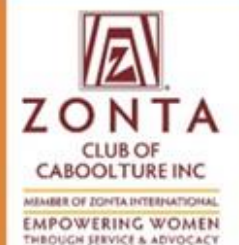




NEWSLETTER

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BIRTHDAY for APRIL is Kathy Sweeney (1/4)

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

Many of you would know that I play bridge (usually very badly) but I do love it and the challenges that it brings. My local club is the Caboolture Bridge Club. Recently the Executive Committee decided that they would have a fundraising day and that all proceeds would go to Zonta Caboolture. Today was that day, I am delighted to report that they raised approx. \$700.00. I think that is a wonderful effort by a small club. Thank you Caboolture Bridge Club.

What can I say about our enormously successful IWD. I can't thank every member enough for the wonderful contribution that you all made on the day.

The room looked amazing with the table decorations and the black and orange theme.

The raffle prizes were fabulous as were the lucky door prizes thanks to the generosity of Mark Ryan, MP Member for Morayfield, Ocean View Winery and Estate and World Gym.

I was very pleased that nine of our members were able to attend the Area 1 meeting last Saturday at the Hub in Caboolture.

Considering that we have many members away on holidays/leave/work commitments, I thought that we represented Caboolture very well.

We have so much happening in the next few months, we have many date claimers. Of course we also have our Bunnings BBQs, Dinner Meetings and Committee Meetings

Birthing Kits pre-pack: Thursday 13 July. Venue: Villa 55/194 Bishop Road Beachmere.

Birthing Kits Packing: Saturday 15 July: Venue: Palm Lake Beach House, Bishop Road Beachmere. (opposite side of the road)

Zonta Caboolture's 30th Birthday: Saturday 5 August: Venue: Palm Lake Beach House Bishop Road Beachmere.

Breast Cushion Stuffing Day: Saturday 12 August. Venue: Palm Lake Beach House Bishop Road Beachmere.

United Nation's Day: Saturday 21 October. Venue: The home of Edith Fogg (The Farm) Fogg's Road Mount Samson.

This Tuesday 28 March some members are attending the Domestic Violence Assemblage, at the Caboolture Police Station. Could I please ask that the members who are attending please wear Zonta Says No Shirts.

I am looking forward to hearing young Jessica Davidson speak at our Dinner Meeting on Wednesday. Jessica recently won the Caboolture Lion's Club Youth of the Year. Her speech was on Child Marriage and she will again speak to us on Child Marriage. Jessica is a Year 12 student, so it will be very interesting to hear from a young person's point of view.

*See you all Wednesday night.
 Take Care fellow Zontians.
 Sue Droughton
 President*



SERVICE COMMITTEE REPORT

Held at Sue Droughton's Home

Tuesday 7 March 2023

Birthing Kits:

The Birthing Kits have been ordered and Saturday 15 July has been set as our Packing Day, at the Palm Lake Beach House, with a pre-pack to be held at my home on Thursday 13 July.

Breast Cushions:

Lyn Howells, reported that we only have 59 left in stock and that we need a stuffing & sewing day. The Beach House has been booked for Saturday 12 August.

Share the Dignity:

The Committee agreed that we should support the May Bunnings DV Awareness month. Bunnings are doing a drive for Share the Dignity and as we have a strong connection with Bunnings Morayfield, I would like to see you all, go through your old handbags, your bathroom cabinets, and fill as many bags as we can and deliver to Bunnings Morayfield.

We have supported this charity for many years and most members will remember the founder Rochelle Courtney was our special guest and guest speaker at our IWD luncheon a few years ago.

We raised much needed funds on the day for Share the Dignity.

Sandra Cooke Award:

\$1000.00 has been set aside for the recipient for the Award however we are having trouble trying to contact the successful applicant with numerous messages left. I will continue trying my best to make contact with her.

The Committee agreed that the Award needs more publicity, but how?

Sue Droughton
Chair

Service Committee



MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Prospective Members

Lyn Agnew informed me at the Area meeting that Olga and Lynda can be inducted in April or May and not have to pay any extra money. We were going to induct them in May but if they both are available we will do it in April.

I have been in contact with Ratu and he will attend our March meeting for the meeting only. He has been unwell for a while.

Linda Anderson is on holidays at the moment and will attend our May dinner meeting.

Club Membership Booklet

One final check is to be done before the booklet is printed and a copy given to all members.

New Member Dress Shirts

Sue Droughton approached the ladies at her village re making our red shirts. Unfortunately, there was no one who could help us out with the sewing of the dress shirts.

30th Anniversary Lunch.

We have decided to set up a small committee for our 30th Anniversary Lunch.

So far Cecil, Sue and Pam Berkett are on the committee. We will ask for more help at our March dinner meeting.

We need to send out our "Save the Date" flyer by early April. Venue to be confirmed at the March meeting as well.

Orientation of Newer Members

The Membership Committee has decided that we will have an Orientation meeting with all new members in Early August.

Membership Chair
Pam Berkett



EVENTS COMMITTEE REPORT

will meet again on Sunday 2 April at the home of Phil and Annette Lovering.

Thank you to everyone for the fabulous IWD event held at the beginning of March.

North's Leagues and Services Club has been booked for Friday 8 March 2024.

There are still many vacancies for the BBQ on 22 April (afternoon session only) - **Required CAPTAIN, GREETER, COOK, COLLECT.**

Patricia Clunes
Events Chairman



COMMUNICATIONS



Sue Droughton continues her 'chats with Rosemary on our local radio station on a monthly basis.

ADVOCACY REPORT

Meeting held at Cecil's home on 8 February.

Present: Pam Berkett, Lawrence Ezedinma, Siti Constable, Cecil Nielson.

Apologies: Edith Fogg, and Susan Lepper.

Child Marriage Letter of Reply to Qld Government:

Although the draft letter has been generally approved by the Board, some editing is still required in the need for Education section. Once this is done, the letter can be sent to the Queensland Government. Cecil to contact Edith and work out the last editing changes.

Orange Figures Progress: Cecil and Pam have arranged a visit to the Burpengary Men's Shed for Tuesday 7 March, to discuss the need for more figures, and the wrongly cut additional bases, with the President.

Zonta Garden Upkeep: Cecil suggested that our Committee continue to oversee the state of the garden and perhaps in turn, visit the garden to see if more plants are needed. Cecil will do this for March.

Signs for Male/Female Toilets: Lawrence suggested that we ask Lynda if she could provide a master copy of a notice we already have with our changes. He also suggested making a list of shopping centres, then approach Centre Management in these centres for permission to install the notices.

Moreton District Domestic Violence Services 28 March: This was a reminder that our Club has an invitation to attend this function and to have stall, at the Caboolture Police Station, King St.

Gym Event, May: Lawrence is working with a sub-committee to make a list of gyms in the area, and to visit these gyms with a letter outlining the project. Cecil asked Lawrence if there was an overall plan for our records, and for gyms, which set out the purpose, rationale, our goals, what was being asked of the gyms, *especially how participants in the competitive activities will access the message of non-violence and non-coercive behaviours*, and how to assess the effectiveness of this project re numbers participating, and access to information. The use of the club barcode will be encouraged.

Lawrence indicated that this information is in the letter to be sent to gyms. He would email this information to the Advocacy Committee members.

Banner: Richard Droughton has agreed to repair our torn banner.

Safety Cards: CADA has requested more cards. Need to print more

Next meeting: As there was no ZOOM access organised, Edith could not join our discussions, and because some members may not like coming out at night for a short meeting, it was agreed that the April meeting would be a ZOOM Meeting, and Lawrence will organise the setting up.

The next meeting will be **Wednesday 5 April** (first Wednesday of the month) a ZOOM Meeting, with the Membership Committee 5-6pm, and Advocacy Committee 6pm to 7.00pm (longer if required)

UPDATE:

1. Advocacy awaiting suggestions from Board re Letter to Qld Govt. Cecil will meet with Deb.
2. Visit to Burpengary Men's Shed 7 March (Pam and Cecil ordered more orange figures - Pam had patterns)
3. Zonta garden visited
4. Lynda has agreed to re-work A5 sign for toilets, ready for printing
5. Gym Event - Lawrence sent copy of letter to GYMS to Advocacy Committee members
6. Cecil, Lyn and Glenda attended the Launch of 3 more Red Benches, and the Opening of the Vulnerable Persons Support Room at Burpengary Police Station. The Launch was held at Caboolture Sports Club, Which now has a red bench. Attendees were the Red Rose Foundation, police officers including Michelle (who organised the Vulnerable Persons Room), other supporting groups, and our ZONTA representatives. A screen display showed supporting groups including ZONTA.

Date Claimers for 2023:

Mark them in your diary

- Dinner Meeting 29 March 2023
- Dinner Meeting 26 April 2023
- **HELPING HOPE HAPPEN** Chaplaincy Fundraiser Dinner - Friday 26 May 2023 - Bellmere State School, 176 Dobson Lane, Bellmere.
- District 22 Conference (to be held in Mackay) 8th-10th September 2023.

MEMBERS OUT AND ABOUT



Lyn delivering more Breast Pillows

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

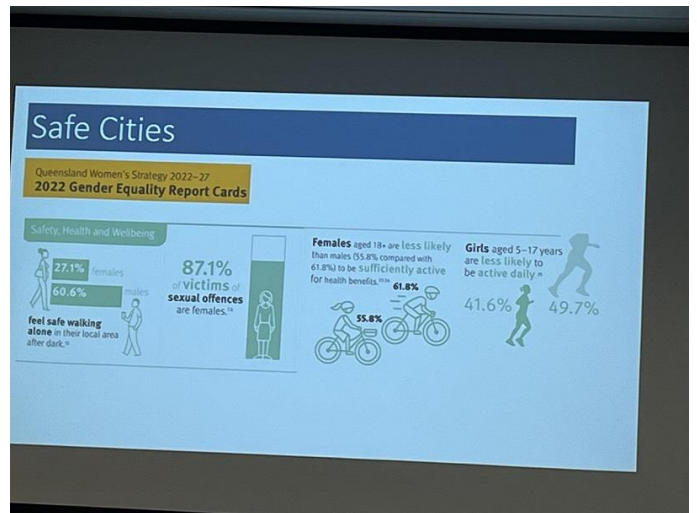


Celebrated on Friday 3 March at Norths Leagues Club attended by 199 people including students from Secondary Colleges in the region



AREA 1 DISTRICT 22 MEETING

**Held at The Hub, Caboolture on Saturday
18 March**



Above: District Governor Lyn Agnew
Below: MC Lyn Foley



Edith Fogg received an award for her service to Birthing Kits



The cutting of the ribbon at the DV Red Bench Project Official Opening on 24 March attended by members of the club: Cecil, Lyn and Glenda.

