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President's Message:

Area 2—District 22 Incorporation No: 1A 13139

eNewsletter: June 2018

Welcome to a new Zonta year.

It was wonderful to have such an enthusiastic attendance at our AGM. Let's aim to keep it like that.

I hope last year's Board and Committee Chairmen will mentor the new "captains" of Zonta – although I may be calling on you again. Please bring forth any new ideas for our Club, 'cos as the old saying goes "If we do what we always did, we'll get what we always got" ... and attracting and keeping new members - we can do better.

We all welcome our three new members, Leonie, Sharbaree and Lisa, who have already helped to make the High Tea a great success. Congratulations to Valda and her High Tea team for presenting another high class Zonta occasion. The photos showed a very successful afternoon with many happy patrons. Well done to the catering students from North Rocky High.

Berenice and I attended the CQU Awards Ceremony. The three winners of our awards were very deserving women, who would like to speak to our members at a later date.

Six members met with Dr David Gillespie, Federal Member of Parliament, to discuss Government initiatives in the fight against Domestic Violence and other issues. It is very pleasing that Zonta is on the radar of the Federal Government.

Only a handful of members have expressed an interest in joining a particular committee for the next 12 months. Please let me know if you have a preference before Monday or maybe you just would like a surprise.

This year let's be creative in spreading the Zonta message in Rockhampton. Lots of ladies show an interest and we must keep them interested.

Look forward to seeing you all at the committee meetings next Wednesday evening.

Best Wishes,

Meredith.





If you are unable to attend the dinner meeting, please advise Elizabeth Acton elizabethacton@cqnet.com.au (Ph: 4922 4944) by 9am on the Monday before the meeting. Failure to apologize on time will incur payment of \$27.50.





Meetings:

<u>Club Meeting:</u> 6.30 pm: 3rd Wednesday of the month Venue: The Stirling—Albert Street Rockhampton.

All Standing Committee Meetings: 5.30pm: 2nd Wednesday of the month Venue: The Stirling—Albert Street Rockhampton.

Board Meeting: 6.30 pm: 2nd Wednesday of the month Venue: The Stirling—Albert Street Rockhampton.



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Wednesday 13 June 2018

Wednesday 20 June 2018

Sunday 05 August 2018

Saturday 25 August 2018

Committee and Board Meetings: The Stirling Albert—St.

Club Dinner Meeting: The Stirling—Albert St.

Rockhampton Club 35th Birthday:

35th Anniversary Luncheon: Frenchville Sports Club—Clifton St.



2018-2019 Board Installed:

Area Director Rosalie Welburn (right) performed the installation ceremony to install Anna Tempest (Director) Valda Fitzgerald (Treasurer) Trish Collins (Secretary) Catherine Dunbar (Vice-President) and Meredith Sutherland (President) at the May Club Meeting. Elizabeth Acton (Correspondence Secretary) and Adrienne Jackson (Director) will be installed at a later date. The newly installed Board has taken up duty as from 01 June. We thank them for their commitment to the club.



President Meredith inducts new members:

We welcome new members Lisa McLachlan and Sharbaree Biswas to our club. Lisa and Sharbaree were inducted by President Meredith at the May dinner meeting. They received a membership folder which contained a Certificate of Membership, Zonta Pin and a Zonta Rose Coaster along with information about Zonta. We look forward to working with them both and we acknowledge that they will bring commitment and willing service to the club. Congratulations Sharbaree and Lisa.



Annual Zonta CQUniversity Awards presented:

President Meredith Sutherland attended the annual Central Queensland University Award Ceremony recently to meet with the awardees of the three Zonta Awards which are offered annually by the Zonta Club of Rockhampton. Two of the Zonta Encouragement Awards target STEM courses and are offered to female students in Engineering and Paramedic Science. A third, the STEPS Award, supports female students wishing to enter tertiary study. The successful student gains admission to an undergraduate degree.

The Engineering Award was won by Charmaine Dig'O, (top left) the Paramedic Science Award by Veronika Amaya (top right) and the STEPS Award by Lynne Wagg (bottom right). All three were present at the Award Ceremony to receive their Awards and meet with our President Meredith.



Rockhampton Club Supports Sexual Assault Centre:

Service Chair Jenny Loscher visited the Sexual Assault Support Centre in Rockhampton and delivered clothing packs to Detective Sergeant Allison Williams of the Rockhampton CIB. Clothing packs are delivered for the use of sexual assault victims and are donated on demand. This has been a project for the club for a number of years now.

High Tea a very successful event:

The High Tea which was held at the North Rockhampton State High School Trade Centre recently was a huge success. All the guests thoroughly enjoyed the event. Two students, who will be performing in the coming school musical, 'Little Mermaid', gave a beautiful rendition of two of the solos from the musical. Guests also enjoyed viewing a parade of the latest in fashion featuring hats, shoes, handbags and jewellery by Suna, the local shoe and accessories shop.

A High Tea of the most delicious food, produced by the students of the Hospitality Centre, accompanied the musical items and fashion parade. A big thank you to the students who performed and to Wanda from Suna Shoes for volunteering their time and expertise for our High Tea. Thank you to Trish who, as usual, was a great Emcee. Thank you to Valda, the Convenor of the event, for her great organizational skills and thank you also to the members of the committee. See more photos <u>here.</u>



International Day to End Obstetric Fistula: 23 May 2018

On Wednesday, 23rd May, Zonta International recognized the **International Day to End Obstetric Fistula**. Obstetric fistula is one of the most serious and tragic injuries that can occur during childbirth.

In addition to the physical consequences, fistula can also have social and psychological effects on women. There is often a stigma associated with this condition and women suffering from fistula are abandoned by their families and marginalized by their communities.

In the 2016-2018 Biennium, Zonta contributed **US\$1 million to the Liberia Fistula Project.** Since we started supporting the project in 2008, more than 1,500 women have been surgically repaired and nearly 400 have completed rehabilitation and incomegenerating training.

Read more here.



Why are you in Zonta?

We often ask this question. Here are a few answers below, from Zontians around the world.

TAYO MORGAN—Member, Centennial Anniversary Committee / Zonta Club of Ibadan, Nigeria

"I joined Zonta to work with women of like minds in lifting up less fortunate women, and to have fun while doing so."

ALDA NIKODEMUSA—Member, Zonta Club of Riga, Latvia

"I joined Zonta not only due to my willingness to contributing to improve women's well-being on this globe, but also because of meeting and collaborating with Zontians—a variety of smart and energetic women with different backgrounds, knowledge and experience. If not for Zonta, most likely I would never have met them."

FLORINA D'SYLVA—Member, Zonta Club of Para District Area Inc, Australia

"Many years ago, I received a Zonta community award. I soon learned of the many services they provide and was impressed by the Zonta International Objects. I renew my membership because I feel proud to belong to an international organization that serves communities at a local level and in the world."

BROOKE COURTNEY—Member, Zonta Club of Tauranga Area, New Zealand

"I am in Zonta for fun, friendship and that feeling that I get when I know I am doing something to help other women and girls in New Zealand and around the world."

From the Zonta International Website.

Dinner Raffle:

Gifts for the dinner raffle follow the listing in the Members Directory.

June: July: August: September Jenny Berenice Meredith Anna

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

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