



## A word from the Grand Master

This fortnight has been very busy with a number of commitments including the Installation of WBro. Harry Adlerstein at Mt Scopus & Collegians Lodge No. 689 on Sunday 22 September, and with the open Installation of WBro. Daniel Mountain the following Thursday at Revival Lodge No. 926. Both events were very well attended and the Installation of WBro. Daniel was extraordinary as, apart from only being 25 years of age, I was assisted in the Installation by his Grandfather RWBro. John Mountain and his two uncles WBro. Denis Mountain and WBro. Robert Mountain.

We have commenced district meetings to present the 2013-16 Strategic Plan. The roll-out began at Keysborough, Ivalda, DBC and Warragul Masonic Centres. We will continue this roll-out over the next 6 weeks. To see upcoming dates and locations in your area, please see the list further in this newsletter. For more information, please contact your District Coordinator.

On Sunday 29 September the Western District No.117 put on a fantastic barbecue and trivia afternoon to raise funds for our Think Pink Breast Cancer Awareness campaign. Over 90 people attended and in excess of \$4000 was raised on the day. This figure will continue to rise as more Lodges within the District continue to support this fundraising. David Seymour, Noel Alsop and Lyn Ashley, along with their many helpers, contributed to the terrific raffles, auctions, and trivia competition on the day. Kerry and I were very pleased to be there and join in the fun of this inspiring event. It was a great kick-off to our Think Pink fundraising for the month of October. Let's hope that all other Districts and Lodges take up the challenge.

Some incredible milestones have been reached recently at Gippsland Lodge No.51. On Wednesday 2 October, I was pleased to travel to Sale and proudly present two 60 year service Jewels to Bro. Ivan Pellizzer, MM and RWBro. Leslie Stephenson, PJGW, and three 65 year service Jewels to Bro. Norman Swarbrick, MM, RWBro. Kenneth Garner PSGW, and Bro. Noel Langley, MM. A marvelous combined total of over 315 years of service to Freemasonry in Victoria. Congratulations to all on achieving these milestones.

I was pleased to be present when RWBro. Hillel Benedykt, DGM presented a 50 year service Jewel to MWBro. Garry Sebo, PGM at Sandringham District Lodge No.220 on Thursday 3 October. I was accompanied by a great number of Past Grand Masters and Past Deputy Grand Masters for this auspicious occasion.

And of course, in amongst all of this, we have witnessed THE MOST IMPORTANT sporting event of the calendar, the AFL Grand Final. Whilst my beloved Swans did not take part on that day, my congratulations go to all those Hawks supporters on winning another Premiership. Look out next year....

Bob Jones

## The 2013-16 Strategic Plan

The value of any Strategic Plan should be the sharp focus it brings to bear upon the goals and challenges ahead for any enterprise.

Previous Strategic Plans have provided Freemasons Victoria with a clear focus and direction on many important fronts.

The implementation of strategies to achieve objectives during the past three years has been robust and much has been achieved.

The actions we take during the next three year period, which will build on progress achieved in the past, is vital to the future of Freemasons in Victoria.

The strength required to implement the recommendations of the 2013-2016 Strategic Plan can only come from the people who must carry out the plan. In our case, the ability to achieve the vision illuminated by this Strategic Plan must come from all Freemasons in Victoria.

It is absolutely essential that we concentrate our energies on strategies relative to membership with emphasis on retention and recruitment. Membership is an issue that must be a central concern for every individual Freemason. Identifying candidates and appropriately introducing them to Freemasonry is the responsibility of us all.

Additionally, a number of projects are ongoing from previous Strategic Plans, amongst which is the continued development of our public image and appreciation of what Freemasonry stands for and the consolidation and improvement of our Masonic meeting places.

The vision of this Strategic Plan is the implementation of a holistic strategy that enables every Freemason to clearly communicate the value of our principles and our pride in the Craft.

To find out more about the Strategic Plan, make time to attend one of the District meeting being held to discuss it. Meeting dates are:

Friday 4 October - Warragul

Wednesday 16 October - Grand Chapter Convocation

Monday 21 October - Bendigo

Monday 28 October - Wangaratta

Tuesday 29 October - Swan Hill

Wednesday 30 October - Horsham

Thursday 31 October - Geelong

Wednesday 6 November - Ballarat



## Freemasons in the East: Eastern Business Luncheon

*Nelsons Restaurant, 382 Burwood Highway, Wantirna*

You and your guests are invited to the upcoming Eastern Business Luncheon on Thursday 7 November, featuring special guest speaker Melissa Jack, the owner of *No Regrets*.

A qualified Personal Trainer, Melissa is a fantastic speaker with a clear understanding of not only men's health issues but she will provide simple, practical information that will leave you better educated.

When: 12-2pm

Tickets: \$55 members; \$50 guests (includes two-course lunch and beverages) which must be booked and paid for online.

Bookings are essential - RSVP by Friday 4 October.

Click here to register <https://easternbusiness.eventbrite>.



## Think Pink Update

We have hit the ground running with the start of our Think Pink fundraising for the National Breast Cancer Awareness month of October. We have already raised in excess of \$12,500 with major contributions coming in from the donations for our unique Freemasons Think Pink Pins. Some of those Lodges that have already submitted donations include Kerang, Whittlesea, Motorcyclists United, Mildura, United Memorial and Merbein, Peace and Loyalty, just to name a few. If your Lodge has already contributed to this total, you should be very proud of your collective selves.

I would like to make special mention of the Western District No.117 for the outstanding amount raised last month of more than \$5000. This was achieved by a well attended (and well publicised) event last Sunday that included a barbecue, a game of trivia, some pink cupcakes, lots of raffles and very impressive auction items, not to mention bag loads of fun, raising \$4053. The following groups also contributed to that impressive total; Blues Brothers Masters Group \$200, Confederates Masters Group \$250, Highlanders Masters Group \$250 and Djerriwarrh Lodge \$250.

### Upcoming Think Pink Events

Bellarine Otway District No.110 - Geelong are holding a Charity Dinner and Auction on Saturday 26 October.

South East and Mornington Lodge No.113 are having a Pink Breakfast on Sunday 13 October.

Let us know about your event so that we can publicise it and increase your presence!

For some tips on how to throw your own Pink Party fundraiser, here are some hints from Celebrity event planner Steven Duggan, who appeared on *The Morning Show* last week and was interviewed by our Vanessa Mulquiney (from London). Steven is the Event Planner for Elton John.

**Pink Drinks** - greet your guests with a glass of pink champagne or a pink cocktail, setting the pink mood for the evening from the start! Of course, this can be extended to non-alcoholic beverages.

**Pink cupcakes** - you can buy custom cupcakes made at most bakeries or make your own and cover in bright pink icing sugar to really stand out.

**Pink lighting** - replace ordinary bulbs with pink ones and string festive lighting across the event space for a perfectly pink venue in a couple of minutes.

**Pink balloons** - inexpensive and easily sourced, pink balloons will look instantly effective.

**Pink invites** - deck your event out with pink themed stationery, starting with pink invitations or invites printed on pink paper, and pink envelopes to hand to your guests so they can donate discreetly.

**Pink carpet** - instead of the traditional red carpet, opt for a pink carpet. Not only will it look great, your guests will feel like a million dollars.

## FREEMASONS VICTORIA Pink Ribbon Pin

Since 2010 the ladies of each Grand Lodge Ceremonial Team have coordinated events to raise funds for Breast Cancer Awareness.

The concept, which started with a pink breakfast, has captured the imagination of all Freemasons, and has significantly boosted fundraising efforts.

*Your purchase of this pin helps continue this important work.*

LIMITED EDITION



### CALL FOR AUCTION ITEMS:

Over the past few years we have had a great deal of fun and fabulous prizes for Auctions and Raffles at our past Think Pink Breakfasts and Big Pink Party over the past four years.

If you would like to donate goods or services to our Auctions and Raffles for our upcoming Big Pink Party for 25 October, please contact Donna De La Rue at [delarue@freemasonsvic.net.au](mailto:delarue@freemasonsvic.net.au)

Any donations are greatly appreciated and you will receive recognition for your donation.



Think Pink with Freemasons Victoria  
<https://www.facebook.com/freemasonsvic>



## Lower Your Breast Cancer Risk

Early detection of breast cancer is critical. According to the Cancer Council, more than 13,000 women in Australia are diagnosed with breast cancer each year, and 1 in 8 will have developed the disease by the time they are 85. But when breast cancer is detected early, women have a much greater chance of being treated successfully and, for most women, the cancer will not return after treatment.

Joy Millen, Manager of the Breast Clinic at Epworth Freemasons, encourages all women to be 'breast aware'. This means to become familiar with the look and feel of their breasts, so they can detect and act on any change. Key changes to look out for include:

- A new lump, lumpiness or thickening of the breast
- Changes in the skin of the breast; puckering, dimpling or a rash
- Persistent or unusual breast pain
- Change in the shape or size of the breast
- Discharge from the nipple, nipple rash or a change in its shape.

Epworth's breast clinic offers complete breast screenings for all women, including those with no symptoms, those with a family history of breast or ovarian cancer (who are therefore at greater risk), and those who have uncovered symptoms in their own breast exams.

All components of the test are available at Epworth Freemasons, ensuring that only one visit is required. If a breast cancer diagnosis a full suite of treatment options is also available on site.

## FHA Pins a brilliant success

The limited edition FHA pins have now sold out! After a brief time in retirement, the FHA pin came back into circulation this year with a limited number produced to assist the Epworth Freemasons Hospital.

Since the late 1930s the Freemasons Hospital Association has released a special lapel pin for members of Freemasons Victoria, their families and the general public.

It is a testament to the generosity and dedication of Freemasons Victoria members, who funded the construction of the original hospital almost entirely through donations. Since those days, Freemasons Hospital has continued to grow in both size and services, setting the highest standard of hospital care in Melbourne.

WBro. Ben Quick, Community Outreach Coordinator at Freemasons Victoria said "The pin may have stopped being produced at one point but the spirit if the pin is endless, our members have once again showed true benevolence by purchasing a pin and wearing it with pride".

The final numbers are being tallied and a cheque will be presented to the hospital.

A big thank you must go to Dr Ashleigh Andrews and the FHA Board for allowing the pin and its spirit of philanthropy to live once again, and also to Freemasons, their families and the wider community who have supported this great achievement. Acknowledgement also goes to the support of the Grand Secretariat who helped this project get over the line with such success.

Epworth  
Medical  
Foundation



**When examining a newly discovered lump or other symptom, the clinic undertakes a triple-test to diagnose breast cancer.**

This includes:

- Clinical breast examination
- Medical imaging via mammogram or ultrasound
- Taking a tissue sample to examine under microscope



*If you missed out on getting your own FHA pin, you can visit the Freemasons Victoria Library where a collection of all pins ever produced is displayed, including the most recent version above.*

## A grand occasion at Revival Lodge No. 926

Revival Lodge No. 926 conducted an Open Investiture Installation on Thursday 26 September. Congratulations to WBro. Daniel Mountain who was installed as Worshipful Master. Daniel, who turns just 26 on 20 October, is Revival's youngest ever Master.



*Grand Master MWBro. Bob Jones and Grand Director of Ceremonies VWBro. Peter Julier congratulate WBro. Daniel Mountain and his partner Michelle at WBro. Daniel's Installation.*

The evening was very exciting as the Installing Master was Grand Master Bob Jones, accompanied by his wife Kerry, VWBro. Dr Ruary Bucknall and his wife, and VWBro. Peter Julier, also accompanied by his wife. The other Officers of the Grand Team and some of their wives formed part of the colourful entourage.

A talk on Freemasonry and an explanation of the Lodge Room was presented before all visitors were admitted and welcomed into the Lodge Room to witness the Investiture of Revival's Officers.

WBro. Daniel began to feel unwell at this point and left early with his wife Michelle, so the Grand Lodge team decided to make WBro. Daniel an honorary member of Grand Lodge until 11.30pm. They presented his step-Grandfather John Mountain with a pair of Masonic Cuff Links which he said he would present to WBro. Daniel in due course.

With 105 people in attendance, witnessing this very impressive Open Investiture Installation ceremony, this was a very successful evening.

We wish young WBro. Daniel every success and good health as Master for the forthcoming year.

## 'Bereavement Assistance' from Duke of Richmond Lodge No. 39

Officers and Brethren of the Duke of Richmond Lodge No. 39 were pleased to make a donation to not-for-profit funeral service Bereavement Assistance on Tuesday 27 August, after reading of the organisation in a recent copy of the *engage!* Newsletter.



The founder of the organisation Ted Worthington OAM, JP, and a Past Master of St Crispin Lodge was in attendance at the Lodge's August meeting and a presentation of a cheque for the amount of \$400 was made to Ted Worthington by Worshipful Master Bro. Les Cooper in the South at the Waverley Masonic

Centre. Bro. Ted and Bro. Les were able to review their past involvement in the Victoria Police Service and of the many folk they encountered in their past pursuits.

Everything you ever wanted to know about butterflies, but were afraid to ask...

Brethren, ladies and friends are invited to a public presentation by Dr Kelvyn Dunn.



Entomological achiever extraordinaire, Dr Dunn is internationally recognised as an authority on Australian Butterflies. His academic expertise lies in the biological sciences, education and psychology.



If this event of insect oriented education inspires you, come along! A gold coin donation would be appreciated.

Light refreshments, tea and coffee available on conclusion.

**Where:** Bunyip Masonic Centre, Railway Ave, Bunyip (Map ref; X912 T6)

**Time:** 7.30pm  
Tuesday 15 October





## A little extra mobility for Royal Freemasons Homes residents

Residents, staff and visitors will benefit from two lightweight wheelchairs donated earlier this year by the Marandar (Mark and Ark) and Burgundy (Chapter) Ladies Groups.

Being lighter and more manoeuvrable, the new wheelchairs will be much easier for staff and visitors to push around. A little extra mobility is thus assured for the residents. Toni Clyne is shown here accepting the wheelchairs on behalf of the Homes. After the handover, the ladies were entertained with a light lunch and a tour of the Homes.



Anne Patterson (Burgundy), Toni Clyne, Pat Paroissien (Burgundy and Marandar), Karen Colyer (Marandar) and Ann Cartwright (Marandar).

## Word spreads of school's need

Recently the Macedon Ranges Guardian newspaper featured a story about the children at Kyneton Primary School who were conducting their own fundraising for much-needed repair of the heating system and maintenance work at the Kyneton Primary School. When Kyneton Zetland Lodge member WBro. Brian Ward read the story, he was appalled, saying that it reminded him of his schooling days, when there was no heating, and no facilities.

“That was during the Depression though and we didn’t expect anything then, but in the 21st Century this is totally unacceptable,” he said. Upon reading the story WBro. Ward approached his Lodge for support, which was freely given, and a grant of \$1200 was made.

“It was then suggested I approach our Freemasons Victoria Board of Benevolence, to find out if they could assist us.”

The request was presented to the board and a few days later, WBro. Ward received another call from a member of the Board asking what the total cost of the repairs would be. Bro. Ward told him it amounted to \$3,968.

“Imagine my surprise when I received a phone call saying that Grand Lodge would make up the difference, and that a cheque for \$2768 was on its way!” WBro. Ward said.



The school was then able to cover the full cost of the repairs to the boiler, an achievement only possible due to the initial efforts of the children having started a ‘jelly bean guessing competition’ and being featured in the local newspaper.

Kyneton Zetland Lodge member, Brian Ward (left) and fellow Freemasons and past students of Kyneton Primary School, Barry Reaper, David Wells, Allan Willis and Bill Allen, present a cheque to Kyneton Primary student representative Council members, Chloe Meyer and Maggie Copeland.

## What’s this bloom?

Following on from the enormous response received from members who knew what the Dallas Brooks Centre’s ‘mystery blooms’ were, two more flowers have been selected for this fortnight.

If you think you might know the species of these plants we’d love you to let us know!

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## Last week’s blooms:

Clivia Miniata (Bush Lily)



Strelitzia Reginae (Bird of Paradise)



## Star Wars in concert



Freemasons Victoria's partnership with Melbourne Youth Music remains strong with the organisation inviting all members and non-members to an exciting and unique performance 'Star Wars in Concert'. Star Wars in Concert will bring together more than 200 performers to present music from all six of the Star Wars films on International Star Wars Day, Sunday 4 May, 2014; combining full symphony orchestra, choir, actors, sound effects and lighting.

Featuring the Melbourne Youth (Padawan) Orchestra; Brett Kelly, Conductor; Actors from 501st and Rebel Legions; The Tusken Raider Choir; Grand Choir of the Republic and the Imperial Army Chorale, this event is set to send you into orbit! The auditorium will divide into Jedi and Sith seating, choose your path wisely, you cannot escape your destiny. At interval, you will be escorted by a storm-trooper guard to the exclusive Mos Eisley space port for a performance by the Cantina Band. Supporting the campaign will be the only way you can access this exclusive interval event.

Donating to this campaign secures you a premium ticket valued at \$75 ahead of the public launch, and gives you access to a whole range of exciting rewards. As a charitable organisation, MYM will provide you with a receipt for taxation purposes. All funds raised will go towards venue costs associated with performing this concert in the exceptional Melbourne Recital Centre.

The music of Star Wars has for generations been linked with youth. If MYM can raise more than their \$5,000 target, additional funds will be used to make low-cost or free tickets available to young people from disadvantaged backgrounds who otherwise wouldn't be able to attend the concert.

The storm-troopers are doing their part to help MYM around in the office, now it's your turn - do or do not; there is no try. Visit: [www.pozible.com/mymstarwars](http://www.pozible.com/mymstarwars) to get on board!

May the fourth be with you!

## Prospect Hill Mark Lodge goes cabaret style

Worshipful Master Jim Craney and his wife Lucia invite you and your friends to an evening of fun and friendship at our *Cabaret Style Ladies in the South*.

**Where:** Camberwell Masonic Centre

**When:** Thursday 21 November 2013 at 7:30pm  
(Following a brief Lodge meeting commencing at 7:00pm)

**Cost:** \$25.00 per person all inclusive

Please reply for catering purposes by Monday 11 November to:  
Jim: 9726 4718 [jackeenjim@gmail.com](mailto:jackeenjim@gmail.com)  
Sid: 9802 0122 [ssmidt@optusnet.com.au](mailto:ssmidt@optusnet.com.au)

## 34th Annual Masonic Charity Golf Day



The Royal Freemasons Homes invites you to register to participate in the 34th Annual Masonic Charity Golf Day.

**When:** Monday 11 November 2013 from 11am for assembly and 12:30pm to tee off (18 Holes Stableford)

**Where:** Kingswood Golf Club  
Centre Dandenong Road,  
Dingley 3172

**Prizes:**

- Teams and singles
- Nearest the Pin

**Players:**

\$85 per person inc. Green Fees and dinner

**Non players:**

\$40 per person dinner only  
Teams: Four person - singles allocated to a team  
Raffle tickets: \$5 each, raffle announced at dinner.

*Neat golf attire  
must be worn at all times on  
the golf course.*

**Please visit:**

[www.kingswoodgc.com.au](http://www.kingswoodgc.com.au)  
For further information and a player registration form call Graeme Wallace on 0418 248 983 or email [graeme@netvigator.net.au](mailto:graeme@netvigator.net.au)

Or Ken Wilson on 0418 357 732 or email [wilson.ken@optusnet.com.au](mailto:wilson.ken@optusnet.com.au)



## Time for an upgrade

*Accessing the Salesforce Membership Database with your computer*

The Grand Secretariat is currently finalising all data cleansing, and working towards integration of a fully functional operating membership database.

We are currently running billing for all Lodges for the period, and as such, again thank you for all of your ongoing support and assistance as we finalise this transition.

When this system is complete, we will have the ability to gather intelligence for marketing and membership purposes, and also provide comprehensive strategic reports for Lodge Secretaries and District Coordinators, on the health of membership in their areas.

In order to allow for this system to work, any Lodge Secretaries and District Coordinators who are using the Salesforce membership database system in that capacity and are filling out reports, must have an operating system (computer software version), that will support the use of our new membership database.

For example: If you are using a computer more than 10-15 years old, there is a high probability you will be unable to see some items or complete online reporting. The basic minimum requirement to use the Salesforce membership system, and fill out Lodge Meeting Reports and Masters and Wardens Returns, is WINDOWS XP which was released in 2003.

If you do not have this minimum requirement, or are having issues with access – we ask that you look at upgrading.

To assist you, the Grand Secretariat will shortly provide Lodge Secretaries and District Coordinators the ability to purchase the latest software at reduced rates.

In the coming weeks there will also be an offer for LODGE SECRETARIES ONLY, to purchase a second-hand computer with up-to-date software. These numbers are limited.

Keep an eye out for the coming editions of *engage!* Newsletter, which will detail offers for the purchase of up-to-date software and any opportunities to purchase a second hand computer.



## Technology: the way of the future

Over the last few weeks since launching the new Freemasons Victoria website, we have received a number of enquiries relating to accessing files.

To assist you as best we can while we all familiarise ourselves with this new web format, some basic tips and tricks will be featured in each *engage!* Newsletter.

### The Box

By now you will have noticed that when accessing a document or publication, that it is 'housed' within Box. Box is a document repository that stores MS Word and PDF files, and will open immediately when you click on a link to a document file.

Simply click on the document you wish to open or view. The document will remain housed in Box until you wish to 'download' it, using the **Option** button in the top right corner. Once downloaded the file will appear on your desktop where you can then save or print it.

If you see a Box 'pop up'



appear, offering you an opportunity to purchase, IGNORE IT. This pop up will be removed from our functionality shortly.

If you still feel that you need to speak to someone, contact Gabrielle Forman at [gforman@freemasonsvic.net.au](mailto:gforman@freemasonsvic.net.au)



## Footsteps of Freemasonry

*The Orders of Chivalry and the Crusaders Tour, 28 April-18 May 2014*

This fabulous voyage of discovery, organised by the United Grand Lodge of NSW and ACT is offered to you, your family and friends as a one-off opportunity to visit the Holy Sites to the three Great Monotheistic Religions, the core of the first Christian Kingdom of Jerusalem and the last stronghold of the Orders of Chivalry in the Holy Land. In addition, included is a specially planned Tour of the Sites that were originally built and used by the Orders of Chivalry, in the Carpathian Mountains – in Romania. For the first time and as an exclusive opportunity, Masons are invited to peruse the oldest Documents related to these Orders that have found their place in our Rituals of the higher degree. Visit the Kings Palaces lavishly decorated and retreats in the Mountains that were hidden from the eyes of the Tourist behind the Iron Curtain, by the Red Communist Regimes of Eastern Europe.

Our visit to Romania will coincide with the International Meeting of the Grand Masters in Bucharest.

A few exclusive Masonic meetings are planned with Lodges and Chapters in both countries and during that time, our Ladies and Friends will be taken care of and offered elaborated programs.

The All-inclusive Tour covers rich full-board in 4-5\*\*\* De Luxe Hotels, Luxuriously accommodated Tour Buses, all entries at all visited sites, highly skilled appointed Masonic guides, all tips to porters, drivers and guides as well as surprisingly attractive offers on the way. No hidden costs, no last minute surprise.

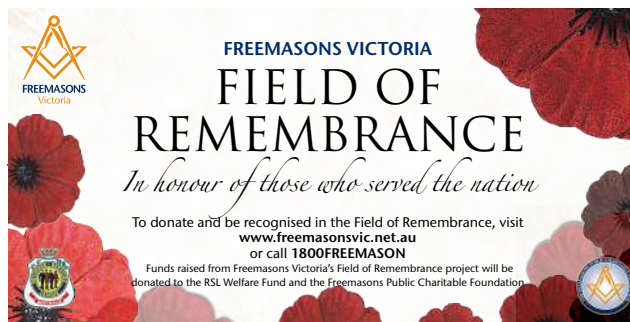
For the uniquely LOW cost of the Tour, to cover the highest quality of services, negotiated by Masons for our Brethren, even the Airfare from Tel Aviv to Bucharest (return) is included and every detail is clearly taken in consideration for your comfort and complete relaxation and pleasure.

Registration is now open and we will soon reach full capacity of our Tour. Contact promptly RWBro. Joe Haffner PDGM of NSW and ACT at [cosimex@bigpond.net.au](mailto:cosimex@bigpond.net.au)

## Field of Remembrance

Between 6 and 13 November, the lawn outside the Dallas Brooks Centre will be transformed into a field of white crosses, each one in remembrance of a serviceman or woman who served the nation.

Freemasons, Lodges, member's families and friends, and RSL members are invited to donate and be recognised in the Field of Remembrance.



Contact Freemasons Victoria on (03) 9411 0111 to make your donation today!

## Need a new shirt?



Need a new business or dinner shirt? Freemasons Victoria members are being exclusively offered Hardy Amies London shirts in a range of different sizes for only \$60.50.

To see images of the shirts and more merchandise visit the e-Shop on the Freemasons Victoria website via your membership login.

Further information contact Bob Young on (03) 9411 0138 or [bob@freemasonsvic.net.au](mailto:bob@freemasonsvic.net.au)

## Masonic Church Service

There will be a Masonic Church Service at St Peter's Anglican Church on Sunday 13 October at 10am.

77 Were Street (cnr. Moffat St)  
Brighton Vic 3186  
(Melway 76 E2)

This is an annual event to celebrate Freemason's Service to the Community, the Grand Master and Grand Lodge Choir will be in attendance.

We hope that members support them.

**NOTE:** This year the service will be held on the second Sunday of October.

## Join the Masonic Bowls Club

Get together with friends and your fellow Brother for a game of bowls and a bite to eat on a sunny Sunday afternoon. There are so many other things that you could be doing on a Sunday, but getting out your whites and polishing up your favourite balls takes your weekend to a whole new level.

At only \$10 a year, membership to this Club will provide you with the opportunity to meet with regular or new members as well as stretch the legs!

Since the establishment of the bowls club, its membership has been on a steady increase, starting with 30 members in the 1960s up to around 60 members in the 1970s. By the time the Club moved to Middle Park membership had reached 140 members, but is currently around 80 members.

This Club's rich history will be detailed in the next *Freemasonry Victoria Magazine*, but in the meantime, it would be great to see some new faces to reignite the traditions of the Club and continue its growth well into the next decade.

### The 2013/14 Bowls Season

Sunday 20 October  
Middle Park Bowling Club  
12pm lunch TBA – 1pm bowls

Sunday 17 November  
Coburg/Moreland Bowls Club  
12pm lunch TBA – 1pm bowls

Sunday 8 December  
Middle Park Bowling Club  
1pm bowls – 3pm Xmas dinner  
Blind bowlers sponsor day


Sunday 16 February  
Coburg/Moreland Bowls Club  
12pm lunch TBA – 1pm bowls

Sunday 16 March  
Coburg/Moreland Bowls Club  
12pm lunch TBA – 1pm bowls

If you are interested in learning more about the Club or joining, please contact Honourable Secretary WBro. Frank Anning on (03) 9585 5206.



### ACTION LIST

<p><b>Order your Remembrance Day White Cross</b> Donate and be recognised in the Field of Remembrance Contact: Freemasons Victoria on (03) 9411 0111</p>	✓
<p><b>Organise your Think Pink fundraising event</b> Contact Donna De La Rue at <a href="mailto:delarue@freemasonsvic.net.au">delarue@freemasonsvic.net.au</a> to let us know about what you're planning. Check the website to see what other Lodges have in store.</p>	
<p><b>Check the Think Pink Freemasons Victoria FaceBook page, to get your \$10 Think Pink Pin NOW!</b> Contact Donna De La Rue to place your order, email: <a href="mailto:delarue@freemasonsvic.net.au">delarue@freemasonsvic.net.au</a></p>	
<p><b>RSVP for the Freemasons in the East Business Luncheon</b> Bookings are essential, RSVP by Friday 4 October Visit: <a href="https://easternbusiness.eventbrite.com.au">https://easternbusiness.eventbrite.com.au</a></p>	

### What's happening in your Lodge?

If you're involved in an activity or event that you think deserves wider exposure, send a short story and a good quality photograph (at least 1MG) to Gabrielle Forman at [editor@freemasonsvic.net.au](mailto:editor@freemasonsvic.net.au)

### Got a collection?

Have you been collecting something or various types of 'somethings' for years, and now have such a huge collection you've had to build a house for all of your somethings?!

We'd love to hear from you! You and your collection of 'somethings' may feature in the next *Freemasonry Victoria Magazine*!

### Deadlines for content for coming issues:

Engage 59 - 15 October  
Engage 60 - 29 October  
Engage 61 - 12 November  
Engage 62 - 26 November

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