



CLAN MACMILLAN SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIA

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<http://clanmacmillanaustralia.com.au/>

MACMILLAN

SYMBOLS

CREST: A dexter with a hand issuing from the wreath, grasping and brandishing aloft, a two-handed sword.

MOTTO: Miseris succurrere disco
(I learn to succour the distressed).



PLANT BADGE: Holly

GAELIC NAME:
MacGhille-Mhaolain.



YOUR COMMITTEE

President/Trustee
Kaye O'Reilly

Secretary:
Myrna Robertson

Treasurer:
Amanda Fing

Webperson: Editor:
Caretaker mode

Committee:
Jan Brooks & Ross Underwood

Presidents Report, July 2021

Dear members and friends of the Clan MacMillan Society of Australia, another year has passed with little to no activity for our society. I would like to thank you all for your continued support in these difficult times, membership is at an all time low so your support is invaluable.

Government restrictions have meant we couldn't attend our usual Highland gatherings this year. Our next event should be the Kirkin' of the Tartan at Scots Church in Melbourne. I have checked the "Melbourne Tartan Festival 21" web site and they have it listed for the 11th July with a 10.45am arrival time and the service begins at 11.00am. You will need to get a ticket but they are free. I believe that because we have been in lockdown with country and city people again kept away from each other the link to get those tickets is inactive at the moment: <https://scotsofaus.org.au/festival-11-7-21/>

Next is the The Ringwood Highland Games and Celtic Festival to be held on 3rd of October 9am to 5pm at Eastfield Park, 119 Eastfield road Croydon, VIC. Help us to help them keep the Highland spirit alive by attending. We will have a hospitality table for you to take a rest and enjoy a refreshment at our information gazebo.

Between lockdowns we were able to hold our 2020 AGM. The committee remained the same apart from The Treasurer, Mick McMillan, who has resigned due to ill health. We thank Mick for his many years of service to Clan MacMillan Australia and International. Amanda Fing is our new treasurer and we wish her well in the roll. Her address details for posting you annual subscription are inside the newsletter. As always you can pay using our BSB and account numbers but please don't forget to leave your name as a reference. More details inside.

Kaye O'Reilly

NEWS

We are GRATEFUL for your continued support during these trying times. Membership numbers are just above 20. If you would like to pass on our newsletter to anyone you think might be interested in joining/supporting our group please do. We have kept the subscription at \$20.00 per year. If you are a new or lapsed member your membership fee is capped at \$20.

Where your money goes? \$8 of your subscription goes to the International centre at Finlaystone, Scotland the other \$12 helps run the Clan MacMillan Soc. of Australia. We subscribe to Scots of Victoria, ZZZ Radio, G.S.V. (membership and insurance) & Vaffho.

We have 2 positions vacant on the committee, Web person and Editor. If anyone has an interest in these rolls please contact Kaye. Email: oreillykaye@gmail.com

AGM 2020-2021 18 September 2021.

At the home of Committee member Jan Brooks, Cheltenham. 3192. Our meetings start with a BYO lunch at noon followed by the meeting at approximately 1pm. Having a city venue we hope more members will be able to make it. If you can come please contact Jan so we can prepare seating. Email: janicebrooks1@optusnet.com.au

VALE

We were saddened to hear of the death of members Brian Brown, husband of Mae, East Bentleigh . John McMillan husband of Kaye, Metung. Ms. Debra Vaughan, Williamstown.

Of interest:

The first gathering of CMSA was at a BBQ on the banks of the Yarra River at Scots Collage, Hawthorn in October 1982. Special guests were the then son of the chief, George MacMillan and his wife Jane.

The first committee:

President: Donald MacMillan C/O Scotch Collage, Hawthorn

Secretary: Steven McMillan, Vermont South

Treasurer: John T. Macmillan, Mount Waverley

Archivist: John Ronald Macmillan, Camberwell



Clan MacMillan International Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/clanmacmillaninternational/>

Check Robert McMillan's posts regarding the MacMillan DNA project.

Purchase a YDNA kit thru "Family Tree DNA" to trace your male line, men only.

Clan MacMillian Society of Australia Facebook Page

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1782773161794943/>

Highland Roots Ancestral Tours Facebook Page

<https://www.facebook.com/highlandrootsancestraltours/>

Ringwood Highland Games & Celtic Festival

<https://www.facebook.com/ringwoodvictoriaaustralia>

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VERY HAPPY
90th BIRTHDAY
TO LIFE MEMBER
JUNE DANKS

As an inaugural member of CMSA (#7) June has been a great supporter of the Clan. She joined the committee in 1997 and became President in 1998. She resigned the role in 2015.



From the archives: Left, Ian McMillan from Geelong and Debra Vaughan of Albert Park. 2004

CLAN MACMILLAN PICNIC AT GEELONG



Geelong Highland Gathering

Keep an eye out for our information tent at the next Gathering in Geelong. We were to be represented this year but due to Covid19 restrictions it was not to be. Judie McMillan has kindly volunteered to host an information table for us

<http://www.geelonghighlandgathering.org.au/>

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If you have any items you would like to include in the newsletters please send them in an email to the caretaker editor: oreillykaye@gmail.com or post to the address provided above. Why not repost your surname interests?

MICK MCMILLAN

A photo wall to honour Mick for his years of service to our Clan.

Thank you for your service Mick, we will miss you on the committee but hope to see you at events when your health allows. Mick joined the CMSA in 1999 and became a committee member in 2001, assistant editor helping June Senior with printing in 2002 and in 2003 became Vice President and Editor. He took on the additional rolls of Editor and Trustee in 2015. He gave up the roll of Editor in 2017 but continued as Treasurer and Trustee till 2021. Mick and Mary-Anne could also be found hosting our information tent at the Ringwood games for many years.

That's over 20 years of Service. Congratulations!



Clan MacMillan AGM, Oct 2004
Myrna Robertson, June Senior, Debra Vaughan & Mick M



Mick, Chief George and Mary-Anne 2005



Ringwood Highland Games 2009



Mick, Coral, Myrna and Ross



Mick McMillan and June Damks



Kaye Myrna, Jan, Mike, Mick, Mary Anne, Fay Ryan & June
2017 AGM in Upwey



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