



**NEWSLETTER OF THE ZONTA CLUB OF BUNDABERG INC.
QUEENSLAND - AUSTRALIA**

“Advancing the Status of Women Worldwide”

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MARCH DINNER MEETING

Tuesday, 6 March, at East Bundaberg Sports Club (formerly Natives Club), 21 Eastgate Street, East Bundaberg at 6.30pm for 7.00pm. \$20.00. No apology by 10.00am on the day of the meeting - you will receive an invoice for the cost of the dinner.

APOLOGIES to Judy Bedford, phone 4152 4783 or email judy.bedford@bigpond.com

Rosters: Door: Lyn Murray & Anne Nelson; Blessing: Kirsty Broun

IWD Breakfast – March 11

Don't forget! Please bring to March 6 meeting:

- Continuous raffle gift up to the value of \$10 (wrapped)
- Butts of your major raffle tickets and money.
- Money from sold Breakfast tickets.

If you can't make the March meeting, please give to another member to return.

Happy Birthday in March to: 8th Joan Hawe, 13th Rachael Baker, 20th Robyn Ballantyne, 29th Deltry Dickie.

Dates to remember:

10 March 2007 – Women's Health Expo, Maryborough (see details below)

11 March 2007 – IWD Breakfast

21/22 April 2007 – Cancer Fund Relay for Life.

28/29 April 2007 – Area 4 Meeting at Hervey Bay.

8/9 September 2007 – District 24 Conference, Twin Towers, Tweed Heads.

28 June-3 July 2008 – 59th Zonta International Convention in Rotterdam.

DIARY NOTE - ROSTERS FOR APRIL & MAY

(Please arrange a replacement if you cannot attend)

April – Door: Alex Grove & Jean Pershouse; Blessing: Carol Christensen

May - Door: Robyn Rehbein & Ann Robinson; Blessing: Helen Cook

Message from President Judy

Dear All,

Our February Meeting was very well attended, thank you, and to our members who were unable to attend we missed you and we hope to see you at the March Dinner Meeting. It was good to see our new members Lyn Murray, Jane Truscott and Kerry Grove. We had the pleasure of welcoming two guests, Shirley Leacy and Tanya Bell to the meeting.

Our International Women's Day Breakfast on Sunday 11 March is fast approaching.

A big thank you to our "Crafty Ladies" Dianne Leggo, Robyn Rehbein, Jean Gahan and Deltry Dickie who have had a working bee at Robyn Rehbein's home making Breast Cushions. We now have forty Cushions ready to distribute.

I look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday 6 March 2007 at our Dinner Meeting.

Until then take care.
Judy

Cancer Fund Relay for Life

21/22 April. We now have 16 in our 2007 team! There are more in the pipeline so we could have two teams if we can gather a few extras. Do you know anyone who is keen to join us? He/she doesn't have to be a club member.

Team Captain Kirsty Broun and the Team are looking for donations – perhaps your family and friends would like to contribute. Bring extra cash or your cheque book to the meeting – donations over \$2 are tax deductible.



Trish, Judy, Robyn, Jan & Ian.

Missing!

Who has the Club Camera? Anyone seen it lately?

Membership Committee

Inductions We hope to be inducting two new members, Rebecca Pope and Shirley Leacy at the March meeting.

Guests – We will be welcoming Nadia Qadeer at the March meeting. Please don't leave it to the Membership Committee to welcome and care for new members. We rely on all members to welcome newcomers to the club.

Mentors - Please check the list below.

Special Craft Committee

First gathering was held at Robyn Rehbein's home in Bargara. Robyn, Jean G, Deltry and Dianne completed 26 breast cushions.



Robyn Rehbein & Deltry Dickie

Women's Health Expo

The Maryborough Zonta Club is running this Expo at Maryborough City Hall on Saturday, 10 March from 9am – 4pm. Admission \$10. Presentations by a Medical Sex Therapist, Diabete-Ezy, a Breast Cancer Survivor & World Champion Dragon Boat Paddler. Sounds like a fascinating day! Call Alex Grove if you are interesting in going.

Member News

Wilma Berry is off travelling again to NSW, SA & Vic. Husband Neil is being inducted into the Austn. Clay Target Association's Shooters Hall of Fame in Wagga. Take care this trip, Wilma!

Lyn Costigan reports that she had a better off than our Feb. dinner meeting – a night with Eric Clapton in concert in Brisbane!

Gaye Zimmerman had a marvellous time on her trip overseas recently visiting lots of places

Dianne Leggo is attending IWD functions in Brisbane, Pine Rivers & Maleny, a Brisbane Zonta Club meeting, AND Freddy Kempf playing Rachmaninoff & Brahms. What a week!

The Membership Committee is devastated to be losing [Michelle Brown](#) who is taking up a new position based in Brisbane. Good luck Michelle, you will be missed!

Congrats to [Robyn Dyer](#) who has a new baby grandson!

Best wishes to [Shirley Kidd](#) who has been not so well recently. Hope you are feeling better soon Shirley!

Just back from Victoria and Tasmania and [Anne Nelson](#) is off again to Sydney. Have a good time Anne!

[Ann Whalley](#) is having a total knee replacement on Feb. 26th. We wish you well Ann and hope you recover quickly.

Profile - Kerry Grove

Originally a Melbourne girl with her own distribution company, Kerry sold her business interests and moved to Cairns, FNQ, in 1992 for what was to be semi retirement in the sun.

Unfortunately, after too much sunburn, she decided semi retirement was a little premature and soon afterwards opened a bistro, and then another bistro. As if that wasn't enough, she was contacted by a major law firm who knew her reputation as a marketer.

As she didn't already have enough to keep her occupied (!), to appease their begging and pleading she reluctantly accepted a three month contract as marketing manager. She should have known better – three months turned into three years.

Then, after suffering what some would call corporate meltdown, in 1997 Kerry and her husband Malcolm were approached to manage a five star wilderness resort at the very tip of the Northern Territory. Ah, the very thought of such splendid isolation with only crocodiles, venomous snakes, buffalo and the occasional American tourist for company was too tempting.

A glorious year was spent exploring, not only our superb environment in the Top End, but more importantly, themselves. You learn an enormous amount about yourself when you are 150 klms from Darwin, have no power or running water (only machinery to generate these essential services), telephone only and if Telstra has maintained the line, no roads, the only way in /out is by light aircraft on a gravel strip or ship, with the nearest neighbor being 10 klms across the water! A barge, with all supplies, visited monthly and added to this was

the responsibility of looking after guests and staff during one very robust cyclone.

Kerry may not have been a religious person when she first went there but, having experienced the tranquility, beauty and serenity of the Northern Territory plus the generosity of spirit of the traditional land owners, she certainly came away a far more spiritual being.

Ah, the love of marketing a law firm was beckoning and so it was that Kerry spent the next five years in the company of some wonderfully talented people back in the wilds of Brisbane.

She obviously never got over her love affair with the Territory because she and Malcolm again headed North West in December 2003 to run a major Territory Job Network organization in Darwin.

Three very wonderful and rewarding years were spent visiting and working in remote indigenous communities within the Territory, including the Tiwi Islands.

As does happen, employment contracts do eventually end and thoughts again turn to the fantasy of retirement.

Kerry and Malcolm always knew they would eventually retire to the more moderate climes of the Bundaberg region and so returned to the area in April 2006 for a more sedate and mainstream lifestyle.

In 'retirement' Malcolm is CEO of a central Queensland Land Council which involves an enormous amount of intra and interstate travel and Kerry has undertaken a real estate course, invested in several properties in the region, shifted house twice and is currently undertaking voluntary work at the Mater Hospital.

Thank goodness for a quiet life!

She cannot, however, guarantee the travel bug will not again bite and that she will not inevitably succumb.

MENTORS FOR NEW MEMBERS

(February 2007)

| New Member | M'ship Mentor | Club Member | C'tee |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Kirsty Broun | Trish Eussen | Robyn B | UN |
| Kerry Grove | Dianne Leggo | Shirley Kidd | F/FR |
| Lyn Murray | Robyn Kirby | Jan Lohse | SWS |
| Gaye Zimmermann | Michelle Brown | Jean Gahan | F/FR |
| To be inducted March 2007 | | | |
| Shirley Leacy | Membership | Committee | OMC |
| Rebecca Pope | Linda Adcock | Rachael Baker | F/FR |

OMC Chairman Linda Adcock is preparing some guidelines for Mentors of New Members. These will be ready in the next month or so. With so many new members joining over the last 12 months, it really is very important that we nurture them. At the moment, some are feeling a little lost. By all means catch up with your friends at our club meetings, but please widen the circle to include our new members also.

Website

Please complete the attached form so that your details can be entered on the Bundaberg Club Members Only section of the District 24 website, www.zontadistrict24.org and email it back to dleggo@buzzbb.net or bring to next meeting.