia in 1976 when he was appointed foundation Vice-Chancellor of Deakin University. He established that University 'as an innovative and forward looking institution' and his legacy lives on.

We will miss Fred's thoughtful input to CRA and extend our sincere sympathy to Dita and the family (Prof. Fred Jevons obituary was published in *The Age*, 18 October, 2012).

Italian Festa Carlton

Perfect Spring weather ensured a large crowd attended the new *Italian Festa* on Sunday 14 October 2012 at Piazza

Italia on Argyle Square. The *Festa* aimed 'to celebrate all things Italian', featuring culture, music, food, comedy a



comedy, activities for the children and motor vehicles.

There was no attempt to emulate the famous weekend-long *Lygon Street Festa* of the past. Organiser, Mr Eddy Rinaldo, declared the 'new look' *Festa* a great success.



It attracted 10,000 people to Carlton ensuring overflowing patronage at many restaurants along Lygon Street. Mr Rinaldo said the *Festa* would return as an annual event.

Carlton Gardens Primary School – future needs.

The principal of Carlton Garden's Primary school, Tina McDougall, has recently written to Melbourne City Council, specifically **Cr Ken Ong, Cr Cathy Oke, Cr Jackie Watts, Cr Kevin Louey,** seeking support for Carlton Gardens Primary school's growth needs, particularly in relation to the need for recreation space and capital funding advocacy.

Carlton Gardens Primary school is growing rapidly. This is in part due to the success of Council's strategy to improve the liveability of Melbourne city centre; more families are staying in the city and therefore sending their children to the closest school to the city – Carlton Gardens Primary. The growth is also due to North Melbourne (Errol St), South Yarra and South Melbourne Primary schools all having a CAP (maximum student number) which means that Docklands, Southbank and central city families have limited access to these schools and so enrol children at Carlton Gardens.

The school is additionally attractive to families as it is striving to become a flagship for state primary education. Not only has it performed very well in NAPLAN tests but it has one of the first primary school Chinese language programs with an exchange component.

The State government has announced new primary schools for Docklands/West Melbourne and Southbank/Port Melbourne. At best these schools are unlikely to be open before 2016/17. While Carlton Primary (Neil St) has underutilised capacity, this better serves North Carlton and Carlton families. It is not really a viable option for Melbourne City, Docklands or Southbank families as they would have to walk past one school to get to it! Carlton Gardens is currently the city primary school.

The school population is already beyond current building capacity with 2012 enrolments of 208 and an expectation of more than 280 students for 2014 in 11 classes. The school has applied for a CAP from the Department of Education and also for demountable classrooms to address the growth in student numbers.

The extra classrooms address only one issue. In addition the school will need capital funding for upgrading current support facilities, parking for staff and for outdoor recreation areas. Carlton Gardens Primary is seeking support from Melbourne City Council on these issues:

- Access to extra recreation space by sharing Carlton Gardens and court areas for sports, play, and a vegie garden, accessing facilities at Carlton Baths or City Baths and using the Gardeners Cottage on the Rathdowne Street corner
- **Capital advocacy** to increase support areas e.g. storage, toilets, art rooms, and disabled access

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• **Provision of temporary staff parking** by providing parking permits

For further information contact Tina McDougall, Principal or Robyn Pollock, School Council 215 Rathdowne Street Carlton VIC 3053 (03)9663 6502

www.carltongardens.vic.edu.au/



A playground view at Carlton Gardens PS

Carlton Community History Group -Book Launch

A most successful event was held in November when Margaret Rich's new book *Walking along Rathdowne Street* was launched with speeches by society president Jeff Atkinson, Cr Jackie Fristacky and author Margaret Rich. A large crowd of well wishers enjoyed a fine afternoon tea. Recording 100 years of shopping, services and stories of North Carlton, the book was eagerly sought after with some 60 copies being sold at the launch. A few copies of this special book are still available for purchase from the Carlton Library on Rathdowne Street, North Carlton.

Carlton's Yooralla Opportunity Shop

Carlton's Opportunity Shop, which supports the Yooralla Foundation, is located on Elgin Street near the Post Office and the hardware shop. It stands on the site formerly occupied by the clothing and haberdashery business belonging to the Carlton retailer, Mrs Steinberg. Steinberg Lane, which runs behind the op shop, honours her long business association with the area.

Mrs Steinberg's shop was a treasure trove of goods and clothing for men, women and children, a mix of new and older stock, much of it from past decades. The op shop reflects this retail spirit, housing a miscellaneous collection of new and older goods – vintage, collectables and everyday items - displayed in a quirky, lucky dip fashion.

Beryl Newey, a dedicated Yooralla volunteer, says the Carlton op shop performs an important public role in serving both Yooralla, a charity which supports people living with a disability, and the local community. As well as fund-raising, the op shop provides bargain goods to people on low incomes, and acts as a social centre for its customers. *'For people with a limited number of relationships'*, says Beryl, *'the op shop provides a friendly and sympathetic ear'*. The op shop clientele includes students, new arrivals to Australia living in the Drummond St apartments, local residents, and customers from farther afield who appreciate a traditional opportunity shop atmosphere.

Beryl feels that the homely atmosphere of the Carlton op shop is part of its success. While some opportunity shops have become up-market stores selling fashionable 'vintage' goods, Beryl thinks they have priced many customers out of the market, and have overlooked the needs of their traditional clientele. This opinion is echoed in the comments on <u>www.yelp.com.au</u> a website for customer reviews of Melbourne businesses:

Beth M: Op shops are pretty darn trendy in the inner northern suburbs. Consequently, some have taken advantage and upped their prices a tad in the last decade, while constant attack on their stock leaves them depleted of the truly awesome finds. Thankfully, there are still many traditionally minded op shops out there. Yooralla is cheaper than most, especially considering it's in a high traffic student and hipster area. It manages to attract and cater to all sorts.

Stephen S: I always walk past and see such a different range of people in here... Whether they be suits, soccer mums, or students, I think they all know that some rad items can be found in this little store.

Whilst there are plenty of vintage finds at the Carlton op shop, the big sellers are everyday clothes, books and household items, in that order, with clothes as the outstanding item. Donations of clean and wearable clothes, of usable domestic goods, and of books in clean condition, are always welcome. Beryl emphasises the need for *useful* and *usable* goods, as the management faces a problem with unsuitable stock. Disposing of faulty electrical goods, mildewed books and unwashed clothes costs the op shop around \$2000 per year.

According to the reviews, customers appreciate the goods available, and are responsive to the 'hidden treasure' nature of the Carlton op shop experience:

Hope M: Finding a treasure among op shop junk is one of life's greatest pleasures, simply because it's so hard to do. I visit the Yooralla Bargain Shop at least once a month to sort through their array of homewares, books and clothes, and I've found the treasure-to-junk ratio here to be slightly higher than other inner-city op shops. To date I've got a much needed oil heater (\$10), a cute floral set of cups and saucers (\$6), a vintage leather bag (\$8) and an awesome canary yellow necklace (\$2). I think that's a pretty good haul...The shop itself is a decent size but not too overcrowded with stuff, and the merchandise turns over fairly fast.

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Beryl has worked four days a week at the op shop for the last two years. Before that, she had a long career in aged care. Her interest in charity work began in her childhood when she organised concerts to support the Children's Hospital. For the entry cost of a penny, the audience would enjoy songs and recitations of poems such as 'The Modest Violet'. To boost profits, she would make toffees and raspberry vinegar to sell at the door.



The op shop 134-136 Elgin St, Carlton Phone: 9347 2848

Whilst Beryl enjoys her job she would dearly love more volunteer assistance. This doesn't have to be a regular or an on-going commitment, she says, 'as anything is better than nothing'. She notes that, whilst working in the op shop is not always a glamorous job, it is a highly satisfying one because of its personal involvement with the customers, the range of social contacts involved, and its commitment to fund raising for the disabled. She emphasises that the role is completely without remuneration, that 'not even a drink' is available from the funds it raises for Yooralla.

The personal qualities needed to become an op shop volunteer are compassion and understanding, as well as the strength to cope with people who try to 'put it over you'. (The reviews note the firmness of the staff e.g. Hope M: '... *don't make the mistake of bringing food or drink inside!*'). Even more firmness is required to deal with the occasional shop lifters, and Beryl is grateful to the men at the hardware shop who provide support when needed. But most importantly, Beryl says, volunteers need 'a feeling' for the role in all its social and practical aspects.

Volunteers need a police check, which is paid for by Yooralla, and a completed application form.

For further information about becoming a volunteer, contact Beryl Newey at the op shop between 10.00 am and 4.00 pm, weekdays and Saturdays.

The op shop is currently holding a sale of Men's clothing.

The University Café's 60th birthday celebration

The following is an extract from the full story which can be read on the Carlton Community website:

http://www.carlton.vic.au/

On 4th September 2012, Beverley and Giancarlo Caprioli, proprietors of the University Café, hosted a party in the upstairs restaurant, Universitas, to celebrate the landmark café's 60-year presence in Lygon St, Carlton. One hundred and twenty guests gathered to recall the café's history, and to celebrate its involvement in the street's social and culinary life.

In recognition of their achievements, Beverley and Giancarlo were presented with a Certificate of Recognition by Pino Acquaro, President of the Italian Chamber of Commerce. In his speech, Mr Acquaro thanked the Capriolis for their active and long term contribution to the Italian business and cultural community.

The guest speaker, Guy Grossi, of Grossi Florentino, spoke of his family's long association with the University Café. This dates back to his father's time, when he and Giancarlo were friends and workmates in the restaurant trade. Later, the two men and their families regularly shared Sunday lunch at the Café. These early memories mean that, for Grossi, the restaurant's food 'smells of home'.

To mark the 60th anniversary, the Capriolis have compiled a cookery book containing recipes and stories from the Café's past. The recipe for onion frittata rolls includes the information that, in the 1980s, clients would form queues to buy them for take-away lunches. We learn that Archbishop Frank Little's favourite dish was fettuccine puttanesca, which reminded him of his days in Rome. There are many regional dishes, such as Giancarlo's mother's marinated sardines, a recipe from Viareggio, in Tuscany, and helpful hints on pasta cooking and pesto making .

The cookery book, 'UNIVERSITY CAFE celebrating 60 years of recipes 1952-2012' can be purchased from the restaurant for \$25.

For these and other traditional Italian dishes, in a friendly, family-style restaurant, visit the University Café.



University Café, 257 Lygon Street, Open between 7.am and 1.00 am, 7 days a week.