

East-enders

Next Dinner Meeting

NOVEMBER 2015

Monday, 14 December 2015

"Back Bar"
Colmslie Hotel
Cnr Wynnum and Junction Roads
Morningside

6.30pm for meeting 7.00 pm for dinner

Order off the Menu. Guests responsible for their own costs.

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A busy November with our 16 days of action for the Zonta Says No to Violence against Women campaign.

The Launch at Riverbend Books by The Hon Dame Quentin Bryce AD CVO was very successful. We should all congratulate ourselves on this campaign and whilst we recognise the importance of raising awareness we should also understand it is critical to take action. Our projects and our contributions to Zonta International allow us an avenue to play a part in eliminating violence against women and children.

Domestic Violence is a major issue in Australian Society and the statistics around domestic and family violence are alarming.

- 4 women have been killed in Queensland over the last month as a result of Domestic Violence
- 17 women, 5 children and 4 men have been killed this year in Queensland as a result of Family and Domestic Violence
- 200 calls per day are made to Queensland Police seeking help or protection from Domestic and Family Violence
- 71 women and 12 men this year Australia-wide have been killed as a result of Family and Domestic Violence, and
- The cost of Domestic and Family Violence to the Queensland economy is estimated to be between to \$2.7 billion and \$3.2 billion.

This week 15 school staff will attend the NAPCAN LoveBites training at Yeronga SHS which we have funded. LoveBites is an extremely successful school based domestic and family violence and sexual assault prevention program aimed at Years 9 and 10 high school students.

As follow up from our November dinner meeting discussion I have written to all Presidents in Areas 1 and 3 inviting a representative from their Clubs to attend a meeting in early February in the hope we may expand some training in 2016 through partnerships with other Zonta Clubs.

Special thanks to Ros, Denise, Irene, Kerstin and Barbara for their work and support this month.

Finally to all members, best wishes for a safe and happy Christmas.



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Zonta Says NO to Domestic Violence

How busy and exciting the past few days have been. We first decorated our 16 Ladies in readiness for their debut at the Redland City Council function "Diner en Rouge" and how great they looked leading the way into the venue.

Our campaign started with Ros doing a Radio interview with Spencer Howson on ABC612 and our first lady stayed there in the green room. Our second was placed in the foyer of the Riparian Plaza in the City and then it was off to Riverbend Books at Bulimba for our official launch.



We were honoured to have Dame Quentin Bryce AD CVO do this for us. As always she was gracious, gave a wonderful speech followed by a question and answer session and afternoon tea. Our two 2015 Scholarship winners were there and presented Dame Quentin and Suzie

from Riverbend Books with small thank you gifts. It was then time for our remaining ladies to be distributed to their temporary homes – Riverbend Books, Bulimba Florist, Anne's Secondhand Shop at Bulimba, Bulimba Woolworths, Scissor Chix at Cannon Hill, Brisbane Domestic Violence Service, Balmoral SHS, Yeronga SHS, Carindale Leagues Club, Carindale PCYC, Yeronga Pool, Miegunyah House at Newstead, Clayton Utz, Brisbane, the offices of Ms Terri Butler, Member for Griffith, Ms Di Farmer, Member for Bulimba, Councillor Shayne Sutton, Morningside Ward and Councillor Nicole Johnston, Tennyson Ward. Each lady contains information on our Club, a Car Bumper sticker and a Safety Card with relevant numbers for those experiencing domestic and family violence and seeking assistance. Our thanks to all who are "hosting" a lady.



After all this activity, it was time to update our communication channels. Kerstin has each day uploaded information on our Facebook page and on Twitter, Denise has emailed all members and others a one page document relevant to the campaign and Ros has kept our webpage updated with this information. The South East Advertiser ran an article in the week leading up to the day and on the day were present to take photographs and do an article for the following week.



This campaign has been and is a lot of work. It has been embraced by members and the community and our thanks go to all who have been involved in it.



Service Project – LoveBites

LOVE BITES 

The training of our facilitators from the seven participating high schools took place on 30 November and 1 December. Many thanks to Barbara for her all her work in identifying suitable persons for the training and the schools interested in introducing this program in 2016. Also, of course, our thanks to NAPCAN for the training. An evaluation will be taken in 2016 of the program with a view of extending it to other schools in 2017.

Other Clubs in Areas 1 and 3 have been contacted to ascertain their interest in joining us in this project and submitting an application for grant funding next year.

Scholarship Winners

The 2015 Yeronga State High School Zonta Scholarship winner was announced at the recent Yeronga SHS Awards night. We congratulate Fatemeh Mohit on receiving this Award.

Congratulations also to Caitlin Barnett, Balmoral State High winner of the 2015 Beverley Farley Zonta Club of Brisbane East Scholarship.

Both Fatemeh and Caitlin will attend our March Dinner Meeting to tell us all of their aspirations for their future studies.

Bulimba Library Display

The Bulimba Library has had its display case returned so December will feature a display from our Club. If in the area, pop in and check it out.

International News



The news this month has all been about the Zonta Says NO to Violence and how active Clubs across the globe have been. Clubs across the world have been promoting this campaign in many various ways. Check out the Zonta Says NO website for details - <http://zontasaysno.com>

ZI President Maria Jose Landeira Oestergaard has issued a statement in the wake of the recent events in Paris assuring Zontians that their safety is always a concern and of the safety measures so far put in place for the 2016 International Convention at the Acropolis Congress Centre in Nice. You can read her statement and the measures already negotiated on the Zonta international website.



Membership

We welcomed our District Governor Judith Trevan-Hawke, Area 3 Director, Anne Kuhnemann and Zonta Club of Brisbane South Inc President, Leonie White to our November meeting as our guests. We hope they enjoyed our meeting.



Judith also inducted Virginia Evans as a member of our Club. Welcome Virginia and we hope you enjoy our meetings and fellowship as well as join in our activities to Empower Women through Service and Advocacy.

Fellowship Activity

Many thanks to Beverley for organising the wonderful tour and morning tea at Miegunyah. 17 members and guests thoroughly enjoyed their time and the delicious morning tea – fresh scones, jam and cream on the verandah using wonderful fine china – all very elegant.



Change of Meeting Date

Don't forget that the Club determined to change its meeting night to the **third Monday of each month**. Our February Meeting will be on 15 February in Meeting Room 1 of the Bulimba Library. It is our Strategic Planning meeting so keep your eye out in January for our Annual Survey. Please complete it as your feedback will inform our discussions on our Strategic Plan for the coming year.

Date Claimers

14 December 2015	Christmas Meeting at the Colmslie Hotel
11 January 2016	Fellowship Dinner at Easts Leagues Club in lieu of normal Dinner Meeting
11 January 2016	Board Meeting, Easts Leagues Club
15 February 2016	Dinner Meeting, Bulimba Library – Review of Strategic Plan – NOTE change to 3rd Monday of the month
7 March 2016	Board Meeting, Easts Leagues Club
21 March 2016	Dinner Meeting, Bulimba Library – Guests Our Scholarship Winners
14-26 March 2016	CSW60
28 March 2016	Board Meeting, Easts Leagues Club
16 April 2015	Combined Areas 1 and 3 Meeting
2-6 July 2016	ZI Convention, Acropolis Congress Centre, Nice, France
8 October 2016	High Tea