

East-Enders

July 2023

"Building a Better World for Women and Girls"



President's Patter



Thirteen members and HonZons of Brisbane East attended the Monet in Paris Exhibition on Saturday. We all enjoyed the wonderful artwork representations.

As we were driving home, we discussed some quotes from the exhibition. Two stood out, both from one of Monet's contemporaries, Mary Cassatt an American born artist who spent most of her life in France.

"Women should be someone and not something."

"Acceptance, under someone else's terms, is worse than rejection."

Mary Cassatt was born in 1844 and died in 1926 much of her work focused on the lives of everyday women and their children in the late 19th century. Unfortunately, her words are still relevant almost 100 years later.

Tonight, as I sat down to write this article, yet another woman is in hospital after being injured by her partner - thrown from a car on a Queensland highway. This is why members of Zonta Clubs continue to do what we do. Fight for the rights of all women to be safe and for the victims without judgement but with care and compassion.

Susan

Member News

Our members are certainly making the most of our freedom to travel. We have Valerie off visiting in North Queensland before embarking on another cruise, Kerstin off to Germany to visit her mother and family, Alex off up north and then travelling overseas for two months and lastly our President Susan who has enjoyed a lovely break at Uluru despite the rain! Litty spent a week with the RDFS in western Queensland, based in Roma, and Jacinta has been up and

down to Toowoomba a number of times to care for her mother who had a fall – do hope she is recovering.

June Meeting

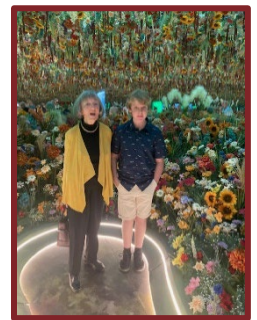
Whilst our numbers were down for our June Meeting it was a busy one as we discussed and made decisions on our fundraising for this Zonta year and our service projects.

Again we welcomed Sophie Papa to the meeting and we hope to induct her as a Zontian very soon.

Fellowship



Thank you Jacinta for arranging our Fellowship visit to “Monet in Paris” (The Impressionists) on 24 June at Le Grand Palais, Northshore. Thirteen of us, including HonZons, enjoyed the exhibition and of course the chat over coffee and cake afterwards. Photo of seven of us posing on the bridge and one of Beverley with her grandnephew.



A busy month for fellowship with a number of members attending the opening of the Art Exhibition of Lyn's mother, the late Jean Gariola, at Wilde Kitchen, Brighton Homes Arena, Springfield. The Exhibition runs until 28 July with proceeds from donations and sale of the artwork going to the refuge the Club supports.

Fundraising



Feeling hungry? – pop into Grill'd Carindale and drop your token into the Community Matters token jar and show your support for our Club. Our Club is one of the beneficiaries selected for the month of July.

Keep your eyes out for another great Trivia Night at Grill'd Carindale during October.

Our next sausage sizzle at Bunnings Rocklea is on 8 July. As always we need a roster of volunteers to share the work. Our sausage sizzles are our major fundraiser so please if you can volunteer for a couple of hours on the day let Jo know so she organise the roster. The more volunteers the shorter the roster and the easier it is for everyone. We also have 4 November for a Sausage Sizzle so mark that date in your diary.





For those who are helping with our fundraising via “Containers for Change” we now have a deposit number to make it easier for you. Just drop your bag of recyclables to the drop off centre and quote the number C10671310. The funds raised will then go direct into our Fundraising Account.

Service

At our recent Trivia Night representatives from Open Haven who were attending were presented with one of our Dignity Bags. The bags are filled by members and given to the clients attending Open Haven.

Our June Meeting endorsed the continuation of our service projects – making Zonta Breast Cushions and Drainage Bags, Assembling of Birthing Kits, Continuing our Scholarship program at Balmoral and Yeronga State High Schools, assisting with the printing by BDVS of Safety Cards, involvement in the Zonta Says NO campaign and investigating a new project to furnish a room at the Morningside Police Station for use by victims of domestic and family violence when attending the station. The challenge now will be to raise funds for the continuation of these projects and any additional projects proposed by members.

Advocacy



The Club on behalf of the District has submitted an application to GOA Billboards for a publicity campaign, sponsored by GOA, for six weeks in 2024. If successful the billboard campaign will be shown on GOA Billboards in SE Queensland. The billboards will have artwork encouraging membership of Zonta and increased participation in our campaigns. The themes are Together We Can Make a

Difference and Building a Better World for Women and Girls. Each week will highlight a Zonta campaign eg Zonta Says NO to Violence, Zonta Says YES to Gender Equity, Zonta advocates for Climate Action. Attached is an example of the proposed artwork included in our submission. Many thanks to DG Lyn, Jo, Lesley, Belinda, Belle and Ros for working on this project.

In 2011 the United Nations General Assembly designated 15 June as World Elder Abuse Awareness Day. The Queensland Government runs an annual elder abuse prevention campaign from mid-June until the end of July to help raise awareness of the signs of elder abuse and encourage people to contact the Elder Abuse Helpline for support. The Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Council (dvfcouncil@premiers.qld.gov.au) latest newsletter described Elder Abuse as:

“any act within a relationship of trust which results in harm to an older person. It can be emotional, psychological, financial, physical or sexual abuse, or neglect. In most cases it is perpetrated by people that the older person is reliant on for care and support, transport and/or medical needs”

The DFV Council Newsletters are a valuable source for current information and resources so if not already a subscriber consider registering for their updates. `

District 22 Conference

Registrations are now open for the District Conference in Mackay. Early Bird Full Registration is \$330 but closes on 15 July when registration will increase to \$380. Updates on the program (speakers) in the special Conference Newsletters being sent to Clubs and posted on the D22 website.

Diary Dates

6 July 2023 – Board Meeting by TEAMS
8 July 2023 – Sausage Sizzle, Bunnings Rocklea
17 July 2023 - Monthly Meeting by TEAMS – Guest Speaker
7 August 2023 – Board Meeting by TEAMS
17 August 2023 – Birthing Kit Assembly Day with CHAC Students
21 August 2023 – Monthly Meeting BY TEAMS
7 September 2023 – Board Meeting by TEAMS
8-10 September 2023 – District 22 Conference, Mackay Entertainment & Convention Centre
18 September 2023 – Monthly Meeting – Hybrid – Guest Speaker
4 November 2023 – Sausage Sizzle, Bunnings Rocklea
16 March 2023 – Combined Area 1 & 3 Meeting
25-28 June 2024 – Zonta International Convention – Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre

