



NEWS

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Once again another busy month. Early in the month the gift bags for IWD were packed. It is surprising just how much can be fitted into those tiny bags. The IWD luncheon was, as usual, a great success. Dr Ian Fraser is such an amazing person and so obliging. I would personally like to thank the many Zontians and Hon Zons and friends of Zontians for "volunteering" at this noteworthy event and special thanks to Hon Zon Phil for his wonderful raffle selling skills.

So a big "Thank You" to all persons involved in making this day such a sensational event on our calendar.

After IWD you would think that would have been enough for our club, but we fronted up again and the Zonta Club of Caboolture was host at the Area 1 and 3 Meeting, "Lifting the Cloak on Invisibility". For the second time this month, this was another very successfully run event.

At the beginning of the month, I attended BPW Caboolture Candle Lighting Ceremony. It was a very moving ceremony with the lighting of different coloured candles symbolising different events throughout the world.

Just a reminder, could all Committee Chairpersons please forward to me their reports by the Monday before the Dinner Meeting.

President Carole

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR THE TREASURER!!!

Treasurer's report should have been received by now.

Please note the new venue for dinner meetings: *Soul Food and Coffee Shop (near the Breast Screen centre; a couple of shops behind where Jade Jewellers used to be)22*

King Street, Caboolture and just down from the Police Station and Courthouse. Phone 5309 4714

The cost per member for our dinner meetings is \$30. They charge us \$25 per meal with the other \$5.00 being for club expenses ie guest speakers dinner, guest speakers gift, stamps etc

If you miss a meeting regardless of apology, you need to pay \$5.00 at the next meeting you attend.

If you are unable to attend a meeting please call Patricia. If she doesn't hear from you by midday Monday PRIOR to the meeting she will presume that you are attending. If you then unable to attend after this time **you will be liable for the cost of the meal - \$30.00.**

Treasurer, Karen McNab



BIRTHDAYS for APRIL
No birthday's this month.



SERVICE

This report has been forwarded to Carole.

Edith Fogg
Chairman



MEMBERSHIP

Recommendation for Zonta membership for Deb Symes was presented to the Board Meeting 12 March. The Board approved her membership.

Notice was given to members regarding this approval with the request for members to loge any objections within 10 days. There were no objections and a formal Club letter of invitation has been prepared.

Deb's induction is planned for the May Dinner Meeting.

Club Report forms for District and ZI are ready to send for Joanne Bakker, Susan Shield (both resignations), and Deb Symes (new member).

From the Survey 2013, there were many useful suggestions for the various committees of our Club. There were also some areas of concern expressed, and the Membership Committee members requested, at the Board Meeting, time in future club meetings to discuss these areas of concern, and how our Club can address these concerns. Discussion segments will be short (15 minutes) over two to three meetings.

Cecil Nielson
Acting Chairman

Advocacy Report

Last year the club was investigating the feasibility of taking on an Afripads project which was planned by a past member. We are unable to proceed with this project because it has been offered to another organisation. As a way of contributing, the Committee recommends that the Club consider making a donation directly to Afripads. We have, however, another project in our own area that we are preparing for presentation to the Club.

The Committee discussed the UN Women IWD Schools kit which highlighted the risks to girls living in poverty with a focus on our area of the world. It was decided to give one of these brochures to each student attending our IWD lunch with the aim of raising awareness of these issues and providing a conversation opener on the day.

Following a letter to the Club from Nikki Wright, a volunteer worker for UN Women Australia, the Committee obtained further information about the Safe Buses for women in Papua New Guinea project for which fundraising projects are currently underway. The Committee studied the very detailed United Nations Women's Project Note "Safe Transport for Women and Girls, Women and Children Only Buses in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea".

This project is part of the UN Women Safe Cities for Women project. We are now working on an exciting plan, similar in format to that which was planned for Afripads, to positively advocate for this project in our community.

Following a mention in our International's President's February newsletter that members read their own

government's response, requested by CEDAW, to the implementation of recommendations from the 2010 review, the Advocacy Committee is looking at Australia's Non-Government Organisations Follow-up Report to the United Nations Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women to see if there is something we can do that might contribute positively to the changes needed to achieve the goals to eliminate violence against women in our country as outlined in the Report.

Our campaign Zonta Says No to Violence against Women continues. The Committee discussed possibilities of reaching more people by possibly joining with other community organisations such as the Caboolture Domestic Violence organisation.

There was some discussion about an idea of assisting refugee women both in Detention Centres and in our community. In the case of the former women, enquiries will be made to see if there is anything we can do to provide them with items for which they currently do not receive but would enjoy having.

Local multicultural groups will be contacted to find out ways of supporting refugee women in our community.

Lorraine Samaraweera
Chairman



FINANCE AND FUNDRAISING

Thank you to all Zontians, Hon Zons and friends for helping to make our IWD luncheon a huge success. Professor Frazer was a wonderful speaker and it was great to see so many students in attendance. Congratulations to Pam B for winning the TV.

Estee Lauder shopping day on Saturday 5th April is our next fundraiser. Please circulate the flyer to your friends, neighbours and all contacts as we receive \$10 for every ticket sold plus we'll receive some lovely gifts for future raffles.

We have about 60 registered Zontians for the Area Meeting on Saturday 22nd March and hopefully this number will climb. It is a great day to hear what other clubs are doing and enjoy wonderful guest speakers and fellowship.

Our Fashion Parade will be held in July with a date to be confirmed. We will be seeking sponsorships to help raise money for a new boat for DABI so

hopefully we'll get a bigger crowd to help with the fundraising.

There are half a dozen Bunnings BBQs coming up so please volunteer on the rosters if you are able. They will be circulated at the monthly meetings.

Sara Allard
Chairman



Great articles in the local paper leading up to our IWD luncheon.

Students at the luncheon enjoyed having their photos taken with Professor Ian Frazer.

Glenda Moor
Chairperson

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

No report
Sandra Cooke (Chairman)

ARCHIVES **STAGE ONE:**

**Club History in Brief (500 - 1000 words required)
- To the District Historian by 01 May 2014:**

Thank you to members who have supplied extra or clarifying information to add to or amend the various drafts of the Club's history.

There is still a lot of information missing for the Club's first five years and unfortunately this will not be rectified as there are only two current members who were members for the whole or part of 1993 to 1997.

The dot point format will allow the District Historian to easily extract any information she requires for compiling the District's history and will also be the basis of producing and publishing the next Stage of a fuller, glossier version of the Club's History.

Recently all Club members were sent the final version of the Club History in Brief and asked to provide information so that what is already recorded can be refined and also to provide additional information that has not been recorded.

Very many thanks to Waltraud Clark, Cecil Neilson, Edith Fogg and Pam Termont-Schenk for their days of dedication in sorting through twenty years of the archives, filing them in years in chronological order

in labelled folders for storage in new plastic, lidded, labelled boxes and for researching and writing the Club History in Brief.

STAGE TWO:

Club History in Fuller Version for Future Publication:

Using the Brief Club History mentioned above and information not required for Stage One a more fulsome, sophisticated, photographic and artistically presented Club history will be written for publishing - but not in the immediate future. Members will receive this document at a significant Club celebration to be determined and a copy will be forwarded to the State Library and local libraries.

ARCHIVES STORAGE AND DISPOSAL SCHEDULE:

Club Officers and Committee Chairmen will be sorting through their files in order to write Annual Reports for the President by 31 March. Please refer to the following so that relevant documents are retained for immediate archival storage and in succeeding years.

Last year an Archives Storage and Disposal Schedule originating from Win Fayle, a previous District 24 Historian was given to each Club Officer and Committee Chairman and a copy placed in each of the six Archives Boxes for reference. It provides the timeframes for items that should be stored by and with the relevant member. A copy is attached to this Newsletter.

If completed regularly, that is annually at the end of each Zonta International year (31 May), only 4-5 years of files would require to be stored by an individual member. For example when this year's files are stored, then the oldest year of the previous four years of files is given to the Club Archivist for archiving leaving the past four years of archives with the relevant member. These are then handed over when Changeover occurs every two years and the system explained to the new Club Officer or Committee Chairman.

Therefore annual sorting will make it simpler for keeping the relevant archives, for Changeover purposes and for easily updating the Club's history.

PLEASE READ THE THREE INFORMATIVE PARAGRAPHS AT THE BOTTOM OF THE ATTACHED SCHEDULE FOR CLARIFICATION AS THE END OF THE ZONTA YEAR IS FAST APPROACHING.

Sandra Cooke
Sandra Cooke Coordinator.

UNITED NATIONS REPORT

UN women have a *Safe Cities Program* initiative in our neighbouring country, Papua New Guinea, where local markets are being remodelled to make them safe for the women who work there. So far one makeover has been completed with several more to follow.

The links below record the problems the women were experiencing and what has been done so far. As our

club has had a request to facilitate the purchase of a bus for women and children to travel to the market and school safely, these videos will be of interest to Club members.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ko1syIYHggI>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NRrGDERE3CI>

If short of viewing time then I recommend viewing the second video.

Lorraine Samaraweera
Chairman