



KARLEE BOX - ZONTA CLUB MEMBER



**ON BEHALF** of the Zonta Club of Mackay, we wish you a very happy new year. We have the following events coming up, and we would love for you to be involved.

**Zonta Monthly Dinner Meeting**

- Event Details
- Date: Tuesday, 18 January (Third Tuesday of each month)
  - Time: From 6:30pm
  - Location: Special location - to be advised

This month, we remember famed aviator and Zonta member Amelia Earheart. On January 11, 1935, Amelia Earheart became the first person, man or woman, to fly solo across the Pacific Ocean.

We welcome guests at our meetings - if you are interested in attending, please contact us as soon as possible for catering purposes.

**Fundraiser - Bunnings Sausage Sizzle**

- Event Details
- Date: Saturday, 29 January
  - Time: From 9am
  - Location: Bunnings Warehouse, Paget

All money raised will go towards the projects of the Zonta Club of Mackay - empowering and supporting women through service and advocacy.

**International Women's Day Luncheon**

We invite you to join us in celebrating International Women's Day in 2022. Invite your friends, family and colleagues, male or female, to share in this special day. Mackay's premier International Women's Day event will

not only be offering the most stunning venue and the most delicious food, but fantastic entertainment as well.

This year we'll have 2 guest speakers, presentation of our Young Women in Public Affairs Award, raffles, a silent auction, and much more.

Funds raised at the event will be distributed to local charities - the Zonta Club of Mackay is a proud supporter of local not for profit organisations including Mackay Women's Centre, Domestic Violence Resource Service, Samaritan House, Lowanna House, and many more.

In 2022, we'll be celebrating under the International Women's Day theme, Changing Climates: Equality today for a sustainable tomorrow - a theme that recognises the contribution of women and girls around the world, who are working to change the climate of gender equality and build a sustainable future.

- Event Details
- Date: Sunday, 6 March
  - Time: 10am Start
  - Location: Mackay Entertainment & Convention Centre (MECC)

Tickets will be on sale in January via the MECC website. Additional details will be shared on our Facebook page.

› For further information about any of these events, please send a message via Facebook or email [zontamackay@gmail.com](mailto:zontamackay@gmail.com).

I look forward to sharing more about Zonta and our events with you!



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This is a critical piece of infrastructure to future proof the Sugar City against the impacts of devastating natural disasters.

It would deliver not only a substantially reduced damage bill from a storm surge but assist with spiralling insurance premiums by reducing the risk to homes and businesses.

An Albanese Labor Government will contribute \$5 million towards this project, with the remainder to be funded by state or local government. Mackay will be the first to receive funding from Labor's new Disaster Ready Fund, which will invest up to \$200 million per year on disaster prevention and resilience.

Thousands of Australians who

face bushfires, floods and cyclones every year deserve to be protected by a Federal Government who plans ahead and invests to keep them safe.

If matched by State, Territory or local governments, it would provide up to \$400 million annually for investment in disaster prevention and resilience - something called for by groups as broad as the Government's own Productivity Commission, insurers, local governments and disaster relief bodies.

Labor's Plan for Disaster Readiness will also:

- Continue to fully fund disaster recovery through the existing budget processes, including the national Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements.

- Cut red tape so disaster resilience funding can get out the door faster.

- Improve the efficiency of disaster recovery processes, to simplify and speed up payments to disaster victims and repairs to damaged infrastructure.

- Assist with spiralling insurance premiums in disaster-prone regions, by reducing the risk of expensive damage to homes and businesses.

Only an Albanese Labor Government will keep Australians safe and communities strong in the face of natural disasters. Only Labor will build a better future for disaster prone communities.



[L-R] Senator Murray Watt, Greg Williamson, Anthony Albanese, Shane Hamilton and Julieanne Gilbert.



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