

Burdekin Dam in flood

ZONTA CLUB

Burdekin Inc

MARCH 2012

 **Zonta International**
District 22
Advancing the Status of Women Worldwide

Area 5
Club No 1475
CHARTERED 1.5.1994

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Robyn Haller

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Beth Hancock

Meeting Time
6pm for 6.30pm start
YVETTE'S

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

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64 countries
1203 clubs
29,005 members

GUEST SPEAKER
Carmel DalPonte

Hi Ladies

The 2012 International Women's Day has been and gone for another year. What a wonderful morning it was at Clove Restaurant.

A really big thank you must go to Beth and her committee and all the other Zontians who helped make the morning a success.

Are we getting too big now for Clove Restaurant? Maybe still have them cater but find a bigger venue? This was suggested to me by a couple of ladies. It is a big decision to make and will have to be taken back to all the committees and discussed in depth.

Our next meeting Tuesday 13th March, we will be back at Yvettes. Our guest speaker will be Carmel DalPonte from the Queensland Country Credit Union.

Also we will be inducting Cath Previterra into the club. We have a busy night ahead of us.

See you all at Yvettes for a 6.30pm 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



Lyndy McCathie (March)
Majella Meehan (April)
(value \$10.00 - \$15.00)

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ZONTA
INTERNATIONAL
IS NOW ON

FACEBOOK,
TWITTER,
YOUTUBE,
LINKEDIN, AND
FLICKR



Sounds like a good excuse for a coffee

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CALENDAR 2011 - 2012

June 14th	Changeover Pot Night Lyndy's	November	3 rd LAA Committee at Mary's home 9 th ZI International Birthday Townsville Club/monthly meeting 16 th OMC Meeting 23 rd Board 6.00pm
July 12th	15 th Lyndy's home re curry preparation 5.15pm – <i>bring crockpot</i> 16 th Taste of the Burdekin 22 nd & 29 th CORES Charity Bowls – LAA 22/7 28 th Information Night	December	3 rd Christmas Party A Touch of Salt Townsville 13 th monthly meeting
August	4 th LAA Committee at Mary's home 5 th & 7 th CORES Charity Bowls 9 th monthly meeting 17 th OMC meeting 21 st Birthing kits	January 2012	11 th Amelia Earhart Day 25 th Board meeting 26 th Driver Reviver
September	1 st LAA Committee at Mary's home 13 th POT NIGHT AT BETH HONEYCOMBE'S (monthly meeting) 21 st OMC Meeting 22 nd September Information Night @ 9 Hillcrest Place Marg Culpan's 22 nd – 25 th District 22 Conference Novotel Brisbane	February	2 nd LAA Committee 7 th PLANNING MEETING Pantry Door – Pizza Night 6.00/6.30pm sharp 15 th OMC Committee
October	6 th LAA Committee at Mary's home 11 th monthly meeting guest speaker Diana Moschen 19 th OMC Meeting 24 th United Nations Day 23 rd Breast Care Cushions/Drainage Bags/Care Packs/Comfort Packs	March	1 st LAA committee 8 th IWD/Yellow Rose Day WOA Award

March 13th monthly meeting – Guest Speaker Carmel Dal Ponte
21st OMC Committee
Annual Fees Due

April 5th LAA Committee meeting
10th monthly meeting – Guest Speaker?
14-15th Area Workshop Townsville
18th OMC Committee
25th Anzac Day – book presented

May 1st 18th Club birthday Wine & Nibblies Sandii & Janet's Art Shop
3rd LAA Committee Meeting
8th monthly meeting/AGM Board inducted
20th OMC Committee Meeting
22nd Cervical Cancer Info Night Neighbourhood Centre
Biggest Morning Tea
Charity Bowls

June 3rd **Bush Poet's Breakfast Theatre forecourt**
7th LAA committee meeting
12th monthly meeting

July 5th LAA committee meeting
10th monthly meeting
Tastes of Burdekin
International Conference Torino

August 2nd LAA committee meeting
14th monthly meeting
Birthing kits

September 6th LAA committee meeting
11th monthly meeting
21st International Day of Peace

October 4th LAA committee meeting
9th monthly meeting (UN Day)
International Day for Rural Women
Breast care cushions?/drainage bags/care packs?/comfort packs?/

November 1st LAA committee meeting
13th monthly meeting
International Birthday
International Day for Elimination of Violence against Women



International Women's Day



Left: **WOMAN OF ACHIEVEMENT NOMINEES** President Raelene Grantz, Michelle Hartwell nominated for her work with fostering children, Monica Licciardello nominated for her musical work within the community, Area 5 Director Janice Micola and Mary Toomey nominated for her work with Al-Anon Family Group. Our winner because of her work with Domestic Violence and Court Support chose not to be photographed due to the sensitive nature of her community work. Ashley Kelley was a deserved winner and truly sets an example for all Zontians to admire.



Part of the huge crowd enjoying the atmosphere

Right: Organising Committee Chairman Beth Hancock, President Raelene Grantz, LAA Chairman Robyn Haller and Guest Speaker Marissa Candy and the banner designed by Marissa's team.



*The International Women's Day Breakfast held at Cloves Restaurant once again was a huge success with a total sellout of nearly 100 people. We could not have fitted in another person. As President Raelene said we may have to look at another venue next year but still with Cloves catering. All nominees for the **Woman Of Achievement Award** are amazing women who give of their time for the community in some way or another. They are truly inspiring. Our guest speaker for the morning former Home Hillite Marissa Candy of The Marketing Factory and Success Business Magazine gave an insight into her success with an enjoyable presentation. We have had great coverage from the press being front page of the paper on Friday, one day after the event. Proceeds from the morning will be used to purchase birthing kits for a third world country. Judy Mitchell did a wonderful job as MC for the morning and kept it all flowing as the time is always tight. Many thanks to Beth Hancock and her committee who organised it all for a job well done.*



Left: Guest Speaker Marissa Candy presented an excellent address. Below: Zontian Area 5 Director Janice Micola, Jan Cannavan, Vince Laspina, Nardina Laspina, Marissa Candy, Janai Giddy, Gay Lewis, Margaret Vass, Lex Davies and Zontian Robyn Haller all thoroughly enjoyed the morning.



Zonta Valentine's Day message goes viral

No More Broken Hearts - End Domestic Violence

(16 Feb. 2012 – La Plata, MD) Zonta Club of Charles County USA, a service club of women executives and professionals, successfully completed a 24-hour online advocacy and awareness campaign, "No More Broken Hearts – End Domestic Violence," on Valentine's Day, Tuesday, February 14, 2012 to underscore the pervasive problem of domestic violence.

In fact, violence against women and children affects everyone in our local community in some way. Through the club's social media Facebook page, the Legislative Awareness and Advocacy Committee posted comments, photos, videos and links that were "liked" and "shared" by compassionate individuals and organizations. The viral campaign quickly spread to social networks locally, across the country and worldwide, reaching Chile, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Mexico, Netherlands, Philippines, Romania, and Sweden.

"Today, the Zonta Club of Charles County shared a universal message of love and compassion for all women and children whose hearts are broken at the hands of domestic violence," says Christine Parker, chair of the Legislative Awareness and Advocacy Committee. The purpose of the Zonta Legislative Awareness and Advocacy Committee is to engage in activities to improve the status of women locally and globally, develop resources to assist club



members to be effective advocates in their communities, report on successful advocacy outcomes, and promote services projects through linking of outcomes to inform about the status of women, thus emphasizing advocacy through service and work closely with the Zonta United Nations Committee. ZI adheres to articles 1 – 16 in the Convention of the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW).

Find us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/zontacharlescounty>

CHAIRMAN REPORTS

OMC Chair Margaret Culpan

Bush Poet Breakfast: Posters being printed now so reserve 3rd June for the event - bring family and friends. Cathy Previtera induction this month before we get busy with the reporting meetings and AGM. Have had a couple of new member suggestions so will plan an information night/Saturday soon. A bonus recently was QCCU coming on board for sponsorship of \$500 for the Bush poet's Breakfast. We will have a raffle with 3 prizes to sell tickets for the month of May before the Breakfast. I will try and get sites for weekend sales at Supermarkets etc but don't require all the members to feel they have to man these. Those who wish to are welcome and I will have some sort of roster closer to the time. I thought only about 2 Saturdays to augment the sales beyond our own circle of friends and family. They will be on sale at the event as well before drawing on the day.

LAA Chair Robyn Haller 1.3.12

Present: Janice, Debra, Nilda, Jan, Beth and Robyn met at Nilda's home. Apologies Seanne.

DV Sticker: Council have knocked back our unofficial email re public toilets. Beth and Debra have suggested sending an official letter to the Mayor and to each councillor detailing the DV/abuse suffered in this district. Jan and Debra are to consult on the letters. **Cervical Presentation:** Grant application to be sent to Qld Health of up to \$750 to help with promotional costs. **Guest Speaker:** After election will send an invitation to newly elected member to speak at AGM.

Pot Night: 1st May our birthday thought to have Wine and Nibbles at Janet & Sandii's Art Shop. 24th October UN Day thought to have celebration on actual day. **Website Registration:** Help members to register on ZI site at a meeting.

- Chartered February 2012: Hiidenvesi Finland
- Club Manual is now on the International Website as of October 2011.
- ZONTA INTERNATIONAL is headquartered in Oak Brook, Illinois USA

Why does fat chance and slim chance mean the same thing?

DEBRA COCHRAN profile



I was appointed to Chief Executive Officer of the Burdekin Community Association Inc. (BCA) in October 2010. Previously I was the Manager of BCA Home Care Services (appointed August 2003) and the Asst. Manager – Services (appointed December 2000).

I'm the Welfare Services Coordinator for the Burdekin Shire Local Disaster Management Group and I've served on a number of committees involving community welfare and health services.

Prior to moving to Ayr with my husband Glen in October 2000, I held a number of senior positions in Business Management, Recruitment and Human Resources Management, Contract Management, Procurement and Banking.

In 2004, Glen and I bought a property at Old Coach Road, Majors Creek where we graze cattle and breed black cockatoos and parrots. We've been lucky enough to travel to many parts of Australia and the world. Our families are scattered all around Australia but alas, none reside in the wonderful Burdekin.

a little light relief

Lyndy: John and I have just had 5 days on Price of Wales Island (Muralag Island) in the Torres Strait. This area is paradise. There are 274 Islands just a 5 or 10 minute boat ride from each other. Spectacular scenery, fishing galore and beautiful beaches. Price of Wales Island is the biggest and we rode up to the top and found fresh waterfalls and swimming areas.



Robyn: Robyn and Graeme journeyed to Mission Beach for 3 days with much trepidation but were pleasantly surprised. It has recovered remarkably well and is just as magical as ever.

Karen: Neville and I are leaving for Japan on Easter Monday. We will be travelling with 2 friends and will be there a month. We are going particularly for Cherry Blossom season. I have made arrangements to meet members of 3 Zonta clubs in Kyoto and they are very interested in our projects. They do not make breast cushions, drainage bags or birthing kits. I am also going to take over information on our Domestic Violence kits, the stickers with Domestic Violence phone numbers, our Care packs and even our Driver Reviver days. I am taking one birthing kit with me, and the templates for the cushions and drainage bags. The ladies have made arrangements to take Neville and I and their friends to dinner, and will bring their laptop to dinner so they can view the Zonta Club Burdekin photos I will be taking with me. I also plan to meet up with members of another club in a town in the Japanese Alps – Matsumoto.

Beth(Hon): Wed March 21 from 6.30 to 7.45 pm The Australian Voices ensemble will be performing in the Burdekin. You will have had an email giving these 17 to 32 year olds a well deserved wrap. Have you heard them on youtube.. whew! At our meeting, I am happy to take your name, phone number and \$18 (\$20 if you want to donate to the choir) and book for you, or you can book on line or by phone 0417623616 ; or just turn up at All Saints Anglican Church, MacMillan St and pay at the door. You can collect booked tickets at the door.

Do we honestly realise how lucky we are to live as we do?

Tippy Taps

In poorer parts of the world, it's not always possible for people to wash their hands because homes and schools lack taps and running water. 'Tippy Taps' are a simple and economical alternative. Easy to make from everyday materials, using them can help reduce diarrhoea and other diseases, making big improvements to families' health.



1. Select a 5-litre or 15 gallon plastic container with a handle.



2. Warm the base of the handle with a candle until it is soft.



3. Pinch the base closed with a pliers and then let it cool. Make sure no water can flow through.



4. With a hot nail, make a 2mm hole above the pinch-closed base of handle.

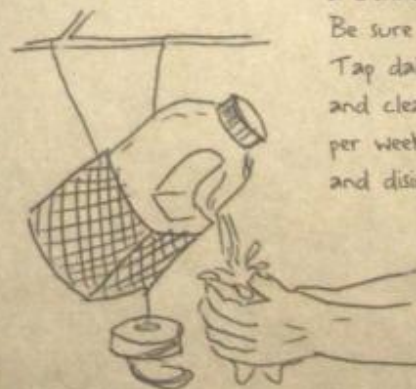


5. With a plastic net, suspend bottle from a metal support.



6. Make a hole in the centre of the soap. Suspend with a string, the soap and a metal cover to protect it from the sun and rain.

7. Hang a Tippy Tap near a latrine, kitchen or school. Be sure to clean the Tippy Tap daily with a brush, and clean the inside once per week with clean water and disinfectant.



Children use a Tippy Tap they helped to construct as part of the WASH project in Uganda.

