

The mighty Burdekin River in flood.

ZONTA CLUB

BURDEKIN INC

ABN 46 726 890 036

APRIL 2013

Zonta International District 22

Area 5 Club No 1475 CHARTERED 1.5.1994

President:

Raelene Grantz

Vice President:

Margaret Culpan

Minutes Secretary:

Judy Mitchell

Correspondence Secretary:

Jan Hollingsworth

Treasurer:

Diana Moschen

OMC

Margaret Culpan LAA

Robyn Haller **SERVICE**

Mary Lynch

Newsletter Ed:

Robyn Haller

Meeting Time 6pm for 6.30pm

sharp

KALAMIA HOTEL

Party Time 7.00PM

The Club meets on the second Tuesday of each month (except January)

Postal Address

PO Box 2204

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GUEST SPEAKER

Mandy Oats

Diversional Therapy
Mgr & Volunteer Coordinator
LBHA

Hí Ladies

Well the easter bunny has come and gone and I hope you all had a chance to catch up with family and friends and put your feet up.

My apologies for not attending this month's meeting as I am away at Bribie Island for my son Lachlan's Lawn Bowls State Titles. Please support Margaret as she steps up.

It is time for our annual fees and our Zonta Board has decided to keep the fees at \$160, the same as last year.

Ladies, it is time to get serious. We need someone to step up and take on Minutes Secretary for the incoming committee. It is rather an easy task, bring along a voice recorder to the meeting if you like. It would only take 20 minutes after you get home to sit at the computer and type it up and email it out. Then it is all done until the next meeting. It is a great opportunity to learn more about Zonta at Board level.

Our next event for the year will be our Breast Cancer DVD night at the Neighbourhood Centre on Thursday 2nd May. Shirley Gilmore's support group will be joining us. If we all bring just one person we will have a great turnout.

I better fly and pack my bags before my boys leave without me. See you all at the AGM in May.

Keep smiling

Raelene



ADVANCING THE STATUS OF WOMEN WORLDWIDE

International Website: www.zonta.org District Website: http://zontadistrict22.org Club Website: http://zontadistrict22.org Club Website: http://burdekin.zontadistrict22.org

ATTENDANCE OFFICER Nilda Piotto

Email: <u>Irpiotto@gmail.com</u> or TEXT on mobile phone 0427 834 354

Please advise Nilda by 10.00am on FRIDAY if you cannot attend the meeting or will not be staying for the meal.

Fees:

Meeting & dinner \$25 Meeting only \$5 Fee if apology received \$5



Fee if no apology made \$25



Debra Cochran (Apr) Margaret Culpan (May) (value \$10.00 - \$15.00)

Friendship Officer: Rosemary Menkens Phone 0439 705 021

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Club Chartered in January 2013

Zonta Club of Lueneburg Germany

BUDDY LIST

Lyndy Mc Cathie
Rita Cranitch
Marg Culpan
Majella Meehan
Rosemary Menkens
Raelene Grantz
Jan Hollingsworth
Beth Hancock
Isabel Stubbs
Nilda Piotto
Robyn Haller
Janice Micola
Leith Kennedy
Pierina Dalle Cort
Beth Honeycombe

Dianna Moschen
Debbie Watson
Inez Larsen
Mary Lynch
Debra Cochran
Seanne O'Shea
Mary Anne Fraser
Cathy Previtera
Giovanna Gabiola
Karen Clarke
Leanne Jamieson
Judy Mitchell
Janice Micola
Peta Bird
Ardella Alberts



FEES NOW DUE

\$160.00

Can be paid:

- Directly into the bank account (note your name) and let
 Diana know by email re your receipt
- Over the counter (take in account number)
- By cheque or cash to Diana at meeting

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Janice Micola Giovanna Gabiola Majella Meehan Inez Larsen Rita Cranitch Leanne Jamieson Leith Kennedy

CALENDAR 2012 - 2013

February 2012	4 th Service committee meeting 12 th Planning Night - District Governor Judith Andersen & Area 5 Director Hilary Grant are our guests 21 st LAA committee meeting
March	4 th Service committee meeting 8 th IWD Breakfast – Dr Shannon Spriggs Guest Speaker 12 th monthly meeting
April	9 th monthly meeting – FEES due 20-12st Workshop Bowen 25 th Anzac Day – Book presented
May	1 st is our 19 th Birthday 2 nd Breast Cancer DVD Presentation Night Neighbourhood Centre in conjunction with Shirley Gilmore's Breast Cancer Support group – <i>The Public will be invited to attend.</i> 14 th monthly meeting & AGM: Board inducted: Birthday Cake?
June	2 nd Bush Poet's Breakfast 11 th monthly meeting/Changeover 23 rd Social outing to Jo's Alligator Creek
July	9 th Monthly Meeting 20 th Tastes of the Burdekin "Curry in a Hurry"
August	13 th Monthly meeting 18 th Birthing Kits
September	10 th Monthly Meeting 21 st International Day of Peace 27 th – 29 th District Conference Noosa
October	8 th Monthly Meeting 15 th International Day for Rural Women 24 th UN Day – Dinner – Pot Night (confirm or Saturday night?)
November	12 th Monthly Meeting International Birthday Townsville Metro Science Award – Home Hill High Speech Night - President 25 th Elimination of DV Against Women
December	10 th Monthly Meeting/Universal Human Rights Day Christmas Party
January 2014	Ameila Earhart Day
February	11 th Monthly meeting/Planning Night

Board Notes:

<u>MEMBERSHIP</u> – 1. Marg suggested to do a 'fun' thing for social gathering at Jo's in June – maybe an Observation Run in cars or a Treasure Hunt. 2. Jane Farmer has been put forward as a possible new member – take to committees to discuss. 3. Zonta plans to put a Bush Poets section in the Eisteddfod for 2014. We can put a full page advert for Bush Poet's Breakfast in 2000 copies of local Eisteddfod program for 2013 for \$100.

<u>ADVOCACY</u> - 1. An advertisement for Bush Poet's Breakfast and Breast Cancer DVD Night will be put in the "What's On" in local paper. 2. Mandy Oats will be guest speaker for April. 3. Aprons will be printed with Burdekin Zonta Logo as agreed upon by Lyndy and Robyn. 4.Decided to make Drainage Bags at home when necessary and not to be made on a set date in May.

- ✓ Area Workshop workshop registration is due to be paid on 10 April for those who are going. Raelene, Janice and Robyn will do up a report on the Bush Poet's Breakfast.
- ✓ Annual Fees After careful consideration of expenses the fees were left at \$160 the same as last year. New members will pay approx \$210.
- Marg is to Chair next dinner meeting and Robyn is to take the minutes as Raelene and Judy will be away.
- ✓ Centennial anniversary 2019. The Advocacy Committee will be in charge of this celebration but all committees will be involved. Mary and Robyn to begin sorting out the archives. A presentation will be made in due course. An email will be sent to each committee.
- ✓ Thursday 2 May Breast Cancer DVD presentation Neighbourhood Centre.
- ✓ Facebook a consent form will be drawn up by Majella.
- ✓ Committee folders need to be ready after AGM to be passed on to new Chairs. Committees to meet before Board Meeting to discuss details of folders and then pass onto new Chair at Board Meeting.
- ✓ Zonta district 22 Website Training Raelene and Janice had a telephone hook up with Ros Kinder on updating our Burdekin website.
- ✓ \$1500 will go towards purchase of 500 birthing kits for later this year.

Next Meeting: 24th April 6.30pm



Rwanda Diary, 2013

I was privileged to undertake this site inspection of the Rwanda project on your behalf. Know that your donations are making a real difference to the lives of women, children and families in Rwanda. Zonta, through its partner UNICEF, is in the unique position of participating in a country undertaking significant, really significant transformational change. Not only is Rwanda's maternal and child mortality rate dropping- and they are tracking to achieve the Millennium Development Goal for

maternal mortality- THROUGH leadership, vision and a strong community ethos – they are embarking on significant transformational change, low key but focused and inclusive of the population. Lynn McKenzie ZI President

Zonta is funding UNICEF to deliver two programmes. UNICEF, in turn, is working collaboratively with NGOs and the Government to deliver the programmes.

The two programmes are:

1.Prevent mother to child transmission of HIV at birth (PMTCT) through the Family Package Programme

The first testimony came from a couple who were now 35 and 37 and who in 2004 found as part of their pre natal care that they were both HIV positive. They were given counselling and drugs and are delighted that their now six year old daughter and their younger one are HIV negative. Feliiccia, the husband, said that when they were both diagnosed they thought it was the end of their lives. They are very grateful to the programme as it has given them hope.



2. One Stop Centres for those that have experienced violence People subjected to any form of violence can go to these centres which are located in hospitals and health centres. They have been piloting them, and a decision has been made to roll them out to the rest of the country as they are so successful. Rusizi on the border with Burundi and Democratic Republic of Congo has been in operation since 1994 and has 10 doctors (only 1 who is a specialist, the others are general practitioners) and 50 nurses. Their centre is the model for the roll out to other parts of the country and has been in operation since December 2010 and now has 2 social workers, 2 psychologists, 1 doctor (a gynaecologist), 1 lawyer and a police officer. While open to all, the patients overwhelmingly are women/girls (654 of the 705). This centre is soon to work with UN Women on income generating opportunities.

WHAT ARE Z CLUBS AND GOLDEN Z CLUBS?



Established in 1948, the Z Club and Golden Z Club program is one of Zonta International's longest-running programs. Z clubs and Golden Z clubs help high school, college and university students develop leadership skills, promote career exploration and encourage members to participate in community, school and international service projects.

With the help of experienced Zonta sponsors, who provide resources, information and guidance, Z club members (high school students) and Golden Z club members (college or university students) work to improve their society and the world. Z club and Golden Z club members plan, organize and participate in unique activities designed to meet the needs of members, their schools and the community, while emphasizing an international outlook and strong international relations. There are currently 234 Z and Golden Z clubs in 19 countries around the world.

EMMA L. CONLON SERVICE AWARDS (Contest for Z and Golden Z clubs)

AWARD DESCRIPTION

Established in 1962 at the Zonta International Convention in New Orleans, Lousiana, USA, the Emma L. Conlon Service Award is a contest for Z clubs and Golden Z clubs. Named in honour of Past International President, Emma L. Conlon, who graciously underwrote the Award for Zonta International, the Emma L. Conlon Service Awards recognize those clubs whose projects and programs best express the ideals of Zonta International through local and international service and advocacy to advance the status of women worldwide. First place clubs receive US\$1,000; second place clubs receive US\$500; and third place clubs receive US\$250. The award money is to be used for the club's service projects.

ELIGIBILITY

Z clubs and Golden Z clubs who have performed service projects in each of the three categories:

- School Service
- Community Service
- International Service

APPLICATION PROCESS

After receiving the approval (signature) of the sponsoring Zonta club president, Z clubs and Golden Z clubs submit applications to Zonta International Headquarters. The Zonta International Z and Golden Z Club Committee recommends six recipients (first, second and third place for both the Z clubs and Golden Z clubs) to the Zonta International Board of Directors in the month of June. During this same month, the Zonta International Board approves the international recipients.

FUNDING SUPPORT

As a club sponsor of a Z club or Golden Z club, the sponsoring Zonta club pays the initial charter registration fee and the yearly renewal fee to Zonta International.

www.zontasaysno.com

The Silent March of Ownerless Shoes



127 pairs of shoes without their proprietresses. This is what remains of the women murdered by their men (husbands, partners, ex-fiancés, relatives) in Italy in 2012. Every pair of shoes is accompanied by a signpost, indicating the victim's name, age and who killed her.

On Saturday, 23 March, in Alessandria's central gallery Guerci, Zonta Club Casale Monferrato and Zonta Club Alessandria, in cooperation with Anti-violence centre me.dea, have provoked people with 127 pairs of shoes, silently denouncing feminicide, a crime which cannot be ignored, neither in Italy nor worldwide.

The shoes chosen for this representation are of every kind of style and make, because there is no single "model" of woman as victim of violence. This phenomenon hits indiscriminately: housewives, mothers, students, female employees as well as businesswomen.

The community has been invited to bring other shoes, red shoes, to condemn feminicide, domestic violence, stalking, and any kind of psychological abuse and economic violence women have to suffer just because they are women.

"It doesn't make any difference which kind of shoes the victims wore, heels or ballerinas, sneakers or flip-flops. They were women who have been killed because they refused someone or because they made a choice which differed from what their partner wanted. Violence against women is often steeped in prejudices and stereotypes, a form of violence in themselves. Zonta clubs use these silent manifestations to say NO to violence against women and they do this not only on 8 March or 25 November; they do it all the time, because violence against women has no schedule," said District 30 Governor Nadia Biancato during the event hosted in her city.

Advocacy: Chair Robyn Haller

We met Thursday 3th April and finalised the Breast Cancer DVD Presentation to be held at the Neighbourhood Centre on Thursday 2nd May. Shirley Gilmore will be in attendance which is most important. Everyone is asked to bring along a friend and a small plate of eats for after. Starts at 7.00pm. What's On ad has been placed. Reminded everyone about the closing date of the Workshop and that our fees are due. Advised that a consent form needs to be signed by everyone with regards to Facebook as not everyone wants to be on facebook. Also discussed in brief the need to plan for UN Day on 24th October. It will be a pot night with a variety of international foods to be brought by one and all. In any case we felt it was best held on a separate night to a meeting given the confusion in the past. Our biggest discussion centered however on DV and what a serious issue it is here in the Burdekin. When you have 30 cases presented at BCA and about the same number at the police station each month it is hard to comprehend. As ZISVAW and the SAY NO Campaign are so important to Zonta we felt we need to involve everyone in the club to sit around the table and come up with a way to educate the locals on what really does go on in this district. Small steps...... It is very sobering.

a little light relief

Beth: As I write this I am sitting in a hotel room in Osaka, with my grandchildren. We have had a wonderful holiday visiting with our daughter Natalie's Rotary host families from 18 years ago. We went to a special dinner in which Natalie got to see many of her friends, some of whom she had not seen in all of those years. Everyone fell in love with the children. We spent two days in Disneyland and it was so crowded thank goodness the grandchildren have blond hair as they were easy to spot in the crowd. We also spent 1 night in Kyoto at a Ryokan (Japanese style) sleeping on the floor. It was quite an experience going to the Hotel Public bath with Natalie and Olivia. Ryan's favourite adventure so far has been the ride on the bullet train from Tokyo to Osaka, still more train rides to come. Our son in law Kevin comes to Japan often for his work, so we have our own tour guide. I know we could not have seen so many great sights without him. We have been so lucky to have seen the cherry blossoms, it is such a special sight. We had a Japanese picnic under the trees in Tokyo quite the celebration. Oh my poor feet, we are off exploring again. See you at the meeting Tuesday night.



The Hancock family do Japan

Beth and Gary, daughter
Natalie, son-in-law Kevin and grandchildren
Olivia and Ryan with their
Japanese friend enjoying a picnic under a magnificent cherry tree.



