

Monthly Newsletter



ZONTA
CLUB OF
PARADISE POINT INC



President's Message

Another year is upon us.

The major event this year is of course the Convention in Brisbane. Fingers crossed that this perfect weather will continue so as to enable our visitors to enjoy it.

The Board this year is very small, President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. I would really like to see at least one additional member as a director. So once again I'm requesting you please think about it. The commitment is to attend one zoom meeting a month that is not a lot.

This month Helen O'Sullivan will be inducted, our number is now 13, we are slowly increasing our membership.

Don't forget that the committees will be Advocacy, Service and Membership; you are to decide what one you wish to join and advise me at the dinner meeting. There can only be 4 members per committee, so if one has more members than another, someone will have to transfer.

The next fundraiser is the BBQ at Bunnings Arundel, Kathryn will finalise details at the dinner meeting.

I'm looking forward to another year in Zonta with you.

Merrilee

*If I can stop one heart from breaking,
I shall not live in vain;
If I can ease one life the aching,
Or cool one pain,
Or help one fainting robin
Unto his nest again,
I shall not live in vain.*

- Emily Dickinson -

Dinner Meeting Information

Date

Tuesday 18 June 2024
6:00pm

Venue

Function Room
AFL Tigers Club
28 Ashton St
Labrador

Cost

\$30.00

Payment for Dinner

Zonta Club of Paradise
Point Inc - Admin
BSB 124-022
Acc 1042 1645
Reference: Your name

Apologies/Guests

Please notify:
Merrilee 0402 108 406
by 10:00am,
Friday 14 June 2024

*If an emergency requires a late
apology, please call Merrilee
before noon on Tuesday. This is a
courtesy call and may not remove
the necessity for payment.*

May Changeover Dinner - A Memorable Evening for Zonta Club of Paradise Point

The May Changeover Dinner for our Zonta Paradise Point club was a vibrant and significant event, marking not only a transition in leadership but also emphasising the importance of recognising Domestic Violence Prevention Month. The evening's decor featured orange women, low and high tables, and candles symbolising the fight against domestic violence and setting a poignant tone for the gathering.



Induction of Board and New Member

The new Board was officially inducted by founding member, Marian Buttery. The Board for the upcoming year includes:

President - Merrilee Lisle
Vice President - Kathryn Janovsky
Treasurer - Janet Burrage
Secretary - Judy Wythes

We would also like to extend a warm welcome to our new member, Susan Bridges

Susan, you are now one of more than 27,000 members around the world who believe in making the world a better place for all by empowering women and girls.

Click on the link (or copy & paste on your browser) below for the new member orientation video link
<https://www.dropbox.com/s/xn8pz7g1cx3ghzo/New%20Mem%20Orientation%20Video.mp4?e=1&dl=0>

Club Activities and Achievements

The meeting featured a comprehensive PowerPoint presentation prepared by Kathryn Janovsky. It showcased the club's activities and accomplishments over the past year, including:

- Charity Performance DOGFIGHT with its symbolic 'walk' highlighting the advocacy and service of Zonta, locally and internationally.
 - Breast Cushion Development: A vital project for breast cancer patients.
 - 16 Days of Activism: Campaigning against gender-based violence.
 - Summer Splash Barbeque Sausage Sizzle: A community engagement event.
 - International Women's Day Luncheon: Celebrating women's achievements.
 - Support the Girls Service: Providing essential items to women in need.
 - Grill'd Fundraiser: Raising funds for various initiatives.
 - Christmas Fellowship Dinner: Fostering camaraderie among members.
 - ANZAC Wreath Laying: Honouring fallen soldiers.
 - Proposed 'Soft' Room Development at Runaway Police Station: A safe space initiative for victims of domestic violence.
 - District 22 Women in STEM Scholarship 2023: Awarded to Shanya Spencer, recognizing her achievements and potential in STEM.
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Items of Interest



DV Safe Phone

DV Safe Phone
Mobile phones are collected, repaired and distributed (free) to domestic and family violence victims across Australia. DV Safe Phones are more than just a device – they are a means for connection, safety, education and support. Find a collection point and donate your old mobiles.



Fundraiser

Our next fundraiser is a Sausage Sizzle at Bunnings.

Here are the details:

Date: 23 June 2024
Time: 07:30am to 3:00pm
Location: Bunnings Arundel
All are welcome to participate and volunteer.



New Committees

The introduction of a new committee structure was discussed during our last May Dinner Meeting.

Advocacy - Jenny Gamble
Service - Kathryn Janovsky
Membership - Marian Buttery



ABC's Q&A

An episode of ABC's Q&A was held at the Logan Entertainment Centre. Viv Koorey attended and listened to questions various members of the audience asked Australia's Treasurer, Jim Chalmers and the budget. A couple of questions relating to Domestic Violence and Homelessness were asked. He agreed more money for additional resources are required.



Guest Speaker

Guest speaker Eva Te Paa, a Bursary recipient and second-year psychology student, shared her journey and gratitude for the support she has received.

Eva's heartfelt speech highlighted her academic progress and the pivotal role Zonta's assistance has played in her education.



Happy Birthday!

June 29
Roslyn Scott

July 14
Sheila Ponting



Dianne Leggo OAM

Dianne Leggo's investiture of her Order of Australia medal (OAM) 'for service to women through Zonta International' took place at Government house in Brisbane on Wednesday 15 May 2024. She was accompanied by her son Craig, daughter in law Jenny, former District Governor, Ansmarie Van Erp, and May McPhail, who nominated her for the award.

Dianne has been a member with Zonta International for over 42 years holding positions at club, district and international level. She has been a member in Bendigo, Bundaberg, Paradise Point & presently eClub of Qld.

Stuff & Sew - Breast Cushions

Our club creates and distributes specialised cushions designed to provide comfort and support to individuals who have undergone mastectomy or breast surgery. These cushions are often used to alleviate discomfort, provide gentle pressure, and promote healing during the post-operative recovery period. The service project aims to improve the quality of life for breast cancer survivors by offering practical support and assistance during their recovery journey.

On Saturday 25 May 2024, some of our club members enjoyed a successful morning stuffing and sewing breast cushions to give to the Pindara Hospital. They made approximately 100 cushions while sharing a good time of fellowship together. Thanks to all who were able to attend the morning at Salacia Waters Boutique Cafe.



Zonta International Convention 27-30 June 2024



Although Early Bird registration has passed, you can still register to attend convention – Zonta International | Brisbane 2024 | Women's Rights Convention (zontaconvention.com)

You will need to know your Zonta Membership Number – this was included in the email you received from Zonta International on 18th January or contact Ros if you need assistance.

Remember that the ticket prices are in US dollars, and GST will be added at online checkout.

Book into workshops, and social events and tours.

Welcome to Convention Dinner for District 22 Members

26th June 2024, from 6:30pm – 9:30pm at The Charming Squire, 3/133 Grey Street, South Bank, Brisbane. This event is open to all D22 members (even if not attending the convention), partners and friends.

Purchase tickets at this site: [ZI D22 Welcome to Convention - Sticky Tickets](#)

Zonta Convention Tour – Recipe for Circus in a Teacup (hosted by Zonta Club of Brisbane North Inc): 26th June 2024, 8.00 a.m. – 12 noon. \$60 per person.

Private tour of Vulcana Arts Hub; explore how arts-based programs can support long-term recovery of women who have experienced domestic and family violence.

Purchase tickets: [Zonta-Convention-Brisbane-2024-CIT-Tour.jpg \(2205×1103\)](#) (zontadistrict22.org)

Virtual Pre-Convention Sessions

Have you registered for convention yet?

The Zonta 2024 Virtual Pre-Convention sessions have begun! All registered convention attendees have the opportunity to virtually attend all of our pre-convention sessions, such as the virtual WOW: Membership Actions, Strategies for Growth workshop on 23 May and more!

Learn more about our other pre-convention sessions on the Whova App today.

Zonta's 2024 Convention is supported by the Queensland Government through Tourism and Events Queensland and Business Events Australia.

Brisbane Convention App
www.zontabrisbane2024.events.whova.com



Zonta Convention Auction

Register via Browser

Go to <https://app.galabid.com/zontad22fundraiser>
Click on the 'Register' button
Follow the instructions to complete registration.

Register via TEXT

Text: zontad22fundraiser and your full name
To +61458678678
Example: zontad22fundraiser John Smith

Follow the registration link you are sent by text from GalaBid.

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Add Your Voice Membership Campaign

Working Together to Attract New Voices and Foster New Advocates

Zonta's voice becomes stronger when we recruit great individuals to work with us to build a better world for women and girls.

In the last year alone, the needs of women and girls have increased and the strides we have made for equality and opportunity have taken a step backwards in many places. Zontians are needed more than ever and we should not be shy about asking individuals to join our community and speak out for our causes.

Zonta International - Share Your Story

Thank you Kathryn for submitting the following on the Zonta International website.

[https://zonta.org/Web/Programs/Mission in Action/Share Your Story/TheZontaClubofParadisePointInccelebratesempathyandadvocacy.aspx](https://zonta.org/Web/Programs/Mission%20in%20Action/Share%20Your%20Story/TheZontaClubofParadisePointInccelebratesempathyandadvocacy.aspx)

Zonta Club of Paradise Point Inc. Celebrates Empathy and Advocacy Through Charity Performance Performance and Advocacy Through Charity Performance

The Zonta Club of Paradise Point Inc., Australia, joyously celebrates the success of the recent charity performance of the musical "DOG FIGHT," in collaboration with the esteemed Spotlight Theatre Company. "DOG FIGHT" delved into themes of empathy, growth and the intricacies of human relationships, striking a chord with modern audiences. Its message of empathy and kindness resonates deeply with Zonta's mission, urging all to see beyond surface judgments and treat others with dignity and respect.

Inspired by the musical's setting in the socially charged 1960s, a time marked by fervent social activism, our club members embarked on a symbolic walk, proudly carrying placards showcasing Zonta's advocacy and service projects. From promoting gender equality to combating domestic violence and supporting breast cancer survivors, their commitment to positive change shines brightly.

As the club celebrate its achievements, it also reflects on its core values as well as Zonta's. Together, it envisions a world where women and girls thrive and is dedicated to making that vision a reality.

This remarkable event took place during National Domestic Violence Prevention Month in May, which was strategically chosen to raise awareness. Through ribbon distribution and information sharing, the club encouraged attendees to wear the ribbon throughout May, sparking discussions and fostering solutions to this critical issue.



Diary Dates

04 June 2024 - Service & Advocacy Zoom Meeting 6:30pm

11 June 2024 - Board Zoom Meeting

18 June 2024 - Monthly Club Dinner Meeting **NEW TIME: 6:00pm** Guest Speaker: Letwin from Labrador Women's Space

23 June 2024 - Bunnings Sausage Sizzle

26 June 2024 - District 22 Welcome to Convention - Charming Squire, South Brisbane

27-30 June 2024 - Zonta International Convention, Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre

TBA - Membership Meeting

TBA - Service & Fundraising

02 July 2024 - Service & Advocacy Zoom Meeting 6:30pm

09 July 2024 - Board Zoom Meeting

16 July 2024 - Monthly Club Dinner Meeting 6:00pm Guest Speaker:

TBA - Membership Meeting

TBA - Service & Fundraising