



## Message from Greg Collins CEO Victoria

Whilst Christmas is just around the corner, the office is a hive of activity with the project teams for 664 Collins Street, Pickles Street and Tower 9 busily preparing planning and design documentation for submission in early 2008.

The Tower 9 building concept has now been finalised following a development process involving Mirvac Design nationally and submissions from external architects McBride Charles & Ryan. This building will once again set Mirvac at the forefront of design in Melbourne.

I am also pleased to announce that the first ever release of River homes will be held at the River Sales Centre this Friday 7 December. Despite the longer than anticipated registration period, customer interest has continued to be strong and I am confident of exceptional results for this project.

Mirvac's next major residential development is currently being secured. We are finalising negotiations with Austral Bricks for a substantial project with plans for approximately 1000 homes. Mirvac has been appointed the preferred developer after an exclusive negotiation process.

Our support of the Ardoch Youth Foundation is two fold this month with a spectacular fundraiser fashion event being held in T5 and a Christmas Food Drive in the office. This is an opportunity for all staff to help those who are disadvantaged at this time of year, and I encourage you all to get involved.

In conclusion I would like to congratulate and thank all staff for their contributions over the past year. Have a safe and merry Christmas and I look forward to working together in 2008.

## 664 Collins



Mirvac have executed contracts to build a \$250M office building that sits above the Southern Cross Station on Collins Street.

## 664 Collins Mirvac exchanges contracts

Mirvac Group, in joint venture with Australian Super, exchanged contracts on the 10th of October to acquire a landmark site in the Melbourne CBD at 664 Collins Street from ABN AMRO Australia for \$30 million.

664 Collins will complete the Southern Cross Station redevelopment. It comprises a 7,051 square metre elevated development platform on which Mirvac will construct a \$250 million office building. The development will complete the link between Collins Street and Bourke Street and is forecast to be completed by mid 2010.

Mirvac will be responsible for all aspects of delivering 664 Collins Street. The acquisition of this strategic site is well timed to capitalise on the strengthening Melbourne office market.

The site has strong fundamentals which will appeal to a wide variety of prospective tenants, with its central position between the CBD and the dynamic Docklands Precinct.



## Lorne Chalets Short Stays

Mirvac is excited to announce the launch of Lorne Chalet Short Stays, an independent onsite short stay accommodation business to be operated by Suzy Jones and Leanne Howlett.

Lorne Chalet Short Stays has been set up as a convenient booking and concierge service, capitalising on the year round traffic visiting Lorne. This service offers potential investors the benefits of an on site booking manager, local market knowledge and, most importantly, access to rental yields enjoyed by current investors. Guests will be greeted on arrival at the Chalet and can take advantage of the 24hr guest service during their stay.

Suzy Jones will be the Resident Accommodation Manager and the contact for Lorne Chalet Short Stays. All short stay related maintenance issues will be managed by Lorne Chalet Short Stays so owners can feel secure that their investment is being looked after.

For more information contact Suzy Jones on 5289 2885 or email [stay@lornechaletshortstays.com.au](mailto:stay@lornechaletshortstays.com.au)





# Argyle - Waterways

## Argyle is on the move!

The first stage of 10 luxury homes and 10 terraces at Waterways were released on the 22nd September 2007 where the Sales Team successfully sold 8 homes on the day, prices ranging from a low of \$400,000 up to mid \$600,000. Due to the high demand for luxury homes another 8 homes were released on the 17th November 2007.

Since then, the Sales Team have successfully sold another 13 homes, bringing the total to 21 homes sold.



## River Precinct

### Yarra's Edge



The much anticipated first ever release of Mirvac River precinct homes will be held on Friday 7th December, 2007. Due to the high demand for this premium riverfront location, Mirvac have now increased the number of homes to be released. The first release has been extended and will now feature 9 premium riverfront homes, 11 terrace homes and 7 home offices. This is due to the unprecedented interest that was shown by our customers.

Tom Ormerod and Paige Noordeman organised the ballot draw on Tuesday 5th December to determine the sales purchase order for River Precinct prospective purchasers. If you have any questions about the homes at River or would like to discuss the above in detail, please do not hesitate to contact one of our Sales Consultants.



## Wattle Road

### Hawthorn

Mirvac were made an offer on the Wattle Road Hawthorn site that we couldn't refuse. We have now sold the site and have realised the development margin without starting construction, which is a great result. Given that this site was only 52 apartments it enables us to focus our stretched resources on the other new initiatives that we are undertaking.

# Project Updates



# Waverley Park Residents Christmas Function

Mirvac hosted its annual Waverly Park residents' Christmas party on Sunday, 25 November which was a resounding success with over 500 residents attending to enjoy an afternoon of festive fun including Christmas carols and even a visit from the jolly man in the red suit.

It was an excellent opportunity for residents to meet each other and most importantly to learn about Waverley Park's sustainability journey. The engagement of residents is a vital step in achieving a sustainable community and we will continue to involve them in our journey moving forward.

A great effort and well done to all involved for a very successful event.



## Casino Royale function

On Friday 16th November the Development and Funds Management team put on a Staff function to beat them all!

A Roulette wheel and Blackjack table, complete with professional croupiers, transformed the upstairs room of the Water Rat Hotel into Monte Carlo. The high rollers and big spenders came out in force, with huge fortunes made and lost on the night.

Kieran Boyle was the Champion Gambler of the night, racking up total winnings of \$12,200.00. Kieran took home the 1st Prize of a nights accommodation at Como Hotel including breakfast for two and car-parking.

Lynn Wolf made a very suspicious comeback and won an incredible \$11,500.00 in the last 5 minutes of the game. Lynn took home 2nd Prize - a gorgeous bottle of pink Moët & Chandon champagne.

Vicky Newman's recent holiday to Las Vegas clearly paid off as she finished the night with winnings of over \$5,000.00. Vicky took home 3rd prize - 2 x Gold Class vouchers for Village Cinemas.

Special mentions also go to Antonio Desensi, who won in excess of \$30,000.00 throughout the night, however had it not been for his generosity and given away most of his winnings (to Bianca Hung), would have undoubtedly been the champion gambler of the night. Well done to the winners!



## Bowling Night

Over 60 people showed up on the 6th of July for this staff function hosted by the Construction Team, and to wish Lou a farewell! Unfortunately, nobody recalls getting their picture taken that evening. Here is a list of the winners though:

First place went to Brett Howlett, Scott Miller, Stuart McBeath, David Penfold who all won drills.

Second place went to Cynthia Tyrrell, Antonio Desensi, Rick Notari and James Maniatakis, who won Socket sets.

Third place went to Mandy Wearne, Hamish Rankin, Craig Browne and Seng Tan who won tool boxes.





## Soccer



Back Row: Michael McBride, Rick Notari, Ben Bolton, Hussein Amin, Tim Twentyman, David Rottura, Simon Scillio, Shaun Hughes  
Front Row: Murat Gokce, Naza Abidin, Sam Tamvakis (Captain / Coach), Kase Jong, Terence Blythman (Keeper), Jamal Abdullah



As usual Sam Tamvakis was the driving force behind the team. After a solid 6 week training block, he had transformed us from our off season (Nov 06 - Oct 07) mash mellowos into a super fit, highly skilled, well drilled team.

Our first game against Sema Group went amazingly well. So well that at half time we were winning thanks to a really good goal from Jamal. This is very unfamiliar territory for us as a team. We came back to our senses and promptly let them score. Result, a 1-1 draw. We knew deep down, this was probably about as good as it would get.

The second game was against Gow Recruitment who all had thick English accents. They were fast, strong, motivated and rough. So Kase got even, when trying to clear a high ball with an overhead kick he accidentally kicked one of their guys square in the head. A resonating thwack echoed around the park... Would they beat Kase up?.... Was the guy dead? ... no, he jumped up looking a little worse for wear and accepted Kase's apology.

Despite this they scored. Ben hit the cross bar which made everyone say "oohhhhhh", then Kase ran though and miss kicked his shot, but found Tim standing 6 feet out.... GOAALLLLLLLLLLL!

It was getting hot, they were motivated. They scored two more. Kase didn't kick anyone else. Result 3-1 loss.

Looking at the results so far we could (on paper as they say), if we won the last game, come second in our group. If we lost, then the wooden spoon would be ours.

The third game was against Parsons Brinkerhoff. Well they looked like Brazilian U16 team, young, fit, energetic. We were hot, sore, old and in Terence's case trying out some un-conventional goal keeping methods. In hind sight not only un-conventional but also fairly un-successful. 3-0 down at half time. In the second half we were better, Sam and Murat proved that shooting from 5m out is not a certain goal.

So we finished last in our group after not winning a game, but we did score twice. Which makes it one of our more successful years in the Corporate Cup Soccer. As we limped away heading home for Starwars we knew that Sam's team name of Mirvac Victory may need to be changed for next year.

## Karting - Second Overall

What a great effort by the Mirvac Racing team this year. We got SO close! John Eckert clinched **fourth** place in the final of the Men's Karting and Lucy McNiven raced to **fifth** place in the women's final. This gave us **SECOND** overall in the points. That's pretty impressive from a field of 645 entries. The rest of the Mirvac team fared pretty well, but fell by the wayside with assorted tales of hard luck.

In the Mens, John Eckert converted his back to back wins in the heats, and a fourth in the prelim final into the back slot on the finals grid. With three karts ahead crashing out, and some superb overtaking, JE just missed a spot on the podium in fourth place.

Michael Little led both of his heats, then managed to snatch defeat from the jaws of certain victory by spinning himself off on the final lap. Pat De Gilio pulled off a classic passing manoeuvre to beat Don Barrow into the preliminary final. Justice was served when Pat was knocked out of the prelim final by JE on his way to the grand final grid. Marcus Noonan's race day finished with a mid-field placing in the heats. Rob Bezette was (allegedly) robbed by an administrative error in the placings, and John Panda lost a place on the start, then clawed his way up through the field only to run into the guy he reversed past on the start!

In the Ladies, Lucy managed a second place in her first heat, then a win in her second heat to secure her grand final slot. Losing a place before the first corner moved her from fourth on the grid, to her finishing position of fifth. Valerie Illievaska lined up in the same heat as Lucy, and pulled out a respectable mid-field placing.



John Eckert



Lucy McNiven



Valerie Illievaska and Lucy McNiven

## New Staff (Since start of August 2007)



Jamal Abdullah  
Mirvac Design  
Documentor



Michael Crisapulli  
Mirvac Design  
Documentor



Michael Edwards  
Development  
Dev. Director



Nick Gidas  
Funds Mgmt  
Reg. Ops.  
Manager



Troy Gleeson  
Funds Mgmt  
Retail Leasing  
Executive

## Welcome

If you've noticed a few new faces around the office lately, now you can put a name to that face.

Please join us in welcoming all of our new staff. Go and introduce yourself!



Kegan Harry  
Development  
Asst. Dev.  
Manager



Antony Jolson  
Development  
Asst. Dev.  
Manager



Marian Kakos  
Reception &  
Mirvac Design  
Administration



Tina Konstantinidis  
Marketing  
Mktg. Co-Ord.



Alex Mavridis  
Construction



Michael McBride  
Mirvac Design  
Documentor  
Housing



Reynor San Miguel  
Mirvac Design  
Documentor



Scott Miller  
Development  
Dev. Director



Marcus Noonan  
Development  
Snr. Dev.  
Manager



Kirby Reid  
Construction



Ruth Rivera  
Marketing  
Mktg. Assistant



Rod White  
Mirvac Design  
Documentor



Kara Wilson  
Funds Mgmt  
Accts. Assistant



Mun Ching Wong  
Mirvac Design  
Documentor



Sam Zimble  
Construction  
Cadet



Christopher Yee  
Development  
Dev. Manager

## Green Pool Car

The Mirvac pool car has been upgraded to an ecologically friendly Toyota Prius. The Hybrid technology switches between electric and petrol engines to reduce fuel emissions and consumption.

Make sure you read the instructions before hopping into the driving seat, though, as it's a bit different to driving a standard car. Main differences are the push button start, no gear changes and silent running.

All these benefits, plus it will stand out in the crowd with the bold new Mirvac graphics. Have fun!



## Audience with Al Gore winners

In August, all staff were invited to enter the Mirvac Sustainable Living Competition to win "An Audience with Al Gore" in Sydney. Entrants were required to submit their ideas for living in a more sustainable way with examples of what they are doing now. The standard of entries was outstanding, all with an important story to tell. Nine winners were chosen from close to 40 entries nationwide.

From Victoria, Lynn Wolf from Customer Relations was selected among the winners and travelled to Sydney on the 19th of September.

Commendations, and \$50 vouchers, were awarded to Murat Gokce from Mirvac Design, and Lucas Skelton from Hotels & Resorts. Congratulations to all entrants on your contributions to a sustainable future.





# Announcements

## Hello Boys!

### Karen's baby Boy

Ethan Harrison Pickwell weighed in at 3.19kg (7.5lbs). He was born at 1:10am on 19 September 2007 with dark hair and long feet!

Congratulations to both parents on the birth of their healthy baby boy!



### Nick and Cathy Marinakis

Congratulations to Nick and Cathy Marinakis on the birth of their baby boy Dean. Dean came into the world Thursday, 11th October at 5.30pm weighing a healthy 7pounds 7oz. Dad's been too busy ever since to get us a photo!

### Another Ethan!

Ethan John was born Tuesday, 23rd October at 12:13pm to proud parents Kase and Vy Jong. Congratulations to you both!



### Elissa Banfield-Lynch

Congratulations to Elissa Banfield-Lynch and husband Michael on the birth of their son Findlay James, born 22nd November at 2.46pm, weighing 3.70kgs and measuring 50.5cm long.

### Ebony Engaged

Congratulations to Ebony Hall on her recent engagement to her long term boyfriend of 7years Trevor Gatens. They plan to marry sometime in the next 7 years. No pressure here!!



# On the Couch

## Vicky Newman



Name: Vicky Newman  
Position: Kitchen Fairy

Age: 46 nearly 47  
Commenced: 1994

Suburb: Newport  
Marital Status: To Michael  
Career Highlight: Being around at the start  
Hobbies: Pole Dancing  
Nicknames: Vicky Alzheimer  
Dislikes: Tuna left in the sink  
Dream Car: H2 Hummer  
Actual Car: X Trail  
Dream Job: Pro Surfer  
Claim to fame: Missing my 45 Birthday Party  
Favourite Party Trick: Joining the Band  
Favourite Food: Anything I don't have to cook  
Favourite Drink: French Champagne  
Favourite Music: 80's  
Favourite Movie: Four Weddings and a Funeral  
In the movie of your life, who would play you? Lucille Ball  
What is your idea of perfect happiness?

To travel the world

Which living person do you most admire? Sophie Delezio

What trait do you most deplore in others?

No sense of humour

Which talent would you most like to have? To sing

Five Dream Guests at a Dinner Party:

Jon Bon Jovi, George Clooney, Grant Hackett, Jules Lund, Owen Wilson

Football Team: Swans

Favourite Restaurant: Ku De Ta – Bali

Favourite Holiday Spot: Bali

Yourself in One Word: Blonde

## Guess Who

Another cutie.. who am I?

Send your ideas to Jill Champion and we'll let you know in the next edition.

Keep us guessing by sending in some of your early days photos to Jill. Ask your mum for photos!!



Did you Guess Who last issue?



Rachel Stevens, of course!

