



ZONTA CLUB BURDEKIN INC

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FEBRUARY 2013



Area 5
Club No 1475
CHARTERED 1.5.1994

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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)

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GUESTS

Judith Andersen OAM
District Governor
Hilary Grant
Area 5 Director

Hi Ladies

Happy New Year! Unbelievable - 1 month of 2013 has already gone.

This year is very busy for our club. Our 1st dinner meeting for the year is our planning meeting. Also this is when you choose what committee you would like to be in for 2013-2014.

We have 2 special guests joining us for dinner, our District Governor Judith Anderson OAM and our Area Director Hilary Grant. They will also be having breakfast at The Pantry Door on Wednesday morning so if anyone would like to join us, please let me know at the meeting so I can set the table.

At Tuesday night's meeting we will be finalizing the arrangements for IWD Breakfast, which is on Friday 8th March.

The February meeting is a very important meeting for the year, so I hope we have an excellent attendance so you will join with me in planning the year ahead.

Thank you to all the ladies who have asked about my twin sister's health over the Christmas & New Year's break. She got the all clear from the doctor 2 weeks ago and her hair is actually growing back thicker than she had before.

Don't forget if you can't attend please make your apologies to Nilda by Friday.

See you all at the Kalamia Hotel Tuesday 12th February, 6 00pm for a 6 30 start.

Keep Smiling

Raelene



ADVANCING THE STATUS OF WOMEN WORLDWIDE

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

ATTENDANCE OFFICER Nilda Piotto

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**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

RAFFLE



**Isabel Stubbs (Feb)
Karen Clarke (Mar)**

(value \$10.00 - \$15.00)

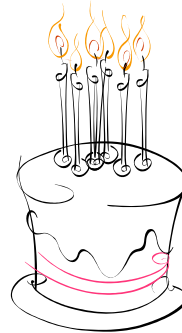
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Zonta Club of Kathmandu, Nepal
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BUDDY LIST

Lyndy Mc Cathie	Dianna Moschen
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Marg Culpan	Inez Larsen
Majella Meehan	Mary Lynch
Rosemary Menkens	Debra Cochran
Raelene Grantz	Seanne O'Shea
Jan Hollingsworth	Mary Anne Fraser
Beth Hancock	Cathy Previtera
Isabel Stubbs	Giovanna Gabiola
Nilda Piotto	Karen Clarke
Robyn Haller	Leanne Jamieson
Janice Micola	Judy Mitchell
<i>Beth Honeycombe</i>	<i>Ardella Alberts</i>
<i>Pierina Dalle Cort</i>	<i>Peta Bird</i>
<i>Leith Kennedy</i>	



Happy Birthday

*Margaret
Robyn
Raelene
Cath
Diana*



To all of our ladies who gave up 2 hours and more of their time to attend Driver Reviver on Australia Day 26th January – a very big thankyou. To those ladies who had to step in at the last minute we do appreciate that. Once again we have served the travelling public with a cuppa and a bikkie and perhaps by taking that break we have saved someone from having an accident. The conversations we have with the travellers can be rather entertaining and in the meantime we have enjoyed each other's company. Win win

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CALENDAR 2012 - 2013

June 2012	3 rd Bush Poet's Breakfast Theatre forecourt 12 th monthly meeting - <i>Guest Speaker Ashley Kelley on DV support</i> 21 st LAA Committee Meeting
July	2 nd Service committee meeting 10 th monthly meeting – <i>Guest Speakers Sally O'Brien & Sue Collier Life Skills Program</i> 19 th LAA Committee Meeting - Information Evening Neighbourhood Centre 21 st Tastes of Burdekin International Conference Torino
August	6 th Service committee meeting 14 th monthly meeting POT NIGHT M. Culpans <i>Guest Speaker Karen Clarke Japanese Zonta Clubs</i> 23 rd LAA Committee Meeting
September	3 rd Service committee meeting 11 th monthly meeting 20 th Advocacy Committee Meeting 21st UN International Day of Peace
October	1 st Service committee meeting 9 th monthly meeting – UN Day celebration <i>Guest Speaker Vi Vi Yunwei Sun</i> 18 th Advocacy Committee Meeting 21 st Breast Care Cushions/Drainage Bags/Care Packs/Comfort Packs 24th United Nations Day
November	5 th Service committee meeting 13 th monthly meeting - ZI Birthday <i>Guest Speaker Vicki O'Brien CEDAW</i> 22 nd Advocacy Committee Meeting 25th International Day for Elimination of Violence against Women/White Ribbon Day
December	1st WHO World Aids Day (World Health Organisation) 3 rd Service committee meeting 8 th Christmas Party Ayr Travellers' Inn Restaurant 10th UN Human Rights Day 11 th monthly meeting
January 2013	11 th Amelia Earhart Remembrance Day
February	4th Service committee meeting 7th Advocacy committee meeting 12th Planning Night - District Governor Judith Andersen & Area 5 Director Hilary Grant are our guests 21st LAA committee meeting
March	4th Service committee meeting 8th IWD Breakfast – International Women's Day Dr Shannon Spriggs Guest Speaker 12th monthly meeting – Guest Speaker Many Oats Diversional Therapy LBHA
April	9th monthly meeting – FEES due
May	14th monthly meeting & AGM
June	2nd Poet's Breakfast 11th monthly meeting



A campaign to end violence against women and girls

The Zonta International Public Relations & Communications Committee is pleased to announce the launch of "Zonta Says NO" – a Zonta International campaign to raise awareness of and increase actions to end violence against women and girls around the world. The campaign, which began in November 2012 and will continue through December 2013, will feature the service and advocacy actions of Zonta clubs and districts to prevent and end violence against women and girls in their local communities. It will also highlight Zonta International's ongoing efforts to end violence against women and girls through the Zonta International Strategies to End Violence against Women (ZISVAW) program and through Zonta's partnerships with the United Nations and its agencies.

Please join us! To learn more about Zonta Says NO, please visit the [Zonta Says NO website](#)..

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY GUEST SPEAKER

Dr Shannon Spriggs

Violence Research & Prevention Program Griffith University

Dr Shannon Spriggs has spent the last 8 years with Mentors in Violence Prevention (MVP) delivering and developing training across the US, in Brisbane and the Middle East.

She is currently a Research Fellow with the Violence Research and Prevention program at Griffith University in Brisbane. Since 2010 she has directed the adaptation of the MVP curriculum, training of trainers, and introduction of MVP training Australia. From 2006 – 2010 she was the Assistant Director for the MVP program in the US. In that role, she was responsible for the day-to-day operations of the program and training co-ordination.

Dr Spriggs has facilitated almost 700 training sessions with various groups including high school and university students and staff, professional athletes, businessmen and women, educators, social service providers and military service members. She also has significant experience developing trainers in the MVP curriculum. She has facilitated dozens of Train-the-Trainer programs, including work as a consultant with the US Military. In 2009, she was part of a select team that spent two weeks in Iraq conducting training. Shannon received her Ph.D. in High Education Administration with a Student Development focus from Boston College in 2007.



Mentors in Violence Prevention: An effective bystander intervention strategy ('MVP') program is a leadership program focused on the prevention of all forms of violence. The interactive, discussion-based program views all people as bystanders who can be empowered to prevent, confront or interrupt violent situation involving their peers. MVP encourages all individuals to take responsibility for being part of the solution and seeks to engage people in the process of increasing their knowledge about violence issues and developing their skills and confidence to intervene in effective ways. MVP believes the more options a person has available to them, the less likely he or she is to choose violence or do nothing. MVP has been conducting training the United States since 1993, and has been evaluated as an effective primary prevention program.

Since its inception, the MVP model has been used to train thousands of high school and university students, professional athletes, military service members, educators and social service providers in the United States with significant success. MVP was adapted and introduced in Australia in 2010.

Friday 8th March
Ayr Anzac Memorial Club
\$35.00
Bookings at Glen Dell
Doors open 6.30am

ZONTA INTERNATIONAL ADVOCACY IN INDIA

The ZI Newsletter for January includes updates on international advocacy actions. ZI President, Lynn McKenzie is corresponding with District 25 Governor Marlene Abeyewardene and Zonta Clubs in India about the brutal rape and subsequent death of an Indian student late last year. The Government of India has asked for suggestions for security and safety measures for women. Zonta Clubs in India are collecting suggestions from members and will include them, along with messages from Governor Marlene and President Lynn, in a letter to the Government.



International Women's Day

2013 Theme: **THE GENDER AGENDA: GAINING MOMENTUM**
FRIDAY 8TH MARCH

Over time and distance, the equal rights of women have progressed. We celebrate the achievements of women while remaining vigilant and tenacious for further sustainable change. There is global momentum for championing women's equality.

Each year around the world, International Women's Day (IWD) is celebrated on March 8. Thousands of events occur not just on this day but throughout March to mark the economic, political and social achievements of women. Organisations, governments, charities, educational institutions, women's groups, corporations and the media celebrate the day. Many groups around the world choose different themes each year relevant to global and local gender issues.

International Women's Day (IWD) was originally called **International Working Women's Day**. In different regions the focus of the celebrations ranges from general celebration of respect, appreciation and love towards women to a celebration for women's economic, political and social achievements. Started as a Socialist political event, the holiday blended in the culture of many countries, primarily Eastern Europe, Russia, and the former Soviet bloc. In some regions, the day lost its political flavor, and became simply an occasion for men to express their love for women in a way somewhat similar to a mixture of Mother's Day and Valentine's Day. In other regions, however, the original political and human rights theme designated by the United Nations runs strong, and political and social awareness of the struggles of women worldwide are brought out and examined in a hopeful manner.

History

The first *national* Women's Day was observed on 28 February 1909 in the United States following a declaration by the Socialist Party of America. In August 1910, an International Women's Conference was organized to precede the general meeting of the Socialist Second International in Copenhagen. Inspired in part by the American socialists, German Socialist Luise Zietz proposed the establishment of an annual 'International Woman's Day' (singular). No date was specified at that conference. Delegates (100 women from 17 countries) agreed with the idea as a strategy to promote equal rights, including suffrage, for women. The following year, on 18 March 1911, IWD was marked for the first time by over a million people in Austria, Denmark, Germany and Switzerland. In the West, International Women's Day was first observed as a popular event after 1977 when the **United Nations General Assembly** invited member states to proclaim March 8 as the UN Day for women's rights and world peace.

2012 International Women's Day

The UN theme for International Women's Day 2012 was Empower Women – End Hunger and Poverty. In that year, Oxfam America invited people to celebrate inspiring women in their lives by sending a free International Women's Day e-Card or honoring a woman whose efforts had made a difference in the fight against hunger and poverty with Oxfam's International Women's Day award.

On the occasion of International Women's Day 2012, the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) called for more action to help the mothers and wives of people who have gone missing during armed conflict. The vast majority of people who go missing in connection with conflict are men. As well as the anguish of not knowing what has happened to the missing person, many of these women face economic and practical difficulties. The ICRC underlined the duty of parties to a conflict to search for the missing and provide information for the families.



European poster from 1914



Female members of the Australian Builders Labourers Federation march on International Women's Day 1975 in Sydney

2011 International Women's Day

Events took place in more than 100 countries on March 8, 2011 to commemorate the 100th anniversary of International Women's Day. In the United States, President Barack Obama proclaimed March 2011 to be "Women's History Month", calling Americans to mark IWD by reflecting on "the extraordinary accomplishments of women" in shaping the country's history. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton launched the "100 Women Initiative: Empowering Women and Girls through International Exchanges", on the eve of IWD. In the run-up to 2011 International Women's Day, the ICRC called on States and other entities not to relent in their efforts to prevent rape and other forms of sexual violence that harm the lives and dignity of countless women in conflict zones around the world every year. In Pakistan, Punjab Govt. Project Gender Reform Action Plan, District Gujranwala celebrated this day in large scale in the GIFT University Gujranwala. Australia issued a 100th anniversary commemorative coin.

2010 International Women's Day

On the occasion of 2010 International Women's Day the ICRC drew attention to the hardship displaced women endure. The displacement of populations is one of the gravest consequences of today's armed conflicts. It affects women in a host of ways.

2017 International Women's Day

2017 will be the hundredth anniversary of the Russian Revolution, which was sparked on March 8, 1917 by women protesting against bread shortages in St. Petersburg. These events culminated in the abdication of Tsar Nicholas II on March 15.



The *mimosa* (technically, the Silver Wattle) is the symbol of the celebrations of Women's day in Italy and Russia.



New Facts on the Gender Gap from the World Bank

By Sudeep Reddy,
The Wall Street Journal

The World Bank's latest [World Development Report](#), which focuses on gender equality around the world, offers some stark facts about how women and girls fare in developing countries despite decades of progress.

Wealth: Women represent 40% of the world's labor force but hold just 1% of the world's wealth.

Wages: Salaried women workers earn 62 cents for every \$1 that men earn in Germany, 64 cents in India and about 80 cents in Mexico and Egypt. Women entrepreneurs fare far worse, earning 34 cents for every \$1 men earn in Ethiopia and just 12 cents in Bangladesh relative to every \$1 for men.

Mortality: Women and girls are more likely to die relative to men and boys in low and middle-income countries, with 3.9 million "missing" women and girls each year under the age of 60, the report says. At least 40% of those are never born, one-sixth die in infancy and a third in their reproductive years. The problem is worst in sub-Saharan Africa and countries hit by HIV/AIDS.

Education: Women now account for more than half the world's university students, and 60 countries have more young women than men in universities. Primary-education disparities between boys and girls have closed in almost all nations. And in secondary education, girls now outnumber boys in 45 developing countries. But ethnicity combined with poverty can be a barrier: two-thirds of out-of-school girls around the world belong to ethnic minority groups.

The report, released Sunday night, says eliminating barriers for women can increase output per worker by 3% to 25% across a range of countries.

"Countries that create better opportunities and conditions for women and girls can raise productivity, improve outcomes for children, make institutions more representative, and advance development prospects for all," the bank said.

a little light relief

Diana: A lot is happening in my business. I gave it a well-deserved revamp . The new name is “archdesign nq”. New website (when it works) <http://archdesignnq.com.au/> I am also in Facebook is <https://www.facebook.com/ArchdesignNq/> I was featured in Career One, The Bulletin. You can read the article in http://www.townsvillebulletin.com.au/article/2013/01/26/374263_careerone.html



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Lyndy: John & I took our Grandson, Bryce on a mystery holiday. It was his 16th Birthday and Christmas present. We went to Prince of Wales Island in the Torres Strait for 6 magical days. This is the most beautiful place, with lovely people and we had a great time. Bryce thoroughly enjoyed the experience, fishing, 4 wheeling, swimming and partying on the beach. New Years eve was on the beach and we watched the fire works on Thursday Island and the locals built a huge bonfire that they lit up at mid night.



Mary Anne: At the beginning of January I walked the South Coast Track of Tasmania (literally west to east across the bottom) carrying 20 to 22 kg pack depending on how much water I had. It was a challenge for me but you are



flown in and have to walk out 85 kms (no road access) so just keep going! The scenery varied from sandy to granite boulder beaches, and button grass plains with up to 4 feet of peat below. Ironbound Range was 1000m so that was a huge day and as often as not coming down was the worst! slippery, tree roots and sludge - it was a case of “are we ever going to get to the camp ground?” and , boy was it welcome when we did. I will never forget that cup of tea as I just sat staring ahead I guess with exhaustion! A lot of the inland is protected by Board Walks which is great because in parts that aren't the track becomes a huge sludge hole that you loose a leg or two in – seriously! So there were lots of stunning wilderness panoramas I will never

forget, then there were the tough times like climbing a sand cliff, walking a granite boulder beach with the sea slamming into the rocks nearby and wind flinging you sideways! My only health issue was an attack one rainy day of 4 pesky leeches of which one bite has just resolved. The whole experience has only fuelled my enthusiasum to walk while I can and so my next is in the planning. If anyone is interested you can google the track - some good photos on some sites. Once back in civilisation I took a day trip on the Spirit of Tasmania to Melbourne (won't do that again, so boring) and had 2 wonderful days with my sons. Lewis has moved there recently and Nat came for a visit. Now back to reality and into the working year so a good year to us all. ☺

Robyn: Graeme and I took the opportunity to slip across the ditch to New Zealand for 9 glorious days in early January. It has been 25 years since we were there but will not be that long next time. We hired a car for 4 days while Tara's group were trekking, and travelled around the top of the south island. We went to a lavender farm and the perfume was just divine. What a place to work. We did the annoying “grey nomad” thing and drove at 90 kph. Why hurry in such a beautiful country?

Right: Lavendar drying

