

VERY LIGHT

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The Annual General Meeting of the Guild for the year 2025 – 2026 will be Held at 7.15 PM on Monday the 31st of August 2026 at the Eley Park Community Centre, Eley Rd., Blackburn South, Victoria.

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, Editor of *Caps & Flints*, and seven other officers.

Ordinary Business (as required by Rule 9 (4) of the Guild's 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 (Financial Report);
- 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

Dates of the Monday Meetings in 2026

The dates for the Guild Monday Meetings in 2026 which are held at Eley Park Community Centre, Eley Rd, Blackburn South, commencing at 7.00 pm are, August 31 (AGM), September 28, October 26 and November 30.

ALL MONDAY MEETINGS ARE BUY AND SELL NIGHTS

Besides presenting displays we encourage 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.

We remind members that it would be helpful if we could have some volunteers to help set up the hall before our normal start time of 7.00 PM.

Notice re Licence Applications, Renewals and PTAs

Members **must** submit these for signature by a Nominated Officer in one of the following **three** ways

1. By post to the Guild at PO Box 2976 Cheltenham, 3192 with a stamped envelope addressed to either L&RD or for return to the member.
2. In a scanned PDF format by email to cupfire1@ozemail.com.au or
3. In the original .rtf (Rich Text Format) which is the file type used by dealers in their use of the online process created by L&RD by email to cupfire1@ozemail.com.au .

Of course members can always bring the forms to one of our monthly meetings for signature. If there are any questions re this matter the Secretary can be contacted on (03) 9584 2907 or by email at cupfire1@ozemail.com.au

Membership Subscriptions 2026 - 2027

Members are reminded that the 2026 – 2027 membership renewals were sent out in May and that anyone who has not paid their subscriptions will have their memberships cancelled. Under both the *Firearms Act* and the *Control of Weapons Act* current membership of an approved collecting organization is a requirement.

Some Displays from Guild Meetings Held in June and July

Wheellocks



Boys Anti-Tank Rifle



Pair of Brass Barreled Officers Pistols



Pattern 1877 Fuse Ignition Pistol



Two Engraved Belgian Revolvers



Wanted

One of our members is seeking a copy of *Caps & Flints* No. 10 August 2024.

Normally the Guild has back copies available however in the case of Volume 10 we have no back copies of this issue available.

Anyone who has a spare copy they wish to dispose of could they contact Maris Sloan on 0448 990 391 or maris.sloan@bigpond.com

For Sale

Turkish flintlock with a Miquelet action, the stock liberally decorated in silver & mother of pearl.

Indian matchlock- very plain & with brass bands on the forestock.

Contact: Ian Stedman tasinnovators@gmail.com

Long Sea Service repro Belt Hook (Peter Dyson made) **\$50.**

Small Arms of the East India Company 1600-1856, D F Harding. Volumes 1 & 2 in slipcover. Excellent Condition, **\$695.**

Hartman's Dutch Gunmakers From the 15th to the 20th Century. As New **\$80**

Contact: Eric 0410 558 067



Golden City Collectors Association of Bendigo



41st ANNUAL MILITARIA & COLLECTABLES SHOW



NEWLY ESTABLISHED VENUE

Prince of Wales Showgrounds Regional Events Complex

(Exhibition Centre & Showgrounds Market)

42-72 Holmes Rd North Bendigo 3550

DATE: 22nd & 23rd August 2026

Saturday 9am – 5pm

Sunday 9am – 3pm

- Unlimited Parking
- Member Displays
- Local & Interstate Traders
- Onsite Food & Coffee Vans
- Historic Displays

TICKET PRICES

Adults \$10 | Family \$15 | Concession \$8

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