



NEWS

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Another month has flown past once again, only about 17 weeks to Christmas.

Our Club celebrated its 21st anniversary earlier this month. Everyone seemed to be enjoying the occasion. The cake was delicious and disappeared very quickly after it was cut by President and Past Presidents in attendance.

To everyone involved in making the day a success, I extend to you my sincere thanks.

Patricia, Sandra and I attended a special Zonta meeting last Saturday. The weather was cold and wet, but the meeting certainly conveyed the opposite. It is good to know that other Clubs have the same problems as us, it is also nice to know that we are more up to date than some of the larger Clubs.

Date Claimer: Tuesday 26th. Birthing Kit's pre assembling day at my house, 11 Provis Court, Morayfield. It is easy to find if you "Google" or use your GPS. Bring a plate of food to share for lunch.

President Carole

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR THE TREASURER!!!

Treasurer's report should have been received by now.

Please note the venue for dinner meetings *is now Robbio's Restaurant (St Columban's College training restaurant) entry via Pettigrew Street. All numbers have to be at the college by Friday prior to the 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 **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 September
Sandra and Lorraine - 10th



SERVICE

Breast Cushions:

After a plea for help from Ros Kinder, Edith delivered 30 breast cushions to St Andrews hospital in Brisbane City, as a matter of urgency. As we had plenty of stock we made the decision to help this hospital. I have also delivered 40 cushions to Holy Spirit Northside.

More cushions have been sewn and stuffed by Patricia's sewing circle friends and Edith's friends. We now have 140 in stock, ready for delivery, but we have another 100 ready for stuffing, so we have set aside Sunday the 2nd of November as our next stuffing day. It will be at Edith's home 9.30am for a 10.00am start. Please bring a plate to share for lunch.

We also wrote a thank you card for Rita (Edith's friend) for the beautiful embroidered cushions.

Birthing Kits:

The kits have arrived and we are looking forward to packing these and getting them sent away, so that women can look forward to a clean & safe home birth.

Just a reminder of the two important dates, pre pack at Carole's home next Tuesday the 26th of August, at 9.30am. Please bring a plate for a shared lunch.

Packing day at the Lakes College, North Lakes, Sunday the 31st of August at 10.00 am NOT 1.00pm as previously advised.

Emergency Packs:

I attended the meeting of the Caboolture Regional Car Club and gave a short talk about the emergency packs that we supply to FOTS, The Haven and CRDVS, and was fortunate enough to receive a cheque for \$1000.00 and a cash donation of \$20.00 to help us buy the stock we need to pack into the bags. I have since taken all of the stock from the storage shed and bought it to my home, so that I can do a full stock take and reconcile what goods need to be bought. As soon as we receive the sewn bags from Karen, I would like to set a date to pack and deliver them before Christmas.

The committee also decided that as a matter of policy (for this current committee) we will include a sanitary pack in all emergency packs.

At the moment we have no emergency packs in stock, as I have delivered 30 each to FOTS, The Haven and CRDVS.

Banksia Awards:

The committee agreed that in future, we will revert to using the original letter (from the start of these awards) to be sent to schools regarding the worthy recipient of the Banksia Award. Glenda will soon be sending out the letters.

CRDVS:

Lorraine and I have attended a meeting with the ladies of the CRDVS and Fiona from Qld Police Domestic Violence Squad, with all of the discussion being about the dinner to be held on November 24th. They admit that they are not good at this type of organisation, however, Lorraine & I assured them that Zonta will be there for them, to assist with hostessing, table arrangements, selling of raffle tickets etc.

They are over the moon that Di North (Edith's friend) has generously donated a two night stay at the Llama Cottages to be used as either a raffle prize or lucky door prize.

We also informed them that Zonta Caboolture is donating \$500.00 to assist them with the cost of the guest speaker Lani Brennan.

Lorraine & I would also like to invite the Fund Raising Committee to help us, with the fund raising part of the dinner.

The Service Committee are also brainstorming ideas for a project that our club can undertake. We are also referring to the club analysis, compiled by Cecil Nielsen after a club workshop last year.

So if any members have any ideas for projects, please forward them on to the Service Committee.

At the moment I am making enquiries to see if we can help another student who is disadvantaged, in much the same way we are paying for extra tutoring of a student now.

At the Service meeting, Lorraine told us of her very serious concerns for families in Sri Lanka who have recently been victims of racial violence. As the club has allocated \$600.00 for Lorraine for educational purposes, the committee agreed that she should spend some of the money as she sees fit to help these families re-equip their children with school uniforms, books and medical needs.

Sue Droughton
Chairman



MEMBERSHIP

Topics discussed:

1. *The role of the Membership Committee for 2014-15, based on results of the Survey of Members 2013.* This is an ongoing task, and our action plan will be presented to members in September. I offer apologies to any members who did not receive the final Report of the survey findings. They were given out manually, not e-mailed, to members who attended the November Dinner Meeting 2013. Some members were not present at that meeting. Cecil will action the follow-up.

2. *Follow-up contact with guests at the July Dinner Meeting at Bobbio's.* Sandra offered to obtain contact details and make contact with them. She reported that three of the four women, Heather Dumbled, Terese Reithmuller and Sarah McClelland are attending the August Dinner meeting.

Avril Bulstrode, a former President of the ZC of Cairns, and now making her home in Caboolture, has given an apology as she is visiting Cairns.

3. *Outcomes of 21st Birthday Celebration Lunch.* The Membership Committee thanks the Board for their support for the function, and trust that those who attended enjoyed the food, venue, and the company. I have thanked the Board and members for all the tasks undertaken, and Sandra has thanked the Chef at the Golf Club and Patricia for organising the birthday cake.

The Membership Committee suggests that the 25th Anniversary/Birthday celebration be a significant one, and that invitations include Area and District officers, other Zonta Clubs, past members of ZC of Caboolture, and community members (local government, state and federal representatives, and community organisations).

Cecil Nielson
Chairman



FINANCE AND FUNDRAISING

Mark your diaries:-

Saturday 13th September - Bunnings BBQ - roster to be circulated at August meeting

Sunday 5th October - Shoe & Bag sale at Caboolture Markets - start collecting now

Saturday 8th November - Estee Lauder Shopping Day - tickets available now for \$10

Thank you to Waltraud, Pam, Karen and Patricia for volunteering at the Redcliffe Festival which runs from 5 to 7th September. It should be a fun day and some extra dollars for our Service funds.

Our August BBQ was on a Wednesday and was our most successful, raising almost \$600. Well done to all who were able to help.

Organisation of IWD is underway with a number of potential guest speakers approached with a few responses already received. We have sourced some more high profile women this year and hopefully will be able to draw a large crowd again. Once we have received details of their terms and appearance fees we will make a recommendation to the club.

Sara Allard
Chairman.



No Report.
Glenda Moor
Chairperson

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

No report until after convention - Sandra Cooke Chairman

ADVOCACY

No report for August - Lorraine Samaraweera Chairman

UNITED NATIONS

No report for August - Lorraine Samaraweera
UN Chairman

ARCHIVES

Could ALL Committee Chairman sort through their 2013-2014 Zonta Year's records and retain what is required with the 2012-2013 Zonta Year (in other words keep for handy reference the past two years of records) and give me anything to file in the Archives from 1993 up to the end of 2011-2012.

Sandra Cooke
Chairman

OTHER

My notes from the Officers Training Day held on Saturday 23 August:

- If you wish to contact THE DISTRICT BOARD please go through your Area Director.
- Make sure people know their roles *ie those accepting Board Positions*
- Manual is on the Web.
- Membership - don't need to invite someone to be a member they can ask to attend meetings and then possibly join.
- Zonta for *Business and Professional Women* has been dropped to make Zonta more inclusive.
- If you numbers are low, work with members you have rather than trying to recruit new people.
- When someone resigns make sure you know why?
- Encourage members to attend *Area Meetings, Conferences, and Conventions etc.*
- If each member invited 1 person per year it has the potential to double club membership.
- Most clubs website aren't updated regularly. *Who in our club has had training?*
- Put newsletters and minutes on web.

- 2015 Conference is on at Airlie Beach from 9 - 11 October.
- 2015 Area Meeting is on 21 March *venue TBA* - Host Club is Brisbane East.
- Brisbane and Maroochy Clubs pack 1000 birthing kits each year generally in August.
- Another Brisbane club packs 12,000!!! This is done via corporate sponsorship.
- Suggestions required for Area Meeting *ie guest speakers, topics etc*
- If holding a function get stallholders to sign a waiver (to cover yourself even though it may not hold up in court)
- \$20 per year to WorkCover will cover you if you have a cleaner (not sure if it was for anything else)
- Some new members have found Zonta via "*do something near you*" website.
- Board Recommendations should/could go on the Agenda.
- Put 16 days of Activism on the Website and facebook.

CLUB T-SHIRTS.

Fund Raising Committee: *Sue's Gold Shirt or Shorter Version of a tunic with mandarin collar.*

Advocacy: No meeting therefore no discussion

Membership: Met by telephone. No firm discussion.

One member's thought: Same fabric and people select their own shirt design.

Another member's thought: All need to be same fabric and style for it to be a club shirt.

Sandra hasn't had any luck so far finding a fabric similar to Sue's shirt or anything in a gold tone.