

**Very Light Magazine is a magazine of The Antique & Historical Arms Collectors
Guild of Victoria, Inc** **No 96 August 2018**

Request for Members' Email Addresses

The Guild plans to provide direct notification of the latest issues of *Very Light* and any other news that might be of interest to collectors. So if you wish to make use of this facility then please send us your email addresses.

It is quite simple to subscribe to this service just send your name and current membership number by email to info@armscollectorsguild.com . We will place your email address on our list and you will get direct notification in your email.

This additional service will not replace the current system of posting the latest issues and news on the Guild's website nor the regular mail out of printed material to those without internet access.

Monday Night Themes for 2018

27 August – The Annual General Meeting, supper provided

24 September - Buy & Sell Night - Books, parts, odds & sods. (no registered firearms).

29 October - Show us your junk. Bring along a battered relic (that doesn't include yourself).

26 November - Hunting & Foraging. Supper provided.

The Annual General Meeting of the Guild will be held at 7.30 PM on Monday the 27th of August 2018 at the Eley Park Community Centre, Eley Rd., Blackburn South, Victoria.

(Supper will be served after the meeting)

Any notice of motions and nominations for committee positions must be in the hands of the Secretary seven days prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting. All Committee positions will be declared vacant and nominations are called for the position (s) of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Media Officer/Editor of *Caps & Flints*, and seven other officers.

Ordinary Business (as required by Rule 9 (4) of the Guilds Rules):

- To confirm the minutes of the last preceding annual general meeting and of any general meeting held since that meeting;
- To receive from the Committee reports upon the transactions of the Guild during the last preceding financial year;
- To elect officers of the Guild; and
- To receive and consider the statement submitted by the Guild in accordance with section 30 (3) of the Act;
- To appoint an Auditor.

The annual General Meeting may also transact special business of which notice is given in accordance with the Guild's Rules.

Please do attend the AGM (and enjoy the supper). We need a quorum of 20 members which means we need you to come along!

After the AGM we will announce the results of the Major Noel Hall Award. This has been very successful and has resulted in really excellent displays. Our grateful thanks to all those who participated. We have all enjoyed these evenings.

Request for Information from Mark Wright

Wilson Capping Breach Loading Carbine 1864

Tasmanian researcher Mark Wright is researching the Wilson capping breach loading carbine, in particular the Wilson carbines issued to Tasmania in 1864. Mark would appreciate any information you may have. So if you have a Wilson rifle or carbine, please contact Mark Wright at email: jo.markwright@yahoo.com.au or by telephone 0438 709 876.

Name Badges

Members are reminded that the Guild is taking orders for name badges for members. The cost is \$15.00. The badge is depicted below



If you want one and haven't ordered it please contact the Secretary by telephone on 9584 2907, or by email at – cupfire1@ozemail.com.au

Advertisements in *Very Light*

Members are reminded that they can place advertisements in *Very Light* if they have items for sale.

There isn't any charge but people offering registerable firearms are reminded that the actual transaction must be carried out through a licensed dealer. We suggest that for security purposes anyone wishing to advertise items for sale should keep their contact details brief such as just first name and land line or mobile number.

If you are seeking a particular item then you may also run an advertisement free of charge. Again we suggest for security that you restrict the contact detail to your name, landline or mobile number or an email address.

If you want to run an advertisement please contact the Secretary by telephone on 9584 2907, or by email at – cupfire1@ozemail.com.au

Wanted to Buy

I would like to purchase a top quality Pattern 1903 SMLE bayonet and scabbard with the internally permanently attached frog, or just the scabbard and attached frog only. Phone John on (03) 5821 3192, please send photos to jobah@bigpond.com

Gun Books For Sale

A Study of Colt Conversions and other percussion revolvers. Hard back, Bruce Mc Dowell, **\$300.**
Modern Firearm Engravings. hardback, Mario Albiotico. **\$100.**
Mauser Military Rifles of the World. hardback, Robt. Ball. **\$50.**
Arms in the Service of Queensland 1859 – 1901. hardback, J S Robinson. **\$50.**
Small Arms of the World, 8th Edit. hard back, J E Smith **\$30.**
Small Arms of the World, 30th Anniversary Edition, hardback J E Smith **\$50.**
Firearm Blueing and Browning. hardback, R H Angier **\$20.**
Colt Firearms from 1836. hardback, James Serven **\$50.**
The Shooting Field – 150 Years with Holland and Holland. hardback, **\$50.**

Contact: Eric 0410 558 067

Gun Books for Sale

All books are currently in Gippsland. They can be brought to Eastern suburbs of Melbourne, or individual books posted (at buyer's expense). The prices are negotiable, particularly if you are buying multiples. The books are used - in fair or better condition, most in very good condition. Hardbacks have dustcovers unless stated. Happy to provide more detail, photos etc, for individual books (preferably not those in box).

Box of Books: \$30 the lot – not really interested in splitting these, some are definitely in used condition.

Sporting Shooter, Jan-Feb 1963, softback, 1963
Guns & Shooting - Calibres, Projectiles, Makes. softback
Antique Arms & Militaria, Vol. 2, No 4 Jan 1980, softback, 1980
Antique Arms & Militaria, Vol. 2 No 3 Dec 1979, softback, 1979
Cartridges for Rifles, Pistols, Antiques, softback, Cyril Waterworth
American Antique Guns & Current Prices, softback, 1955-56, Martin Rywell
Catalogue of Firearms – Museum Victoria, hardback, 1949, E.H Penrose
Early American Firearms, (no cover), hardback, 1950, Robert Abels
Museum of Historical Arms catalogue 17, softback
Museum of Historical Arms catalogue 6, softback, 1955
Portrait of Lord Nelson, hardback, 1959, Oliver Warner
Nelson & the Age of Fighting Sail, (no cover), hardback, 1963, Oliver Warner
Uniforms of Trafalgar, softback, 1977, Fabb & Cassin-Scott

Books for sale individually.

Illustrated Encyclopedia of Firearms, hardback, 1978 **\$40**
Smith & Wesson Hand Guns 2nd Ed, hardback, 1958, R.G McHenry & W.F Roper, **\$40**
Early Percussion Firearms, (UK edition?), hardback 1959, Lewis Winant **\$40**
Naval Gun, hardback, 1978, Hogg & Batchelor, **\$20**
The British Dueling Pistol, (no dust cover), hardback, 1978 John Atkinson, **\$100**

Packing Iron – Gunleather of the Frontier West, hardback, 1993, R.C Rattenbury, **\$160**
Weapons of the British Soldier, softback, 1968, Col H.C.B Rogers, **\$20**
Flintlock Pistols, hardback, 1969, F Wilkinson, **\$90**
Handbook for Handloaders, softback, 1958, R.B Tunney, **\$30**
History & Art of Personal Combat 1st Ed, hardback, 1971, Arthur Wise, **\$60**
Gun Digest Treasury 4th Ed, softback, 1966? Ed. J.T Amber, **\$80**
Small Arms of the World 5th Ed (no dustcover), hardback, 1957, W.H.B Smith, **\$50**
British Military Firearms, 1st Edition, hardback, 1961, Howard L Blackmore, **\$50**
Guns, hardback, 1961, Dudley Pope, **\$40**
The National Maritime Museum, softback, 1982, Ed. Basil Greenhill, **\$40**
Hand Guns of the World, softback, 1956, Hy Hunter, **\$30**
United States Military Muskets, Rifles, Carbines, softback, 1951, Martin Rywell, **\$30**
Famous guns from famous collections, Fawcett, softback, 1957, H W Bowman, **\$20**
The Colt Gun Book, Fawcett, softback, 1961, Lucian Cary, **\$50**
Antique Guns, Fawcett, 2nd printing, softback, 1956, HW Bowman, Ed. L Cary, **\$50**
Antique Guns – Arco Handi-books, (no cover), hardback, 1953, Bowman & Cary, **\$30**
Arms & Armour, hardback, 1972, Vesey Norman, **\$15**
Canadian Journal of Arms Collecting Vol. 7, No 2, softback, **\$20**
Book of the Gun, hardback, 1963, Harold Peterson, **\$20**
Hornblower’s Navy, hardback, Steve Pope, **\$40**
Arms & Armour of the Samurai, hardback, 1996, Bottomley & Hopson, **\$30**
Glossary of Construction Decoration Use Arms & Armour Hardback, 1961, G.C Stone, **\$50**

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Free to the Right Home

Guild member Bruce Martin was recently cleaning out some old papers and he found among them a Colt factory letter concerning a Colt Model 1878 hammer shot gun which he had sold at one of the Australian Arms Auctions some years ago. If it was bought by one of our members or they know of the person who did then they or the current owner can have the letter to go with the gun – at no charge.

The details of the shot gun are Colt Model 1878 Hammer Shot Gun; Serial Number 4465; 12 gauge. It has a barrel length of 30 inches and a blued finish. It was shipped to the Australian Exhibition on June the 5th, 1880. Included with the letter is a copy of the original catalogue.

Contact: Bruce Martin on 0408 343 329; .email brunorm@bigpond.net.au