

WOMAN SUFFRAGE PETITION

Earlier this year the Minister for Women's Affairs, Maxine Morand called on descendants of Victoria's first suffragists to come forward and be part of celebrations to mark 100 years since women were no longer denied the right to vote.

Ms Morand made her appeal to descendants during a visit to Victoria's Public Records Office (PRO) to view the 260-metre-long Women's Suffrage Petition signed by more than 30,000 women and men. It was presented to parliament in September 1891 in conjunction with a government bill that included an amendment for adult suffrage.

Monster Petition

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union, the Victorian Women's Suffrage Society and other women's suffrage groups collected names for the "Monster Petition" in just six weeks.

The petition stated: "That Government of the People, by the People and for the People should mean all the People, and not one half." It also noted "That all Adult Persons should have a voice in Making the laws which they are required to obey."

The first signatory was the President of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Mrs William McLean followed by Mrs James Munro, wife of then Victorian Premier. Vida Goldstein is on page 756 line 7 (Malvern). Isabel Henderson, Kalymna School, is listed p747, 11. Artist Elizabeth Parsons is on p756, line 10. The earliest entry for Balaclava appears to be Potter, F. E., p14, line 18.

Munro presented the suffrage petition on Sept 19 but failed to sway his opponents led by Mr Duncan Gillies who trotted out the usual patriarchal negativities. [Interestingly, the *Parliamentary Mace went missing just a few weeks later on October 5, 1891.*]

Balaclava, Elwood, St Kilda Petitioners

As we owe all the 1891 Petitioners a huge debt of gratitude, *St Kilda Times* acknowledges those with St Kilda, Balaclava and Elwood street addresses www.parliament.vic.gov.au/WomensPetition.

Members who know anything about the petitioners are asked to email the Office of Women's Policy on: vicwomen.vote@dpcd.vic.gov.au or 03 9208 3129.

Anyone interested in 'adopting' a suffrage house or street, e.g., Mary St, and researching the backgrounds of Petitioner(s) who lived there, do contact SKHS.

Indexers

Thanks to PRO and teams of indexers from Royal Historical Society of Victoria HSV and the Genealogical Society of Victoria who painstakingly transcribed the names and addresses of all the 1891 Petitioners (807pages) for entry onto a database accessible on www.parliament.vic.gov.au/WomensPetition.

Centenary

Victorians are celebrating the Centenary of Suffrage throughout 2008 with the signing of 170 travelling banners which will be sewn together in November, curriculum materials for schools, digital stories and public lectures as well as public forums run by the Victorian Women's Trust at BMW Edge, the travelling 'Art of Suffrage' installation, and Wilma Farrow's inspirational portrayal of Vida Goldstein. (FB)

ST KILDA SIGNATORIES

Source: www.parliament.vic.gov.au/WomensPetition

Note: not all house numbers registered or notated.

Name	Address	Page	Line
—, A.,	Inkerman Street, St Kilda	644,	18
—, Annie F.,	Argyle Street, St. Kilda	43,	35
Allard, E.G.	Grey Street, St Kilda	648,	12
Allard, Ellen,	St Kilda	369,	19
Allen, A. M.,	Neptune Street, St. Kilda	40,	26
Allen, Bertha M.,	Neptune Street, St. Kilda	40,	25
Allen, Emma Elizabeth,	Neptune Street, St. Kilda	41,	3
Allen, Esther C.,	Neptune Street, St. Kilda	40,	21
Allen, F. L.,	Raleigh Street, St. Kilda	41,	1
Armstrong, Mrs Lyell St,	St Kilda	140,	19
Armstrong, Mary,	Wellington Street, St. Kilda	290,	12
Arnold, Alice,	Robe Street, St. Kilda	60,	6
Aston, Emma A.,	Argyle Street, East St. Kilda	290,	18
Baker, Kate,	Moor Street, St. Kilda	74,	11
Baker, M. A.,	Argyle Street, St Kilda	134,	25
Barderon, Mrs	Argyle Street, St Kilda	134,	28
Barge, M.,	Inkerman Street, St Kilda	633,	2
Bartlett, Mary A.,	Chapel Street, St. Kilda	25,	26
Bath, J.,	St. Kilda	41,	2
Beatie, Mrs	42 Mary Street, St. Kilda	306,	20
Bennett, Sara Sophia,	Westbourne Tce, Grey St	136,	14,
Billing, Frances,	St Kilda	639,	10
Billing, M.A.,	Westbury Street, St Kilda	487,	13
Black, Katie,	Wellington Street, St Kilda	253,	12
Boash, Eliza,	Chapel St, St Kilda	151,	3
Boast?, Eliza,	Chapel St, East St Kilda	152,	24
Boulton, A.,	Barkly Street, St Kilda	648,	4
Boulton, E.,	Barkly Street, St. Kilda	43,	38
Boulton, Lilian,	Ogilvie East St. Kilda	41,	18
Bourke, M. E.,	Argyle Street, St. Kilda	43,	37
Bunn, C.,	Market Street, St Kilda	134,	19
Bunn, Margaret,	Argyle Street, St Kilda	134,	24
Bunn, Marion,	Argyle Street, St Kilda	134,	26
Chidlau, Marie,	Market St, St Kilda	151,	5
Clark, E.,	Charnwood Road, St Kilda	633,	3
Cohen, J. B.,	St Kilda Street, M Brighton	396,	2

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Cowel, Frances,	East St. Kilda	41,	19	Haber, A.,	Fitzroy Street, St Kilda	509,	12
Cox, Georgina,	East St. Kilda	41,	20	Hammon, Mary,	Alma Road, St Kilda	644,	6
Crawcour, Amelia,	Jackson Street, St Kilda	751,	22	Handbury,	117 High Street, St Kilda	134,	30
Cushing, Jane,	Brighton Road, St Kilda	509,	13	Harding, Elizabeth,	Fitzroy Street, St. Kilda	290,	20
Daley, A.,	High Street, St Kilda	644,	19	Hardy, C.,	St Kilda	635,	19
Damgan, Jessey,	High Street, St. Kilda	40,	22	Harris, Beatrice,	St. Kilda	432,	3
Danne, M.,	St Kilda	588,	34	Harris, Harriett,	Fitzroy Street, St. Kilda	290,	19
Davidson, Neptune Street,	St. Kilda	41,	4	Harris, Jessie M.,	Park Rd, St Kilda	140,	26
Dawson, Emily,	St. Kilda	41,	21	Hart, Ada E.,	High St, St Kilda	151,	6
Dibbin, E.,	St. Kilda	72,	23	Henderson, Isabel,	Kalymna, St Kilda	747,	11
Dibbur, E.,	74 Robe Street, St. Kilda	74,	2	Hewson, F. H.,	Inkerman Street, St Kilda	644,	1
Dickins, Emily,	23 Dalgety St, St Kilda	151,	2	Hilton, J.,	St Kilda	387,	29
Dixon, J.E.G.,	Inkerman Street, St Kilda	644,	3	Holmes, M.,	High Street, St. Kilda	40,	23
Dixon, M.P.,	Inkerman Street, St Kilda	648,	7	Homer, A.,	Alfred Square, St. Kilda	40,	31
Dorman, Letitia,	Wimmera Place, St. Kilda	43,	18	Homer, M.,	Alfred Square, St. Kilda	40,	32
Draper, Mrs	Pakington Street, St. Kilda	74,	9	Horne, S.,	Burnett St, St Kilda	142,	11
Dr Jersey, M.I.,	Robe Street, St. Kilda	40,	28	Hounslow, Alice,	Milton Street, St. Kilda	74,	5
Dunn, Emma,	East St. Kilda	41,	22	Howe, M.,	High Street, St Kilda	648,	17
Dunn, R., Mrs	East St. Kilda	41,	24	Hunter, Christina,	Pakington St, St Kilda	141,	24
Dunn, Rebecca,	East St. Kilda	41,	23	Jackson, Mrs	Argyle Street, St Kilda	134,	29
During, Fanny B.,	High Street, St. Kilda	35,	29	Jamiecon, E.L.,	Victoria Street, St. Kilda	43,	25
Ellis, Emily, Gurner Street,	St Kilda	751,	23	Jenkins, Mrs	High Street, St Kilda	140,	11
Elsworth, E.,	Robe St, St Kilda	140,	17	Jenkins, Mrs	St. Kilda Road	55,	28
Evans, E. R.,	3 Edmonton Terrace & Park Street,	72,	25	Jenkins, Ada M.,	Martin Street, St. Kilda	35,	32
Findlay, Elizabeth, Mrs	Somerset St, St Kilda	140,	5	Jenkins, M.,	High Street, St Kilda	34,	35
Finn, Kate,	East St. Kilda	25,	30	Jenkins, M. A.,	Martin Street, St. Kilda	35,	31
Fisher, Mrs	Bath St, St Kilda	140,	24	Johnson, A. E.,	Robe St, St Kilda	140,	25
Foukes, J,	High Street, St Kilda	648,	9	Johnston, E., Mrs	St Kilda	88,	35
Franklin, Amy, "Bloomfield"	Victoria Street,	43,	28	Jones, A.E.,	Dalgety St, St Kilda	141,	28
Fulton, Agnes S.,	Hubert St, St Kilda	142,	9	Jones, E. ,	Charnwood Road, St Kilda	746,	19
Gaeler, B, Mrs	St Kilda Hotel, Melbourne	148,	8	Jones, Elizabeth,	Wellington Street, St. Kilda	25,	31
Gardiners, Eleanor,	Wellington Street,	25,	32	Jones, Esther, Mrs	Blanche St, St Kilda	140,	9
Gardner, S.,	High Street, St Kilda	648,	16	Jones, Louisa,	Charnwood Rd, St Kilda	142,	10
Garte, Christine,	Barkly Street, St Kilda	756,	11	Jones, M.E.,	Dalgety St, St Kilda	142,	3
Garton, A.E.,	Kalymna , St Kilda	747,	10	Laird, Annie,	Alma Rd, St Kilda	140,	10
Garton, K.F.,	Kalymna , St Kilda	747,	12	Langford, Agnes, Mrs	Somerset St, St Kilda	140,	7
Geach, M.A.,	High Street, St Kilda	489,	15	Lardner, Ellen,	Marlborough Street, St Kilda	647,	10
Grace, J.,	117 High Street, St Kilda	134,	31	Lawson, C.,	Duke Street, St Kilda	648,	10
Grayson, E.,	Foy Street, St Kilda	644,	5	Lee, Bertha,	Inkerman Street, St Kilda	647,	12
Gregerton, Emma,	Wellington Street, St. Kilda	25,	33				

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Lee, Lizzie,	35 Inkerman Street, St Kilda	647,	11	Piesing, Julia,	High St, St Kilda	142,	2
Leith, Mrs,	Park Road, St. Kilda	72,	22	Pitt, M. M.,	Robe Street, St Kilda	648,	1
Linane, Teresa,	The Priory, Alma Road,	750,	13	Pressing, Julia,	High Street, St. Kilda	41,	33
Lolberg, M.,	Lynott Street, St Kilda	134,	17	Preston, Annie M.,	Argyle St, St Kilda	633,	1
Loneragan, Cecilia,	Neptune Street, St. Kilda	40,	24	Preston, Maria Theresa,	Argyle St,	142,	12
Lowe, Annie,	St Kilda	139,	32	Preston, Mary,	High Street, St Kilda	142,	1
Lynthon, J.,	Greeve St, St Kilda	140,	15	Price, K. S.,	High Street, St. Kilda	74,	8
Macken, M.,	3 Beaconsfield Terrace, St Kilda	139,	27	Punshon, A. E.,	Pakington Street, St. Kilda	74,	6
Mackin, Lizzie,	Eskdale Spencer St, St Kilda	150,	22	Ransom, Hannah,	Barkley Street, St Kilda	253,	7
Maclean, Annie,	Esplanade Street, St. Kilda	43,	20	Reed, Maria,	Wimmera Place, St. Kilda	43,	17
Maclean, Annie,	Esplanade Street, St. Kilda	43,	22	Reid, Alison,	St Kilda	750,	24
Maclean, Flora ,	Esplanade Street, St. Kilda	43,	21	Reynolds, Ada L.,	Argyle Street, St Kilda	648,	6
Maclean, Maggie,	Esplanade Street, St. Kilda	43,	24	Reynolds, Ethel,	Argyle Street, St Kilda	648,	11
Maclean, Mary ,	Esplanade Street, St. Kilda	43,	19	Richardson, Annie,	St. Kilda	43,	26
Macqueen, E.,	St Kilda	635,	18	Robert, K. A.,	High Street, St Kilda	134,	33
Macqueen, Maggie,	Wellington Street,	290,	17	Robertson, Mrs.,	George Street, St. Kilda	306,	19
Mann, Alfred, Mrs,	121 High St, St Kilda	140,	23	Robertson, A. E.,	Mitford St, St Kilda	219,	5
Maxwell, A. E.,	Dalgety St, St Kilda	150,	16	Robinson, Lettie M.,	St. Kilda Rd, Melbourne	431,	30
McKinley, Annie,	Carlisle St, St Kilda	150,	21	Robinson, Minnie,	St. Kilda Road, Melbourne	432,	2
McKinley, Maggie,	Carlisle St, St Kilda	150,	20	Robison, D.,	Church Square, St Kilda	509,	16
McLean, E. M.,	High Street, St Kilda	134,	34	Rusden, Anna,	St. Kilda	39,	31
Michie, Janet E. A.,	Alma Road, St Kilda	756,	9	Ryan, A.,	St Kilda	134,	32
Millar, Charlotte E.,	Argyle St, St Kilda	151,	7	Schultz, H.,	Park Road, St Kilda	735,	25
Millgate, M	Barkly Street, St Kilda	648,	5	Shead, A., Mrs	Moor Street, St. Kilda	74,	10
Mitchell "Gragaban Lodge"	Victoria Street,	43,	27	Sheldrick, Eliza,	Wellington Street, St. Kilda	290,	13
Mollison, A.,	Dalgety St, St Kilda	150,	6	Shields, Jeanie,	St. Kilda	25,	28
Morgan, M. A.,	Barkly Street, St Kilda	634,	29	Simpson, Edith,	Acland Street, St. Kilda	43,	13
Morris, H.,	Robe Street, St Kilda	648,	3	Simpson, Essie,	Acland Street, St. Kilda	43,	14
Morris, M.,	Robe Street, St. Kilda	40,	30	Simpson, Margaret,	Barkly Street, St. Kilda	43,	34
Moss, Annie,	Ladies College, Barnett Street,	74,	7	Sinsley, J.,	High Street, St. Kilda	43,	36
Mouldey, M. A.,	Ellerslie Charnwood Road,	634,	31	Smith, A. E.,	"Addiscornbe" Victoria Street,	43,	32
Murason, Mrs	102 Mary Street, St. Kilda	306,	21	Smith, E. L.,	"Addiscornbe" Victoria Street,	43,	30
Neil, Maggie,	Esplanade Street, St. Kilda	43,	23	Smith, H. J.,	"Addiscornbe" Victoria Street,	43,	31
Nichols, A.,	265 High Street, St. Kilda	40,	29	Smith, S. E.,	High Street, St Kilda	648,	15
O'Sullivan, K.,	Acland Street, St Kilda	648,	2	Somer, Lucy Ann,	129 High St, St Kilda	150,	30
Onions, Agnes,	Acland St, St Kilda	191,	32	Spottiswoode, M.,	Vale Street, St Kilda	150,	26
Pammeray, Annie M. Mrs.	Somerset St,	140,	8	Stevenson, R. M.,	"Bloomfield" Victoria Street,	43,	29
Parsons, Adeline E.,	Charnwood Rd,	756,	12	Stickland, F. C.,	Mary Street, St Kilda	472,	6
Parsons, Elizabeth,	Charnwood Rd, St Kilda	756,	10	Stitt, Henrietta,	Acland Street, St. Kilda	43,	15
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Stoddart, L.,	Argyle Street, St Kilda	134,	23
Stone, J. A.,	Pattison St, St Kilda	141,	26
Stora, A. J.,	West Beach, St Kilda	141,	25
Strong, Jessie I. F.,	Carrick, Lansdowne Road,	756,	8
Sturay, M.,	Neptune Street, St. Kilda	41,	6
Sturdous, Ann,	High Street, St Kilda	134,	36
Sundercombe, Harriet,	Charnwood Road,	290,	15
Swanson, A.,	14 Clyde Street, St. Kilda	21,	15
Swinburne, B.,	Queen Street, East St Kilda	134,	20
Taylor, M.,	Westbury Street, St Kilda	648,	13
Thomas, Grace I.,	Grey Street, St. Kilda	61,	31
Towers, Annie,	Chapel Street, St Kilda	647,	14
Townsend. S.,	Tennyson Street, St Kilda	644,	7
Tung, M.,	Fitzroy Street, St Kilda	509,	17
Tweddell, R. S.,	Barkley Street, St. Kilda	74,	16
Varley, E.,	High Street, St Kilda	648,	14
Vontier, Susie,	St. Kilda	432,	5
Walker, A.,	Pakington Street, St Kilda	644,	17
Walker, James, Mrs	121 High St, St Kilda	140,	22
Wallace, E. N.,	Inkerman Street, St Kilda	648,	8
Warner, Rebecca,	Accacia Street, St Kilda	746,	17
Watson, M.,	49 High Street, St Kilda	644,	20
Webb, Amy,	High Street, St Kilda	142,	8
Webster, Amy H.,	Victoria Street, St Kilda	633,	4
Webster, Jessie M.,	Victoria Street, St Kilda	633,	5
Welch, A. Rutherford,	St Kilda	150,	18
Welch, A. M.,	Charnwood Rd, St Kilda	150,	19
Whitaker, Josephine,	Pakington Street, St. Kilda	41,	32
White, E.,	Market Street, St Kilda	644,	4
Wigg, J. N.,	Fitzroy Street, St Kilda	509,	10
Wilson, E. L.,	Oak Grove, East St Kilda	150,	11
Wine, Nellie,	Fitzroy Street, St. Kilda	290,	21

ELWOOD SIGNATORIES

Name	Address	Page	Line
Fraser, M.,	Ormond Esplanade, Elwood	528,	17
Holland, E. H.,	Elwood	528,	16

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—, Hannah,	Balacava	25,	29
Ackroyd, Isabella A.,	Gourley Street,	134,	27
Armstrong, Tena,	Balacava	432,	4
Astley, Kate A.,	Balacava	41,	16
Astley, Sarah,	Balacava	41,	17
Best, Frances,	Balacava	41,	26
Best, Margaret Billow,	Balacava	41,	28
Best, Margaret E.	Balacava	41,	27
Bruce, Christina,	Gourlay Street, Balacava	41,	15
Carey, Maude,	Rosamond Street, Balacava	42,	4
Coy, Ann	Balacava	41,	13
Cullen, L. M.,	Carlisle St, Balacava	146,	38
Dunn, Elizabeth,	Brunning Street, Balacava	41,	14
Dunn, Harriet,	Balacava	41,	30
Graham, Agnes,	Blenheim Street, Balacava	647,	7
Graham, Carrie,	Blenheim Street, Balacava	647,	8
Gray, A, M.,	Glen Eira Rd, Balacava	150,	12
Hall, Elizabeth,	Balacava	41,	25
Hill, Emma E.,	Blenheim Street, Balacava	647,	16
Hill, Mary Eleanor,	Blenheim Street,	647,	4
Hunerty, W.,	Nelson Street, Balacava	134,	18
Kingham, Louisa,	Duke St, Balacava	150,	29
Law, Sarah, Mrs	Camden St, Balacava	140,	20
Law, William, Mrs	Camden St, Balacava	140,	21
Lillie, I.,	Wellington St, Balacava	150,	14
Mauders, Annie,	Nightingale Street,	647,	9
McHutchison, E. ,	William St, Balacava	136,	27
McHutchison, G.,	William St, Balacava	152,	23
McHutchison, J.,	William St, Balacava	152,	25
Merrison, M. ,	Nathen Street, Balacava	431,	6
Moorhead, Jane,	Blenheim Street, Balacava	647,	15
Potter, F. E.,	Balacava	14,	18
Simpson, C.	Glen Eira Rd, Balacava	150,	13
Spotswood, G. A.,	Inkerman Street, Balacava	598,	1
Thompson, L. N.,	Mrs Nelson St, Balacava	150,	37
Wills, Y.,	Balacava	41,	29

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