



TREFOIL GUILD VICTORIA



57th ANNUAL REPORT

2009 - 2010



2010 Year of the Girl Guide



The Annual Report

It is with pleasure that I present the Annual Report of the Trefoil Guilds of Victoria for the year 2009 – 2010. We have 797 financial members.

As usual Trefoil Guild members have had a busy year involving themselves in activities both at a statewide level and in their individual Guilds.

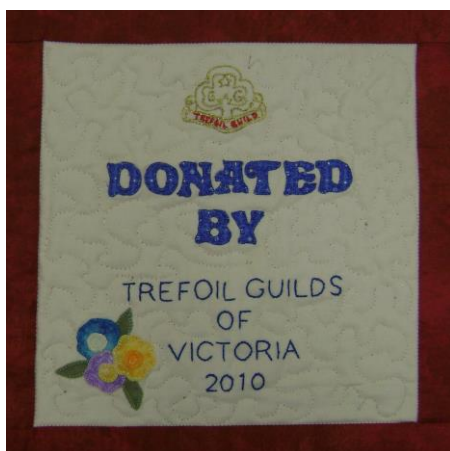
1. Centenary Quilts

Our Centenary Patchwork Quilts have been a most successful statewide project. A huge thank you to the Guilds who contributed as you ensured this project had such a great result. Each Guild was sent a square of calico and asked to pictorially depict their Guild on it. All the squares came back different, beautiful and have been put together into three outstanding quilts.

I was very pleased to present awards to Glenys Leviston, Ann McNamara and Kerrith Bell for the hard work they did in sewing the patches together and quilting the quilts.

I have taken the quilts with me when I have visited areas and they have been displayed at Guide Centre. Over the next couple of months they will visit the Hamilton Art Gallery and the Rotary Club of Hawthorn's Quilt Exhibition.

At the end of the year we plan to give them to Guide owned properties to be used as wall hangings. We produced a booklet showing photos of all the quilts with names of Guilds and meanings of the patches.



Kerrith, Jan and Ann



2. Agnes Bear

Agnes Bear continued her visit to Victoria. We were surprised at her size especially when the post office said she was too big to send by post and suggested that we cut the parcel in half to send her to Queensland!! She visited many areas; saw many people and featured in the Girl Guides Victoria Annual Report.



3. Knitting Project

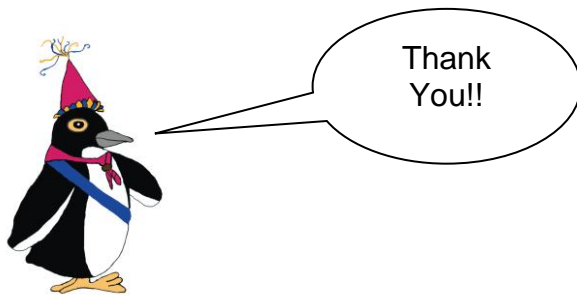
Bedsocks and scarves have been another project. This is aimed at presenting all our attendees at the Gathering in Ballarat in 2012 with a scarf and a pair of bedsocks – people from throughout Australia say Ballarat is too cold so we are going to ensure we give them a warm welcome.

4. Donations

Our State project for the Centenary Year was to assist with the purchase of two large display boards for the entrance at the Guide Centre. They are blue and gold and look great. The usual donations were made to Thinking Day, Irene Fairbairn Fund, Blackburn Fund, Amy Bush, Coralie Caple, Britannia Park, The Disaster Fund, Margaret Shaw Fund, T.C. Lothian, Iluka and many funds contributed to by individual Guilds.

5. Service for ACE

Guilds worked hard to support ACE – The Australian Centenary Event which saw 2,500 people in Geelong in January. They sewed bags, met participants at the airport and train station and spent time in the shop pricing articles for the camp.



6. Guide Shop

Sheila in the Guide Shop loves to see the Guilds coming in – they open their purses and spend up big. There are specific Trefoil Guild items including polo shirts both long and short sleeved and matching vests.

7. State Gathering

The State Gathering in 2009 was organised by Cardinia Trefoil Guild. What a peaceful spot they chose, a park with a stream running at the bottom of the rise. Accommodation was great with most enjoyable food. The activities stretched our minds but left time for us to wander around the beautiful site. Well done Cardinia.

8. National Gathering

The Australian Gathering was held in Canberra in the autumn of 2010. It was a great time for meeting up with friends and making new ones. We were lucky enough to have 55 Victorians attending. Each State was asked to do a presentation on a decade of Guiding in Australia. We did a powerpoint presentation for the decade 1920 – 1930. We also gave a powerpoint presentation inviting members to Ballarat in 2012. The ladies all wore their navy and pink polo shirt when they helped to give out the souvenir torches. We sang 'This little Guiding light of mine' while the torches flickered. We received a great many complimentary comments on how lovely our ladies looked.

Prior to the Gathering the Advisers held a meeting. It was an opportunity for us to meet the incoming Advisers from Queensland and New South Wales, discuss activities and issues in our States.



9. Travel

I have travelled many kilometres again this year clocking over 11,000 in the car and I have learnt how cheap and convenient it is to come to Melbourne by train. This is helpful as I have spent many days visiting Guide Centre.

Some Regions are having Region get togethers – this is great for me as I find I can visit more Guilds at the one time.

10. Newsletters

I have continued with the monthly newsletters this year. They seem to be popular with the recipes being tried by some of the husbands. Most of the recipes are those from my own cookbook but occasionally I received one from a Guild member. At the request of one of the Guilds, Jane & Wendy have added an extra page with information from Guide Centre.

11. Girl Guides Victoria Annual General Meeting and Centenary Dinner

I attended the Annual Meeting of Girl Guides Victoria followed by the Centenary Dinner. The guest speaker at the Dinner was the CEO of Zoos Victoria, Jenny Gray, who spoke about lessons from the animals in the Zoo and related these to the Guide Laws (she was a former Queen's Guide). It was a wonderful evening.

12. Membership

I can confirm that we are members of Girl Guides Victoria, Girl Guides Australia and WAGGGS. These memberships are included in the fees we pay each year.

13. Uniform

Uniform has changed lately and as members of Girl Guides Victoria we are entitled to wear the new uniform. We can still wear our navy polo with the pink collar – it is easy to see when we are at functions.

14. Thanks

There are many people without whom I could not function as your Adviser. I would like to thank – Jill, our Treasurer, Rae my driver and Jane, Wendy and all the staff from Guide Centre who are always ready with ideas, help and encouragement. I thank all the members of Trefoil Guilds of Victoria for all their help and encouragement throughout the year. I also say thank you to the Committee who, on your behalf, asked me to do another two years in the position. I'm looking forward to the next two years and welcoming the other States to our wonderful City and State in 2012.

Jan Allitt

Financial Statement Trefoil Guild of Victoria 2009 – 2010

<u>Carried forward</u>		<u>9168.85</u>
Income:		
Subscriptions (includes Adviser)	22613.00	
Cents for Years of Service	282.00	
Patches	186.90	
Interest	35.20	
Canberra	570.00	
Canberra Adviser	700.00	
Merchandise (badges etc)	80.00	
Donations (I.F; T.D; etc)	191.40	
	6024.00	
<u>Total receipts</u>		<u>30682.50</u>
Expenses:		
Subscriptions	19262.00	
Donations (Africa etc)	180.00	
Cents for Service	900.00	
Patches	379.76	
Merchandise	393.20	
Adviser's exp (travel, postage etc)	2926.88	
Canberra (Adviser + 2 TG)	2358.09	
<u>Total expenses</u>		<u>26399.93</u>
<u>Balance in bank 18th June</u>		<u>13451.42</u>

Audited and found correct
R Holmes
30th June 2010