Victorian Trefoil Guild Newsletter

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Greetings to my fellow Trefoil Guild members

To say I hit the ground running is not an exaggeration.

My first challenge as the Victorian STGA was to travel to Austral in Western Sydney for a meeting with Marcia Andrews (ATGA) and all the other STGAs.

On Monday 2nd September, wearing my big girl panties, I travelled by V-line coach from Cowes to Southern Cross, rode the Skybus to the airport and located my hotel before flying up to Sydney the following morning. There I was found by the WA STGA (also a newbie) – who was just as relieved to find me as I was to find her. We were both gathered up by Bev Brookes (TAS) who took us to meet the others before boarding a train to Glenfield and then by car to Austral – where we met further members of the Group.

I asked Marcia back in August, what on earth would we talk about for almost three days - she just smiled. We finished our discussions 5pm Thursday – after starting 4pm Tuesday. And then it was time to come home again. Three of us managed to get lost coming out of the lift at Sydney Domestic airport, but were pointed in the right direction by a very helpful young man.

I won't talk about the mix up at the Cowes end, being picked up by my husband.. suffice it to say he went to the wrong pick up place, and we missed the hail, rain and wind by minutes…

You will notice in the coming weeks a series of "educational" blurbs about Trefoil Guild. Chief Commissioner, Rosemary Derwin, visited us whilst in camp, and her suggestion was that maybe Trefoil Guild could look at closer relationships with local Guide Units. Trefoil Guilds do an amazing job supporting the Community in general, but there are some Guide Units who could use our expertise. I've discovered that some of our younger leaders have no idea what Trefoil Guild is, let alone what we do. Together with Katie Possingham (GGV) and Michelle Kanevsky (GGV) we are going to run some informative articles. I have also contacted the Region Managers about Guilds in their areas.

If you would like to be kept further informed of what is happening out there in Guideland, you can subscribe to “Guiding News”, which comes out via email every two weeks. To subscribe please contact support@guidesvic.org.au

We have started the **Victorian Trefoil Guild Facebook page** – this is a Private Group and there are two questions that need to be answered, to ensure Trefoil Guild Members only join.

On September 16th Jan Gray and I visited Callemondah Trefoil Guild where I presented an Honorary Certificate to Dawn Sullivan. Dawn also received another colourful certificate detailing her Guiding history. Callemondah is Jan’s old stomping ground and to say the reunion was noisy is an understatement.

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On September 25th Jan and I attended Bellburn Trefoil Guild’s Mystery Afternoon Tea. We were well entertained by an amazing group of Jazz musicians, all aged under 18. A brilliant afternoon.

In the next month or so, I will be advising you of some changes to the way our financial accounts etc need to be done. The new Team has been asked to bring Victoria into line with the rest of Australia – The Australian Trefoil Guild Handbook on page 9 item 7.

The Australian Trefoil Guild Handbook latest issue is dated 2018. This booklet is available on the GGA website: https://www.girlguides.org.au/join-guides/trefoil-guild/trefoil-guild-resources/

You can either download and print it off, or you can purchase the book at $4.50 plus postage via Roxanne Purvis (email: roxanne.purvis@gmail.com phone: 03 5627 8301 mobile: 0438 348 301). Don’t forget Roxanne is your go to person for all merchandise.

For those of you on email: please can you save my email address to favourites – otherwise I end up in the spam box… sviney@guidesvic.org.au

Because of the event happening over in Perth in September 2020 – will we see you there?? – the Team have decided to bring the date of the Victorian AGM forward to April. The venue is the Public Hall at Darnum – more details as the time comes closer.

Some dates for your diary:

12th October	State Council Meeting At this meeting the next State Commissioner will be elected and some changes to the Constitution approved.	Canterbury Guide Hall, 1A Faversham Road Canterbury 2.00 pm **RSVP:** reception@guidesvic.org.au
25th November	Annual Luncheon Rsvp by 19th November	**Dolphin Red Hill Trefoil Guild** Rsvp: Lorraine 0414 301 868 or mccraebuslines@bigpond.com
10th December	Carols and Cake Rsvp by 3rd December	**Town & Country Trefoil Guild** Rsvp: Alma 9802 6209 or almabrand2@outlook.com
18th April 2020	AGM / Friendship Day	State Trefoil Team Darnum
16th May 2020	Australian Trefoil Guild 75th Anniversary Camp Fire	Each Guild to organise their own event
11-14th September 2020	**Walk on the West Side**	**24th Australian Trefoil Guild Gathering, Perth WA**

Wellington Trefoil Guild

Maureen Stanton was presented with a Trefoil Guild Thank You Badge and certificate at their Annual Meeting.

The Guild was very pleased to present their secretary, Maureen, with the badge, certificate and a posy.

Maureen was really surprised saying she didn't deserve it.
Dawn Goodsall

Celebrations at Ovens Valley Trefoil Guild

Some very well deserved recognitions were presented to members of the Ovens Valley Trefoil Guild

Melda Lewis receiving Life Membership of the Guild

Jan James receiving a Certificate of Appreciation and Thank You badge

Nola McCallum receiving a Certificate of Appreciation and Thank You badge

Joan Thom receiving a Long Service recognition

Ann McNamara receiving Life Membership of the Guild

There have been some questions re our Formal Dress so here is the information for you:

Trefoil Guild Formal Dress

Refer to ATG Handbook Page 10, # 9.3

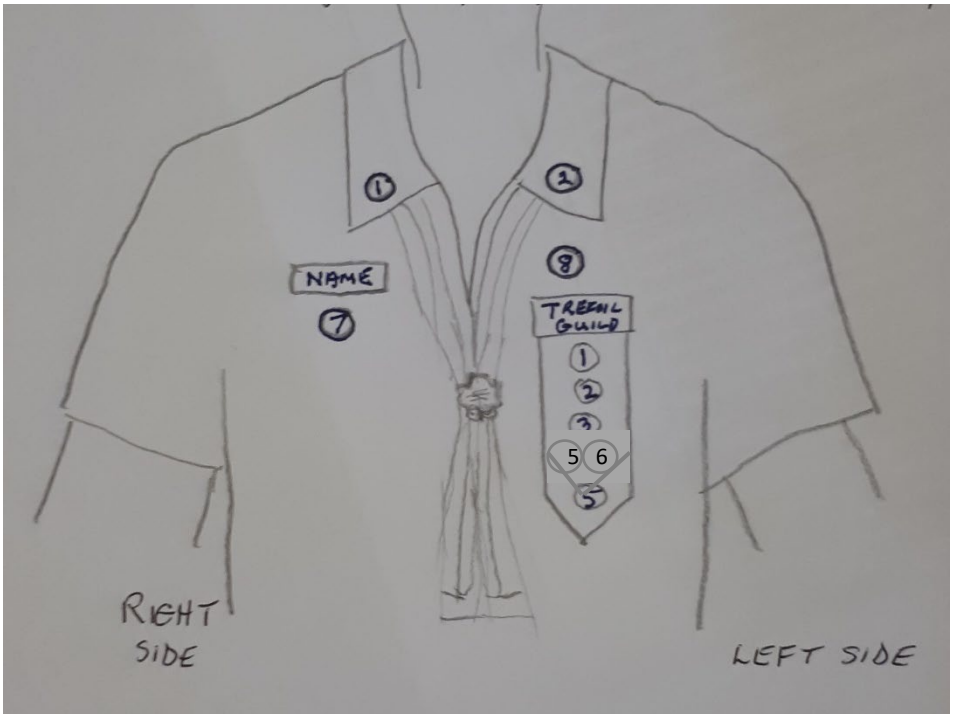
White shirt

Badge tab worn of the left

Name bar on the right

Placement of badges:

1. World Badge (optional) on right collar or on tab
2. Promise badge on left collar or tab
3. State badge (optional)
4. Years of membership
5. Other badges: NSGFA, ISGF, Special event (e.g. 75 years of Trefoil).
6. Multiple badges may be worn as long as they look tidy
7. Good Service Awards under name badge
8. Australian or Queen's Awards (e.g. medals, OAM, etc.) over badge tab



Please do contact me if you have any questions or need more information about anything. I would love to hear from you.

Sue Viney
Victorian Trefoil Guild Adviser

Trefoil Guild Merchandise

Prices correct as at 28th September 2019

Description	Size	No. in Stock	Price
Navy Polo Fleece Jackets	M (16)	2	$50
	L (18)	2	$50
Navy Vests (reversible)	M	6	$50
	S	1	$50
Long Sleeve Rugby Tops	2XL	2	$59
	L	3	$59
	M	1	$59
Long Sleeve Shirts	2XL	1	$57
	XL	4	$57
	L	2	$57
	M	1	$57
Short Sleeve Pink Trim Shirts	3XL	2	$57
	2XL	1	$55
	XL	2	$55
	L	1	$55
	M	2	$55
Scarves		10	$12
ATGA Badge Red Tabs		17	$12
Promise Cards		10	$0.50
Promise Badge		23	$8
Scarf Rings		12	$12
Greeting Cards (pack of 5)		6	$9
"Made by Trefoil Guild"			
World Badge		1	$3.20
Trefoil Guild Stickers			
Name Bars			$12
Prayer & Thought Booklet			$3
ATG Red/White Polo – Short sleeve			$40
ATG Red/White Polo – Long sleeve			$45
ATG Red Rugby – Short sleeve			$40
ATG Red Rugby – Long sleeve			$45
ATG Red Fleece Vests			$40
ATG Red LS Fleece Jacket			$50
Red ATG Shirt	L	1	$55

If you would like to order any merchandise please contact Roxanne Purvis.