



Update from the Medical Director

August and September have been very busy for the service particularly in respect to preparing for Accreditation, in the first week of November later this year. Daffodil Day was a wonderful opportunity for the service to celebrate our 2 millionth mammogram, and reflect on the hard work it has taken the whole BreastScreen WA team in order for us to achieve this wonderful milestone. October will be a busy month for BreastScreen WA this year, and will present more opportunities to promote our service to Western Australia women.

- Dr Liz Wylie

We reach two million mammograms!!

BreastScreen WA celebrated the milestone of reaching two million screening mammograms with regular screening participant Mrs Nada Lubay at the BreastScreen WA Perth City Clinic on Daffodil Day (25 August).

Commencing in 1989 we reached 1 million screens in 2008 after 19 years. It has taken only 9 years to reach the second million.

Client Mrs Nada Lubay from Rockingham has had 10 screening episodes with BreastScreen WA over the years.

"I have always felt comfortable in the hands of BreastScreen WA's staff. The staff are calm, professional and informative which helps to relax you", Mrs Lubay said.

"I appreciate the polite reception staff and the warm, clean setting. I particularly like the reminder letters that are sent to us when we are due. What more do women want, a limousine [to the clinic]?" queried Mrs Lubay.

The event was a fantastic celebration of the BreastScreen WA service and featured on that evening's Ten Eyewitness News.

Pictured below from left... Professor Bryant Stokes AM, Chair of the North Metropolitan Health Service's Board; Assoc. Prof. Dr Liz Wylie, BreastScreen WA Medical Director; Hon. Alanna Clohesy MLC, Parliamentary Secretary on behalf of the Minister, Mrs Nada Lubay; Dr David Russell-Weisz, Director General, Department of Health; Graeme Boardley, A/Director Women and Newborn Health Service.

2 millionth client Nada Lubay and radiographer Sara-Jane Laurenson (who performed the 2 millionth screen)



Cutting the cake with Coby Pearson, Hon. Alanna Clohesy and Nada Lubay



Thank you to our rural ambassadors



Menzies group booking

BreastScreen WA appreciates the amazing contribution of our rural ambassadors. This newsletter we would like to sing praises for our rural advocates in the North West and South East regional towns over the last two months. They include:

Fitzroy Crossing:

Anne Lenard, Community Health;
Bethany Martin, Nindilingarri Cultural Health Services;
Marion Smith, Community Health

Kimberley region:

Elizabeth Bakowski, Cancer Council WA

Halls Creek:

Delphine Seton, Janice Schofield and Dr Yolanda Lucas, Yura Yungi Medical Service Aboriginal Corporation;
Christine Barr, Balgo Clinic

Wyndham:

Anne Alexander and Sherrie Vickery, Kalumburu Remote Area Health;
Evelyn Semmens, Wyndham Community Health

Kununurra:

Angela Geddes and Fiona Baines, Ord Valley Aboriginal Health Service;
Karen Akhtar, Warmun Remote Area Health Service;
Noelene Bending, Kununurra Community Health

Roebourne

Jenny Jean and Margo McIlwain, Mawamkarra Health Service



Leonora visit - estimated attendance 75, smashed it....76 ladies (40 Aboriginal and 36 non-Aboriginal). Radiographer Carol Ann Ballack said: "Geraldine has been amazing running to and fro recruiting ladies to the service. A very determined lady".

We would like to say well done and thank you to Geraldine Hogarth, Aboriginal Health Worker, Leonora Community Health (pictured above with radiographer Carol Ann Ballack).

South Hedland

Yandeyarra block booking – Gloria Agale, Pilbara Population Health; and Anna Lyon, Yandeyarra Clinic
Wirraka Maya Health Service Aboriginal Corporation block booking – Celia Hamas, Wirraka Maya Health Service;
Also thanks to Hedland Health Campus for providing complimentary catering to the Yandeyarra Community group booking.

Coolgardie

Alison Dimer, Coolgardie Community Health Centre

Each of these health workers were instrumental in coordinating group booking appointments for their region during August/September.

Thank you for going above and beyond and helping BreastScreen WA reach as many women in the community as possible.



Laverton block booking with ladies in pink Carol Ann Ballack, Kelly Cameron and Jenny Fardig.

Health promotion on the road...



Kelly Cameron, BSWA's Aboriginal Program Officer hit the road in August on a road trip to Laverton.

Mon 7 Aug: Kelly and Kay Walley, Aboriginal Program Officer from WA Cervical Cancer Prevention Program, take off. Stopping in Coolgardie Kelly had a chat with the ladies at WACHS and was happy to see their BSWA display in their clinic.

Tues 8 Aug: Met up with a lovely bunch of ladies from Bega Gambirringu Health Service & WACHS Health Nurses from Coolgardie and Menzies. Kelly chatted with the ladies about our service and shared upcoming mobile visit dates. Most of these ladies will be the main contact for organising Block Bookings for their areas so it was great to meet and see if they had any questions about what happens when we are there. Bega still has our flipchart from when Leanne did the training and they use it regularly to chat with the ladies when they are in the clinics.

Wed 9 Aug: At the BSWA mobile in Laverton to help out and interact with the ladies coming in from the lands. Kelly said, "It was a great experience to see how our mobiles work and how wonderful our staff members who do that job are." Kelly engaged with health workers from Leonora, Menzies and Kalgoorlie and when we do the trip next we will all work together to organise a ladies day with different services and activities available.

Thurs 10 Aug: After leaving Laverton they stopped in to a few towns on the way back to Kalgoorlie to have a quick chat about our upcoming mobile visits and to hand out information flyers. Most health workers had already received the information and were already recruiting ladies for the block bookings.

Fri 11 Aug: The long road home....

On the mobile in Laverton



Bega Gambirringu Health Service in Kalgoorlie

Congratulations to Prof. Saunders



Prof. Christobel Saunders, of UWA Medical School's surgery division was among The University of Western Australia's winners of this year's Premier's Science Awards.

Internationally recognised as one of Australia's most prominent cancer surgeons, Professor Saunders is directly involved in the strategic planning of Australian cancer services and research and consults at Royal Perth, St John of God Subiaco and Fiona Stanley hospitals.

She has a particular research interest in breast cancer including clinical trials of new treatments, supportive care and translational and health services research which have led to better treatments and improved survival for people with cancer.

Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Fremantle Women's Health & Wellbeing Day 2017

FREE EXPO
Stalls
Activities
Creche & Entertainment



Zumba Gold
Yoga
Pilates
Circus Skills

Limited places available for activities & creche



Light refreshments provided

Celebrate Women's Health on World Mental Health Day!



When Tuesday 10 October 2017 | 10:00am - 1:00pm

Where Fremantle Town Hall
8 William Street
Fremantle WA
600m walk from Fremantle Train Station

Prizes & Giveaways
Including an Upcycled bike!

Contact Fremantle Women's Health Centre on 9431 0500 or healthpromotion@fwhc.org.au for more information



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You are invited to BreastScreen WA's Pink Ribbon Breakfast!



Monday 23 October 2017



Keynote speaker:

Sabrina Hahn

Sabrina Hahn has been ABC Local Radio's Gardening presenter for over 25 years. Not only is she a master gardener, but she is also a qualified horticulturalist, published author, and public speaker.

Today, she will share her stories and experiences with us.

Registration: 7:00am - 7:15am
Prompt start: 7:30am - 9:00am

Fraser's Function Centre
Fraser Avenue, Kings Park

\$38.00 including GST

RSVP by 19 October 2017
No table reservations

Please email breastscreenwa@health.wa.gov.au for a registration form

www.breastscreen.health.wa.gov.au



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BreastScreen WA's Picnic in the Park

for Aboriginal women

to raise awareness about breast cancer and screening

Come and join us to celebrate our 11th Picnic in the Park

Date: 24 October 2017

Time: 10am - 2pm

Where: Vietnam Pavilion, Kings Park (see over)

Morning tea, lunch and refreshments provided.
Information, activities and great company!

Remember to bring your hat!



HAVE A FREE X-RAY
RING: 13 20 50



BreastScreen WA - Out and About in October

| Date | What we are up to..... |
|-------------------|--|
| Oct 3 | Presentation - David Jones |
| | Rockingham Carers and Seniors Expo |
| Oct 10 | Fremantle Women's Health Day |
| | Lite & Easy Warehouse - Canning Vale |
| | ECU Joondalup - Student & Staff Expo |
| | Presentation - Notre Dame University |
| Oct 12 | ECU Mt Lawley - Student & Staff Expo |
| Oct 13 | Presentation - Swan View Senior High |
| Oct 18 | Presentation - Ishar Multicultural Women's Health Centre |
| Oct 20 | MiLi Markets - Ladies Night - Wanneroo |
| Oct 23 | BreastScreen WA's Pink Ribbon Breakfast |
| Oct 24 | Picnic in the Park |
| Oct 24 25 & 26 | Department of Mines - Wellbeing Expo's East Perth, Cannington & Perth City |
| Oct 27 | City of Perth Information Display |
| Oct 27 | MiLi Markets - Ladies Night - Rockingham |
| Oct 28 | WA Practice Nurses Conference |
| Nov 1 | Have a Go Day - Burswood Park |
| Nov 4 | HealthEd GP Conference 2017 |

RSVP to Kelly Cameron by 19 October 2017
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