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ZONTA

CLUB OF
BRISBANE EAST INC

MEMBER OF ZONTA INTERNATIONAL
EMPOWERING WOMEN
THROUGH SERVICE & ADVOCACY

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Lyn Papa

Next Meeting

Monday, 16 May 2016

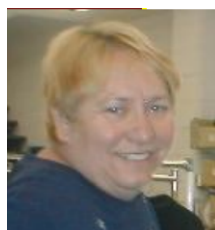
NB This is third Monday of the month

Bulimba Library, Riding Road, Bulimba

6.45pm for meeting 7.00 pm for supper

Cost \$5 per head to cover coffee, tea and sweets

President's Patter



Last month I wrote about some data on gender parity and women's participation in the workforce and on the need for mentors in our young women's careers. We all would know of the one or more mentors in our careers who challenged us to go for the next step, the next position.

This month we received the news that our submission to the Brisbane Airport Corporation (BAC) has once again been successful and BAC has funded one of our projects. The \$1,000 will be used to develop a mentoring program for our young scholarship awardees. Of course the other great news was our success in receiving \$10,000 support from EPIC for our combined Clubs project on LoveBites. So a very successful start to our 2016/17 year and, of course, lots of work. I would like to thank both Jane and Barbara for their willingness to work on each of these projects.

In February I also wrote about our recent survey which told us that members were satisfied or very satisfied with:

- being a member of the Club,
- meeting our goals, and
- achieving the outcomes we set in early 2015.

The survey also alerted us to the issue of how we engage all members in setting our directions, projects and fundraising activities where members feel included and feel their contributions worthwhile, workload is balanced and we consider members' circumstances ie work and time commitments.

I must admit I am struggling on this very issue on how we maintain our levels of satisfaction with our work, and also how we engage with what is happening at the Zonta International level when I know we all have very busy lives and at times struggle with our commitments.

So my plea is have a think about this and please bring some ideas and discussion to our May meeting. You know the talent and experience that sits around our meeting table is enormous so let us harness it!!

Regards, Jo

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2016 YWPA Club Winner

Congratulations to Phoebe Frederick our 2016 YWPA Club Winner.

We wish Phoebe all the best as her application is now considered in the District judging. Best wishes to her also as she continues her studies and pursues her dreams and aspirations.

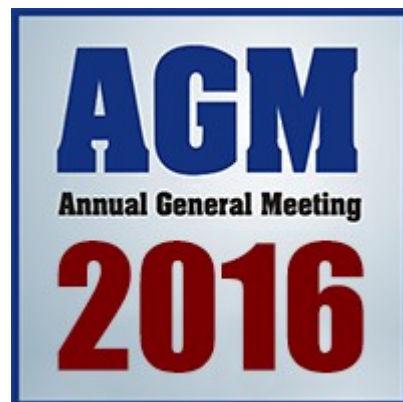
AGM

Our AGM will be held at our May Meeting and we welcome our District-Governor to that meeting. Judith will also install the Club Board for 2016-2017. The incoming Board will take office from 1 June.

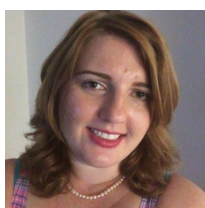
Slate of Candidates

The Nominating Committee presented the slate of candidates for 2016-2017. The following were elected:

President	Jo Diessel
1st Vice President	Irene Kinder
2nd Vice President	Kirsten Liebchen-Meades
Secretary	Ros Kinder
Treasurer	Bronwyn Campbell
1st Year Directors	Elizabeth Peters Jane Gray
2nd Year Directors	Margaret Casey Lyn Papa
Nominating Committee	Beverley Farley Heather Mildwaters Loris Neff



Membership



We will be missing Mel Ablitt at our meetings for the remainder of this year as, rather than commute weekly to Brisbane, she has accepted a position with Queensland Health in Caloundra and has moved there with Lachlan who also has a work contract in Caloundra. Mel is hopeful of supporting the Club and attending Club functions when possible. We wish her well with her new work and her leisure time as a "beach babe".

Jo Diessel and Lyn Papa have also been on the move. Jo has been enjoying a holiday in Western and Southern Australia while Lyn has been living it up in Europe. We hope both enjoyed their vacation and look forward to hearing all about it at our May Meeting.

Another Successful Grant Application

Members were thrilled to receive news this month that the Brisbane Airport Corporation has awarded the Club a \$1000 grant from its Community Fund to allow the Club to introduce a mentoring scheme for our six scholarship winners. We can now proceed with QUT to set this in motion. Jane, who already is involved with mentoring, will manage this project for us.

Morningside Festival Stall



The Morningside Festival is on once more this year on 31 July and the Club decided to again have a stall to promote our Club in the local area and attract further new members.

This is a promotional activity, but we will be selling goods to cover costs eg craft work, books and plants. We will also have a great raffle – a basket of hair products and a hairdressing voucher. We also need to staff the stall and sell raffle tickets, so please mark the date in your diary and spare a couple of hours to help out.

LoveBites



Plans are well in hand for this Combined Club Service project. Meetings have been held with NAPCAN regarding capability and timing of training and a process established to manage the project. At this stage with the funds available through the EPIC grant we received and the funding committed by our Club and the other Clubs involved, we will be able to train 60 facilitators who will then in 2017 deliver the program in a further 30 schools. Depending on the outcome of other grants being sought, we are hopeful that this number may be increased. Barbara is taking a lead role with this service project and has developed a great system for its implementation and the training program.

To date, the Zonta Clubs of Brisbane, Brisbane River, Pine Rivers and Maroochy have committed funds to this combined service project. Discussions will be held with other Clubs who have expressed an interest in joining with this combined Club Service project.

Breast Cushions

Our next working bee on 1 May has been cancelled as our helpers have been very busy in Jo's absence and we have quite a supply of cushions packed and ready for delivery. An email will be circulated with the date for our next working bee and remember you don't need to be able to sew to help with this project. We can find something for everyone to do.



Blue Illusion



Our coffers have improved as a result of our Fashion Showing at Bulimba Blue Illusion.

Many thanks to our wonderful models Kerstin and Loris and to those members who came along to support us. Just how many dollars we have gained is yet to be advised.

Bunnings

Our next sausage sizzle will be 13 May at Bunnings Rocklea. This is a Friday and as usual we are looking for helpers. If you can assist, please let Jo or Ros know so we can add you to the roster.



Menopause the Musical

Tickets are still available for this fundraiser on Sunday 22 May at 4.00pm at Twelfth Night. Cost is \$49.90 per ticket available from Loris. Payment to be made into our Fundraising Account or please contact our Treasurer Loris.



Entertainment Books

Jill again is handling the selling of Entertainment Books to boost our coffers.

At \$65 per book this is great value and you can very quickly recoup your outlay using the vouchers from the many and varied outlets in the book. Please contact Jill to purchase your copy.



Support for Madonna House

As with previous years, we have delivered a small Mothers Day gift and card for the women at Madonna House. Many thanks to Irene who made the beautiful cards to go with the gifts and wrapped the gifts so nicely.



Club Fellowship Opportunity



Our monthly meetings allow little time for fellowship and in recognition that this was one area of concern in our members' survey, the Board proposed and Club members endorsed the idea of a Fellowship Breakfast/Coffee. Date is 19 June and venue The Blue Poppy Café in Morningside. This will be a very informal gathering and pure fellowship – you pay only for what you wish to drink/eat so come along and get to know your fellow Zontians that little bit better. Partners/family are welcome to join us. More details next month.

Area Meeting

The combined 2016 Area 1 and 3 Meeting hosted by the Zonta Club of Maroochy Inc was held on 16 April at the Nambour RSL.

Denise Conroy and Ros Kinder represented the Club. Ros did a presentation on our Combined Clubs Service project – Lovebites.



International News



Denise Conroy is attending the 2016 Zonta Convention in Nice and has been elected as our delegate to the Convention where she will vote on our behalf. We look forward to her report on Convention and hope she has a great time including the time she will spend travelling before Convention and catching up with her many international friends.

The new Zonta International website has been launched <http://zonta.org> It is a revamp and a number of the pages readily accessible are now only available to you if you are logged in as a user of the site. Registration is easy, but you do need your membership number. If you don't know this, let Ros know as she maintains our Club Membership Database. Remember also that registration for the District 22 Website and the Zonta International website are independent of each other and you must register separately for each but at your choice you can use the same username and password.

Date Claimers

9 May 2016	Combined Board Meeting, Easts Leagues Club
13 May 2016	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle, Rocklea Bunnings
16 May 2016	Monthly Meeting & AGM, Bulimba Library
22 May 2016	"Menopause the Musical", Twelfth Night Theatre
13 June 2016	Board Meeting, Easts, Leagues Club
19 June 2016	Fellowship Breakfast/Brunch/Coffee at Blue Poppy Cafe, Morningside
20 June 2016	Monthly Meeting, Bulimba Library
2-6 July 2016	ZI Convention, Acropolis Congress Centre, Nice, France
11 July 2016	Board Meeting, Easts Leagues Club
18 July 2016	Monthly Meeting, Bulimba Library
31 July 2016	Stall at the Morningside Festival
8 August 2016	Board Meeting, Easts Leagues Club
15 August 2016	Monthly Meeting, Bulimba Library
3 September 2016	High Tea & Portofino Fashion Parade, Yeronga SHS Hall