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Congratulations Patricia for 19 October who is in Canberra for the birth of a new granddaughter

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This month's person of interest
Sara Allard
Photo Gallery

The dinner meeting will be at
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Drive, Burpengary, 6 pm for 6.30
start.

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Waltraud Zonta Thanks: Karen

A message from the Club's President

October has been a busy month for Zontians with Advocacy, meetings, service and fundraising activities to help the club prosper and grow. Thanks to the Zontians, friends and HonZons who have helped us at the High Tea and the Shoe and Bag Sale.

Our membership committee have welcomed several dinner guests to our meetings and hopefully they will become members in time to come. I urge everyone to show a warm welcome and have a chat to our guests as well as answering any queries they may have.

The District 22 Conference in Airlie Beach was well represented by 6 members from our club (and 4 out of 6 Board Members). The local Zonta Club of Airlie Beach did a fantastic job of bringing it together in a beautiful part of Queensland. The District Board put together a 2- day program of Informative sessions and sharing ideas with other Zonta clubs in the district which spans the whole of Queensland to Northern Rivers, NSW.

We have been asked to partner CRDVS to host a High Tea on Friday 4 December at the Burpengary Community Hall. Since we are good at High Teas and have had lots of practice, it should be a great day and I am sure we can do it once more to the high standard we have done in the past. As it is an Advocacy event for the 16 Days of Activism, speaking up re Violence Against Women and especially Domestic Violence, we will be displaying up to 70 pairs of shoes left over from our shoe and bag sale, to show the number of violent female deaths. It should be a powerful message indeed. The theme colours are red and white so please wear red shirts at the High Tea.

We have received an email from BKFA advising that the 1400 birthing kits we made in August were sent to Nigeria. If you have had time to view the Youtube filmclip from Valerie Browning sent out last week you will have been inspired by the work done by the BKFA and our purchase of the birthing kits have helped to provide this service.

The two flags promoting our club have finally arrived and we are pleased with the quality and workmanship, so, hopefully they will be useful when we have events in future.

Board's Blog

Pam Termont-Schenk updated us on the Banksia Awards for college's Presentation Nights. Five of the colleges in our area have their Presentation Night on the same night as our Dinner Meeting Night, so an apology will be sent. There are still a few presentations to be filled, so please help out if you can. No-one should have to attend more than one.

Lorraine advised that the Advocacy Committee have been finetuning the Powerpoint Presentation for the PNG Safe Bus Project. The motion put forward at the District Conference to support this project was passed.

Please wear your red shirts at the next dinner meeting because Waltraud wants to get a photo taken with the Longman Award. (I might have to use Photoshop to superimpose those missing).

Thanks to everyone who contributed to this newsletter. Look forward To finding out something we all didn't know about one of our members.



Glenda



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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership

Committee Members: Sandra Cooke, Lorraine Samaraweera, Cecil Nielson (Chair)

The Membership Committee met at the Café at the Hub, 20 October, 9-10 am.

Topics discussed and suggested action:

Membership – Potential Members

The Board's decision to accept Bronwyn Britten as a new member was welcomed.

Cecil will follow up with contacting Bronwyn to discuss procedures, and will also write a letter to Club Members.

Sandra will also follow up with other contacts regarding attendance at our next dinner meeting.

Fellowship.

The Committee discussed the suggestion to visit Margaret Olley Gallery as a fellowship activity but decided to reconsider options in 2016. Distance was a concern, and closer venues may be more appropriate.

Renewal/Growth.

Our President, Glenda, has obtained one copy of Zonta on A Stick, sold as a fund-raiser at the District Conference this year. Membership Committee members would like to view the contents.

At this stage, from looking at the list of topics on the 'stick' it seems as if these can be easily accessed already by members on line. And it may not be necessary to put these topics on a USB or other device.

Suggestions for Changes to Future Membership Questionnaires.

Implications for renewal and growth are always discussed after completion of questionnaires and their analyses. Some variations in questions for a questionnaire were discussed but maybe another questionnaire in 2016 is too soon. Zonta International has suggested every 5 years, so the next one could be 2018.

Discussion then focussed on a possible Workshop for our Club, as there have been no Workshops for two years. It was suggested that the Lt Governor could be a possibility as she is also the Chair of the District Membership Committee. Our Committee will follow up on possible contacts, and on Planning Day with discussion from Club members.

Cecil Nielson

Chair, Membership Committee.

Advocacy & UN

Why gender equality is one of the most important Global Goals

By Sarah Cannata / Oct 14, 2015



The new United Nation's Global Goals for Sustainable Development cannot be achieved "without full and equal rights for half of the world's population, in law and in practice."

It's a bold statement that came from the United Nations' Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon after world leaders gathered in New York last month to commit to 17 Global Goals that work towards:

- Ending extreme poverty.
- Fighting inequality and injustice.
- Fixing climate change.

The Global Goals, aim towards a better future **for all** by 2030, and have a measured way of getting there, with 169 specific targets falling under 17 goals.

Building on the successful Millennium Development Goals (MDGs – 2000 to 2015) the Global Goals set a powerful set of benchmarks we can use to hold world leaders accountable over the next 15 years.

And with a whole goal dedicated to Gender Equality (Goal #5), there's no doubt there's plenty of work to be done to ensure that by 2030, women and girls from all over the world have an equal chance of succeeding at all levels of public life.

"The MDGs were really powerful drivers of change and an important mechanism because they were crisp and simple and focused the world on human development issues and obviously, that included gender equality and maternal health and reproductive rights for women," says Chief Executive of Oxfam Australia, Dr Helen Szoke.

In addition to being a human rights advocate, Dr Szoke has worked tirelessly for years in the women's rights and gender equality space both here in Australia and around the world. Prior to joining Oxfam, she worked as Australia's Federal Race Discrimination Commissioner after working for seven years as the Victorian Equal Opportunity and Human Rights Commissioner.

Dr Szoke explains how she believes the Global Goals will continue to build on the MDGs as they deal with the increased complexity we're facing globally and act as significant leap forward for women's rights.

"What we see now with the Global Goals is they're not only built with standalone goals, but they're built into many other goals. Women may be adversely impacted by crises or poverty or hunger, but they're also the best solution to actually addressing these issues," Dr Szoke added.

When broken down further, the Gender Equality goal consists of these nine elements and sit under this powerful initiative: **achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls.**

- 5.1 – End all forms of discrimination against all women and girls everywhere.
- 5.2 – Eliminate all forms of violence against all women and girls in public and private spheres, including trafficking and sexual and other types of exploitation.
- 5.3 – Eliminate all harmful practices, such as child, early and forced marriage and female genital mutilations
- 5.4 – Recognise and value unpaid care and domestic work through the provision of public services, infrastructure and social protection policies, and the promotion of shared responsibility within the household and the family as nationally appropriate.
- 5.5 – Ensure women's full and effective participation and equal opportunities for leadership at all levels of decision-making in political, economic and public life.
- 5.6 – Ensure universal access to sexual and reproductive health and reproductive rights as agreed in accordance with the Programme of Action of the ICPD and the Beijing Platform Action and the outcome documents for their review conferences.
- 5.7 – Undertake reforms to give women equal rights to economic resources, as well as access to ownership and control over land and other forms of property, financial services, inheritance, and natural resources in accordance with national laws.
- 5.8 – Enhance the use of enabling technologies, in particular ICT, to promote women's empowerment.



- 5.9 – Adopt and strengthen sound policies and enforceable legislation for the promotion of gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls at all levels, adopt and strengthen sound policies and enforceable legislation for the promotion of gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls at all levels.

So, what's Australia's role in all of this?

Currently, 80 per cent of aid investments must include a component or focus on women's equality and gender empowerment. Fact is, despite what the average Aussie thinks, our contribution to Australian aid equates to under 1 per cent of total government spending.

Sure, the Global Goals are bold and while it's easy for the government to pledge its support verbally, how can Australia play our part in contributing to helping women to build a better reality for themselves?

"To realise any substantial change, we need a greater investment in aid and of course, according to the current trajectory, Australian aid is heading towards its lowest level in our nation's history if the next round of cuts are implemented," says Dr Szoke.

There's no disputing progress has been made. Countries such as Australia focusing their aid investments on MDG 3, contributed to the world achieving equality in primary education between girls and boys. There's still a lot of work to be done, both in relation to education and pay equity as well as recognition of work.

"The issue of equality is far from being realised globally – we know women earn around 24% less than men globally. We hope the Global Goals will be a catalyst for more change," says Dr Szoke.

It goes without saying that pay equity is an issue that hits a little too close to home in our own backyard with Aussie women knowing first-hand what it feels like to get paid less than men despite performing the same role. It's safe to say there's still plenty of work to do in Australia too.

Ultimately, progress **is not** inevitable.

"It will take a collective effort to achieve these new Global Goals. We all have a role to play and now, we've got a powerful set of benchmarks we can use to hold world leaders accountable for the next 15 years," says Executive Officer for the Campaign for Australian Aid, Tony Milne.

From here, the spotlight is on Julie Bishop and the new Turnbull government. Will the push for stronger targets on gender equality be backed up by action?

Want to help drive real change? Join Campaign for Australian Aid and join the movement lobbying the government to help build a better world for everyone.

Advocacy Report for Tuesday 17th October 2015

Present: Sandra Cooke, Cecil Nielson and Lorraine Samaraweera [Chair]

Venue: Cafe at The Hub, Caboolture

Meeting opened at 10 am and closed at 11.05

Discussion:

The Safe Bus Program

The adult Powerpoint presentation has been edited and abbreviated. The decision was made to go ahead with it and try it out, making changes if needed when we see how it works with adults. Lorraine will email the letter which is to be sent to target groups to Sandra for checking. Sandra has previously offered to coordinate bookings. Letters to be sent to a small number of community groups next month in the hope that we may obtain so bookings for the new year. Lorraine is to select these first groups from the list provided by the Caboolture Community Information Centre. The leave behind packs need to be completed as soon as possible. Lorraine is working on these.



The Domestic and Family Violence Working Group [Mark Ryan]

Sue Droughton attended the first meeting and Cecil Nielson and Edith Fogg attended the second on Friday 9th October. A report of the first meeting was available on arrival.

Participants were seated in groups of eight. The first workshop had shared their observations and experiences and identified some common ones eg lack of services, need to educate and change attitudes, young people and violence and more. This workshop followed up on these observations established priorities under the three headings from Quentin Bryce's report: Culture and Attitude, Integration and Justice and Law. It was noted that these priorities which are to be handed to the Minister for Communities, Shannon Fentiman, are for the Caboolture community and that other communities may well identify different priorities.

The committee wanted to confirm that there will be a third workshop and if the report of the second one is available yet. Lorraine is to contact Mark Ryan's office about this. Hopefully the Advocacy Committee can be again represented at the third meeting [Cecil?]

The 14 days of Activism and the CRDVS High Tea

The committee noted that this is an Advocacy activity and that we are not only expressing our support for the CRDVS work does in supporting women who experience domestic violence and Zonta International's Zonta Says No campaign but we are also mentoring another organisation – a leadership role.

The committee discussed the theme – red roses and the shoe display. We thought that we could place the shoes on a paper pathway with rose petals scattered on the path. This idea will be taken to the club and organisers of the event for consideration.

Post meeting note:

Mark Ryan's office confirmed that there will be a third meeting on Tuesday 17th November at a time and place to be confirmed. The report of the second meeting is not yet ready and will be emailed to participants before the next meeting.

Service

Due to my travels, I would like to thank members who have done extra work while I have been away. Thank you to Pam T/S for organising and arranging the Banksia Awards, and to Edith & Cecil for attending a workshop meeting arranged by Mark Ryan to address the issues of Domestic Violence in our community.

My thanks also to the ladies who have attended meetings at CRDVS and are arranging the high tea for the 16 days of Activism Awareness Campaign.

I expect to be home in approx four weeks' time and I have already advised Glenda that I will be available to work in the kitchen on the day.

While Glenda was at CRDVS she was told her that all of the Emergency Baby Packs we delivered just a few months ago are gone.

When I delivered the packs, Estrella was sure that the 60 packs would last at least twelve months. It just goes to show how valuable our community work is. Maybe we could organise another packing and delivery day before Christmas.

We will also be delivering Christmas hampers to CRDVS, we maybe could do it then???? I am sure they would be appreciated.

I hope you all received the email news via Sara and the Birthing Kit Foundation, that our 1400 Birthing Kits, along with many thousands of others are going to be delivered to Nigeria.

It was lovely to see the photos of the ladies who were at the Conference at Airlie Beach, I am sure that everyone had a great time.

See you all at the November Meeting and a reminder that the Service Committee will be meeting at my home on



Tuesday the 1st of December.

Sue Droughton
Chair
Service Committee

“ *Serving does not mean that we passively accept that things continue the way they are. Serving implies initiative and creativity, knowledge and efforts, to build a human, just and loving world.* ”

Gustavo Gutiérrez

Archives

NA

Constitution and By-Laws

NA

Communications

A card was sent to Patricia who was celebrating a celebrating a special milestone.

A Thank you card and receipt for a donation of \$100 was sent to Chris Whiting together with a photo of our flags.

Finance & Fundraising

We held our 2nd Shoe and Bag sale for the year and it was a very slow day. I personally think it was the location of our stall but to make just under \$600 for the 2 days is still an amazing effort and the fundraising team thank all who volunteered at the markets.

There are 2 Bunnings BBQs left so if you can help out on either roster then please let me know, especially the October one as we have 3 regular helpers away this month. Dates are Friday 30th October and Friday 27th November.

Our club purchased 6 Zonta Says No banners and we are pleased to say that the last 2 were sold at Conference. Since then we have had a request from the Zonta Club of Toowoomba Area for a banner so we have ordered another 3. Unfortunately we've had to change supplier and they are dearer however we will still cover our costs and make a profit too. Our Banner Order Form is on the District website and it's great to see Mt Isa Club proudly displaying the banner they bought from us at Conference! I've also asked our DG to let other DGs within Australia of our Banner offer so hopefully we'll sell the other 2 quickly.

The application for Christmas Under the Stars has been submitted – this is Friday 11th December where we sell our glowies at Caboolture Town Square. This is a normally a very profitable night for our club.

Council have offered us to sell our glowies at their various movie nights within the shire and we have chosen 6 dates. The roster has been circulated by Pam B so if you are able to help please let me know asap as the first one is this Saturday night. I have confirmed we do not need our marquee so that will be one less thing we have to worry about taking along.

Sara Allard (in Pam B's absence)



PERSON OF INTEREST- Getting to know Sara Allard better

Born: Of English parents, Allan and Lillian Smillie, in Bromley, Kent, England on 20th March 1963 (52 years young). Dad passed away almost 2 years ago now.

Family journey: Was married to John Allard and have 2 daughters, Josephine (23) and Catherine (19), both currently living and working in England. John and I started dating when we were 15 but I recently celebrated our divorce being finalised at Conference on 10th October, 2015.

Working history: I worked for a couple of years on weekends while at High School at the Albany Creek Bakery, then 21 years at National Australia Bank, held a 2nd job during my banking years at the Albany Creek Tavern for about 3 years, Multi Choice Home Loans for 4 years and now for the past 9 years as a Mortgage Broker for myself under Smile Home Loans.

Where have I lived: I grew up in Lawnton, then Albany Creek, built my first house at Albany Creek, then built at Burpengary and finally now reside in Morayfield.

Countries visited: England, France, Spain, Switzerland, Austria, Germany (both East and West when they were separated by the wall), Scotland, Holland, Italy, Thailand, Vatican City, Singapore and Indonesia (may have missed a couple).

Why joined Zonta: I joined to network with other women with the hope of building my business. I quickly learned that I far more enjoyed being able to help others much less fortunate than myself and have been a loyal member since 1999.

Something not known about me: I was Queensland and Australian champion in Taekwondo 3 years running and hold 6 gold medals. I also have a silver medal in a competition where I was forced to wear a black belt as they said "it didn't look good for a red belt to beat a black belt in competition". I was that red belt.



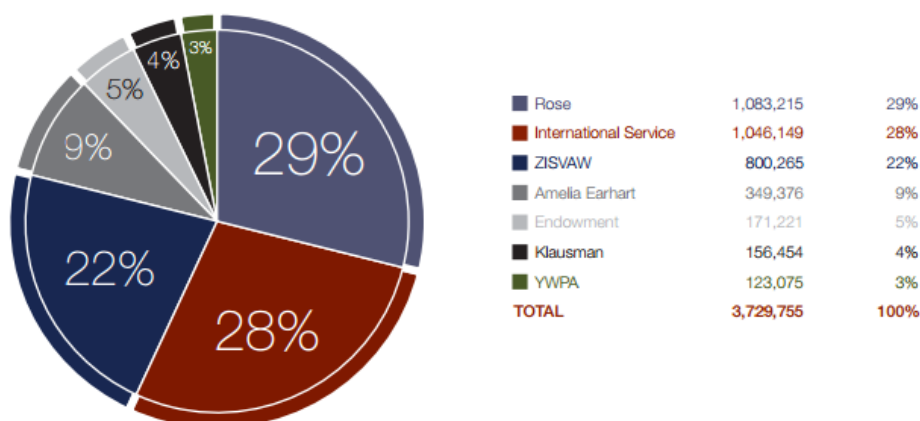
At the conference, Dot Patrick from Pine Rivers summarized the Zonta International Foundations' Annual Report. A copy of the report can be found on the www.zonta.org website. It makes for some interesting reading. Dot is happy to come to a dinner meeting next year and give her summary.

Here is the link:

<http://www.zonta.org/Portals/0/PDFs/New%20PDFs/2014%20Annual%20Report.pdf>

I found this graph very interesting because it shows where the donations of 1/3 of our net proceeds from fundraising goes. It was interesting to see donations from District 22 and I recognise names from the district board on the individual donations list as well.

Contributions and Investment Income By Fund FY14
1 June 2013–31 May 2014



Dot said the total for ZIF in 2014-2015 was \$5,306,000. Donations from District 22 totalled USD \$125477.85 for 2014-2015. With 43 clubs in the district, that averages to USD \$2918 per club (if all clubs made a contribution).

I hope these figures are correct from my notes. Perhaps the treasurer can verify these figures. Values given left would be in USD.



PHOTO GALLERY

District 22
Conference

The venue
Airlie Beach



BKFA
guest speaker



Our new
flags



Dr Marilyn Waring (right) at a Sunday workshop -
Qualities of woman leaders

Sara, Tess, Deb and Pam at the
Shoes and Bags Sale,
Caboolture Markets 18 October

