September 2024 NEWSLETTER



Zonta Club of Wynnum Redland Board

President Ange Hill

1st **VP** Judith Trevan-Hawke

Secretary Carrol Jackson

Treasurer Robyn Smith

Director Zora Abbott (Chair of Membership)

Director Marilyn Smith (Chair Advocacy)

Director Barbara Wills; (Service)





President's Report - Ange Hill

Not quite sure where July or August went....

Our Club is definitely on track, consolidating and connecting with each other. This has been helped by a change to our Dinner Meetings format. A rotation occurs over three months:

- 1. Dinner Meeting encouraging fellowship
- 2. Dinner Meeting with Sub-Committee breakaway groups
- 3. Dinner Meeting with a Guest Speaker

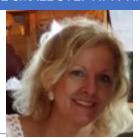
We all join clubs for different reasons and as a Club we need to attempt to meet the needs of all our members, primarily ensuring members feel welcome, valued and able to contribute locally and internationally to "build a better world for women and girls'.

Due to the EKKA Public Holiday, our August Dinner Meeting was successfully self-catered by some of our members with Guest Speakers, Susan Davies and Elaine Harrington from Sharing with Friends. This was informative and demonstrated what can happen if you think outside the box. This is a great initiative and I hope we can provide further support in the future.

Whilst overseas, our Vice President Judith Trevan-Hawke has experienced a health event, however is reported to be engaged in Rehab with some improvements noted. We wish Judith well in her recovery and look forward to her return to Queensland.

A very special thanks to our Board, who are working collaboratively with members to develop a calendar of events including fundraising functions, a planned Community Forum, 16 Days of Activism and increasing our visibility within the community.

BEHIND EVERY
SUCCESSFUL woman
IS A TRIBE OF OTHER
successful women,
WHO HAVE her back.



Membership News – Zora Abbott

We are expecting a guest at the September Meeting and I am sure that all members will be friendly and welcoming. It would seem constructive to have a meeting with other clubs a approach the difficulties of recruiting new members.

Carrol returned from the UK in time to be the scone baker extraordinaire for our trivia afternoon, but unfortunately Judith is still in the UK.

Marilyn enjoyed a road trip around outback Queensland. From dinosaurs to hot springs, she shared with us her travels on Facebook and I am sure we have added to our bucket lists.

Janet is heading off to Sicily to catch up with her daughter Christina who lives in London.



Service News - Barbara Wills

Our Trivia afternoon tea was very light on numbers at 28. This is a shame because all attendees had a good time and enjoyed a generous Devonshire tea. Special thank to Gail for the trivia questions which just proved to me how little I know, Carrol for the scones and Carol, Jo and Gail for bringing up the numbers. Thanks also to Janet and Pat who made cash donations to support the club event that they were unable to attend. These donations have bought the profits from the function to more than \$700 which was a good result considering the numbers.

A review of the level of commitment and the work involved we decided that the Fashion Parade and High Tea cannot be held this Month.

Our Focus now is on Derby Day which will be held at the Wynnum Bowls Club on 2nd November and the Forum on the 12th October.

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We also completed Robyn and Jans work with 12 breast cushions and drainage bags and 10 toiletries bags for distribution to the hospital and schools.



We are planning a forum on the 10th October to address homelessness with a particular emphasis on older women who are the fastest growing cohort in need. More information will be advised as available. All who attended the August Dinner meeting at St Gabriel's Church Hall listened with interest to a presentation from Susan Davies and Elaine Harrington about their initiative to address homelessness in Older Women. Susan will present her teams progress at our forum and we are hopeful of getting some support from councils.

Motions

<u>Love Bites</u>: Ange had investigated the program and questioned the necessity for participants to undergo full training again to incorporate the changes. Part training on the new section would be less expensive. It was pointed out that this was originally a District project and was part of the HPE curriculum. It was agreed that club is not in the position to fund four nurses at \$500+ per head. A motion would be put to the Club at the next meeting to donate a smaller amount.

Motion: The Zonta Club of Wynnum Redlands will support the Love Bites training with a contribution of \$200 x 4 nurses. This to be reviewed in 6 months.

Save the date Zonta 2024

Date Claimers

Advocacy Service Membership. Annual Events

August September	8 th 12th 23 rd 26th 9 th 16 th 30th	Breast Cushions Dinner Meeting Hillbrook Z club Sleepout Board Meeting Dinner Meeting Sewing Meeting Board Meeting Board Meeting
October	10 th 12 th 14 th 28th	Breast Cushions Forum Dinner Meeting Board Meeting
November	2th 11 th 14 th 20th	Derby Day Dinner Meeting Breast Cushions Board Meeting
December		16 days of Activism

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January			
February			
March			

<u>Z Club Sleepout</u> Robyn reported that the Z Club sleepout would be held at Hillbrook Anglican School on 23rd August 2024. It will be held in the underground carpark [not in cars]. It was suggested that it may be possible to have a police officer attend the event possibly one who has had a relationship with Zonta. Security will be necessary and sponsorship of up to \$840 will be required. Brisbane Hearts [President Lisa Newman] are also supporting the event.

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