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A message from the President

Welcome back to the 2018 school year. I hope you all had a good rest to prepare you for this 11-week term!

Thank you to everyone who attended the 2017 BEWA Conference at the University of Western Australia Business School on 4 December. Despite the wet morning, the conference was the best attended in the past 10 years, and feedback also suggests it was one of the most useful. Reserve a date in your calendar for Monday 3 December for the 2018 conference.

I would remind everyone that the BEWA Committee all have demanding jobs and that we have no administrative assistance. All the BEWA Administration is done by the Treasurer (Josie Detata), Secretary (Victoria Lacey) and President (Chris Woods). Please take a minute to read the following.

- BEWA's preferred method of payment is direct debit to the bank account:
BankWest Midland
BSB: 306-041
A/C 415548-9
Always identify what the payment is for by including your name/school and reason for payment. If Josie can't see what a payment is for or who it is from then nothing will happen. All we can do is wait for you to realize at some point that you haven't received what you were expecting and then you usually contact us wanting urgent attention (which we can't give because we are also at work).
- BEWA has no credit card facility – please do not keep asking if we do.
- BEWA's postal address is PO Box 250, Mt Lawley WA 6929. (Some people are still sending things to Dell's old address where she has not lived in years. This makes me think that your office has not updated its records – please check.)
- All BEWA communication is done via email bewa@iinet.net.au. Please clear your mailbox from time to time to ensure that you receive all your emails, including those from BEWA.

- If you haven't received something you are expecting such as exams **it will be because you have not ordered them or not paid for them**. Commonly members say "but I put my order in at the office". BEWA has no way of knowing if your office has not passed orders on. Put your order into your office by all means but please also take responsibility for it by **making a copy and sending it to BEWA yourself**. If we get two orders (one from you and one from your office) we will cope. We know you are ordering once. This is a better proposition than you waiting for your exams which don't show up and then emailing us urgently when we are all busy at work, having no idea that you actually ordered them. No order = no exams sent to you.

Your order is Josie's trigger to send an invoice to your school. Until your order is received, we have no idea that you want something. You would be surprised at the number of members who email saying "my school won't pay for anything without an invoice" – this is because you have not ordered anything for which we can send you an invoice.

When your school has received an invoice, it will pay us. This may be on a certain day/days of the month. It is unrealistic for you to expect that you can send an order one day, BEWA send an invoice to your school and your school pay all on the same day.

Today would be a great opportunity to make sure your records regarding BEWA are up to date and to confirm with your administration team that they also have BEWA's up to date contact details. Please also complete your Membership Application Renewal form and send it to BEWA. We will then send your school an invoice (or send an invoice to you if you wish to join as an individual member.)

I believe that you all understand why it is essential that the procedures outlined above are followed. Almost all members do this already but a few forget to renew their membership or have not updated BEWA's details with their school office or do not order exams or register for events in time for procedures to progress smoothly.

I hope to see many of you at the 2018 BEWA Annual General Meeting at The Inglewood Hotel, 803 Beaufort Street, Mt Lawley, at 5:00pm Wednesday 4 April (RSVP is essential to ascertain whether or not a quorum is expected, and if not, reschedule the AGM).

Chris Woods

Congratulations to Amanda Madden – 2017 BEWA Teacher of the Year

Congratulations to Amanda Madden, who was awarded the Dell Trainer Award for the 2017 BEWA Teacher of the Year at the BEWA Conference at UWA on 4 December 2017. Amanda is an esteemed teacher of Accounting and Finance as well as Politics and Law. She is a former Accountant and Company Secretary. Amanda has served on the BEWA Committee and generously gave of her time to offer professional development sessions on new content areas at the introduction of the Accounting and Finance course. Amanda has also been a regular contributor to BEWA Conferences as well as the BEA conference held in Perth in 2014. In 2018, Amanda is taking a break from the classroom to complete her PhD.

Review of the 2017 ATAR Examinations in ACF and BME – 4:15pm, Monday 12 February at Churchlands Senior High School

Attached to the email with this Newsletter are flyers for professional development to review the 2017 ATAR Accounting and Finance Examination or the 2017 ATAR Business Management and Enterprise Examination. Remember that you can use this as evidence of professional development for your TRBWA registration.

This event is exclusively for financial BEWA members. Although free, you must complete the Registration on the flyer and return to bewa@iinet.net.au by Wednesday 7 February.

Please bring with you a copy of the relevant examination and marking key available on the SCSA website at <https://www.scsa.wa.edu.au/publications/past-atar-course-exams>

Or follow the pathway:

1. School Curriculum and Standards Authority <https://www.scsa.wa.edu.au/>
2. Log in to the extranet
3. From Useful links, select Past ATAR examinations and marking keys
4. Select Accounting and Finance – Past ATAR Course Exams or
5. Select Business Management and Enterprise – Past ATAR Course Exams
6. Select 2017
7. Select 2017 Examination and 2017 Marking key

2018 BEWA Annual General Meeting

The 2018 BEWA AGM will be held at 5:00pm on Wednesday 4 April at the Inglewood Hotel, 803 Beaufort Street (corner of Fifth Avenue), Mt Lawley. Entry to the car park is via Fifth Avenue or entry can be via the laneway next to the TAB on Central Avenue near the corner of Beaufort Street. Please find attached to the email with this Newsletter an Agenda for the AGM, and Executive Member Nomination Form and Form of Proxy.

It is essential that you RSVP by Wednesday 28 March 2018 by emailing bewa@iinet.net.au and simply stating that you will attend.

2018 BEWA Conference

Plans are in progress for the 2018 BEWA Conference to be held on Monday 3 December, again at the University of Western Australia Business School. Plans are to use the Business School's catering services for morning tea but for BEWA to bring in caterers for luncheon on the lawn beside the Business School. Costs will be the same or similar to last year. Please reserve this date and talk to your HOD or Deputy to ensure that your registration is budgeted for.

2018 BEA Biennial Conference in Canberra

Canberra will be hosting the BEA Biennial Conference from Wednesday 3 October to Friday 5 October 2018. It promises to be an exciting conference with plans for a variety of excursions to take advantage of the conference being held in the national capital. As details become available, we will keep you informed.

BEWA Facebook page

Sincere thanks to everyone who uses and/or contributes to this page. To access the page, follow the link <https://www.facebook.com/groups/205465646465756/>

BEWA website

The BEWA webmaster will return at the end of February, at which time they will update the website, including uploading resources from the 2017 conference.

2018 BEWA Exams

Semester One Exams

Following requests from you, a Year 11 Semester One BME Exam will be written this year. We will have to monitor the demand for these papers to gauge if this will continue in following years.

Semester One Exams will be written for:

- ACF ATAR Year 11, Unit 1
- ACF ATAR Year 12, Unit 3
- BME ATAR Year 11, Unit 1
- BME ATAR Year 12, Unit 3

Semester Two Exams

Semester Two Exams will be written for:

- ACF ATAR Year 11, Units 1 and 2
- ACF ATAR Year 12, Units 3 and 4
- BME ATAR Year 11, Units 1 and 2
- BME ATAR Year 12, Units 3 and 4

These exams are for sale to 2018 financial BEWA members only, **with no exceptions**. The cost for each exam is \$80. The exams will be made available to you electronically, making it easy to tailor them for your particular school. As you would appreciate, the production of these papers, and their sale at this price, is only possible when BEWA has a critical level of membership. If you pass the exams on to others, it may well result in their production being unviable and the exams not being produced in the future.

Note

1. Orders for the exams will **open in March**. All members will be sent an order form at the beginning of March.
2. Semester One exams will be emailed to you in the **last week of Term One**.
3. Semester Two year 12 exams will be emailed to you **week 4 Term Three**.
4. Semester Two year 11 exams will be emailed to you **week 10 Term Three**.

2018 Plan Your Own Enterprise Competition

Thank you to all those teachers who support the competition by sending student entries. I would particularly like to thank those teachers in who send in all their student entries. As I have been explaining for several years, the sponsors (CPA) closely observed the number of entries and sponsorship for this very worthwhile competition could be tenuous. As a Vice President of BEA, in late July 2017 I attended a meeting with the CPA representative who managed the competition. Although no concerns were apparent at that time, CPA unfortunately withdrew from future sponsorship late last year. Fortunately, in the ensuing months a new sponsor has been found in the Commonwealth Bank. So the good news is that the competition will go ahead again this year! The details of the sponsorship are as yet unknown and I will let you know as soon as they become available. Suffice to say that BEWA has always sponsored the local competition in WA so nothing will change there. In the past a sponsor has covered the prizes for the national winners as well as covering the cost of the WA winner to travel interstate to present their winning WA entry – these arrangements are unclear at this particular time. Historically, the closing date for the competition is at the end of August, beginning of September. I believe this will remain the same.

So please get your students started on their business plans as BEWA will continue to encourage entries by offering prizes and recognition. (And watch this space as details for the closing date and national winners' prizes become available.)

2018 subscriptions now due

This is a reminder that your BEWA membership expires on 1 March and your subscriptions are now due – \$65 for individual memberships and \$120 for institutional memberships. Please keep in mind that if your school pays for you to be an individual member, that it is you and you only who is a member. Membership does not extend to other members of your staff. Should your school wish membership to be extended to other members of your staff, then an institutional membership fee must be paid.

Payment options:

1. Cheque (made payable to BEWA and posted to BEWA at PO Box 250, Mt Lawley 6929).
2. Direct Debit (No credit cards). The annotation against your deposit must identify your school (or yourself). BEWA cannot match your registration payment with a series of numbers your school may use in its accounting system.

Bank details for Direct Debit:

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