

ZONTA ON THE ROCKS.



Zonta Club of Rockhampton Inc
Member of Zonta International
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.**



Area 2 Meeting:
Longreach
11—12 April
2015

District 22 Conference
Airlie Beach—
Whitsundays
09—11 October
2015

Dear Members,

It is with pleasure that I read the Liberia Fistula project has resumed full operations. This of course is good on two fronts; that we can help women suffering from this and that the Ebola virus is coming under control. You can read more about this on the Zonta International website.

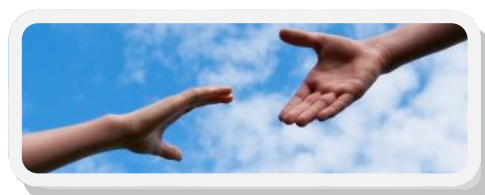
We have both our Area Meeting and District Conference this year. Please consider attending at least one of these if not both. They are great opportunities to learn more about Zonta and to meet wonderful, like-minded women. The nominating form for the Longreach Area Meeting has been sent to all members. If you are going, you need to book your accommodation asap.

The nominating committee may tap you on the shoulder soon with regard to positions for the next year or two years. You joined Zonta because you wanted to do something to help those women less fortunate than yourself. Please don't be a 'fence sitter'. Be like the Nike advertisement and 'Just Do It'. The year will pass very quickly and it is an excellent opportunity to enhance your knowledge and understanding of Zonta.

Don't forget our IWD is fast approaching. Please get those flyers out and organize your tables. Thank you members.

See you at the next meeting.

Regards,
Rosalie.



Zonta International will celebrate 100 years of service in 2019.

Notices:

MEETINGS.

Board Meeting:

6.30pm:
2nd Tuesday
of the month
Venue:
The Stirling—Albert
Street Rockhampton

Club Meeting:

6.00 pm for 6.30pm
3rd Tuesday
of the month
Venue:
The Stirling—Albert
Street Rockhampton

Committee Meetings.

Membership

Venue:
The Stirling—Albert
Street Rockhampton
5.30 pm—
2nd Tuesday
of the month.

Advocacy / Program /
PR & C/ United Nations/
Newsletter /Archives:

Venue:
The Stirling—Albert
Street Rockhampton
5.30 pm—
2nd Tuesday
of the month.

Service:

Venue:
The Stirling—Albert
Street Rockhampton
5.30pm—
2nd Tuesday
of the month.

Calendar:

February:

10 Committee Meetings/
Board Meeting
17 Dinner meeting

March:

05 IWD Breakfast—
Frenchville Sports Club
10 Committee Meetings/
Board Meeting
17 Dinner Meeting

Special United Nations Observances and Other Significant Days.

March:

08 International Women's' Day

*I raise up my voice—not so I can shout
but so that those without a voice can
be heard.* Malala Yousafzai



Dinner Raffle

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

February: Belinda L
March: Jennifer L
April: Leanne McB
May: Cathy N-L

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



February:

09 Virginia
18 Janet



Area 2 Meeting

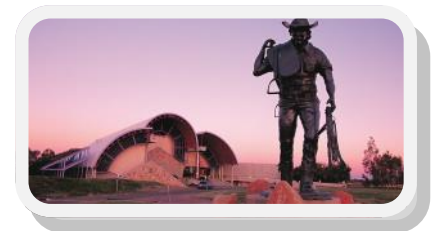
11–12 April 2015
Courage, Conviction & Commitment

Hosted by
Zonta Club of Longreach Inc.

Accommodation is available at
Albert Park Motor Inn (4658 2411)
and Jumbuck Motel (4658 1799)

Both motels in close proximity to the Meeting Venue—
Qantas Founders Museum.

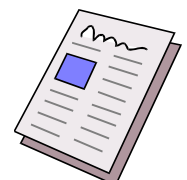
Bookings by Friday 27th February
and
payment by Friday 13th March.



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

Email: berenice.a.payne@bigpond.com

Deadline: First Tuesday of the month.



Being a member of Zonta offers the opportunity to

- a. belong to a vibrant service organisation which is committed to empowering women worldwide*
- b. a chance to develop personal skills*
- c. undertake leadership positions in a supportive environment.*

At this time of year, the Nominating Committee will be seeking nominations for positions which will be vacant on the Club Board for the June 2015—June 2016 Zonta year.

If approached, please consider accepting nomination for a position, as this is a way of learning more about Zonta.

If you are keen to serve on the Board, please do not hesitate to contact Jenny, the Chair of the Nominating Committee, who will be happy to talk to you about the role of each position on the Board.

CLUB NOMINATING COMMITTEE AND CLUB ELECTIONS (from the Zonta Club Manual—2014).

THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

All clubs are required to have a nominating committee. The nominating committee seeks suitably qualified candidates for elected positions.

The nominating committee consists of at least three members who are knowledgeable about the Zonta club, its members and the qualifications required for each club office position. They need to identify potential nominees and make nominations according to the qualifications that will best suit each office.

Election of Members of the Nomination Committee

1. Election of members to the nominating committee may take place at the election meeting, allowing the nominating committee a full year to identify future office bearers.
2. The club board fills vacancies on the nominating committee.
3. The president is not an ex-officio member of this committee.
4. A club officer or director generally should not also be a member of this committee.

Duties

1. Encourage club members to nominate candidates for the vacant positions (see suggested form for nomination in Club Manual—Part 3-Forms).
2. Contact prospective nominees, inform them of the duties of office and obtain their consent for nomination.
3. Nominate one or more consenting, qualified members for each elective position to be filled at the annual election.
4. At club level, members of the nominating committee may be nominated for office. They should leave the room during consideration of their nomination but return to vote.
5. Nominate at least three members for the next term's nominating committee.
6. Report the slate of officers, directors and, if desired, the candidates for the nominating committee, before the election meeting.
7. Maintain confidentiality of discussion of prospective nominees.

To access the complete section for Nominating Committee/Elections, click [here](#) and go to Section 4 on page 32.

Profile—Virginia Nelson



I come from a family of eight and spent my early years in PNG before moving to Brisbane where I completed my schooling. I am married to Tom and together we have two teenage sons. I am involved in a number of community advisory and sporting committees and I am the secretary of the Rockhampton Branch of Community Supporting Police Inc.

I joined the Queensland Police Service at 18 and have served across many regional areas as well as Brisbane and in many functions in policing. I am presently the Patrol Group Inspector in Rockhampton in charge of 151 sworn officers and my area encompasses Yeppoon, Emu Park, Rockhampton and Gracemere.

I moved to Rockhampton in mid 2008 upon being appointed to commissioned rank in the Queensland Police Service.

I enjoy tennis and netball and spend a significant amount of time watching my sons play rugby and undertake other sports. I have completed a Diploma of Public Safety, Graduate Certificate in Applied Management (Policing and Emergency Services) at the Australian Institute of Police Management in 2011 and a Graduate Certificate in Leadership (Policing) in 2007. In 2014, I successfully completed the University of Queensland Leadership for Executive Women Program. In 2014 I was awarded the Bronze Award for Excellence in Leadership at the QPS Awards for Excellence. I am keen to pursue further studies in leadership and disaster management.

I am passionate about women in leadership and supporting women to realise their full potential in any sphere including policing. Zonta ethos for empowering women, their mission to advance the status of women and advocacy for women and children who are victims of violence, are aligned to the work I do in domestic violence in policing and in my role as a senior leader in the Police Service. The work done by Zonta for and in support of local communities appeals to me.



The Zonta International Women's Day Breakfast is being held on Thursday 05 March at the Frenchville Sports Club in Clifton Street.

Guest Speaker is Jonty Bush ,
2009 Young Australian of the Year.

A multi-drawer raffle will be held as a fundraiser
Donated prizes can be given to Leanne at the February meetings.



Liberia Fistula Project resumes full operations.

Zonta International
Jan 27, 2015

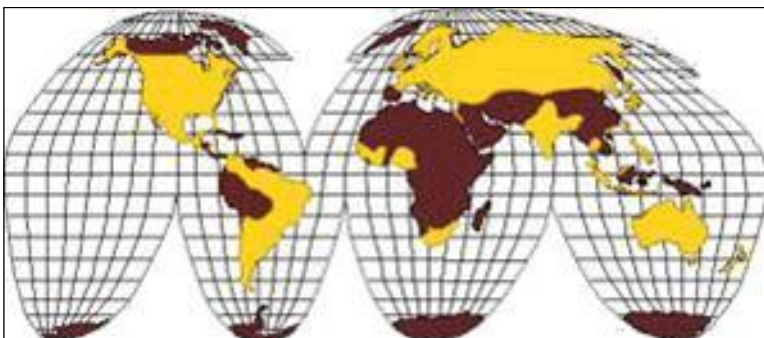
Following a significant reduction in the incidence of Ebola in Liberia, the Liberia Fistula Project, a partnership between UNFPA and Zonta International, resumed full scale operations in December and has already carried out the following activities:

- A revolving fund loan scheme, a pilot project in Owensgrove District, has greatly increased health facility delivery from 5% of the clinic's area population to 25% despite the Ebola epidemic. Nineteen (19) pregnant women benefited with 18 of the beneficiaries delivering safely in the health facility and now doing well in their various communities. Because of this initiative, the Grand Bassa County health team and the community commend the Liberia Fistula Project for the loan scheme and recommend that this initiative be rolled out in other strengths to strengthen maternal and newborn health.
- Procured and distributed essential drugs and medical supplies for maternal health services for use in two facilities in Owensgrove District, Grand Bassa County.
- Trained 20 fistula survivors in advocacy, communication and counseling skills to serve as advocates for fistula prevention sensitization and identification of new cases during and after the Ebola epidemic. These advocates reach out to their communities to help prevent fistula, thereby saving other women and girls from suffering the same fate.
- A community outreach and sensitization campaign reached more than 10,000 community members in Grand Bassa, Margibi and Montserrado Counties via advocacy meetings with community leaders, volunteers, video club owners, etc. and sensitization for fistula prevention and identification of new cases.
- Two fistula patients were recruited, screened and surgically managed at the Ganta Outreach in Nimba County. The two patients were completely dry after surgery.

For the beginning of this programme year, the project has started planning and implementation of its regular activities.



Zonta maintains a presence in countries marked in Gold.



District 22

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

