



Zonta Club of Caboolture Inc Charter Date: August 3, 1993 District 22 ... Area 1 Club Number 1428

March 2015

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Guest for March meeting is Christine Stewart - Area 1 Director

As the year progresses we appear to become busier. Some of our members accepted the invitation of the Rotarians and went off to the movies to the premier of The Second Best Marigold Hotel. I myself enjoyed the film; I also like the first Marigold Hotel movie. Working in Aged Care in the Dementia unit I was having quite a few little giggles to myself. Waltraud organised a Meditation Day for a limited number of members. Those members that took the opportunity really enjoyed themselves and appreciated the fellowship and the experience. Once again it was another successful BBQ at Bunnings, being manned by our stalwart volunteers. Our yearly IWD proved once again just how professional we as a Club are becoming in organising and planning this event. The sale of the glowies at the Friday night markets is a "by product" to the little social interaction that goes on between the members that are manning the stall. Six members attended the Area Meeting at Morningside, Brisbane. The meeting was very informative, with fantastic speakers and very well planned. In all very interesting even though it was a long day. A reminder to Chair persons of committees, could I please have reports before the meeting..

President Carole

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM THE TREASURER!!!

The club's Annual Fees: Accounts have been issued and fees are now due.

Treasurer's report should have been received by now.

Our club dinner meetings are held on the last Wednesday of each month at Bobbio's Restaurant (St Columban's College training restaurant with the entry via Pettigrew Street. All numbers have to be at the college by the Friday prior to the dinner meeting.

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 <u>unable</u> to attend a meeting please call Patricia. If she <u>doesn't hear from you by midday FRIDAY PRIOR</u> to the meeting she will presume that you are attending. If you are 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
THERE ARE NO BIRTHDAYS IN APRIL



Due to the Clubs Planning Day, and the Service Committee meeting on the $31^{\rm st}$ of January, the Committee decided that we would not hold a Committee meeting in March. Some of our members were unavailable or away and, as many decisions had been made at Planning Day we all agreed that April will be our next meeting.

Breast Cushions: We still have approx 140 in stock as I delivered 40 to Holy Spirit Northside a few weeks ago, however, I am expecting that shortly the other hospitals will be in need as our last delivery to them was before Christmas. At our next Committee meeting, we will set some dates for us all to get together for a cutting out day, sewing & then stuffing day.

Emergency Feminine Supply Bags: We still have ample stock of these bags, and as we are not sure of what is happening with the community groups we supply, we don't need any further purchases. The Committee will discuss what other options we have to distribute them in our local community.

Fight Like a Girl: I am very pleased that we now have six schools on board with this program. Australian Christian College (Caboolture Campus), Grace Lutheran College (Caboolture Campus), St Eugene's Catholic College Burpengary, Morayfield State High School, Caboolture State High School, and Bribie Island State High School.

Next week I will follow up the remaining five schools with phone calls to encourage them to join in this program.

CONVICTION COMMITMENT COURAGE 2014-2016

DATE CLAIMERS:

AREA 1 AND 3 Meeting -21 March - Colmslie Hotel Conference Centre - Wynnum & Junction Roads, Morningside.
8.30am for 9.00am start til 5.00pm (Accommodation available on site.)

District 22 Conference Airlie Beach—Whitsunday's - 09-11 October 2015

Literacy Program: The Committee has yet to decide on a suitable name for this project, we will endeavour to do so at our next meeting. In the meantime, Deb is enquiring within her workplace, (which involves talking to her superiors) to hopefully, find two suitable candidates for the program.

Sue Droughton Chairman







MEMBERSHIP

Contacts

- At the last dinner meeting, Sandra spoke with Sarah and discussed membership matters with her.
- Carole will follow up contact with Heather
- Cecil has contacted Kit Ison and has sent an invitation to her to attend our next Zonta Dinner Meeting in March
- From our February Dinner Meeting, Sara agreed to follow up contact with Christine

Membership Post Survey Issues

The first 10 minute presentation was made at the end of the February Dinner Meeting, focussing on some concerns from the 2013 Club Survey related to Interactions.

The next 10 minute presentation will be at the May Dinner Meeting.

ZC of Caboolture Website

Congratulations to all concerned in organising the content and setting up the website.

It was noted that Membership was included. Cecil and Sandra will prepare a short summary of the purpose of the Membership Committee and its activities to add to the website.

INTERACTIONS

At the February dinner meeting, those attending were involved in pair group discussions on some concerns expressed in the 2013 Club Survey. The purpose of the discussions was to turn negatives into positives and suggest positive action our club can take on these issues. The focus for this meeting was on interactions.

Responses from the groups have been organised under the headings of the perceived concerns.

Perception: Not feeling acknowledged **Action:**

- Thank and encourage members
- Send follow up email after events
- Notice the quiet person and engage in conversation

Perception: Not feeling welcome

- Maintain the concept of having a hostess show on agenda
- Be aware of the people on either side of you and initiate conversation if you see someone on their own
- Have fellowship outings rather than always fund raising
- Encourage mentoring

Perception: Not being listened to

Action:

- In meeting procedure, follow protocol
- Chairperson to seek opinion from each member
- Respect others when they are speaking their ideas
- One person to speak at a time and chair acknowledges the speaker in turn
- President to call a halt and give one minute to finish point
- Face the speaker and give attention and show good listening skills. Refrain from doing other things.

Perception: Feeling put down when making suggestions **Action:**

- We all need to voice opinions without compromise.
- Find and use your voice, and also not feel 'put down' if others do not agree. No-one is right or wrong - just different.

Many thanks to those who participated. Now let us all continue to make our club welcoming, acknowledging, respectful and supportive.

Cecil Nielson Chairman



FINANCE AND FUNDRAISING

The Our Village Foundation Community Challenge Day was a lot of fun and hopefully we got \$200 for just competing on the day. There were much less physical challenges but the community spirit was just as high as the first one. The total money in our OVF account at the moment is \$1,816. Not bad effort girls!

Hetty Johnston was a wonderful speaker at our IWD lunch this year and as usual our raffles and gift bags were a big hit. Special mention goes to Phil and Annette who tirelessly push our raffle tickets so that we had our 2nd biggest raffle takings this year - well done and thanks to you both. Of course thanks also go to all Zontians for helping make this year another successful event.

Next Bunnings BBQ - Friday 27th March, 2015.

Mark your diaries for our Bunnings BBQs for 2015:-

	Friday 31 st July
Friday 27 th March	Friday 28 th August
Friday 24 th April	Friday 25 th September
Friday 29 th May	Friday 30 th October
Friday 26 th June	Friday 27 th November

Sara Allard Chairman.



If you need help registering for the district website, let me know.

Glenda Moor

Chairperson

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS COMMITTEE REPORT-MARCH 2015

After cross-referencing our current Club's Constitution with four Zonta International publications resulting from the 2014 Convention – 2014 Governing Documents, Zonta International Bylaws, Zonta Club Manual and the Sample Club Bylaws Template – there were only minor changes required to update our Constitution. These were mainly in Membership as we had been advised by our Club Proxy to Convention when she presented her Convention Report.

During this weekend members will be emailed a copy of the Constitution with proposed recommendations for amendments. The parts bracketed in red ink are the deletions and the parts in green ink are either the additions or substitutions.

As per our usual practice these proposed amendments are to be briefly discussed at next Wednesday's March Dinner Meeting. Then voting to approve these proposed amendments will be an agenda item for the Annual General on 29 April 2015.

Sandra Cooke

Chairman

ADVOCACY

No report Lorraine Samaraweera Chairman

UNITED NATIONS

No report Sandra Cooke Chairman

ARCHIVES

No report Sandra Cooke Chairman

<u>OTHER</u>

Waltraud has all the Club Jackets and will bring to the dinner meeting. All members are to pay \$21 in cash to Waltraud as she has paid the supplier.

Below:

Hetty Johnston, CEO and founder of Bravehearts being presented with a cheque for \$2000 at IWD lunch on Friday 6 March 2015

