



ZONTA

CLUB OF
BRISBANE EAST INC

MEMBER OF ZONTA INTERNATIONAL

EMPOWERING WOMEN
THROUGH SERVICE & ADVOCACY

**ANNUAL REPORT
2015-2016
ZONTA CLUB OF BRISBANE EAST INC.**

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OBJECTIVES

The Zonta Club of Brisbane East Inc observes the following objectives which have been provided to all members.

Zonta International

The objectives of Zonta International are:

- To improve the legal, political, economic, educational, health and professional status of women at the global and local level through service and advocacy.
- To work for the advancement of understanding, goodwill and peace through a world fellowship of members.
- To promote justice and universal respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms.
- To be united internationally to foster high ethical standards, to implement service programs, and to provide mutual support and fellowship for members who serve their communities, their nations, and the world.

CLUB PARTICULARS

Business particulars for the Zonta Club of Brisbane East Inc are:

Monthly Meetings: 3rd Monday of each month excluding January

Current Venue: Bulimba Library, Riding Road, Bulimba

Board Meeting: 2nd Monday of each month excluding January

Postal Address: GPO Box 3060, Brisbane, Queensland, 4001

Web Address: <http://brisbaneeast@zontadistrict22.org>

Email: brisbaneeast@zontadistrict22.org

Banking Facilities: Bank of Queensland Limited

Charter Details: Sponsored by the Zonta Club of Brisbane Inc

Chartered on 13 March 1989

Charter No: 1235

Auditor: Mr Denys Edwards, BBus (Accounting) FCPA

Incorporation: Incorporated under the *Associations Incorporation Act 1981* and the *Associations Incorporation Regulation 1999*

Incorporation Number IA06124

ABN Registered: 36 906 783 906 from 1 November 1999

MEMBERSHIP LIST

as at 31 March 2016

Charter Members

Denise Conroy

Beverley Farley OAM

Members Admitted Post Charter

Mel Ablitt

Jill Hedley

Barbara Bolton-Hall

Carol Jelley

Lynn Callander

Irene Kinder

Bronwyn Campbell

Ros Kinder

Margaret Casey

Kirsten Liebchen-Meades

Beulah Castan

Heather Mildwaters

Jo Diessel

Loris Neff

Virginia Evans

Lyn Papa

Jane Gray

Elizabeth Peters

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

For quite a number of years now attracting new members to our Club has been a key priority and challenge for our Club. The beginning of 2016 has seen our Club membership grow to 20 with the possibility of additional new members interested in joining us.

Our survey told us that membership recruitment and growth was a key achievement in 2015. To ensure continued success with our recruitment, the Club will need to focus on new ways to welcome members and make them feel more comfortable to participate and feel their input is wanted and valued.

We again had a stall at the Morningside Festival which helped us raise our profile within the Morningside and Bulimba community. Updating our pamphlets and the continued work of Ros and Kerstin on keeping our website, Facebook and Twitter pages current have also been great publicity strategies.

Our ongoing annual review and update of the strategic plan is now well and truly embedded in our yearly processes and allows us to align with District 22 and Zonta International as well as providing a means for us to collaboratively plan our future.

Our last year has been a very active and busy one for members as we continued with a number of our service projects as well as adding two major projects. We continue with our breast cushions, completing some 650 cushions which we distributed to a range of hospitals, as well as continued support to the Mater Private. This year we added drainage bags to our work completing some 450. The fact that so many cushions are required on a regular basis is a salutary reminder of the very real issues so many of our contemporaries are facing with breast cancer.

We would not be able to do this without the assistance of our wonderful volunteers – Michele, Jan, Mavis, Judy, Margaret, Maureen and Shirley and Jill's band of volunteers who ensure that we are able to keep abreast of the demands for the breast cushions and drainage bags.

Each year the Zonta Club of Brisbane East Inc awards scholarships to a female student graduating from the Balmoral State High School and a female graduating refugee or migrant student from Yeronga State High School. This year 6 young women from disadvantaged backgrounds are supported by the Club.

We also awarded \$500 to a first year University student for a Young Women in Public Affairs Award. Although our awardee was not successful at the District level she was highly commended for her application.

The Club continues to provide Madonna House with Christmas hampers and gifts. We funded a reprint of safety cards and posters for the Brisbane Domestic Violence Service and provided the Logan Sexual Assault Response Team with suitable clothing to give to women whose own clothing has been taken for forensic testing.

If we were not busy enough we added two new projects to our service and advocacy activities.

On the 25 November 2015, the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women we started a 16 days of action for the Zonta Says No to Domestic and Family Violence Campaign. Following the successful launch by Dame Quentin Bryce AD CVO we placed orange women (plywood cut outs) in a range of businesses and public spaces. Twenty-one businesses in all hosted an orange woman for a period of time to raise awareness and provided information about domestic and family violence.

The plywood cutouts were also utilised in a weekend DV conference by the Brisbane Domestic Violence Centre.

On each day of the campaign a topic on Violence against Women was emailed to an extended audience. Sixteen topics were covered including elder abuse, domestic violence in rural and regional areas, and child sexual abuse. Over 2500 people followed our postings daily on facebook and twitter. Although a range of people were involved in our campaign I particularly would acknowledge the work of Denise on the email campaign.

Following the launch the local member, Ms Di Farmer, Member for Bulimba made a speech to Parliament on the ***Domestic and Family Violence Protection and Another Act Amendment Bill*** citing and congratulating the Zonta Club of Brisbane East event on 25 November 2015.

During the 16 days the Club also funded a two day training session run by NAPCAN on Lovebites. Fifteen school staff from seven state high schools attended the training and evaluated the training session as highly successful. In 2016 our Club aims to partner with a number of Zonta Clubs in the Brisbane and near Brisbane area to extend our funding to more schools to introduce the successful school based domestic and family violence and sexual assault prevention program, Lovebites.

In March the Club hosted the 2015 Combined Areas 1 and 3 meeting with the majority of our members attending. The program went extremely well as did the organisation for the day in no small part to the work of Ros and Irene.

Our fundraising activities were well supported by our members, particularly our High Tea. Our review in 2015 of the strategic plan reminded us to allow time for fellowship and fun and a number of events were well attended.

It has been a busy year but exciting and we are well placed for the next twelve months. It has been a great pleasure and privilege to be President of our Club. I thank each and every one of you for your ongoing support and a huge thank you to the Board.

Jo Diessel, President

ADVOCACY

The Club launched a successful campaign in November in support of the Zonta Says NO to Domestic Violence campaign. The Club had sixteen "orange" ladies (wooden silhouettes) made which were decorated with information on domestic and family violence and placed in strategic locations around the Bulimba/Cannon Hill/South Brisbane area. The "ladies" were launched at an afternoon tea by Dame Quentin Bryce AD CVO.

At the same time the Club launched its reprint of the Safety Posters and Safety Cards to be distributed across the southside of Brisbane through the Brisbane Domestic Violence Service.

The Club appreciates the grant of \$1000 received from the Community Fund of the Brisbane Airport Corporation that covered the costs of this campaign.

Activities during the 16 Days of Activism were:

- Ros Kinder was interviewed on the first day on ABC Radio 612;
- Daily updates were posted on our Club Facebook page;
- Daily updates were sent out on our Club Twitter Account;
- Denise Conroy forwarded a researched one page document on a daily basis covering the various forms of violence against women;
- Our Club webpage was updated with photos of our activities;
- The one-pager prepared by Denise was loaded onto the District 22 website on a daily basis;
- The Club sponsored the training of 15 facilitators to introduce the LoveBites program into seven High Schools in 2016;
- The Club had a display in the Bulimba Library during December 2015 and which featuring the 16 days of activism;
- A report was submitted to Zonta international for publishing on the ZI Zonta Says NO webpage; and
- The SouthEast Advertiser included two articles on our activities – one the week prior to the launch and the second the week of the launch which included photos of the event.

ATTENDANCE AND PROGRAM

Joint Chairmen: Ros Kinder/Jo Diessel

The Club has continued to meet in the Meeting Room at the Bulimba Library and continued with our decision to have Food and Fellowship prior to the meeting with the meeting formally commencing at 7.00pm. This has been a successful format and our thanks go to Jo, Irene and Ros who did the catering for our meetings in 2015. Club approved a further change in format with our meetings now timed for 6.45pm for a 7.00pm start and a break about 7.45pm for coffee/tea and sweets. This decision was taken to reduce the burden of catering each month and also in recognition that a number of our members preferred to eat prior to coming to the meeting or to bring something with them.

With our increase in membership 2016 may be the year we seek an alternative venue for our meeting as when we are allocated the smaller of the two meeting rooms conditions can become cramped.

a) Program

In accordance with the Strategic Plan the Club has endeavoured to provide a varied program for our dinner meetings. We hope we have met the expectations of our members with our program and certainly would welcome suggestions for the coming year.

The program for the year was:

April 2015 – Our YWPA winner, Phoebe Frederick attended and was presented with her Club Award and Certificate.

May 2015 – Di Farmer MLA attended our May meeting for a short time

June 2015 -

July 2015 – Videos on ZIF Service projects:

➤ **Towards Elimination of Obstetric Fistula and Reduction of Maternal and Newborn Mortality in Liberia**

Funding: US\$600,000 to UNFPA (United Nations Population Fund)

Project Update – May 2015 – A Survivors Story

➤ **Working Toward an HIV-Free Generation Effective Prevention and Response to Gender Based Violence in Rwanda**

Funding: US\$800,000 to UNICEF (United Nations Children's Fund)

2014 UNICEF Thank you video

August 2015 – Meeting cancelled due to extraordinary circumstances

September 2015 –

October 2015 - Emma Price

November 2015 – District Governor, Judith Trevan-Hawke, AD3 Anne Kuhnemann and Zonta Club of Brisbane South Inc President Leonie White were special guests

December 2015 - Christmas Meeting – The Colmslie Hotel “Back Room”
February 2016 – Strategic Planning Meeting
March 2016 – Scholarship winners and school representatives Vanessa Cash, Deputy Principal, Balmoral State High School, Nadia Querengasser 2nd year scholarship Balmoral State High School, Caitlin Bennett 1st year scholarship, Balmoral State High School, Jessica Walker, Head of Special Education Services, Yeronga SHS, Lindia Mehbratu 2nd year scholarship, Yeronga State High School and mother Tracey Bennett.
Video for IWD 2016 developed by Zonta International, Two Mp4 presentations from 2 schools participating in the LoveBites program

b) Representation

The Club continues to be well represented at District and International levels.

The Club had four members attend the 2015 4th District Conference in Airlie Beach in October. Jo Diessel was our delegate with Irene Kinder the alternate. Denise Conroy and Ros Kinder also attended.

Denise Conroy is the Chairman of the District Advocacy Committee.

Ros Kinder has continued at District level as the Chairman of the Bylaws and Resolutions Committee, District Webmaster and Coordinator for the District Breast Cushion project.

c) Attendance

In addition to our Guest speakers listed above the Club has had a number of Guests attend our meetings and functions. These are listed on the Register of Attendance attached to this Report.

Our attendance figures at monthly meetings improved considerably. We had three members with achieved a 100% attendance record for this year – Mel Ablitt, Lynn Callander and Jo Diesel. Denise Conroy, Beverley Farley, Jill Hedley, Irene Kinder, Ros Kinder and Loris Neff missed only one meeting during the year.

A number of members had very low attendance. This was predominantly because of work and family commitments.

Lynn Callander and Jo Diessel kept up their attendance record with 100% attendance at Board Meetings. .

Attendance 2015-2016 Dinner Meetings

ZONTA CLUB OF BRISBANE EAST INC DINNER MEETING ATTENDANCE 2015-2016

NAME	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MARCH		%
Mel Ablitt	Y	Y	Y	Y	N/A	Y	Y	Y	Y	N/A	Y	Y	10	100%
Barbara Bolton-Hall	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Y	Y	AP	N/A	Y	AP	3	30%
Lynn Callander	Y	Y	Y	Y	N/A	Y	Y	Y	Y	N/A	Y	Y	10	100%
Bronwyn Campbell	AP	AP	Y	AP	AP	AP	AP	AP	AP	N/A	Y	AP	2	20%
Margaret Casey	AP	AP	AP	Y	N/A	Y	Y	Y	Y	N/A	AP	AP	4	40%
Beulah Castan	AP	AP	AP	AP	AP	AP	AP	AP	AP	N/A	AP	AP	0	0%
Denise Conroy	Y	Y	Y	Y	N/A	Y	Y	Y	Y	N/A	Y	AP	9	90%
Jo Diessel	Y	Y	Y	Y	N/A	Y	Y	Y	Y	N/A	Y	Y	10	100%
Virginia Evans	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Y	AP	N/A	AP	Y	2	20%
Bev Farley	Y	Y	Y	Y	N/A	AP	Y	Y	Y	N/A	Y	Y	9	90%
Jane Gray	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Y	N/A	Y	Y	3	30%
Jill Hedley	Y	Y	Y	Y	N/A	Y	Y	Y	Y	N/A	Y	AP	9	90%
MaryAnn Hill	AP	AP	Resign	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Irene Kinder	AP	Y	Y	Y	N/A	Y	Y	Y	Y	N/A	Y	Y	9	90%
Carol Jelley	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Y	1	N/A
Ros Kinder	Y	Y	Y	Y	N/A	Y	Y	Y	AP	N/A	Y	Y	9	90%
Kirsten Liebchen-Meades	Y	Y	AP	AP	N/A	Y	Y	Y	Y	N/A	Y	Y	8	80%

Heather Mildwaters	AP	AP	AP	AP	N/A	Y	Y	AP	AP	N/A	AP	Y	3	30%
Loris Neff	Y	Y	Y	Y	N/A	Y	Y	Y	AP	N/A	Y	Y	9	90%
Lyn Papa	Y	AP	AP	Y	N/A	AP	AP	AP	Y	N/A	Y	Y	5	50%
Elizabeth Peters	N/A	N/A	N/A	Y	N/A	Y	Y	Y	Y	N/A	Y	Y	7	70%
Total	10	10	10	12	N/A	11	14	14	12		15	14		
% Attendance	62.5%	62.5%	62.5%	75%	N/A									

**July 2015 Meeting cancelled due to extraordinary circumstances
January Meeting is an optional Fellowship Dinner only**

Guests:

April 2015 - Phoebe Frederick, Bec Walker
May 2015 - Di Farmer MLA, Elizabeth Peters
June 2015 - Elizabeth Peters, Jane Gray
July 2016 - Jane Gray, Zoe Little
September 2015- Barbara Bolton Hall, Virginia Evans, Jane Gray
October 2015 - Emma Price, Jane Gray
November 2015 - DG Judith Trevan-Hawke, Area 3 Director, Anne Kuhnemann, Leonie White, President ZC Brisbane South
December 2015 - Eion Meades, Sandra Langford, Pat Nemeth, HonZons Paul Casey, John Papa, Michael Langford
February 2016 Carol Jelley
March 2016 - Valerie Paterson, Michaela Jenkin, Jessica Walker, Vanessa Cash, Tracey Bennett, Nadia Querengasser, Lidia Mehbratu, Caitlin Bennett

Attendance 2015-2016 Board Meetings

ZONTA CLUB OF BRISBANE EAST INC BOARD MEETING ATTENDANCE 2015-2016

NAME	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MARCH		%
Lynn Callander	Y	Y	Y	N/A	Y	Y	Y	Y	N/A	Y	N/A	Y	9	100%
Beulah Castan			N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A
Bronwyn Campbell	Y	Y	Guest	N/A	Guest	AP	Guest	Guest	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Margaret Casey	N/A	Y	Y	N/A	Y	Y	AP	AP	N/A	AP	N/A	AP	4	50%
Jo Diessel	Y	Y	Y	N/A	Y	Y	Y	Y	N/A	Y	N/A	Y	9	100%
Irene Kinder	AP	Y	Y	N/A	AP	Y	Y	Y	N/A	Y	N/A	Y	7	78%
Ros Kinder	Y	Y	Y	N/A	Y	Y	Y	AP	N/A	Y	N/A	Y	8	89%
Kirsten Liebchen-Meades	AP	Y	Y	N/A	Y	Y	Y	Y	N/A	Y	N/A	AP	7	78%
Loris Neff	N/A	Y	Y	N/A	Y	Y	Y	Y	N/A	Y	N/A	Y	8	100%
Lyn Papa	N/A	AP	Y	N/A	Y	AP	Y	AP	N/A	AP	N/A	Y	4	50%
Total	4	8	8	N/A	7	7	7	5	N/A	6	N/A	6		
% Attendance			100%		87.5%	87.5%	87.5%	62.5%		75%		75%		
Guests		Comb ined												

2014-2015 Board until 31 May 2014 – Ros Kinder, Jo Diessel, Bronwyn Campbell, Irene Kinder, Mel Ablitt, Beulah Castan

2015-2016 Board - Effective 1 June 2014 - Jo Diessel, Irene Kinder, Loris Neff, Ros Kinder, Lynn Callander, Kirsten Liebchen-Meades, Margaret Casey, Lyn Papa

July 2015 Meeting cancelled due to extraordinary circumstances

ARCHIVES

Chairman: Beverley Farley

Following on from last year we have maintained our Archives by ensuring records (including photos) are kept of all functions as well of course of our Dinner and Board meetings. We continue to maintain a hard copy of our records plus soft copy in DropBox and on external hard disc. We also keep current records archived in the secure section of our Club Webpage. This storage should ensure our records are not lost through computer malfunction or other events outside of our control.

Reviewing and sorting our records plus scanning them for storage is a very time consuming exercise but it is hoped that eventually all Club records held will be safely stored. .

Because of lack of storage and various incidents over the year some of our past records are lost or not currently in our files. We still are missing some records, particularly minutes of meetings, and again ask members if they have records from a few years ago if they could please provide a copy so that we can include them in our archives. .

FELLOWSHIP

Chairman: Heather Mildwaters

Once again this year, we continued to recognise Club members' birthdays with the presentation of a small bottle of bubbles in the month of their birthday.

In June a number of members and friends enjoyed a relaxing lunch time River Cruise on the Kookaburra Queen. A roving musician and jazz band played while we enjoyed an International and Seafood Buffet during the 2.5 hour cruise down the Brisbane River.

In November Beverley Farley organised a fellowship outing to Miegunyah House. Beverley, who volunteers there on a regular basis and is a member of the Women's Historical Association, the owner of the house, generously offered to host a tour of this magnificent house followed by morning tea.

Our Christmas Dinner meeting was kept short and we enjoyed great company, and food in the "Back Room" of The Colmslie Hotel.

In January we held our traditional Fellowship Dinner at Easts Rugby League Club in lieu of a Club meeting.

FUNDRAISING

Chairman: Irene Kinder

The Club had a mix of fundraisers this past year and we thank Club members, and their family and friends who supported these.

a) Sale of Entertainment Books

As in previous years Jill organised the collection and sale of Entertainment Books. Whilst not generating huge profits this is easy money for the Club and the purchasers of the books certainly recoup their outlay very quickly by using the vouchers in the book.

b) Fashion Showing at Blue Illusion, Oxford Street

We had one Fashion Showing at Blue Illusion in Bulimba. A percentage of sales between the designated hours was donated to the Club. The Club contribution was to provide models to be dressed in Blue Illusion fashion and walk the catwalk. Loris and Kerstin were great doing this and showed talents we previously had not identified. Thank you to both. Blue Illusion provided a glass of bubbly and nibbles.

c) UN Day High Tea – Yeronga State High School Hall

October was the month for a major fundraiser our “UN Day High Tea”. As previously we had a good attendance and received very positive feedback on the quantity and quality of the food and the entertainment. HonZons Duncan, Greg and Paul helped set up in the morning and were joined by Lachie and Vern in the “clean-up” afterwards. HonZons Pete, Cindy and Michele did all the “plating” of the food which was prepared and donated by members and friends. Our entertainment this year was provided by harpist, Nicole Tate, who provided wonderful background piano music throughout the afternoon. The audio system was again managed by two of the students from Yeronga State High School. A successful fundraiser for the Club and thanks to all who were involved.

d) Bunnings Sausage Sizzles

The number of Bunnings Sausage Sizzles at Rocklea was reduced this year resulting in a lower contribution to our fundraising account. We again received much help from our HonZons Michael Langford, Peter Guilleser, Michele Sanderson, Greg Campbell, Vern Porter and Tracy Smith and it is doubtful that we could continue without this assistance. On the weekends we have been helped by HonZons Paul Casey, John Papa and Duncan Kinder. We are also very fortunate that Jo lives not too distant from Rocklea Bunnings and generously gives of her time not only in the purchasing of stock but also storing surplus stock at her home.

e) Club products

The Club had hoped to raise funds through the sale of Miniature Manicure Sets and Torch Keyrings both engraved with the Zonta International logo. This has not been a successful project. The Club took a decision to “write off” the key rings and we have been using the manicure sets as small Guest Speaker gifts.

Irene has continued demonstrating her “craft” skills and made and donated beautiful hand made greeting cards and decorated shopping bags to sell. Both have been snapped up by Club members and Zontians from other Clubs.

f) Grants

The Club was successful in obtaining two grants this year to support our service projects.

We gratefully acknowledge

- ClaytoUtz who provided \$1500 to support our LoveBites program; and
- The Community Grant from the Brisbane Airport Corporation of \$1000 which supported our Zonta Says NO to Domestic Violence campaign.

Summary

Whilst our takings from Bunnings is down we nevertheless have had a successful year for fundraising and for our 2016-2017 Service Projects.

Many thanks to all members for their contribution. Whilst fundraising can be hard work it is also a core of Zonta activity as without funds we cannot undertake service projects. It is also a great fellowship activity as we get to know our fellow members just that bit better by working with them on the various activities.

MEMBERSHIP

Chairman: Irene Kinder

Membership has been an issue for the Club for some time but this year we exceeded the benchmark set in our Strategic Plan and welcomed four new members – Elizabeth Peters, Barbara Bolton-Hall, Virginia Evans and Jane Gray. All attended meetings prior to joining and have been active since their induction. We welcome them as Zontians and hope they have many happy years of membership with us.

We have a number of other women interested in joining the Club and hope to induct them in coming months. We received some inquiries regarding membership as a result of our Zonta Says NO campaign.

The Club again had a stall at the Morningside Festival in July. This was not designed as a fundraiser but as a way to increase the profile the Club and generate an interest in membership. We received five indications of interest which are being followed-up. On the day the Club had a raffle and sold hand made cards and decorated reusable shopping bags which covered our costs. We also bought a large outdoor banner for use at functions such as this. Many thanks to Club members who came and helped on the day.

We continue to be listed in the Community Directory maintained by the Councillor for Bulimba, Shayne Sutton. Shayne also includes details of our Club in her monthly Newsletters.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman: Beverley Farley OAM

The Nominating Committee is charged with the role of presenting to the Club a Slate of Candidates for the coming Zonta year (2016-2017).

In preparing this Slate, the Committee took into consideration previous positions held by Club Members and opportunities for future development. We also had in mind the outcomes of our Planning Meeting in February and the Draft Club Strategic Plan and the future directions of the Club.

Contact was made with individual Club members to determine their willingness to accept a position for 2016-2017 and we have pleasure in presenting to you the following Slate:

President:	Jo Diessel
1 st Vice President:	Irene Kinder
2 nd Vice President:	Kirsten Liebchen-Meades
Secretary (Correspondence & Minute):	Ros Kinder
Treasurer:	Bronwyn Campbell
Director:	Margaret Casey (2 nd year) Lyn Papa (2 nd year) Jane Gray (1 st year) Elizabeth Peters (1 st year)

Further nominations will be called for at the April Meeting and any Club member can nominate.

The installation of the 2016-2017 Board will take place at our AGM with the Board taking office from the commencement of the Zonta year on 1 June 2016.

Beverley Farley
Jill Hedley
Bronwyn Campbell
Heather Mildwaters

PUBLIC RELATIONS & COMMUNICATIONS

The Club has endeavoured to obtain publicity for its various activities during the year but with limited success.

Press Releases were widely distributed in the lead-up to our Zonta Says NO to Domestic Violence campaign in November and we did receive good media coverage via a radio interview on ABC612 and two articles in the SouthEast Advertiser. Our Club Facebook and Club Twitter account received record likes and share during these sixteen days ensuring our message was widely circulated.

We had a very impressive display in the Bulimba Library during the month of December and have the display case booked again for our display in the months of November and December 2016.

The Club also held a stall at the Morningside Festival in July as a further promotion of the Club and Zonta. Cost of the stall was minimal and was more than covered by the sale of raffle tickets.

Using the dollars left over from our Morningside Stall raffle the Club had Business Cards professionally printed for use by members. The cards have printed information on the Zonta Mission, where and when our Club meets plus room for each member to write their contact details. It is hoped that members will distribute these cards and that they generate interest in membership of our Club.

Our Club Newsletter, “*East-Enders*”, has been produced monthly with a Member Profile featured some months. It is emailed to the District 22 Governor and Lieutenant Governor and our Area Director as well as all Clubs in Areas 1 and 3. A distribution list has also been established for supporters of the Club, former members and our scholarship winners. It is also posted on our Club webpage (<http://brisbaneeast.zontadistrict.org>)

As required by the *Libraries Act 1988 (Qld)* a copy of East-Enders is submitted monthly to the State Library of Queensland for storage in their collection.

Club social media:

Twitter account

Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Zonta-Club-of-Brisbane-East-Inc/370643663012690>

Club website page <http://brisbaneeast.zontadistrict22.org>

have all been updated regularly throughout the year.

Our Club is listed with Charity Do's and this site is used to promote our fundraising functions.

The Club is also registered with the “*Do Something Near You*” website – again information is posted to encourage membership.

SERVICE

Chairman: Lynn Callander/Kerstin Liebchen-Meades

Again the number of service projects undertaken by the Club this past year is impressive.

The Club planning session in February saw the Club review and finetune the Strategic Plan which sets out goals for both fundraising and service. We are pleased to say the Club met these goals.

Service Projects

a) Zonta Breast Care Cushions & Drainage Bags

This is an on-going project with members and friends meeting regularly to stuff, sew and package our Zonta Breast Cushions which are then distributed to predominantly the Mater Private Hospital but also Radiation Oncology at the Princess Alexandra Hospital and St Andrews as needs arise and we respond to ad hoc requests the number of which seem to be growing.

During the year approximately 800 cushions were made and delivered.

Jo again has generously hosted our working bees and again we thank Pat for cutting out the cushions, Jo's sisters who sew and stuff many of the cushions and our friends such as HonZons Maureen, Kaye and Jan who come regularly to help us with this project. Their support is invaluable. Jill also now has a group of women who assist with this project.

Jo's sisters also responded to a request from the Mater Private Hospital for the supply of drainage bags and we now make and deliver about 50 of these each month these as well – many thanks Michele.

During the year we have received many letters of thanks and donations from women who have received one of our cushions. To know they are of assistance to these women is very gratifying. We regularly receive donations specifically for our Breast Cushion project from our Bunnings Sausage Sizzles. These donations help ensure continuation of this project.

The Club continues to purchase the stuffing in bulk and then on-sell to other Club's on request at the same purchase price as we pay. This is seen as one way we can assist other Clubs keep their costs down and ensure supply to all hospitals doing this surgery.

Ros continues to coordinate this project on behalf of District 22 and is the Breast Cancer Network Australia contact for Zonta Breast Cushions across our District.

b) State High School Scholarships

We have continued with our two scholarships – the Beverley Farley Zonta Scholarship and the Yeronga State High School Zonta Scholarship.

The scholarships are valued at \$750 per annum for three years subject to continuing enrolment and satisfactory results.

The scholarships were announced at the school Award Nights and the successful students invited to our March Meeting to meet members and speak on the progress of their studies.

c) Support for Madonna House

The Club continued its support for the women staying at Madonna House. Our support included:

- Christmas hampers for each of the women staying at Madonna House (6 families);
- A Christmas gift from the Club for each woman;
- A Christmas gift for each child at the Refuge at Christmas; and
- Gifts for the children to give to their mother on Christmas Day.

Again the hampers and gifts were made possible by the generous donation of goods from members, supplemented by funds from our Fundraising Account, and through David Kinder, a very generous donation of sweets from Nestle.

d) Brisbane Domestic Violence Service

Club members continued to donate personal items such as women and children's underwear and night attire to BDVS. These are given to the women who often flee a situation and arrive on the BDVS doorstep with only the clothes they are wearing.

The Club also sponsored a reprint of the Safety Posters and Safety Cards which provide phone numbers for women in crisis. These were relaunched at our Zonta Says NO to Domestic Violence function in November.

e) Young Women in Public Affairs Award

This year the Club received a very strong YWPA application from Phoebe Frederick. Whilst unsuccessful at the District level Phoebe's application was highly recommended by the judging panel. Four applications were received for the 2016-2017 year.

f) Sexual Assault Response Team at Logan Hospital

Using residual funds from the previous year the Club the purchased additional clothing to be given to clients who present at this unit and whose own clothing is taken because it is required for forensic testing.

g) International Service Projects through Zonta International Foundation

The Club is committed to supporting the ZIF programs and at the end of the year when our Financial Accounts are audited will be forwarding one-third of the funds raised during the 2015-2016 year to ZIF.

h) LoveBites

The Club acknowledges the grant of \$1500 received from the Clayton Utz Trust Fund which assisted us in sponsoring the training of 14 facilitators to introduce the LoveBites program into seven high schools in 2016.

The Club also acknowledges the assistance of Yeronga State High School which provided the venue for the training and arranged for the catering.

Future Activities

A similar process to that followed this year determined the service projects to be supported in 2016-2017. Club members were asked to submit proposals for discussion and decision at the March 2016 meeting. The projects agreed to for the coming year are:

Continuing projects:

- Beverley Farley Zonta Scholarship, Balmoral State High School;
- Zonta Club of Brisbane East Scholarship, Yeronga State High School;
- Making and distribution of Zonta Breast Care Cushions;
- Making and distribution of Drainage Bags for the Mater Private Hospital;
- Support to women residing at Madonna House;
- Sexual Assault Response Team at Logan Hospital (residual of funding approved for 2014-2015); and
- Zig Zag (residual from funding approved for 2014-2015).

New projects:

- Training of additional facilitators for the LoveBites program in schools

It is now up to the Club to determine fundraising activities to ensure we raise sufficient funds to continue our service projects and to fund any new service projects determined for 2017-2018.

We thank all Club members who assisted this year with our fundraising and service activities. Our service projects make a big difference in the lives of the women touched by them.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer: Loris Neff

I am pleased to present the 2015-2016 Treasurer's Annual Report. As can be seen from our Audit Report, the Zonta Club of Brisbane East Inc is in a sound financial position with funds more than sufficient to meet our commitments. Unfortunately our General Account and our Fundraising Account both showed a loss this year with the Club's funds decreasing over the year.

We have continued with our Investment Account and while interest rates are not as high as in past years, interest received was still significant.

The Club held a number of successful fundraising activities during the past twelve months and I thank our members for their contribution and support of these functions. We received a special donation of \$1500 from Clayton Utz Solicitors for the LoveBites program and we also received a \$1000 grant from Brisbane Airport for the Zonta Says No Campaign.

A summary of the net proceeds from each function is:

Blue Illusion	\$ 558.00
Entertainment Books	\$ 221.00
High Tea	\$2,699.00
Bunnings Sausage Sizzles	\$4,938.22
Sale of handmade cards	\$ 210.00
Total	\$8,626.22

One-third of this total (A\$2,875.41) was forwarded to the Zonta International Foundation as the Club contribution to the ZI Service projects.

Our fund dedicated to our Zonta Breast Care Cushion project received several donations (\$859.25) from recipients of our cushions. We continue to purchase and on-sell to Clubs at cost the surplus stuffing for the cushions. The balance in this fund as at 31 March, 2016 is \$3,259.11. These dollars are set aside specifically for our Zonta Breast Care Cushions.



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**AUDITED FINANCIAL
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YEAR ENDED
31 MARCH 2016**

**ZONTA CLUB OF BRISBANE EAST INC.
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016**

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**ZONTA CLUB OF BRISBANE EAST INC
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 MARCH 2016**

	Notes	2016 \$	2015 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash	2	<u>35,435.57</u>	<u>47,379.51</u>
		35,435.57	47,379.51
NON CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, Plant & Equipment	3	0.00	0.00
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>35,435.57</u>	<u>47,379.51</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
TOTAL LIABILITIES		0.00	0.00
NET ASSETS		<u>35,435.57</u>	<u>47,379.51</u>
ASSOCIATION FUNDS			
Accumulated Funds	4	<u>35,435.57</u>	<u>47,379.51</u>

**ZONTA CLUB OF BRISBANE EAST INC
INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT
AS AT 31 MARCH 2016**

	2016	2015
	\$	\$
INCOME		
Area Meeting	0.00	5,845.00
Dinner Meeting – Monthly	785.00	1,545.00
Fellowship	1,041.00	
Fundraising Surplus	0.00	6,688.49
Interest received	347.94	7.42
Membership Fees	1,200.00	3,165.00
New Members	420.00	0.00
Miscellaneous	16.15	0.00
Morningside Festival	235.00	0.00
Zonta Fashion Showcase	<u>3,500.00</u>	<u>3,500.00</u>
	<u>4,045.09</u>	<u>20,750.91</u>
EXPENSES		
Area Meeting	0.00	5,845.00
Dinner Meetings	350.76	1,453.00
District Dues	612.50	560.00
Fundraising Deficit	11,199.15	
Fellowship	1,041.00	154.99
International Fees & Dues	2,031.73	1,454.17
Licences, Registration & Fees	66.45	46.60
Membership Costs	217.88	188.80
Miscellaneous	129.95	409.00
Post Office Box	272.00	258.00
Purchase of Assets	<u>67.61</u>	<u>0.00</u>
	<u>15,989.03</u>	<u>13,884.56</u>
<u>SURPLUS/ (DEFICIT)</u>	<u>(11,943.94)</u>	<u>6,866.35</u>

**ZONTA CLUB OF BRISBANE EAST INC
INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT
FUNDRAISING ACCOUNT
AS AT 31 MARCH 2016**

	2016	2015
	\$	\$
INCOME		
Blue Illusion	558.00	1,009.09
Breast Cushion Donations	882.50	1,237.12
Donation	0.00	736.00
Entertainment Books	975.00	585.00
Hand made cards	210.00	153.00
High Tea	3,289.00	4,111.00
Interest received	396.46	870.00
Key rings	0.00	42.00
LoveBites (ClaytonUtz grant)	1,500.00	0.00
Manicure Sets	96.00	120.00
Menopause the Musical	848.60	0.00
Sale of Breast Cushion Stuffing	2,055.30	1,502.05
Sausage Sizzles	6,641.50	12,347.10
Zonta Says No Grant (BAC)	1,000.00	0.00
Zonta Fashion Showcase	0.00	<u>6,851.72</u>
	<u>18,452.36</u>	<u>29,564.08</u>
EXPENSES		
Anglicare (Zonta Fashion Showcase)	0.00	3,778.51
Breast Cushion Materials	859.25	1,267.49
Breast Cushion Stuffing	3440.80	2,039.40
Club Service Projects (Refer Note 5)	4,088.40	1,810.40
Entertainment Books	754.00	481.00
High Tea	590.00	1,009.09
LoveBites	5,050.00	0.00
Madonna House	402.40	466.25
Miscellaneous Expenses	43.80	65.18
Promotional Expenses	96.00	129.47
Sausage Sizzles	1,703.28	3,549.80
Scholarships	3,000.00	3,750.00
YWPA	500.00	750.00
Zonta International Foundation	6,961.97	3,780.00
Zonta Says NO Campaign	<u>1,161.11</u>	<u>0.00</u>
	<u>29,651.51</u>	<u>22,875.59</u>
<u>SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)</u>	(11,199.15)	<u>6,688.49</u>

ZONTA CLUB OF BRISBANE EAST INC
NOTE TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements are general purpose financial reports that have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, other mandatory professional reporting requirements and the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act (Qld). The financial statements have also been prepared on the basis of historical costs and do not take into account changing money values or, except where stated current calculations of non-current assets. Cost is based on the full value of the consideration given in exchange for assets. The accounting policies have been consistently applied unless otherwise stated.

The following is a summary of the material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements.

Income Tax

No income tax is payable as the Association is an exempt organization under Section 50-10 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

Depreciation

Property, plant and equipment are brought to account at cost. Plant is depreciated on a straight line basis over 10 years.

Accumulated Funds

In the event of the winding up accumulated funds will not be distributed to members. The funds are to be distributed to another body incorporated with a similar constitution and objectives as that of the current Association. Otherwise the funds are to be returned to the relevant body which originally granted the funds to the Association.

ZONTA CLUB OF BRISBANE EAST INC
NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

	2016	2015
	\$	\$
2. CASH		
Cash at Bank – General Account	4,996.15	5,740.94
Cash at Bank – Internet Banking Account	23,348.07	22,972.15
Cash at Bank – Fundraising Account	<u>7,091.35</u>	<u>18,666.42</u>
	<u>35,435.57</u>	<u>47,379.51</u>
3. PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT		
Furniture & Fittings – at cost	0.00	0.00
Accumulated Depreciation	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
4. ACCUMULATED FUNDS		
Balance 1 April	47,379.51	40,513.16
Surplus/ (Deficit)	<u>(11,943.94)</u>	<u>6,866.35</u>
	<u>35,435.57</u>	<u>47,379.51</u>
5. DISTRIBUTIONS		
The following distributions were approved and made out of the Fundraising Account to organisations:		
Balmoral State High School Scholarships		
Nadia Querengasser	750.00	
Caitlin Barnett	750.00	
Yeronga State High School Scholarship		
Lidia Mebrahtu	750.00	
Fatemah Mohit	750.00	
YWPA		
Phoebe Frederick	500.00	
Club Service Projects		
Logan Sexual Assault Team	588.40	
Love Bites Program	5,050.00	
Micah Projects (BDVS)	2,500.00	
ZigZag	1,000.00	
Zonta International Foundation	6,961.97	
Madonna House	402.40	

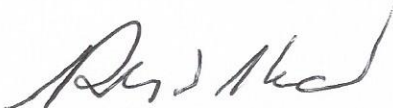
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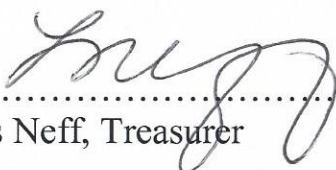
STATEMENT BY COMMITTEE

We the committee of the Zonta Club of Brisbane East Inc. state that in the opinion of the committee the accompanying financial statements:

1. Present fairly the financial position of the Zonta Club of Brisbane East Inc as at 31 March 2016
2. Have been prepared and presented in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards other mandatory professional reporting requirements and the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act (Qld).


..... 9 May 2016
Jo Diessel, President


..... 9 May 2016
Ros Kinder, Secretary


..... 9 May 2016
Loris Neff, Treasurer

ZONTA CLUB OF BRISBANE EAST INC AUDIT REPORT

Scope

I have audited the special purpose financial report of the Zonta Club of Brisbane East Inc. for the year ended 31 March 2016 as set out on pages 3 to 8. The committee is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the financial report. I have conducted an independent audit of these financial statements in order to express an opinion on them to the members of the association for the year ended 31 March 2016.

My audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards to provide reasonable assurance as to whether the financial report is free of material misstatement. My procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial report, and the evaluation of accounting policies and significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion whether, in all material respects, the financial report is presented fairly and in accordance with Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements and statutory requirements so as to present a view which is consistent with my understanding of the association's financial position, and the results of its operation.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

Qualifications

Various fundraising activities, particularly membership fees and dinner meetings contribute a significant amount of the revenue for the Zonta Club of Brisbane East Inc. The Zonta Club of Brisbane East Inc. has determined that it is impracticable to establish control of the collection of donations of cash prior to entry into its financial records. Accordingly, as the evidence available to me regarding revenue from this source was limited, our audit procedures with respect to cash donations have to be restricted to the amounts recorded in the financial records. In addition, donations of goods and services have not been accounted for in the financial statements. I am therefore unable to express an opinion whether donations received by the Zonta Club of Brisbane East Inc are complete.

Audit Opinion

In my opinion, except for the effects on the financial report of such adjustments, if any, as might have been required had the limitations on our audit procedures referred to in the qualification paragraph not existed, the financial report presents fairly in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards, other mandatory professional reporting requirements and the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act (Qld) as at 31 March 2016 the financial position of the Zonta Club of Brisbane East Inc. and the results of its operations.



Denys Edwards
Bachelor of Business (Accounting); FCPA
15 May, 2016