

ZONTA ON THE ROCKS.



Zonta Club of Rockhampton Inc
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Advancing the Status of Women Worldwide

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PLEASE NOTE!

If you are
unable to attend
the dinner meeting,
please advise
Anna Tempest
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by 10 am
on the Monday
before the meeting.

**Failure to
apologize will
incur payment
of \$30.00.**



**District Conference:
Noosa Convention &
Exhibition Centre
Australis Resort
27-29 Sept 2013**



From the President:

1983 was a very different scene to 2013 – no Facebook or laptops – countries were not wallowing under billions of dollars of debt - only millions! Rural enterprises were in their zenith – coal mining was starting to stir the Central Highlands – it is still stirring it but in the other direction!

A huge thank you to Berenice who chaired and organised our 30th birthday celebrations and put together the excellent archive display. Thank you to Karen who handmade the most impressive bunting and ZONTA signs, to Anna who sought out commemorative glassware for our guests, to Elizabeth and Cathy who kept tally of the acceptances and money and to Norma & Jennifer for ideas and advice. The committee thought of everything.

We were honoured to welcome Judith Anderson, our District Governor and Jacquie Mackay of ABC radio as our guest speakers for luncheon and dinner. The Plaza did an exemplary job of catering for our meals. We are sorry some members were unable to attend. Judith presented 30 Year Service Certificates to Anna and Norma and more will be presented at the next meeting.

We have a date, 12th October, for the Retro Afternoon Tea. We will need all hands on deck so let's pull together for this effort.

I wish to congratulate Jan on behalf of our Club for being nominated unopposed for the position of Area 2 Director. Judie and Rosalie are to be complimented for their initiative, which result-

ed in a club motion being accepted for the Motions for Debate session at Conference. It is also pleasing to have so many members planning to attend Conference in Noosa.

We are still on our never ending search for new members. The constraints of time and finances make it difficult for some ladies to join our ranks but we still need to encourage new members and make them aware of our Zonta Says NO campaign.

We are planning to have our own Zonta Says NO campaign at the Christmas markets at the Heritage Village on 24th November. Have your orange shirts ready so we make our mark and make Zonta recognizable in Rockhampton. As Lyn McKenzie says "Recognition aids future funding of Zonta projects locally and internationally and increased visibility makes our messages fully effective". This month Lyn McKenzie has ADVOCACY as her focus – expressing support for a cause. We engage in advocacy when we promote our educational programs and when we recognise young women for their leadership skills and civic contributions. The Zonta Says NO campaign gives us a chance to put advocacy into action. Among Lyn's comments I found the most inspiring to be that Rwanda is on track to achieve the first HIV free generation by 2015. What a wonderful milestone to aim for.

On that note, I look forward to seeing you at the committee meetings and then at our At Home dinner on the 20th August.

Kind regards, Meredith.



Notices:

Calendar:

MEETINGS:

Board Meeting:

6.30pm:
2nd Tuesday
of the month
Venue:
Rockhampton Plaza
Hotel.

Club Meeting:

6.00 pm for 6.30pm
3rd Tuesday
of the month
Venue:
Rockhampton Plaza
Hotel.

Committee Meetings.

MEMBERSHIP:

Venue:
Rockhampton Plaza
Hotel
5.30 pm—
2nd Tuesday
of the month.

ADVOCACY+Program / PR & C/ United Nations/ Newsletter /Archives:

Venue:
Rockhampton Plaza
Hotel.
5.30 pm—
2nd Tuesday
of the month.

SERVICE:

Venue:
Rockhampton Plaza
Hotel.
5.30pm—
2nd Tuesday
of the month.

August:

10/11 30th Anniversary celebrations
13 Committee Meetings /
Board Meeting
20 Dinner meeting (At Home)
31 Breast Cushion Working Bee

September:

07 Breast Cushing Sewing Bee
10 Committee Meetings /
Board Meeting
17 Dinner Meeting
27/28 District 22 Conference—Noosa
Australia Resort

Special United Nations Observances and Other Significant Days.

August

09 International Day of World's
Indigenous People

Dinner Raffle.

The donation of gifts for the
Dinner Raffle follows the listing
in the Members Directory.

July: Carry L
August: Jennifer L
September: Cathy N-L
October: Berenice P

Please give your
raffle prize to Elizabeth.
to co-ordinate.



August :

05 Zonta Club of
Rockhampton Inc
30th Birthday



Living on earth is expensive

But it does include

A free ride around the sun every day.



The **sewing and stuffing working bee** will be held
at Deanne's residence, 324 Agnes St,
on **Saturday, 07 September, at 9.00 am.**
Could those who will bring sewing machines,
please advise so that Deanne can provide power boards.



Breast Care Cushion Working Bees.

Please add these dates to your diary.

A **cutting-out session** will be held
at Patchwork Paradise (William St)
on **Saturday, 31 August at 9.00 am.**
All workers please bring scissors.

*The Rockhampton Club commenced the Breast Care Cushion project in 2001.
As the club has made on average 120 cushions each year, the total number donated
to breast cancer patients is approximately 1440.*

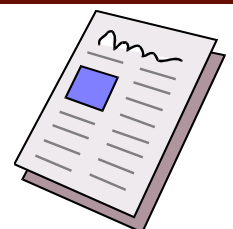
If you would like to contribute to your Newsletter
please forward articles to Berenice Payne

either by

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Email: berenice.a.payne@bigpond.com

Deadline: First Tuesday of the month.





A message from

Kay Meyer, Chair, ZI Advocacy Committee
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in the latest Zonta International Advocacy Newsletter

Dear Zontians,

This Advocacy Newsletter ([click here](#)) is packed! Clubs and districts that never before ventured into advocacy are beginning to see how it relates to service, public relations, membership renewal, and making a real difference in our world. Clubs and districts who have '*always been doing advocacy*' show us the way by petitioning their governments, partnering with like-minded organizations, and creating amazing projects that combine all aspects of Zonta.

This Zonta news is found below in the right column with important links to the real substance. I hope you caught the June 2013 issue of The Zontian, focusing on advocacy. 'Stay tuned' for the next issue on economic empowerment! (You might also look forward to these themes as workshop topics at the at 2014 Convention.) In the left column, you will find news of important agreements and news from the other international players in advocacy. We include everything from the 'CSW57 Agreed Conclusions' to the 'High Level Report on the Post-2015 Agenda'. You will see that there is beginning to be some amazing consensus regarding the most critical problems and the most glaring short-comings. Forming the way forward and then implementing the means to solve these problems will require all of us. Take part now by completing the brief 'My World' survey (*see the link in Newsletter*).

You will also see how the 'Zonta Says NO' to VAW is being realized around the globe -- in forums, marches, fund-raising, and other targeted projects to address differing facets of VAW.

Two esteemed 'global thought leaders' share with us their perspectives:

From Carol Gilligan, Professor, New York University, and Visiting Professor, University of Cambridge:

"While an ethic of justice proceeds from the premise of equality-that everyone should be treated the same; an ethic of care rests on the premise of nonviolence-that no one should be hurt. ...both perspectives converge in the realization that just as inequality adversely affects both parties in an unequal relationship, so too violence is destructive for everyone involved."

From Louise Arbour, President, International Crisis Group, previously UN High Commissioner for Human Rights:

"I think at the root of conflict is our inability to seriously address inequalities... the extremely inequitable and unequal distribution of the wealth of the planet. I think at the root it's this issue, which was, of course, at the core of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, & so on. I think we have still fallen short, considerably, of addressing that." "...we have achieved very high levels of universal norms enunciation, in legal instruments, in our literature. The disconnect is between the norms and their enforcement." "...If I had to choose one issue that I think would be profoundly transformative, again I would root it in the pursuit of equality, and particularly gender equality".

I hope that you are inspired and challenged by this 'little' newsletter! - Kay

Kay Meyer, Chair, ZI Advocacy Committee kay@meyergould.net



Zonta Club of Rockhampton Inc.—30th Anniversary Celebrations.

A typically beautiful Rockhampton sunny and mild winter day greeted us all and the burgundy and gold of Zonta was very visible as we began our weekend of celebrations for our thirty years of service to the Zontian mission of *'improving women's lives'*. Club members welcomed District Governor Judith Anderson to the celebrations as well as Rockhampton member, Past District Governor Trish Collins. Congratulatory messages were acknowledged and read to assembled guests from Zonta international President Lyn McKenzie, Past District Governors Jane O'Brien (1996-1998), Glenda McChesney-Clark (1998-2000), Ros Kinder (2004-2006), Lieutenant Governor Judith Trevan-Hawke, District 22 Secretary Julie Mannion, Area 2 Director Denise Wilschut, Area 4 Director Kath Everett, Past President of Rockhampton Club Adele Freeman and past members.

Guest speakers were very well received with the District Governor Judith giving an interesting overview of International Headquarters and prominent members of Zonta. Judith also presented 30 year service Certificates to Norma and Anna who were present at the dinner and certificates for Mary, Margaret and Wendy will be presented at a club meeting. All were charter members of the club. Luncheon guest speaker Jacquie Mackay, who is a very popular breakfast radio host with the ABC, gave a very interesting presentation including short, two minute excerpts from audio recordings of interviews which she considered as *'interviews which will stay with me forever'*. They included solemn interviews from the 35th anniversary of the Kianga mine disaster near Moura and the 25th Anniversary of the ABC plane crash near Clermont killing four ABC staff followed by lighter social history interviews and ending with the very light interview of children from a local school on the topic of Christmas (the things children say).

President Meredith Sutherland welcomed guests to all functions and thanked the many supporters of Zonta who had made it possible over the last thirty years for Zonta to continue its work to *'improve the lives of women'*. She acknowledged the archive display which gave an insight into Zonta's activities during the last thirty years with mention of some of the projects which have been undertaken since the club was chartered in August 1983. One of the first projects was to support the local Women's Shelter which was also in the early stages of development. Zonta has continued to support the shelter and has donated regularly each year either financially or in kind. In 1985, the first Zonta awards were awarded to students in the faculties of Science and Engineering at Central Queensland University. Zonta has continued to fund awards at the university every year since then. Over many years, Zonta has also supported local charitable groups with financial donations. The Breast Care Cushion project was commenced in 2001 and has been a very supportive service to those women undergoing breast surgery. Approximately 1500 breast cushions have been made in that time. Also, every year the Rockhampton Club has fulfilled its commitment to International projects by donating to the Zonta International Foundation for the implementation of critical projects undertaken in developing countries to support women by alleviating poverty, providing educational opportunities and health services and implementing strategies to eliminate violence against women. All of the projects undertaken by Zonta have one common purpose and that is to *"improve women's lives"*.

A power point presentation also gave a colourful overview of the activities of Zonta. A published history of our club and the archive display were popular with both members and guests.

Fabulous food, lots of fun and fellowship were the order of the weekend and our thanks go to the Anniversary Committee for their excellent organization of weekend activities.

Berenice Payne: Chair— Anniversary Committee



Celebrations ready to begin.



An enjoyable luncheon with loyal supporters & fabulous food.



The Anniversary Dinner was enjoyed by all.



2013 District 22 Conference.

“Visible + Credible = A Viable Future” – the Theme of our 2013 District Conference at the Noosa Convention and Exhibition Centre, 28-29 September 2013.

For further information about the Invitation to Conference [click on the link below](#)

[2013 District Conference – Invitation to Conference](#)

Watch the [Zonta Conference Invitation](#) video ([click on link](#)) and share our District Governor’s enthusiasm for what promises to be a great weekend.

[Registration – Zonta District 22 Conference 2013](#) ([click on link](#))

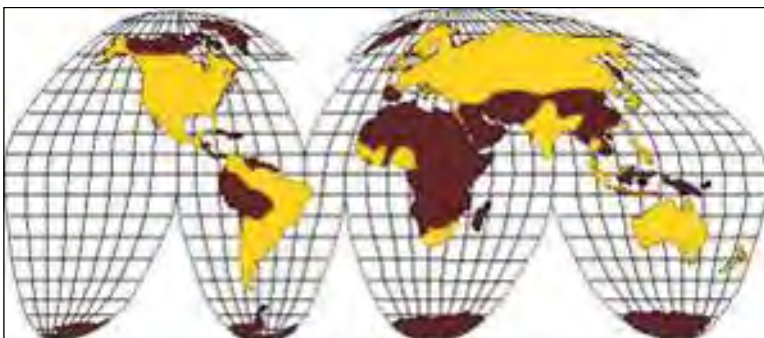
[August Update](#) ([click on link](#)) [Program Outline](#) ([click on link](#))



**62nd
Zonta International
Convention
27 June–01 July
2014**



Zonta maintains a presence in countries marked in Gold.



District 22

- A Queensland Australia
- B Northern Rivers Inc.
New South Wales Australia

