

ZONTA Club of Roma

Club Number 1432 Chartered 26 August 1993 P. O. Box 1003, Roma, Q 4455 Zonta International is a worldwide service organization of executives in business and the professions working together to advance the status of women.

Newsletter - OCTOBER 2009

District 22 Governor: Vicki Varthas

President's Report Jill Sabine

Another month has flown by and I am sure we are all looking forward to winding down for the year. September was another successful month with Food and Fire being a great event again this year. We have a few activities happening in October and then we can rest.

Zonta operated the canteen for Abbalive on Friday night the 9^{th.} We made a total of \$245 profit for the evening with only approx 130 people attending the show.

Some of our members are assisting at the Stock up for Hope Charity Dinner on Tuesday evening. This will be a huge event and hopefully raise a lot of funds for school chaplains throughout Rural and Regional Queensland.

Our Zonta Ladies Race Day is progressing well and I am sure will be another successful event for the club. Judy and her committee have been working very hard to make this happen and like myself, there are some of us who will be unavailable but please show your support by persuading friends and family to go along in your place.

I would like to thank Lesley Dillon for hosting the social BBQ at her place on the 18th. From all accounts it was a very enjoyable evening. Thanks must also go to Heather Hall, for hosting the Honzons Dinner at her place and to Vicki Beitz, for filling in for me and chairing her first Zonta meeting.

Due to illness I was unable to attend conference but from all accounts it was a very informative and enjoyable weekend. We must also congratulate Heather Hall for being elected as our new Area 4 Director. I am sure it will be a very rewarding and sometimes challenging role. Heather will give us a run down on conference and her new role at our next dinner meeting.

Area 4 Director: Robyn Burton-Ree

As the end of year approaches we need to decide on the venue for our Christmas Party so preparations can be made. I would like you all to start thinking about fundraising opportunities for the coming year. If you have any ideas/suggestions please let me know as we will hold a planning day early in the New Year.

See you at our Dinner Meeting on Tuesday 27th.

Jill Sabine

Finance & Fundraising Jenny Loughnan

Welcome to yet another month of no meeting for Fin and Fun. I feel with all the events we are involved in at the moment there is no need for us to meet to organise fundraising. We are having offers of many varied and different activities almost thrown at us and as you know we are all busy, busy, busy with our own work load let alone take on everything offered. So saying please keep in mind the dates already booked with Zonta activities

13th October is the Stock up for Hope Dinner where they need helpers for the night

17th is of course our race day, hopefully the committee are still going ahead with a few more bookings coming in of late

21st October College presentation night

30th 31st October Q 150 nights, don't know if Jill has any more information on that

28th November Charity Shoot if there enough volunteers

Raffle ticket selling, if we sell all the books we have I won't need more volunteers but at the moment it is October 25th Heather Hall and Maree Geraghty at the Newsagent

Nov 8 Marj Nov 21 Barb Nov 22 Lesley and Jill. Obviously Marj and Barb will need someone with them so please check your diaries for these two days.

Jenny Loughnan

Organisation, Membership & Classification Heather Hall

OMC have continued to discuss ways in which recruitment of new members can increase the current numbers.

Several people have shown an interest in joining Zonta and this will be followed up in the next few months. It is important for those who are inviting new members to be mindful of the need to mentor these people and support each other in this process as for some it is a daunting process.

A workshop planned for 2010 will include information and strategies for this as people often leave clubs if they are feeling unsupported. Please continue to talk to prospective members as we can then organize an orientation process for them

Attending the D22 conference in Sept in Townsville was very beneficial and gave us as a club the opportunity to revisit our goals and our alignment with the Zonta International.

Having the ZI President Beryl Sten with us was an added bonus as she was able to clarify some issues around membership and "big picture" Zonta processes.

The new board for D22 was announced with Trish Collins coming on as District Governor. The new board is a very progressive group and will continue the wonderful start the previous D22 board has given us

Heather Hall

OCTOBER ROSTER

DUTY	ZONTIAN	DATE
Blessing	Judy Harland	27th Oct
Objects	Marg Harms	27th Oct
Raffle	Jill Sabine/Leslee Sabine	27th Oct
MOW	Susie Ferrier	28th October

Zonta Dates to Remember

17th Oct - Race day

27th Oct—dinner meeting

21st Oct College Presentation Night 30th/31st Oct Q150 Nights 28th Nov Charity Shoot



P R Committee Kell Freeman

SPEAKER: Dr Leane Christie, a professional doctorate candidate with Queensland University will be speaking at the October meeting. Dr Christie is doing research into prevention strategies for cervical cancer among Queensland women. We are looking for participants for a focus group which will be held at the

Maranoa Club before the October meeting. Women between 20 and 70 who haven't had a hysterectomy are needed. An email will be sent out soon, please consider making time it's great that Dr Christie is making the effort to include women in the bush in this study.

Marj Harms hosted an evening at her home on Sunday to say a final farewell to Denise, which was well attended and a very enjoyable event. Bon Voyage to Denise - we will miss you, thank you, and our very best wishes. We trust Zonta Beaudesert will find you a valuable asset to their club. Thank you to Marj and Boyd for your generous hospitality.

<u>NEWSLETTER</u>: Kerri Hacker has taken on the Newsletter for us. It's very much appreciated, thank you Kerri.

MEMBERSHIP REGISTER: Now that Kerri is doing the Newsletter, Susie Ferrier is going to keep the Membership Register. Please forward updates of your details to Susie when they change.

PR was asked by the Race Day Committee to contact ABC Radio to promote Jane Grieve's book launch of 'Slippin' on the Lino' at the Zonta Race Day. ABC Rural reporter Arlie Douglas agreed to try to arrange this. We are also trying to initiate an article in local papers the about Bursaries that are available to students which will include Zonta Bursaries.

Please note when you have meeting duties and arrange to swap with someone if you're unable to fulfil.

Yours in Zonta, Kell Freeman.

Status of Women & Service

SOW have not had a meeting but would like everyone to start thinking about WHO will be the SPEAKER for

International Womens Day in 2010.

November Birthdays:

Vicki Beitz/Kerri Hacker 3rd Nov Stelarose Owens 6th Nov

Have a great day as I will!