



Next Dinner Meeting/Christmas Function Sunday, 7 December 2014 Wynnum Croquet Club, Cnr Colina & Daisy Streets, Wynnum 5.00- 9.00 pm Cost \$30 per head to be paid in advance

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Well it is that time of the year yet again. My last President's Patter for 2014 - my very best wishes to you all for a very happy and safe Christmas and New Year. Thank you for your support and commitment these past twelve months. May Santa be good to you and may the New

Year bring with it all the good things you seek.

During this past month Jo and I attended the Yeronga State High School Awards night to present our 2014 scholarship to a very worthy winner – Ashvini Rajendran. Ashvini not only was awarded our scholarship but also received a Gold Medal for Academic Excellence and Subject Awards in Biology, English for ESL Learners and Legal Studies. It was a very enjoyable night and we will meet Ashvini along with our other scholarship winners at our March meeting.

I was disappointed with the attendance at our last meeting as we had two special guests – Councillor Shayne Sutton and our Area 3 Director, Anne Kuhnemann. It was wonderful to have both of them present and hear their news. A summary of this is included in our Meeting Minutes.

I hope to see you all at our Christmas meeting/party at the Wynnum Croquet Club. This was a popular event last year and promises to be just as enjoyable this year. Don't forget partners (HonZons) are very welcome and playing croquet is optional. Members of the Croquet Cub will be on hand to guide us in the finer points of the game!!

As in previous years, there is no formal Dinner Meeting in January, but all are welcome to a purely fellowship dinner at Easts Rugby League Club on the second Monday in January (12 January) commencing at our usual meeting time of 7.00pm.



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Combined 2015 Area 1/3 Meeting



The Theme for the 2015 Area meeting will be the Biennium theme of Conviction, Commitment, Courage. Our Area Directors are working on speakers for the day and intend it to be a day to educate and inform Zontians of the new ZI goals and ZIF projects, to share experiences and learn from each other, to energise and inspire and most importantly to enjoy fellowship with other Zontians

and have fun.

We are the host Club so hopefully all members can attend and help on the day. Venue is The Colmslie Hotel Conference Centre. Registration Forms will be available early in the New Year.

Home Away from Homelessness Project



The Zonta Fashion Showcase was a huge success with \$81,828.24 raised which is just a tremendous effort.

As originally agreed, one-third of this will go to the Zonta International Foundation with the balance going to Anglicare. The handover to Anglicare was on 26 November and Irene presented our cheque to Anglicare. Each participating Club received a share of the profit based on the number of Club tables purchased. From our share, the Club will

be forwarding \$2,573.21 to ZIF with the balance \$3,778.51 paid to Anglicare. The cheque to ZIF of course is in addition to our regular one-third of the funds raised from our fundraising endeavours for the 2014-2015 Zonta year.

Again, our thanks to Irene and Bronwyn for representing the Club on the organising committee.

Zonta International Foundation



During this past month we received a Newsletter with updates on ZIF service projects and in particular an update on the Liberia Fistula Project and the impact of the Ebola crisis on the project. The Newsletter also covered the partnering arrangement with UN Women to support Voices against Violence: a non-formal education curriculum for the World

Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts on ending violence against women and girls.

The other great news from ZIF was that last biennium Zonta districts, clubs and individual members, contributed the highest fundraising total in the history of the Foundation – a total of US5,101,925. This total was the result of 22,171 donations from 7,553 club and individual donors. It is these donations that enable the ZIF to fund our international service projects and Awards.

Young Women in Public Affairs



There have been some changes to the Young Women in Public Affairs Award for 2015 and the new criteria and forms are now on the ZI website :

(http://www.zonta.org/WhatWeDo/InternationalPrograms/ YoungWomeninPublicAffairsAwards.aspx)

We had two very strong applicants in 2014 and hopefully we will again receive applications in 2015.

Coming Club Fundraisers

Our last Bunnings Sausage Sizzle for this year is Monday 22 December and we anticipate a big day as it is so close to Christmas. Please, if you can assist on this day, let Jo or Ros know so you can be included on the roster.



Our dates for 2015 should be known shortly so be prepared, if we have a date in January, we may need to send out an urgent call for help.

Club Merchandise for Sale



Our manicure sets and torch key rings are now available for sale. Both are engraved with the Zonta International logo. Cost is \$12 for the travel manicure set and \$7 for the key ring. We still have Irene's beautiful hand made cards for sale at cost of \$5 each.

Date Claimers

Dinner Meeting and Christmas Party – see attached Flyer Sausage Sizzle, Bunnings Rocklea (MONDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS) Annual Fellowship Dinner, Easts Leagues Club, 7.00pm Board Meeting, Easts Leagues Club Dinner Meeting, Bulimba Library Board Meeting, Easts Leagues Club Combined Area I and 3 Meeting, Colmslie Hotel, Morningside District Conference, Airlie Beach