

East-Enders

October 2024

“Building a Better World for Women and Girls”

President’s Patter



It’s not often that we see or hear about the outcome, end results of the projects that our club undertakes. This month, we received some feedback.

Earlier this month we received the following message from the District 22 Governor in New York:

“To the District whose members had the pattern for mastectomy pillows available in the Brisbane Zonta marketplace: my mom sewed 10 for donating, so thank you!!”

We were surprised at the Convention in June to learn that breast cushions are not used or supplied universally in other countries. I know Jacinta spent some time explaining the real purpose of the pillows and that they were not inflight neck pillows!



Lesley and I had the privilege of officially handing over the Safe Interview room at the Carina Police Station in September. Ironically, our appointment was delayed because the room being used for an interview. The Officer in Charge reported that his staff are very impressed, and it really is making their job easier.

Of course, none of us belong to Zonta or work on these projects to receive recognition or accolades. However, it is a pleasure to pass on the information when we learn that the time we spend is making a difference.

Susan

Service:



President Susan and Lesley formally handed over our second Safe Room to the Officer-in-Charge at Carina Police Station. Many thanks to Susan and to Lesley for leading this project. Thanks also to the Carina Leagues Club for their generous grant and to Bunnings Rocklea for the voucher for the



paint. The room looks great and will no doubt be appreciated by the women and children using it.

The Club is again sponsoring training of facilitators to deliver the LOVEBiTES program in our local schools. Training is planned for 27-29 November in both the senior and junior programs. The program is suitable for students aged 11 to 17 years. LOVEBiTES is based on best practice standards for education programs as recommended by the Federal Government funded Australian Domestic and Family Violence Clearing House and other leading academics in the area of violence against women.

(<https://www.napcan.org.au/programs/love-bites/https://www.napcan.org.au>)

Fundraising:

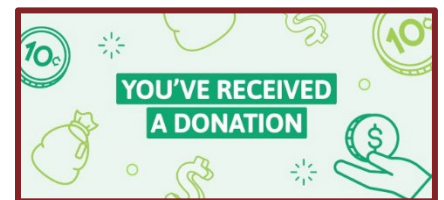
Sausage Sizzle: 23rd November



Our next Sausage Sizzle will be Saturday 23rd November, at Rocklea Bunnings. Please check your diaries, and let Jo know if you will be available for a shift. We will need many workers, so ask your family and friends if they would like to work with us!

Cash for Cans – ongoing

This fundraiser is on-going throughout the year. Just drop your recyclable bottles and cans to any depot using the code **C10671310** and the dollars will be donated into our fundraising account. Remember every little bit counts!



Fellowship:



Our next fellowship together is a breast cushion working bee at Jo's on 27 October. There is a job for everyone so you don't need to be able to sew to attend. Come along and enjoy the company followed by a light lunch – everyone is welcome.

As is customary our December monthly meeting will be replaced by a fun Christmas party at the Carina Bowls Club. Enjoy a game of barefoot bowls (\$10 per person) followed by Pizza from Panchos (at own cost). Family and HonZons invited also of course. Details are on the flyer at the end of this newsletter.

United Nations Day – 24 October



United Nations Day (24 October) marks the entry into force in 1945 of the United Nations Charter. On 31 October 1947, the UN General Assembly, by resolution (168 ((II)), declared that the Day would be devoted to raising awareness of the goals and achievements of the Organization and gaining support for its work. The 2024 Theme is: *From Clicks to Progress: Youth Digital Pathways for Sustainable Development*. Digitalization is

transforming our world, offering unprecedented opportunities to accelerate sustainable development.

Zonta International is a non-governmental organization with General Consultative Status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council and participatory status with the Council of Europe. Zonta is also a member of coalitions like the Coalition to End Violence Against Women and Girls Globally (<https://www.endgbvnow.org/>) the ERA Coalition (<https://www.eracoalition.org/>) and others. Through these relationships and partnerships, Zonta is able to issue its own statements and collaborate with other like-minded organizations to make joint statements and advocate for policies to promote and protect the rights of women and girls.



Diary Dates

- 03 October 2024 – Board Meeting – ZOOM
- 11 October 2024 – UN International Day of the Girl Child
- 21 October 2024 – Club Meeting (attend at library, or ZOOM)
- 24 October 2024 – United Nations Day
- 27 October 2024 – Breast Cushion Working Bee

- 06 November 2024 – Board Meeting – ZOOM
- 18 November 2024 – Club Meeting (attend at library or ZOOM)
- 23 November 2024 – Bunnings Sausage Sizzle, Rocklea
- 25 November 2024 – Zonta Says No to Violence – City Walk
- 29 November 2024 – Paint the Bayside Orange Breakfast, Wynnum Manly Leagues Club

- 05 December 2024 – Board Meeting – ZOOM

08 December 2024 – Barefoot Bowls Pizza Night, Carina Bowls Club

10-21 March 2025 – 69th Session of Commission on Status of Women, New York

30 March 2025 – Area 3 Meeting hosted by the Zonta Club of Brisbane River Inc




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CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

SUNDAY, 8TH OF DECEMBER 2024

CARINA BOWLS CLUB
401 STANLEY ROAD CARINA

4:00pm barefoot bowls (\$10 per person)
5:00pm Dinner at Panchos (Individual purchase of food/drink)

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