

East-enders

JANUARY 2017



Next Monthly Meeting

20 February 2017

Bulimba Library 6.45 for 7.00pm

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

Board Members 2016 - 2017

Jo Diessel
(President)

Irene Kinder
(1st Vice-President)

Kerstin Liebchen-Meades
(2nd Vice-President)

Ros Kinder
(Secretary)

Bronwyn Cameron
(Treasurer)

Directors:

Margaret Casey

Jane Gray

Lyn Papa

Elizabeth Peters

President's Patter



The 2017 year has, as usual, commenced with a flurry of activity and work. Fellowship was the key for January and on the 16th we had a fellowship dinner at Easts' Leagues Club. A good time and food was had by all.

The following weekend, Ros and I went along to an Amelia Earhart brunch by the Zonta Club of Brisbane South. It was really heartening to have one of our Brisbane Clubs resurrect the Brisbane celebration of this milestone in the ZI Calendar. Although in the past it was a cross Club event, I congratulate Brisbane South on taking the initiative to start the celebration once again and it was well supported with quite a number of members attending from across the Brisbane Clubs.

Our very own Bianca, recipient of two Zonta International Amelia Earhart Fellowships, spoke to a crowd of over 70 about her research. Bianca's talk, titled *Flying High* made the most complicated technical aerospace engineering studies come to life and understandable to a not technically literate mind (ie Mine!). Congratulations Bianca.

During January we had our first sausage sizzle for 2017. Again many thanks to our Hon Zons Michele, Peter and Vern for their work and support. We had a good day raising just under \$550. February brings two sausage sizzles for us, particularly on Saturday 4 February which I suspect will be very busy and hot.

Our February meeting is usually dedicated to our strategic planning for the year ahead and thinking about service projects and advocacy actions. We are not able to have our usual survey to members this year. BUT DO NOT BE DISHEARTENED I have an idea!!!!

In July last year Denise presented a comprehensive report from International Convention. In her handout there was a two page outline of the proposed Biennial Goals, Focus Areas and Fundraising Goals for Zonta International. **Your Homework** is to read this before next meeting. (For those of you who have filed this in a very secure but unattainable spot I will email a copy of this to all members).

Then I ask you to think about the following questions for discussion in small groups.

- What have we done well in 2016?
- What did not go well in 2016?
- 3 suggested improvements.
- Ideas for 2017?

I look forward to catching up at our meeting on Monday 20 February. We may also have some potential new members attending so don't forget to talk with them.

Jo


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Fundraising

Fundraising is one of those necessary activities if we are to continue to support service activities locally and internationally. Our next fundraiser apart from our Bunnings Sausage Sizzles will be a fun night of Trivia.  Mark **the date 18 March** and start organising a table of 8 or 10 now for what should be a fun night. We have an excellent and experienced Trivia Master booked for the evening. The theme is Hollywood so decorate your table, come in appropriate Hollywood dress, BYO nibbles and enjoy the evening. Drink will be available for purchase. Great prizes to be won and a multi-draw raffle.

Bianca and Megan put forward a number of proposals for 2017 for fun, promotion and fundraising. Club members endorsed these so watch this space for the announcements. Some really great ideas – our first Park Run and movie nights throughout the year.

Breast Cushions



We have a number of cushions and drainage bags to be completed so a date will be set for our next working bee. Jo has delivered cushions and drainage bags to the Mater Private and met their demand over the holiday period.

Bunnings Sausage Sizzle

Our next Sausage Sizzle is Saturday 4 February. Weekends are busy days and quite profitable for the Club. Please add your name to the roster if at all possible – it gives those regularly doing the Monday rosters a bit of a break. We then have two more dates at Rocklea Bunnings – both Mondays – 27 February and 27 March plus a further date for Bunnings at Cannon Hill – 2 July 2017 which is a Sunday.



The Cannon Hill Bunnings is a very busy store so help is definitely needed on this day as we need four people for each shift. Again if available on these days please let Jo know.

Nominating Committee

Our Club year ends on 31 March with the new Zonta year commencing 1 June so it is again that time of year when the Nominating Committee will begin approaching members and asking to take positions on the Board for the coming Zonta year. Please give careful consideration to accepting a nomination – it is another meeting per month (on a Monday night) but you do learn more about the operations of the Club and Zonta generally. The “slate” will be presented at the March meeting with elections in April and installation of your incoming Board at the May AGM.

Zonta Says No Campaign 2016

ZONTA SAYS NO
TO VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

We had many positive responses to the information given out during our 16 Days of Activism. All of our hosts have been thanked for their support with suitable letters sent as well as Certificates of Appreciation. Many thanks to all Club members who helped during this campaign.

Service Projects for the 2017- 2018 Zonta Year

At our February Meeting we will again review our Strategic Plan and the direction the Club wishes to take in respect to our local Service Projects in the next Zonta Year which commences from 1 June. Seems a long way off at this time but it is time to put your thinking caps on as early in the New Year the relevant forms will be circulated asking for your ideas which can then be discussed at our monthly meetings. In accordance with our Club policy, funds raised during our 2016-2017 Club year (1 April 2016 - 31 March 2017) will be used to fund these projects.



Fellowship

In lieu of our January meeting a number of us met at the East Leagues Club to have a chat and enjoy each others' company over dinner.

Member News

Welcome back to all our members who have been on holiday – both overseas and local. Hope you all enjoyed a great break and are looking forward to a new Zonta year.

Bronwyn is still “on the road” but managing her duties as Treasurer and will attend meetings when she is back in Brisbane preparing to sell her unit and start building the new home.

Congratulations to Irene who is the new President of the Carindale VIEW Club and takes over the role from Jill.



ZI News



January is the month Clubs celebrate Amelia Earhart and promote the ZIF Amelia Earhart Fellowship program. The AE Fellowship is awarded to women undertaking post graduate research in space and aeronautical engineering. The ZC of Brisbane South Inc reinstated the Amelia Earhart Brunch to raise funds for the AE Fellowships. Bianca, who is a two times winner of the AE Fellowship, was the guest speaker at this function which was also attended by Jo and Ros.

ZI News (Cont)

CSW61 – This Annual event will be held in March 2017 with the Theme Women's Economic Empowerment in the Changing World of Work. The Official Program for the event will be published in late January. Zontians are invited to attend many of the activities and forums conducted during the event. Zonta international has released its statement to CSW61. The ZI statement can be found at

<http://www.zonta.org/Portals/0/Zonta/Global%20Impact/ZontaStatementtoCSW61.pdf>



Date Claimers

4 February 2017	Sausage Sizzle, Bunnings Rocklea
13 February 2017	Board Meeting, Easts Leagues Club
20 February 2017	Monthly Meeting, Bulimba Library
27 February 2017	Sausage Sizzle, Bunnings Rocklea
4 March 2017	Combined Areas 1 and 3 Meeting – Maleny Community Centre
13 March 2017	Board Meeting, Easts Leagues Club
13 March 2017	Club Charter Anniversary (28 years)
13-24 March 2017	61 st Session of the Commission on the Status of Women
18 March 2017	Trivia Night – Yeronga State High School
20 March 2017	Monthly Meeting, Bulimba Library
27 March 2017	Sausage Sizzle, Bunnings Rocklea
10 April 2017	Board Meeting, Easts Leagues Club
17 April 2017	Monthly Meeting, Bulimba Library
2 July 2017	Sausage Sizzle, Bunnings Cannon Hill
27 August 2017	4 th Annual High Tea
8-10 September 2017	District 22 Conference, Brisbane
29 June-3 July 2018	64 th ZI Convention, Yokohama, Japan