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***AREA 3***

***DISTRICT 22***

***CHARTER DATE***

***17 – 11 - 1980***

***NEWSLETTER –SEPTEMBER 2011***

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

**23-25 Sept District 22 conference in Brisbane**

**Sunday 30th October Birthing Kit assembly day**

DINNER MEETING DETAILS

Tweed Heads Sports Club at 4 Minjungbal Drive, Tweed Heads South,

in the The Secret Garden room on Monday 19th September

**6-30, FELLOWSHIP DINNER 7PM**

**COST $20-00**

**KNICKER NIGHT!! Bring with you new knickers preferably sizes 16-22 to donate to the Tweed Valley Sexual Assault Refuge**

***Guest speaker: Cheryl Pearson from the Elanora Toastmasters Speaking about--The Benefits of Toastmasters***

***Special guest: Judith Trevan-Hawke ourArea 3 Director***

**APOLOGIES to MARIE-ELISE *By SUNDAY 14th August***

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**Or** text 0412 632 304.

FAILURE TO DO SO MEANS YOU WILL BE CHARGED FOR DINNER

**Happy Birthday this month to Brenda Stevens**

***THOUGHT OF THE MONTH***

Do not go where the path may lead, go instead where there is no path and leave a trail.
[**Ralph Waldo Emerson**](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/quotes/r/ralphwaldo101322.html)

**Advancing the Status of Women World Wide**

***Zonta Club of Southern Gold Coast Tweed***

**PRESIDENTS REPORT SEPTEMBER 2011.**

The Zonta Club of Southern Gold Coast/Tweed has welcomed another two new members; Glenda Brann and Mandei Saranah. A very warm and friendly welcome, to both of you. Our club looks forward to working with you to advance the status of women worldwide. These ladies attended the Zonta information morning yesterday and are already involving themselves in our upcoming projects. Glenda and Susie are busy with soap making; Mandei is associated with Bond University, and happy to promote our “Birthing Kit Assembly Day”. A liaison I’m looking forward to cultivating. The ideal starting point for future “Z” Clubs.

It was disappointing for our members that our club was at this time, was financially unable to assist Kelly Bertram, however we may still able to help. Mairi Manley, Tweed Daily News, is keen to do a story on the “tough” times facing both students and service clubs. I am hopeful that a request for funds may prove fruitful.

“Knicker Night” is scheduled for the September Dinner Meeting. I have circulated a flyer through my work colleagues. Perhaps members may like to do the same. Remember, that the request is for sizes 16-22. Donations are to support the Women’s Refuge. The refuge is managed by the Tweed Shire Women’s Service, who in turn promotes Child Protection Week.

Marie-Elise and Merle flew the SGC/T Banner, thank you to both of you for again giving up your time to support collaboration with like-minded services.

The guest speaker is Cheryl Pearson, Elanora Toastmasters. Judith Trevan-Hawke, Zonta Area Director will be also attending and inducting our new members. I know that Judith would welcome any questions you may have regarding the “wider” world of Zonta.

Thank you to Marie-Elise for her power point presentation on the evolution of Zonta International down through the ages, to the activities of our local club. This will be a focus for future information days and membership drives. Whilst only Marie-Elise and I were able to attend, the outcome was more than expected, and made giving up Sunday a worthwhile sacrifice. We have had already fantastic publicity generated in the local Tweed paper.

Sponsorship for Birthing Kits is slow in coming, please consider circulating the letter that has been e-mailed to members. Even small amounts will make a huge difference to our final financial outlay. This assembly day is set for October 30th at South Tweed Sports Club. Start canvassing for volunteers NOW! We are planning a fun day with raffles, lucky door prizes and some surprises’ in store.

District Conference is less than 2wks away, I sure that there will be much to feedback, next month. Consider purchasing raffle tickets the prizes have been circulated, members attending will be pleased to purchase them on your behalf.

Many people who are unhappy……

Change their jobs,

Change their friends,

Change their address,

Even change their spouse,

But often don’t change themselves.

Remember the “secret to living is giving”. & don’t forget to check us out on Facebook!!

Enjoy!

*Kind Regards,*

*Kaye Lollback.*

*President,*

*Zonta Club Southern Gold Coast/Tweed*

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**AUGUST - SEPTEMBER MONTHLY REPORT FROM**

**Marie-Elise Allen,
Director, United Nations. Organisation, Membership & Classification
Zonta Club Southern Gold Coast/Tweed**

Monday, 5 September 2011

**Action taken during the month of August 2011:**

The following tasks have been completed since the last Board Meeting.

1. The Birthing Kit Assembly Day, is **confirmed for Sunday 30th October**. Time is from 10am - 5pm. It is expected Volunteers will be asked to attend from mid-day onwards. The booking form has been completed and forwarded to the Birthing Kit Project Assembly Day form has been completed and emailed.

2. Donations towards funding for birthing kits. I have sent out 20 letters to local businesses in the Kingscliff and Murwillumbah area. I followed up by visiting these businesses in person and received the following.

 On Kliff - Carla Dorge $100

 Cabarita Beach Pharmacy - Paul Mason $50

 Kingscliff Beach Pharmacy - Nilesh Jattan is to make direct deposit

 Mapp and Hession Pharmacy - Paul Hession is to make direct deposit

 Merle has letters and is approaching Amcal Chemist in Tugun to encourage them to make a large donation towards birthing kits.

3. Orientation and Introduction to Zonta was held Sunday 11th September. Time was 11.00am - 12.30pm at the Secret Garden, South Tweed Sports Club. Kaye our president was there and we had four out of the eight responses show. I am still yet to ascertain a room change by South Tweed Sports Club at the last minute did not cause complications. We we are especially grateful for Mairi Manly from the Daily News who has arranged for an article and photo to be in Monday 12th September paper. This was a first for me ( membership information and orientation) as Membership Chair and I was happy with the outcome. We now welcome two new paid up members. They are Glenda Brann and Mandei Saranah who chairs the Bond University Womens Network. This is a wonderful opportunity for our Zonta Club to work with Bond and tap into women's needs. It was nice to have an informal get together after the Orientation sharing time lunch.

4. Have had 300 Zonta Club pamphlets printed so that we can ensure prospective mebers are given them, if any member is wanting some to have on hand to give out please ask me for them.

5. Merle very generously was the Zonta reprersentative at the Child Protection Week stand at Tweed City from 9am - 1pm on Monday 5th September, and I took over at 1pm - 5pm.

6. As a step towards future fund raising opportunities I have sent applications to The Tender Centre, Bunnings South Tweed and Bunnings at Burleigh so our Zonta Club can host BBQ's on a Saturday - these will occur in 2012

**Membership:**

In relation to new members. Other prospective members at this stage are Dianne Monnier, Robyn Azima, Brenda Stevens, Barbara Bryce - who were all invited to the Information session on Sunday 11th September.

**Fundraising:**

Still working on an appropriate film as a fund raiser for Zonta. There is still a lot of desire for a private screening of Desert Flower, which i will follow up. I would also like any member who can commit to help Carolyn and I to have a High Tea at a premises to raise much needed funds. Would be great to have theme and focus and highlight this in local Newspapers and push to have this before the end of the year. Anyone interested in helping?

Marie-Elise Allen

Membership Chair