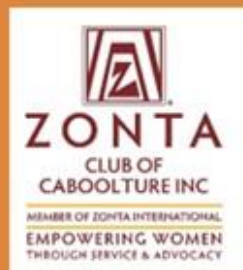




NEWSLETTER

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BIRTHDAYS

May - Lawrence (2/5); Deb (31/5);
June - Susan L (15/6); Karen W (21/6)

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

What an outstanding month that May has been for the Zonta Club of Caboolture!

My sincere thanks go to all members of the Advocacy Committee for the wonderful work that has been done in collaboration with local gyms.

This promotion is something that has never been done in the 30th years of Caboolture's life.

I would doubt if this has been done in any Zonta Club, certainly not to my knowledge.

The Committee came up with innovative video messages, promoting awareness of Coercive Control. Congratulations to all, wonderful job.

Lawrence has the facts and figures of the Facebook connections, and I will ask Lawrence to present these at our Dinner Meeting on Wednesday night.

Thanks to the Events Committee for another successful Bunnings BBQ this month. Well done.

Congratulations must also go to Glenda for the outstanding work that she put in for our new shed application. Fingers crossed that we will be successful.

Glenda has also put in enormous of hours, working with our new Auditor Jennifer Thomson.

Jennifer has streamlined our system, to see that we are in good stead for many years to come.

Thank you Glenda.

Last night Patricia & Neil Clunes (representing Knights of the Southern Cross) Lyn & John Howells, Lawrence, Richard & I attended the Helping Hope Chaplaincy fundraising Dinner.

Glenda & Geoff were also there representing the Morayfield Lions Club.

It was a lovely night and they raised \$65,000.00. Wonderful effort for such worthy cause.

Last Tuesday, Cecil, Karen, Glenda, Patricia & I attended the C.A.D.A. morning tea. Another lovely function, but we were given a real insight into the struggle that C.A.D.A. has to deal with every day supporting victims of Domestic & Family Violence.

Holly is the new CEO of C.A.D.A. and she gave a great speech about her role in the organisation.

Annette Lovering has organised Holly to be our guest speaker in July. Thank you Annette.

Cecil, Pam Berkett & I have had a second meeting to plan our 30th Birthday celebrations. Plans are coming along nicely.

Good wishes and get well soon messages are to go to Pam Berkett. Pam had surgery on Wednesday to replace a "dickie" knee. Look forward to having you back soon Pam.

Sue Droughton
President



SERVICE COMMITTEE REPORT

Held at Sue Droughton's Home

Sandra Cooke Further Education Award:

After receiving a text from Tamika Bennett (the receiver of the Award) to inform us that she has deferred her studies to work full time, the Committee decided that we would withhold any payment that was to be paid to Tamika.

Breast Cushions:

All of a sudden there has been quite a demand for our cushions, and so we will be stuffing cushions at my home on Saturday 24 June. Unfortunately the Beach House is not available on that day, and we planned to change the date to the 17 June, however, that is the day that Bribie Pink Dragons are celebrating their 15th Birthday and there are quite a few members who wish to go paddling with the ladies and stay on for either coffee or breakfast.

The stuffing has been ordered from Dyman Foam at Geebung and they are donating half the cost of the stuffing, which is wonderful.

The Haven:

We were given the sad news recently that Gail Torrens CEO of The Haven has passed away.

We have allocated \$350.00 for Christmas Gift Cards for this year. However, due to some uncertainty of the continuation of The Haven, the Committee felt that it is time now to step back from this organisation.

A Brave Life:

At our planning day in January we had budgeted \$300.00 to Melissa Redsell (founder of A Brave Life) so the payment was made this month.

Next Service Committee Meeting Tuesday 6 June at 10.00am at my home.

Sue Droughton
Chair
Service Committee



MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Membership Chair
Pam Berkett



EVENTS COMMITTEE REPORT

Our next BBQ will be on Sunday 18 June. Remember many hands make light work.

Thank you to the Gluttonous Café for their kind donation of soft drinks at our last BBQ.

Patricia Clunes
Events Chairman



COMMUNICATIONS



Sue Droughton continues her 'chats with Rosemary on our local radio station on a monthly basis.

ADVOCACY REPORT

The Advocacy Committee members met 8 May, and Lawrence organised the ZOOM connections.

This brief report will be in two main sections - May Gym DV Awareness Event and Ongoing Advocacy Projects

May Gym DV Awareness Event

This event was well on its way during May.

Lawrence, Susan, and Lynda gave updates about the daily video showings and showed the rest of the committee what was being shown the day of our meeting. The focus has been with one GYM at this stage, but Lynda commented that this year's efforts can be viewed as a trial. The number of comments received will indicate the extent of outreach and give an indication of the effectiveness of this approach.

Lynda and Susan will work on photos/video for social media, as the content can be shared with groups, organisations, and politicians at all levels.

Many thanks to Lawrence, Susan, Lynda and Olga, for their dedication and implementation of this innovative approach in reaching out to people, especially young men and women, about the many forms of domestic violence and ways of prevention.

Lawrence and his team can give more details about the progress of the GYM Event and its effectiveness.

Ongoing Advocacy Projects

- Pam (with help) made arrangements for the Zonta Says No Banner to be displayed and taken down. It was displayed for some of the time in May. Many thanks to Pam.
- CADA Candle Lighting ceremony was online 3 May
- Child Marriage: Letter of Reply to Premier's Office has been sent by President Sue. Thanks to Edith, Carole, and the Board (Deb), for helping with the drafts.
- Signs for Male/Female Toilets in Shopping Centres - deferred until June. Lynda has agreed to prepare the A5 size notice ready for printing.
- For the Zonta Garden at Burpengary Police Station, to overcome difficulties in upkeep,

small pavers will be used to create the Z shape and some marigolds and alyssum will be planted in spaces left.

- In June, there is a need to check with the Burpengary Men's Shed regarding the supply of extra orange figures, and replacement of faulty bases.
- Brief Discussion of replacement Chair of Advocacy resulted in the possibility of 2 Co-chairs. President Sue supports this suggestion.



Cecil Nielson

A/Chair Advocacy Committee

Date Claimers for 2023: **Mark them in your diary**

- **6 June** Service Committee Meeting (Sue's home Beachmere Bay)
- **17 June** - members paddling with the ladies from Bribie Pink Dragons or celebrating with them in the evening.
- **24 June** - Breast Cushion Stuffing (Sue's home Beachmere Bay)
- **13 July** - Pre Birthing Kit Pre-Pack (Sue's home Beachmere Bay)
- **15 July** - Birthing Kit Packing Day. Beach House Bishop Road Beachmere.
- **5 August**- Zonta Club of Caboolture 30th Birthday Celebrations. Beach House Bishop Road Beachmere.
- **8 - 10 Sept** - District 22 Conference (to be held in Mackay)



MEMBERS OUT AND ABOUT

At the Chaplaincy Dinner on Friday night - Lawrence, Jon, Lyn, Patricia, Neil, Sue and Richard.



At the Morayfield and District Lions Cancer Council Biggest Morning Tea were - Glenda, Patricia, Jon and Lyn, and Brian and Karen.