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NEWS

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

As I write my first report as President of this club for 2015-16, I feel honoured to lead this group of compassionate and dedicated people who strive to achieve the ideals of Zonta. Each and every one of us brings to the club our own unique attributes that have built this club to what it is today. Our recent successes are due to the untiring and conscientious effort by members under the leadership of Past President, Carole and her Board. This is evident in the esteem with which the Zonta Club of Caboolture is held in the local community and other Zonta clubs.

The foundation of any successful group or organisation is teamwork and by working together as a group, so much more can be achieved to attain our goals. As the old saying goes, there is no "I" in teamwork! An achievable aim for this club is that everyone feels valued, members contribute equally and their opinions heard.

The Board's Blog

The June meeting of the new Board met on Thursday night for the first time at The Hub in the Caboolture Library. It proved to be a suitable room for our needs, and due to some clock watching, we finished right on the dot of 8 pm! It was mentioned that Peter Cooke was missed bringing cups of tea and biscuits around.

Secretary Lorraine has started a "Motions" book and will keep records of motions which can be looked up in an instant when required.

Keys to the shed will be held by Sara and Sue if anyone needs to access the shed. Post box keys are held by Glenda and Karen.

Dinner meetings held at Bobbio's Training restaurant in St Columban's College has proved to be a perfect venue for our meetings. Patricia has kindly offered to continue being the liaison person with the college for booking numbers for dinner meetings.

During coming months we hope to have some interesting guest speakers invited to address our members at dinner meetings. It was recommended by the Board that a person be the co-ordinator of Guest Speakers - someone to make the arrangements regarding their attendance. Annette Lovering has volunteered to do this for us. Lorraine has prepared an application form to be used for Guest Speakers.

Lorraine has also prepared the Hostesses and Zonta Thanks and Objects Roster which will be sent out shortly.

We need to be mindful of the time factor taken at our dinner meetings as the students and their Hospitality teachers need to go home to their families. Therefore, I want to urge Committee reports to be included in the newsletter and not being reread at

the dinner meetings, unless there are matters of urgency that have cropped up in the meantime which need to be brought to the attention of the meeting. It was recommended by the Board that a member be appointed as the timekeeper at meetings so that we don't go overtime and to hurry the proceedings along. This is not to stifle someone having something to say, and I would encourage those who usually are quiet to have their say. It will, however, keep the chatty conversations short and the business end of the meeting dealt with in a timely manner. Karen has put her hand up for this job and will act as Parliamentary and timekeeper.

The Board has received a letter from Carole Tomvald requesting Leave of Absence for twelve months which has been accepted. We hope to see Carole again after her break, and we will miss her drive and enthusiasm as well as her friendship. Carole still wants to receive communications from Zonta, so she won't be far from our thoughts, and we will see her in Airlie Beach in October for the District Conference.

Thank you to the people who have taken on being Committee Chairs. This is the where the working of the club is being done. Under your guidance, the reason why we joined Zonta in the first place is put into action.

Just take a step back for a moment and see the great things that are happening both locally and globally in the name of Zonta. Be proud of who we are why we are here.

President Glenda

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR THE TREASURER!!!

Treasurer's report should have been received by now.

Our club dinner meetings are held on the last Wednesday of each month at Bobbio's Restaurant (St Columban's College training restaurant with the entry via Pettigrew Street. All numbers have to be at the college by the Friday prior to the dinner meeting.

The cost per member for our dinner meetings is \$30. They charge us \$25 per meal with the other \$5.00 being for club expenses ie guest speakers dinner, guest speakers gift, stamps etc

If you miss a meeting regardless of apology, you need to pay \$5.00 at the next meeting you attend.

If you are unable to attend a meeting please call Patricia. If she doesn't hear from you by midday FRIDAY PRIOR to the meeting she will presume that you are attending. If you then unable to attend after this time **you will be liable for the cost of the meal - \$30.00.**

Treasurer, Karen McNab

CONVICTION COMMITMENT COURAGE 2014 - 2016

DATE CLAIMERS:

District 22 Conference Airlie Beach—Whitsunday's - 09-11 October 2015

International Convention - Nice France 2 - 6 July 2016.



BIRTHDAYS for JULY

No Birthdays for July

Apologies to Lorraine as she has the youngest grandchild not Sandra as I stated in the last newsletter.



SERVICE

Next Step ... a Brighter Future: On the 29 May, Deb, Waltraud & I attended the Next Step...A Brighter Future a women's event that was held at the Morayfield Community Center.

For a first time event such as this, it was a very successful day. The Attorney General Yvette D'ath opened the event and later Mark Ryan member for Morayfield attended and gave a wonderful speech about men's responsibilities and attitudes towards domestic violence.

Our stall was very successful and we all agreed that it was probably one of the best advocacy days that we have had. We had many enquiries about Zonta Caboolture, we felt our being there was very worthwhile.

Christina Marshall and her team from Phoenix Rising and Fight Like a Girl, gave a martial arts display, which was also very popular.

Fight Like a Girl: Christina has been reporting back to me about the success of the program in the schools, and she & I also had feedback from a Morayfield High School teacher, where a student was being threatened with violence, remembered what she had been taught and was successful in defending herself. It was a powerful message and it should be rewarding for us all, knowing that through this program, we are making a difference to young women's lives.

CRDVS: Last week Patricia & I had a marathon shopping trip and purchased all of the items for the Baby Emergency Packs and last Saturday some of the members came to my home and we spent the morning packing up 60 bags. 0-6 months, 6-12 months, 12-18 months, 18-24 months, and 2-3 years.

We purchased nappies, singlets, socks, bunny rugs, disposable change mats, bags for disposing soiled nappies, baby wipes, and baby bottles & for the older children, books and colouring pencils.

On Tuesday afternoon Glenda & I delivered them to Estrella at CRDVS and she was over the moon at our generosity, and was so happy to now, be able to help mothers of babies and young children.

Deception Bay Girl Guides: My sincere thanks go to all members of our club for supporting the Service Committee's recommendation to pay for a young girl to go the International Jamboree in September 2015. Tayjah Wicks from Bellmere was the lucky young Guide to have her name pulled from the hat. Another thrilled recipient of our service work in the community.

Peter Harris President of the D Bay Guides has now purchased the equipment they need to set up the technology corner in their hut. He will send us photos and updates in due course.

Birthing Kits: I have ordered the 1400 kits for our packing day in August. Please ensure that you have set aside a few hours on the 30th of August to be at packing day.

Breast Cushions: Edith's friends are currently cutting out and sewing approx 100 cushions. When this is completed we will set a date for the stuffing day, which is to be held at Annette's home. We still have approx 120 in stock.

Patricia also gave a Breast Cushion to a friend at the gym whose sister in the States has been diagnosed with Stage 3 Breast Cancer.

Sue Droughton
Chairman

MEMBERSHIP



New Member

The Committee welcomes Sarah as a new member of our Zonta Club. The Induction was held at the May Dinner Meeting. Follow up for Sarah will be Orientation, mid to late July, and confirmation of Sarah's choice of Committees. *(Sandra to action)*

Membership Resources

Thanks go to Sandra for bringing the Directory up-to-date.

New Member's Booklet Revisions *(Sandra to complete)*.

New ZI Membership Manual - It was decided that each committee member should have a copy, to be downloaded by individual committee members.

Thanks go to Glenda for printing one copy for the Committee in April.

Prospective Members

The Committee will follow-up with women already contacted. *(Cecil to action)*

Short Membership Presentation (Follow up from 2013 Review)

Committee members agreed to an overarching question with sub-questions, and made plans for a hands-on short presentation for the July Dinner Meeting (10 minutes). The discussion was animated, with creative ideas in abundance.

(All Committee members to present)

Recognition of Achievement by Women and Girls

As a follow on from the discussion about the presentation, it was noted that our club could recognise the achievement of women and girls in our community (one of the goals from 2013 Survey). Members agreed that as a start we could send a congratulatory letter to women who gained an award recently in the Queen's Birthday Honours. Lorraine offered to investigate but found that there weren't any women awardees in our area. However there were 11 from Queensland. Lorraine has done a facebook post congratulating them.

Zonta's 22nd Birthday Celebration

Sandra reported on some venues previously suggested. Committee members also discussed Sara's suggestion of a ferryman Cruise (Bribie Island) with lunch, as something different. Committee members agreed with this concept but needed more information. Sandra contacted Ferryman Cruises and found out that the cruise will not be operational on Sunday 2 August. The annual boat maintenance is carried out in July and the two owners will be en route from Cape York after their first holiday in twelve years. The Committee are investigating other options.

Thanks to Waltraud

As one of the tasks of keeping in contact with members, Waltraud has been sending birthday cards to members, with small photographic collections of the recipient's involvement in Zonta activities. The Membership Committee thanks Waltraud for doing this task as an extension of the membership Committee's role, and welcomes her at any of our meetings.

All members are welcome to come to Membership Committee Meetings, and the President is always an ex-officio member of all committees

Cecil Nielson
Chairman



FINANCE AND FUNDRAISING

Estee Lauder - We made \$260.00 on ticket sales for this event. Estee Lauder also gave us several lovely gifts to be put towards our raffles.

Bag & Shoe Sale - Sunday 19th July at Caboolture Markets - Glenda and Waltraud to set up, Pam B, Pam TS and Deb to start from 8 to finish (around 12.00). Others welcome to come and help at any time.

Sara has a garage full of bags & shoes but still keep the donations coming in.

Sorting of shoes will be at Sara's home on 14th July at 10.30. Shoes to be sold at \$2, \$5 & \$10 depending on the quality of the shoes. Any shoes left over we will possibly donate to Dress for Success or another local charity.

Fashion Parade - Friday 18th September at Burpengary Community Hall. Pam B to purchase 25 glass jars for the table decorations. Annette to check with her Red Hatters ladies to see if they still want to be our models. If they decline we will approach the DABI ladies.

Women's Bazaar - Saturday 21st November at Burpengary Community Hall 10am to 4pm.

Karen advises we have 5 stallholders confirmed but it's still early days. Sara & Pam B to attend The Handmade Expo at Morayfield Sports & Events Centre on 5th July to see if anyone is interested in being a stall holder. We need at least 20 stalls to make it a successful event.

Greeting Cards/postcards - Annette brought along a few samples of cards to our meeting. They look great but we need a better quality of paper. Also before we go ahead we have requested permission from the Library to use their photos on our cards. A letter has been sent out so we are just waiting on their reply

IWD - Patricia has sent an email to Quentin Bryce's PA to invite her to be our guest speaker for 2016 IWD lunch. Pam TS also suggested that Ann Cross (CEO of Uniting Care & 2014 Telstra Business Woman of the Year) might be a suitable candidate if Quentin Bryce can't attend.

Caboolture Family Fun Day - We received an application form to attend this function at Centenary Lakes on 20th August 2015. We haven't participated in this function for several years and have decided to decline this invitation.

Bunnings BBQ - Friday 26th June

We have every **last** Friday booked until November 2015.

31st July 2015

28th August 2015

25th September 2015

30th October 2015

27th November 2015

FOR YOUR DIARIES:

Sunday 26th July, 2015 - Shoe & Bag Sale

Friday 18th September - Fashion Parade

Saturday 21st November - Women's Bazaar

Next meeting: **Wednesday** 22nd July from 6.00pm at Karen McNab's home. (Bring a plate to share)

Pam Berkett
Chairman.



COMMUNICATIONS



An article was recently on page 2 of the Caboolture News following our meeting with Ross Paul from Inala Community House and the presentation of their cheque to us.

Sue had her Interview on the radio on Thursday 4 June where she promoted the She and Bay Sale and the Estee Lauder Shopping trip. The next interview is on Thursday 3 July.

All photos taken in connection to the club will be kept on a UBS stick and given to Sandra for Archives.

Flyers to be handed out at the Dinner meeting.

Cards and envelopes with the Club Rose are available. I will have them at the dinner meeting.

Waltraud Clark
Chairperson

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS



No Report
Sandra Cooke
Chairman

ADVOCACY

Business

Now that the District 22's queries with our Safe Transport for Women and Children in Port Moresby project have been satisfied the Advocacy committee is working to pick up momentum with this project in order to achieve a start up as soon as possible. It was, therefore, the main item on the agenda for this meeting. Actions the committee is to take are:

1. Purchase of the data projector, screen and stationary items. Lorraine and Sandra will visit Officeworks soon to do this.
2. Compilation of Speaker packs. Contents to be included include a memory stick with files [powerpoint presentation, presentation notes, project action plan, fact sheet about PNG, creating safe public places information, Executive summary of the Lowry

Foundation on VAW PNG ie stories from women] Hard copy of all documents listed.

3. Request the Board for time in lieu of a Speaker at our club Dinner Meeting on 26th August for the committee to demonstrate the presentation to the club's members.
4. Seek volunteers for making these presentations.
5. Training of presenters
6. Compilation of leave behind folders - contents to include club brochures, referral forms for other presentations, Everyday Hero information, safety cards, evaluation forms
7. Obtain list of Moreton Bay Shire community groups from the Caboolture Community Information Centre
8. Request club to donate the \$1000 to UN women via our Everyday Hero page as passed previously. New motion may be needed
9. Contact the Caboolture Multicultural society for contacts with women from Papua New Guinea

VAW and the Sixteen Days of Activism in November

This year this major campaign begins on November 25th. Last year the dinner with CRDVS was very good for us, allowing us to emphasise our message while raising funds for an educational program that teaches young people what VAW looks like, what healthy relationships look like, that VAW is wrong and more. This year the CRDVS does not plan to have another such dinner.

The Advocacy Committee is exploring the idea to hold a dinner independently of the CRDVS with a guest speaker who has a high profile on the issue of VAW and children. Our club has approached Quentin Bryce as possible guest speaker at our IWD lunch. The Advocacy Committee thought that if she was unable to be available for IWD then she might be available for one of the nights during the 16 days of activism. Lorraine is to follow up on this idea by checking the correspondence between the club and Quentin Bryce and current status of our Club's IWD request.

As education for young people featured highly in Not Now, Not Ever, any money raised at a dinner could be directed to VAW and Human Rights programs in schools or towards educational programs for women exiting violent relationships.

Lorraine Samaraweera
Chairman

UNITED NATIONS

No Report
Sandra Cooke
Chairman

ARCHIVES

No report
Sandra Cooke
Chairman

OTHER

Is anyone else attending the Mindful Meditation Day on 1st August? Please let Waltraud know so that names can be passed on to Joyce.