# Victorian Trefoil Guild Newsletter



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Happy Valentine's Day to you all. It was 54 years ago today that I left Southampton, England on the Good Ship TSS Fairsky, to come to these shores. Met the man who became my husband on the way, and the rest as they say, is history..

Thinking Day – 22<sup>nd</sup> February – another important day in the calendar. I hope you all celebrated the day!

SAVE THE DATE: VICTORIAN TREFOIL GUILD GATHERING - AUGUST 27-28th

Plans are afoot to have the Victorian State Gathering at a Motel/Hotel in Ballarat.

The Gathering will be from lunch-time Saturday to Sunday Morning tea.

Lots of accommodation to meet all needs.

Further details in next month's newsletter.

As hard as we tried, in the end, it became obvious that Phillip Island CYC The Island was not going to meet all our needs.

A lot of consideration and we've chosen Ballarat for our Gathering. It is more central, and for a lot of us, easier to get to - on the train line, etc. The Team and I hope to see as many of you as possible there...

### Congratulations are in order:

Barbara Grove and Eileen Gunther, who work tirelessly for Guiding and especially at Brit Park are to be presented with the Grey Kangaroo at the AGM in May.

### Who reads the Newsletter??

The Trefoil Guild Newsletter comes out once a month, usually around the 25th of the month. Katie Possingham (JPC) does a great job coordinating this for me. I asked Katie, who reads the Newsletter??

On average, the newsletters are opened by around 290 people, which is around 72% of those who receive it - these are, Katie tells me, great statistics for newsletters! (Of course, me being me, would like to see 100%.. but thank you to everyone who does take the time to read our newsletter.)

## Talking of Newsletters:

You can read all the Chief Commissioner's newsletter: https://mailchi.mp/girlguides/girl-guides-australia-january2022?e=e4aa256afc (this link was sent to the Secretaries 4 February)

### What is a LONE TREFOIL GUILD - read on and find out....



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We are Pink Heath Lone Trefoil Guild. We were born out of a wish to be Trefoil Guild members and an inability to live near a Guild because of distance, isolation or disability.

Our Group has grown and diminished in number. Our members attend an active group on occasion. Some have attended Friendship days, Anzac Days (poppies), Guide Meetings, working bees and Australia Day celebrations.

Our members Knit (& KOSO), crochet or sew items. Some of the made items go to hospitals (bonnets and booties) cot rugs, for stalls (plants) and for functions of Groups (gnomes for Friendship Days) and the comfort Dolls for children and trauma victims.

Our Lone banner is fairly recent! On a background of pale blue a map of Victoria with a centre of sprigs of Pink Heath (our Floral emblem). On each side of the fauna emblem is our bird the Eastern Helmeted Honeyeater and the Leadbeater possum. Above is the Trefoil Badge with the name above.

Below is a motto "A Lone Never Alone" which says what we each are aware of so although we have been in the thick of Lockdowns due to

Covid 19, we have tried to contact each other at least once a month.

PINK HEATH TREFOIL GUILD invites you to a ZOOM meeting on the 1st March, 2pm

Time: Mar 1, 2022 02:00 PM

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Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6515562481?pwd=TitBOWlrc3NKamNsanFoWXhqWXNmQT09

Meeting ID: 651 556 2481 Passcode: flossie

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From: Wendy Davis Travel@girlguides.org.au

Subject: World Centres virtual programs

Hi everyone,

I hope you are all excited about a new year of Guiding in 2022.

While there is no word yet on when we will be able to attend actual physical International events in countries other than Australia, the World Centres and other member organisations are putting together virtual events.

Check out https://www.wagggs.org/en/news/world-centres-virtual-programme/

Amazingly, some are even at Australian friendly times!

All events can be booked via Eventbrite. Most events have a small cost attached.

Here is a link to the Event page listing all the events available. You can 'follow' this page and receive notifications of new events or updates.

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/wagggs-world-centre-virtual-programme-32268147887

You can use this website to make sure you have the right time for the event in your time

zone: https://www.timeanddate.com/worldclock/converter.html.

There is a great FAQ page to answer all of your questions <a href="https://www.wagggs.org/en/our-world/world-centres/faq-world-centres-virtual-programme/">https://www.wagggs.org/en/our-world/world-centres-virtual-programme/</a>

Please spread the word

### What are the Guilds up to:

Swan Hill: (Barb Saul)

Swan Hill celebrated early Thinking Day, having lunch and then Leonie got our brains working with playing dominoes with the flags and names to match.



**Lady Nelson Golden Wattle** are planning on catching up with Boorang Trefoil Guild in March – we are crossing the high seas to Queenscliffe..



Jan Gray and I attended the **Go Club's** AGM on the 3rd February. Getting to the venue, was a trip down memory lane for Jan – her old stomping ground.

It was my pleasure and honour to present Years of Membership to three ladies.

Photo: Left to right: Margaret Clayton (40 years), Sue Viney, Wendy Baden-Powell (35 years) and Judy Robertson (30 years)

Congratulations and Thank You for your service Ladies!!

**Victorian State Trefoil Guild Adviser's position** – we are looking forward to receiving further applications. Send your application to me either via email (<a href="mailto:sue.viney@guidesvic.org.au">sue.viney@guidesvic.org.au</a>) or post it to PO Box 177, Cowes, Vic 3922. (the application form was in the last newsletter)

**Going to the Australian National Gathering in September??** Need to freshen up your dress uniform?? – contact Roxanne Purvis for all your merchandise options: roxanne.purvis@gmail.com



## Update from Mel Reoch - JPC

## The new GGA Child Safe Child Friendly Framework brings some changes

In October 2021, Girl Guides Australia launched their new Child Safe Child Friendly (CSCF) Framework to embed the National Principles for Child Safe Organisations. As part of this, all State Girl Guiding Organisations will be required to implement some changes to ensure that we are working towards these new requirements.

Under the new CSCF Framework, all Adults in Guiding (including Trefoil Guild members), will be required to have/complete the following:

- Current Working with Children's Check (WWCC)
- Current National Police Check
- 2 Referees (New members only)
- · Complete Child Safe training

The Child Safe training contains information specific to Girl Guiding so it is important that all our members have this knowledge. Further details about the training and how to access it will be made available soon.

Implementation will begin on the 1st January 2023, so it's a great time now to get the process started and have these checks and training done.

Many of you may already have a Working with Children Check (WWCC) and it's important that you add GGV to your card as an organisation that you volunteer with. If you need assistance, please forward an email to <a href="mailto:volunteer@guidesvic.org.au">volunteer@guidesvic.org.au</a> Once you have your WWCC you can email GGV a copy of the card so we can add it to your membership profile.

The above checks and training are for all adults regardless of whether you volunteer with girls or not. This demonstrates GGV's commitment to the safety of our Girl Guides and our zero tolerance to child abuse.

We thank you for working with us to provide a safe environment where girls can thrive.

If you would like to know more about the CSCF Framework or have any questions about Child Safe matters, please contact Mel Reoch at <a href="mailto:childsafe@guidesvic.org.au">childsafe@guidesvic.org.au</a>

The friendly team in at the Joyce Price Centre are there to help you through these steps. We thank you for helping GGV strive to be a Child Safe Child friendly place for all our Girl Guides.

Looking forward to a future without face masks, getting together with our friends,

All best wishes

Sue, Jane, Jan, Roxanne, Barbara and Lorraine



Irene Fowler Lillywhite has passed away. Irene was a member of Carine Trefoil Guild for many years until we handed in our warrant and we have kept in touch since then. I know that she joined WEGGGS after she was admitted to a care home. She had a keen interest in Guiding and had been a leader in Ranger groups in the past. Her passing was most unexpected although she had had back and heart problems in recent years.



### **GONE HOME**

Whitehorse Trefoil Guild, Box Hill has sadly farewelled Betty Darbyshire who died recently in February 2022. Betty had a long association with Guiding in Box Hill from when her two daughters were young. She started as a leader with 2nd Box Hill Pack in 1969 till 1989 and then became District Leader for a further 20 years. Betty joined the Trefoil Guild for a further 10-12 years.

1996 awarded the Banksia Award, 1998 Good Service award for Leadership, 1998 City of Whitehorse Community Service award, 2004 Asia Pacific Leaders Recognition Award for sister city of Matsudo, Japan, 2001 Nominated and accepted as part of Federation of Australia 100 years celebration of 'Peoplescape 'in Canberra, 2010 awarded Emu Award, and received 40 years of leadership

Betty continued to be involved in all things Guiding for over 50 years as well as supporting many other groups amongst which were Red Cross, Daffodil Day, Drought Relief.

Betty's health failed in recent years but when she could, continued to attend meeting and events such as Trefoil and Box Hill's recent 90 years celebration. Betty's enthusiasm for Guiding and the many friends and colleagues she worked with along the way, was admired by all who knew and loved her.

Betty was always generous with her time and her friendship and is and will be sadly missed by all who knew her.

R.I.P. My friend from Janis Elliott

# World Thinking Day Greetings 2022



## **Dear Trefoil Guilders**

Greetings to you, on this the 22nd of February 2022 World Thinking Day.

## **#WTD2022**

The theme for World Thinking Day 2022 is **Our World**, **Our Equal Future**.

This year's WTD starts a three-year journey for Girl Guides and Girl Scouts to become environmentally conscious leaders.

## Our World, Our Equal Future

Girl Guides and Girl Scouts around the world will be able to understand how girls and young women are disproportionately affected by environmental issues and explore how we could speak out and take action for a better world. (WAGGGS)

# What we do on World Thinking Day?

- ✓ Celebrate World Thinking Day and be one in ten million!
- ✓ Be inspired by the history and impact of our global Movement
- ✓ Connect with the worldwide sisterhood of Girl Guiding and Girl Scouting
- ✓ Take action and speak out on issues we most care about
- ✓ Make a difference by fundraising for to support projects around the world (WAGGGS)

# Take time today to:

Celebrate, be inspired, connect, take action and a support world Guiding projects.



How every you choose to celebrate WTD have fun!

Best wishes for a great day!

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## Founder's Day/World Thinking Day Message 2022

Founder's Day/World Thinking Day is a time to celebrate the history and progress of Scouting and Guiding. We've learned a lot in recent years about being resilient and staying connected in challenging times. As Scouts and Guides, we're always moving forward, so let's take those experiences with us as we prepare for another year whether in-person or virtual, let's make it a great year together!

The theme for World Thinking Day 2022 is 'Our World, Our EQUAL Future — The Environment and Gender Equality'. World Association of Girl Guides & Girl Scouts (WAGGGS) is focusing on learning about and taking actions on the global issues that affect our local communities and practice gender equality. World Organization of Scout Movement (WOSM) urge members to continue their kind actions through Scouting, take part in community service, like a clean-up, collecting food for those in need, etc.

The ISGF World Committee and World Bureau are in full support of both movements in making the world a better place for many generations to come. We are looking forward to seeing our NSGFs to serve their communities and to deliver their amazing projects in the coming years.

Let us renew our Scout & Guide promise on this World Thinking Day/Founder's Day to reaffirm our commitment to the Movement's core values. Have fun and celebrate our role in Scouting & Guiding's global legacy of building friendships and creating a better world!

On behalf of the ISGF World Committee and World Bureau, I wish all of you Happy Founder's Day and World Thinking Day.

Zalillah Mohd Taib

Chairman ISGF World Committee

International Scout and Guide Fellowship



## **SUB REGION CENTRAL EUROPE**

Dear Guild Sisters and Guild Brothers all over Central Europe and the remaining parts of the world, within the next days and especially next Tuesday all Scouts and Guides, may they be young or, as we are, mature, celebrate the birthday of our Founder's Couple.

Some name this day BiPi-Day, some name it Thinking Day, others name it Founders Day. But it is always the same: We celebrate thankfully, that these wonderful persons had us given a youth filled with adventures, everlasting friendship and the knowledge, that peace will be the only thing, that is worth to "fight" for.





On behalf of the Committee of ISGF – Sub Region Central Europe I send the best wishes and hope, that beside all celebrations, we will never forget, that our work to create a better world, better, than we had found it, has not come to an end and that we have to continue and to bundle all our strength and power to be successfully one day in the future. And if we won't reach our aim, so let us be a good, a shining example for the next generation. To lose a good "fight" is honest, only to do nothing is dishonourable.

So let us follow the BiPi-Spirit and let us do our best as we had promised once.

Yours in Scouting and Guiding and in Fellowship,

Vice President of ISGF Sub Region Central Europe