

# ZONTA CLUB OF PINE RIVERS INC Newsletter MARCH '10 ZONTA INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 22, AREA 1, CLUB 1470

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# **Dinner Meeting:**

Contact Tracy Watson for all dinner arrangements no later than the Monday prior to our dinner meeting. Advise her of any apologies if you are unable to attend or to let her know of extra dinner guests that you have invited.

**COST** (Includes dinner) Members/Guests \$20.00

## **Special Dietary Requirements:**

If anyone has any special dietary requirements will they please inform Tracy so that she can inform the club. The club is very happy to cater to individual needs.

## **Tracy Watson**

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Home: 3289 3452

Email:

just.tracy@westnet.com.au

As it is assumed you will be attending all meetings of the club unless an apology is received, any member from whom an apology is not received in time will still be invoiced for the meal ordered for her.



Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March – 10am International Womens Day Wantima Country Club

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> March- 6.30pm **Dinner meeting** – Arana Leagues Club

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> March – 8am **District** Area Meeting Forest Glen

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> April – 9.30am Packing boxes for Kowanyama *Tracy's place – 3 Sylvaterre* Court Samford



# **Bingo Report**

## PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF CHANGES:

The Bingo game is now being held in the other room at the leagues club where we have our dinner meeting.

# **Bingo Roster**

Mar	4 <sup>th</sup> 11 <sup>th</sup> 18 <sup>th</sup>	Carole Bettina Ros
April	25 <sup>th</sup> 1 <sup>st</sup> 8 <sup>th</sup> 15 <sup>th</sup> 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Jan Kay Carole Anthea
May	29 <sup>th</sup> 6 <sup>th</sup> 13 <sup>th</sup> 20 <sup>th</sup>	Tracy Karen Bettina Ros Jan
June	27 <sup>th</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup> 10 <sup>th</sup> 17 <sup>th</sup>	Karen Jan Bettina Tracy
July	24 <sup>th</sup> 1 <sup>st</sup> 8 <sup>th</sup> 15 <sup>th</sup> 22 <sup>nd</sup> 29 <sup>th</sup>	Kay Ros Jan Karen Kay Bettina

I will be calling and selling, so do not forget to turn up. Bring your glasses and comfortable shoes.

Regards,

Vicki Williams Bingo Convener



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# **President's Message**

Having just looked at our Calendar of Events for this year, it appears it will be a busy year which started off sewing with the bee in February and this month our celebration of annual International Women's Day with High Tea at Wantima Country Club. Thanks to Simone and Karen for their effort which we all know will produce a wonderful day of celebration if the Melbourne Cup Day function was any indication. There are fabulous prizes to be won and a scrumptious morning tea with Kelly Higgins-Devine (ABC Radio) as our guest speaker. Janet has a surprise gift for Kelly, so come along and enjoy the fun.



We also have fabulous Luggage from Pat's travel light Travel bright ladies, that has been purchased

courtesy of the local members in the Pine Rivers (Fiona's politician mates).

Our Area Director Vicki is busy organizing the Area 1/3 meeting for 21<sup>st</sup> March and you are warmly invited to be a part of this day by registering asap. Our club funds will be paying for our members to attend, so take advantage of this opportunity to learn more about Zonta and meet other club members. Over the next few meetings, Vice President Tracy Watson and the Service committee will present to members ideas for spending the money you have raised. It is these meetings you need to attend if you want to provide input.

## Regards, Lorraine Hunter



# Service Committee

**ZONTA PINE RIVERS QUT EQUITY SCHOLARSHIP** ON behalf of our club is now signed off and has probably already been awarded. We hope that the recipient will be happy to correspond with our club and possibly even join us as a guest at one of our dinner meetings.





International Women's Day 2010.

Monday March 8<sup>th</sup> 10.00 am- 12.30pm Wantima Country Club 530 South Pine Road, Brendale

\$30 per person

\*Free glass of champagne on arrival

Payment by Monday March 2nd

**For Bookings call or email:** Karen Fuller 0416 199670 brizentertainmentgroup@iinet.net.au

\*No refunds but substitutions welcome.

## KOWANYAMA

A date has been set for packaging of goods for transportation to Kowanyama. Saturday April 24<sup>th</sup> at my shed at 3 Sylvaterre Court Samford for a 9:30am start – just let me know if you are available. It will probably only take a couple of hours to pack, list contents and label the boxes. If anyone has more



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goods and or boxes please let me know. The boxes will then

be mailed as soon as the wet season comes to an end.



# Towels, Sheets & Curtains, Early childhood/kids books

A big thanks to Karen and her daughters for organising a book drive at their school – the girls are definitely little 'Z' Clubbers in the making!

#### REDCLIFFE LIBRARY KNITTING GROUP

A request has come from this group of ladies who provide knitted & crocheted items for welfare centres, crisis centres, homeless, cancer clinics & premature babies (2,700 items since June 08).

Even though they are not gender specific in their donations, if we decide to help them in a nominal way it would

actually be raising the status of women in providing the resources for these women to be productive and socially active in their retirement which is in turn conducive to both their mental and physical health.

#### Advocacy Working GROUP

Following the directive of Zonta International, club members have demonstrated a keenness to ramp up our advocacy commitments for 2010. With this in mind, I will be calling for interested parties to join a working group to formulate a plan for an advocacy program/event for this year. All ideas workshopped by this group will then be taken through the due process for acceptance and adoption by the club. Further information will be available at our March dinner meeting.

## SERVICE COMMITTEE

Thank you to Lorraine, Dot, Marina & Janet (with apologies from Bettina and Vicki) who came along to the last committee meeting – it makes a huge difference having new and varied input. So the second meeting for the year will be:

# Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> March

## 6:30pm - Albany Creek Coffee Club.

## All Members Welcome!

Thankyou in anticipation of your ongoing support for 2010!

Regards, Tracy Watson

# Organisation, Membership & Classification Committee

#### FELLOWSHIP AND A MAGNIFICENT LUNCH AT THE 21<sup>ST</sup> FEB SEWING BEE AT VICKI'S

What a turn-out! 12 Zontians and Karen's daughter Emily all Vicki's for to came an enjoyable day of fellowship and a successful working bee, making 49 cushions and 2 bags. Those drainage attending were Vicki, Simone, Marina, Karen, Carole, Janet, Bettina, Yvonne, Kay, Jan, Suzanne myself and (Rosalind).

Our thanks to Vicki for cutting out the pillows before the sewing bee, giving the sewers an early start and for offering her house as the venue. And I think we had the best balanced, most delicious and most bountiful lunch yet from the fabulous variety of dishes members bought, – and that's saying something, as we've had some great lunches in the past.

I, of course, didn't even manage to thread a needle but I did manage to persuade 3 members to dictate their profiles to me - so I had a productive day "needle-the less" (joke!)



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#### **POSSIBLE NEW MEMBERS**

It was lovely to have three guests at the Februarv meeting and believe Elizabeth Line, Gabi Simon and Grace Cochrane are all interested in joining the Club shortly.

Fingers crossed we should have two or three more people interested in Zonta at the March meeting. And who knows what the IWD morning tea may produce in the way of future members.

## RESIGNATION

Unfortunately Linda Harrrison has decided to resign just a months after joining. few Linda likes to give her whole heart to Zonta's community service and was finding that difficult to do while living up in Bribie Island.

## **BARE-BONES PROFILE**

For the next three months I will be presenting a profile each month from a member who gave me the bare bones of her life story at the sewing bee. I think it was difficult for them to talk about themselves in front of the rest of us so what we have got is that old adage "the tip of the iceberg". But I appreciate their agreement to share a little of their lives with us.

## **KAREN FULLER**

Take Karen, this month's profile. Surely one of our most modest members when it comes to talking about herself and yet what a fantastic asset to the Club she is. She took on the demanding job of treasurer after only two years in the Club and has made a complete success of that role, and everyone thinks last year's Melbourne Cup Day couldn't be surpassed, yet the IWD morning tea is shaping up to be a gem too. And she is still brimming with more fund raising ideas - (Christmas in July is on the calendar We are so very already). fortunate to have Karen in the Club and I hope you enjoy getting to know just this tiny bit more about her and her family.

Hope most of us can make the IWD morning tea - see you there.

Regards, **Rosalind Pestell** 



Founding Director is Kirsty Sword Gusmao and UNIFEM are hoping to raise enough money to build a small annex at Dili hospital for families of birthing mothers as well as to

support the UNIFEM Timor Leste Peace Scholarship Program to provide additional training learning and opportunities for a young Timor Leste woman working in the area of child and maternal health in Timor Leste.

Timor Leste has one of the highest maternal and child mortality rates in the world -830 mothers in every 100,000 live births and 85 babies in every 1,000 live births. Many women do not come to health facilities because they do not want to be away from family support. Many of the birthing complications are as a result of the mother suffering from such conditions as malnutrition, malaria and TB, which are prevalent in Timor-Leste, Currently, only 10% of pregnant women give birth under skilled care. This project endeavours to encourage women to give birth in a health facility, in safety, with dignity and with family support.

UNIFEM Australia has committed to support the academic learning opportunities young women from Timor Leste in Australia. The first Timor Leste Peace Scholar, a teacher/educator in maternal and child health who works in the Dili Institute of Health Sciences, has commenced her studies in Canberra.

Regards,

## **Glynnis Gartside**



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I grew up in Ferny Hills, Pine Rivers.

And I lived with my mum and dad, my 2 brothers, my sister and a dog named Sam.

My biggest move to date was when husband Lance and I moved out of my brother's garage into our home at Albany Creek. But we had moved at least ten times when I was growing up because dad Gary is a builder.

People, pets and possessions dearest to me now are my two girls Emily and Jessica, husband Lance, mum and dad (Zontian Kay and Gary) and our two Cocker Spaniels, Charlie and Patch.

My profession is: Waxing (beauty therapy), and entertainment management

My current occupation is: As above, plus running the family home and looking after Lance, my two active school girls and my puppies. My other interests, skills & indulgences include boxing, swimming, and the occasional Friday lunch with my friends. I am also a good events organizer [and a fund raising dynamo – Rosalind]

I also want to tell you that I play the piano and the guitar.

**I joined Zonta** in May 2007.

I joined Zonta because I had been coming to Zonta working bees ever since mum joined Zonta and in the end I decided I wanted to become more involved in the Club.

I remain in Zonta because I have had a first hand taste of how Zonta changes people's lives and also because I value the camaraderie of the women I've met in Zonta. **Positions held in Zonta:** I am currently Treasurer.

Positions I'd be willing to try: Fundraising Chair, Director



International Convention 2010 San Antonio, USA International convention 2012 Italy

