

● ICEHOUSE OPENS

Time to get skates on

Melbourne's world-class winter sports complex at Docklands was officially unveiled by Premier John Brumby this morning.

Dubbed the IceHouse, the centre includes two Olympic-sized ice rinks, stadium seating for 1000 spectators and offers ice hockey, short track speed skating, figure skating and curling opportunities.

One of the rinks will be dedicated to recreational skaters.

The \$58 million centre will be the new home of the Olympic Winter Institute of Australia.

● THE KILLERS

Concerts cancelled

The Killers have angered fans and re-fuelled rumours of a split by pulling out of the Sydney and Perth legs of the Good Vibrations Festival this weekend.

The Las Vegas band yesterday cited "family illness" for the cancellation but will still play Melbourne and the Gold Coast.

Trying to dampen rumours the band may be heading for a split, a statement on its website said: "The Killers would like to... assure their fans that any concerns about the future of the band are unfounded."



Peter C. Hayward is determined to complete his month on the streets. Picture: NICOLE CLEARY

● HOMELESS EXPERIENCE

Glimpse of life on street

Hanna Mills

Peter C. Hayward hasn't changed his clothes in 12 days.

The 22-year-old is sporting a beard and emitting a slightly unpleasant aroma.

But despite muggy heat and flash flooding, Hayward is determined to complete his plan to spend the entire month of February on Melbourne's streets.

Keen to raise some cash for homeless support agency Streetsmart Australia, Hayward packed a blanket, a toothbrush and a notebook and arrived on Melbourne's streets at midnight on February 1.

Since then he has sheltered under bridges and bushes, slept on park benches, dodged sprinklers and been moved on (pleasantly, he says) by sympathetic security guards.

He has begged for coins to buy food, sought cups of tea at a homeless shelter and admitted to the occasional dose of panic.

"At first, I was looking at everyone as if they were a threat," he said.

And every detail has been jotted down daily and sent to Hayward's cousin Gavin in Queensland who has faithfully typed up every word on his blog.

But there have been detractors who say Hayward is treating homelessness with contempt.

"I think the idea that I am stealing people's money, that I am taking money that would otherwise go to other people, is bollocks," Hayward told mX.

He has meticulous records of the money he has been given, and will redistribute it.

Read the blog at www.peterchayward.com.

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