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Hello fellow Y's Menettes. Here we are into July and I can't believe where this year has gone to. Everything was going along smoothly until March when the Pandemic hit and now the second wave which was predicted and seemingly more serious than the first. Nevertheless the positives which has come out of it has been, parents have had to work at home which means they have more time to spend with their children. One doesn't have to get up dressed and out the door to be at work on time. In some cases employers have found this is a better solution and made it a permanent fixture with employees only having to go to the office only when need to, which means less traffic on the roads. Closets and cupboards have been cleaned out, gardens have been tidied and spring flowers, bulbs and vegetables planted and already shooting. Cooking to fill the freezer and also we have found time to read or pursue our hobbies and make those phone calls to connect with family and friends.

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With Christmas fast approaching a good time to think about making the Christmas cake or deciding what presents to give and to who and maybe start on the Christmas card list . The only downsize is, we can't have meetings, attend weddings, funerals or birthday parties only in small numbers, but a small price to pay to help eliminate this virus. In the meantime I hope you all stay safe and hope it won't be too long before we are back to normal and can meet up again.

May your days be filled with all the happiness it can hold.

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Recently I checked up on our member's and all seem to be well although two of the ex Ys Men have been in hospital with heart problems. Graeme Robertson and John Ponterfract.

Graeme also has now developed eye problem's which have made him legally blind which must be devastating for him as Joan has to be his main carer.

Joan Stevens is out of hospital again and Bill not so well.

You are always in my thoughts and prayers.

On July 4th Val Barnes went to a meeting of the Ballarat Y Club that Zoomed the induction of Jacob Christensen as International President (Pic1).

Jennifer Jones made a valedictory speech (Pic 2) and Murray Stevens received the Ballantyne Award.

It was amazing that we were in Ballarat, Jennifer Jones was in Bendigo, the entertainment (Pic 4) was in Korea and the induction (Pic 5) was in Denmark.

It all went amazingly smoothly.

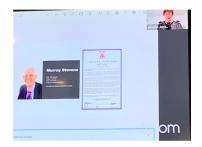
Jacob is the father of Jan, the exchange student who stayed with Terry and Mary Cliff and was taken to Kangaroo Island along with Val & Noel Hooper and Betty Pitt.

Some Y's Menettes may remember them.

Helen and Daryl also met them when they were out here in Feb.











Yours in Friendship