



ROYAL MELBOURNE
GRADUATE NURSES
ASSOCIATION

the year that was..... 2025

Get-togethers

- We had a highly successful Reunion Lunch attended by over 350 former and current RMH nurses that were determined to have a great time even if there were speakers on the stage!
- A lovely Spring Lunch at the Riverside Golf & Sports Centre....we'll definitely be going back there!
- Had a couple of catch-ups with the new graduate nurses over some hot chips and a few drinks

Awards & Scholarships

2025 was a Jane Bell Scholarship (JBS) year and, after an initial poor start, we had 7 very strong applications. Choosing just one winner was too difficult so we ended up awarding three JBS to:

- Michelle Elovaris
- Jenny Barr
- Julie Halton

Sage Hay was awarded the Research Endowment Gift and presented her research at our General Meeting in December.

Unfortunately, we had no nominations this year for the Art of Nursing Awards...try again next year!

Goals

In 2025 we achieved a lot but already have more activities planned for 2026

- ✓ 2026 Reunion Lunch - 16 May, from 1200 at Pullman On The Park Melbourne. Scan QR code below to buy tickets
- ✓ Chair the CVNA where we work with other Victorian nursing groups to help us all to survive and thrive
- ✓ Raise our profile and attract more members, especially from the current RMH nurses
- ✓ More reprints of the book 'Being There' & publication of '100 years, 100 nurses'

What's new?

- We formed the Collective of Victorian Nurses' Association this year and will continue to work with these nursing groups to help each individual group thrive and find mutually beneficial activities to ensure we all have long futures
- Due to copyright concerns (with the Red Cross) we have been advised to remove the red cross from our logo. The RMH Foundation has kindly offered the assistance of a designer (for free) to help us come up with a new logo!
- As part of the 'Name A Place' campaign, we nominated The Melbourne's graduate Annie (Sammie) Sage to have a street or place named after her
- At very short notice from Equity Trustees, we successfully moved the JBS funds to another company & will be more hands-on with this fund

51
NEW
MEMBERS

359
REUNION
LUNCH
ATTENDEES

10
ON OUR
COMMITTEE

38
BEING THERE
BOOKS SOLD

620
NEWSLETTERS
POSTED

\$17,800
IN AWARDS &
SCHOLARSHIPS

Website



2026
Lunch
tickets

