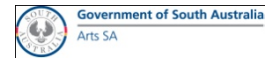


# The Muriel Project Epistle No: 8 (December 2010)



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Hello Everyone!

For your diary:

## **Advance Notice of Muriel's Balloon Flight Commemoration Morning Tea**

To be held on:

**Wednesday, 16 February, 2011 from 10.00-11.30am**

in the Balcony Room, Parliament House

(enter thru Main Entrance on North Terrace).

Refreshments (tea/coffee and cake) will be provided.

**RSVP essential for catering** - [murielmattersociety@gmail.com](mailto:murielmattersociety@gmail.com)

There will be an opportunity for members to view the Grille Exhibition before the function. The gathering will be informed on recent events and given a summary of discussion on future directions, especially on The Society's anticipated contribution towards the debate on the responsible use of alcohol - the social justice issue we would like to pursue in the New Year.

### **Membership Renewals Due**

Many thanks to the members who have already renewed their subs. This really helps substantiate our claim of strong community support. If you have not already renewed, please do so over the Christmas break!

### **Progress Continues**

The Grille Exhibition – has been well received and 'Muriel' made a stir during her appearance in the Speaker's Gallery on opening day. We have also been honoured with a visit by Governor General Quentin Bryce during her stay in Adelaide on November 8 – and offered an event at Admiralty House! More on that coup when plans are finalised.

Muriel's Chains – the application to the Museum of London to borrow Muriel's chains has been approved. We are now in the process of asking for her prison badge to accompany the chains. Fingers crossed!

Documentary – the ill health of one of our producers has prevented much further progress. Our very best wishes go to Julia for a speedy return to good health. We were able to record footage of the GG's visit through the assistance of Calen – a big thank you to him for stepping in at short notice.

Women's Christian Temperance Union (WCTU) – we look forward meeting their World President (from USA) during her visit to Australia in April and to successful collaborations on a number of issues during 2011.

Suburban Tour of Play – advance notice brochures have hit the streets announcing *Out of the Square's* June offering – our very own play 'Why Muriel Matters'. If you missed it or would like to see it again see end of newsletter for venues and other details. (TELL YOUR FRIENDS!)

### **Progress** (continued)

Thesis Topic– via one of our member, Muriel will become immortalised in word in the not too distant future. This will lead to academic recognition and the eventual publication of a book. Our thanks and best wishes to Cora as she embarks on this massive task.

Early Australian Theatre Connections - new contacts have recently been made with well known Australian dramatist which we hope will result in a breakthrough shortly.

### **MM Merchandise – wonderful gift ideas!**

Still available – Society badges (\$10), Muriel cards (\$10 for a pack of 4) and limited stock of Centenary Hankies remain – never to be reprinted (\$20).

Also, WMM Centenary souvenir booklets and programs (\$5).

### **Public Presentations**

Regular presentations to various clubs and organisations around Adelaide continue. And a good many appointments have been confirmed during March – the Centenary of International Women's Day will be celebrated in 2011. If you are involved with any groups that could be interested in Muriel, please let us know.

### **Obituaries**

It is with great sadness that we advise members of the death of two people associated with our Society. Foundation member Ms Helen Reid passed away in August this year;

### **Work to Do**

\*The wonderful Marie Maddocks has begun work looking for New Zealand leads.

\*Still following up on finalising LTO and beginning William Arnold Porter.

### **Diary Dates**

\***Balloon Commemoration** - Wednesday 16 February, 2011

### \* **2011 Suburban Tour of 'Why Muriel Matters'** -

All tickets are \$15 and can be ordered on line at [www.outofthesquare.net.au](http://www.outofthesquare.net.au).

Shedley (Elizabeth) – Monday 6 June @ 1.30pm

Marion – Tuesday 7 June @ 11.00am

Pt Noarlunga – Wednesday 8 June @ 11.00am

Golden Grove – Thursday 9 June @ 2.00pm

Parks (Angle Park) – Friday 10 June @ 11.00am

Star Theatres (Hilton) – Tuesday 14 June @ 2.00pm.

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