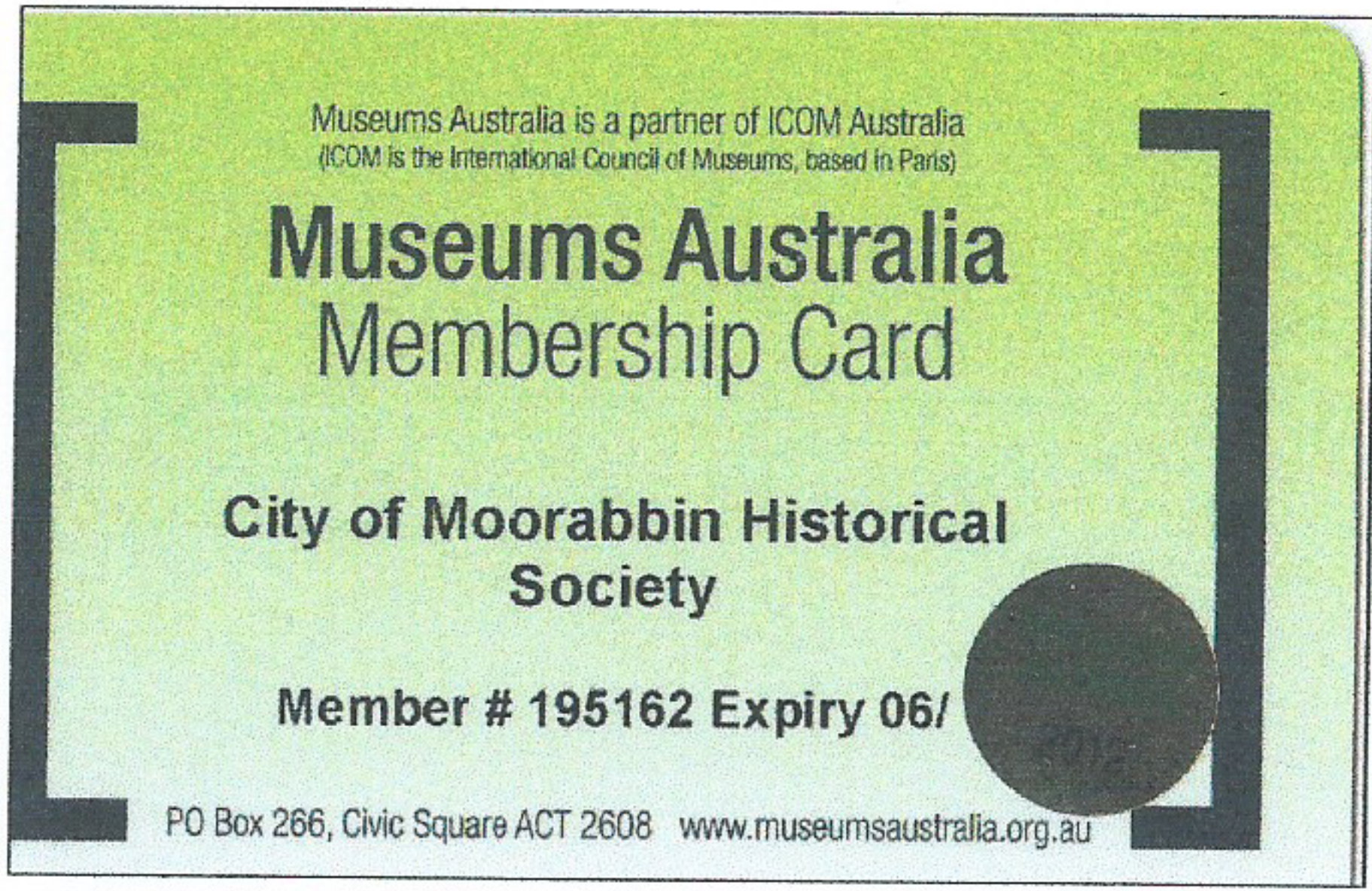


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- Peta also suggested that simply re-grouping areas of our collections with simple signage would be of benefit, eg. Placing our many sewing exhibits together. In particular, Peta feels that it would be of great benefit to group the City of Moorabbin artifacts in their own separate area. In general these ideas seem so very sensible you do wonder why we haven't thought of it before! With these changes in mind, our members will have to organise some volunteer "drives" to get together and re-do our cabinets. Exciting times, eh! It's also important to mention that in response to my enquiry, Peta visited us simply as an **unpaid volunteer** from Museum's Australia Inc, therefore we have an even greater appreciation of her valuable input.

Below is a copy of the MHS Museum Australia membership number. **MHS members, please cut out this facsimile** and attach it to some cardboard for your use. The original membership card will be held in the filing cabinet in the 'Grace Lewis' Room, under the title 'Museums Australia'.



For 'Box Cottage' Museum the real benefits of our MA Membership will mainly be in finally having access to professional advice in many areas relating to our museum, including conservation, as well as advice on funding applications. However there are a **few** benefits for individual members of the MHS, so please also read, and take account of the email from Peta Knott, outlining those benefits below.

Helen Stanley

From: "Knott, Peta" <pknott@mavic.asn.au>
To: "Helen Stanley" <helensta@timeweb.net.au>
Sent: Monday, 15 August 2011 11:54 AM
Subject: RE: Just a query
 Hi Helen,

Just to explain a bit about MA and MAVic. We (MAVic) are the state branch of the national body (MA) and they are very short staffed which may explain why they have not returned your email. Also, if you asked them specifically about whether MA members get discounts to Museum Victoria events, they may not necessarily know as that is a state matter not a national one. MAVic negotiated a special deal with MV – here is what MA members get

10% off museum entry (You may have to argue this point depending on the person behind the desk!)
 No discount on Tutankahmun tickets but you do get a free audio guide
 You could try asking for 10% discount on IMAX tickets but that would depend on the ticket person.

As for other Victorian museums – try asking for a discount – there is no hard and fast rule unfortunately. It depends on the institution. We are trying to rectify this in the future.

Sorry it is so vague. Hope this helps!

Cheers
 Peta
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