



WELCOME TO OUR
Monthly Newsletter

International Women's Day 2026: *Balance the Scales*

This year's International Women's Day theme, "Balance the Scales," is a reminder that progress in our industry – like on any job site – doesn't happen by chance. It takes the right tools, the right attitude, and everyone working together.

Today is a great moment to recognise the women who contribute to Australia's building and trade sectors every day. From apprentices and admin teams to engineers, site managers, and business owners, women are helping shape the future of our industry.

But it's also a reminder that there's still work to do. Creating a fair and supportive environment means making sure everyone has equal access to opportunities, safe workplaces, respect, and the chance to build a long-term career. When diversity grows, the whole industry grows with it – stronger teams, better ideas, and a wider range of skills on every project.

International Women's Day began with women standing up for safer conditions, fair treatment, and equal rights. More than 100 years later, that same determination continues to drive positive change.



"Balance the Scales" encourages all of us to keep moving forward – to call out bias when we see it, support women coming into the trades, and help create sites and workplaces where everyone can thrive.

ADVISEMENT OF INCREASES

MARCH 2026

- SPOTTED GUM, REDS DECKING 89X19 & 135X19 - 3-5%
- PINE REEDED DECKING - 14%
- CORINTHIAN DOORS & ACCESSORIES - 2.9%
- PLASTERBOARD AND CORNICE PROFILES - 5.5%
- COMPOUNDS, PLASTER, HIMMEL & CEMINTEL - UP TO 5.5%
- INSULATION - UP TO 8%
- BGC/ETEX FC PRODUCTS, ACCESSORIES, DURASHEET - UP TO 6%
- PLASTIC JOINERS & STORM WATER PIPES - 3.5%
- ITI AUSTRALIAN HARDWOODS - UP TO 14%
- KLEVAKLIP - UP TO 12%
- EVALAST DECKING - 2-5%
- JAMES HARDIE FC PRODUCTS & ACCESSORIES - UP TO 5%
- TRADCO DOOR FURNITURE - 7%

ACCOUNTS TEAM

If you are having issues with paying your account within terms, please ensure you keep in contact with our Accounts Team. We are required to report to a number of credit authorities on a monthly basis, so if your account becomes well overdue, your credit rating may be affected. If we have information about your situation, we maybe able to assist, but it we can't get a hold of you, we may have to take alternative action to collect your overdue debt.

BRENDALE TRUSS & FRAME PLANT

The approximate lead time for quotes are as follows:

Quotes – Approx. 6-7 Working days (standard residential quotes)

Quotes - Approx. 7-9 Working days (complex residential designs)

Quotes – Approx. 2 Working days (carport quotes)

Quotes – Approx. 12 Working days (multi-residential & commercial quotes)

Fundraising for Childrens Cancer



Brandon Jones

\$1,128

Raised of \$3,000

For Kids with Cancer Foundation

Our very own Brandon (who you may have met at the Trade Desk!) is fundraising for the Kids with Cancer Foundation.

His target to reach is \$3,000 by July 15th 2026 with the end of goal being running in the Sydney Marathon on August 30th 2026.

If you have a moment and any amount to spare, please use the QR code to donate!

Any amount is appreciated and will go a long way towards helping him reach his goal!



International Women's Day 2026 Breakfast

On Friday morning we were lucky enough to be involved in the International Women's Day celebrations hosted by WFTN (Women in Forest & Timber Network) at the Brisbane Airport Conference Centre. We came together to celebrate a global occasion that recognises the social, economic, cultural, and political achievements of women, while also reminding us of the work still ahead to achieve true gender equality. Our own Jenni Day has been a member of the steering committee for over a decade and today helped host the Panel discussion. A tremendous "sold out" event showcased how far we have come and how far we still have to go. Three inspiration speakers from the Timber industry shared their stories and successes within the building industry. Janice O'Connor Logistics & Operations Leader, Allied Sea freight & General Distribution. Lewis Rolls, Chief Executive Officer, Bretts Trade Timber & Hardware and finally Brianna Wills, Chief Financial Officer, Wesbeam. The event also introduced WFTN's new charity partner, Zephyr Education, an organisation who's core purpose is to help the most vulnerable groups in our community – children whose lives have been disrupted by domestic and family violence. Zephyr supplies these children with everything they need to get back to school as quickly as possible.

