

AUSTRALIA DAY 2008

In the cool of the early morn
Gladstone Square came alive
It was Australia Day

Relaxed at peace the town
Rejoiced as one big family
It was Australia Day

Long queues of people awaiting breakfast
Snaked across the lawn
A time to gossip
on Australia Day

Toe tapping music replaced birdsong
The choir led the anthem
Patriotism filled the breast
on Australia Day

The Lady Mayor compared our illustrious past
Despaired of our present apathy
Spoke of a great future
on Australia Day

The Lady Mayor
Received the new Australians
'It's a great country on Australia Day,' says she

Australia, land of the free
Land for everyone of every race and creed
We're in God's land
on Australia Day

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