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Next Dinner Meeting

The July meeting will be held Tuesday, 7th July from 6:30pm at Urban Espresso & Wine Cafe, 14/5 Innovation Parkway, Britinya.

Please advise Vicki Christie by 3rd July 2015 as to whether you will be bringing any guests or need to make an apology. If you accept the invitation for dinner and cannot make it you are still liable for the \$35.00 cost.

REPORTS

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It is only a week or so until our planning day at Vicki Christies' home on the 28th June from 10 am to 1 pm. I am hoping this will be an informative morning where we all decide what outcomes we would like the club to achieve, to satisfy our membership of Zonta International (I promise you there will be fun as well!!)

So please come along and bring any suggestions that you have – we also need the new members to come, as they will have a lot of ideas that we, the older members, have not thought of or have not implemented!

At the last dinner meeting, a wine order form was passed out. This is a fund raising initiative for the team of 4 women undertaking the Oxfam walk of 55 kilometres next Sunday. One of the team is our past member and President Coral Brown. If you would like to order some wine, please phone Kate Morris and she will deliver the wine direct to you.

Bev Bellet and I had a very enjoyable evening when we attended the Changeover dinner of the Maroochydore Zonta Club last week. It was lovely to see all the incoming office bearers and Board Members' being sworn in and looking forward to undertaking their new roles in the club.

Marilyn Holness will be asking for expressions of interest in attending the dinner dance on the 14th August, the proceeds of which will be going to the Rise Project. It should be a very enjoyable night, so hope fully we can muster a few members and their partners/friends to attend.

I would like to give my congratulations to everyone for the marvelous outcome of the shoe boxes of love appeal. It was such a successful campaign with the general public getting behind it, and I have had a number of people asking if we are doing anything similar for Christmas. !! Well done girls – you can all give yourself a pat on the back!

I look forward to seeing you all on Sunday 28th at Pelican Waters at 9:30 am for coffee prior to the 10:00 am meeting.

Mary

COMMITTEE REPORTS

STATUS OF WOMEN - SERVICE

Attendance: Simone, Lyn, Janet, Joan, Val, Shiree and Jo.

Shoebox update – Charleville, Roma, Cunamulla, Charters Towers, communities in the South West. We have had over 500 boxes delivered around regional Queensland. Joan sent an e-mail to Mal Brough regarding the shoeboxes.



Grill'd - -we were charity of the month at Grill'd Kawana and received a \$300 cheque.

STATUS OF WOMEN - ADVOCACY

Thank you from the Tri-Series and Pink Series for our volunteer work over the past year.



Karen Marshall – regarding Domestic Violence Month, last Sunday at Caloundra Markets they had a stall about Domestic Violence.



The domestic violence month – white ribbon day.
The land has been released with the Sunshine Coast Council.

FINANCE & FUNDRAISING

Shortly after that we had our planning day on the 28th June which produced a lot more activity than we had planned. However, thankfully, our beloved President delegated some of these events to other members and I was so to see her sister Kate bring all those yummy cakes to reward her as I am not usually in favour of small events. My theory it's a lot of work for small returns. They are hopefully good fellowship opportunities.

Our 1st Event this year will be the Dinner Dance on the 24th August and I am sure you have all received a flyer...This is not being run by Zonta and neither is the second Event on the 28th August. At the Ebb Restaurant at Maroochydore or the 24th August Dinner Dance.

By sheer luck I was seated at the same table as the owner of My Weekly Preview who runs Luncheons / Fashion Parades at good restaurants every 2 months in aid of a different worthwhile charity and of course I was able to convince her that The Rise Project was a very worthwhile cause.

I approached Marilyn on the organisers behalf to be guest speaker, Gingers of Buderim will be presenting the fashions there are always prizes for the best dressed and vouchers from various Beauty and Hair Boutiques. I don't know the price as yet but all the information will be in My Weekly Preview. Its money without effort for us just get a table together is all we are asked for.

On the 12th September is we ask you to roll up at 3pm to "Why Not Dress Shop" situated at Golden Beach Shopping Centre with \$10 cash and your credit card...\$5 to contribute to the Champagne and Nibbles. \$5 for the Raffle and your credit card to pay for the Spring Fashions you buy! 10% of what you spend will be donated to Zonta How good is that 2 opportunities in 13 days to buy your Spring wardrobe and help the Zonta club of Caloundra Inc. and have a good time!

Other events planned is International Women's Day or for our new members benefit known in Zonta circles as IWD!

I emailed all members regarding the booking and the out of 10 who replied were in favour of a Sunday and then the mood changed to a breakfast .I approached The Events Centre on the next day and there is nothing vacant. They have a 3 day conference from the Wednesday to the Friday nobody wants Saturday so it's Sunday Lunch.

We have our Guest Speaker who will be launching her book at IWD and is supposed to be a brilliant speaker. I will tell you all about her on Tuesday night.

Marie Pigott
Chair Finance and Fundraising Committee

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Facebook

The Facebook page needs more “likes” on the page, so please check it out and “like” the page, here is the link: <https://www.facebook.com/zontacaloundra> all members please send me photos of recent events so that we can keep the Facebook page up to date.

Publicity

An article in the newspaper from an interview given by Marilyn regarding the Safe House being built in Caloundra.



Desley being sworn in as a new member by Bev Bellett at the June Dinner Meeting in Kawana.

UN hails cooperatives as vehicle to make sustainable development a reality for all

4 July 2015 – Cooperatives will play an “invaluable role” in the international community’s roll-out of a sustainable development goals, said United Nations [Secretary-General](#) Ban Ki-moon, who today marked the International Day of Cooperatives with an appeal for all to recommit to the business model, which could help make the vision of a sustainable future a reality for everyone.

“Inequality is a fundamental obstacle to development, depriving people of basic services and opportunities to build better lives for themselves and their children,” the Secretary-General declared in his [message](#) for the [Day](#), which is on the theme ‘Choose Cooperative’s, Choose Equality.’ “The cooperative model helps meet this challenge. Cooperatives strive to uphold the principles of equality and democratic participation,” says Mr. Ban

According to *Cooperatives and Sustainable Development Goals*, a recently-produced study by the UN’s International Labour Organization ([ILO](#)) and the International Cooperative Alliance (ICA), cooperatives contribute to sustainable development and hold the potential to do much more: from creating employment and enhancing gender equality to providing clean energy and financial inclusion to ensuring food security and extending social protection. Cooperatives are strongly committed to the communities they serve, Mr. Ban continued. “This business model, built on inclusion and sustainability, offers a pathway toward economic, social and political justice for all.” At the same time, the UN has long noted that the benefits of the cooperative model expand well beyond its contribution towards sustainable development.

Ranging from small-scale to multi-million dollar businesses across the globe, cooperatives operate in all sectors of the economy, and provide 100 million jobs worldwide – 20 per cent more than multinational enterprises, according to 2011 figures from the UN Food and Agriculture Organization ([FAO](#)), the UN International Fund for Agriculture Development ([IFAD](#)) and the UN World Food Programme ([WFP](#)).

In 2008 alone, in the midst of the global financial crisis, the largest 300 cooperatives in the world had an aggregate turnover of \$1.1 trillion, comparable to the gross domestic product (GDP) of many large economies. In his message, the Secretary-General pointed to a wealth of research showing how cooperatives have helped lower wage difference between men and women and promote greater equality in the work place and training opportunities. With an estimated one in every six people in the world either a member or client of a cooperative and some 2.6 million cooperatives employing 12.6 million people globally, the potential contribution to sustainable development is “enormous,” he added.

“In this crucially important year in which the world will commit itself to an inspiring new development agenda, including a set of sustainable development goals, let us recommit to the cooperative business model and use its many benefits to fulfil our vision of a life of dignity for all,” concluded Mr. Ban. In his message on the Day, Guy Ryder, Director-General of the International Labour organization (ILO) said that as people-centered, principle driven, member owned businesses, cooperatives have a long tradition of promoting equality. Their values of “equality and equity” are translated into members’ equal voting rights and access to the products and services of the cooperative, as well as to an equitable distribution of surpluses.

“In addition to creating a viable enterprise model that generates productivity and income, cooperatives are well placed to help tackle social inequalities, discrimination and exclusion based on gender, age, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation and differential abilities,” he said, adding that not surprisingly, cooperatives have also proved to be effective vehicles for realizing decent work for all.

For example, Mr. Ryder noted that in the rural and informal economies “we have seen first-hand how women, youth and indigenous peoples are increasing their income and their standard of living by using the cooperative way of working,” and in low income communities, cooperatives of housing, tourism and renewable energy can help to achieve an equitable distribution of economic returns. The ILO is examining how cooperative arrangements for the provision of care services can improve the well-being of care workers, care beneficiaries and the community at large. “And, as the world of work evolves, the cooperative model can be used to bring the technological, social and organizational innovation through pooling of people, knowledge, technology and resources helping to bridge the gaps that perpetuate economic and social inequality,” he said.

ORGANISATION, MEMBERSHIP & CLASSIFICATION

Meeting with Christine Alder and Bev Bellet.

- Past member Desley Melrose is being inducted tonight, 2nd June 2015.
- Our progress with membership - three perspective members, hopefully going to induct them in August.
- Make a small booklet about the Zonta Club of Caloundra so that you give to members.
- Bev has organised three printed copies of the Club Manual to be given to the inducted members on the night.
- The Sergeant of Arms - the money raised could go towards the purchase of drinks at our dinner meetings for prospective members/guests who are in attendance as a sign of welcome/gratitude.
- I will endeavour to observe members during meetings and functions and jot down reasons for fines to ensure that we don't keep repeating ourselves and over-fining (picking on) the one member all the time. I will try to share it around.
- We will identify the months' Birthday girls at each meeting and acknowledge them by way of a toast.
- I have completed the new member protocol for discussion/amendment and acceptance – I will attach in a further e-mail.
- We discussed the concept of inviting new member feedback via discussion or possible questionnaire to assist us in identifying areas where our recruitment can be improved and also invite contribution by members during their membership of feedback both positive and negative that could assist with retention of members. We need to identify any negative experience/impact that is causing us to lose members.

Bev Bellett

FOR CALOUNDRRA MEMBERS



The poster features a blue sky with white clouds and a green field. At the top, the Pyjama Foundation logo shows two children reading a book. The main text is in pink and white, with 'Pyjama Day' in a large, cursive font. Below it, a pink banner contains the date '17 JULY 2015'. The purpose of the event is stated in a cursive font: 'To help give children in foster care a brighter future'. The registration website is listed as 'WWW.THEPYJAMAFUNDATION.COM'. The illustration shows a woman in pink polka-dot pajamas waving to a young boy in blue striped pajamas with a backpack. In the background, a girl is riding a bicycle on a path leading to a school building.

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CLUB CALENDAR 2014

Timeline	Date	Event/Action Required	Who to action
June	1	New Zonta year begins and new Board takes office.	All clubs
June	29	Planning Day at Vicki's Place.	All members
July	7	Dinner Meeting	All members.
August	30	Volunteering at Sunshine Coast Marathon on a "Water Station"	All members
September	12	Fellowship at "Why Not" Dress Shop, Golden Beach.	All members
September	13	Volunteering at Iron Man on cycling and running pedestrians.	All members
October	24	United Nations Day	All members
November	8	Zonta International birthday celebrations and Zonta Says No Campaign with United Nations.	All clubs
November	16	Zonta volunteering at the "Tri Series"	All members
December	10	Human Rights Day	All members

ZONTA INTERNATIONAL

LIBERIA FISULA PROJECT



Survivor Victoria Kanu is visited by Zonta International President-Elect Sonja Hönig Schough in 2014 (UNFPA Photo)

In cooperation with the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), Zonta International has supported the Liberia Fistula Project, "Towards Elimination of Obstetric Fistula and Reduction of Maternal and Newborn Mortality in Liberia," since 2008. During the 2012-2014 Biennium, the program moved from project-based treatment to treatment integrated into the government's national health system.

[Click here](#) to read a new update and report on the project.

[Click here](#) to read a testimony from Sarah Shamue, a fistula survivor and one of the women whose dignity and health have been restored through the Liberia Fistula Project.

Posted and created on the Zonta International Website on 29th June 2015.

on International Day, UN reminds world of invisible plight of millions of widows and their children



Photo: UN Women

In India, members of a network of single women, Ekal Nari Shakti Sangathan, that helps secure the right of widows to live with dignity and justice. UN Women/Gaganjit Singh (File)

23 June 2015 – United Nations [Secretary-General](#) Ban Ki-moon is urging the world on the fifth International Widows' Day “to assert the rights of those whose bereavement is followed by exclusion, abuse or the loss of homes, livelihoods and social standing.”

In his [message](#) on the Day, Mr. Ban said the death of their partner can leave widows in precarious living conditions, particularly in areas of conflict, natural disaster and humanitarian crisis. “In societies that view women as whole only when they are married, widows are often disregarded or stigmatized,” he said. “Without the economic and social protection of their husbands, many widows are treated as financial burdens by their families. They may lose their rights to inheritance and property, or even be forced out of their communities.”

We must erase the social stigmatization and economic deprivation that confronts widows; eliminate their high risk of sexual abuse and exploitation; and remove the barriers to resources and economic opportunities that constrain their future. The UN General Assembly [declared](#) 23 June [International Widows' Day](#) to give special attention to the millions of widows and their children around the world who are “absent in statistics, unnoticed by researchers, neglected by national and local authorities and mostly overlooked by civil society organizations.”

“On International Widows' Day, we reassert the equality of men and women,” the UN Secretary-General said, adding that “the United Nations is working on specific measures that can help widows.” “We must erase the social stigmatization and economic deprivation that confronts widows; eliminate their high risk of sexual abuse and exploitation; and remove the barriers to resources and economic opportunities that constrain their future,” he said. “We also must advance widows' equal rights to inheritance, property, land and other assets.” “This will be an essential element in realizing our vision of a life of dignity for all,” he said.

According to a UN fact sheet on the state of the world's widows, “vast numbers of women are widowed due to armed conflict. In some parts of eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo, for instance, it is reported that around 50 per cent of women are widows, while there are an estimated three million widows in Iraq and over 70,000 in Kabul, Afghanistan. In addition, it said that “in many countries, widowhood is stigmatized and seen as a source of shame. Widows are thought to be cursed in some cultures and are even associated with witchcraft. Such misconceptions can lead to widows being ostracized, abused and worse.”