

East-enders

AUGUST 2017

Next Monthly Meeting

PLEASE NOTE THERE IS NO MEETING IN SEPTEMBER
16 October 2017

Bulimba Library 6.45 for 7.00pm

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



ZONTA

CLUB OF
BRISBANE EAST INC

MEMBER OF ZONTA INTERNATIONAL
EMPOWERING WOMEN
THROUGH SERVICE & ADVOCACY

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Once again we have had a successful month during August. Our High Tea was very successful with over 100 guests joining us at Belmont Services Bowls Club. Our District Governor, Ans Van Erp, also joined our celebrations and guests left the afternoon looking forward to next year's event! It was heartening to be joined by Zontians from other Clubs. We raised over \$4,000 which will go towards our service projects. Thank you to all members for a successful and enjoyable High Tea.

Zonta's vision is a world in which women's rights are recognised as human rights and every woman is able to achieve her full potential.

In such a world, women have access to all resources and are represented in decision making positions on an equal basis with men. In such a world, no woman lives in fear of violence.

Our theme is Empowering Women Through Service and Advocacy. (Zonta International Vision and Mission)

Australia has historically been a nation in recognising gender equality. It was one of the first nations to offer suffrage to women in 1901. The introduction of the Sex Discrimination Act 1984, paid parental leave and compulsory education to Year 12 for all children and young people are indicators of Australia's pursuit of gender equality.

Whilst we have come so far, we still have a way to go. Women in Australia still face key human rights problems including:

- *Homelessness* - In Australia, many women live without adequate access to basic living requirements such as housing and food. The major causes of homelessness amongst women include domestic violence, sexual assault and family breakdown.
- *Violence against women* (including sexual assault, domestic and family violence) - Impacts upon the capacity of women to participate in social, economic and cultural life fully and equally.
- *Equal participation* - Women experience barriers to their full and equal participation in public life, including the paid work force.
- *Gender gap in income* - Many women in Australia have lower earnings over their lifetime than men and compared to men have significantly less retirement savings. (Women's Law Centre WA 2017)

Through our community service projects and advocacy, our Club takes action in continuing to address these issues and contribute to a vision of a society free from domestic and family violence. In the coming months up until the end of 2017, our Club will join action with Zonta Clubs across the world in engaging communities to join the *Zonta Says No Campaign* and eliminate violence against women.

I look forward to working with you on these vital projects.

Jo

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August Meeting

At our August Meeting we welcomed two visitors, Annie Tamlyn and Pauline Sullivan. Rather than have a Guest Speaker on the night, Jo did a presentation on Zonta International and our international and local service projects. We hope this served as a refresher for our Club members and provided additional information for Annie and Pauline on the activities of Zonta. Annie was able to attend our High Tea and we hope to see both again at our meeting in October.

Logan Hospital Sexual Assault Team

Lynn has happily gone shopping for the items required by the Sexual Assault team at Logan Hospital and delivered them to the Unit. Funds remain in the allocated budget to spend for further items for the Unit as they are needed. The clothes we supply are provided to the women whose own clothes are taken for forensic testing.

Zig Zag



Zig Zag have provided us with a list of items that they would like purchased for their residential units and Jo and Denise will do this over the coming weeks.

High Tea



Our 4th annual High Tea was again a huge success with over \$4,000 raised on the day. We had almost 100 guests attend and their comments as they left indicated that they enjoyed the afternoon and would come again. Thank you to Portofino for the Fashion Parade and to Barbara from Nutrimetics for again having her stall there.

Our six models did a great job with the fashions as can be seen by the photos. Anthony again provided wonderful entertainment and Pete, Cindy and Michele plated the food for us whilst Len and her friends waited on the tables.



It was great to have our D22 Governor Ans (ZC Toowoomba Area), Past D22 Governor Judith (ZC Wynnum Redland), AD1 Lyn (ZC Brisbane) and AD3 Elaine (ZC Brisbane City Heart) attend. Including these District representatives we welcomed the company Zontians from ZCs Beaudesert, Brisbane Metro Breakfast, Brisbane North and Ipswich.



The afternoon would not be successful without the assistance of those listed above and of course to our own Club members for the delicious food they provide and for bringing their friends along. Many thanks to you all.

Bunnings Sausage Sizzle



Get ready for the Sausage Sizzles again. We have had a short break from them but the next one is at Rocklea on Monday, 25 September. As usual, if you can help on the day, please let Jo know as we do have a number of members travelling and unable to assist. The Sausage Sizzles from now until to March 2018 will be a regular monthly event on the last Monday of the month (except December when it will be a week earlier) and we also have a weekend day in December.

District News

The District 22 Conference will be held at The Royal on the Park in Brisbane from 8-10 September 2017. Denise is our delegate and Jo our alternate. Jo and Ros are responsible for the Credentialing process. Denise has also organised the Silent Auction with some great items up for bids. If anyone wants to bid on an item, please let Denise, Jo or Ros know so that they can place your bid on your behalf. Similarly with the Raffles. Jo has already circulated information on these. More news on Conference next month.



Congratulations to the Zonta Club of Mackay Inc which has sponsored a Golden Z Club – the CQUNI Golden Z Club and to the Zonta Club of Caloundra City Inc which has sponsored The Ambassadors Z Club. The District now has 14 Z Clubs and 1 Golden Z Club.

Member News

To all those who are travelling in the coming weeks (the reason for the cancellation of our September Meeting) stay safe and enjoy yourselves.

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| 8-10 September 2017 | District 22 Conference, Brisbane |
| No Monthly Meeting in September | |
| 25 September 2017 | Sausage Sizzle, Bunnings Rocklea |
| 9 October 2017 | Board Meeting, Easts Leagues Club |
| 16 October 2017 | Monthly Meeting, Bulimba Library |
| 30 October 2017 | Sausage Sizzle, Bunnings Rocklea |
| 29 June-3 July 2018 | 64 th ZI Convention, Yokohama, Japan |