

VERY LIGHT

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Membership Renewals for 2022 -2023

By now all of you should have received your membership renewals for the coming 2022 – 2023 financial year. If any member reading this has not received their renewal please contact the Secretary by email on cupfire1@ozemail.com.au or by phone at (03) 9584 2907.

Attendance and Participation in Monday Night Meetings

It is pleasing to note an upturn in attendance at the Monday night meetings we've had this year. Members are presenting interesting displays and bringing along items for sale. As you will all be aware by now COVID restrictions have been lifted so we encourage our members to come along and add further interest to our regular meetings.

It would also be helpful if we could have some volunteers to help set up the hall before our normal start time of 7.00 PM.

Monday Meetings 2022

The dates for the Guild Monday Meetings are June 27, July 25, August 29 (AGM), September 26, October 31 and November 28.

The committee has decided to make all meetings a Buy and Sell night. We want members to bring along items for sale which can include exempt firearms i.e. pre-1900 genuine antiques like single shot percussion pistols, flintlocks etc. and other types of exempt firearms such as longarms taking obsolete ammunition.

Caps & Flints

The February 2022 issue of our journal *Caps & Flints* has been published and distributed to all members.

We are requesting articles for the August 2022 issue of *Caps & Flints*. Authors are reminded to provide photos taken with adequate lighting and sharpness. While the Editor can help improve/redeem some images, he is not a miracle worker. A photo which is blurred by movement of the camera or subject is almost impossible to improve by sharpening the image using magical software. The use of an even, clean, texture-less and white/very light background is also essential.

Please forward articles, advertising or enquiries to the Editor *Caps & Flints* by email to cupfire1@ozemail.com.au or by mail to PO Box 2976, Cheltenham, 3192, or contact the Guild Secretary on (03) 9584 2907.

Advertising in Caps & Flints

If you would like to place an advert in that issue of the Journal, please read on.

To reserve a **size** and **position**, please indicate your preferences by contacting the Secretary. This will facilitate and aid the editor in formatting the journal.

Suitable **final versions** of your adverts should be submitted as a PDF or JPG format in the required size. The sizes and charges currently available are:

Full Page @ \$500

Half Page @ \$350

Third Page @ \$250

Quarter Page @ \$200

The prices and conditions are set by the Executive of the Guild.

Licence Renewals and PTAs

Members are requested to submit licence renewals, licence applications and Permits to Acquire requiring the signature of a Nominated Officer to the Guild at PO Box 2976 Cheltenham, 3192, or by email to cupfire1@ozemail.com.au

Please remember to enclose a stamped addressed envelope so that we may forward them to the required destination. Mail costs are increasing, and we appreciate members' cooperation in this matter.

Alternatively members may scan and send by email the page that requires a Nominated Officer's signature and this will be signed and returned by email to the member.

The Secretary can be contacted on (03) 9584 2907 or by email at cupfire1@ozemail.com.au

Important Notice from Licensing & Registration Division

Dear licensed firearm holder

The Licensing and Regulation Division (LRD) would like to bring to the attention of all licenced firearm holders the importance of being vigilant in the safe keeping of firearms. There is an emerging trend within the state, whereby organised crime groups are utilising online firearm sale portals as a scoping mechanism to gather intelligence and identify individuals with firearms. This is resulting in licensed firearm holders who are selling firearms or firearm parts and clubs that have a large portion of firearms on site becoming targets of organised crime.

LRD would like to emphasise the importance of maintaining the safety of all firearms in your possession and recommends that if selling a firearm or firearm parts on an online portal that you met a prospective buyer at a Licensed Firearm Dealer (LFD) or Firearm Club. This will ensure that you can maintain both your privacy and the safe keeping of firearms in your possession.

Additionally, licensed firearm holders should be aware that only authorised personal, meaning Victoria Police members from LRD or local police stations, can undertake firearm safe inspections. Non-authorised personal cannot legally inspect your firearm safe and should be prohibited from entering your premises. If you are approached or directed by a non-authorised person, please contact LRDs Compliance Enforcement Unit

LRD-REGULATIONSUPPORTUNIT-OIC@police.vic.gov.au

Kind regards
Licensing and Regulation Division
Regulatory Services Department
Victoria Police

Member seeking two Victorian Volunteer marked items

Pattern 1856 Sergeants Model marked VV (Victorian Volunteers),

.577 cal. Hay Pattern rifle also marked VV.

Contact Bob Bates 0407 098 413 or batesbob@bigpond.net.au

For Sale

Pattern 1790 British Naval Cutlass, good condition. \$1200

1/4 Scale 4pr cannon (18 inch cast iron barrel) mounted on a ship's carriage. \$600

For photos etc contact Adrian adrianroads1@gmail.com or ph. 0417 772 535

Classic Rifles in Australia – reprint now available

John Corcoran and Fred Bienvenu have just received the shipment of their reprinted book, *Classic Rifles in Australia*. If you would like to read a little more about this high quality volume it was reviewed in *Caps & Flints* in August 2021 (Number 4). Further information is available on the Buffalo Creek Press website , www.buffalocreekpress.com.au

Enquiries can be addressed to John at margandon@bigpond.com

or Fred at fred@bienvenu.id.au



We're Back! NEW VENUE
Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th July 2022, BALLARAT

Eureka Arms and Militaria Fair

*200+ trading tables. Antique and modern arms,
 Medals, Knives, Swords, Badges, Uniforms,*

Hunting & Shooting supplies and clothing,

Collectable ammo, Security Equipment,

Accessories and Optics, Books, Bayonets,

Memorabilia and much more.

Saturday 9am to 4.30 / Sunday 9 to 3.00

Entry cost - Adults - \$10

Family (2 A + kids) - \$15

Pensioner/Seniors - \$8

Free entry to :-

Accompanied Children under 16 and,

Adults wearing a full Military Uniform



**COVID restrictions, applicable
 at the time of the Fair, will apply**

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