



B'NAI B'RITH PREVIEW



Message from the President on mission and vision (again)



I seem to have written about our mission and vision previously but as this is a work in progress, I thought I would update you about my thoughts. There is no real endpoint to this as wording can always be improved and new opportunities can shift our focus a little to make us more 'strategic'.

There are two reasons for updating you. First, I believe that all members should see our most recent wording which, for your convenience, has been printed on the next page. Second, the mission and vision statement should be understood for what it is and what it is not. Let me explain this.

Understanding the purpose of an organisation is clearly important if you want to convince people that it is worth supporting. B'nai B'rith has to reach beyond its current membership and it must evolve into an organisation which is relevant to the next generation. It has no chance of success if it doesn't know what it is. Clarifying this understanding in words has involved much consultation over several years, but I am now satisfied that we are as clear as we can be so that we can move to the next challenge.

This challenge acknowledges that a mission and vision statement is not enough in itself. Our future will not be guaranteed just because we have a set of carefully crafted words with a good marketing campaign behind them. We need to offer good quality and relevant programs and provide sufficient flexibility and innovation to draw in others from the broader Jewish community.



Offering relevant and innovative programs is the core business of B'nai B'rith Victoria as a state-based organisation. It is not necessarily the core business of individual Units, although they should operate in a way that is consistent with the organisation's mission and vision. It is not necessarily the main focus of individual projects; some are Unit-based, some belong entirely to B'nai B'rith Victoria, and many are in between. This can – and has – caused confusion between projects and B'nai B'rith Victoria as differences arise over leadership and operational decision-making.

It is important to support B'nai B'rith Victoria in its vision for the future. This requires all of us to look at the bigger picture. So, I urge you to read the mission and vision statement and consider how this might affect what you do within B'nai B'rith.

Peter Schattner
President

B'nai B'rith Victoria - Mission and Vision Summary

B'nai B'rith is the oldest and largest international Jewish community service organisation. In Victoria, B'nai B'rith works to unite Jewish people to support those in need, promote human rights, foster understanding through education, and advocate for Israel, whilst creating a platform for capacity-building for the Jewish community.

Mission, Purpose and Vision

Mission (What we do)

The mission of B'nai B'rith is to unite people of the Jewish faith, harnessing our energy to work together for community service, advocacy and capacity building.

Purpose (Why we do it)

The purpose of B'nai B'rith is to strengthen Jewish life in Victoria, reinforcing the community's sense of Jewish identity, and reflecting its shared humanitarian principles, cultural heritage and legacy of innovation.

Vision (What does success look like?)

The vision for B'nai B'rith is for it to become a major contributor to the Jewish community's cohesion, creativity and capacity-building.

Core Values of B'nai B'rith Victoria

- Unity
- Diversity
- Integrity
- Innovation
- Collaboration

Goals and Strategies

Goals

The goals of B'nai B'rith are to:

- Provide opportunities for social connection
- Deliver projects and programs with impact that support those in need, promote human rights and foster understanding, celebrate the Jewish community's achievements and talents, and support Israel
- Support Jewish community capacity-building

Strategies

These goals will be achieved via six main strategies:

- Providing opportunities for social connection through membership and functions
- Running programs that support those in need through fund-raising and other projects
- Promoting human rights and fostering understanding through advocacy and educational events
- Celebrating community achievers through awards, scholarships, bursaries and competitions
- Supporting Israel through fund-raising and advocacy
- Engaging in partnerships, collaborations and capacity-building projects

B'nai B'rith Victoria motto

B'nai B'rith – Strengthening Jewish Life

Message from the BBANZ President



The three-day BBANZ Convention held in Melbourne in mid-September 2022 showed the strengths and some of the challenges facing B'nai B'rith, now in its 77th year in Australia. The 16 speakers, two workshops plus a Gala Dinner and a cocktail party gave all 80 attendees (plus those on Zoom) a chance to learn, to socialise and to reflect on our proud history of serving the Jewish and wider community. It's probably unfair to pick the highlights of the Convention, as this is always a personal choice. But here are my top eight picks:

1. The welcome to country address by Dr Lois Peeler a Yorta Yorta woman who delivered a beautiful poem which stated: I am the child of the dream time people.
2. The opening address by Seth Riklin, International President of B'nai B'rith. He highlighted his desire to make members proud to belong to such an active and important organisation.
3. The address by the two BBO students who impressed us with their articulate and confident presentation on their project on antisemitism in non-Jewish schools.
4. The Gala Dinner with good food, entertainment by ex-Bialik student Judy Perl and induction by Seth Riklin of new BBANZ President Benny Monheit
5. The fascinating address by Tony Benbow OMA on the lessons B'nai B'rith can learn from the Lions Foundation Australia. It was comforting to know that other organisations have similar challenges and are working successfully to overcome them.
6. The presentations by our three Regional Presidents from Victoria, New South Wales and New Zealand on how they are tackling membership.
7. The 88 pages of the Book of Reports which clearly laid out the summary of activities and funding of each affiliated part of B'nai Brith.
8. The probing questions posed to us by David Southwick MP at the final session.

The conference cost \$15,500. Financially we broke even, which is a credit to the organising committee and the enthusiastic response from paying members, sponsors and the financial support from BBANZ and the host agency B'nai B'rith Victoria. The money was worth it.

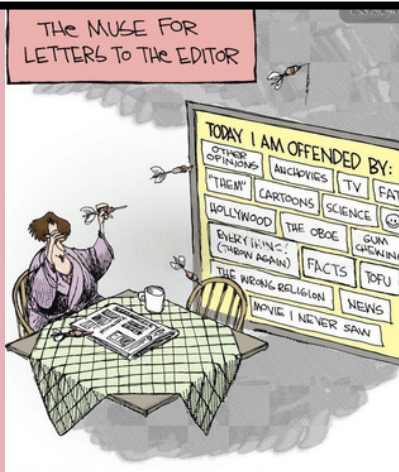
What were the challenges? Unsurprisingly, these were our declining membership numbers and the difficulties in attracting new members to existing Units and projects. One of the solutions to this problem by Lions as well as B'nai Brith Israel was to form new groups, often of people around retirement age ie the Baby Boomers (1948-1965) and Generation X age groups (1965-1980), focusing initially on social activities, then later on community service activities that the group itself has chosen. These new groups are generally less formal and more comfortable with social media communication than members in our existing Lodges and Units.

The convention also explored the success of some major projects such as Courage to Care, the Stop Racism Now campaigns and the Yad Vashem Project. Can they become national projects? By the end of the Convention the future somehow seemed brighter for B'nai Brith.

A big sincere thank you to the many people who helped to make this Convention such an important and memorable event.

Best wishes,

Benny Monheit, President B'nai B'rith Australia/New Zealand



Introducing Letters to the Editor

Feel free to send in any comments, questions and observations on any topic to editor@bbvic.org.au. We will include a selection in each month's Preview.

Looking forward to hearing from you!

BBANZ Triennial Convention



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RAOUL WALLENBERG UNIT

Co-Presidents: Simone Markus / Jacqui Dinor-Corry

Secretary: Adrienne Perch

Preview: Jacqui Dinor-Corry

What's on in November

Tuesday 1

1:00pm - **Cup Day Lunch** and horse sweep at the home of Jacqui Dinor Corry.
\$25. This replaces our Regular meeting.
Phone Jacqui for confirmation

Wednesday 16

9:00am - **Day bus tour** to Yarra Valley and Healesville- Maroondah Dam, Alowyn Gardens and Chocolaterie- Belgian Chocolates.
Bookings essential - Irene Bud
Morning tea and drinks provided. \$50

Tuesday 22

2:30pm - Guest speaker Sgt. Major Alan Jackson of the Israeli 55th Regiment of the 35th Paratrooper Brigade was the first to lead his men into battle, to reclaim Jerusalem in the 1967 War. He received a wartime promotion to Captain afterwards due to his Leadership Skills.

Wednesday 30

2:30pm - **Executive Meeting** at the home of Marilyn and George Schimmel.

Coming up in December

Tuesday 6

2:00pm - **Regular Meeting** Pre-Chanukah Party and quiz with quizmaster Iain Messer. All B'nai B'rith units invited to attend.
Afternoon tea provided. Gold coin donation.

Coming up in 2023

Sunday

January 15

11:00am - **Save the Date! Inaugural Raoul Wallenberg Day**
Guest speaker The Hon. Mark Dreyfus KC MP, Attorney General of Australia.
Venue: St Kilda Town Hall.
Invitations to follow.

Sunday

February 12

2:00pm - **Welcome home to the Yad Vashem teachers** at Beth Weizmann.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY:

Dr Anne White (11), Ben Slonim OAM (18), Harry Better OAM (25).

MAZAL TOV to Judi and Dr Peter Schiff on the engagement of their grandson Nathan to Tamsin; Miriam and Emery Faraday on the birth of a great granddaughter in New York and to Wendy Waller on the birth of a great grandson in Israel.

CONDOLENCES: We deeply mourn the passing of our Sister Ruth Riess. May her memory be a blessing. Condolences to Sister Wendy Waller on the passing of her brother David in the UK.

DONATIONS RECEIVED:

Harry OAM and Pola Better, Ruth Figdor, Esther Gross, Joshua Kahn, Editta Matessi, Ian and Jenny Meltzer and Esther Zbar.

GESHER-RABIN UNIT

Co-Presidents: Karin Zafir / Leon Nissen

Secretary: Sue Moskowitz

Preview: Karin Zafir

Welcome to our new members Lee Ruth Hirsh and Judith Pinto!
We hope you enjoy what we have on offer!

Every Sunday 11:00am - Sunday morning "get-together"

Every Thursday 11:00am - **Exercise Classes** - Exercises adapted for all levels of fitness.

What's on in November:

Sunday 6 7:30pm - **Trivia Function** in support of The Tachlit-Meir Center for Youth at High Risk in Sderot, Israel and The Israeli Guide Dog Institute in Bet Oved.
 Bookings: www.trybooking.com/CCRER

Sunday 20 10:00am - 2:00pm - **Mitzvah Day Reverse Garage Sale / Collect-a-thon**

Tuesday 22 2:30pm - **Joint Meeting with Wallenberg unit.** Guest speaker Sgt. Major Alan Jackson of the Israeli 55th Regiment of the 35th Paratrooper Brigade was the first to lead his men into battle, to reclaim Jerusalem in the 1967 War. He received a wartime promotion to Captain afterwards due to his Leadership Skills.

Sunday 27 **Members coffee and chat get together** at the Umbrella Lounge, 338-340 Glenhuntly Rd.
 Note: 4th Sunday only for Nov Lunch can be ordered during or afterwards.
 RSVP Eleanor Aghion by 23 November.

Coming up in December:

Sunday 18 11:00am - **Members coffee and chat get together** at the Umbrella Lounge, as above.
 RSVP Eleanor Aghion by 14 December.

The following members celebrate their birthdays in November:

Malcolm Flitman (1), Jack Aghion (2), Tom Reisner (9), Eleanor Aghion (10), Eva Pragier (15)

Condolences to the family of Rimma Kleiner who passed away in October.

UNIT AKIBA

Co-Presidents: Helen Fisher / Henry Winfield

Secretary: Annette Gladwin

Preview: Annette Harriott

What's on in November:

Tuesday 1

1:00pm - **Melbourne Cup Day picnic** in Allnutt Park, Wheatley Road McKinnon. Meet up the little hill to the north of the two rotundas, or phone Annette Harriott on 0413 598 246 if you can't find us. Bring along a rug or chairs and a picnic lunch or buy some takeaway in Centre Road. Then join in our cup sweep if you like, as we listen to the race. If the weather looks doubtful, contact Suzanne for alternative arrangements.

Wednesday 16 7:30pm - **Executive Committee meeting** on Zoom.

Thursday 17

8:00-9:30pm - **Jewish Non-Fiction Book Club.** 'People love Dead Jews: Reports from a Haunted Past'. The meeting will be presented both via Zoom and face-to-face in a private home. Presenter: Stephen Schmideg.
Enquiries: non-fiction@bbvic.org.au.

Sunday 20

7:30pm - **Mitzvah Day volunteering at Impact for Women.** Packing Christmas goodies for women fleeing domestic violence, followed by lunch at Sebastians. More information contact Miriam Sztrajt.
Donations of non-perishable food items plus toiletries and household items.
Please check use by date. Can be delivered after Cup Day. Contact Helen Fisher.

Coming up in December:

Sunday 4

11:30am - **Activities Planning meeting**

7:30pm - **Movie night** at Dendy, followed by supper at The Deli. More details to follow.

Wednesday 14 7:30pm - **Executive Committee meeting** on Zoom.

Saturday 31 **New Year's Eve** - More details to follow.

The following members celebrate their birthdays in November:

Cheryl Rubinstein (4) and Alice Peer (5)

We wish a hearty **Mazel Tov** to:

Evi Morawetz on the birth of her granddaughter Yona Victoria (sister to Joel and Zach) and to parents Simon and Bracha

We wish a Refuah Shleima to any other members of Unit Akiba who may be unwell at the present time. We hope to see you joining us again very soon!

Our sincere condolences to Andrew and Kath Kolb and family on the passing of Andrew's mother Edith Kolb.

HATIKVAH UNIT

President: Claude Fromm

Vice-President: Orly Dar

Preview: Judith Steinberg

Coming up in November:

Tuesday 1

10:30am - Cup Day Walk followed by shared lunch. Meet at Leo Baeck Centre 10:30 to drop off food. Those walking, start walk at 11:00am sharp along the Outer Circle. Please bring a plate to share for lunch.

Sunday 20

10:30am - Calico Dolls for Mitzvah Day on Zoom

Please give Gerry a call if you would like to pick up a bag of dolls to complete at home.

7:30pm - Menorah Awards Presentation at Beth Weizmann

Sunday 27

8:00pm - Regular Meeting at Leo Baeck Centre

Guest speaker: Nafti Van DerHooek on "Climate Change and Scientific Perspective".

Please bring a small plate to share for supper. Members to return their bags of non-perishable food, toys and books for our annual Salvation Army Collection.

The following members celebrate their birthdays in November:

Yvonne Neiger (7), Claude Fromm (13), Lorna Friedman (16), Len Rose (18).

Condolences:

On behalf of the members of Hatikvah Unit, we express our sincere condolence to Sol Ben Porath on the sad passing of his brother. We wish you and your family long life.

On behalf of the members of Hatikvah Unit, we express our sincere condolences to Ken Hamer on the sad passing of his sister, June Rubenstein. We wish you and your family long life.

Our thoughts are with both families.

Our best wishes for a healthy month filled with good times and much laughter.

B'NAI B'RITH RAMBLERS

Chair: Vardit Sacks-Davis

Secretary: Tania Tobias

Preview Secretary: Judy Winikoff

Treasurer: Irena Blonder



enquiries@bbramblers.org.au

What's on in November:

Sunday 6

Morning - Miriam will lead a SOMW in Sherbrooke Forest in the beautiful Dandenongs.

Thursday 17

Morning - A mid week walk along the Williamstown foreshore, led by Fairlie and Dennis.

Sunday 20

Vardit and Ron will lead a SOHW walk around Airey's Inlet.

Coming up in December:

Sunday 4

Morning - SOMW in Arthur's Seat Park along the Two Bays Track, led by Evelyn.

MELBOURNE MITZVAH LODGE

President: Janet Machliss Kohn

Vice-President: Dorothy New

Preview: John Kohn

Welcome to our new member Anna Gdanski!
We hope you enjoy what we have on offer!

What's on in November:

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| Wednesday 2 | 7:30pm - Executive Meeting (Zoom) |
| Sunday 6 | Bagel Brunch |
| Monday 7 | 7:30pm - Programming Meeting at Alex and Janet Starr's home.. |
| Wednesday 9 | 7:30pm - Regular Meeting at Beth Weizmann. Guest speaker Jennifer Huppert - Victorian Multicultural Commission. |
| Monday 14 | 10:30am - Overnewton Castle Trip |

PAST EVENTS

The 2022-23 Installation on 18 September at the Caulfield Pavilion was very well attended. It was a lovely, relaxed atmosphere, tastefully decorated tables, tasty food, fabulous entertainment, lots of dancing and singing and kicking up of heels. Paul Gardner and Jack Leder gave the toasts, and MC Roz Goldberg entertained us wearing her fox/wolf stole, telling lots of jokes. Frieda Shapiro introduced the Jenny Goldberg Award winner, Bianca Stern, who gave a short talk and thanked B'nai B'rith.

The October 12 Regular Meeting was held in the home of Dorothy and Charles New. The guest speaker was Dorothy's granddaughter Mia Gardiner who is a journalist at the Jewish News. She spoke about her "un-Jewish life" growing up in Dubai.

A hearty Mazel Tov to members who are celebrating their birthdays in November:

Cedric Gould, Doreen Hermann, Myrna Bishops, Rodney Taft, Aviva Taft, Rachel Boymal, Barbara Mushin, Rene Eisner, Marilyn Gross, Devorah Zmood.

Congratulations to Harry Newhouse who turned 90 in October!

Welfare of Members:

Unfortunately several members will have had, or will soon need surgery. We wish a Refuah Shleima to Deidre Wainrit, Lesley Gaspar, and Alex Lopata.

Tania Tobias is making slow progress and may move to a rehabilitation centre soon.

On a happier note, Mazel Tov to Margaret Fischer on becoming a great grandmother again!

Donations to Making A Difference:

Thank you to Fay Kaufman, Rosalyn and Garry Fabian, Sandra Farber, Judy and Peter Arndt, Frieda and Jeffrey Shapiro, Jack and Gilda Leder, Steve Klein, Judy Winikoff for their generous donations.

To make a donation, please credit our "Making A Difference" account:

BSB 013017 Account Number 9001 28923

Reference box - Your name. Please email Devorah Zmood with your details.

OUT AND ABOUT

Melbourne Mitzvah Lodge Installation



OUT AND ABOUT

Gesher-Rabin Babka Baking Demo



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Raoul Wallenberg Installation with Rabbi Dr Danny Schiff "Fifty Years After Munich"



Jenny Goldberg Community Service Award

B'nai B'rith Victoria is proud to announce Bianca Stern as the recipient of this year's Jenny Goldberg Community Service Grant. Since moving from Sydney to Melbourne in 2016, Bianca has immersed herself in the Community through a variety of voluntary service initiatives.

She has worked as a volunteer for Flying Fox, was a mentor in the JAM project, volunteered for CSG and since its inception has been the General Manager of The All Things Equal Café. This café provides the opportunity for young people with disability to get purposeful employment, training and a fair wage. Bianca wants to see these objectives expand beyond the Café.

Bianca said, "I believe there are incredible opportunities for leaders in our community to learn with, and from others. I hope to use the Grant [of \$2,500] to attend The Social Enterprise World Forum in Brisbane in late September to develop my skills in running a grass roots social enterprise. I see this professional development opportunity as an incredible experience to develop foundations of myself as a leader and I am excited to volunteer, work and contribute to our community for as long as possible."

The Grant, now in its 18th year forms part of B'nai B'rith Victoria's mission to celebrate our community's achievements and talents. The Goldberg Family and the Trustees of the Grant feel very fortunate to be able to award this Grant to such a worthy recipient.



L-R: Trustee Charles New, Bianca Stern, Caitlin Faiman (Jenny Goldberg's niece) and Trustee Frieda Shapiro

NEW SERIES UNDERWAY! Individual sessions can be booked

Armchair

SOCIETY

WITH RON JAMES

FIVE PART FORTNIGHTLY SERIES

10:00am - 12:00pm: Oct 25, Nov 8, Nov 15, Nov 22, Nov 29

Lamm Jewish Library at Beth Weizmann

www.trybooking.com/CCKFJ

SERIES 3

SERIES

TICKETS \$25

Ron James

Speakers Forum: Gender Diversity

On Sunday 23 October, the Speakers Forum Committee hosted what can only be described as a fantastic function. For so many of us, gender diversity seems to be a new topic of conversation and an issue surfacing only in recent times, but we were proven otherwise. Indigenous cultures globally have long accepted those in their communities questioning their gender.

The extraordinary panel included Marc Light, Principal of The King David School, Dr. Debi Feldman, paediatrician at the Royal Children's Hospital Gender Service, clinical Psychologist Tania Grunfeld, and moderator extraordinaire Rebecca Forgasz. The topic of this forum may have been uncomfortable for some, but by the end of the session, all appreciated not only the deep emotion attached to this theme but the implications of a lack of understanding. While we were unable to bring to the panel a person who is or has struggled with their gender identity, the panel provided great insight into the challenges these individuals face each day.



The panel; from L-R: Tania Grunfeld, Rebecca Forgasz, Dr Debi Feldman, Marc Light

With an estimated 3.5% of our population questioning their birth gender, some may wonder why this feels so prevalent and why the subject matter is so important. Compare this to the Jewish population, which sits at 0.2% of the world's population (0.4% in Australia)...do we not matter?

Ultimately, we all deserve to feel safe and not discriminated against. We each have the right to be who we are and express that in however is meaningful to us. So, while we have all grown up in a binary system, believing that men are men and women are women, this panel opened our eyes to wider and broader possibilities. Many of us know individuals, either directly or via our networks, struggling with their gender, it remains our role to let them know they are loved, cared for, and safe to simply be who they are.

Thank you to Faye Haskin-Dubrowin and her wonderful committee for embracing this subject and creating a safe space to discuss what can sometimes feel like a difficult conversation, fully embracing B'nai B'rith's goal of promoting human rights and fostering understanding.



Courage to Care

VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT, ENGAGEMENT & CELEBRATIONS



It has been an extremely productive few months for the Volunteer Coordination Team led by Lisa Lewis. Our volunteers are returning from the schools with wonderfully positive feedback about the teachers and the students they meet. Likewise, the feedback from the schools is that they are so thrilled to have our volunteers back delivering programs.

It is so rewarding when students send thank you cards, and we even had the students at St Joseph's College Geelong request autographs from Professor Henry Ekert one of our incredible Survivor Speakers (see images below).

Our volunteer numbers are steadily growing with prospective volunteers attending Volunteer Information Sessions in the office twice a month. We are also proud of those who have recently completed their training and have become accredited facilitators in both the SYP and MYP programs. The demand for our programs is higher than ever and volunteer recruitment will remain a priority for us.

We have a busy end to 2022 planned with a Survivor & Custodian Speaker Training Session and a Coffee Catch Up for our newest volunteers and our End of Year Volunteer Celebration at the beginning of December.



VISITING GREATER SHEPPARTON SECONDARY COLLEGE, UNCLE BOYDIE AND KEEPING SAFE

When delivering our Upstander programs at Great Shepparton Secondary College we had a special opportunity to share a meal with our Patron, Uncle Boydie Turner.

Uncle Bodie is a true gentleman and believed to be the oldest living Yorta Yorta Elder in Victoria.

In addition to making his own substantial contribution to his community he is custodian of the legacy of his grandfather, the Aboriginal leader, Willian Cooper. Uncle shared with us his personal memories of his grandfather and his positive actions to help others. We continue to be inspired by these amazing elders.

Safety is always our priority so thankfully our volunteers were able to get home before the floods. Our thoughts are with Uncle Boydie and all the residents of Shepparton and Mooroopna during this challenging time.



UPCOMING EVENTS



JCCV
FIRST NATIONS
RECONCILIATION PROGRAM

JEWISH COMMUNITY COUNCIL OF VICTORIA



BBVic
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Victoria



First Nations Voice Q&A

INVITATION

Australians will soon have the opportunity to vote to enshrine an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander voice in the Australian Constitution.



Dean Parkin

Director, From the Heart

Dean is a Quandamooka man of Minjerribah (North Stradbroke Island QLD) and was involved in the process that resulted in the Uluru Statement From the Heart. He will help the Jewish community learn more about a proposed voice for First Nations Australians.

together with



Daniel Aghion KC

President, JCCV



Rabbi Gabi Kaltmann

ARK Centre

SUNDAY 13 NOVEMBER

Time: 11am - 1pm

Bookings essential: Location provided with ticket

Tickets: \$20 (Light Refreshments included)

RSVP: <https://www.trybooking.com/CDCIT>

Inquiries: community@jccv.org.au

JCCV, B'nai Brith Victoria & The Ark Centre acknowledge the traditional owners of country throughout Australia and their continuing connection to land and community. We pay our respect to them and their cultures, and to the Elders, past, present and emerging.



OUT AND ABOUT

Donated goods collection at the Ark Centre, going to Shepparton to help the Yorta Yorta community who are badly affected by the current floods.



L-R: Rabbi Gabi Kaltmann, Jack Aghion, Courtney Winter-Peters (CEO Stand Up) and Rachel Coppel



Mia Gardiner, AJN journalist speaking at MML meeting



Raoul Wallenberg members get together
L-R: Joan Black, Leah Black, Vera Unger, Beryl Sandler and Irene Bud

UPCOMING EVENTS

B'NAI B'RITH UNIT **GESHER-RABIN**

Our very popular annual event

Have fun and raise money for the Tachlit-Meir Centre for Youth at High Risk in Sderot and the Israeli Guide Dog Institute in Bet Oved

Includes prizes, silent auction, delicious supper, nibbles and drinks

Quizmasters Evelyn Flitman and Jack Bar-Ness

SUNDAY 6 NOVEMBER, 7.30PM

BOOKINGS: \$30 MEMBERS / \$40 NON-MEMBERS

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At Glen Eira McKinnon Bowls Club

23 Tyrone St, Ormond

Make a table of 8 with your friends or let us place you on a table

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NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF B'NAI B'RITH VICTORIA

**Don't forget
to RSVP**



**Thursday 10 November 2022
at 7:30 PM**

at Beth Weizmann Community Centre

Agenda:

1. Minutes of the 2021 AGM held on Thursday 8 July 2021
2. Council Reports for the preceding financial year.
3. Treasurer's Report – table audited financial statement for preceding financial year and 2022/23 Budget
4. Appointment of Auditor.
5. Presentation:
B'nai B'rith Victoria's past 12 months - Peter Schattner
Looking forward to the next 12 months – Ellana Aarons

NOTE: The monthly meeting of the VBBC will follow immediately after the conclusion of the AGM.

RSVP - <https://form.jotform.com/222557447167059>

UPCOMING EVENTS

B'NAI B'RITH MELBOURNE MITZVAH LODGE

**RESCHEDULED-
NEW DATE!**

INVITES ALL B'NAI B'RITH MEMBERS TO ENJOY
OVERNEWTON CASTLE - 51 OVERNEWTON RD, KEILOR

**MONDAY 14 NOVEMBER
ARRIVE 10:30AM**

Tour, Sandwiches and Devonshire Tea

- Ground Floor Tour of Castle at 11am
- Sandwiches
- Devonshire Tea
- Springtime walk in English Gardens



COST: \$35 per person

Payment: Melbourne Mitzvah: BSB 083231 Acct: 019232426
(include name in reference)

If you would like us to arrange a lift, please contact Alex Starr aljan@bigpond.net.au



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B'NAI B'RITH RAOUL WALLENBERG UNIT

INVITES ALL B'NAI B'RITH MEMBERS TO A
DAY BUS TOUR TO YARRA VALLEY RANGES



Swing into Spring!

Visiting Alowyn Gardens, Maroondah Dam &
a yummy surprise!



Morning tea and drinks provided.
Bring your own lunch or eat out.



COST: ~~\$70~~ \$50

Bookings extended to 6 November:
Irene Bud 0421 047 009 sbud@bigpond.net.au



**WEDNESDAY 16 NOVEMBER
9:00AM - 5:30PM**



CONTACT US: (03) 9523 0888 / www.bnaibrith.org.au

UPCOMING EVENTS

B'NAI B'RITH

GESHER-RABIN UNIT

together with the Jewish Ecological Coalition (JECO)

invites you to the annual Mitzvah Day

Reverse Garage Sale / Collect-a-thon

Bring your unwanted goods from this [list](#) and we'll arrange for them to be repurposed, reused or recycled.

SUNDAY 20 NOVEMBER, 10AM - 2PM

37 Margaret St, Carnegie

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MITZVAH DAY
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SUNDAY 20 NOVEMBER 2022
MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Doing good deeds to meet community needs
עושה מעשים טובים כדי לקיים את צרכי הקהילה

Jewish Ecological Coalition

Gesher Rabin Unit & Environment Group's

Reverse Garage Sale / Collect-a-thon

Bring any of the following that you no longer need to 37 Margaret St, Carnegie between 10am and 2pm on Mitzvah Day Sunday 20 November

Some of the things we are collecting which can be repurposed or recycled:

- Children's books:
 - Good quality & suitable for 2-14 year olds, fiction & non-fiction (including dictionaries)
- Clothing in good condition:
 - especially men's, sleepwear, shoes & socks (clean/near new), backpacks
- Computers & IT equipment:
 - power supplies & cables, printers, laptops, LCD screens, keyboards, switches, tablets, VCR, DVD & CD players, ipods
 - DVDs, CDs, VHS, cassette tapes & cases, floppy disks, printer cartridges, toner bottles
- Kitchen equipment in working order:
 - mixers, electric frypans & microwaves
- Typewriters
- Light globes (all types)
- Towels, blankets, flat sheets, pillowcases, pet accessories [NOT pillows or cushions]
- Pots & Pans:
 - solid (copper-bottom) only
- Bicycles in reasonable condition (i.e. not much rust!)
- Digital cameras, video cameras
- Glasses (for distance & reading)
- Hearing aids
- Batteries
- Mobile phones & home phones (especially rotary dial)
- Reusable shopping bags*
- Sports shoes in good condition
- Sports Equipment (not golf or AFL)
- Toiletries or essentials (unopened)
- Used stamps
- X-Rays

We'll arrange for items to be reused, repurposed or recycled. Follow this link to find out where we will be sending everything and where you can send these and other items after Mitzvah day: <http://www.jeco.org.au/reuse-repurpose-recycle/>

UPCOMING EVENTS

B'NAI B'RITH JEWISH NON-FICTION BOOK CLUB

Featuring "People Love Dead Jews" by Dara Horn.

Presented by Stephen Schmideg.

Renowned and beloved as a prizewinning novelist, Dara Horn has also been publishing penetrating essays since she was a teenager.

Often asked by major publications to write on subjects related to Jewish culture - and increasingly in response to a recent wave of deadly antisemitic attacks - Horn was troubled to realize what all of these assignments had in common: she was being asked to write about dead Jews, never about living ones. She challenges us to confront the reasons why there might be so much fascination with Jewish deaths, and so little respect for Jewish lives unfolding in the present.



THURSDAY 17 NOVEMBER 2022, 8:00-9:30PM
via Zoom

For more information on the book club, or how to obtain the book and for the Zoom link, please contact Peter at non-fiction@bbvic.org.au.



B'NAI B'RITH MENORAH AWARDS

We are pleased to invite the community to the presentation of the 2022 Menorah Awards.

Recipients:

Martin Israel

Alex Kats

Frank Moore

Tania Tobias

Volunteers of Beit Rafael

Keynote Speaker:

Daniel Aghion KC, JCCV President

"The Pleasure of Volunteering"

The Awards were founded to recognise the services to the community of volunteers who have given of themselves over long periods of time. Their services are given spontaneously without any thought of acknowledgement or recognition.

SUNDAY 20 NOVEMBER, 7:30PM

BETH WEIZMANN

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B'NAI B'RITH GESHER-RABIN UNIT & RAOUL WALLENBERG UNIT

Invites all members and friends to hear guest speaker Sgt. Major Alan Jackson share his fascinating story.

Sgt. Major Alan Jackson of the Israeli 55th Regiment of the 35th Paratrooper Brigade was the first to lead his men into battle, to reclaim Jerusalem

in the 1967 War, against the Arab Nation.

He received a wartime promotion to Captain afterwards due to his Leadership Skills.

TUESDAY 22 NOVEMBER, 2:30PM

\$5 PER PERSON, BETH WEIZMANN

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November 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	31	1 Akiba Cup Day Picnic Hatikvah Cup Day Walk RWU Cup Day Lunch	2 MML Exec meeting	3	4	5
6 Ramblers Walk GRU get together MML Bagel Brunch GRU Trivia Night	7 MML Programming meeting	8 Armchair Society	9 MML Regular meeting	10 GRU Executive meeting BB AGM	11	12
13 GRU get together First Nations Q&A	14 MML Overnewton Castle trip	15 Armchair Society	16 RWU Yarra Ranges Tour Akiba Exec meeting	17 Ramblers Walk Non-Fiction Jewish Book Club	18	19
20 GRU get together Ramblers Walk Reverse Garage Sale Hatikvah Calico Dolls Akiba Mitzvah Day Volunteering GRU Mitzvah Day Collectathon	21	22 Armchair Society Sgt. Major Alan Jackson talk	23	24	25	26
27 GRU get together Hatikvah Regular meeting	28	29 Armchair Society	30 RWU Exec meeting	1	2	3



Great crowd
at
Armchair Society
Series 3!

Click [HERE](#) to see the B'nai B'rith calendar which includes all B'nai B'rith and Unit Events and Jewish Holidays.

- Keep this link safe as this is where all events, activities or other BBVic related information will be placed.
- We recommend either placing this link on a sticky note on your desktop or making it a favourite in your web browser by clicking this on your web browser:



- You won't be able to edit the calendar, but you will be able to view it. It will update automatically if events change or are added throughout the year.

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