

East-Enders



April 2020

PLEASE NOTE OUR APRIL MEETING WILL BE AN ON-LINE MEETING USING ZOOM – FULL DETAILS ON HOW TO CONNECT WILL BE FORWARDED PRIOR TO THE MEETING

Presidents Patter



The last few weeks has been wild, strange, and uncertain for most of us. COVID-19 is creating a unique situation and it is forcing everyone into new routines and different lifestyles. Most of us are living in a different way than usual.

A quote by Jack London, an American novelist, on misfortune:

“Life is not always a matter of holding good cards, but sometimes, playing a poor hand well.”

That is what our club must do now- play our poor hand well.

Our fundraising has taken a major hit with Bunnings Sausage sizzles shutting down. We must focus on new ideas now. I would love to hear from all club members with your ideas. Our High Tea has been booked for Sunday August 23rd at same location. Hopefully we will be able to proceed with it.

Our next Board meeting on April 6th will be a virtual meeting using *Zoom Meetings*. This software is used by the District 22 board for their meetings. It will be different but exciting to try new routines.

All for now. See you on-line at our next meeting- April 20. Stay safe.

Loris

“The way we experience the world around us is a direct reflection of the world within us.” Gabrielle Bernstein

TO ALL OUR READERS AND THEIR FAMILIES PLEASE STAY SAFE, FOLLOW THE SOCIAL DISTANCING RULES AND WHERE POSSIBLE STAY AT HOME.

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. Bunnings Sausage Sizzle

As you will have heard Bunnings have cancelled all Sausage Sizzles due to the spread of COVID 19. Hopefully these will resume later in the year as their cancellation will have a significant affect on our fundraising efforts. To those who volunteered for the ones that were scheduled – thank you but now you can have a rest and stay safe.



Service Projects

With low numbers attending the March Meeting a decision on our service projects for 2020-2021 was delayed until our April Meeting which, as advised above, will be an on-line meeting. Details on the projects proposed have already been circulated to members.

Jane M Klausman Women in Business Scholarship

The flyer is for the 2020 Jane M. Klausman Women in Business Scholarship. It features the Zonta International logo at the top right. The text includes: '2020 Jane M. Klausman WOMEN IN BUSINESS SCHOLARSHIP', 'Expanding opportunities for women in business', three circular photos of women, '1 APPLICATION, 3 OPPORTUNITIES', and a table of award details. The table lists 'Club award' (Varies by club), '32 district awards' (US\$2,000 each), and '6 international awards' (US\$8,000 each). It also states the application deadline is 1 July 2020 and provides the submission address: ZONTA CLUB OF BRISBANE EAST INC, PO BOX 1873, CARINDALE, Q., 4152. A small note at the bottom explains the scholarship is a Zonta International program funded by contributions to the Zonta International Foundation.

The Club is calling for applications for the 2020 Jane M Klausman Women in Business Scholarship. The scholarship is open to women of any age enrolled in at least the second year of an undergraduate program through the final year of a Master's program at the time the application is submitted in a business program with the major field of specialization in accounting, economics, finance, business management, marketing, operations management, human resources management, international business, or entrepreneurship at an accredited university/college/institute.

The scholarship is conducted at three levels Club, District and International.

The application form can be found on our Club website at <http://brisbaneeast.zontadistrict22.org> and all required documentation must be received by the Club no later than 1 July 2020.

Slate of Candidates

At our March Meeting the Nominating Committee presented the slate of candidates for 2020-2021. The Slate put forward is:

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President: Loris Neff
Vice President: Valerie Paterson
Secretary: Jacinta Fromm
Treasurer: Lyn Papa
Directors: Kerstin Liebchen
Divya Viswanathan

CSW 2020

CSW2020, because of COVID19, was scaled back to one-day only and the cancellation of all side-events. A Political Declaration was released on 9 March 2020 by Member States commemorating the 25th anniversary of the Fourth World Conference on Women, held in Beijing in 1995. Leaders pledged to ramp up efforts to fully implement the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, still considered the most visionary blueprint on women's rights.

This year's session focused entirely on the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action. The review took stock of the status of women, including in-depth assessment of current challenges that affect the implementation of the Platform for Action and the achievement of gender equality and the empowerment of women. Find more information on this at <https://www.unwomen.org/en/news/stories/2020/3/press-release-csw64-adopts-political-declaration>

ZI CONVENTION 2020 CANCELLED

Our Zonta International President Dr Susanne von Bassewitz has emailed all Zontians advising that because of COVID-19 the ZI Board was forced to cancel Convention. Registrants will receive a full refund of their registration fees paid and the essential business of Convention will be carried out electronically with advice on the process to be used to be forwarded shortly to Club Presidents. Whilst this decision is disappointing it is completely understandable given the current pandemic facing the world. If you did not receive the email from the ZI President you can find it at <http://convention.zonta.org>

Member Profile – Jill Hedley



At the Area Meeting we were reminded that one of the criteria for membership of Zonta was to be or have been in a decision making position in the course of one's career.

Although I am first and foremost a primary school teacher, I have filled a number of other positions within that sphere that certainly involved decision making. I was a member of the team that developed the 1987 Years 1-10 Mathematics Syllabus and wrote support

material including Year Level Source Books and materials for professional development. As an Education Advisor, I ran many seminars and workshops to assist in the implementation of that Syllabus and drove many kilometres visiting schools.

Later, I worked in Curriculum Branch writing policy documents and other materials. I also worked with the Board of Senior Secondary School Studies as a consultant in the development and implementation of the Short Response Items section of the Core Skills test. At the beginning, I was the only primary teacher to be involved. There was certainly a lot of decision making involved in what was then an innovative assessment process. For some years I was on the executive committee of the Queensland Association of Mathematics Teachers and achieved the unusual distinction for a female primary teacher of becoming president. As a result, I was on the National Committee for five years as well as other policy committees at State Level.

After being back in the classroom for a number of years I again had a spell as an Education Advisor attempting to implement the Student Performance Standards. Although I spent most of my years in the classroom, I was working half my time as a Senior Testing Officer with Testing Branch when I made the decision to retire.

Since retiring in 2007, I have moved from Sinnamon Park to Carindale to an over 50s resort. This has enabled me to participate in the many social activities in the village. Of course I have indulged in the usual retiree passion for travel. However when I returned from Europe in 2008, having taken part in the Zonta Convention in Rotterdam, I decided long distance flights were no longer an option and joined the cruising set. Much more relaxing!

As we celebrate 100 years of Zonta we can reflect with pride on the progress we have made as women. When I began my career, as a female teacher I was paid ninety percent of the male wage and was forced to resign when I married. The few women who had achieved non classroom positions were only in the Infant Schools. There was almost no career path for women. As we have moved from slates to I-pads, there have been dramatic improvements to the status of women in Education. However, there are still barriers, overt and covert, to be overcome. It is also important that the young women of today understand how far we have come and continue to advance the status of women in all professions

Diary Dates

13 April 2020 – Board Meeting
20 April 2020 -- Monthly Meeting, On-Line Meeting using ZOOM
11 May 2020 – Combined Board Meeting
18 May 2020 – AGM & Monthly Meeting, On-Line Meeting using ZOOM
8 June 2020 – Board Meeting
15 June 2020 – Monthly Meeting, On-Line Meeting using ZOOM
13 July 2020 – Board Meeting
20 July 2020 – Monthly Meeting
23 August 2020 – High Tea – Belmont Services Club

