

**TREFOIL GUILD  
VICTORIA**

**ANNUAL REPORT  
2013 - 2014**



TREFOIL GUILD

It is with pleasure that I present the 2013-4 Annual report for the Trefoil Guilds of Victoria

As I reflected on the past year I recalled highlights of the last AGM held at Sunbury.

- The Sunbury 'Wongguri' Guides who proudly escorted Trefoil Guild members from the train station.
- The Guides presentation about their fundraising effects for Care Australia. (Weren't we proud of them)
- The beautiful knitted toys presented to representatives of KOGO.
- Delicious lunch catered for by Black Forest Trefoil Guild- chatter and fun for all.

Guild members knitted 842 garments, 106 toys and 2151 squares for KOGO as part of our state 'Good Turn'. Many Guilds have continued this service. Thank you to Vicki Callaway (Kinta Trefoil Guild) for coordinating our efforts.

This year we are supporting Kangaroo Mother Care knitting beanies and booties for Prem babies.

*"With one of the highest mortality rates in the world, the tiny babies born in Tanzania begin life with the odds stacked against them."*

Narelle Tunks Australian Midwife, Founder Kangaroo Mother Care.

Many beautiful knitted garments have been received for this project.

What a great time we had at the State Gathering in November organised by Cappuccino Trefoil Guild with Sandra Bradshaw as LIC. The Gathering was held at The Urban Camp at Parkville. This was an excellent venue – warm, comfortable, central, set in magnificent native parklands. Participants explored the city by tram. At the Botanical Gardens a woman rushed up to us "I'm so glad the Girl Guides are still around. I love your new uniform." (We were wearing our Victorian State polo shirts). The Gathering formal dinner table decorations so impressed the chef that he rushed out to buy bread rolls for our special dinner. The after dinner speaker, The Handkerchief Lady intrigued us all with the history of handkerchiefs and taught us some Hanky Panky. After an inspiring Guides Own on Sunday morning we returned home. Very well done Cappuccino.

December saw us at Carols and Cake at the Joyce Price Centre - a fundraiser for the Guiding Light Fund. This was enjoyed so much we already have a date for this year. With Come for a Walk with Us and Carols and Cake, \$2400 was raised in 2013 for this fund.

In Victoria 1 in 5 Trefoil Guild members pay full fees to GGV where their talents and skills are really appreciated. Unfortunately due to advancing age and the \$5 increase in Australian Guiding portion of the fees paid from Trefoil Guild members four Guilds closed. We welcomed a new Guild, Strzlecki Boomerang (Gippsland). We were able to absorb the \$1 increase in the portion paid to the ATGA thanks to the generosity of GGV when Wendy Lewis GGV CEO suggested that the \$2 members paid as admin fees be reduced to \$1.

Thank you to the Guilds who supported the request for funding for Myki cards for the Asia Pacific Leaders of Youth conference to be held in Melbourne in December. We will donate \$1000 for this purpose.

One of the challenges for me has been ensuring information gets to members to allow them to choose the activities/events they attend. This year members were encouraged to join our email group to receive a copy of the VTG newsletter. Unfortunately we must charge for members who would like a hard copy. Recently it was decided that new members will automatically be added to the e-mail group.

I must acknowledge the work that Yvonne James (Hampton and Pink Heath TGs) and Ann Taylor (Clifford TG) have done for the past three years in representing Victorian Trefoil Guilds on the NSGFA Committee. Yvonne has been the secretary and Ann the Publicity Officer. In October Queensland Trefoil Guild and BP Guild will start their term.

Thank you to the Guilds who generously give of their time and talents to cater for State and Australian functions.

I appreciate the assistance that staff at GGV gives to the Trefoil Guilds, Wendy Lewis CEO, Sheila (shop), Kerrie (records and subscriptions) and Jersey (when receptionist). There's always a smile and a patient hearing from them all. To Jane, who assists Trefoil Guilds and particularly me, in so many different ways, thank you is really not enough acknowledgement of the pivotal role you play in Trefoil Guild. Thank you to Margaret Smith (Treasurer) and Jill Johnstone (Events Coordinator) for your support and encouragement.

As I travel around the State I enjoy the fun and friendship that is extended to me. This year I have particularly noted the relationships between Guilds and their Guide Districts. This partnership provides quality Guiding for the girls in their care. Well done.

Thank you to you all for allowing me to share your Guiding Adventure

Alma Brand  
Victorian Trefoil Guild Adviser

**GIRL GUIDES VICTORIA – TREFOIL GUILD**

**Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended 30 June 2014**

Income

Balance as at 1/7/2013			\$13657.34
Guides Victoria – Subs			5712.00
Events	Gathering	3075.00	
	A G M	2140.00	
	Come Walk with us	1101.00	
	Cake and Candles	<u>426.00</u>	6742.00
Merchandise			1534.35
Donations	Guiding Light Fund	340.00	
	Curtains for Brit. Park	517.98	
	Myki Cards for Conference	<u>100.00</u>	<u>957.98</u>
	<u>Total Income</u>		\$28603.67

Less Expenditure

Administration		880.07	
Travel		2691.82	
Events	Gathering	2398.68	
	A G M	<u>1685.00</u>	4083.68
Merchandise		2933.53	
Donation	Guiding Light Fund	<u>2450.00</u>	<u>13039.10</u>
	<u>Balance at bank as at 30 June 2014</u>		\$15564.57
	<u>Less Outstanding Bank Deposit</u>		<u>340.00</u>
	<u>Balance at Bank as per Bank Statement 30 June 2014</u>		\$15224.57
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