



PRESIDENTS REPORT

DECEMBER 2014

An action packed year of events was enjoyed by Redland's businesses during 2014. We are pleased to announce that we have reached our target of 200 hundred members for this new financial year. Thank you for your support.

The Chamber held some eighteen events during the year, which included six (6) Women in Business Networking Luncheons, and ten (10) Suncorp Bank Business Breakfasts. Key events the Chamber facilitated included the Redlands Business Expo, Redland's Retail Awards and the Redlands Business Excellence Awards. I would like to thank everyone who was involved and participated in contributing to the success of these events.

I would like to personally congratulate the Redland City Bulletin for taking over the mammoth responsibility and task of Chairing the committee for the biggest event of the year in the Redlands, the Redlands Retail Awards. The night was a huge success and was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended. Well done Jane, Gail and all involved on the Committee for stepping up to the mark and keeping these most important awards alive and thriving!

I would like to take this opportunity of thanking all our Executive Board Members who volunteer their valuable time to the Redland City Chamber of Commerce. Thanks guys and girls of the Exec!

Likewise with our Redland City Chamber of Commerce Women in Business sub-committee. Ladies, it's been a pleasure being Chair of such a dynamic group of ladies. Thank you for your valuable contributions during the year.

Behind every organisation there is that one particular person who keeps the cogs turning! These events would not be possible, without our dedicated and valuable Secretariat, Naomi Cauley. Thank you for your support Naomi, we all appreciate the hard work and thought you put into making the Chamber a success.

Last but not least, a big Thank You to all our Sponsors who have supported us this year, Suncorp Bank, Redland City Council, McCarthy Durie Lawyers, Redland City Bulletin, Toscani's Café Bar and Restaurant, TFI Dentistry, Small Business Solutions, Buckham and Duffy, Designline Graphics, Gold Class Cleaning and Isonic.

Just a reminder to our members that membership renewals have been sent out and payment is due by the 31st of December, don't forget to renew yours!

On behalf of the Redland City Chamber of Commerce, I would like to wish you all a Happy and Safe Christmas and may 2015 be all that you wish it to be.

Melanie Lavelle-Maloney

Vice President – Redland City Chamber of Commerce.