





# Keeping abreast of BSWA News

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#### Update from the Medical Director

Easter is fast approaching. We are on the threshold of moving into the development phase of the program. By the end of March we will be moving substantively to soft copy reading. This is an exciting time for the program as we approach the fruition of many years of planning, collaborating and IT development. We will need to work as a cohesive and tolerant team over the next few months as the inevitable unforseen glitches and bugs emerge.

- Dr Liz Wylie

#### **BSWA Consumer Reference Group**

The BreastScreen WA Consumer Reference Group meets bi-monthly to consult with members and evaluate and review BreastScreen WA promotional resources and strategies. The Consumer Reference Group includes representation from a number of women's interest groups in Western Australia. BreastScreen WA appreciates and thanks the members for their continuing dedication in 2015 and looks forward to their ongoing contribution to developing the service.

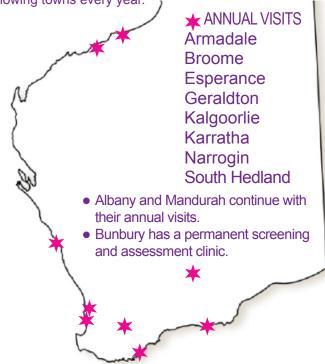


Back row from left: Jenny Hall (WA Practice Nurses Assoc), Linda Smith (Country Women's Association), Lorraine Haw (Staff Development Nurse, Medical Surgical Post Graduate Programme), Sonya Schultz (BreastScreen WA), Sue Hassett (Breast Cancer Network Australia), Moria Waters (Breast Cancer Care WA). Coby Pearson (BreastScreen WA). Front row from left:

Clinical Professor Dr Lesley Cala (School of Pathology & Laboratory Medicine, University of Western Australia), Lorraine Knott (BreastScreen WA) and Professor Jennifer Stone (University of Western Australia).

# BSWA increases annual visits in 2015

Due to popular demand BreastScreen WA is now visiting the following towns every year.



Now more women are able to have FREE screening mammograms closer to home.

#### BreastScreen WA visits Cue

BreastScreen WA has just completed the first screening visit to small mid west town of Cue. The mobile has

to travel through Cue on transit from Mt Magnet to Meekatharra and the local community were most appreciative that this year we were able to stop at the local health



centre for two days providing them the opportunity to have a screening mammogram closer to home instead of travelling 80kms to Mt Magnet or 115kms to Meekatharra.

# **Upcoming Events**



# Join the Breast Friends WA

#### What is it?

#### Walk or run 4km or 8km!

Our team (Breast Friends WA) is now set up online so interested participants can join the team.

This will be a fun team building exercise that also promotes BreastScreen WA.

All participants registered to the BSWA team will receive a pink shirt to wear on the day.

BSWA staff and their friends and family are welcome to join our team!

# **Ouestions?**

Any questions about the day or the registration process please contact Coby Pearson - 9323 6734.

# How to join?

Each member needs to initially register through the online registration system as yourself/family at:

http://www.mothersdayclassic.com.au/our-events/event-locations/perth/

Once the event and race has been selected, team members will be prompted with a page asking if "you would like to join a team". Once selected that you wish to join a team, you can start typing the team name and a drop down menu will appear with team name(s).

Select the correct team name to join the team and continue with your registration!

#### PLEASE NOTE -

The team name is: Breast Friends WA The password is: bswa



### Introducing Mr Marcus Ong

BreastScreen WA welcomes Mr Marcus Ong who joins the multidisciplinary team at BreastScreen WA in Bunbury in March 2015, replacing Mr Neill Kling. Mr Ong is a Western Australian trained surgeon, with subspeciality interest in Breast and Endocrine surgery. After completing his fellowship in General Surgery in 2009, Mr Ong undertook further training in Breast Oncoplastic surgery at the Royal Free Hospital, London. Mr Ong was a trainee registrar in Bunbury in 2005. Upon his return from the United Kingdom, he relocated with his family to Bunbury in 2013 to help further develop the breast surgery service in the South West.

BreastScreen WA's Bunbury/Assessment Clinic is located at St John of God Hospital's Comprehensive Cancer Centre in the South West Health Campus.



#### Rural Health West Annual Conference

Dr Eric Khong, BreastScreen WA's General Practitioner Liaison Officer, caught up with rural colleagues attending their annual conference on 7 March 2015, at the Hyatt. 170 General Practitioners from all over Western Australia attended the two day conference about health care for ageing rural populations. BreastScreen WA had a display booth, and general practitioners found out about the new annual visit schedule to larger regional centres and the increase in the screening age range to 74 years.



Dr Rofi Pillai from Albany and Dr Eric Khong