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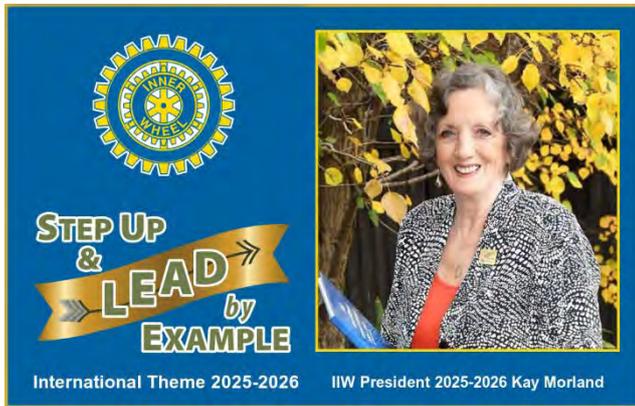


STEP UP
&
LEAD 
by
EXAMPLE

International theme
2025-2026



Social Project
2024-2027



FROM THE DESK OF IIW PRESIDENT KAY MORLAND

My dear Inner Wheel friends,

To date this year has been quite a roller coaster ride. Almost half of this IW year has passed and I can't think of a single day that I haven't seen a Facebook post from IW clubs across the world highlighting community service projects.

Admin and all members of the Executive have been exceptionally busy recently with an incredible number of emails both inbound and outbound.

I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the amount of work everyone is doing and extend my grateful thanks for their endeavours, particularly our Constitution Chairman Patricia who is validating all the IGB nominations for 2026-27 and vetting the Proposals to change the Constitution and Handbook. While Vice-President Ingelög is kept busy working with our Board Directors, Non-Districted Clubs and official email addresses, Treasurer Rashmi has been busy organising our IGB meetings and Immediate Past President Mamta is following up leads for new clubs. All working incredibly hard for Inner Wheel.

On the travel front, in late August/early September I enjoyed 3 weeks in India with my companion and part time 'travel agent' Terry, we were both made to feel very welcome wherever we went. We spent the first 5 days with our dear friends Poroochi and Yezdi Batliwala in Pune then travelled back to Mumbai where we were met by members of the District 314 Exec with a wonderful IW welcome which set the tone for the remainder of our Indian experience. Suffice to say that I was overwhelmed with the projects undertaken by our IW members. There were times when I was brought to tears by the sincerity and gratitude of the recipients of the many acts of kindness and compassion I witnessed.

I spent 3 days in Mumbai, visiting District 314, attending a Past Association President's forum, the Golden Anniversary Gala celebration of the Association of IW Clubs in India and the West Zone Meeting. We then travelled back to Pune this time in an official capacity and enjoyed an evening meal with the District 313 Executive Committee. The following day we visited an ongoing District project which supplied solar water heater panels to a small village Sathesai, enabling villagers to have hot water without having to chop down vegetation and inhale the smoke of the fire needed to heat it. A joint project by 20 IW clubs saw the gifting of 2 cows with calves, with a legacy which will last for 25 years.

On to Kolkata where we visited District 329 projects, the presentation/opening of a STEM Lab at St Francis Xavier School, a rainwater harvesting project at a high school. Sponsorship of lady drivers, gift of 10 e-cycles, 40 jerseys, football kits and 100 books by IWC Kolkata New Gen, a donation to purchase vaccine for Cervical Cancer vaccinations and the opening of a library at Dara Village, the installation of a Health ATM and the transformation of an area of dust and dirt into a cricket pitch and basketball court at a high school.

Next stop was Coimbatore in District 320 where we attended many Golden Jubilee Projects including the donation of a dialysis machine at Abirami Hospital and the opening of a new building at Spine Shelter for men with paraplegia. The smiles from some of these men was heart-breaking and heart-warming all at the same time.

We travelled to Hyderabad in District 315 where we visited the Taj Falak Numa Palace, a very very special treat. I was privileged to view some of the IW Branding Projects including IW branded umbrellas for street stallholders, sewing machines to promote home industry for women and an exhibition showcasing locally

produced merchandise. It was exciting to attend the inaugural IW Champions Cricket League Cup and to meet special guest, renowned Indian cricketer Muhammad Asarudeen, who charmed everyone, signed dozens of caps and posed for a hundred selfies.

Our final internal flight took us to Chennai in District 323. We visited many projects including a new computer lab for the visually challenged, a lactation support room at a maternity hospital, the continuing supply of bed linen for an Obstetrics and Gynaecology Hospital and the launch of a Vocational Support programme for women and girls.

I think my favourite project (if it's appropriate to have a favourite) would be the pink auto-rickshaws. IW clubs organised sponsorship for driving lessons, driving licenses and taxi licenses for 6 single mothers aged between 35 and 45. Members also organised the donation of 6 pink auto-rickshaws which will not only provide transport for the women and their families but provide them with the means to make an income. A pink auto identifies that the driver is a woman, and other women can feel safe in them. I have a continuing relationship with one of the drivers, Renuka, and she recently messaged me to happily let me know that she is now earning a decent amount.

I attended both the Golden Jubilee celebration of the IWC of Madras Midtown and the last official function I attended was the 60th Year Celebration of the IWC of Madras. It was a privilege to visit so many projects and see IW members absolutely committed to making a difference in their communities. A huge thank you to the beautiful, talented and dedicated Association President of IW in India, Jyoti Mahipal for her friendship, care and support for both Terry and I, an IW lifetime friendship formed.

Our International Governing Body meeting was held in early October 2025 in Manchester where I was thrilled to once again catch up with our IIW Administrator Alan and the Exec Committee in person, and to meet this year's Board Directors.

I had the pleasure of presenting each IGB member with a 2025-26 theme scarf and badge at our introductory dinner. Our meeting was refreshingly interactive and most productive with each BD having the opportunity to contribute to proceedings. Plans were made for the coming year and I feel that we have a most capable group with each BD contributing their own special skills.

I flew from Manchester home to Australia to attend the Inner Wheel Australia Conference held in Corowa, New South Wales. The IWA Conference is always a highlight of my IW year and was a particular pleasure for me this year. As usual there was a full schedule of events, meetings, fun and, of course, lots of meals. They were days sprinkled with invaluable opportunities to chat with members. One of the highlights was the presentation of three Cord Blood Research Grants to various researchers at the Conference Gala Dinner. A special thank you to IWA Nat Rep Julie Brzozowski for her care and attention during our stay. I was invited to visit Bangladesh in November however with the volatility of the current political climate, the visit had to be cancelled. I have sent a message of support to our IW members in Bangladesh and hope things settle down following the scheduled December elections. Perhaps a visit can be rescheduled.

My thoughts are with our members in the many areas of current conflict, flood, hurricane and other disasters, I send my very best wishes and prayers of comfort and support from myself and I'm sure from all their IW sisters across the world.

I am very much looking forward to meeting many more IW members in the coming months—to discovering the myriads of social projects that I'm certain members are involved in and to learning how you are all Stepping Up & Leading by Example.

Yours in Inner Wheel Friendship,

Kay Morland

President 2025-26,
International Inner Wheel

FROM THE DESK OF IIW VICE-PRESIDENT INGELÖG WYNDHAMN



Dear Friends,

The six months as International Inner Wheel Vice-President have now been completed. As all of us know, time flies, especially when you start something new. The first month was a time to get into the function, concentrate on allotting the Non-Districted Clubs to the Board Directors, start the project to verify official email addresses and communicate with the Executive and the Board Directors (BDs). There were so many things to learn and understand. The official email addresses project started with four BDs and it is now going on at a very steady and successful pace. The four and now five BDs are really working hard and they have accomplished nearly the impossible.

I have had several zoom meetings with the BDs. A few weeks ago we started a new project. At the Governing Board Meeting (GBM) in October in Altrincham the BDs asked about the reports from the National Representatives (Nat Reps): what happens, who reads them, where can they be found. They suggested that something should be done about it. I thought that was very relevant and suggested a project for two groups of BDs that are not involved in the official email addresses project. One group to make a compilation of the National Representatives' reports so that we can all see the scope and breadth of service that is done by our members. The other group to highlight the importance of the reports and to write guidelines to simplify the form for the National Representatives' reports. The work has begun and the BDs are nearly done with their work.

Another item that the BDs talked about at the GBM was that their Non-Districted Clubs (NDCs) would very much like to see or meet the Vice-President. I have now set up a timetable for zoom meetings with the BDs and their clubs and hope that it will turn out satisfactorily. It is something new and I hope that it can strengthen the ties and interest for Inner Wheel among the NDCs. We have talked about the clubs' projects and service work, how many members there are, any difficulties or issues to discuss. It has been very rewarding and fantastic to get to know the clubs more intimately.

The work as VP is a learning process. It is a period when you should get into your coming function, plan ahead, listen and learn. The members of the Executive are very supportive and helpful. If there is something you do not know, they are there to help. Administration is the backbone and structure that fixes nearly the impossible. Our webmaster takes care of the website and whatever other problems we might have in those areas and our media manager collects and edits the material for the News Magazine etc.

My vision for Inner Wheel is that it should be a strong and reliable force that stresses friendship, service and international understanding towards everybody. Let's make our members proud and happy to belong to the organisation. We must work for a vibrant and lively atmosphere in our clubs. This feeling should permeate the clubs making it great fun to join and take part.

We are there to make a difference and support when help is needed both locally, nationally and internationally. In many parts of the world, Inner Wheel is growing. But, unfortunately, in some parts it is dwindling. What can be done to stop that trend? We must show ourselves publicly, wear our badges, talk about our organisation, leave brochures to be picked up, try to get articles into local newspapers.

International Inner Wheel is a United Nations ECOSOC observer with representatives in Geneva, Vienna and New York. Their reports are valuable for us to learn about the work already done and what work still has to be done.

Where is help needed? However small the project, they are very well executed and reach the recipients as our members are there to supervise and distribute it e.g. clothes, food, medical/financial support. In a catastrophe we react quickly and send supplies by using Inner Wheel clubs, so nothing is lost on the way.

My hope is that Inner Wheel can be a strong and important force in stopping the horrendous trafficking of girls and women that takes place worldwide. United Nations have had several seminars about this and I hope to be able to visit and listen to these presentations.

As VP I have been invited to talk about my work twice, once at a district meeting in Lund and once at my own club in Helsingborg. I prepared PowerPoint presentations for the two occasions.

Ingelög Wyndhamn

Vice-President 2025-26

International Inner Wheel

My Engaging Moments



The District meeting in Lund.



Thank you from the Club President for my presentation.



At a café after the concert.
The whole group in orange.



At a concert on 25th November in Helsingborg, dressed in orange. Singers mentioned Orange the World and we shared brochures on Inner Wheel.

FROM THE DESK OF IIW TREASURER **DR RASHMI SHARMA**



Dear Friends,
Inner Wheel Greetings!

This is the second time that I am serving the post of IIW Treasurer. It has been a journey full of learning experience. The whole first year went by very smoothly making international friends and understanding different ways of functioning.

Our Inner Wheel organisation's beauty lies in the levels it works—Club, District, national and international. Working at every level makes us learn and yearn to learn more and more about Inner Wheel. I have been lucky enough to be able to work at every level. I was elected as IIW Treasurer last year for the Inner Wheel year 2024-25. Fortunately, I come from an accounting background and though I did not hold the Treasurer's post at club, I was always involved in advising my club Treasurer and President for matters relating to bank accounts, maintaining accounts, keeping fixed deposit receipts, preparing budgets, etc. When I became a member of my District Executive Committee, I got the opportunity to be the District Treasurer. For me it was like child's play. Enjoyed it thoroughly. Once again as Association Secretary I worked very closely with the Association Treasurer and learnt the way a Treasurer works at the national level. And finally, I am here as IIW Treasurer.

Being the IIW Treasurer was a very proud moment for me, but I also knew that with it comes responsibilities. I took a lot of guidance from the previous IIW Treasurer Sarita and Admin Alan. My aim was to do my work with perfection. My main work involves preparing the budget and ensuring that expenses remain within the budget, keeping track of capitation dues coming up, making their receipts after confirming from the bank statements, authorizing payments, preparing receipts and payments account, responding to queries from Treasurers and others on financial matters, planning for meetings—issuing letters, checking the travel expenses, etc. and the like. It keeps me occupied round the clock. Mainly I coordinate with Admin Alan.

Working at IIW has opened a whole new world to me. I have started using gizmo to operate bank accounts, have become savvy in converting one currency into another though mainly into pounds, understanding cultural differences, which are NGB, non NGBs, NDCs and mainly understanding how IIW Treasurer works, which is a very much different experience. I have also taken upon myself the task of collecting data of clubs and members in clubs all over the world. It will provide a good database for the future as we will know where we have to divert our efforts if we want our Inner Wheel to grow.

In the last six months, I have not only learnt but also received love, affection and admiration for my work. The IIW EC, Board Directors and Admin Alan—all have been very cooperative. I just desire to do my work with transparency, accountability and responsibility.

Inner Wheel teaches us that the legacy that was left for us by our predecessors, be taken forward to leave a legacy that is worthy of our children and of future generations. The IIW magazine will play a vital role for the future generations to know what their predecessors have done.

I wish you all the best for your future endeavours in Inner Wheel. With lots of love and best wishes,

Yours in friendship,

Dr Rashmi Sharma
Treasurer 2024-2026
International Inner Wheel

My Engaging Moments



Felicitation at the Golden Jubilee Celebration of the Association of Inner Wheel Clubs in India.



As Chief Guest at the District Rally of District 312, India.

FROM THE DESK OF CONSTITUTION CHAIRMAN **PATRICIA HILTON**



Dear Inner Wheel friends,

Wishing each of you a warm and wonderful New Year!

Inner Wheel continues to shine as a gentle yet powerful force for humanity. Year after year, moment by moment, we see how powerfully our actions transform lives when they are set in the right place, at the right time, with the right spirit.

Guided by the thoughtful theme shared by International Inner Wheel President Kay Morland — “Step Up & Lead by Example” — members everywhere have quietly embraced the call to serve, inspire and support. This theme has encouraged each of us to look within and recognise that leadership does not always require a podium or a title. Sometimes, it begins with a smile, a gesture of kindness, or the willingness to lend a helping hand.

Whether we work within our clubs, unite across projects, or simply stand beside those in need, every effort adds warmth and hope to the world around us.

In my role as IIW Constitution Chairman, I have been touched by the grace, sincerity, and dedication of members across the globe. It has been a year filled with learning, shared responsibility, and heartfelt exchanges with clubs and districts. I have also had the privilege of working closely with members as they navigate the Constitution — helping resolve challenges, clarifying interpretations, and offering guidance when questions arise. Every query, whether large or small, serves as a reminder of how deeply members care about doing what is right and following the spirit of Inner Wheel.

Responding thoughtfully, patiently and respectfully ensures that rules are understood, embraced and implemented in a manner that unites rather than divides.

Seeing how thoughtfully members respond to the needs of their communities—through education, health support, women’s empowerment, and countless acts of care—has reaffirmed the beauty of what binds us together.

As we move ahead, may we continue to step forward with compassion, friendship and quiet confidence—knowing that when even one Inner Wheel member leads by example, many more are inspired to follow.

In friendship and service,

Patricia Hilton

Constitution Chairman 2024-2026

International Inner Wheel

My Engaging Moments



With IIW President Kay Morland
and Vice-President Ingelög Wyndham
at IGB meeting, October 2025,
Altrincham, Manchester.



Felicitation from home District 308, India.



As Chief Guest at the Golden Jubilee Celebration of
Inner Wheel India by the Inner Wheel Club of
Raibareilli, District 312, India.

SETTING THE PATH OF PROGRESS

2nd Executive Committee Meeting 2025-26 • 6-7 October 2025, Altrincham, Manchester

On 6 October 2025, on a pleasant autumn day, the IIW Executives gathered at the IIW Office in Altrincham, Manchester, to plan the path forward under the able leadership of President Kay Morland.

Vice-President Ingelög Wyndhamn, Immediate Past President Mamta Gupta, Treasurer Dr Rashmi Sharma, and Constitution Chairman Patricia Hilton participated in productive discussions based on the agenda. They exchanged valuable insights and reached key decisions to ensure the continued growth of the organisation.



International Inner Wheel Executive Committee 2025-2026
at the second EC meeting on 6-7 October 2025, IIW Headquarters, Altrincham, Manchester.

UNFORGETTABLE BONDS

Strengthening the spirit of team camaraderie.

ON 7 OCTOBER 2025, the eve of the International Governing Body Meeting, the IIW Executive Committee and Board Directors came together for a memorable evening dedicated to building meaningful and lasting connections. Dressed elegantly in formal attire, the evening began on a joyful note as Board Director Cecilia presented beautiful Inner Wheel lapel pins to everyone.

President Kay then energised the gathering with a delightful and engaging game. Folded chits were distributed to each participant with fun challenges—to express “what you are not”. The activity filled the room with laughter, light-hearted jokes, and moments that revealed the many fascinating facets of their individual personality.

Adding to the warmth of the evening, President Kay extended a gracious gesture by presenting each member with a beautifully designed soft scarf along with a badge designed with her 2025-2026 International theme “Step Up & Lead by Example”.

It was truly a special night where friendships blossomed from long-distance Internet communications into real and unforgettable bonds, strengthening the spirit of global team camaraderie.

Presentation of scarves and badges by IIW President Kay Morland



Ingelög Wyndham
Vice-President



Mamta Gupta
Immediate Past President



Dr Rashmi Sharma Treasurer



Patricia Mary Hilton
Constitution Chairman



Betty Roberts
Board Director



Cecilia Ferrer
Board Director



Cecilie Hexeberg
Board Director



Donatella Polizzi Nicolich
Board Director



Dorothee Remmler-Bellen
Board Director



Ezimme Nnabuife
Board Director



Isabelle Cheval
Board Director



Jasmine Sery
Board Director



Joan Jayamanne
Board Director



Linda Daniel
Board Director



Dr Lucy Chung Mui Ooi
Board Director



Michelle Atkinson
Board Director



Susan Chisholm
Board Director



Suzan Kilani
Board Director



Ursula Eigenmann
Board Director

IIW GOVERNING BODY MEETING 2025-26

8-10 October 2025, Town Hall, Altrincham, Manchester.

The International Governing Body Meeting commenced at Altrincham Town Hall, Manchester, with the symbolic lighting of a candle of friendship.

President Kay called the meeting to order and warmly welcomed all IIW Executives and Board Directors from across the world.

The meeting progressed smoothly, guided by a well-structured agenda. Insightful reports were presented, financial statements were reviewed, and updates were shared on the responsibilities assigned to the Board Directors. The sessions provided valuable knowledge and a deeper understanding of Inner Wheel and its global functioning.

A photography session captured memorable moments of the gathering.

The evening concluded with a delightful candlelight dinner, offering an opportunity to connect, exchange ideas, and enjoy a delectable meal. On the final day, Board Directors' team presentations were delivered, followed by the announcement of key decisions by President Kay. The meeting concluded with a shared vision for a brighter future.

With hearts full of joy and pride in serving at the highest level of Inner Wheel, the attendees departed carrying renewed energy, motivation, and lasting memories.

IGB meeting in progress



International President Kay
chairing the IGB meeting
flanked by members
of the EC



Presentations and discussions by Board Directors



Subcommittee for the Verification of
Official Club Email Addresses



SAVE THE DATE!

11 — 14 MAY 2027

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NEWPORT PERFORMING ARTS THEATER**

**20th INTERNATIONAL
INNER WHEEL
CONVENTION**

See you in Manila!

IIW PRESIDENT KAY MORLAND'S VISIT TO INDIA AMARA

Golden Jubilee of the Association of Inner Wheel Clubs in India held in Mumbai, India (Inner Wheel District 314)

Founder of Association President was Raksha Mehta and that was the very reason for having AMARA Golden Jubilee Celebrations in Mumbai for having completed a remarkable 50 years.

The International President's visit to District 314 on 22 August 2025 marked a memorable day in the Association's history. The Golden Jubilee Celebration "Amara" began with a grand ride of the International President Kay Morland and Association President Jyoti Mahipal accompanied by District Chairman Lakshmi Singh in a vintage car. They were warmly welcomed by Inner Wheel members dressed in traditional Maharashtra attire led by dancers as they enter the venue.

The first event was the inauguration of an exhibition, the Fashion Boulevard, by Association President and International President. It showcased amazing stalls of various categories.

When the guests were seated, a spectacular show and display of Maharashtra history was depicted in dance form showcasing the pride of District 314, e.g. historic heroes, celebrities like Madhuri, cricketer like Sachin and so on, to name a few, highlighting the state's grandeur and featuring notable personalities in our *Aamchi Mumbai* style.

The audience all dressed in golden or yellow sarees added to the grandeur of the Golden Jubilee in commemorating the occasion.

Key highlights included:

- Release of a coffee table book and a history book of the Association.
- Launch of a privilege card for Inner Wheel members.
- A surprise rapid-fire round conducted by Past Association President Pushpa Suryamurty featured six of International Inner Wheel's Past Presidents. It was an enlightening experience.
- A show about a visit to Wakdi village by all Past Association Presidents ("PAP").

The evening concluded with a felicitation ceremony of PAPs in the form of a musical Journey where each was introduced in a special 2-liner. They had to enter on the stage dancing to a predetermined song dedicated to their personality. They were then felicitated with a personal sketch and shawl.

The predetermined songs were played by Rahul Joshi and his troop. The musical evening was super entertaining. The Bollywood number brought all swaying and dancing to the floor, a well-chosen ice breaker that got all in a complete relaxed mood.

The Golden Jubilee Celebration "Amara" was a grand success, leaving lasting memories for attendees. It will be etched in the Association's history as a remarkable event, showcasing District 314's hospitality and solidarity. As Internationals Inner Wheel President Kay says, "Step Up & Lead by Example".

AMARA Glimpses of the Golden Jubilee



VISIT TO PUNE Inner Wheel District 313, India

On 25 August 2025, the Council of Presidents and Secretaries (COPS) of 20 Inner Wheel Clubs from Pune city and suburbs (Pimpri, Nigdi, Talegaon Dabhade, and Bhore) organized a landmark Solar Water Heater Project for Sathe Sai Village, Mulshi. The event was held at Hotel Four Points by Sheraton, Pune, with over 100 members and guests in attendance.

The Chief Guest was IIW President Kay Morland and Guest of Honour was Association President Jyoti Mahipal. They were joined by President Kay's partner Mr Terence Pollock, Rotary's Past Assistant Governor Yezdi Batliwala, members of District 313 Executive Committee, and other dignitaries. The event was convened by founder of Pune COPS, Smita Pingale (IIW Editor/ Media Manager 2025-26), and was hosted by District Chairman Dr Asha Deshpande, Executives of District 313 with the support of COPS.

As part of the initiative, three solar water heaters were donated, completing a total of 10 units provided to the village over four years. The *Sarpanch* (village head), Mr Ganpat Sathe expressed deep gratitude for the positive impact of these solar water heaters on health, environment, and daily living of the villagers.

COPS which has been active for the last 25 years also announced a donation of three cows to the needy women of the village.

IIW President Kay Morland lauded the efforts, remarking that her theme "Step Up & Lead by Example" is being brought to life through such meaningful projects.



A traditional welcome



Lighting of the lamp



Organising Committee of the project



Inauguration of the project

VISIT TO KOLKATA

Inner Wheel District 329, India



Inner Wheel District 329 proudly welcomed International Inner Wheel President Kay Morland and Association President Jyoti Mahipal to Kolkata. The visit was from late evening of 25 August to the afternoon of 27 August 2025 and was marked by the inauguration of more than 9 flagship projects.

While 61 clubs joined hands in a mega collective project to hand over an E-Toto to a courageous single mother from Contai to support her family (project SARVODY), several individual clubs executed leading projects under Inner Wheel C.A.R.E.

Project IGNITE, a stem lab was flagged off at St. Francis Xaviers School, a health ATM machine was installed at JITO Day Care Centre (SWASTHYA CHAKRA), fresh batch of Cervical Cancer Vaccination (SURAKSHA) for 50 girls was initiated, distribution of Sports kit, laptop, 'Meri Kitaab' and E-bicycles was witnessed along with 2 rainwater harvesting projects in schools. A library was also inaugurated online at Dara village.

Prior to her departure, IIW President inaugurated the first 'Happy School' for this year at Samar Smriti Ucchhya Vidyalaya. Finally, she bid adieu to the City of Joy - much adored by all the dignitaries she met from the fraternity of District 329 at a fellowship dinner hosted by District Chairman Seema Sonthalia.

She headed for the next city on her busy agenda after witnessing some life changing initiatives within a matter of few hours, that will touch many lives with the warmth and magic of Inner Wheel, all truly aligned with her IIW theme *Step Up and & by Example*.



VISIT TO COIMBATORE Inner Wheel District 321, India

GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATION INNER WHEEL CLUB OF COIMBATORE

The Golden Jubilee of the Inner Wheel Club of Coimbatore was celebrated with great splendour on 28 August 2025 at GRD College, Coimbatore. The event was graced by International President Kay Morland and partner Mr Terence Pollock, and Association President Jyoti Mahipal. They were warmly welcomed by Club President Radhika Paramesh, the committee, District Chairman Seema, and District Executive members.

The day began with a traditional *Aarthi* welcome, lighting of the lamp, invocation, and the Inner Wheel prayer. President Radhika extended greetings, followed by inspiring remarks from PAP Geetha. The dignitaries adorned the Golden Collar on the President and released the Jubilee Souvenir “*Chakram*”.

In their addresses, the leaders inspired the gathering with their vision. DC Seema urged members to step up and lead by example. AP Jyoti highlighted the spirit of generosity and togetherness, while IIW President Kay congratulated the club on its strength of 106 members and explained the essence of “*Step Up & Lead by Example.*”

The celebration honoured Past Presidents with a Walk of Honour, video tribute, and mementoes, while senior members received special felicitations. The cultural segment “*Nritya Vaibhavam*” showcased Tamil Nadu’s classical dances, followed by fun games and a lucky draw, adding joy to the evening.

The Jubilee also witnessed impactful service initiatives. A Polymed Dialysee dialysis machine worth ₹6 lakhs was donated to Abirami Hospital, ensuring free dialysis for the underprivileged. The following day, the dignitaries inaugurated a unique facility for the critically ill spine-impaired patients at *Anugraha Shelter*, including a lift for bedridden patients—an ₹8.1 lakh project supported by CSR and members’ contributions. The memorable visit concluded with trips to the Isha Yoga Centre and a heartfelt send-off at the airport by members and leaders, leaving behind cherished memories of fellowship, service, and inspiration.

The Golden Jubilee was a true reflection of Inner Wheel’s motto – friendship and service shining together for a brighter tomorrow.





Club Members of IWC Coimbatore

VISIT TO HYDERABAD Inner Wheel District 315, India

INNER WHEEL CRICKET CHAMPIONS LEAGUE 2025

District 315 hosted the Inner Wheel Cricket Champions League (IWCCCL) 2025, a spectacular blend of fellowship, service, and sportsmanship.

🌸 Pre-Match Gala Evening – August 30th, 2025.

The celebrations began with a vibrant Bathukamma dance to welcome IIW President Kay Morland, AP Jyothi Mahipal, DC Swarnalata, the District EC team, and convenors. The dignitaries inaugurated “*Naya Bazaar*”, an exhibition showcasing merchandise from across India, and launched several impactful projects:

- Donation of 100 rainbow umbrellas
- Distribution of 200 hybrid organic mango trees
- Installation of a Health ATM (for health management)
- Distribution of biodegradable bags
- Launch of “Skill on Wheels”, promoting vocational education in rural areas

The evening also featured cultural programmes by club presidents, District EC members, PDCs, and Convenor PDC Naina Desai, with themes of women empowerment and national integration. A special performance by Guinness World Record Holder Saxophone Subbalakshmi and her girl band enthralled the audience.

🎊 Grand Opening Ceremony

The IWCCCL flag march was led by the Inner Wheel band with 55 players from 4 zones, District Coordinators, DC 315, the IIW President, and AP. After the lamp-lighting ceremony, DC Swarnalata delivered the welcome address.

🏏 The Tournament

The following day, players were welcomed and flagged off with a police band. The finals between the East and West teams brought out true enthusiasm, competitiveness, and sportsmanship. With excellent commentary, live YouTube coverage, and energetic music, the event was a lively celebration of cricket and fellowship. The inspiring presence of legendary cricketer Mohammad Azharuddin added prestige to the tournament.

The West Zone emerged as champions, lifting the IWCCCL Cup. Medals and certificates were awarded to all participants, celebrating their dedication and spirit.

👏 Acknowledgements

Special thanks were extended to DCs Aruna Shree, Jayshree, Suruchi Saxena, and Jayashree Sagar, along with Special Coordinator Pooja Agarwal, for their pivotal roles. The event was graced by several past and present Association leaders, including IIW Editor/Media Manager Smita Pingale, Past IIW Treasurer Sarita Lunani, PAP Preeti Gugnani, and Past IIW Editor/Media Manager Rajni Katia.

The IWCCCL 2025 was not just a cricket tournament, but a celebration of team spirit, empowerment, and the essence of Inner Wheel fellowship.



President Kay inaugurating the Cricket Match



West Zone, Association of Inner Wheel Clubs in India lifting the Cricket Cup.
Renown Indian cricketer Mohamad Azharuddin and International President Kay,
NR Jyoti and Swarnalata (District 315 Chairman cum Host).

VISIT TO CHENNAI

Inner Wheel District 323, India

DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS, Inner Wheel Club of Madras

The Inner Wheel Club of Madras, Charter No. 1204, District 323, celebrated its Diamond Jubilee on 1 September 2025 with great pride and grandeur. The milestone was graced by International Inner Wheel President Kay Morland and Association President Jyoti Mahipal as Guests of Honour.

Service Projects to Mark the Occasion

The celebrations commenced with the inauguration of three landmark service projects, each designed to address the needs of different sections of society.

1. *Digital Empowerment for Visually Impaired Youth*

Eleven visually impaired girls from rural Tamil Nadu were enrolled in a six-month training programme organized by the Tamil Nadu Association for the Blind. They are being trained in screen-reading software, spoken English, and TNPSC exam preparation.

The Club donated desktop computers, supported the salary of the instructor Ms. Monisha (herself visually impaired), and announced that a laptop will later be presented to the most promising student.

2. *Lactation Support Room – Egmore Government Maternity Hospital*

At the Institute of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Egmore, a leading maternity hospital with nearly 12,000 deliveries each year, IWC Madras renovated and equipped a dedicated Lactation Support Room. The facilities include two medical-grade breast pumps, two refrigerators, a sterilizer, two TVs for education and recreation, fifty reusable pump kits, and one hundred storage bottles. The initiative ensures a safe and dignified environment for mothers to express and store milk for their infants.

3. *Her Auto, Her Power – Donation of Six Pink Autos*

Six women trained at NGO A NEW, each of whom had faced personal struggles, were empowered through the donation of six pink autos.

The Club sponsored their training costs and facilitated loans to partially finance the autos, while fully sponsoring the balance amount of ₹1.85 lakhs per auto. The initiative has enabled these women to become independent earners, with high demand for women-driven autos, especially for school transportation.

Gala Evening at Taj Connemara

A glittering evening celebration was hosted at Hotel Taj Connemara, Chennai, attended by a distinguished gathering including:

- IIW President Kay Morland
- AP Jyoti Mahipal
- District Chairman Devi Mathimaran
- National Editor & PDC Kamala Selvam
- Rotary Governor Rtn. Vinod Saraogi and First Lady PDC Usha Saraogi
- President Nikhil Raj, Rotary Club of Madras
- Past District Chairmen, District EC members, Club Presidents, and members

Club President Ruchita Saraogi presented the completed projects of 2025. The Diamond Jubilee Project, a purpose-built facility in Sholinganallur for NGOs to conduct programmes, was introduced by PIIWP Kamala Ramakrishnan and formally unveiled by IIW President Kay Morland. A new Club website was also launched by National Editor Kamala Selvam.

Cultural Extravaganza

The celebrations concluded with a vibrant cultural programme coordinated by PDC Sushi Natraj and performed by IWC Madras members. The performance opened with a tribute to 1966 – the year the Club received its Charter and the year man walked on the moon – and went on to showcase national pride and women empowerment.

◆ The Diamond Jubilee celebrations of the Inner Wheel Club of Madras stood as a testimony to six decades of dedicated service, fellowship, and empowerment, and marked the beginning of a new chapter of impactful initiatives.



IIW President Kay, Association President Jyoti with Past IIW President Kamala, District Executive and the Club Members



Project Her Auto, Her Power – Donation of Six Pink Autos



Project Lactation Support Room



Digital Empowerment for Visually Impaired Youth



Cultural Extravaganza

VISIT TO CHENNAI

Inner Wheel District 323, India

✦ A GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATION OF KINDNESS AND COMPASSION ✦ Inner Wheel Club of Madras Midtown

On 2 September 2025, the Inner Wheel Club of Madras Midtown marked a historic milestone — its Golden Jubilee, celebrating 50 years of friendship, service, and compassion. The evening was filled with joy, nostalgia, and pride as members, resplendent in vibrant silks, welcomed International Inner Wheel President Kay Morland and her partner Terence Pollock, Association President Jyoti Mahipal, District Chairman Devi Mathimaran, and other esteemed invitees.

The celebration commenced with grace by Past Presidents Usha Kumar and Uma Keshav accompanied by the soulful rendering of the *Thamizh Thai Vazhthu*. The ceremonial lamp was lighted by distinguished guests. The Inner Wheel Prayer followed, setting the tone for an evening steeped in tradition and service.

President Usha Bothra extended a heartfelt welcome, while Convenor & National Editor Kamala Selvam shared the vision and journey behind the Golden Jubilee celebrations. PDC Dr Shashi Shyamsundar eloquently traced the Club's five-decade-long legacy and explained the significance of the specially designed Golden Jubilee logo. A moving video presentation showcased the impactful focus areas of successive Presidents, highlighting a tradition of service guided by kindness and compassion.

Golden Jubilee Projects

The highlight of the evening was the inauguration of four significant service projects:

1. Naari Shakti – Empowering 100 disadvantaged women with livelihood tools, enabled through CSR contributions to each from Bafna Pharmaceuticals and Virchow Petrochemicals Pvt. Ltd., the latter facilitated by new member Dr Shoba Ramakrishnan.
2. Donation by PP Sabitha Gauni and Shakila Babuji for a haemodialysis machine at Sri Sumati Vishal Jain Educational Trust.
3. A multifunctional classroom in collaboration with the Rotary Club of Ambattur, benefitting underprivileged children at Thiruvengadam Nagar Educational Society.
4. Contribution by PDC Dr Shashi Shyamsundar and Mrs Suman Gururaj for a Physiotherapy Hall at Anandam's Palliative Care Centre for senior citizens.

These initiatives reflected the Club's enduring commitment to empowerment, health care, education, and care of the elderly.

Words of Inspiration & Gratitude

Inspiring addresses by IIWP Kay Morland, AP Jyoti Mahipal, and DC Devi Mathimaran commended the Club's vision and dedication. The generosity of members was overwhelming, with large contributions and still growing.

Adding to the warmth of the evening were felicitations by PIIWP Kamala Ramakrishnan and PDC Sita Laxminarayana. Co-Convenor PP Nandini Arun concluded the celebration with a heartfelt Vote of Thanks, acknowledging every hand and heart that made the milestone memorable.

The evening at the historic Madras Club was more than a celebration of the past—it was a reaffirmation of the Inner Wheel spirit to spread kindness, compassion, and love, lighting the path for generations to come.



Golden Jubilee Celebration of IWC Madras Midtown inaugurated by IIW President Kay Morland, Association President Jyoti Mahipal, National Editor Kamala Selvam, with Chairman Devi Mathimaran and District Executives.

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International Social Campaign

INNER WHEEL UNITE to End Violence Against Women and Girls



UN Women Campaign

The Orange the World campaign is an initiative of UN Women. Inner Wheel worldwide supports the campaign. The 2025 campaign on 25 November to 10 December was promoted by volunteers of the Inner Wheel UNiTE team to End Violence Against Women and Girls (EVAWG). Anita Meerdink, as UNiTE Team coordinator, introduced the first segment as a kick-off on the eve. (Watch the video

<https://youtu.be/xRDjKQoWjwg>



INNER WHEEL supports
"UNiTE" & "Orange The World"
initiatives by UN Women

**EACH OF US CAN BE
A VOICE OF CHANGE.**

**JOIN THE CAMPAIGN.
SHARE, POST AND SPEAK OUT AGAINST
VIOLENCE.**

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UNiTE Team Message

Inner Wheel proudly stands with UN Women in Orange the World initiatives.

Violence against women has no place in a just society, and Inner Wheel's commitment must be steady, visible, and united.

Every voice matters. Every action counts.

When we come together,
we create the change the world needs. Join us.
Add your voice. Strengthen the movement.

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International President Kay
on Day 1 of the campaign

The Inner Wheel global campaign for UN Women's Orange the World 2025 November to 10 December 2025

The activities of the campaign of 2025
are viewable on the website
<https://www.iw-orangetheworld.com/2025-otw-campaign/events-2025-otw-campaigns>

The following are a few from around the world
(in no particular order)



IWC Swan Hill
IW Australia



IWC Narre Warren
IW Australia



IWC Bendigo
IW Australia



IWC Bairnsdale
IW Australia



IWC Gosnell
IW Australia



IWC North East Sunset
IW Australia



IWC Varna, IW Bulgaria



IWC of Pleven, IW Bulgaria
 Billboard at the entry to the city



IWC of Russe, IW Bulgaria



IWC of Kavarna, IW Bulgaria



IWC Burgas, IW Bulgaria



IWC Plovdiv, IW Bulgaria
 Campaigning in a mall in Plovdiv.



IWC Yambol, IW Bulgaria
 Walk and talk at the cultural and information centre, including students.



IWC Stara Zagora & IWC Stara Zagora-Beroe, IW Bulgaria. Collaboration with "Mission Wings" and "Samaritans" walking from the District Police Headquarters to the District Court.



IWC Sliven, IW Bulgaria
 Erected two billboards, at the cities' entries of Yambol and Stara Zagora.



IWC Etropole, IW Bulgaria
 Awareness for students, verbal and digital violence with Q&A.



IWC Kawama, IW Bulgaria
 Awareness for the staff of a tailoring factory.



IWC Neumünster, IW Germany
At the town hall of Neumünster. In remembrance of 132 femicides in Germany in 2024.



IWC Gelsenkirchen, IW Germany. Walking with the Soroptimists.



IWC Viersen-Schwalm-Nette, IW Germany. A walk through the illuminated city of Viersen.



IWC Bad Nauheim-Friedberg, IW Germany. Charity run in Friedberg/Hesse, over 500 laps by participants 9 to 85 years old!



IWC Bamberg, IW Germany. At the Christmas Market.



IWC Offenbach-Hanau-Maintal, IW Germany. Campaigning with renowned artist Sanja Zivo and high school students, putting handprint stickers, and joined by members of Zonta and Soroptimist, the Mayor, City Council Chair, and school department head.



IWC Stuttgart, IW Germany.



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IWC Lemgo-Bad Salzflen, IW Germany. Distributing messages on beer mats in local restaurants and pubs.



IWC Konstanz Constantia, IW Germany.



IWC Mannheim, IW Germany. Campaigning along the main shopping street with members of Zonta and Soroptimist.



IWC Göppingen, IW Germany. Donation to a shelter.



IWC Nordschwarzwald, IW Germany. At the exhibition of Gegen Schweigen (Against Silence)



IWC Hamburg (organiser) all IW clubs in Hamburg, IW Germany. Walk around Lake Alster, joined by Rotary men, Lady Circles, Zonta, Soroptimist, White Ring (for victim support), and police.



IWC Goettingen, IW Germany. Involving students in a flash mob, theatre performance, students wearing white masks for awareness of femicide in Germany, song performance and distribution of information stickers. Donation of a public bench with a missing seat and the message "No place for violence against women."



IWC Celle, IW Germany. Charity Run with conversations, music and exhibition "Painting Mannequins" raised funds for the Celle Women's Shelter.



IWC Wesel-Dinslaken-Walsum, IW Germany.

District 350, IW Nepal



Ladies from IW Great Britain & Ireland spoke to the House of Lords, London. The IW GB&I team were privileged to be the guests of Baroness Hayter of Kentish Town at the House of Lords, London to present the Inner Wheel global campaign for Orange the World. It was a memorable 'orange experience' with Baroness Hayter embracing the theme in her beautiful orange suit. (Bottom photo) The Baroness stands second from left and on the right is IW UNiTE team member Past International President Trish Douglas.





IW Clubs of Montrose, Forfar and Laurencekirk, IW GB&I. At Strathmore Primary School in Forfar. A delightful day over tasty treats with some of the primary school pupils, Inner Wheel members and the Lord Provost. Right photo from left: Head teacher Jennifer Garnes, Lord Provost Angus Craig Fotherham and Past International President Trish Douglas.



IWC Scarborough, IW GB&I

Having conversations and handing out leaflets to the public at Castle Howard.



IWC Marlow, IW GB&I

A cold morning did not stop the members from chatting and handing out leaflets on Marlow High Street. At a stop in a café, a survivor shared about the help she received.



IWC Penrith, IW GB&I

Members in action! The walk was joined by members of Rotary, Soroptimists, Lions, Penrith Writers, Penrith Parkrun, Victim Support Cumbria, and friends.



Clubs of Carnforth and Lancaster, IW GB&I.

Collaboration with Rotary, the Soroptimist and the Warton Crag Women's Institute for a walk along Morecambe Bay.

Members of **IWC Workington Derwent** organised a walk along Maryport Promenade to the Beacon Museum undaunted by the wind and rain. Members of the Cumberland Council and Soroptimists joined in.

Members of **IWC Bacup** walked in and asked to put up posters in the Bacup Post Office, doctors' surgery and various shops.

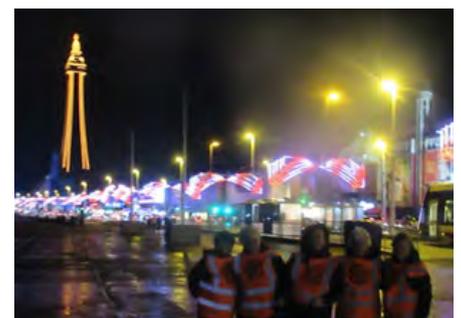
IWC Newton Stewart had an orange-themed collection for their food bank project.



IWC Brampton & Longtown, IW GB&I.

From three walks and a stall at the Saturday market, members raised funds for the Snowdrop Suite at James Cook University Hospital in Middlesbrough.

IWC Shrewsbury held a walk at The Quarry and had conversations with the public.



IWC St Annes-on-Sea, IW GB&I. Members in high-vis jackets had a photo with the Blackpool Tower.

IWC Garstang & Over Wyre, IW GB&I. District 19 Chaiman (and member of the club) arranged for the lighting up of the Blackpool Tower. Members travelled on the Blackpool tram and displayed banners of the campaign.

IWC Chard, IW GB&I, lit up the Town Council in orange.



IWC Bargarh and IWC Bargarh Central, IW India



IWC Khandwa Sparkles, IW India



IWC Vapi and IWC Umbergaon, IW India. A walk with 100 schoolgirls, IW India NGB and District 306 officers.



IWC Palanpur, IW India. Supported by Dr Rajulben Desai, Member of the National Commission for Women and students of GD Modi Fine Arts College. The students created posters and slogans with prizes for the best. It was on the local and national news.



IWC Bombay Airport Centurion, IW India. Aerobics with the Yoga Juhu Group at Juhu beach included men in the campaign.



District 315, IW India. A campaign made more successful by the inclusion of men who cares.



District 314, IW India organised an information session at the Kanya Vidya Mandir Junior College, Mumbai. The dedicated Nirbhaya Squad of the Mumbai Police gave the children insight on how to take care of themselves and get help. A counselling psychologist, talked on how to manage violence and take necessary actions in time of need.



IWC Raichur, IW India. A personal pledge, one voice of many in unity.



IWC Giridih, IW India. Large hoarding in a busy marketplace.



IWC Mandsaur, IW India. Awareness for the students at the Global Academy School.



IWC Kolhapur Sunrise, IW India. Self-defence training for girls.



District 326, IW India.



District 305, IW India.



IWC Kalyan, IW India. Produced a skit with the children of Mulinche Samarth Vidyalaya School.



IWC Thane, IW India. A video of Orange the World on the giant digital at a busy traffic junction of Mumbai.



IWC Bombay Downtown, IW India held a self-defence workshop for the girls at Sishu Vihar School.



IWC New Bombay Seaside, IW India held an awareness session for men.



IWC Bijapur, IWC Bijapur We Care & IWC Bijapur North, IW India organised a march of more than 500 members and the public through the main roads of the city, joined by the Vice-Chancellor of the Women's University and the wife of the Superintendent of Police. The event was in the news channels and local newspapers.



IWC Ashta, IW India held a walk with schoolgirls.



IWC Jamshedpur East, IW India organised talks and a *nukkad natak* (a street play, grassroots theatre) by students of UFHE School. The *natak* highlighted issues such as victimisation, rape, sexual abuse of a girl child and gender discrimination – from womb to tomb. The message: awareness, protection and collective responsibility in ensuring safety and dignity for women and girls. **IWC Ratlam** also had a street play and a walk with 400 participants.



IWC Phagwara, IW India organised a talk and poster drawing for 235 schoolgirls.



IWC Patliputra Samarpan, IW India conducted a self-defence and karate training session for the girls of Rainbow Home. The aim is to empower them with the skills and awareness needed to protect themselves in unsafe situations. 21 Inner Wheel Clubs and 150 members also joined in a walk.



IWC Bengaluru & IWC Mumbai Nariman Point, IW India performed a skit at their local area.



IWC Azamgarh, IW India organised a campaign in Paradise Public School.



District 317, IW India. The Inner Wheel Clubs in Goa marched through the street and echoed the campaign's call. They were in GoaNews.



IWC Baraich, IW India gave a talk to schoolchildren in their campaign.



IWC Mahabaleshwar, IW India organised an awareness for schoolgirls with a talk, workshop on self-defence and a march.



District 329, IW India.



IWC Purulia, IW India organised a 3 km walk.



IW District 314, IW India put up a banner at a busy bus stop.



IWC Central Calcutta, IW India held an art competition for children.



IWC Chennai Presidency, IW India organised a talk and pledges by 100 male auto-drivers in Kotturpuram to foster non-violence.



IWC Khargone, IWC Bhusawal & IWC Bhusawal Railcity, IW India organised a parade of members, 1,200 students and members of JCI. The decorated procession was led by IWC Treasurer Dr Rashmi Sharma and District 304 Secretary Smita Biyani on horseback, followed by open cars, jeeps, two-wheelers and students. To top it all, there were performances: a dramatic street play, dances and, self-defence demonstrations.



District 307, IW India organised a grand car rally, all decorated orange, with banners, stickers, balloons and posters to attract the public for awareness of the campaign.



IWC Geneva,
IW Switzerland-Liechtenstein



IWC Zurich,
IW Switzerland-Liechtenstein



IWC Valais Romand,
IW Switzerland-Liechtenstein



IWC Basel Wettstein, IWC Basel-Riehen & IWC Laufen,
IW Switzerland-Liechtenstein.

Special packaging for the campaign: tissue boxes and bread bags.



IWC Conegliano-Vittorio-Veneto,
IW Italy. A gathering of students at the old 'Red Bench', the symbol against gender-based violence and femicide, singing songs and heartfelt reflections.



IWC Nicotera, IW Italy in collaboration with the men of the municipality and UNESCO Tropea organised the installation of a 'Red Bench', and testimonies from survivors.



IWC Palermo Igea, IW Italy organised a seminar 'NEVER AGAIN FEAR, NEVER AGAIN SILENCED'. Speakers included a magistrate, president of an anti-violence association, a doctor and a lawyer.



IWC Foggia, IW Italy collaborated in a forum where renown author Anna Agostiniani's gave a powerful testimony of strength in change. This was followed by a march through the city.



IWC Santhia'-Crescentino, IWC Biella, IWC Vallemosso & IWC Biella Piazza, IW Italy illuminated the Baptistery of Biella. The Club collaborated with the Associazione Sogni Scalzi in a 4-day art exhibition to raise awareness against violence towards women.



IWC Oltrepo, IW Italy in collaboration with Rotary and the municipality launched the “Let’s light our town orange”.



IWC Capua Antica E Nova, IW Italy lighted up the Campanian Amphitheatre in Santa Maria Capua Vetere. It is the world’s second-largest amphitheatre after the Colosseum.



IWC Rimini E Riviera, IW Italy with several local service clubs hosted a seminar. Speakers were lawyers Antonella Rimondi and Sara Passante. Support was also given to Rete Donna, a women’s aid network for their initiative “Ricostruire Domani” (Rebuilding Tomorrow).



IWC Firenze, IWC Firenze Medicea & IW Firenze Iris, IW Italy with Rotary Club of Amerigo Vespucci.



District 208, IW Italy.



IWC Varese E Verbano, IW Italy.



IWC Genova Sud Ovest, IW Italy.



IWC Tricase-Santa Maria Di Leuca, IW Italy.



IWC Agrigento, IW Italy filmed a live video presentation “The Orange the World Call from the Valley of the Temples in Agrigento” (translated) at the Archaeological Park which was presented to the Park’s Director, institutional representatives, medical fraternity, school principals and a large group of secondary school students.



District 211, IW Italy. Clubs raised funds in a musical concert “Voci di forza” for vulnerable women at the Pagliarelli Prison and who seek help at the convent of Santa Maria degli Angeli (La Gancia).



IWC Colico, IW Italy.



IWC Sanremo, IW Italy.



District 209, IW Italy. A musical concert “Colour notes: Orange in Music” at the Oratorio della Carità in the Sistine Chapel of the Marches by IWC Fabriano on an idea conceived by the IW District. The stage, the piano, and the audience were bedecked with orange. Music from Barber, Joplin and Gershwin were interpreted in colour variations by a painter on stage.



IWC Guidonia Montecelio, IW Italy created a large poster message “Amore non è proprietà, è rispetto” (Love is not property, it is respect). It was prominently displayed at various offices and outlets.



IWC Cuornè e Canavese, IW Italy.



IWC Caserta Luigi Vanvitelli, IW Italy held an immersive classroom at Liceo Manzoni in Caserta “Strike a Blow Against Violence”.



IWC Mantova, IW Italy joined Rotary Club of Mantua and other associations to support Associazione Olga, founded by Giuseppe Delmonte in memory of his mother, a victim of femicide.



IWC Napoli Castel Dell’Ovo, IW Italy promoted an event at the Russo Montale School where students performed and held an exhibition “Voices in Silence”. This was followed by a procession joined by IWC Naples.



IWC Erba Laghi, IW Italy organised a concert “Esibisci Il Tuo Talento” (Show off your talent) and invited young participants.



IWC Cirie’ Valli di Lanzo and IWC Torino, IW Italy collaborated with the Italian State Railways Foundation to promote on board the TrEno Langhe locomotive.



IWC Qarinis, IW Italy joined District 211 initiatives in two school projects, tree planting as a symbol of hope and Project Abiti Ribelli denouncing forced marriages on young women.



IWC Altamura, IW Italy hosted a theatre workshop by students at the Liceo Scientifico e Linguistico Federico II di Svevia. Titled "SEI", it intertwined the story of Henry VIII's six wives with a reflection "sei" (you are) to explore the meaning of being a woman, in the past and today.



IWC Mestre Fidelissima, IW Italy



IWC Napoli Ovest, IW Italy organised a roundtable discussion "Violence Against Women is increasing. Why?"



IWC Pozzallo Rosa Marina, IW Italy turned sports into awareness for young men. A match "We take the field for women", an open dialogue and fundraising for women's aid services.



IWC Menfi, IW Italy held a musical and installed a Red Bench in memory of Sara Campanella, a victim of femicide.



IWC San Severo, IW Italy held a presentation of photos and testimonies about the stories of early marriages and FMG in Africa from the book Femmes d'Afrique by Raffaele Longo.



IWC Torino Europea, IW Italy organised a conference in the UN Campus in Turin with participation from seven regional IW clubs, and UNESCO, ILO, and UNICRI, in programmes, projects, and concrete actions supporting women's rights and gender equality.



IWC Torino 45th Parallelo, IW Italy



IWC Paterno' Alto Simeto, IW Italy.

IWC Citta' Di Castello & IWC Sansepolcro, IW Italy lighted up the Palazzo della Laudi in Sansepolcro and Torre Civica in Città di Castello in orange.



IWC Venezia, IW Italy with other service clubs, supported the work of Virada Feminina, a Brazilian movement committed to promote female empowerment and raise awareness about violence.



IWC Sassari Centro, IW Italy organised a charity pizza to raise funds in aid of women victims of violence.



IWC Cagliari, IW Italy made a video “to speak, for her, for all”.



IWC Lauria, IW Italy organised a conference on gender gap, focusing on economic coercive control in domestic violence.



National Council of IW Italy hosted a conference: Educating Respect, Generating Equality and Freedom. The event was attended by representatives of institutions and associations and viewable online.



IWC Bari, IW Italy collaborated with Rotary Club of Bari and Malalingua association in a fundraising show. Proceeds supported a local shelter for women of domestic violence.



IWC Bergamo, IW Italy gave financial aid to Casa Sofia, a shelter for abused women and their children.



District 332, IW Singapore members hosted seniors and children in an awareness workshop. A panel discussion brought up issues, new legislation and ways to help.



District 519, IW USA was at the California International Marathon and the State Capitol, Sacramento, to promote Orange the World.



National Governing Body of IW Türkiye strongly supported the global Inner Wheel campaign of Orange the World. IW Clubs around the country organised awareness walks. In the metropolitan of İzmir, six Clubs were joined by prominent non-governmental organisations. IWC Laodikeia, IWC Atakent, and IWC Smyrna hosted a picture exhibition and speakers on “We will stop femicide”.



IWC Zeewusch-Vlaanderen, IW Netherlands collaborated with 5 women's clubs, 3 municipalities, libraries, social organisations, and schools for activities e.g. walks, documentary film. Men were included.



IWC Lelystad, IW Netherlands joined with the Soroptimist to organise a performance 'Dramare', supported by the King, the mayor and council. Other events were held throughout the campaign days.



IWC Ambt Almelo, IW Netherlands held an awareness walk in Oldenzaal.



IWC Pula, IW Croatia managed a promotional stall at a book fair and collected funds for the Safe House Istria.



IWC Almere-T Gooi, IW Netherlands awareness walk with a music band.



IWC Gorinchem, IW Netherlands made an 'orange the world sofa'.



District 191, IW Croatia. District Chairman Sandra Neretljakovic (Past IWC Board Director and UNiTE Team member) spoke on Croatian National TV.



20th European Meeting in Split, Croatia. By invitation, UNiTE Team members Anita Meerdink and Sandra Neretljakovic spoke about the campaign.



IW Netherlands' event launch at Roermond was by Councillor Marianne Smitsmans. Over 130 participants, including men and children.



IWC Split Palmina and IWC Split, IW Croatia hosted a roundtable comprising representatives of the police, judiciary, social services, and experts in psychology and law. Testimony from a survivor was impactful. The Mayor and Deputy County Prefect attended.



Fountain at Onorfi and Riva lighted up
IWC Dubrovnik, IWC Split and IWC Split Palmina, IW Croatia.



IWC Čakovec, IW Croatia collaborated with a safe house for victims of domestic violence, the Gender Equality Commission, Institute for Social Welfare, Health office, Mobile Police Prevention Centre, and students. They shared leaflets, badges and orange balloons to the public.



IWC Sibenik, IW Croatia. Walking with the Nordic Walking School, Osijek.



IWC Karlocac, IW Croatia hosted a roundtable and lecture 'When love hurts: how family violence shapes future relationships of women and children'.



IWC Zagreb Gradec (top) & IWC Osijek, IW Croatia organised walk/run.



IWC Prelog, IWC Čakovec & IWC Varazdin, IW Croatia Walk/Run by 300 participants.



IWC Mi'ilya, IW Israel lighted up the Notre Dame High School and the Catholic Church of Mi'ilya in orange, including a talk to the students EVAWG.



IWC Lagos, IW Nigeria organised 2 talks on EVAWG to boys and girls of a junior high school. Rotary District 9112 collaborated.



IWC Haifa, IW Israel brought gifts and greetings to the 'Women's Courtyard', a safe space for at-risk women. It is a long-standing project of the Club. Members of **IWC Nazareth** also brought gifts to a local shelter.



IWC Kafr Yasif, IW Israel held a talk at a women's shelter on the importance of a safe haven, including a film and discussion.



District 910, IW Nigeria held a press conference attended by a Director of the Human Rights Commission, a representative of FIDA and a lawyer. An insightful discussion followed. Another session was held at the Funtaj International School with a talk and activity focussing on digital violence. Members also joined in a walk commemorating the 30th anniversary of the Commission.



IWC Carmel, IW Israel members donated, as they have for 10 years, new winter clothing to the children of domestic violence at a safe shelter.



Walkathon for Orange the World.
District 912, IW Nigeria: IWC Oregon Metro, IWC Akute, IWC Ikeja Gra, IWC Akowonio, IWC Ojokoro, IWC Magodo Phase 2, IWC Iju Hills, IWC Ajuwon Metro, IWC Gowon Estate Metro, IWC Maryland, IWC Ikeja Golden IWC Ikeja Diamond. IWC Matori & IWC Mushin also campaigned to street vendors.



District 916, IW Nigeria launched a walk from Jeddo Town Hall, distributing flyers to the public.



IWC Ilupeju, IW Nigeria held an interactive talk at the Police Children School stressing to them to 'say something when you see something'.



IWC Yaba, IW Nigeria a talk at a school where children were given a voice.



IWC Wuse, IW Nigeria held an awareness programme at the Palace of the Traditional Ruler, the Chief of Garki, attended by Inner Wheel officers past and present. Bags of rice were also distributed to over 100 families along with conversations in the local dialects, Hausa and Gbagi.



IWC Lifecamp & IWC Kuje, IW Nigeria visited junior and senior secondary schools. They were joined by Princess Chifero of the UN Office on Drugs and Crime. The phone lines and email contacts of the National Human Rights Commission were given with a guide on what to do as a victim and as a witness.



IWC Osubi, IWC Ekpan & IWC Efrun Gra, IW Nigeria held an interactive session with 60 pupils and 10 teachers at the Ekpan Primary School.



IWC Bida, IWC Arepo, IWC Obafemi, IWC Owode, IWC Awka & IWC Aba, IW Nigeria walking for the campaign. Students and staff of the Federal Polytechnic, other non-governmental organisations and private sector were involved. Interpreters spoke in discussions using the native dialects of Nupe and Hausa.



IWC Umungasi, IW Nigeria walking for the campaign.



IWC Gbagada, IW Nigeria held a talk at Gbagada Senior Grammar School for 82 female students on the topic 'Physical, sexual and psychological abuse: causes, consequences and management'.



IWC Bodija, IWC Ibadan & IWC Oluyole, IW Nigeria led Inner Wheel members, the Oyo State Red Cross Society, the Favoured Women Caregiver and Empowerment Foundation, and the Association of Women Orientation along the Mokola Market Road where they ended at the market to talk to the public and distributed flyers. The Broadcasting Corporation of Oyo state and the police were on hand to cover the event.



IWC Surulere, IW Nigeria partnered with the International Federation of Women Lawyers (FIDA) in a talk at Alashela Market, Onipanu, with the traders, their union and executive members to campaign in alignment with common goals. The connection would carry on with projects for the year.



IWC Abuja, IW Nigeria held the campaign at the NAOWA Modern College. A Q&A session had some cases which had to be referred to the National Human Rights Commission.



IWC Ogba, IWC Igbe Ikorodu & IWC Ijede, IW Nigeria took the campaign to the Ikorodu Market. They fielded questions from the public.



IWC Osogbo, IW Nigeria held a walk at the Ilesa Garage, a motor park and got the attention of drivers, passengers and traders at the park.



IWC Ado-Ekiti Roses, IW Nigeria held a walk and a programme 'side chat and press conference'.



IWC Apo, IW Nigeria went into Galadimawa Village, Abuja to raise awareness on EAWG. They also treated the 350 men, women and children of the village with jollof rice prepared by the villagers.



**IWC Dhaka North
 IW Bangladesh**



IWC Ekulu, IW Nigeria gave an interactive seminar at God's Gift International School, with voices from the next generation.



IWC Apo, IWC Lifecamp, IWC Garki & IWC Garki Ruby, IW Nigeria presented video messages.



IWC Tirana, IW Albania.
(Non-Districted Club)



IWC Amman, IW Egypt & Jordan



IWC Mombasa, IW Kenya
(Non-districted Club)



IWC Lusaka, IW Zambia
(Non-Districted Club)



IWC Maribor, IW Slovenia
(Non-Districted Club) virtual exhibition of
Milena Nemeč 'Touch of Red'



District 224, IW Romania & Moldova held a seminar attended by
nearly 100 students, titled
'Education for respect' about
respect, boundaries and courage.



IWC Carbet West Indies & IWC Le Lamentin,
IW Martinique (Non-Districted Clubs)



IWC Helsinborg, IW Sweden was at a concert to
spread the message.



IWC Trinidad and Tobago
(Non-Districted Club)



District 96, IW Cyprus



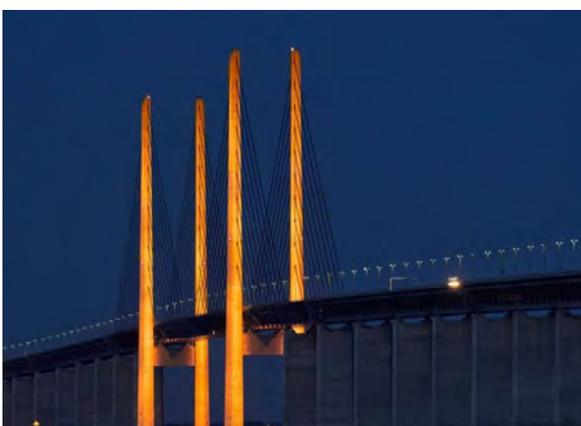
IWC Yaounde & IWC Saphir, IW Central Africa organised a
conference attended by a
hundred participants. They call
for a listening centre for the
abused and education.



IW New Zealand: The Inner Wheel Clubs of Hamilton, Upper Hutt, Palmerton North, Feilding, Manawatu, Riccarton, Braided Rivers, Orewa & Wangaparao, Otautahi-Canterbury, Invercargill, Auckland East, Mt Rozkill, Queenstown, Fairfield, New Plymouth, and District 291 organised walks with lots of conversations on ending violence against women and girls. The kick-off was in Hamilton with members, notably IIW Board Director Michelle Atkinson, IW NZ Immediate Past President Rina Maxwell-Hesp, NZ291 District Chairman Huibrie Keyser and District Secretary Margaret Whitmore, and IW UNiTE Team Coordinator Anita Meerdink-Vlassak, and representatives of the Shama Ethnic Women's Trust. The walk finished meaningfully at the Grantham Street plaque in memory of Margery Hopegood who was murdered in a Hamilton toilet block.



IWC Saint Paul Étang Salé, IW Indian Ocean had a walk and Zumba session. Grade 5 primary school pupils enjoyed an interactive session with the expertise of a psychologist. The children were asked to express themselves through drawings with absolutely amazing results.



IWC Dragør, IW Denmark. Club ISO Ann Madsen successfully organised the lighting up of the Øresundsbroen (Øresund Bridge) which crosses the Øresund strait between Denmark and Sweden. The Mayor with Dragør's small community of friends and IW members wore orange lights and walked from the Town Hall to the old town square.



IWC Kuala Lumpur, IW Malaysia organised a walk for Clubs of **Districts 330 & 331**. With 1,468 participants, the Club was awarded the Malaysia Book of Records for the 'Largest Gathering Against Violence Towards Women'.



IWC Penang, IW Malaysia joined Penang Women's Development Corporation for a walk and a trishaw ride around George Town.

The 3 km walk along two major roads in the heart of the city was completely closed to traffic. Participants were flagged off by The Honourable Nancy Shukri, Minister of Women, Family and Community Development. Success is due to the numerous corporate and private sponsors, Kuala Lumpur City Hall, government departments, several non-governmental organisations and the public who believed in the national urgency to end violence against women and girls. Students and children from orphanages accompanied by guardians participated in the walk and had an experiential learning opportunity. The event was broadcast by BERNAMA (Malaysia's national news agency) and other news media. On two other occasions, members participated in a booth of the Human Rights Festival and engaged with youths in a pickleball game.



IWC Butterworth, IW Malaysia gathered at a park and collected signatures for the cause.



IWC Pearl of the Orient, IW Malaysia organised a relay walk titled '10,000 steps of hope' and a session with a lawyer from the Women's Centre for Change.



IWC Bangsar, IW Malaysia held a picnic and a walk bringing together members, families and friends



IWC Alor Setar, IW Malaysia. Participants enjoyed an invigorating Zumba session, followed by a 3 km brisk walk, a lucky draw, and the illumination of the Alor Setar Tower.



IWC Subang Selangor, IW Malaysia Students at Brickfields Asia College listened to an inspiring speaker, created video clips, and joined a Zumba. There was a stall to fundraise for a shelter.



IWC Apsaras, IW Malaysia walked in public places with messages and had conversations with people they met on the street.



IWC Kuala Lumpur City Centre, IW Malaysia collaborated with **IWC Zenith Chattogram, IW Bangladesh** to donate groceries and bring cheer to a home for abandoned elderly folks.



IWC Miri, IWC Kuching & IWC Kota Kinabalu, IW Malaysia. The campaign was launched on the summit of Mount Kinabalu, at 4,095.2 metres high together with the Rotary Club of Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei. This was followed by a walk in Bandar Seri Begawan to mark the 'borderless fellowship' between members and friends that promises more joint community service projects and activities in the years to come.



IWC Sibul, IW Malaysia took to the streets in the heart of Sibul town standing out in orange T-shirt.



IWC Freesia-Rose Penampang, IW Malaysia held a talk with 73 students of the BCCM Grace Learning Centre, a school for stateless children, to equip them with knowledge and practical advice about personal safety and protection, and with expert advice from Daflonia Daniels of the Human Rights Commission of Malaysia.



IWC Kota Kinabalu, IW Malaysia organised a walk at the Tropical Rainforest Ujana Park which attracted 170 participants from government agencies, community organisations, schools and the general public. Everyone received gift bags and a certificate of appreciation as a reminder of their support for the campaign.



District 378, IW Philippines marked the start of the campaign by light up the Quezon City Memorial Pylon Tower. 8 Clubs in the District held a solidarity walk, a Zumba and an advocacy forum, joined by Past IWW President Zenaida Farcon. The event is in collaboration with Quezon City authorities and local government units.



IWC Lomé Étincelles, IW West Africa. Members of the Club visited several locations in Togo and had friendly conversations about ending violence against women and girls with people they meet.



IWC Vista Real Classica, IW Philippines visited the campus grounds to hear directly from today's youth. In the interviews, they were asked, "What are your views on ending violence against women and children?" The results demonstrate the power of awareness and the importance of speaking up.



IWC Brugge, Brugge 'T Vrije, Brugge-West, Jabbeke, Meetjesland, Midden-West, Mandel-Leie, Westkust, Knokke Heist-Oostkust, IWC Hasselt and IWC Heist-Op-Den-Berg, IW Belgium-Luxembourg.

Clubs in a walk.



IWC Charleroi & IWC Beaumont, IW Belgium-Luxembourg



IWC Knokke-Heist Oostkust, IW Belgium-Luxembourg in collaboration with women's clubs invited Pascale Franck to an insightful talk. This was followed by a panel discussion with local social workers from CAW, the Damme Knokke police, a psychologist and the head of Veilig Huis West Vlaanderen (Safe House West Flanders).



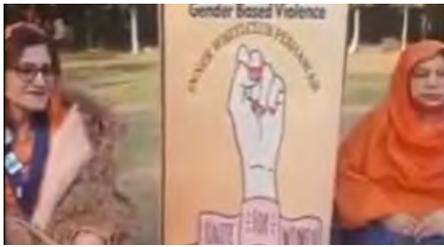
IWC Salzburg, IW Austria & Czech Republic. A movie evening at Das Kino in Salzburg, Austria. Building bridges together with friends from other clubs and associations, to spread the philosophy of Orange the World.



IWC Graz, IW Austria & Czech Republic gave away pamphlets and orange crochet flowers at the traditional Christmas Market in Graz Opera House.



District 222, IW Northern Cyprus organised a walk in Nicosia, with the participation of 12 Clubs, non-governmental organisations, company representatives, university students, and Mayor Murat Şenkul. On another occasion, IWC Mağusa Othello lighted up the Othello Castle, the statues of Shakespeare and the Lion, and the Sea Gate of Famagusta.



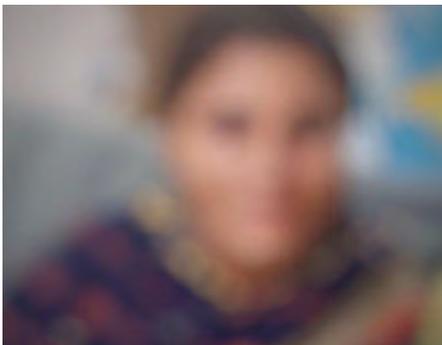
IWC Peshawar, IW Pakistan shared case examples and highlighted that weak implementation of laws remains a major challenge especially for low-income women. The Club is helping to empower women with a startup fund for home-based food delivery business.



IWC Rawalpindi, IW Pakistan organised a seminar in a SOS Children's Village for about 100 attendees including male staff members. Topics covered were on protection laws, education of young girls and mothers and urging girls to speak out against harassment.



District 342, IW Pakistan. Members walked carrying messages on placards and banners.



IWC Islamabad, IW Pakistan organised an interactive session with a survivor of domestic violence who was married at 13, a mother at 14, and has 4 children to support. She endured years of daily abuse from in-laws before taking courage to escape with help. Her story is a reminder of how collective effort from bystanders is crucial in stopping violence.



IWC Hyderabad, IW Pakistan arranged a walk where members engaged with the public, distributed pamphlets, calling for each individual to play their role in creating a safer environment.



IWC Rawalpindi Galaxy, IW Pakistan held the campaign at Darakhshan Vocational Training Centre With Special Abilities. They wore orange roses to mark the event.



District 343, IW Pakistan held an interactive session for students of the Technical and Vocational College for Girls by a trainer from the Violence Against Women Centre and an advocate. This was followed by an awareness walk.



District 327, IW Pakistan held a rally and a seminar for more than 100. A psychiatrist spoke on psychological impacts and forms of violence. A former vice-chancellor shared on societal responsibility and empowerment. A medical superintendent highlighted real cases.



IWC Karachi Universal, IW Pakistan



IWC Mushkpuri & IWC Abbottabad, IW Pakistan held a seminar attended by students at the Women Institute of Learning and Rehabilitation Sciences. Two topics were presented. (a) From awareness to action, ending domestic violence in our homes and communities. (b) Empower, educate and end abuse – a call to action against domestic violence.



IWC Kampala Central, IW Uganda visited the women's prison and interacted with women incarcerated for crimes in self-defence during episodes of domestic violence. DV affects the women individually and the well-being of the entire family, especially children.



IWC Fort de France, IW FAMAT



IWC Melun-Fontainebleau, IW FAMAT promotes the campaign through their connections on FaceBook and LinkedIn. They support a local association for the care of women victims of violence.



IWC Châteauroux, IW FAMAT attended the launch of the campaign at the partners' village by Mayor Gil Avérous. They learnt that femicides has increased with 7 reported in one week in rural and urban areas. A women's shelter will be opening soon and the members are looking forward to help out.



IWC Perche, IW FAMAT had a successful fundraising jam sale at the Saint-Antoine Market. The proceeds will support an association fighting violence against women.

Expression of gratitude from the IW UNiTE Team

Inner Wheel UNiTE team to End Violence Against Women and Girls (EVAWG) thanks all Inner Wheel members for their superb work in bringing awareness in your respective communities.

Our Inner Wheel activities for Orange the World 2025 were awesome. UN Women lauded us. Governments joined us in the events and added their voice to effect change. Organisations supported and advocated. Participation was from the ground up, from young and old, from ordinary citizens to high officials. Everything was carried out peacefully and impactfully.

This is the action of leadership that Inner Wheel has shown the world.

From the feedback form, the response was overwhelming for the UNiTE Team to continue in 2026. We are humbled by your willingness, your voluntarism.

The UNiTE team has concluded a review of 2025 in a Zoom meeting. We will be laying out plans and strategies for OtW2026, tentatively at the end of March.

For now, please stay on the WhatsApp group for further announcements. Messaging in the group chat will be disabled temporarily until then. You can still reach the UNiTE team by privately messaging any of the WhatsApp admin or email us at

iw.orangetheworld@gmail.com

Thank you.
In Inner Wheel friendship



The MARGARETTE GOLDING AWARDS by International Inner Wheel



Recipient: **Sheila Cragg**

Proposed by
Inner Wheel Club of Canterbury,
District 12, Inner Wheel Great Britain & Ireland

Presented in recognition of her Service to the Canterbury Community throughout her life, acting as adviser, organiser and fundraiser in her many and wide-ranging roles. These have included Chairman of the Lord Mayor's Gift Fund, Lady Mayoress, Governor of a local school, Governor of The Canterbury College of Technology and Art, an active member of the League of Friends of Canterbury Hospital and a great supporter of The Kent and Medway Medical School."



Recipient: **Joan Green**

Proposed by
Inner Wheel Club Warsop, District 22,
Inner Wheel Great Britain & Ireland

For her outstanding contribution volunteering for the National Police Aid Charity. Sourcing and packing goods for children and schools in Zambia and the Gambia. (Photo: District Chairman Joy Fox, on the right, presenting the award on 5th November 2025.)



Recipient: **Shaad Masood**

Proposed by
District 339, Inner Wheel Pakistan

The tireless efforts of Mrs Shaad Masood have led to numerous successful projects, initiatives, and events that have positively impacted the lives of women, children, and families in need. Photo shows Mrs Shaad Masood receiving the Margarettte Golding Award pin from Saadat Munir, the National Representative 2024-2025 of Inner Wheel Pakistan.



Recipient: **Bushra Kamal**

Proposed by
District 327, Inner Wheel Pakistan

District Chairman Rubina Ramzan Rao presented the Award to Past National Representative Bushra Kamal in recognition of her outstanding service and dedication.



Recipient: **Emine Çizgenakad**

Proposed by
Inner Wheel Club Izmir,
District 244, Inner Wheel Türkiye

Mrs. Emine Çizgenakad is the founder of the Çeşme Alper Çizgenakad Hospital. The Award is for her outstanding contributions to the city and to civil society. The presentation was on 28 November 2025 by Inner Wheel Turkey's National Representative Iclal Kardıçalı and 2024-25 National President Gülgün Dolunay, in the presence of several dignitaries.

INNER WHEEL in NEW COUNTRIES

IW country: **THAILAND** **Inner Wheel Club of Bangkok**

Non-Districted Club • Club Number 8725
Formation 2 Nov 2025 • Registration 6 Nov 2025

Its formation was sponsored by the Inner Wheel Club of Marilao, District 377 of Inner Wheel Philippines. The ceremony of the Charter presentation, induction of members and officers took place on 22 November 2025 at Hotel Amari, Bangkok.

The orientation of the Charter members of the new Club was conducted prior to the ceremony by past International President Zenaida Farcon. The members were given an insight into Inner Wheel history, its culture and constitution.

IWC Bangkok's Charter President Luningning Tayo received the Charter Certificate from Past International President Zenaida. Luningning proudly mentioned her twin sister, Club President Liwayway Uchi of IWC Marilao as the inspiration behind the establishment of IWC Bangkok.

The message of International President Kay Morland was delivered by Past IIW Board Director Emily Duterte. Kay warmly welcomed new members, affirming their place in Inner Wheel in one of the largest women's voluntary service organisations in the world. Inner Wheel District 377 Chairman Victoria Montaos presented Charter President Luningning with the President's regalia, symbolising leadership. Zenaida gifted the Club with a theme bell and gavel. The Club's rostrum banner was presented by Past National President Donna Jiao. She underscored that the banner should always be displayed with honour and dignity during the club's official events.

The charter of the Inner Wheel Club of Bangkok marks the inclusion of Thailand as a new country in the fold of International Inner Wheel. To date, International Inner Wheel has registered Clubs in 102 countries since the formation of the first Club, the Inner Wheel Club of Manchester, on 10 January 1924.



Orientation, pledge and banner presentation to IWC Bangkok



IW country: **UNITED ARAB EMIRATES**

Inner Wheel Club of Dubai Galaxy

Non-Districted Club • Club Number 8653

Formation 11 Jun 2025 • Registration 17 Jun 2025

It was a delightful and exciting day when IWC Dubai Galaxy President Dr Javeria visited Lahore. Despite her busy schedule she graciously made time to visit PNR Rehana Baray at her residence.

At short notice, District Chairman Rizwana Khan, along with her team, PNR Naghmi, PDC Aqeela, the Club Presidents, and members of IWC Lahore Sharqi and IWC Lahore Galaxy, gathered for a special ceremony. During the event, the Charter Certificate, regalia, a copy of the Constitution and Guidelines were formally presented to the first President from Dubai. She was also handed the District 339 Directory to further strengthen fellowship between Pakistan and Dubai.

Dr Javeria was briefed about IIW, the role of the Club and its Presidents, and how to uphold the motto of service and friendship. The event was marked by enthusiasm, warmth, and a strong spirit of fellowship. It concluded with a delightful high tea and a shared vision to establish more clubs in Dubai.



Welcome and Charter Certificate presentation to Charter President of the Inner Wheel Club of Dubai Galaxy Dr Javeria by Past National Representative of Inner Wheel Pakistan Rehana Baray.



INTERNATIONAL INNER WHEEL and the UNITED NATIONS

Non-governmental organizations (NGOs) play a vital role in the UN's programmes. The UN Economic & Social Council called ECOSOC, gives consultative status to NGOs. It enables them to participate in UN activities.

This status is divided into three categories:

1. General Consultative Status: is granted to organizations with broad representation with significant contributions to multiple fields.
2. Special Consultative Status: is granted to organizations focused on specific areas.
3. Roster: for organizations making occasional useful contributions.

Journey of International Inner Wheel with the United Nations

It began in 1970 when Inner Wheel Board Member from the Philippines Mrs Legarda put forth the suggestion of applying for consultative status to the UN. This was the starting point of Inner Wheel's formal entry and recognition by the UN. In 1972, the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) confirmed International Inner Wheel's admission to the roster of organisations, it was a significant milestone for Inner Wheel showcasing its growing

global presence and commitment to social service and international understanding. In 1993 at the 9th International Inner Wheel Convention in Sydney, the General Motion was passed to continue its involvement with the UN as an observer with consultative status. Today, International Inner Wheel's involvement with the UN is coordinated by the current IIW Vice-President and seven IIW Representatives. These representatives play an important role by providing updates with regular reports to IIW. These reports are published on the IIW official website: www.internationalinnerwheel.org

To keep the IIW Representatives informed, Inner Wheel shares annual reports received from National Representatives. Inner Wheel's focus is on promotion of awareness and implementation of major UN areas of focus, including support for UN Sustainable Development Goals. The IIW representatives are based in Geneva, Vienna and New York.



Summary of reports in 2025

MARTINE GAYON, New York

Report 1:

Sustainable Development Goals Report 2025

Date & Place: July 2025, United Nations

Headquarters, New York

Objective: To present a comprehensive, data-driven global assessment of progress toward the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) at the midpoint between their adoption in 2015 and the 2030 target date.

Goal: To identify areas of progress, stagnation, and regression and to guide urgent policy, financing, and implementation actions to accelerate SDG achievement.

Key Achievements:

- Moderate to good progress recorded in 35% of SDG targets
- Universal electricity access achieved in 45 countries
- Neglected tropical diseases eliminated in 54 countries
- Extreme poverty reduced, although 700 million people remain extremely poor
- Social protection coverage expanded to over 52% of the global population

Impact: The report underscores that none of the 17 SDGs are fully on track, emphasizing the urgent need for global cooperation, reformed financial systems, and targeted interventions to prevent widespread SDG failure by 2030.

Report 2:

UN Secretary-General's Food Systems Summit +4

Date & Place: 28 July 2025, United Nations, New York

Objective: To take stock of global and national progress in transforming food systems since the 2021 Food Systems Summit.

Goal: To strengthen accountability, mobilize partnerships, and unlock financing to achieve sustainable, inclusive, and resilient food systems by 2030.

Key Achievements:

- Global hunger declined for the third consecutive year
- Hunger affected 673 million people (8.2%) in 2024, down from 2023
- Highlighted Africa's disproportionate burden, with over 307 million undernourished

- Identified a USD 300–400 billion annual financing gap
- Strong focus on inclusion of women, youth, Indigenous Peoples, and small-scale farmers

Impact: The UNFSS+4 outcomes provide a clear roadmap for integrating food security, nutrition equity, climate resilience, and sustainable financing into global development strategies.

Report 3:

International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples

Date & Place: 8 August 2025, United Nations

Headquarters, New York (Zoom)

Theme: *"Indigenous Peoples and AI: Defending Rights, Shaping Futures"*

Objective: To examine the opportunities and risks of artificial intelligence for Indigenous Peoples' rights, cultures, and self-determination.

Goal: To promote ethical, inclusive, and rights-based AI development that respects Indigenous data sovereignty and knowledge systems.

Key Achievements:

- Global dialogue involving Indigenous Peoples, UN agencies, Member States, and civil society
- Announcement of 2025 UNDP Equator Prize winners across nine countries
- Recognition of Indigenous-led, nature-based climate solutions

Impact: The event strengthened global awareness of digital inclusion challenges and reinforced Indigenous leadership in shaping future technologies and climate action.

Report 4:

High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development

Date & Place: 14–23 July 2025, United Nations

Headquarters, New York

Objective: To review SDG implementation and provide political guidance for accelerating progress toward the 2030 Agenda.

Goal: To advance integrated, science-based, and inclusive solutions that leave no one behind.

Key Achievements:

- Adoption of a Ministerial Declaration reaffirming political commitment
- In-depth review of SDGs 3, 5, 8, 14, and 17

- Strong advocacy by UN Women on closing the gender financing gap
- Linkages made with outcomes of UN Ocean Conference (Nice) and FfD4 (Seville)

Impact: The Forum's outcomes inform deliberations at the 80th UN General Assembly and reinforce accountability for SDG implementation at national and global levels.

Report 5:

International Day of the Girl Child

Date & Place: October 2025, ECOSOC Chamber, UN Headquarters, New York

Theme: *"The Girl I Am, The Change I Lead: Girls on the Frontlines of Crisis"*

Objective: To amplify the voices and leadership of girls living in conflict, displacement, and climate crisis settings.

Goal: To recognize girls as active leaders and decision-makers rather than passive beneficiaries.

Key Achievements:

- Girl-led sessions and direct engagement with policymakers
- Participation of girls from Afghanistan, Sudan, Gaza, Haiti, and Ukraine
- Launch of global campaign #TheChangeILead

Impact: The observance reinforced global commitment to girls' rights, leadership, education, and protection in crisis contexts.

Report 6:

World Summit for Social Development – Human Rights Education Session

Date & Place: 3 November 2025, Virtual

Objective: To promote Human Rights Education (HRE) as a tool for social integration and gender equality.

Goal: To support SDG 4.7 and SDG 5 through education across the life cycle.

Key Achievements:

- Highlighted Phase V (2025–2029) of the World Programme on Human Rights Education
- Linked HRE to gender equality and social cohesion
- Identified synergies with the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW)

Impact: Strengthened advocacy for education as a transformative tool to counter discrimination and human rights regression.

Report 7:

Child Marriage and Family Laws in South Asia

Date & Place: 5 November 2025, Virtual (Equality Now)

Objective: To explore how family and personal laws contribute to child marriage in South Asia.

Goal: To advocate for harmonized legal frameworks setting 18 as the minimum age of marriage without exceptions.

Key Achievements:

- Country case studies from Pakistan, India, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh
- Focus on minority and marginalized communities
- Practical advocacy strategies shared

Impact: Supports rights-based legal reform and strengthens regional efforts to eliminate child marriage.

Report 8:

Indigenous Peoples, Climate Crisis & Biodiversity Governance

Date & Place: 1–3 December 2025, Virtual

Objective: To address the rights of nomadic and semi-nomadic Indigenous Peoples in climate and biodiversity governance.

Goal: To ensure recognition of Indigenous knowledge, territorial integrity, and self-determination.

Key Achievements:

- Focus on pastoralists, shifting cultivators, sea nomads, and Indigenous Peoples in isolation
- Emphasis on Indigenous women's disproportionate climate burden

Impact: Advances inclusive, rights-based climate and biodiversity policies at global level.

Report 9:

International Day of Persons with Disabilities

Date & Place: 3 December 2025, United Nations Headquarters, New York (Virtual)

Objective: To promote disability-inclusive societies for social progress.

Goal: To advance poverty eradication, decent work, and social integration.

Key Achievements:

- Submission of the Sixth UN Report on Disability Inclusion

- Global dialogue on dignity, autonomy, and agency

Impact: Reinforces disability inclusion as a core requirement for sustainable development.

Report 10:
NGO CSW/NY – Addressing Structural Barriers in Economic Justice

Date & Place: 16 December 2025, Virtual

Objective: To examine economic barriers limiting women's access to justice.

Goal: To contribute to the priority theme of CSW 70.

Key Achievements:

- Focus on labour markets, social protection, and asset ownership
- Emphasis on intersectional discrimination

Impact: Strengthens advocacy for systemic economic and legal reform to advance women's rights.

CEJA GREGOR-HU, Vienna

Report 11:
UN80 and the Future of Multilateralism

Date & Place: 2 December 2025, Vienna

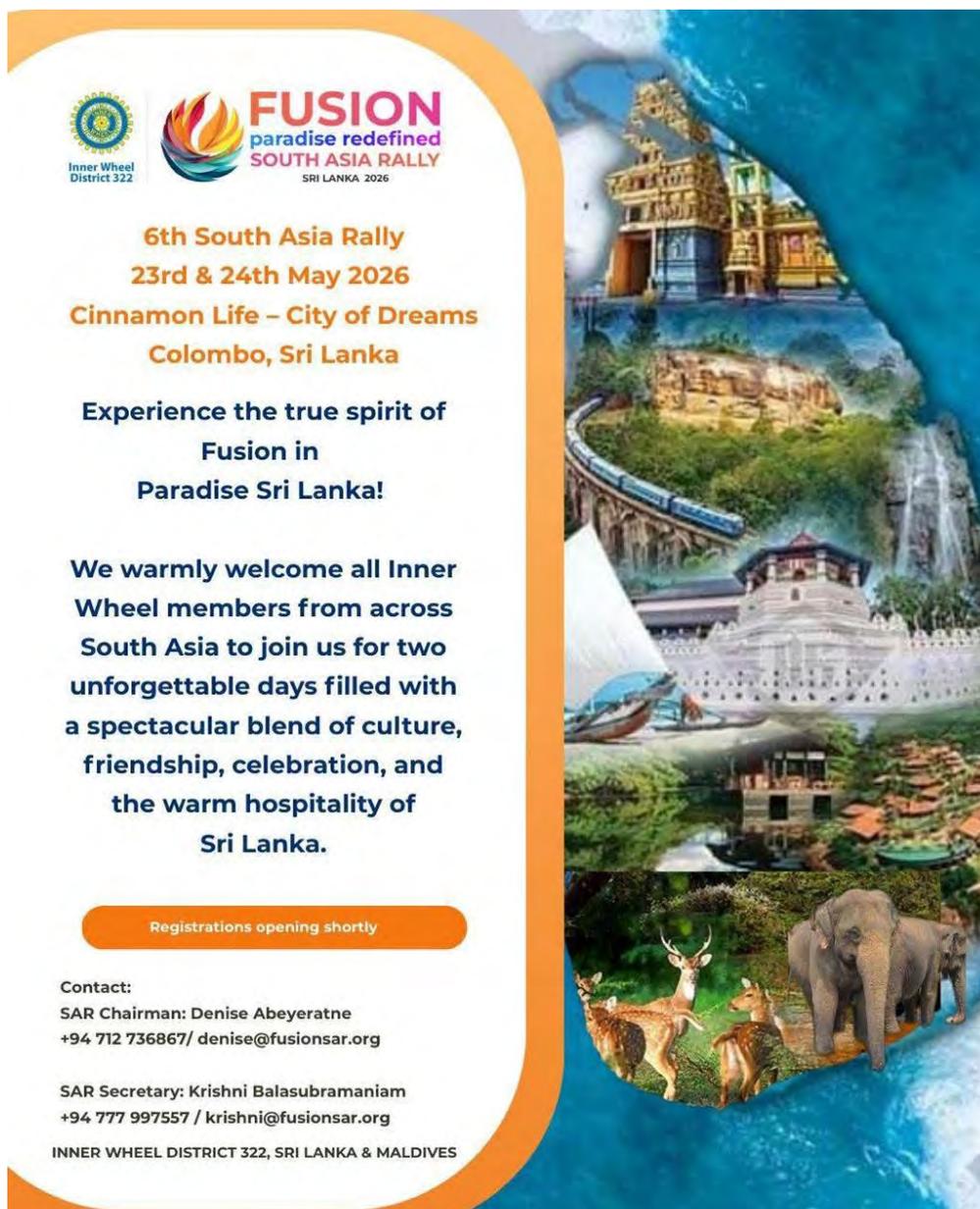
Objective: To reflect civil society perspectives on UN reform at its 80th anniversary.

Goal: To enhance UN effectiveness, inclusivity, and responsiveness.

Key Achievements:

- Promotion of the UN80 Initiative
- Reinforced role of NGOs in global governance

Impact: Supports reform of multilateral systems to better address peace, development, and human rights.



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