

Melbourne Playing Card Collectors Inc.



Registered Number
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Established 1971

Autumn Fair!!!

Saturday 5th March 11am—3:30pm

Admission \$5 general \$4 seniors

Children under 12 are welcome in the company of a paying adult

*Complete decks from \$2, Ultra Pro pages all sizes,
Grey page albums, BYO lunch, Complimentary
tea, coffee & biscuits*

**There are hundreds of thousands of old cards
available, PLUS a whole generation of new, gorgeous
designs - something for everyone!**



Change of Times

Fairs will commence at 11.00am and conclude at 3.30pm

General Meetings will commence at 1.00pm and conclude at 4.00pm.

Sellers may set up 15 minutes prior to meeting time; but in fairness to ALL members no swapping, trading or selling is to take place until 1.00pm. Please be mindful of starting times. We don't want to make it difficult; but times need to be adhered to. Each member is entitled to the same treatment.

Bring a friend!



2016 Meeting Dates

MAR Sat 5th 11.00–3.30pm

Autumn Fair

APR Sun 3rd 1.00–4.00pm

AGM

MAY Sat 7th 1.00–4.00pm

JUN Sun 5th 1.00–4.00pm

JUL Sat 2nd 1.00–4.00pm

AUG Sun 7th 1.00–4.00pm

SEP Sat 3rd 11.00–3.30pm

Spring Fair

OCT Sun 2nd 1.00–4.00pm

Club 45th Birthday

NOV Sat 5th 1.00–4.00pm

DEC Sat 3rd 1.00–4.00pm

Christmas Celebration

Melbourne Playing Card Collectors Inc. AGM

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Notice is Hereby given that the **44th Annual General Meeting** of the Melbourne Playing Card Collectors Inc. will be held on **Sunday 3rd April 2016 at 2.30pm.**

Venue is Alkira 3 Thurston Street Box Hill 3128
(Melways reference 47 C10)

As this is not an election year there is be no need for Voting forms to be distributed



Association Secretary's Report

Hello Members and those interested in collecting playing/swap cards.

Here we are at the end of February with one meeting for the year already behind us. Our meeting on the 7th was a most enjoyable day with a large number of members and visitors attending. It was lovely to see everyone and welcome back some 'past' members.

The theme was 'English Narrow named'. There was a large collection for people to choose from. I even filled a few spaces and updated my sadly neglected collection.

The latest Worshipfuls are available and celebrate the 800th Anniversary of the Lord Mayors Show. There is an interesting article, for those who are interested, in this month's Newsletter.

Thank you to the people who have already paid their fees. The annual remittance is due by the 1st April each year.

The April meeting this year will include an AGM. It is not a voting year; but the holding of an AGM is a legal necessity.

There is so much to learn from cards. Just by looking up a topic, or combining an article or advertisement with a card makes very interesting reading. We are always grateful when members contribute articles for the Newsletter, such as the articles for this quarter. Who knew the background to Cabochard perfume or the legend of the Dogwood tree?

GET WELL SOON

Our caring thoughts are with Members who are coping with ill health, either personally, or with family members and friends.

We also enjoy hearing about other people's ideas for collections. Do you collect to a Catalogue/List? What are your particular likes? Have you found any interesting facts about card collecting? The list can go on and on. Please feel free to share any of your ideas. We are always grateful when people put up displays or speak about their cards.

This is the Club's 45th year of functioning. We'd love to see you at any of the meetings during the year where you have the opportunity to make new friends, re-ignite old relationships and find many beautiful cards.

Good hunting and fair trading,
Bev Storey – Association Secretary



MPCC Seller Fee

The 2016 fees for tables will be \$10.00 for a large table and \$5.00 for a small table

Each table will have two chairs provided

If the need arises Sellers may have to share one of the larger tables at a fee of \$5.00 each seller

Fees for tables at Fairs will be increased to \$15.00



Please look after your own possessions. Make sure your books are named and don't leave them unattended. Things can get 'misplaced' and this can lead to heartache.

Birthdays

To all Members having birthdays, Happy Birthday and a contented, healthy year to follow!

March – Diane Garsed, Ray Nilsson, John Robertson, Nancy Rosewall, Bev Storey, Vivienne While.

April – Amy Elliott, Mary Hayman, Bobby Mc Whirter, Janet Rahman, Lorraine Smith, Geoffrey Weeks.

May – Kay Belcourt, Margaret Dullaway, Ken Johns, Roma Kriening, Ivy Langsdon, Barbara Lunaberg, Helen Stanton, Lisa Steart, Beverley Winstone



As Easter falls during the duration of this Newsletter – an Easter thought:

Taken from **“A Legend of the Dogwood”**

(A flower that is represented on many cards)

It says that this was the tree that the cross was carved from,
upon which Christ dies at Calvary.



Each flower is cross shaped with a red mark on each petal which represents nail marks and the heart of the flower looks like the thorns by which he was crowned. The Dogwood, flowering each Spring, represents new Life.

This poem was written in the Northern Hemisphere where Easter falls in Spring whereas for us, in the Southern hemisphere our Easter falls in Autumn.



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A Rose for Mother

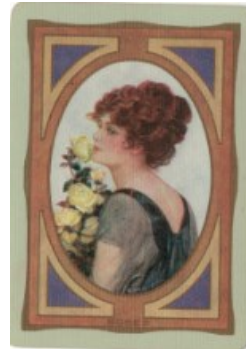
(With loving thoughts to all Mum’s for Mothers Day 2016)

Another Mother’s day is here
Bringing joy and pleasures new
On this special day, Mother dear
I want to remember you.

I cannot give you costly gifts,
And I’ve told you this before
No matter what I give to you,
You give back much, much more.

I’m giving you a pure sweet rose,
Gathered in the early morn,
This rose you planted in my heart,
The day that I was born.

In kindly loving thoughts of you,
And with the faith you still impart
The rose I give to you today,
Is the Love that’s in my heart.



Display Topics for 2016

Displays as well as general Club selling will centre around the monthly topic. There is always a variety of Club stock available; but by introducing this interest level of selling you will be able to see more of a variety of the Clubs stock.

March : Steamships and Boats

April : Hudsons and Shakespeare

(commemorating the 400th anniversary of his death)

May : All Alcohol

June : Children and Cartoons

July : All birds

August : Cottages and Olympic Games (Rio)

September : US Named

October : Square cornered cards:

November : Australian (excluding Hudsons)

December: Christmas, Movies and MPCC Special Cards



Worshipful Playing Cards

The Worshipful Company of Makers of Playing Cards of the City of London was founded by Charter granted by King Charles in 1628 to protect the English Manufacturers of playing cards from overseas suppliers and to regulate the trade in London.

Since 1882 the Company has issued an annual limited edition double pack of cards to celebrate the election and installation of the Master and Wardens of the Court of Assistants, the theme being chosen by the new Master to recognise an important event that occurred in the year of his election.

The theme for this year's playing cards is the 800th Anniversary of the Lord Mayors Show in November 2015.

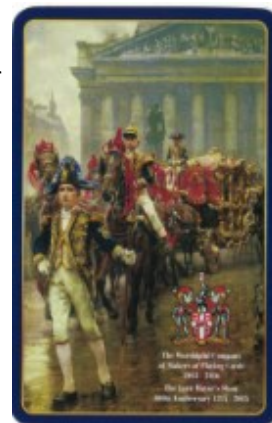
The Lord Mayors Show originates in King Johns Charter of 1215 known as Magna Carta. This confirmed the citizens' rights to choose their Lord Mayor and instituted an annual election. The condition was that the Mayor was "shown" to the people and was presented to the King for his approval. Since 1959 the Lord Mayors Show has taken place on the second Saturday in November.

Originally the procession went from the Mansion House to the Royal Courts of Westminster by river; but since an accident in 1711 the Lord Mayor has travelled by coach rather than barge.

Two mythical figures Gog and Magog have been carried in the Lord Mayors Show in one way or another since medieval days. A vestige of pagan tradition, they are the traditional guardians of the city. Sadly there is no record of what the original giants looked like as they were destroyed in the Great Fire of 1666.

The British armed forces have always been an important element of the show.

The Lord Mayors Show is a peculiarly British combination of State Ceremonial, Military Parade and carnival.



The image on the back of the cards for 2015 is from the painting by William Logsdail of the Lord Mayors Show on the 9th November 1888 and is reproduced by permission of the Guildhall Art Gallery.

Interestingly there is also a song from the early 1930's titled 'Kings Horses and Kings Men' which relate to the Lord Mayors Show

" The Kings horses, the Kings men, marched down the street and then back again, They're in scarlet, they're in gold, all dolled up it's a joy to behold. They're not out to scare the foe, You might think so. But oh dear no! They're out because they've got to put a little pep into the Lord Mayors Show. It's their duty now and then to march down the street and then march back again" etc.

Cards tell a fascinating story and this year's Worshipfuls are no exception

Committee Changes

The Committee is most appreciative that Rosie Bishop has been prepared to take over the Treasurer's role. Rosie has been an invaluable 'support person' at Fairs and General Meetings and was happy to be seconded onto the Committee to become Editor of the Clubs quarterly magazine.

We look forward to working with her in her new dual position as Treasurer and Editor.

Gres

This article is about the French fashion house and playing cards that bear its name.

Germaine Emilie Krebs (1903 -1993) also known as Alix Barton and later as Madame Gres relaunched her design house under the name Madame Gres in Paris in 1942. Prior to this she worked as Alix or Alix Gres during the 1930's.

Formerly trained as a sculptress, she produced haute couture designs for an array of fashionable women including the Duchess of Windsor, Marlene Dietrich, Greta Garbo, Jacqueline Kennedy and others.

Her signature was cut-outs on gowns, that made exposed parts of the skin, a part of the design. She was renowned for being the last of the couture houses to establish a ready-to-wear line, which she called a 'prostitution'.

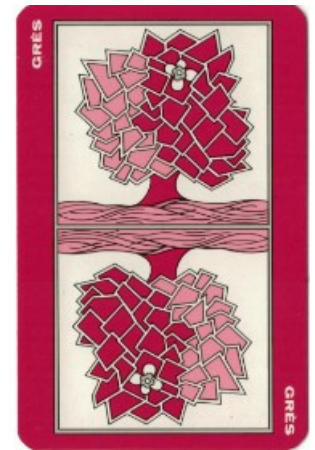
Gres enjoyed years of critical successes; but decided to sell her company in the 1980's. Yagi Tsucho was the new owner and he hired Lloyd Klein as the artistic director for the entire house supervising 46 licencies between Paris and Japan. After the death of Madame Gres, Lloyd Klein left the house to continue his own collections in New York. In 2012 the last Gres store in Paris was closed.

Gres signature fragrance was Cabochard, created by Bernard Chant and launched in 1958. Cabochard is still being manufactured, retailed and enjoyed by many today.

Monthly Auction

The Auction sheet will be displayed a month prior to the Auction. This gives people interested in bidding an opportunity to check their own collections and know if they are need any of the cards.

For those who don't like verbal Auctions there is still the opportunity of the Red Sheets whereby interested persons write their names on a list, are selected to choose a certain number of cards. As the cards are all priced prior to the meeting people interested in purchasing know in advance.





Your committee for 2015

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 The cards are not shown to scale.

Forthcoming items of interest

Our **Autumn Fair** – Saturday 5th March 2016.

AGM – Sunday 3rd March 2016. This is not an election year therefore there is no need for voting forms.

Our **Spring Fair** – Saturday 3rd September 2016

Could Members who sell on **eBay** please advertise our events on your eBay page. A large attendance makes it beneficial for all. It is only through advertising that we can help our Club grow and prosper.

Our **45th Birthday Celebration** – Saturday 1st October. Do you have any ideas? We need to make this a special celebration.

Raffle winners

December: Dianne Carroll, Jeff Dalton, Denise Hudson, Ken Johns, Ivy Langsdon, Cheryl Phelps, Lisa Robb, Samantha Sailer, Jill Sommers, Terri Stewart

February: Roger Baird, Jeff Dalton, Jenny Elliott, Loretta Jacobe, Carole North, Wilma Ratcliffe, Helen Stanton, Bev Storey, Gayle Warren



A very warm welcome to new member... Janice Downie, Paula Kemp.
 Welcome back to Margaret Allison

Please remember!

At meetings, sign in and out in the attendance book (for OH&S reasons)
 Help out by washing and drying your own cup!



Bring a friend!

Merchandise available from MPCC Inc.

Ultra Pro sheets	15, 12, 8, 6, 4, 3, 2, 1 pocket (3 hole) 9 pocket (11 hole)	Box of 100	\$ 34.00
	9 pocket (3 hole)	Box of 100	\$ 30.00
		Per sheet	\$ 0.50
Inserts	White, off white, grey, pale blue	Bundle of 500	\$ 5.00
	Black	Bundle of 500	\$ 7.00
Clear card sleeves		Packet of 100	\$ 5.00
Cardboard strip spacers	for white page albums	Bundle of 50	\$ 6.50
Paper albums	Grey pages (used), various prices up to	per album	\$ 12.50
	Black pages (new Lark)	per album	\$ 20.00

Meetings

Alkira Centre, 3 Thurston Street, Box Hill 3128 – Melways reference 47 C10
 General meetings: 1:00-4:00pm
 Fair days: 11am-3:30pm

Fees

Subscriptions \$30/year due by April AGM
 Secondary School age students \$10/year (unfortunately Primary School age students not permitted by Alkira) - an exception is made for our fair days where any child accompanied by an adult may attend.
 Sellers \$5/meeting for standard table. Day members \$5 (includes afternoon tea and covers MPCC for insurance purposes)

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