

Zonta's super garden street stall

ZONTA Club of Blackall Range members have been working for months propagating and growing plants for you to buy in time for summer planting or Christmas gifts at their stall to be held on Wednesday, December 1 at the Kiosk in Maple Street Maleny from 8.30am.

Coordinators Linda McElrea and Lyndel Grant are garden lovers with green thumbs. They are pleased with their hard work (and the friends they have coerced into helping) and urge patrons to be early to get the best choice of plants, with prices starting at \$5.

"Of course, it is a fundraising effort for the work Zonta does in the community and around the world but the plants we have will be good value and there will be a great variety," Linda said.

"We know how much people across the range love their gardens, so we expect plants will go quickly.

"We have succulents, day lilies, hydrangeas, geraniums and many other flowering plants.

"A special feature will be hanging baskets already planted, so the hard work is done. All you have to do is enjoy them," she said.

As well as the plants there will be a range of delightful hand-painted pots, so think Christmas, lots of



jams, preserves and baked goodies, all homemade, and bags of macadamia nuts for the Christmas table.

Customers will have the chance to buy tickets in a raffle for the best Christmas hamper ever according to Linda and Lyndel.

Internationally, Zontians work with the United Nations to assist the women of Afghanistan. Locally, Zonta supports the Women's House for homeless women and the club is a foundation member of the Speak Up Now movement bringing awareness of support for victims and perpetrators of domestic and family violence to the people of the Blackall Range community.



Zonta's perennial garden

Zonta stands for women's rights. Zontians advocate for equality, education and an end to child marriage and gender-based violence.

Chartered in October 1997, the Zonta Club Blackall Range Inc. supports charities and organisations, from local through to international, with the ultimate aim of improving the status of women.

Blackall Range Zontians are working hard preparing for a super stall in the Kiosk on Maple, Maleny for Wednesday December 1.

Selling expertly propagated and grown day lilies, succulents, hydrangeas, geraniums, and flowering plants, coordinators Linda McElrea and Lyndel Grant (pictured) said they have Christmas in mind too.

"We are featuring a stunning range of hand-painted pots for living Christmas presents, hanging baskets, jams, preserves, macadamia nuts and a super Christmas hamper raffle," they said.

Funds raised will be supporting Zonta's commitment to Speak Up Now, bringing awareness of help for victims of domestic and family violence in this community.



Lyndel Grant checking hanging baskets for the Zonta plant stall.

Zonta's Maleny Kiosk Garden Stall a must for local gardeners

ZONTA Blackall Range members are busy preparing plants for a garden stall they will hold in the Kiosk in Maple Street Maleny on December 1, timed for summer planting and Christmas.

Zontians will be on hand from 9am to sell plants, jams, preserves and baked goodies, and they are urging people to come early as plants will disappear quickly.

"Everything is green or blooming and great quality and variety, with well-established succulents, day lilies, hydrangeas, geraniums and flowering plants," said Zontian Lyndel Grant.

"We have some stunning hanging baskets already planted for summer gardens, which we expect will be very popular.

"The jams, preserves and baked goodies are all home-made, there will be bags of macadamias for sale and a raffle for a great Christmas hamper," she said.

A range of hand painted pots would be a special feature of the stall with Christmas shoppers in mind.

The stall will raise funds for Zonta Blackall Range and their work to raise awareness of domestic and family violence, in line with Zonta's worldwide action for women since its beginning 102 years ago. Locally Zonta supports the Women's House for homeless women and is a founding member of the Speak UP Now group, highlighting the support available for victims and perpetrators of domestic and family violence in the community of the Blackall Range.