

Inner Wheel Australia Inc.

Newsletter



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Message from President Val

Two months into my year and I'm delighted to say it's been a very pleasant experience. After almost 40 years in Inner Wheel it's hard to imagine the joy I am getting from spending time with Inner Wheel members and sharing in their gatherings and celebrations.



IWA is happy to report that the new boundary changes are in place with Bomaderry, Camden, Campbelltown, Southern Highlands and Wollongong now joining District A51. Canberra Belconnen will remain Non Districted. Now we have Districts in each state and our 2 Territories of Northern Territory & Canberra Non Districted. Congratulations and I hope you will all be happy in your new arrangements.

I'm happy to tell you that Inner Wheel Australia is now on **Facebook!!!!** I know there are some fans of this social networking system. It's easy to find, just log in to your account then search for Inner Wheel Australia. I urge you all to contribute your Club or District news, add photos, future projects and social functions. It's a way for us all to learn about our Clubs and Districts and keep right up to date with your activities. If you don't know how to access Facebook I'm sure your children or grandchildren would be only too happy to set up your (free) account. Come on let's embrace the 21st Century as scary as it is!

International Inner Wheel President Catherine Refabert also wants us to embrace technology. Her priority for this year is "Communication" and wants to implement better communication to members world-wide. There is a new IIW website which was launched in August. It has up to date news and even a 'Frequently Ask Question' page. There is another page focused on thirty six possible ways of becoming an Inner Wheel member.

Catherine Refabert quoted J.M. Keynes: "**The difficulty is not, believing in new ideas but in escaping from the old ones**".

The next **BIG** event of course is the Annual Conference in Perth, the Committee have worked long and hard to produce an excellent programme for us all to enjoy. Please come along and enjoy "The best of the West", there will be much to experience and absorb, lots of fun and friendship and of course the Business Session, always a Conference highlight when we vote to change the Constitution for a more user friendly version! I am looking forward to the next 10 months and I know it will be busy but a lot of fun.

Yours in friendship

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to be 'Val'.

In Memoriam

Past IIW President Carol Buchanan lost her husband Lex in June after a long illness. Beth Darcy, our Head Teller and member of Hobart Sunset, lost Max in mid-August. Yvonne Hamilton, past IWA Badge Officer and member of Kenthurst, died on 15 August after battling pancreatic cancer. They will be missed by their families and by Inner Wheel, and our condolences have gone out on behalf of IWA.

All Newsletters, Read the Red and Directory Alterations are being sent by email, and only sent by snail mail to those people without an email address; so please ensure your members receive a copy either by email or printing.

I love receiving your emails but it would assist in placing you if you could please put your District and/or Club in the Subject Line. That way I can easily identify who they are coming from and respond accordingly.

Please feel free to contact me if I can be of any assistance.

Yours in Friendship



PERTH WILL BE HEAVEN IN 2011

District A40 wish to show you the best. You are coming at a great time. It's Wildflower Season and the Royal Agricultural Show happens the week of the conference.

5th – 9th October 2011

So if you have

‘Two feet and a heartbeat’

You can discover their

Treasures

Local, Free and Small, Come by plane, train, bus or car and sample their Western Australian hospitality

Treasurer's Notes and Reminders

Thank you to the District Treasurers for getting the Capitations Fees to me so promptly.

When sending cheques can you please send separate cheques for the following items?

- Christmas Cards
- Coin for a Cord Day Sales
- Cord Blood Research Donations
- Capitation Fees
- IWA Invoices(Badges & Merchandise)

I am looking forward to meeting many of you in Perth. Have a safe trip to Perth

In friendship
Annette Nielsen

From our Webmaster

For the information of those members wishing to access the new International Inner Wheel website, <http://www.internationalinnerwheel.org> and who use Windows Internet Explorer as their default web browser, you will need Version 9 – which is **only available in Windows Vista or Windows 7.**

However, if you are using earlier versions of Windows, you can change your default web browser to the latest version of Mozilla Firefox (which can be downloaded free to your computer) and you will be able to fully access the IIW site.

Then, if needed, go to **Firefox 'Help'** on the top toolbar to find out how to make <http://www.innerwheelaustralia.org.au> your home page, or set multiple home pages. You can access the IIW site by using 'Links' in our main site index

Cicero says:

“In friendship we find nothing false or insincere everything is straight forward and springs from the heart.