



## **BIRD OF THE CENTURY**

New Zealand has crowned a bird that grunts, pukes and has a highly unusual repertoire of mating rituals as its bird of the century.

The threatened Australasian crested grebe, or puteketeke.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

## Welcome to the B- P Guild: Issue #262 of Te Pukapuka

## **Greetings from the Editor**

Well this mid-November and only 6 weeks until Christmas, Black Friday sales are upon us and one day we may have a government, in fact possibly by the time you get this edition of Te Pukapuka.

Last month I included the Trefoil E-Link which drew some comment, however, we are all members of the New Zealand Scout and Guide Fellowship whose conference is coming up in March. It is the only source of Trefoil activity information. Did anybody discover anything (not person) commemorating 50 years of Trefoil.

Best wishes for Christmas and the New Year, may it be a great time of fun, food & fellowship. Remember the reason for the season.

Peter

#### DON'T FORGET – TRIENNIAL CONFERENCE CHRISTCHURCH 15 – 17 MARCH 2024

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## Situations vacant (as at AGM)

National Guildmaster (see Lesley for nomination forms.)

Editor See Peter



## **Patrons Patter**

Greetings to you all, where has 2023 gone ?? Goodness, groups are planning their final meetings for the year and it seems no time since we were enjoying Christmas Fellowship 2022.

Murihiku had a very enjoyable afternoon last month visiting our scribe John MacManus and Wife Janet's latest house. They had lived in a small cottage in Duke Street Invercargill which they extended turning into a good Family home. They later sold and lived in a pleasant house on the other side of town.- 17 years later they saw Their Duke St. home with so many memories was once again for sale, they bought the house again and have spent the last few months bringing it back to their satisfaction. Now they can sit back and enjoy their lovely home and garden which they opened up to us even had a few games and many laughs.

We won't mention the inclement weather, but I find I really do enjoy lovely days when we have one. hopefully many more to come.

Best Wishes for a Happy Christmas, Keep well, and if travelling stay safe.

All the very best for 2024. Regards Margaret

#### **GONE HOME**

RAY ANDREW JOHNSTON 14 November 1936 – 19 October 2023

Scouting friends farewelled Auckland Guild member Ray Johnston at the Camp Schlaepfer outdoor chapel 25 October 2023

The rain stopped, the sun shone and the birds sang.

Ray's memorial was led by Guild member, David Thorpe. His scouting service in the movement started in the East Harbour Scout Group, South Hutt District, Wellington, when he accepted a warrant as an Assistant Scoutmaster in November 1954. Ray was also well known as the resident Camp Warden of the Wellington Brookfield Campsite for some 12 years where he completed a number of improvements to the camp infrastructure. In 1975, after moving to Auckland and getting his family settled in Pukekohe, Ray agreed to take a warrant as Scout Leader in the local Scout Group

and 5 years later, in addition to his Group responsibilities, he also took on the role of District Scout Leader for the then Franklin District.

Ray also held warrants as Auckland Area Training Leader and Auckland Area Scout Leader and for many years was the camp warden at Camp Schlaepfer.

Ray always acknowledged his wife Joy and the support she freely gave to his community service to Scouting, the NZ Territorial Army and the local Lions Club. Ray was made a life member of Scouting NZ in recognition of his 68 years of outstanding commitment as a leader and in 2014 was awarded the Queens Service medal.

Gary

## From Peter (Editor)

I got to know Ray and Joy when we went the Oamaru Jamboree in 1978. I was Contingent Leader, Joy was secretary and Ray was a Troop Leader. We took a combined contingent from Manurewa, Papakura and Pukekohe and had 120 Scouts. Joy did most of the organising because gear and members were from 3 districts. ( She was much better at herding cats than I was ). As usual the Jamboree was straight after Christmas so we loaded our gear into a container and sent it off by train. Then we found it had been shunted into a shed at Lyttleton and locked up for the Christmas break. Ray flew down to Christchurch urgently and somehow managed to get the container out of storage and onto our site.

The Jamboree went off well but the night before leaving it rained quite heavily. So there we had 29 wet tents to send home. You can imagine what they would be like in a container which could take a month to get back to Papakura on the train. Ray worked another miracle and persuaded Air New Zealand to fly them back to Auckland with the contingent as baggage. What a hero!



NZ Baden-Powell Guild and Trefoil Guild members eating Gelato late at night at Sydney ISGF World Conference 2014 ( Ray standing at back)

## **National Guildmaster's Comments**

Where has the year gone, Christmas is almost upon us, only 6 weeks to go. But remember:

# Yesterday is history, tomorrow is a mystery, today is a gift, that's why it's called the present.

#### NZSGF Conference 2024

This will be held on  $15^{\text{th}} - 17^{\text{th}}$  March 2024 at Redwood Hotel, Christchurch.

Planning is complete and registration forms have been sent out. Please ensure these are completed, along with the dietary, accommodation and medical forms, and returned to Mary Crane (<u>nzsgfmary@gmail.com</u>). Contact Mary if you require more forms.

#### Branch AGM 2024

Because the NZSGF Triennial Conference is being held 15 - 17 March 2024, can all Branches please hold their AGM in February, with all paperwork being sent to Cheryl or Lesley by the first week in March for inclusion in the Triennial Conference booklet? Many thanks for your consideration.

#### **International (World) Fellowship Day**

We all had a great zoom meeting to celebrate Fellowship Day and my special thanks go to Sue and Allan Page and the UK Baden-Powell Guild for organising this. There were members from the UK, Greece, New Zealand, Australia, Maldives, Netherlands and Belgium. It was very interesting chatting to everyone, with Sue giving a short presentation on the Sydney and Bali ISGF World Conferences. It was really great to see people we had met before. I remember the evenings in Sydney after a full days programme we stopped and have a Gelato on the way back to our Motels/Hotels. (see photo elsewhere)

#### **UK Central Branch Zoom Meeting**

These are held monthly and are always really interesting. They are held in the evening in UK, so it is a morning here, but well worth joining in. Anyone can join in, contact <u>sue.page3@btinternet.com</u> to be added to their mailing list.

#### Nomination Forms for National Guildmaster position

These were sent out by separate email to all registered members who have email addresses. Please contact Cheryl Dalzell, National Secretary, for further information or return completed nomination forms to Cheryl on cheryldalzell1946@gmail.com

#### Happy Holidays to all

I would like to thank everyone for their support over the last few very trying years for all of us. We have had some members who have gone into care and some who have 'Gone Home', but it still a great organisation to belong to and, whoever takes over the reins, will continue to support the members. Have a fabulous time with family and friends over Christmas and we will see you all in March at the Triennial Conference. **Lesley Bowers, National Guildmaster** 

## NZSGF Inc Conference 15 – 17<sup>th</sup> March 2024 - Christchurch

#### **Registrations close on the 1st February 2024**

Registration papers were sent to all Secretaries.

If you require any of the forms to register, you can get them from Mary Crane <a href="mailto:nzsgfmary@gmail.com">nzsgfmary@gmail.com</a>

If you plan to attend Mary would appreciate your Registration forms as Christmas and New Year are coming up very quickly. At present only 24 have registered.

All final information will come in the New Year from the NZSGF Inc. Council.

## Weka Campsite works (from Littlejohn)



Today Ron and Maureen Mawson and Margaret and I visited Little John's Grave at Rissington. At The National AGM funds were donated to the Rissington Community Group to help with the restoration of the Cemetery. This is the work that has been carried out so far and it is great to see green grass appearing instead of piles of silt. The have also started planting native trees as you can see there is only one oak tree still standing.





A short walk down

the road to

the Rissington Cemetery to Little John's Grave for a Scouts Own Service. The Rissington Community joined us and wreaths were laid on Little John's Grave . The service was planned by Ron Mawson. The photo of the damage done by the cyclone shows how much work has been done to restore the cemetery to its former state. There is still a lot more work to do.

## From Littlejohn

Report on Waiapu Zone Founders Day Awards

The Guild having been invited to attend the Awards at Greendale Scout Den, Glenys, Maureen and Ron attended on behalf of the Guild. We arrived to find that we had reserved seats in the front row giving us a good view of the presentations. The awards were opened by a welcome. The colour party marced in and the flags displayed at the rear of the den. Once this was done we all sang the National Anthem. The hosts (Greendale) gave a short memorable skit with a blowfly.

A very informative talk from Father and Daughter on the World Jamboree, with a display of memorabilia, describing the hassels trying to get 34,000 scouts to safety as a cyclone arrives.

The awards then presented with Westshore getting the Best Practice Award for engagement with the community.

Now came the BRAVO awards which were many. We were surprised to find the Guild to be in that list and Glenys, on behalf of the Guild, received the BRAVO award given for showing an interest and helping out at Scouting activities. Another short skit followed by reaffirmation of the Scout and Kea promise.

Zone Leader gave some awards to cubs and Keas for helping with Queens memorial.

A moving song was sung by Isobella Comber with all of us joining in the chorus.

The afternoon concluded with colour party collecting the flags, then afternoon tea.

A most enjoyable afternoon - Ron

#### Report from Wanganui/Manawatu branch:

In July we met at Lorna's house. We had planned to go on to visit the Wildbase Centre , but due to bad weather, we enjoyed chatting round her table instead. In August, Glad brought along her cardmaking equipment. She had cards already printed for us all, and we enjoyed colouring them and putting on various stickers to make them into lovely cards we could gift to special people in our lives. All turned out very different and individual.

In September we were able to admire the beautiful portrait of Baden Powell that had once hung in the hall at Tatum Park. It is now mounted on the wall in Bulls Scout Hall. We had our photos taken by it. Now he looks over us at our meetings – and the cubs and scouts there too!

I was sent a package from the son of Joyce Telfer, a long time member who had died a few years ago. I kept it to open all together. It contained a number of guild scarves with different badges, different guild pins, various types of woggles, badges,

etc. Alan plans to make a case so it can all be put on display alongside BP in the Bulls hall.

After lunch we looked through stamp collections of some of our members. Also some collectors editions on envelopes. Very interesting.

Since then, due to bad health/medical problems and long hospital stays for some of our few members, we have not been able to meet.

Hopefully all will be well for the start of the new year.

## Murihiku Guild News - October 2023

At last I have found time to put pen to paper and tell you about some activities the Murihiku Guild have been up to this year. This year Janet and I have made a move back to our forever home, one we built some 20 years ago. After developing this property we sold it so we could fund more travelling, but, had always regretted that decision. So now we have it back , last month we had the pleasure of hosting the Murihiku Guild to a games afternoon- a real favourite was our "Kim's" game (see photos 1&2) and of course the afternoon tea and the catch-up and chatter-time. We started the year with a fun outdoor afternoon at the Invercargill Croquet Club under the leadership our Guild master Warwick and his wife. A great afternoon and experience for us all as the majority of us had never played Croquet before. (See photo 3) Our afternoon finished with the usual cupper and Chatter-time. Mid winter we had our annual combined lunch with the local Trefoil Guild at a local cafe "First on Windsor". A great catch up time with the exchange of a number of Scout and Guide Mementos' like Scout and Guide publications, Photos etc between some members (See Photo 4)

Another exciting activity was our trip to Bluff to Have Lunch at the RSA and visit their interesting military history museum. Found some very interesting facts of local history and lots of names of people we knew of involved in the Southland and more particularly Bluff communities. See Photo 5 of Guild Group at Bluff. Wishing you all best for Christmas and 2024 *KOTARE* 





#### **CENTRAL OTAGO BRANCH**

Hi, I have just sent you (hopefully) 3 photos of our Guild road trip on 16<sup>th</sup> September.

Eight people attended, six of them being Guild members, Jean, Heather, Trevor, Viona, Michelle and Simon with Jean's husband Ross and Heather's husband Kevin making up the eight.

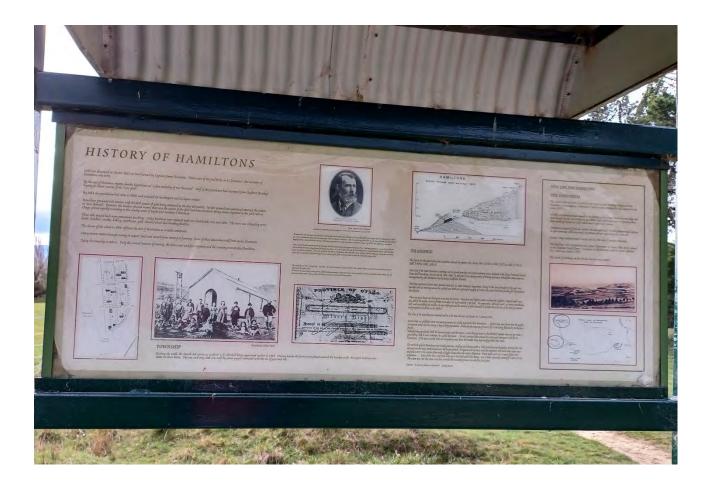
We met at 10.30 am on the 16<sup>th</sup> September and headed to the Vulcan Hotel at St Bathans for morning tea. Although we didn't get to experience the local ghost, I have to say that the centre of the cheese roll was decidedly chilly. And Viona requested a re-heat for her coffee. We continued on to the Nasby to check out the Curling and Luge facility, but only for a look as we had previously sampled Curling as a Guild activity, but not the Luge. Next stop the Danseys Pass Hotel for lunch. Great food and service, and plenty of artifacts around the room to ensure there were plenty of interesting discussions. Next stop the Kyburn Diggings and cemetery and then a short drive to the old Sanitorium at Waipiata which also used to be a Borstal, unfortunately this was closed. Undeterred we headed up the hill to the Hamilton Diggings and cemetery that has an amazing view over the Maniototo Valley. By this time it was late afternoon, windy and cool, so we stopped off at the Patearoa pub for a debrief. Some gathered by the fire and others found a sunny window to thaw out beside. Last stop the Waipiata Hotel for dinner and once again great food. They have amazing homemade pies and other restaurant meals.

The day winded up around 7.30pm. A long day but a good one. I have to say we all enjoyed the road trip and would highly

recommend it.







#### **Auckland Guild**



Sunday 15th October, Akld B-P Guild members meet for Lunch & Fellowship at Happy Days Buffet Restaurant in Manurewa. A great catch up by all & David Thorpe was invested to the Guild.

## **Christchurch Guild**

"Christchurch members send Festive Season greetings to all. May 2024 be a successful, happy year and one of good health and Peace throughout the World. "



What did the peanut butter say to the grape on Christmas. "tis the season to be Jelly" How is the alphabet different on Christmas from every other day. 'There's Noel'

At a cocktail party, a guest lamented " IU come from a family of unfortunate writers. My father writes songs no one can sing.

My sister writes poems that no one can understand and I write cheques that no one can cash.

The kindergarten class toured the local fire station. A fireman told them 'stop, drop and roll' if their clothing ever caught fire.

Interested to see whether the children has listened or not, the instructor asked a little boy what he would do if his clothes were on fire.

After a moment the boy replied "I wouldn't put them on!

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Shoulder Flashes	\$1.50 pair	BADEN POWEL
CR20	Shirt Membership Badge	0.80c each
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B-P Guild Scarf Badge		\$1.50 each
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• The Baden-Powell Guild (B-P Guild) for former Scouts (1956),

• The Trefoil Guild for former Guides (1956),

• or the Local Scout and Guide Fellowship for both Scout and Guides (LSGF 2018).

All three organisations operate under the umbrella of the New Zealand Scout and

Guide Fellowship (NZSGF 1961) which in turn is a member of the International Scout

and Guide Fellowship with members in 72 Countries and their headquarters in Brussels.

The New Zealand branches meet throughout the country and provide an opportunity

for members to continue the friendships made during their time working in the groups, and at zone or national events. People can also have individual membership, if

they are not close to an existing Branch. Meetings vary from group to group and include outings, speakers, voluntary work, meals etc. with the emphasis being on fellowship and socialising with valued friends.

New members are welcome and enquiries as to where the nearest Guild or Fellowship

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