

VICTORIAN TREFOIL GUILD

Newsletter



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23rd May 2022

What a month it has been – culminating in my coming down with Covid! Not impressed with that experience I can tell you - especially because David has also come down with the dreaded lurgy. I have been impressed though, with the care and attention we've received from the authorities – phone calls each day asking how we were etc.

May 12th: Jan Gray and I had a wonderful visit with Goulburn Valley Trefoil Guild celebrating their Friendship Day! It started off with a picnic morning tea under the BBQ Shelter – rain. From there we visited SAM – finally worked out that stood for Shepparton Arts Museum - where we had a personal tour by Carmel, the curator. What an amazing building. We heard all about how the building came into being. What a beautiful setting, by the lake. Following that it was off to the restaurant for lunch and more fellowship. Thank you Goulburn Valley for making Jan and I so very welcome – we love coming to Shep. Trefoil Guilds attending the Friendship Day included: Goulburn Valley, Mullana, Ovens Valley, Chiltern and Pink Heath.

Because of the Covid I have had to cancel a couple of visits. I was very disappointed in not being able to visit a nursing home in Oakleigh. I received an email from their Lifestyle Coordinator asking if I could come and talk about Trefoil Guild – seems one of their residents used to be a member of Trefoil Guild. I am hopeful I will be able to meet up with them in the near future.

So, I might have been out of action, but the Trefoil Guilds have not.

From the Trefoil Guilds:



Goulburn Valley Trefoil Guild
celebrating Easter: We gathered together for a meeting at Easter and celebrated by wearing our own Easter hats. Quite a few were isolating but we still had a lovely meeting followed by lovely afternoon tea. Phyll sitting in front won the prize for the best hat, judged secretly by all. Phyll is 91 years young.

BARWON WEEKEND IN BENDIGO

Twelve members of Barwon Trefoil enjoyed a May weekend in Bendigo! While some re-lived memories of their younger days by attending the Elvis Presley Exhibition, others explored and enjoyed, the Bendigo Pottery. Dinner at the R.S.L. on Saturday night, and a Guides Own on the banks of the lake on Sunday morning, were some of the highlights of a great weekend of fun and Guiding friendships.



Barb Saul - Swan Hill Trefoil Guild.

Six of us had lunch yesterday at Kams Chinese Restaurant.

May Kulik and her daughter have gone to McKay to her Granddaughter's? They do this each winter, which is pretty good for a 90 year old!

We will meet again on 3rd Monday in June.

Leone and I are still thinking of attending AGM in Ballarat at the end of August. I see we have a new Trefoil Adviser in advance. It would be nice to catch up with Jill again and to say thank you to you, Sue.

Thank you for the last few years. It must be great to meet so many but tiring too.

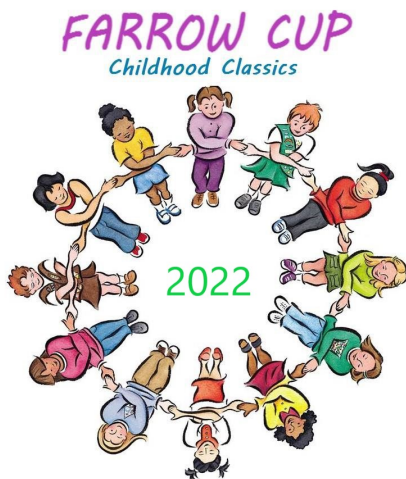
Cheers



Maroondah Guides collected for the 35th year for the Good Friday Appeal and raised \$4079.20. The total collected over 35 years is **\$104,825.42**. Many thanks to those who donated.

May 18th

Strzelecki Boomerang and Lady Nelson Golden Wattle Trefoil Guilds met up with each other at Fish Creek to visit the Tea Cosy Exhibition – followed, of course, by lunch at the pub.



Lady Stradbroke Cup style camp for adults

Farrow Cup – Lady Stradbroke for Adults.

Email received from Rebecca Court and Felicity Parkinson – as follows:

Back in 2020 (a whole life time ago) we were planning on running a camp for adults similar to Lady Stradbroke Cup and were hoping Trefoil Guild members would be interested in helping with assessment. Excitingly we are now able to confirm that Farrow Cup will go ahead on the weekend of 15-17 July 2022. Registration will open in the coming weeks and we are still very keen to have Trefoil Guild attend either as participants or assessors.

We have booked Thank You Chalet for the weekend which allows us to offer 7 indoor beds for assessors and will also be able to offer campsite space for anyone who would like to camp outdoors.

The cost for Trefoil Guild members who are assessing will be \$45 to cover the cost of hiring Thank You Chalet and most meals will be provided through participating patrols. Members would need to provide their own breakfast for Saturday morning and dinner Friday night.

Assessment tasks will involve:

- Assisting with campsite assessment on Saturday morning
- Assessing campsites and gadgets on Saturday Afternoon
- Joining a Patrol for Saturday Lunch (not assessed), Saturday Dinner (assessed), and Sunday Breakfast (assessed).

We would appreciate it if you can share this event through your networks and ask members to keep an eye out for registrations opening.

Kind Regards

Bec and Felicity

Rebecca Court (Alkira)

Knoxfield Lucky Clover (5-9 year old) Girl Guides Leader

Knoxfield Southern Cross (10-14 years old) Girl Guides Leader

Knoxfield Triple N (14+ year old) Girl Guides Leader



Saturday 27 August to Sunday 28 August 2022

In Ballarat

The Victorian Trefoil Guild Gathering—The Program

*The program will all take place at the Mercure Hotel so very easy—
accommodation and sessions all in one place.*

Please meet our Guest Speaker for Saturday Afternoon:

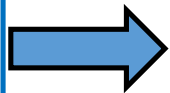
Jessie Harman

Jessie is a Rotarian in the Rotary Club of Wendouree Breakfast. She is the first Australian female member of the Rotary International Board which is a huge honour. She has held numerous positions in Rotary both locally and internationally and has been recognised as one of "Ballarat's 100 most influential women" by Zonta International.

Her professional career has been in higher education with her final position as pro vice chancellor at Federation University. In her spare time she is a long distance walker!! Jessie has a fascinating story to tell us.



Saturday Afternoon will also feature the Changeover of Advisers and their Teams.



From Sue Viney and her Team to



Jill Livingston and her Team.



Need to have a Retail Fix????

Trading Tables— Guilds and groups will have Trading Tables and so you will the opportunity to browse and buy!!

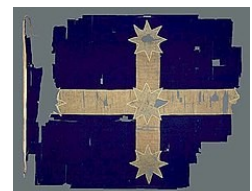
Saturday Night

The entertainment has been booked and it will leave you in stitches!!
You will have to come along to discover what is in store for our special dinner.



Sunday Morning

Will feature a presentation about Eureka History.
Learn more about this iconic event in Victoria's history with a focus on the Eureka Flag.



Sunday Morning will also focus on our theme of Friendship and conclude with a Guides Own.



*Make sure you don't miss out on this wonderful opportunity to get together
Book here:*

<https://www.guidesvic.org.au/2022/03/25/trefoil-guild-gathering-2022/>

Chris Wythes - Southern Cross Coordinator

Over the last few months I have endeavored to build an awareness of what is involved doing the Southern Cross Challenge.

Firstly congratulations to Aileen Steele (WA) Jean Vidot (WA) Gwen Cartwright (NSW) Debbie Hawker (ACT) and Karen Schultze (ACT) all have completed their Bronze Southern Cross Challenge who will be presented their Certificate and badge at an appropriate time

All the above ladies have earned all 5 small certificates: - Our Wonderful Past, Helping Hands, Protecting Tomorrow, Arts for All Ages and International Interest doing lots of different and interesting activities.

Over the next few months there will stories of what some of the ladies have done for their challenges and you will see how easy it is.

Do you know it's not hard! It's rewarding and self fulfilling! TRY IT! Find out for yourself!

If you would like to participate ask for a pamphlet or phone me 0263654290 or email southerncross@girlguides.org.au or see me at the Gathering.



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Compiled by members of the Barwon Trefoil Guild.



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your recipe book/s at the
Victoria State Trefoil
AGM at Ballarat on 28th
August.**

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GONE HOME - Jean Cameron

Passed away peacefully 6th May, 2022

It is with great sadness that Barwon Trefoil Guild announce the passing of Jean Cameron, a much-loved member of our Guild. Jean started her Guiding journey as a Brownie at the age of 9, and continued on in many various roles within Guiding her entire life. A Guide Leader at Belmont, Manager of the Geelong Guide Shop, Camp Assessor, Trefoil Guild member, and Life Member of Barwon Region Girl Guides, were just some of them. Jean gave over 50 years of dedicated service to Guiding, and will be greatly missed by us all.

“Our Guiding Sister Gone Home”



Gone Home – Shirley Kidd – Acacia Trefoil Guild : 8th Feb 1934 – 29th March 2022

It was with great sadness that we learnt of the sudden passing of our Acacia Trefoil Guild member, Shirley Kidd.

Shirley began her Guiding life with her dear friend, Cathy Clark when their daughters wished to become Brownies. They became Leaders at Forest Hill and attended the first of many training sessions.

Later they qualified as First Aiders, and attained their Camp Qualification, eventually taking a sub camp of 16 girls at a State Camp.

They were invited to participate in the training of new Guiders and to aim for their Trainer's Certificate. Shirley was also a valued member of the then Maroondah Region as an assessor for Camp Qualifications.

When Shirley's daughter, Rowena became Gumnut Leader at Croydon, she asked her Mother to join her. Shirley agreed and assisted Rowena for 2 years.

Shirley joined Acacia Trefoil Guild in 2006 and we have enjoyed her company since that day.



Also Gone Home;

Yvonne Kossatz at age 76 and a member of Wellington Trefoil Guild passed away suddenly on 9th April, the day after she had a severe stroke.

Yvonne started off as a unit helper in her 2 daughters' brownie pack in Mulgrave.

In 2002, Yvonne joined the Wellington Trefoil Guild where she was a very active member. Yvonne was always a willing helper and enjoyed attending other guilds luncheons and A.G.M.s. She will be sadly missed.

Norma Burkitt

Kinta Trefoil Guild members were extremely sad to hear that Norma Burkitt had passed away. Norma was a Guide during World War II, a Ranger, Leader, District, Division and Region Commissioner in East Metropolitan Region. Norma was enthusiastic about life, always positive, organized and a friend to all. She was a great traveller attending International camps, Australian GG and TG Gatherings and with her husband Ted and the Go Club TG touring many parts of Australia. As a member of OB-PS she travelled internationally and supported the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts through OB-PS. Norma was a kind, generous, lovely lady and a keen supporter of Guiding. Kinta members will miss her greatly.

Vale Muriel Burns: 102 years. 9 months young

Goulburn Valley Trefoil Guild has lost a most gracious lady. Muriel was a member of Guiding in Shepparton for over 80 years. She joined brownies at the age of seven in 1926 and then continuing on to guides in 1930 at the age of 11. She was a guide when our guide hall was opened in 1936, and was an escort of the Colour Party at this significant event.

Muriel was a much member, still attending meetings at 101½ years, before shifting to Ferntree Gully to live with her daughter Margaret, as she then required extra assistance at home.

Muriel, via zoom officially cut our 60th birthday cake last year and drank a toast to our Trefoil Guild. At this celebration, Muriel was presented with her Life Membership by Sue Viney, our Victorian State Guild Adviser. She was still receiving notices and newsletters from our Guild, and often offered suggestions about topics of discussion.

At the Nixon St Guide Hall, Guiding continues with many girls still involved in weekly meetings.

God Bless you Muriel

Gone Home



The Team look forward to meeting many of you at functions and events in the near future.

All good wishes - Sue, Jane, Jan, Lorraine, Roxanne and Barbara