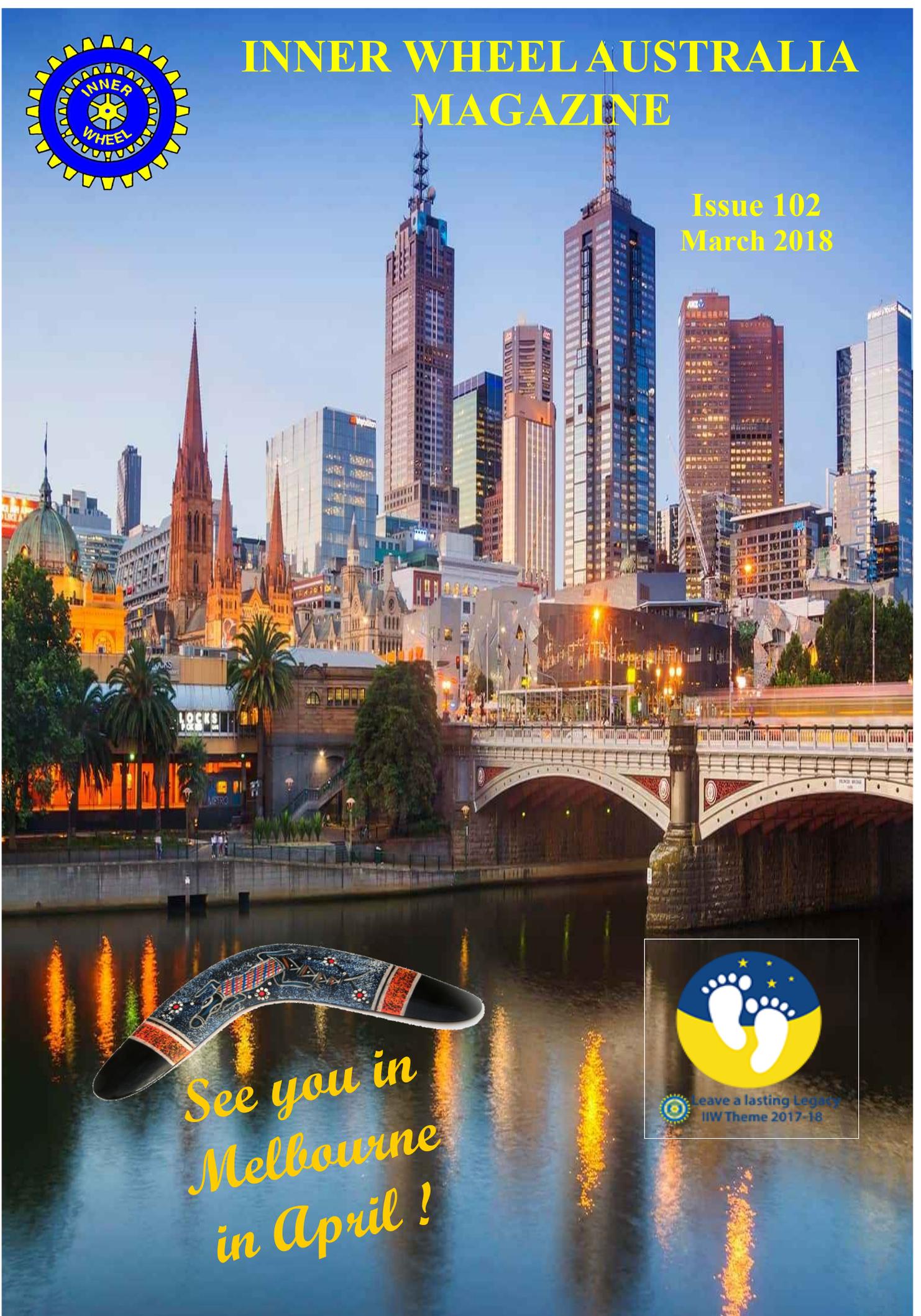




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Melbourne
in April!*



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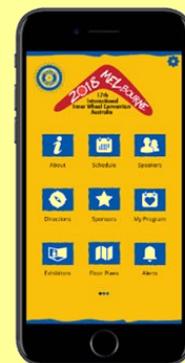
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Home Hosting Thank You

The I IW Convention in Melbourne is just around the corner and I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank all those members who offered to host an overseas delegate while they were in Australia for the Convention. The delegates are being hosted in every state except one and I know they will have a wonderful experience with you all. To those who offered to host but, were not allocated a delegate, I thank you very much.

I am pleased to report that 65 delegates were able to be accommodated by you and that is a wonderful effort. The Convention Committee thank you all very much.

In friendship,

Pam Watkins - Home Hosting Coordinator



A Report from Inner Wheel Australia President Karen Winters



Greetings to everyone and best wishes for a great 2018. We seemed to have marched swiftly into yet another year. The weeks are flashing past so quickly, that Christmas and the New Year are almost becoming a faded memory. We had a quiet family Christmas which gave us a time of regroup and refresh before the busyness of another year took hold.

As we begin the second half of our Inner Wheel year, I hope that you are all enjoying the various roles that you have taken on and that your year has been fulfilling, enjoyable and full of new memories that will leave a lasting place in your hearts.

February and March are the busy end of the year when Clubs and Districts are filling positions for the coming Inner Wheel year. I hope that many of you have put your names forward to help keep your Club and District moving along and that you will find your time on committee rewarding. There is a saying *"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much"* this applies to our Clubs and Districts. If we all take on a small role to lighten the load for each other, we will achieve so much and we will all get to enjoy our Inner Wheel.

The past month has been a busy time for me with many District visits. I have also had the opportunity to share with Burnie Club who were celebrating their 35th Anniversary when I was in A80 and with Yenda Club who were celebrating their 60th Anniversary the week later. The visits have been a wonderful time of catching up with members I have met before and meeting many new and enthusiastic members. I thank you all for the warm welcome you have given to not only myself but to the lovely Connie, my travelling companion. We have had many lovely chats and lots of fun photos, which will add to my lasting memory of this year.

Excitement is brewing with the Wollundry Club Charter on the horizon and with the documents signed and sent off for a new Club in Corowa. Well done District A55 with two new Clubs, congratulations!

According to the clock at the time of writing this in just 19 days, 7 hours and 23 minutes to be precise, many of us will be gathering in Melbourne to welcome our fellow members from across the world to the IIW Convention. This time has certainly come around quickly and I know that those attending are all enthusiastic to share in this International Convention. Please give a thought to the hard working Convention Committee, if you have time to help during the Convention, thank you and enjoy. You will surely be making lasting memories with members from across the many countries attending.

If you are a voting delegate, please make sure that you know where to meet the person with your voting papers and please be on top of the voting and mark your paperwork correctly. I do look forward to seeing many of you in Melbourne and am looking forward to seeing everyone in their finery at the Melbourne Cup function. Don't forget your flag and your scarf if you are coming to Convention.

Finally, during the last few weeks we have once again been reminded what a diverse country we live in. North Queensland towns and cities have experienced flooding, Darwin has been severely damaged by a Cyclone and devastating fires have ripped through country Victoria and Tathra, NSW. Please spare a thought for those who have suffered throughout these disasters and if you or your Club wish to donate to our IWA Disaster Fund please do so. We will be discussing how we as an organisation can assist these communities when we next meet in April. In the meantime, please be safe, keep well and may you and your family have a Happy and Holy Easter Season.

In friendship,



District A 40
Chairman: Jean L'Estrange

Albany **President: Lois-Ann Marshall**
 We are very proud and happy to announce our 22nd Birthday, which was held in February. We have been active throughout the community donating to various organisations, some include a scholarship, food bank and others.

Avon **President: Peta Newbound**
 We celebrated Inner Wheel Day at the Riverside Café on the Avon River in Northam with friendship and fellowship. We had a strong turnout of members and their partners for our breakfast. This was a great opportunity to welcome in the New Year as well as celebrate International Inner Wheel Day and its meaning.

Geraldton **President: Lesley Colliver**
 We had an, exciting fun day discovering the exhibitions along the 270km Art drive to helping seniors with a discount directory. Ten sleeping bags were purchased from *Stitches of Hope* and shared between two local organisations to distribute. A highlight was guest speaker, Guor Milchar, a local pharmacist who is passionate in the fight against the extreme poverty facing women in South Sudan and was instrumental in setting up the charity, *Athiolget Women's and Children's Health Foundation.*

Gosnells **President: Ann DeJong**
 Our Club celebrated its fiftieth anniversary with a lunch at the Gosnells Golf Club. Three Charter members, Lillian Hazelhurt, President Ann DeJong and Tess Passmore cut the cake.

Kalamunda **President: Coralie Deshon**
 We celebrated Inner Wheel Day at Kingsley Tavern with plenty of friendship and lots of chatter about what we did over Christmas. As our Club is growing in numbers, we now meet at the Kalamunda Hotel which is a great place with a huge room, so please join us when you are in Kalamunda.

Kalgoorlie Boulder **President: Sue Morley**
 Our Club has been packing the essentials for ladies' handbags for the Women's Refuge in Laverton. This is President Sue's project for her year and we call them "Bags of Friendship".



Avon Club Members and Partners



Geraldton Club member Lesley Colliver donating 5 Sleeping Bags to Sun City Christian Centre



Gosnell Charter members cutting their 50th Anniversary Cake



Kalamunda Members at The Kingsley Tavern Celebrating Inner Wheel Day



Kalgoorlie Boulder Club Members packing "Bags of Friendship"



Karrinyup Club Members having fun on Inner Wheel Day

District A40

Karrinyup **President: Dwynnyth Daniel**
Members celebrated the festive season with a lunch in the beautiful Swan Valley. The dawn of 2018 has seen members gather to celebrate Inner Wheel Day with morning tea and lunch. We inducted a new member, Kathy Nicolaou.

Mandurah **President: Fiona Russell-Brown**
Our Club has grown due to a recent membership drive. Our new members are a great asset to our Club and we welcome them! We celebrated Inner Wheel Day with a breakfast get-together.

Melville **President: Joan Beech-Jones**
We commenced 2018 with a celebration of the Inner Wheel Birthday breakfast at Catherine and John's home. It was a great catch up with friends again. Big thank you to John, the cook.

Rockingham/Kwinana District
President: Pauline James
We met for our International Project function on 14th February at our venue in Medina and an enjoyable day was had by those attending.

Rossmoyne **President: Hazel Berger**
We have welcomed three new members to our Club and celebrated our 35th Birthday with a lovely cake. We celebrated Inner Wheel Day with a Breakfast at Heathcote Park.

Scarborough **President: Maureen Stubbs**
We celebrated Inner Wheel Day with other Clubs from our District at a Tavern for a lovely lunch. We continue to enjoy meetings, social activities and fund raising and were delighted to induct three new members.

Swan Valley **President: Pauline Uhe**
We will celebrate International Inner Wheel with a South East Asian evening on 24th March.

Wanneroo **President: Diane Cook**
Inner Wheel Day was celebrated with some of our members joining other Clubs in our District.

Whitfords **President: Margaret Hancock**
January Inner Wheel Day lunch was held at Kingsley Tavern and we had a huge turnout with ladies from five other A40 Clubs.



Inner Wheel Australia Inc.

*The President and members of
IWA Executive extend a warm
welcome to 2018*

*Changeover Weekend
Mandurah Western Australia*



Friendship Dinner

Friday, 15th June 2018

Venue: RAAF Function Centre
41 Portrush Parade, Meadow Springs,
Mandurah

Time: 6.30pm for 7.00pm

Dress: Smart Casual

Cost: \$55.00 pp

Changeover Dinner

Saturday, 16th June 2018

Venue: Mandurah Offshore Sailing
& Fishing Club

115 Breakwater Parade, Mandurah

Time: 6.30pm for 7.00pm

Dress: Black Tie/Lounge Suit

Cost: \$60.00 pp

District A 50
Chairman: Janet Power

Bathurst

President: Linn Pusteria

Our Club celebrated Inner Wheel Day with a picnic in the park by the Macquarie River. We enjoyed good food and had a lovely relaxing time sharing stories of Christmas and New Year. We took the opportunity to farewell Flo Crawford who is moving to Victoria.



President Patricia and Ellen Cowan

Blayney

President: Patricia Crofts

Ellen Cowan, 92, is our oldest member in both age and years of membership. Together with President Patti, they cut our 55th Birthday cake. We enjoyed an informal morning tea at Li'l Nellie's Restaurant for Inner Wheel Day with eighteen members attending.



Members at Cowra Japanese Gardens

Cowra

President: Heather Treasure

Members celebrated Inner Wheel Day with a morning tea at the beautiful Japanese Gardens in Cowra. We felt that this was the most appropriate venue for a significant celebration.

Dubbo

President: Meryl Usback

We celebrated Inner Wheel Day with a Devonshire Morning Tea in the lovely garden of member Cheryl Pfeiffer. Tables were decorated with flags of the world and President Meryl spoke of the origins of Inner Wheel Day and passed on our IIW President's message.



Dubbo Club Members in Cheryl Pfeiffer's Garden

Lithgow

President: Kaye Preema

Our members had a lovely friendship coffee morning at the Workman's Club to celebrate Inner Wheel Day.



Lithgow Club Members going to morning tea on IW Day

Orange

President: Judith Reppen

In 1964, Valda Bromhead became a charter member of our Club. Ladies wore hats and fees were 2 pounds. Worldwide agreement to form International Inner Wheel happened during Valda's first Presidency, 1965-66, so it was fitting that members farewelled Valda on Inner Wheel Day, 2018. We all wish Valda a very happy move to Canberra and thank her for 54 years of service and friendship.

Orange Minhi

President: Melissah Quinn

Our Club celebrated Inner Wheel Day at the home of our Treasurer, Gemma Cisco and her smiling brood of biological and foster children. They catered for the event which included cakes, cookies and fruit. The event was a great success and good cheer was had by all. Members brought their children along to get to know each other and we learnt about Inner Wheel.



Orange Minhi Club Members enjoying Inner Wheel Day lunch



Valda Bromhead and President Judith

District A 51
 Chairman: Marion Newman



Belrose President: Lesley Hackshall

Inner Wheel Day was celebrated with an evening picnic by the water at Davidson Park, Middle Harbour. With a background of evening bird calls it was very peaceful.

North Sydney President: Suzie McLeod

On January 10th, we celebrated Inner Wheel Day with a lovely day of friendship at President Suzie's home. We had discussions on adapting to new technology which is achievable because the organisation of Inner Wheel empowers women which leads to personal growth. A positive attitude and an active membership is our lifeline.

Wollongong President: Louise Campbell

Inner Wheel Day was celebrated very differently this year with a Chinese banquet at the home of Barbara and Harry Williams. We were joined by husbands and several friends who are always willing helpers at our various fund raising ventures. It was a great night and great entertainment was provided by a wild storm complete with thunder, lightning and hail. Fortunately we were all safe and dry.



Southern Highlands

President: Lorraine McAlpine

On 10th January, our Inner Wheel Club of Southern Highlands celebrated with an afternoon tea at our member Jacqui Bailey's home and a fun time was had by all.



District A 52
 Chairman: Judith Simos

Gosford Nth President: Deidra Groppenbacher

Our Club continues to support local community organisations. We joined other Clubs in our District at Alison Homestead to celebrate Inner Wheel Day for a delicious lunch. This year we will focus on *Family and Community Services and Days for Girls.*



Presentation of a cheque for Central Coast Family Support by Ann Bubicic and President Deidra

Scone President: Jane Sullivan

Our member, Jan Cameron was honoured at the Australia Day Awards. The Scone and Upper Hunter Historical Society of which Jan has been a long term member and is currently President, was awarded "*The Community Group of the Year*". We are very proud of Jan and her tireless commitment to Inner Wheel, as well as the Historical Society, ensuring that the history of our region does not fall by the wayside and become lost. Everyone in our Club thank and congratulate Jan on her endeavours.



Terrigal President: Jeanette Honeybrook

We attended District A52 Inner Wheel Day celebrations at historic Alison Homestead. We experienced the past as we looked at the many treasures on display including "The Rules for Teachers 1872" in an old school room. The weather was kind to us, lunch was enjoyed and there was lots of chatter. We remembered members who have gone before us and now look forward to the future as Terrigal Club continues to grow.



Terrigal members having fun in an old School Room at Alison Homestead

District A 52

Wyong

President: Susan Chisholm

Deserving of an Award is our busy member and IIW Convention Treasurer, Lorraine Hyde, shown here with her grand-daughter Ivy and member Olive Winspear, her Mum. Our congratulations to the Australian wide winning entry from our members Dorothy Morgan for her poem and Pauline Gunness who designed the poster in the IIW Convention competition. President Susan Chisholm and Margaret Unwin accepted a certificate at the "Scholarship in Radiology Awards" ceremony on behalf of Wyong Club's supporting donation.



District A 53

Campsie

President: Helen Angelis

Our Club celebrated Inner Wheel Day with lunch at a local club and we were joined by one of our lovely country members. We will celebrate our 26th Birthday in March.



Nepean

President: Alyson Forster

Noelene and Steve Elliott hosted a Cocktail Party for Inner Wheel Day. We were joined by two ex-members and their partners and three Rotary exchange students. After a very hot day, it was lovely to enjoy an evening of good fellowship, fun and delicious food.

District A 53

Chairman: Christine Ananin

Baulkham Hills

President: Christine Watson

Members participated at the annual White Ribbon Day March and Breakfast to prevent domestic Violence, attended the launch of the Safety Room at the Castle Towers Shopping Centre, wrapped Christmas presents to raise money for The Smith Family, sang Christmas carols at a local aged care facility and enjoyed Christmas lunch at a local restaurant. On Inner Wheel day, we joined with ladies from the Castle Hill RSL to knit poppies for the 5000 poppy project.



Baulkham Hills Club Members



Beecroft

President: Carolyn Goldsmith

Hi-Ho-Hi-Ho off to work we go! Not at all, it's just the start of another year of fun, food, and friendship, with lovely ladies, enjoying the friendship that Inner Wheel brings. We want to wish five of our members very best wishes for their return to good health.



Norwest

President: Flavia Riva

International Inner Wheel Day was celebrated with a brunch at member Lois and husband Henry's home. A fun day with great international food. In February, members prepared another Meals from the Heart at Ronald McDonald House, Westmead. A bus trip to the Southern Highlands and a fashion parade are on the agenda – fun social activities and also raising funds for the charity account.

Penrith

President: Beverley Nicholson

One of our days during January, the temperature in Penrith hit 47°C making it the hottest spot in the world according to the news; so members were pleased that this occurred during our yearly break! However, we did acknowledge Inner Wheel Day in January with a well attended morning tea at a local nursery/restaurant surrounded by shrubs and flowers, a great way to celebrate achievements.



District A 53

Smithfield

President: Diana Howes

To celebrate Inner Wheel Day in January, members and a number of loyal Club friends lunched at the *Twin Creeks Golf and Country Club* at Luddenham, a lovely venue, enjoyed by all who attended with great food, fun and friendship.



The Hawkesbury

President: Maureen Rose

Our annual weekend bus trip was to Canowindra Forbes, Parkes and Orange. We were BBQ Chefs at Richmond Rotary Community Christmas Carols in the Park and on Inner Wheel Day we shared a sing-a-long and afternoon tea with residents of the Kurrajong Nursing Home.



The Hills

President: Rosslyn Bushell

The Hills 19th Birthday was celebrated with a yummy cake and a "*Pass the Parcel*". On Australia Day we enjoyed a wonderful brunch at our President Ros' apartment, where we had great food and friendship on this important day. In February, we had a friendship Saturday Dinner at a member's home. The theme was Chinese and we all had a great evening.

West Harbour

President: Carol Leaver

Inner Wheel Day was celebrated individually. Sue and Gordon cruised New Zealand, Vice Chairman Carolyn cut her hand before Christmas and was hospitalised, hubby Ian had a fall and was also in hospital. Both are recovering well. Val was to ski in Aspen and ended up in Germany. Sadly Aileen's husband Don lost his battle on January 25th and we shall miss him greatly. A theatre outing was held in February followed by a Thai meal. District Friendship Day is in March.



Val Gibson
shovelling snow
in Germany

District A 54

Chairman: Phillis Guthrie

Leeton

President: Moira Butler

About 14 of us joined Yenda Club to see a movie in Griffith (a decision made because of the intense heat around that time). We decided on an indoor activity that didn't require too much exertion, then went to a nice restaurant for lunch. The whole day was very enjoyable.

Marjory McCormack was a Charter Member in 1956 and is turning 100 years of age on 9th March. She worked through the ranks, holding several positions and was President and District Chairman over the years. She would fill her car with members and travel many miles to attend District functions and events.



Marjory had an exemplary attendance record until 2008 when her health began to fail. She was given Life Membership in appreciation of her long and dedicated service to Inner Wheel. She still has a lively interest in all things Inner Wheel and participates when she can. She was presented with a plaque to honour her 60 years of membership at our District Changeover in 2017.

District A 55

Chairman: Jacqui Everett

Alstonville

President: Judy Thompson

We ended 2017 "*on a high*" with a beautiful Christmas Luncheon. Our first meeting for 2018 takes place next week, followed by an Indian themed International Night.

Ballina

President: Judy Carson

Embracing the objects of Inner Wheel, our Club always enjoys meetings of true friendship. We continue to support local charities such as *Hope Haven*, shelter for victims of domestic violence and also give generously to the *Friends Committee of the Mental Health Clinic*.

Grafton

President: Alison Banks

We celebrated Inner Wheel Day with morning tea at our local Coffee Club and whilst there, we received a phone call from two members holidaying in Yamba. It was a happy time catching up and talking about our future plans

Tamworth

President: Wendy Bennett

Our members celebrated Inner Wheel Day with an early breakfast at our local Golf Club.

District A 55

Forster-Tuncurry **President: Marea Binskin**

What news we have been hearing - of Christmas fun and cheering. With our new year just begun - we look forward to loads of fun. On January tenth - our members' breakfast held. Our Inner Wheel day celebrations – a barbeque with yummy creations. But sadness came on Australia Day, member Jenny Daniell passed away. Her lasting legacy will surely remain – her loving memory will never wane. Moving on to our February meeting - a delicious lunch we'll be eating. Planning fundraisers and morning teas – community events of all degrees. Let the happenings and friendships grow – for we absolutely definitely know. We'll forge ahead with great gusto-for happiness we will bestow.

Lismore **President: Joanne Cooper**

For Inner Wheel Day, twenty-one of our members gathered for morning tea at the Lismore Workers' Club, a great time was had finding out how everyone spent their Christmas. International night is "New Zealand" this year and our guest speaker will tell us what they think the difference is between the two countries.

Narrabri **President: Marie Keys**

To celebrate Inner Wheel Day we met with members of the Wee Waa Club for a very enjoyable meal at an Indian Restaurant. Everyone enjoyed themselves and we are hoping to do this again.

Port Macquarie West

President: Marie De Groot

Our Club celebrated Inner Wheel Day at the home of Terry and Helen Crossley, where members supplied a salad or a sweet. It was a wonderful night with plenty of laughter and fellowship and well supported. Judy Johnson, our Craft expert and leader was given a Paul Harris Fellow Award from Port Macquarie West Rotary Club for all her talented work she does for various organisations.

Wee Waa **President: Wendy Revell**

To celebrate Inner Wheel Day, we combined with Narrabri and 20 ladies enjoyed an Indian smorgasbord and much fellowship



Tamworth
members and their
husbands

District A 60

Chairman: Lyn Stansbury

Echuca **President: Irena Steele**

Inner Wheel Club of Echuca celebrated International Inner Wheel Day aboard Dorman Airlines 220 for a global gastronomic experience. First destination, the Hawaiian Island then to the Middle East. In flight entertainment kept passengers occupied for the long journey to India, back to America, stopover to Britain, passengers enjoyed retail therapy. Our gastronomic journey saw us enjoy delights of Greece and France. Via New Zealand we discussed, "does Pavlova belong to the Aussies or Kiwis"? Our flight terminated in Echuca. Arrival back home, coffee and Japanese biscuits made a fitting end to a wonderful journey.



Food enjoyed on the way

Hawaiian Fruit Cup, Tuscan Meat Balls, Middle Eastern Dips, Indian Rogan Josh Curry, British Ploughman's lunch, British Bangers and Mash, Japanese Sushi, Swedish Sandwich Cake, Austrian Linzer Torte, French Cake, Greek Sweets, Aussie Pavlova, Scottish Dundee Cake, Scottish Short Bread, Belgium Chocolates and Japanese Biscuits.

(Somebody in Echuca must make some amazing fruit punch! Love to join you for Inner Wheel celebrations next year - Ed.)

Warrnambool **President: Janine Glennen**

Our Club members celebrated Inner Wheel Day in true style with a glass of bubbles, tempting treats and friendship in peaceful surroundings of the Warrnambool Botanic Gardens.



Wendouree **President: Jan Tozer**

Bendigo, Geelong, Wendouree Clubs from A60, A61, and A62 Districts for many years have met for morning tea and lunch at the Terrace Café in the Royal Botanic Gardens, Melbourne for Inner Wheel Day. We look out over a beautiful lake, some members take time to walk through the wonderful gardens. Members travel many kilometres to attend this special day. Our fellowship has bonded over these years.

District A 61
Chairman: Melba Mahoney



Members from A60, A61 & A62
 International Inner Wheel Day

Boronia President: Jane Spiers

The new year began with Inner Wheel Day and our members attended and enjoyed the company of other members from far and wide. Our annual Australia Day Barbeque breakfast saw a good turnout of our members and their partners.

Bundoora President: Lyn Richardson

To celebrate our Inner Wheel Birthday, each year we pack and give ten baby bundles to the Northern Hospital to distribute to needy new mothers.

Shepparton President: Dawn Morden

January 10th, Inner Wheel Day was celebrated at the Provender & Co Restaurant with much chatter. We are looking forward to Williamstown Friendship Day with a Pirates Theme.

Wandin President: Anne Wettenhall

We are very proud of our member, Valmae Gaudion, who received a Community Award at the Australian Day breakfast from the Wandin Rotary Club for her extensive work in our local community. Our Club enjoyed the company of members of Districts A60, A61 and A62 for Inner Wheel Day celebrations



Williamstown President: Mary Soppitt

Our Club is experiencing a wonderful year of growth and friendship. A few of our members attended Inner Wheel Day joining with Club members of the three Victorian Districts enjoying a great day of friendship.

District A 61

Wodonga

President: Bev Hosie

We are looking forward with enthusiasm to the upcoming Convention in Melbourne with a number of girls attending. Our Charter President Diana Thompson, was very keen to mark Wodonga on the map at the convention and came up with the idea of our Club providing bookmarks which will be placed in the recipient bags for all attendees. These depict the floral emblem of all states and territories of Australia plus a few native animals. We welcome all international visitors and hope you enjoy your stay in our beautiful country.



Whorouly

President: Jenenne Stiles

We chose Gapsted Winery to come together to celebrate Inner Wheel Day. Eleven Club members gathered to enjoy lunch with some bringing their children and grandchildren. Apart from being a great opportunity to commemorate the day, it gave us an opportunity to get together, raise a glass and say Happy New Year!



District A 62

Chairman Janeen Randle

Bairnsdale

President: Melba Mahoney

Our Club celebrated Inner Wheel Day with a Japanese themed dinner at the Angling Club at Lakes Entrance. The meal and wonderful decorations were supplied by the members. Japanese memorabilia including a beautiful wedding dress were on display. Member Helen Gottschalk was humbled but delighted to receive the *Citizen of the Year Award* at the Bairnsdale Australia Day Breakfast for all her community work over many, many, years. Inner Wheel Bairnsdale had helped out in a number of ways in the Walk to d'feet MND in Lakes Entrance on October 2017. This event won the Event of the Year at the Lakes Entrance Australia Day Awards.



District A 62

Berwick President: Lucy Rowlands

"A golden year ahead for Berwick"

Save the date, mark the calendar, note in the diary! Sunday, 18th November 2018, our Club will celebrate its 50th Birthday. We will celebrate half a century of friendship and service, along with members past and present, plus many Inner Wheel Friends Australia wide with whom many special memories and achievements have been shared.

Narre Warren President: Louise Lean

Thirteen members of our Club celebrated Inner Wheel Day in

Berwick. Eight members of our Club were honoured to represent our Club at the City of Casey, Australia Day



Award Ceremony in the category, *Community Group of the Year*. Beaconhills College were worthy winners on the day.

Nepean President: Alyson Forster

Two of our members, Marion Sparrow and Jan Graham and their team were awarded the *Minister of Health's Award* for Outstanding Achievement by a Volunteer-Improving Public Health. Our projects this year will be focused in the community. These include a breakfast program for school children, helping women and children caught up in domestic violence and elderly homeless women.

Moe President: Sandras Demagistris

Inner Wheel Day was held at President Sandras's home. Her son Michael, who is an Executive Chef at "Polperro Winery and Restaurant" a 4½ star restaurant on the Mornington Peninsula, prepared a delicious meal for us for a very long lunch.

Mornington Peninsula

President: Margery Withycombe

Inner wheel Day was celebrated at Jan Simpson's Strahan Farm in Moorooduc. Our highlight this year has been the celebration of our 20th Birthday on 1st February with members, past members and friends from District A62 some of whom we have known since our Charter night.

District A 62

Phillip Island President: Loorain Hope

Our Club celebrated Inner Wheel Day at the Royal Botanic Gardens in Melbourne with members from Districts A60, A61 and A62. It was a wonderful day of fun and friendship. Twenty-five year *Appreciation Certificates and Cord Blood Bears* were presented to Charter President Una Lyons and Charter member Pat Taylor who are both still members of our Club. We are now preparing for a visit from our sister clubs, Inner Wheel Club Kota Kinabalu and Inner Wheel Club Kinabalu Rafflesia.

District A 70

Chairman: Rosalie De Lurant

Holdfast Marion President: Wendy Ashenden

Inner Wheel Day was celebrated at Auchendarroch House & Tavern where a "Gift of Friendship" rose was planted in recognition of their support to the District followed by lunch and a movie.



Standing: Past DC Kay Haig, DC Rosalie De Lurant, Sitting: Colleen Hughes and Nancy Kamm

Mobilong

President: Joyce Medlow

Members and partners attending the District A70 Inner Wheel Day at Auchendarroch House and Tavern, Mt Barker, enjoyed lunch, a movie and the planting of a "Gift of Friendship Rose" in the garden. We are looking forward to planting three more roses in the garden at the entrance of the local council in Murray Bridge. Four new members have been welcomed to our club this year with another joining in April. Ruth Fraser reached the wonderful age of Ninety.



North East Sunset President: Alexandra James

Our focus on fun and promoting friendship resulted in inducting four new members. Representatives attended the Combined Service Dinner hosted by Campbelltown Council sharing our achievements and elevating our profile in the Community. We joined other Clubs in our District at Auchendarroch House and Tavern on Inner Wheel Day.

District A 70

St Peters/Campbeltown

President: Neta Fioravanti



A70 Chairman Rosalie De Lurant and Michelle from Auchendarroch House planting the "Gift of Friendship Rose"

On Inner Wheel Day, 10th January 2018, several of our Club members travelled to Auchendarroch House and Tavern in Mt Barker to join members from other Clubs in celebration of this special occasion and planting of the "Gift of Friendship Rose" and then we enjoyed a viewing of Hugh Jackman's movie, "The Greatest Showman". This was followed by lunch.



Standing President Neta and Barb Holton,
Front Edna Bates and Bev Braithwaite

Tea Tree Gully

President: Jayne Nicholas

Inner Wheel Day event at Auchendarroch House was well attended by our Club. The planting of our "Gift of Friendship Rose" as a highlight, followed by the screening of "The Greatest Showman" at the theatre and an enjoyable lunch. It was a great time of fellowship between our Clubs. We congratulate Past President, Jenny Read on her Australia Day Award of Campbelltown Senior Citizen of the Year, for services to the Scouting Movement since 1971, St John Ambulance and other community services.



L-R Tea Tree Gully Mayor, Council's Australia Day Ambassador and Past President Jenny Read and the Deputy Mayor



Jenny Read at Malvern Club in Worcestershire

The Adelaide Hills

President: Andra Hein

Our Club was well represented at the Inner Wheel Day at Auchendarroch House where our District Chairman Rosalie planted the "Gift of Friendship Rose" in their magnificent Rose Garden in

District A 70 - Continued

recognition of their support to Inner Wheel. We then enjoyed the movie "The Greatest Showman", which was followed by lunch in Auchendarroch House with our fellow District members.



The Adelaide Hills Members L-R Andra Hein, Tricia Dale, Coralie Nicolson and Lola Horton

District A 76

Chairman: Sandra Richards

Cairns

President: Judy Wright

Inner Wheel Day members joined friends visiting the new refurbished Cairns Museum in the City. We enjoyed viewing the exhibits and interactive displays of Cairns history, followed by a delightful morning tea in the Museum meeting room.



FNQ Tablelands

President: Julie Brzozowski

Members held their first celebration of Inner Wheel's special day, enjoying High Tea at Mungalli Creek Bio-Dynamic Dairy, tasting the jams and spreads made on-site. Late January, a Preloved Clothing sale was held at a member's home, with donations by Inner Wheel members and Facebook friends. Over 50 ladies attended enjoying fellowship and pooled morning tea. We raised over \$1,300.00, with the donations going towards Assistance Dogs.



District A 76

Innisfail

President: Judi Rees

We have inducted two new members, *Frances Reitano* and *Lyndall Stavrou*, taking our membership to thirty-seven. On 10th January, Inner Wheel Day, we celebrated at the Queens Hotel. Later in January, members attended a Barbeque lunch at Warringa Nursing Home, where a much needed Barbeque was presented to the residents.



Townsville

President: Jacque Heath

Inner Wheel Day, members donated a dressed bear to the first child born on 10th January 2018 at both Townsville hospitals. One hospital, where parents didn't want publicity, the bear was donated to a four year old boy, who had lost his teddy. Members donated \$470.00 towards their International Project, "*Water Wells in Cambodia*", for the farming village of Kacheay, Province of Siem Reap for 342 families.



A family of six received The installed "*Well*" sharing water access with another fifteen families.

Trinity After Dark

President: Natalie Cornwell

We have donated many gifts for *Ruth's Women's Shelter* in Cairns enabling them to continue providing quality services to these women and children in need.

ACT Non District

Canberra-Belconnen

President: Marguerite Sheppard

We celebrated Inner Wheel Day with an afternoon tea at a Sports Club and joined Rotarians for an Australia Day Breakfast. We continue to enjoy monthly movie mornings and are currently planning to cater for a big Bike Ride in April and we are involved with assisting the *Days for Girls* Project within remote Australia and overseas.

District A 80

Chairman: Lesley Perkins

Burnie

President: Elayne Ransley

To celebrate Inner Wheel Day, members enjoyed a barbecue at the home of Perina and David Kentish. In recognition of this day our Club provided a donation to the Royal Flying Doctor Service. We assisted with catering at the Rotary Club of Somerset Pig Races and the Australia Day Foreshore Fiesta.

Clarence

President: Pat Gillespie

We all celebrated Inner Wheel Day with a picnic at Deviot Hall. The venue was a delightful outdoors area overlooking the River Tamar.

Deloraine

President: Maureen Bennett

We recently celebrated our 47th Charter Anniversary with a luncheon at Rotary Pavilion. We were joined by other Club members from District A80. We had a most informative Guest Speaker. A barbecue picnic on the banks of the Meander River was enjoyed on a beautiful summer evening.

King Meadows

President: Christine Stevens

Inner Wheel Day was well attended by members from Clubs throughout the State. All gathered on the banks of the Tamar River at Deviot under the shade of the beautiful trees. Our Club was well represented and reported the day a great chance to catch up with District A80 members. Much loved member Lorna Yost celebrated her 91st Birthday in February. Lorna is a Charter Member and has held many positions and still attends meetings and loves to go to functions.

Mercy

President: Debbie Reid

Some of our members attended the Inner Wheel Day celebration picnic at the Deviot Community Centre, which was enjoyed by all attending. We have had a fundraising movie night, proceeds of which were used to buy a barbecue for a local aged care facility and members joined in the White Ribbon "*Walk the Talk*" walk against violence.

Tamar River

President: Joan Smith

President Joan's desire this year has been one of fellowship and we have eaten together at local restaurants for District Chairman Lesley's official visit and again for our Christmas meeting. We donated prizes for the end of year assemblies at our six local schools. This is a rewarding exercise that we have been doing for over forty-five years. In February our club is holding a barbecue at Bunnings in Launceston to swell our funds.



District A 77
 Chairman : *Zelma Hanley*

Boonah

President: Jan Miles

Our members enjoyed a wonderful day of good food, good friends and good company with Brisbane West Club members to celebrate Inner Wheel Day. A day to remember fellow members throughout the world. The lunch was held at the Kenmore Tavern and thanks to their ISO Gabrielle Emery-Reece for inviting our Club.

Brisbane

President: Marjorie Milliken

Seventeen members, family and guests celebrated Inner Wheel Day with a lovely lunch at Gallopers Restaurant in Hamilton on 10th January. President Marjorie Milliken gave a toast to Inner Wheel.

Brisbane North

President: Annette Nielsen

We celebrated Inner Wheel Day at President Annette's home, with funds raised donated to our District Charity. Dr Catherine Hamlin's Fistula Hospital at Addis Ababa in Ethiopia. Our special guest was Joanne Miller, Dr Catherine's niece, who gave us first hand stories of the opening of the world's first Hospital in 1975 and recently the Hamlin College for Midwives has now opened.

Brisbane West

President: Vivian Matters

For Inner Wheel Day our ISO Gabrielle Emery-Reece arranged for members of Boonah Club to join them for lunch at the local Tavern. There was fun and friendship with members delivering postcards of greetings to be included, as a welcome for overseas visitors at the Convention in Melbourne.

Broadbeach

President: Kay Hodges

For Inner Wheel Day, our President Kay asked that we perform an Act of Kindness. Several members assisted by taking a French neighbour to a French movie, by giving a delicious cake to an elderly neighbour and gardening for a neighbour.

Bundaberg

President: Betty Crabbe

Inner Wheel Day was celebrated at the East End Hotel. We were joined by members of Hervey Bay and also Bundaberg Sunset. There were 30 members and some being new, President Betty informed us of the history of our Club. We enjoyed a puzzling Christmas quiz, raffles and lucky door prize.



L-R
 Boonah Members
 Bev Ward,
 Jennie Ross,
 Dist. Chairman
 Zelma Hanley,
 President Jan Mills,
 and
 Michelle White



L-R
 Brisbane North
 Members Anne-
 Marie Joyner,
 Pres. Annette
 Nielsen and
 Jenny Tinworth



Margaret Buchanan
 and Rosemary Larson



Above and below: Members of Brisbane West and Boonah Clubs enjoying lunch.



Gold Coast
 Club
 Members



Port Curtis
 Club
 Members

Bundaberg Sunset President: Robyn Ballantyne

We joined members of Bundaberg and Hervey Bay Clubs at the East End Hotel. We enjoyed a very hard Christmas Carol quiz. Fun and enjoyment was had by all on the day.

Gold Coast North President: Barbara Hudson

We all enjoyed Inner Wheel Day with a breakfast at Southport Yacht Club. The tables were decorated in an International theme with a world map tablecloth and a centrepiece with flags hanging from it. We had twenty-two members and husbands attending. A box of fresh fruit and vegetables was raffled for our District project Hamlin Fistula Hospital in Ethiopia.

Hervey Bay President: Liz Godfrey

Our Club members celebrated Inner Wheel Day with Maryborough Club for a lunch. President Liz inducted a new member Trish Robertson. We also travelled to Bundaberg and joined their Clubs for Inner Wheel Day celebrations.

Maryborough President: Linda Harris

We celebrated Inner Wheel Day with Hervey Bay Club Members at the Waterfront Restaurant, Hervey Bay. The celebration was most enjoyable.

Port Curtis President: Heather Ross

We celebrated Inner Wheel Day at a local restaurant, for a casual lunch at "Fresh Fix". We were delighted to welcome a prospective new member.

Rockhampton Sunset President: Ann Riley

Our 2018 Inner Wheel Day was celebrated with a brunch at the Glenmore Palms Restaurant, where we all enjoyed catching up. President Ann acknowledged how Inner Wheel began and the importance to serve our community whenever possible. We look forward to another year of fun and friendship.

Strathpine President: Valerie Orr

We went to Sultans Turkish Restaurant for Inner Wheel Day. We enjoyed ordering different dishes of lamb, hotpots, kebabs etc. We obtained information about Inner Wheel in other countries, which we read out around the table. This was both interesting and surprising at how far Inner Wheel extends.



Sunshine Coast President: Leanne Ballinger

Fifty people attended our Inner Wheel Day luncheon at Pelican Waters Golf Club including Associate Professor Michael Doran and his lovely partner and Fiancé, Kathryn. They both played a starring role in "Pin the Nose on Cord Blood Bear, Grandpa Cordy" only to be upstaged by our very capable District A77 Secretary, Sandra Cormack. She definitely knows her way around a bear!



Left Assoc. Prof. Mike with Pres. Leanne
Above Judy Elliott trying to pin Cordy's Nose

Toowoomba President: Joan Kennedy

We celebrated Inner Wheel Day with an excursion to "Mary Poppins House", followed by lunch at the RSL Club. Helen Lyndon Goff, (pseudonym PL Travers) wrote stories about her childhood experiences in her house and around the town of Allora. Reconstruction of this house was used as a film set for Hollywood's "Saving Mr Banks". Forty-five members, partners and family enjoyed a great day.



Toowoomba
Club
Members

Wishart President: Claire Cameron

We all enjoyed a high tea at the Willow Room at Upper Mt Gravatt. It was a day to celebrate Inner Wheel with relaxation, laughter and good food with plenty of friendship.





National Project Coordinator Barbara Mitchell

Hello Inner Wheel friends, I am your new Project Coordinator and stepping into the well-earned and worn shoes of Anne McGill and Susan Parry. Together with Diana Douglas (Warehouse/Stock Manager) and Marion Newman (Publicity and Promotional Materials Manager), we hope we can make a difference and that our Cord Blood Project goes from strength to strength. It is such an amazing project and gives us all a proud, warm fuzzy feeling, because of all the hard work we do to help so many people.

Hopefully you all would have received the new guidelines for District Project Coordinators, sent to you by our Inner Wheel Australia Secretary. Please read them and dispose of the other copies. Check the date on the bottom of the guidelines. It should read updated "February 2018".

REMEMBER PLEASE ALL CLUBS, to let your District Cord Blood Coordinators know the **total stock on hand** of merchandise you hold (do this after Coin for Cord Day).

Looking forward to hearing about how fantastic your Coin for a Cord Day went. Please take photos of yourselves and your stand and send any ideas, colour schemes, dressed bears or tips for selling. We can all share ideas to make our Coin for a Cord Day brilliant.

Hope to see many of you at the Convention. Look out for me and introduce yourself or I will find you on the dance floor.

Inner Wheel hugs

Barb Mitchell



Our latest Cord
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Inner Wheel Club of Wollundry District A 54



The Charter Party lunch for the Inner Wheel Club of Wollundry will be held on Saturday, 5th May 2018 at 12 noon at Elements at the Botanical Gardens, Wagga Wagga, NSW



*Huge Congratulations go to Elise Bowen
and all the New Members*



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All functions will be held at the Hellenic Club situated in Woden. The Conference Hotel is the Abode Woden, which is directly across the road from the Hellenic Club. Rooms have been reserved for conference attendees and when booking mention "Inner Wheel Conference".

There is also a Quality Inn and a Westfield Plaza within walking distance.



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