



CANBERRA WOMEN IN BUSINESS

Connecting Women in Business

Hello amazing CWB members and supporters,

Welcome to our March 2023 newsletter. As we head into autumn, we hope you are all staying well. It's been a bit quiet lately on our social media platforms, but we can assure you that we have been working quietly in the background to create the best experience for our current and future members and supporters.

As we celebrate the achievements of women in March, we encourage you to continue to celebrate all accomplishments, both big and small, throughout the year. We believe that every achievement deserves recognition, and we are proud to have a community of inspiring women who continue to thrive in their personal and professional lives. Please send these achievements through to us if you'd like us to promote them.

Speaking of thriving, we are thrilled to announce that CWB is planning to launch a revamped website in the next couple of days, specifically designed to better support women in business in Canberra. The new website features a clean and modern design, easy navigation, and useful resources to help you grow your business. Stay tuned for the official announcement!

In addition to our website, we will be making changes to our membership fee starting from 1 April 2023. We believe that these changes will enable us to provide even better value and create more impactful events for our members. We are committed to creating a community that is accessible to all women in business in Canberra, and we believe that these changes will help us achieve that goal.

Now, let's talk about our upcoming event! We have an exciting networking event planned for our members and guests on Thursday, 30 March 2023. Join us for our "Workplace Policies & Management" networking event at Wilma (1 Genge St, Canberra). We'll be hosted by the delightful Chamberlains Law Firm, who will share their insights on best practices for managing workplace policies. This is a fantastic opportunity to connect with other like-minded women in business and learn valuable information that can help you grow in your workplace.

Finally, we want to thank you for your continued support. We know that juggling

professional and personal lives can be challenging, and we are grateful to have a community of strong women who uplift and inspire each other. If there's anything we can do to assist you at this time, please feel free to reach out. We are here to support you, and we look forward to seeing you soon.

Warmly,
CWB Committee Members

[Join CWB!](#)

Upcoming events



NETWORKING EVENT
WORKPLACE POLICIES & MANAGEMENT
WITH ANGELA BACKHOUSE
HOSTED BY CHAMBERLAINS LAW FIRM

 THURSDAY,
30 MARCH 2023

 6:00-8:30 P.M.

 WILMA
1 GENGE ST,
CANBERRA 2601

SECURE YOUR SPOT NOW!

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Chamberlains.
We're with you



Networking event you cannot miss!

**"Workplace Policies & Management" with Angela
Backhouse**

hosted by Chamberlains Law Firm

We are thrilled to invite you to our upcoming event, "Workplace Policies & Management," organised in partnership with [Chamberlains Law Firm](#).

Join us on **Thursday, 30th March 2023 from 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm at Wilma** (1 Genge St, Canberra) for an insightful evening of networking, learning, and discussion about the latest workplace policies and management practices.

Our expert speaker **Angela Backhouse, Chamberlain's Director of Workplace Law, Private Wealth and Commercial Division** and **2017 Canberra Business Woman of the Year** will share their knowledge and experience on how to effectively manage workplace policies and navigate complex management issues. You will also have the opportunity to connect with like-minded business women and expand your professional network with the provided drinks and nibbles.

This event is not one to be missed, so mark your calendars and reserve your spot today.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Members ticket - \$60

Non-members ticket - \$80

Tickets for this event available via [Trybooking](#).

[Buy your ticket now!](#)



Save The Date!

Hope Starts Here Mother's Day Luncheon

[Roundabout Canberra](#) and [Karinya House](#) are collaborating for a Mother's Day fundraising event, the "Hope Starts Here Mother's Day Charity Luncheon".

All net proceeds from the event and donations through the appeal, will be equally shared between both community service organisations.

The lunch will be held on **Friday, 5 May 2023** in the **Federation Ballroom at the Hyatt Hotel Canberra**, at **12:00 pm** (noon) until 4:00 pm. Guest speaker will be Virginia Haussegger AM. Tickets to this event are available on the [website](#).

Canberra Women in Business will host a table of 9 guests at this event at a cost of \$160 per ticket. If you would like to join us, please phone Maryanne Gore, 0414 226 912 who is coordinating CWB's table.

While there is a Principal Partner for this event, **Parker Coles Curtis**, Karinya and Roundabout are seeking other event sponsors/partners who may be interested in being a "High 5 for Hope" Partner (\$5,000) or a Community Supporter (\$3,000 or \$1,200) also.

This link provides information about the opportunities each level of support provides for their organisation <https://hope-start-here.raisely.com/>.

[Roundabout Canberra](#) provides safe, high quality essential baby and children's items to families in need through our network of community and not-for-profit organisations.

Every woman who is pregnant or parenting should be surrounded with the support she needs. However, not every woman has safety, shelter, or a positive support network. [Karinya House](#) walks with women in Canberra and the surrounding Region providing safety, shelter and a positive support network.

[Buy your ticket now!](#)

Past events



International Women's Day

March 2023 was a month of celebrating women and their achievements, as we marked International Women's Day (IWD). It was a time to recognise the incredible contributions that women make to our communities, businesses, and society as a whole.

The United Nations (UN) Women organised an amazing IWD luncheon, where speakers covered subjects of innovation and a gender-equal future. The event provided a platform for women to share their experiences, ideas, and insights. It was an opportunity to learn from one another, inspire each other and make a positive impact in the world.

As we reflect on this past month, we can feel proud of the small and big achievements that we, as women, have accomplished. We have broken barriers, shattered glass ceilings, and have continued to inspire the next generation of women leaders.

Let us take this momentum forward and continue to work towards gender equality, not just on International Women's Day, but every day. Together, we can create a better future for all women, where opportunities are limitless, and

achievements are celebrated.

For more information about UN Women and IWD check out the [website](#).

News



Increase in Membership Fee for Canberra Women in Business

We want to inform you of an important update regarding our membership fee. Starting from **1 April 2023**, we will be increasing our **membership fee to \$150 per year**.

As a non-profit organisation, we are committed to providing our members with the best possible experience. The decision to increase our fee has been made to ensure that we can continue to offer quality services and events to support

your professional development and business growth.

We understand that the news of a membership fee increase may be surprising, especially since we haven't raised the prices since 2017. However, we want to assure you that the additional revenue generated from the fee increase will be invested back into the community to support our initiatives and programs.

We believe that this is a necessary step to ensure that we can continue to create valuable opportunities for networking, collaboration, mentorship, and education programs for our members.

We encourage you to visit our [website](#) to learn more about the benefits of being a member of our community and the details of the fee increase. We appreciate your continued support of Canberra Women in Business, and we look forward to continuing to serve you.

[Become a member](#)

Mentor Program



CWB Mentor Program

We are excited to share our Mentor program is off and running. We have a fantastic group of enthusiastic, experienced, businesswomen Mentors ready to take on their Canberra Women in Business Mentees.

This program was created to assist those in our community who might be thinking about starting a new business, those who are in a start-up or restarting phase, or those who may have hit a wall in their early years and need assistance and someone to brainstorm with.

We all know that starting your own business can be a tough journey; but with the right support networks to guide you along the way, this journey can be made a little less bumpy.

Please contact our Mentor Leader, Lisa Gaines if you are ready to find the right Mentor, or have questions about the program and would like to see if Mentoring is right for you at this time – lisa@lisagaines.co.

Membership



Become a CWB member

If you're not already a CWB member, we'd love you to join and have more access to our amazingly supportive community.

A membership with CWB provides great opportunities to:

- connect with like-minded women
- help you achieve business success in a supportive environment
- give you practical know-how on the business issues that matter, and
- provide an opportunity to be part of the local business community.

Some of the benefits of joining, include:

- Regular functions and workshops that focus on networking and sharing information.
- Free business listing in the website directory.
- Exclusive members only events.

- Discounted member rates to all functions.
- Free advertising in the monthly newsletter.
- Access to role models and mentors.
- Free marketing via the Facebook page.
- Sponsorship opportunities.
- Opportunities to promote your business and host events.
- Annual Awards entry.
- Regular member newsletters to keep you informed.

Individual memberships are currently \$125 per year (\$550 for a Corporate Group, up to five members). Starting from 1 April 2023, we will be increasing our individual membership fee to \$150 per year.

[JOIN NOW!](#)

Welcome to our new and renewing members

Louise Starr, Lily Butler, Angela Backhouse, Isobel Hall, Isabelle Lee, Ashleigh Blewitt, Alison McNamara, Kellie White, Sayward McKeown, Gillian Yeend, Tess Yvanovich, Brigitta Hembrow-Gersey, Kellie Friend, Tennille Jorgensen, Mayuri Bhattacharya, Maddalena Easterbrook, Bhreeanna Dahl, Kylie Ochsenbein, Lynley Stapleton, Raffy Sgroi, Gabrielle Curtin, Sarah Queenan, Jean Vadnal, Unah Thato Entaile-Tidimane, Alyson Williams, Stephanie Murden, Lisa Gaines, Imogen Ingram, Blanka Novak, Danika Davis, Sonia Strickland.

CWB Membership Renewal Reminder

Please check your inbox for your membership renewal reminder.
If you are unsure whether your CWB membership is current, please [email us](#).

Acknowledgement

*We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the Ngunnawal lands
on which we and our members live and work.*

*We pay our respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging, and to the
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander business women in our community.
We recognise and respect their continuing culture and contribution they make
to the life of Canberra and the region.*