

Southern Gold Coast Tweed ZONTA NEWS January 2024



UPCOMING EVENTS

Dinner Meeting

Monday 15th January
6.00pm DST time
Secret Garden
South Tweed Sports Club

Fundraising Dinner

Grill'd Coolangatta
Date to be advised

Combined Area 1 & 3 Meeting

Beaudesert
16 March

District 22 Welcome to Convention – Charming

Squire South Brisbane
26 June

Birthday Wishes

None this month

Thought for January



**Zonta International
Convention Brisbane**
Convention & Exhibition
Centre
27-30 June



President's Message

Welcome back to Zonta for 2024. Wishing you all a healthy and happy New Year. May 2024 bring you lots of love, laughter and joy, filled with interesting adventures. The year is shaping up to be a great year for Zonta, with the international convention in Brisbane in June and International Women's Day on 8 March. As with many other people this will be my first international conference, so very much looking forward to the experience.

Our club looks forward to lots of interesting, ongoing and new initiatives and hopefully new members.

We will be holding a fundraiser evening at Grill'd Coolangatta very soon, but the date is still to be confirmed. We will let you know asap. The \$25 ticket includes a \$10 donation to our club and a \$15 meal of a burger and snack chips. We would love as many members as possible to bring along their friends and family to join us for the evening.

Many people in our area have had heavy rain, storms, flooding, a tornado and destruction. Our thoughts go to those of our members and friends who have suffered or been involved in this, some without electricity for over a week. If you know of women and families who need our help, please let us know at our next meeting, so we can discuss how we can assist.

We send Merle our best wishes for a speedy recovery as she recently had a difficult time.

Looking forward to seeing you next Monday 15 January 6.00pm for 6.15pm start DST NSW at South Tweed Sports Club.

Warm regards

Yvonne

Service and Advocacy Report

Both John Flynn and Tweed Hospital are stocked with Breast Cushions.

I dropped in some toiletries and undies to Momentum office, and they were going to share all items between the Refuge and the homeless women.

Many thanks to Barbara Buckman for the knitted dolls they were gorgeous and were very much appreciated at the Refuge.

I have spoken with Angela, the Breast Care Nurse at Tweed Hospital, about attending our meeting next Monday night. She has it in her diary and is very much hoping to attend, so she will arrive between 6 and 6.15pm.

See you then.

Carole



Donated Christmas items for little ones and their mothers



Cute, knitted dolls made by Barbara

Brisbane International Convention Update

From D22 Governor Lyn Agnew

Registrations will open on 15 January 2024, so get ready to purchase your tickets for the Convention. Please remember that ticket prices are in US dollars, not Australian dollars, and GST will be added at the checkout for in-person attendees. Early bird registration finishes on 15 March 2024.

District 22 'Welcome to Convention' event will be on Wednesday 26 June. One of the many activities usually held at Convention is a District meeting which allows District Zontians to catch up, make decisions and enjoy the company of fellow Zontians. The District Board has organized for the District 22 welcome to be held at the Charming Squire, a venue adjacent to the Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre on Wednesday evening, 26 June. The event will be open to partners and friends of Zontians, and attendees will not be required to be registered for the Convention to attend.

The evening will be largely informal, with time to enjoy a good chat, good food and beverages of choice. The cost will be \$58.00 per head or thereabouts and will be ticketed through an online system. For those who missed the District Conference, you will get to meet the incoming District Board and farewell the outgoing 2022-2024 Board. Please mark your diaries now, and when the ticketing system is set up, buy your ticket. I hope to see you there!

Lyn

A reminder that our special bags and scarves are available. If you want to place an order for club members please do so now, so we know if we need to re-order before the convention. Order now through your club, bags \$60 and scarves \$76.



The story of our convention bag

“BEAUTIFUL WOMEN GIRLS TOGETHER” BY KIM BROLGA WILLIAMS
I am a descendant of the kullilli & wakka-Wakka clan, I’ve been painting for over 40 years. In 2016 I completed my degree in contemporary Australia Indigenous Art at Griffith University. My practice includes sculpture, intricate culture weaving & heritage as an Aboriginal woman.
My biggest accomplishment was in 2016 when I completed my degree, this gave me the opportunity to produce over 30 gallery shows here in Australia & public art talks.
A commissioned work for District 22 for the Zonta International Convention Brisbane 2024



Heavy Canvas 25x50 cm
Queensland Grown Organic Cotton
Manufactured and printed in Brisbane
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