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Zonta's birthing kit project *G & M News*

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THE weather was grey and raining, but there were smiles and cheerful conversation aplenty inside the Maleny RSL hall on Saturday August 27, where 18 women were making a difference. The Zonta Club of Blackall Range hosted



Arianna, Hannah and Geraldine

their annual Birthing Kit packing morning, putting together 600 kits that will be distributed overseas. These small ziplock bags containing a sheet of plastic, three pieces of string, five swabs, soap, a scalpel blade and sterile gloves significantly improve the health of mothers and babies in countries where women routinely give birth without access to medical care.

"We were thrilled to welcome Club members and local volunteers, including three midwifery students from USC this year," said service committee chair June Robson. If you are interested in helping pack kits next year, or in finding out more about Zonta, call June on 5499 9234 or contact Zonta Membership at barbara.fowler99@gmail.com