

Christmas update for Honour Wall

The Royal Mums Honour Wall at the hospital - a tribute to all the mothers who have given birth at the hospital since it opened in 1938 - will be expanding in the coming weeks to include the names of all Royal Mums who have registered in the program over the past 12 months.

The Wall was first erected on level 6 of the Ned Hanlon Building in 2009 and since then it has been updated each year. The 2016 update will take place just before Christmas and should see the number of Royal Mums on the honour roll increase to around 32,000.



If you had a baby at RBWH, or you know someone that did, register at www.rbwhfoundation.com.au. All those registered before 2 December will be included in the 2016 update.

Staff celebration for 150th Anniversary

The Royal Alumni Dinner is set to return in 2017 to celebrate RBWH's 150th Anniversary.

This special event will be held on Saturday 25 March 2017 at the popular Royal on the Park, and all past and present staff of Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital are invited attend.

The inaugural Royal Alumni Dinner, held on Saturday 19 March 2016, was attended by more than 110 past and present staff members.

The event was hosted by the then Royal Alumni Steering Committee Chair Professor Ian Gough, and featured two guest speakers, one of the hospital's most dedicated former surgeons, Dr Russell Stitz and RBWH Executive Director Dr Amanda Dines.

Next year's dinner will be a more festive occasion to celebrate the hospital's 150 years of caring for Queenslanders.

The Royal Alumni was established in 2015, and provides an opportunity for connecting and reconnecting with past, present and new colleagues.

Royal Alumni membership is free and open to ALL former and current RBWH staff. Associate membership is also available for people with a strong affiliation or connection to the hospital.

Further information about the 2017 Royal Alumni Dinner will be available on www.rbwhfoundation.com.au and on Facebook www.facebook.com/RBWHAlumni.



Guests at the 2016 Royal Alumni Dinner (from left) Lisa Fawcett, Gillian Nasato and Tami Photinos.



Honda's helping hand for MND

Thanks to the generous support of the Honda Foundation, five pedometers with inbuilt software were purchased to enable further research into Motor Neurone Disease (MND) Research at RBWH.

"Our capacity to develop effective treatments for MND patients depends greatly on our understanding of the challenges that people living with MND face," said Dr Rob Henderson.

"We take for granted just how much we move every day and how seamlessly our bodies respond to the energy needed to move. This is not the case in MND.

Moranbah rocks out and raises money

Moranbah's annual 4U2 Concert was launched by The Hornery Group in 2013 as a means to raise vital funds for two essential medical services - RBWH and CQ Rescue.

Each year, the concert features well-known Australian bands such as The Angels, Mental as Anything and The Choirboys. This year the line-up featured Thirsty Merc, Travis Collins and comedian Will Anderson.

Since 2013, the event has raised \$150,000 and this money has already been put to good use at the hospital. With funds raised so far we have purchased a special wheelchair for cancer patients, vital signs monitors, blanket warmers for patients undergoing chemotherapy treatment, a music system for patients undergoing radiation therapy, furniture for waiting areas and an outdoor BBQ and dining area where families and patients can be together in a less hospital-like environment.



Rocking out for a good cause in Moranbah.

A huge thank you to the Hornery Group. We can't wait to see what's in store for 2017.

Thank You

RBWH Foundation would like to thank all the businesses, individuals and community groups that have supported us in 2016.

We are so grateful for your generosity whether you have donated a prize to be auctioned or items to be sold at our kiosk, volunteered your time at the hospital or to help with one of our many fundraisers, purchased merchandise, bought tickets for one of our events, or made a donation.

Because of your support, RBWH Foundation has continued to grow and provide increased funding to support more research and other patient care initiatives at the hospital. This investment will not only benefit patients today, but well into the future.

For full details on RBWH Foundation's performance in 2015/16, please visit www.rbwhfoundation.com.au and read our latest Annual Report.



Volunteers and guests at the 2016 Right Royal 'Hawaiian' Affair.



RBWH's MND research team testing out the new pedometers.

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