

WATZON

July 2006 Edition

Next dinner meeting:

Tuesday 18 July 2006

6.00pm fellowship

6.30pm business

7.15pm dinner

Apologies: Ring Gloria (4972 9110) if you are bringing a guest or wish to apologise by 10.00am on Tuesday. Failure to apologise will result in you being charged for the meal.

Treasurer's assistant:

July – Trisha Jacobsen

Fellowship officer:

July – Helen Johnson

Raffle winner at May meeting:

Pauline – please bring a prize for July meeting.

Birthdays:

14 July Jenny Simpson
26 July Diana Cameron

Coming events:

- Zonta Race Day – 12 August 2006
- Relay for Life – 19/20 August 2006
- Zonta Information Evening – 29 August 2006
- Fashion Parade – 14 October 2006
- International Women's Day Dinner – 8 March 2007
- 2007 Valentine's Day Ball – Saturday 10 February 2007
- April 2007 – convention at Hervey Bay

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Zontians welcome to this new Zonta Year. May the next 12 months be fruitful, full of happy times and getting to know our Members better. A little late but a special thank you to the Nominating Committee and to all the Members who have agreed to be on the Board.

Since our last Dinner Meeting 3 Zontians from our Club, Trudy, Trish & myself attended the 58th Zonta International Convention which was held in the beautiful city of Melbourne. During the week decisions important to the future of our organization were made, we learnt about the challenges facing women today and what Zonta International, our Districts and our own Clubs can do to meet those challenges and discover new ways to strengthen our Clubs and carry out our mission. What a tremendous week this was meeting Zontians from all over the world. Approximately 1500 Zontians + 500 guests attended the Convention.

Have a good week and look forward to catching up with you at the Dinner Meeting next Tuesday 18th July.

Anne

MONTHLY COMMITTEE REPORTS - July 2006

- *Programme Public Relations and Environment Committee*

Reminder: We meet Monday 24 July at Kath's at 6pm this month. Please continue to forward dates for the calendar. Thanks.

Trisha Jacobsen

- **Service and Status of Women**

Date: 3 July 2006

Members Attending: Karen Field, Joanna Lee, Diana Cameron, Gail Sellers, Helen Johnson

Discussions:

- International Women's Day Speaker suggestions discussion
- Options - select "topic of interest" or "Headline speaker"?
- Most high profile speakers are only available via "Speakers/Presenters" Consulting Companies - therefore prices of speakers through these organisations are in the range of \$5K to \$10K per speaker plus expenses including fees for "middle man" - probably 5 to 10% => too expensive for Zonta?
- Suggested topics - Women's health, nutrition or water
- List of potential guest speakers
 - Anna Bligh
 - New Water commissioner
 - Kerryn Phelps
 - Rosemary Stanton

Molly Robson - former Qld government minister
 Toowoomba's Mayor - Water Issues
 Female Celebrity Chefs -
 Lola Kerr - Women's Health Centre
 Gladstone
 Prue Oswin - Local athlete and Water Engineer

- Anna Bligh's contact and enquire via Member Office Joanna
- New Water commissioner - contact office and enquire Gail
- Kerryn Phelps - contact Manager or personal assistant Diana
- Rosemary Stanton - contact Manager or personal assistant Diana
- Who have other Zonta clubs had as high profile guest speakers? Check District 24 web site Helen
- Enquire with Judy Whicker for suggestions for potential guest speakers Gail
- Enquire contact re Health/Nutrition speaker Karen

Actions for July:

- Seek approval from board to send a Letter of Intention/Introductory Letter re Dinner event to potential attendees from Services Clubs
- Seek further

suggestions/contacts
from Gladstone
Zontians for potential
guest speakers

Past Actions
Reservation made for
proposed Venue for
International Women's Day
Dinner – Country Plaza –
Level 4 – International
Room (KKF reserved early
June)

Next Meeting: 5:30pm Monday 7
August 2006

- **Membership & Fellowship**

Meeting held at 4 Linville Court on 3
July at 5:30pm.

PRESENT:
Gloria Roche, Christa van Zyl, Cathy
Davies

APOLOGIES:
Trudy Zussino and Jade Ryan

BUSINESS:
The invitation letter for potential
members was discussed and a draft
was put together. The 29th of August
is our confirmed date for the
information evening. A decision still
has to be reached regarding the
venue for the evening although it has
been decided that it will be at a
private home.
Letters of information will be sent out
on 11 August to allow candidates
enough time to respond.

Gloria Roach will take over my
responsibilities and will represent me
at our next meetings. The next
Membership and Fellowship meeting
will be held at Gloria's residence on
31 July.

Christa van Zyl

- **Finance & Fundraising**

Date: 22nd June 2006

Members Attending: Di, Carole &
Kerry

Members Apology: Sue, Margaret

Discussions:

Gladstone Race Day

- Booking and date confirmed
Sat 12 August.
- As no tent available area
undercover to be roped off.
- Liaise with turf club about
catering for the day

Fashion Parade

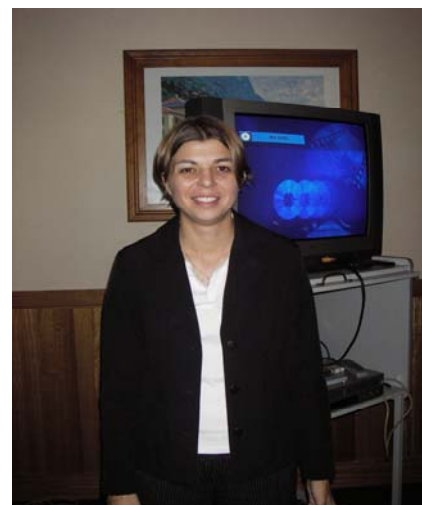
- booking needs to be changed
as this clashes with the Caulfield Cup
- restaurant to be booked for
Sat 14 October instead.

Valentines Ball

- 4th floor Country plaza booked
for 10/2/07 band to be confirmed
for that date.

Next committee meeting : Thursday
27th July 5.30 Coffee Club

GUEST SPEAKER AT JUNE DINNER MEETING – JOANNA LEE



Joanna inspired those present at the June dinner meeting with news of her plans to travel to Uganda for 2 weeks in September 2006 to assist the Watoto Childcare Ministry. Joanna will belong to a 28 person team from around the world travelling to Uganda to be part of the Annual Build Team. During her two week stay in Uganda Joanna will help to build two houses (each to house 8 orphans), attend a ministry meeting and visit a local HIV ward.

To be part of the build team Joanna needs to spend approximately \$AUS 5,000.00 of her own money. She is also hoping to raise \$5,000.00 to donate to the Watoto Childcare Ministry. One of her fundraising events is a breakfast on **15 July 2006** at the Gladstone Church of Christ, Dalrymple Drive, 7:30am.

Joanna decided to assist the Watoto Childcare Ministry after she saw the Watoto Childrens' Choir sing in Gladstone in 2005.

Great effort Joanna!

REPORT FROM ZONTA INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION (Melbourne 23 – 30 June 2006)

Place: Central and so good. Melbourne Convention Centre, right by the Yarra River on Spencer Street, opposite the Crown Casino Complex.
Organisation: 99% excellent. All who went to Paris and New York and other conventions say Melbourne did us proud - the best ever!! Well done Melbourne and Area 23.

Briefly....

- 68 member countries present
- 1311 voting delegates

- 2500 involved including guests and speakers
- 5 past international presidents(PIPS) 11 International Board Members
- 29 District Governors and heaps of Club Presidents and lots of members from across Australia and the globe.

The opening ceremony was full of pomp and ceremony but lovely. The flag bearers in national costumes appeared on stage and the Australian Youth Choir sang as the Convention was opened.

Our Past International President Mary Ellen Bittner was marvellous. Well organised, flexible, humorous and warm. The new international president is a very capable, beautiful, talented lady. Some of these girls have got it all. They are truly awesome!

At the convention I witnessed the wonderful international achievements of great value to disadvantaged women and girls that ZONTA is advocating for and the projects we are involved in and where our actual International fees go to work. It really makes you feel that you are in humble little Gladstone making a real contribution and difference.

The most inspiring speakers were Kimberly Boyce Campell (NZ) a winner in 1991 of Young Women in Public Affairs. She spoke about what she had achieved since having won her award. Dr Susan Andrews (the two time winner of the Amelia Erhardt Award). She is a rocket scientist and she spoke locally in the past.

The information on our service projects at all levels gave excellent feed back on their success and this was directly seen in the workshops on Women and Girls in Education, Economic Self Sufficiency Projects

and Women against Violence: Human Trafficking and Women's Health(HIV Aids).

The fellowship: was the best thing as I met and talked with women from all over the country and world and made heaps of new friends.

It all ended in a grand Gala Dinner under 200 golden stars and was worth every cent. The new international executives were installed, the past farewelled and there was wonderful entertainment, scrumptious food and sadness at the end. Farewells of "see you in Rotterdam in 2008" were exchanged.

From Melbourne I went to Tasmania and had Tuesday night with the Launceston Club and gained some more excellent ideas to forward on to the club for discussion.

I am definitely heading to Canberra for our Area Convention next year and Rotterdam in 2008 maybe, depending on the piggy bank.I will put the photos on the web site I am making.

From Trisha Jacobsen (an ordinary member, not a delegate)

JOCK A RAMA



At the June dinner meeting we decided to donate an item to the Jock a rama on 15 July 2006. Diana Cameron "volunteered" and her

creativity resulted in the above novelty item, modeled by a mannequin. It should get Zonta noticed!

The Zonta donation will be auctioned on 15 July to raise money for the Walk for Your Mate Charity.

2006/2007 ZONTA ROLES

Board Members

President	Anne Blain
Immediate PP	Pauline Dunn
Vice President	Barbara Anderson
Treasurer	Carole Low
Minutes Sec.	Sue Smith
Corres. Sec.	Kathleen O'Neill

M & F	Christa van Zyl
PPR & E	Trisha Jacobsen
F & F	Kerry Hughes
SS of W	Karen Field

Zondarme	Trisha Jacobson
Watson	Margaret Esdale

Membership & Fellowship

Christa van Zyl (Board Member)
Jade Ryan
Trudy Zussino
Gloria Roche
Cathy Davies

Programme, Public Relations & Environment

Trisha Jacobson (Board Member)
Barbara Anderson
Kathleen O'Neill
Karen Marsh
Karen Busted

Finance & Fundraising

Kerry Hughes (Board Member)
Pauline Dunn
Margaret Esdale
Di Malcolm
Sue Smith
Carole Low

Service & Status of Women

Karen Field (Board Member)

Gail Sellers
Diana Cameron
Joanna Lee
Helen Johnson

WATZON deadline – Sunday following the monthly board meeting

Meeting times:

Board Meeting: 6.00pm first Tuesday of the month at Anne's place, 28A Barney Street.

Membership & Fellowship: TBA

Finance & Fundraising: 5.30pm last Thursday of the month at the Coffee Club

Programme, Public Relations & Environment: Last Monday of the month

Service & Status of Women: first Monday of the month at the Coffee Club



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