



INNER WHEEL CLUB OF PAKENHAM

FRIENDSHIP BOUQUET



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**STEP UP
&
LEAD** 
by
EXAMPLE 

International theme 2025-2026

IIW PRESIDENT
KAY MORLAND
IWA PRESIDENT
CLARE SWAAN
A62 DISTRICT CHAIRMAN
JOAN GRIST

FROM THE PRESIDENT

I hope everyone has been able to enjoy some good family time wrapped up with rest and relaxation over the Christmas/New Year break. We certainly enjoyed our very precious time with family in Robe in perfect summer weather which was much appreciated by Tristan & Laura who left (and have returned to) a very chilly Europe.

January 10 saw us enjoy and celebrate Inner Wheel Day with our traditional Breakfast in the Park with over 50 guests. The following day Terry and I left for the Tamworth Country Music Festival which was both an interesting and exciting experience. It was a long way to go for a short time, very hot, and the first few days quite overwhelming it was so busy!

So, after some very busy times I am now, not grounded, but “elevated” following the remove of a skin cancer which required a skin graft on my shin. The leg to be elevated until told otherwise! Dressings will be changed after a week and I will be advised on how much movement I will be allowed then!

We are all aware that many of our members are battling serious illnesses either of their own or their partners. Certainly, difficult times for all concerned and we send our very best wishes to all who are going through tough times at the moment.



FROM THE PRESIDENT CONTINUED

February is the month when decisions need to be made within our club regarding leadership for 2026-2027. Many of our current Exec are happy to continue in their current role or to swap to another position if someone new would like the chance to learn a new skill or take on a new position. Remember, no one is expected to step straight into a role and feel they need to give the appearance they are as competent as the current incumbent. Everyone started with little or no knowledge and has grown into the role with increased confidence as their knowledge base expands. And also realise that **everyone** is “**very busy**” and doesn’t have a lot of spare time just like you! Also we all need the opportunity to travel as much as we can while we can. Let’s all help each other out and

“Step Up and Lead by Example”.

I hope by the end of our meeting we have a full complement of office bearer for the coming year!

In anticipation,

Alwyn



DECEMBER MEETING



District Chairman's Visit
Welcome Joan and Chris 4.11.25



NODDY-1



DECEMBER MEETING



We had the long-awaited and much anticipated visit from District Chairman Joan and Secretary Chris. To make the occasion even more special, we decided to have a Noddy-themed celebration! Knowing how much Joan loves books, we greeted her and Chris with Noddy cars which added a fun and personal touch to the day. Joan shared some beautiful stories from her life — growing up in the country, raising children, her teaching career and, of course, her journey with Inner Wheel. Joan's talk was warm and insightful. We enjoyed some fun, Noddy-themed games and puzzles, followed by a delicious luncheon provided by our members – Our members can certainly prepare a gastronomic feast!

MESSAGE FROM IIW PRESIDENT



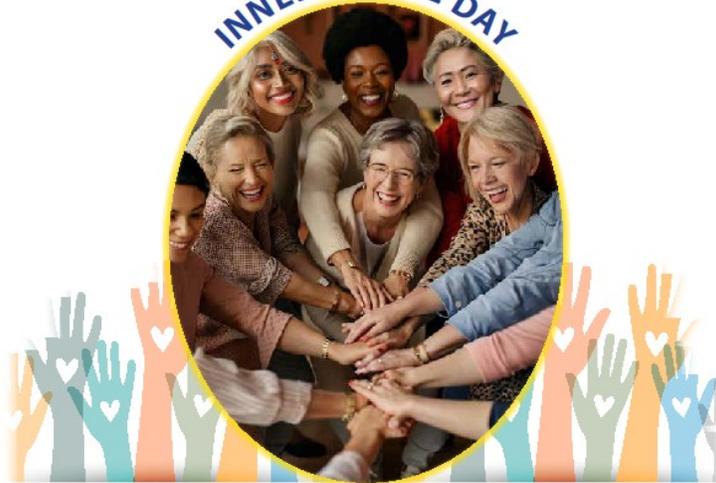
INTERNATIONAL
INNER WHEEL



PRESIDENT
KAY MORLAND

10 JANUARY 2026

INNER WHEEL DAY



Enjoy your INNER WHEEL DAY Celebrations.
Celebrate the opportunity given to us all
to build cherished friendships, to serve our communities
and to make a difference in this world.
The opportunity to Step Up & Lead by Example.

Wishing you all
another successful,
rewarding and fun filled
year in Inner Wheel.

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BIRTHDAYS



Birthdays for the month of January

9th— Bronwyn Mepstead

16th January—Marlene Burhop

Members celebrating their birthday in February are

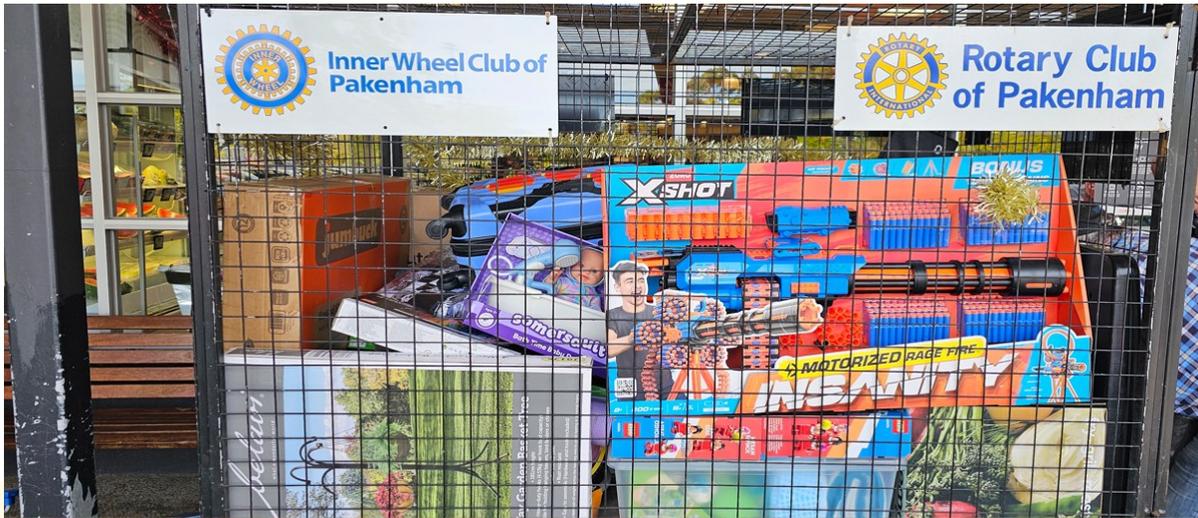
11th -Anne Sheean

19th -Jan Ahern

Wishing you a very happy birthday and to Bron and Marlene we hope that you had an enjoyable birthday.



DRAWING OF THE TRAILER RAFFLE



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SPECIAL THANKS FROM THE ROSTER GIRL



Dear Inner Wheel & Rotary Friends, Partners and Supporters,

Trust, you enjoyed a wonderful Christmas Day with family and friends



This is the final message about the Inner Wheel & Rotary Christmas Trailer 2025 which has been a huge success due to the efforts of all the members of both clubs.

Enormous thanks to Tim & Jan Ahern for setting up the trailer, ensuring that it had a variety of items included and for purchasing the raffle tickets and more.

Thank you to Tim Ahern and Terry Williams for transporting the trailer from the Rotary Shed to all the different locations, early in the morning, and then back again at the end of the day. Thank you to the members who helped at the start and the end of a shift by putting the trailer in place or putting it back behind the vehicle ready for storage.

Thank you, thank you, thank you to the following members, partners and supporters for selling raffle tickets including Jan & Tim Ahern, Pam Barton, Nola & Ross Brooks, Marlene & John Burhop, Seisia de la Rue, Ross & Liz Chudleigh, Joy & Rudy de Jong, Tanya Dineen, David Fernee, Stephen Fisher, Harry Hornstra, Kalinda Knox, Heike Mitchell, Jack Nicholson, Brijal Parikh, Alma & Gary Elliott, Deb & Collin James, Bronwyn Kennett, Wal Macdonald, Pauline & Barry Morris, Marcia & Ken Rook, Barry & Janet Hodge, Poroochi & Yezdi Batliwala, Anne Sheean, Henry van Diemen, Jenny Watson, Alwyn & Terry Williams, Bronwyn & Tim Mepstead, Pam & Alan Chalmers, Sue & George Blenkhorn, Anne Taylor, David Martin, Lyn Bunce, Marlene King, Peter Rowlands, Ian Wake and Peter van Diemen.

Thank you to Margaret and Wal Macdonald for once again folding up all the raffle tickets. A tremendous job!

Thank you! Thank You! Thank You! Do be proud of all your efforts to raise funds for very worthy charities and projects.

The raffle was won by Mark, a delighted, local person; who was able to collect his prize shortly after the raffle

was drawn



Thank you again for your time, patience and efforts for both clubs.

In Friendship

Cheers Helen



Christmas Trailer Raffle Roster Coordinator 2025



ISO Report for IWC Pakenham for February 2026

from Sue Blenkhorn club ISO

This is my first report for 2026 and it includes Christmas & New Year greetings from our International IW Friends. I forwarded our December edition of our clubs Friendship Bouquet to our International IW Friends.

Before I give you their news, I have to remind our members about our **Progressive Restaurant Dinner** on Feb 18th at the Copper & Fox and the Lime Leaf, all proceeds go to our District International Project, Yokhuselo Haven in South Africa.



News from Ilmy in the IWC Haarlem, Netherlands

Dear Sue, Thank you so much for your December Bouquet. As always a joy to read about your activities. And there are many.

With the great inspiration coming from your president Alwyn, you all have accomplished a lot for several projects.

I applaud you for that. In two weeks Club Haarlem will have the Christmas celebration, always a festive and connecting get together.

After that we all concentrate on the family gatherings, New Year's celebration and hopefully regain fresh energy to start our IW-work again.

I wish you and all your club members a Merry Christmas. May the New Year bring you Happiness, Health and Success.

Warm December greetings , Ilmy 🌲 🌲 🌲





News from Isabelle IWC Beauraing Houyet, Belgium -

Thanks to President Alwyn for forwarding these to me



Hi Alwyn , Happy new year to you ❤️ ❤️

Still have problems with the address Bigpond so
I send my message for Pakenham here. Take care Isabelle

News about Poroochi IWC Poona Downtown India in Australia

Poroochi has attended club meetings, sewing bees, IW day breakfast & been hosted by a number of members. Below left Poroochi is with IIW President Kay Morland, and below right she is again with IIW President, Kay, and A62 District Chairman, Yvonne Romp, and seated member of Pakenham Barb White at our IW day Breakfast





News from Annika IWC Örebro Sweden D 234

Thanks to Secretary Marcia for forwarding this

Dear Sue, Warm greetings to you and all the ladies of Pakenham IWC. First let me express how deeply horrified and sad we all are by the tragic act of terrorism in Sydney. In a painful way, we were reminded of the tragic school shooting that took place in Örebro in February this year.

Many thanks for sending us your Friendship bouquet with a “bouquet” of interesting glimpses from your club. Great to read about your arrangement for “Orange Day” and the special visit by IIW President Kay, The Pink Ribbon Breakfast etc. The letters from other clubs also welcomed, not to forget. Together we can inspire and strengthen each other to make a difference.

Orange day was recognized in our club together with another women’s network – Soroptimist International. We took the opportunity to talk to women in the city and distribute information about Orange day and about IWC. We also visited an exhibition that told the history of our women’s house (A shelter for women and children exposed to violence), which was established in 1979 and which unfortunately is very much needed 2025.

Our Christmas gathering earlier in December was a nice evening. A delicious dinner was served, and we enjoyed live music by the skilled music group “Grus Grus”. The money from this year’s Christmas lottery went to Majblomman – a national organisation also very active in our town with the task of working against child poverty by supporting families locally.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year *Annika Sandén,*



Orange day in the city



Club President Lisbeth Wiker & "Grus Grus"

Update on our District International Project, Yokhuselo Haven in South Africa.

The staff & residents are looking forward to the visit in May of IIW President Kay Morland when they will show her the playground funded by Kay’s & our District A62’s International Project. They report that the paving is completed at Yokhuselo, and the grass has been laid in red, green and blue colours to make it even more exciting for the children. A very worthwhile project.

BUNNINGS BBQ



Bunnings BBQ 21.12.25



CHRISTMAS PARTY



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The Club's Christmas party at President Alwyn and Terry's home was a Pre Christmas event . The evening filled of laughter and friendship, with members and their husbands enjoying a festive evening. Members exchanged Kris Kringle gifts. The atmosphere was exactly what you'd hoped for at Christmas — warm, joyful, and full of cheer



BREAKFAST IN FAIRY DELL



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We celebrated Inner Wheel Day with a breakfast in Fairy Dell. The weather was kind to us, and we were privileged to welcome International Inner Wheel President Kay and Inner Wheel Australia Vice President Yvonne, along with their partners and members from Clubs across District A62. Once again, Alwyn excelled with the catering, providing a wonderful array of breakfast foods for guests to enjoy. Club President Alwyn and her husband Terry kindly opened their home, allowing us all to share a most enjoyable morning together.

BREAKFAST IN THE FAIRY DELL



Brekky at Fairy Dell
11.1.2026



Our grateful thanks to Alwyn and Terry
for once again holding our Annual
Brekky in Fairy Dell
Much appreciated
Thankyou to everyone who assisted in
preparing and cleaning up

PROGRESSIVE DINNER



Members of the Inner Wheel Club of Pakenham invite you, your partner & friends to join us for our fundraiser for the A62 District International Project

Wed 18th
Feb 2026

Time:
6pm

Progressive Restaurant Dinner

ENTRÉE

Copper & Fox restaurant for Shared Plates
(Greek & Italian)

Address: Shop 1/38 Lakeside Boulevard, Pakenham

MAINS

Lime Leaf Thai Restaurant for 4 Shared Plates
+ Coconut Rice (Thai)

18/36 Lakeside Boulevard, Pakenham

DESSERT

Ice Cream by the Lake
(if inclement weather, to be eaten at the Lime Leaf)

COST \$42 pp

Please pay into the IW Bank account:

BSB: 633108

Act: 105565816

Proceeds to A62 District International Project

RSVP: 9th Feb 2026 to
Sue Blenkhorn: email: gshlenk@bigpond.net.au

Gluten free Options available- Alcohol Policy: BYO wine only at Lime Leaf

Walking distances between venues: Copper & Fox to Lime Leaf 150 mts

INVITATIONS



INNER WHEEL CLUB OF WONTHAGGI
OWLS
Charter Buffet Lunch
You and a person of your choice are invited to celebrate with us
Date: 28th February 2026
Time: 12pm for a 12.30pm start
Place: Wonthaggi RSL, 60 Graham St Wonthaggi
Cost: \$48 per person
Drinks at bar prices

RSVP and payment by Saturday 7th February
BSB: 633 000
Account: 236 319 844
Reference: Your Surname
Catherine: 0403 679 487

Please advise us of any dietary requirements

**PLEASE NOTE :- CHANGE OF VENUE
TO:- WONTHAGGI TOWN HALL 14
BAILLIEU STREET WONTHAGGI EAST**



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Inner Wheel Australia
PROUDLY SUPPORTING
CORD BLOOD RESEARCH

THE INNER WHEEL CLUB OF NARRE WARREN
INVITE YOU TO ATTEND OUR
International Women's Day Luncheon
ON
THURSDAY 12TH MARCH 2026
AT
THE PINK HILL HOTEL
20 PINK HILL BLVD, BEACONSFIELD VIC 3807
11.30 FOR 12PM START

Guest Speaker:
Annie Cantwell-Bartl
Psychologist

COST \$50.00 per person
**ALL PROCEEDS WILL BE DONATED TO OUR NATIONAL PROJECT:
CORD BLOOD RESEARCH**

RSVP & Payments to President Vicky 0431 584 048 or Secretary Lucy 0408 642 698
by Friday 27th February 2026.
EMAIL: iw.au.narrewarren@gmail.com
Account Name: Inner Wheel Club of Narre Warren
Bendigo Bank
BSB: 633 000 A/C No: 185 003 332
Please advise of any medical dietary requirements.



The Inner Wheel Club of Cranbourne

Invites you to this year's

Combined Meeting

Guest Speaker - Toni Arfaras

The Stroke Foundation

Date : Wednesday 22nd April 2026

Venue : Tides - bar and grill

108 South Gippsland Highway Torradin

Time: 6pm

Cost - \$50 & Drinks at the bar

RSVP Monday 13th April 2026 with any dietary requirements

Email: iw.au.cranbourne@gmail.com with numbers

Payment via bank transfer BSB 063250 ACC 00902174

Enquiries to Secretary Sue Line 0438 195 820



The Inner Wheel Club of Cranbourne

are holding a

Drag Queen Trivia Evening

Featuring the sensational Brenda Bressed
as our compere

Date Saturday 21st February 2026

The venue is Blue Hills Rise
240 Berwick Cranbourne Road Cranbourne East

\$25 per person

BYO Nibbles Drinks at bar prices

Make up a table of friends and family
Bring along gold coins for the coin toss

Please RSVP and pay by Thursday 12th Feb to

iw.au.cranbourne@gmail.com

Banking details BSB 063250 ACC 00902174

Enquiries Patricia Sheridan 0409 947 032 or Sue Line 0438 195 820



FRIENDSHIP DAY



*A62 Inner Wheel District Committee Inc.
Warmly invites you to celebrate*



*A62 District Friendship Day 2026
hosted by the Inner Wheel Club of Warragul*

**Saturday 14th March 2026
"Travel Expo"**



Venue: The Black Tie, 90 Alfred St Warragul

Time: 10.00am for 10.30am

Cost: \$35 includes morning tea on arrival and lunch

Dress: Come dressed in travel clothes for a great trip!
Perhaps it could even be appropriate for travel in your
Club's presentation country.



P.S. Don't forget your club's travel presentation!

Each club to RSVP with numbers by **Monday March 2nd** to
Secretary Di Harrison ijw.au.warragul@gmail.com

AND

Single club registration/remittance form to Treasurer Jenny Leeson
liw.au.warragultres@gmail.com

with payment to

Inner Wheel Club Warragul

BSB 63300 ACCOUNT No 136 719 432

Please include your Club name in the description and FD for
Friendship Day: eg Club FD



DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES



Inner Wheel General Meeting — Thursday 5th February 9:30 for a 10am start @ RSL Corner Snodgrass & James Street Pakenham

Remember to bring priced items for the trading table.

Paddy's Kitchen

Sunday 15th February— Joy de Jong & Marg Macdonald
Sunday 1st March— Joy Board & Pauline Morris

Sew & Chatter: RSL:

11th February	8th July
11th March	12th August
8th April	9th September
13th May	14th October
10th June	18th November
9th December Christmas Break up lunch	

Movies: To be advised at meeting

Morning Coffee: 10th February at Mamma Maria's Shop 17, 18 –36 Lakeside Boulevard Pakenham

Progressive Dinner: Wednesday 18th February 6PM start

Cranbourne Drag Queen Trivia –Saturday 21st February -Blue Hills Rise 240 Berwick

Cranbourne Road Cranbourne East

Wonthaggi Owls: Saturday 28th February Official Launch Charter Lunch Wonthaggi Town Hall Baillieu Street Wonthaggi East 12 pm for a 12:30 start

International Women's Day: —Thursday 12th March Pink Hill Hotel 11:30 for a 12PM start

Friendship Day: Saturday 14th March—10:00—2:30pm Black Tie Warragul Theme—Travel Expo

Bunnings BBQ : Sunday 5th April (Easter Sunday) & Saturday 9th May - Keep an eye out for the Roster

Combined Meeting: 22nd April Tides Bar and Grill Tooradin Guest Speaker Toni Arfaras Stroke Foundation

Inner Wheel Australia Changeover- 2026 -27: - Pink Hill Hotel Beaconsfield Weekend 19th—20th June 2026

Inner Wheel Australia Conference 2026: - 15th—18th October Maroochydore Qld.

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Could you all please add these addresses to your contact list and use them when contacting the relevant office bearer on Inner Wheel business. It will allow continuity of contact when the people holding the position change, keeps information in one Gmail file and frees up our personal accounts where sometimes specific messages can get “lost” among other personal messages.