

ZONTA INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 22, AREA 1, CLUB 1470

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#### **Dinner Meeting:**

Contact Karen Fuller for all dinner 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 \$22.00

#### **Special Dietary Requirements:**

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



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Simone Boersma 3<sup>rd</sup> Vicki Bell 16th

....have a great day!!



30<sup>th</sup> November 10.30 – 2.00 pm **Kedron Wavell Services Club** 

**COST: \$25.00** 

Please put this date in your diary and start asking friends. This is an information and fund raising event to raise awareness of the signs and symptoms of gynaecological cancer.

#### **Bingo Report**

Last Day this year is 16th December 2010

All helpers please bring some goodies to share with the players. The Loyalty cards are drawn that day and we also have a raffle with Xmas hamper goodies.

Club members to supply Xmas hamper goodies. Please bring donations to December meeting 8th.

#### October

7th Anthea 14th Jan 21st Kay 28th Bettina November

4<sup>th</sup> Karen 11<sup>th</sup> Carole 18<sup>th</sup> Jan 25<sup>th</sup> Jan **December** 

2<sup>nd</sup> Kay 9<sup>th</sup> Bettina

16<sup>th</sup> Anthea, all helpers

#### January 2011

13<sup>th</sup> Ros 20<sup>th</sup> Kay 27<sup>th</sup> Carole **February** 

3<sup>rd</sup> Karen 10<sup>th</sup> Bettina  $17^{\text{th}}$ Jan

Bingo will resume on 13th January 2011.

Thanks, Vicki Williams Bingo Convener



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#### **President's Message**

Dear members.

Those of you who couldn't make the August meeting missed hearing an excellent account of what our Grade 12 guest speaker Kristy gained from her attendance at the Euroscience Forum. always, young women like Kristy remind us that our role is not only to help those women and girls who are suffering in so many ways, but also to encourage (and to encouraged by) the potential leaders of the future.

I forecast that in a few years this affable, intelligent, confident young woman will be an Ameila Earhart recipient and we'll be inviting her to the Club again, hopefully as a member as well as a guest speaker.



It was so good to see so many members at the sewing bee on Saturday

18th. Suzanne who was in Sydney and Glynnis who was preparing to fly to Vanuatu sent their apologies, otherwise it would have been standing room only despite the numerous chairs and stools Kay has. And thanks Kay for having us all at your place.

Our soon to be member, Barb, also came and fitted in as if she'd been with us for years so I am looking forward to having Barb on-board.

I believe we finished a record number of pillows, not only due to "many hands make light work" etc but also thanks to the cutting out work Vicki and Bettina had done beforehand and the early arrival of machinists Simone and Marina.

We all had a lovely time with some good laughs and yet another excellent shared lunch.

The week before Karen, Kay and I had a damp but enjoyable day at Bunnings' Friday sausage sizzle. Karen's husband Lance helped first thing and her younger sister (also Kay's daughter of course) Natalie helped in the afternoon, including doing the

cleaning which spread such load as there was even thinner. The wet weather kept some punters away but we still made a good profit and are all set for the next one on the 29 October.

I have included elsewhere in this newsletter an article on Advocacy – if, like me, you have struggled with what Zonta International means by the term, I hope my thought processes are of some help!

Looking forward to seeing you all at the October United Nations Day meeting and hearing from our guest speaker Frances Orford, a teacher whose work involves assists students who are refugees.

Regards, Rosalind Pestell

### **United Nations Day Guest Speaker**

At the October Dinner Meeting to acknowledge United Nations Day our dinner speaker will be Frances Orford, a recipient of the Order of Australia this year for her work in assisting young refugees to integrate into the local community.

She is keen to speak to the Zonta Club of Tine Rivers and she believes in furthering the community's knowledge of the courage with which these young refugees approach life.

Regards, Glynnis Gartside United Nations Committee



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# Organisation, Membership & Classification Committee

It is I would like to welcome Barbara Clyde to our club. Unfortunately, Barb will not be at the next two meetings but will be there in December. Barb also came to help at the Sewing bee and is helping to sell glowies.

What a great sewing bee we had completing 62 pillows to be distributed.

Ros, Kay, Marina, Karen, Jan, Carole, Glynnis, Simone, Vicki W,Barbara, Anthea, Dot and Bettina all helped make it a great fellowship day. I hope that I didn't forget anyone. My apologies if I did.

#### **GETTING TO KNOW YOU**

A little correction as Bettina informed me that she was not a child bride and she will be celebrating her 55th Wedding Anniversary on Melbourne Cup Day this year.

Please send any nice gossip to me.

Vicki Williams sarumedi@samford.net

Regards, Vicki Williams (Chair)

#### **Advocacy !!!**

As mentioned at the September meeting the 2010 Convention voted to change Article 14 of the by-laws concerning Clubs'



committees, by naming only three committees as mandatory:

- 1) An Organization, Membership and Classification Committee
- 2) A Service committee
- 3) A Legislative Awareness and Advocacy Committee.

The rationale was that these three committees are the most important because

- a) "there is a need to focus on recruiting and retaining members; and
- b) **Service** and **Advocacy** are the means by which we aim to advance the status of women".

Zonta International defines Advocacy as "the expression of support for, or opposition to a cause, argument or proposal. Advocacy may include influencing laws, legislation, or attitudes." The Zonta International Board uses the objectives of Zonta to further define what advocacy means to Zontians: As a Club we are

"urged to express ourselves about, and become involved in issues which improve the legal, political, economic, health and professional status of women, ... and promote justice and universal respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms".

So if this is what advocacy means then our Club is meeting the objectives of Zonta to improve the status of women:-

- **economically** e.g. Jebb House,
- health-wise e.g. Breast pillows; birthing kits; support for the gynaecological research lunch; and our donations to the international projects concerning women and girls' health,
- professionally e.g. our QUT bursary; donations to academically gifted girls like Kristy who spoke so ably at the August meeting; and past donations to Zonta International's Amelia Earhart Award.

Perhaps our most "vocal" piece of advocacy to date to improve the status of women is the Leagues Club playing field sign saying "no to domestic violence" (thank you Suzanne).

I welcome other suggestions on where we have we have effectively advocated for positive changes in the status of women.

Regards Rosalind.



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## Membership

**Information** 

A little bit of history...

The early days of the club 1994 – 1999 (Snippets from the minutes)



The club took a while to find a home for their meetings. In the first few months, the club had their meetings at several different places:

Kallangur Hotel, Albany Creek Tavern; Wantima Country Club; St. Paul's College; Post & Rail Restaurant Strathpine; Carseldine Motor Inn; North Pine Country Market Hotel and in October 1996 at the Arana leagues Club.

Bettina was a charter member and served on the board. In those days the board consisted of;-

President, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Pres; 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Pres; Treasurer, Correspondence Secretary, Minutes Secretary and 5 board members – 11 members in all.

Jan Spittle was welcomed at the February 1995 meeting and inducted in April 1995. Vicki W was welcomed at the April 1997 meeting and inducted in July 1997 meeting.

Inflation has almost been at a standstill for our club. In those days, (1994-1999) we paid \$15.00 for our dinner meetings and now we pay \$22.00. Our fees were \$120.00 per year plus \$10 each meeting for admin which equaled \$230.00 per year. Now we pay \$175.00 per year.

Bingo was first mentioned in the November 1995 minutes and it first started in November 1996. All members were expected to do their turn on the roster. They used to pay a caller and a spotter and get between 80 – 90 players at the games. The bingo account in February 1997 \$976.00.

The early recipients of the club's hard earned dollars were:-

 1995 - Eating Disorders Association \$1000

- 1995/96 Dayboro ambulance \$2830
- RBH Skin Bank \$770
- Contra? (what is it) \$944.25
- Books to Zimbabwe \$1000
- "Backstop House" What was it? Something members were on roster for.

You can now see how supportive the Arana leagues club has been to our club since 1996.

Regards Vicki Williams

