

# Be Connected

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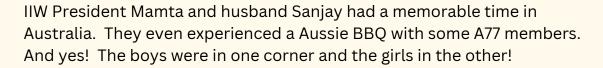




## FROM PRESIDENT JULIE

Vroom! Vroom! What a welcome to Bathurst! The Bathust Conference is now in our rear view mirror. I'm sure members who attended took away fun memories, new friendships and ideas to share with clubs and districts

Many thanks go to the Bathurst Club and A50 for their wonderful country hospitality. Members brought homemade slices and lunch to our executive meeting along with smiles and laughter to help "out-of-towners" enjoy their city and surrounds.



The Forum was one of the highlights where we laughed our way through a hilarious skit from IWC of Orange. We heard from President Mamta followed by many attempts to construct the Opera House from paper plates, tape and paddle pop sticks. Thank you Christine Gallagher for arranging this fun activity. "Engineers" spoke about their team building.

With the help of the Mud Monkeys we danced the night away. So now it is time to re-focus....District visits, a new website, a membership drive.. I look forward to catching up with everyone.









## FROM VP CLARE

## Corowa's the vibe in 2025

Our plans are well under way for the 2025 conference which will be held in Corowa on the border of NSW and Victoria. It will be a fun filled, informative weekend.

Julie B.

Mark the dates in your calendars now: 16th – 19th October 2025. Try to add a couple of days either side to take in some of the wonderful things to do in the area. Shopping, wineries, golf, cafes and much more.

More details about accommodation, transport and Registration forms will go out early in the new year.



Clare



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#### FROM IPP SUSAN

Now that the Conference is over – what a fabulous, inspiring time that was, especially with IIW President Mamta in attendance - focus is shifting to March into Membership next year. Many Clubs and Districts are already planning what they will do to encourage potential new members who will, ideally, go on to participate in our Two for Ten Walk and continue on to joining Inner Wheel.

Promoting and extending our membership needn't be difficult – it can be as simple as wearing your red Cord Blood polo shirt (or your club shirt if you have one), having a banner outside your club meeting place, carrying some brochures in your handbag (don't forget to include your contact details inside) and having your "30 second commercial" ready to go for when someone asks...What is Inner Wheel?

During one of her talks at the Conference, President Mamta encouraged us to "each one, bring one" – imagine what that would do for our membership numbers! Extending our membership isn't only good for our membership as a whole, it also inspires and reinvigorates our existing members so it really is a win-win for all of us.

If you need any assistance reach out to your Club or District Membership Officer.

Now with my National Representative hat on – I have sent a report and photographs of President Mamta's visit to Bathurst so keep a look out for photos on the IIW Facebook page or the next IIW magazine.

A reminder regarding nominations for the Margarette Golding Award: all information for the nomination must be sent to me; I will then send it on to IIW for their review. Please note the nominations need to be received by IIW no later than 30 days prior to an IIW Executive meeting (dates are published on the IIW website) so when sending the information to me for review please allow time for me to review the nomination prior to sending to IIW.



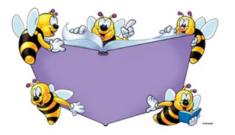
## FROM SECRETARY CHRISTINE

The checkered flag has dropped on the Bathurst Conference and what a conference. An action packed fun filled time was had by all. I will be sending lots of exciting emails covering decisions and outcomes from the business side of the conference.

Next on your agenda is getting your **Nomination Form to IWA/District Secretary by the 30 November.This is the closing date for Form 16 IWA Executive and Editor, Form 16a Council and Deputy Council member, Form 17 District Nomination Form. All these forms are located in the members area of our website.** 

If you know someone that may be suitable to fill a position talk to them about this. You don't know until you ask. Give it a go. I am eagerly awaiting your form.





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# FROM TREASURER JENNI

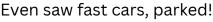
Back home in the warmth of Far North Queensland after a truly wonderful time in Bathurst for the 2024 IWA Conference.

Gardens in Bathurst are amazing, and while I didn't have much free time, I did manage to capture some beautiful photos of some plant life. Things like a lovely big bushy tree thingy with lots of clumps of small white flowers, double frilly purple iris, orange flowers that could be related to marigolds and fluffy grasses! You can tell I am horticulturally proficient - I Googled an image of a tree trunk, and the result I got was "a cool tree".



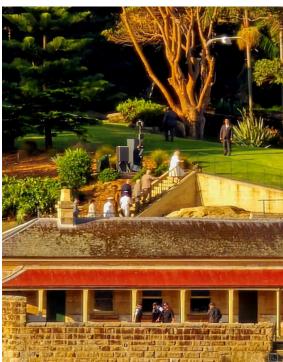
Going through my photos I noticed quite a lot of screen shots of the weather! Wednesday, 16/10/24, 7:20 am – feels like 8.4 degrees!! Thursday 17/10/24,

6:10 am – feels like 5.3 degrees!!!





Joseph had a coat of many colours – me? I had a coat and many layers!! Here's a pic of Franca in stripes and me in spots!



Passing through Syndey, my sisters and I got to see King Charles and Mrs Charles.

Thank you for a wonderful Conference to all involved!

NOW!!! Back to work!

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Jenni



# **ARE YOU WALK READY?**

**HAVE YOU ORDERED YOUR CBR SHIRT?** 

THE ORDER FORM HAS BEEN EMAILED \$45 INC POSTAGE

DO YOU HAVE YOUR SPONSORHIP FORM? EMAILED OUT - ASK YOUR SECRETARY

DO YOU HAVE BROCHURES?
YOUR MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN WILL HAVE
THEM - IF NOT CONTACT SUSAN





fun fact:

At the time of writing, it is 53 sleeps until Christmas.
By the time you read this it will be even less!

