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# Zonta International Club of Brisbane North Inc.

## Newsletter January, 2001

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### Your Board

Meets 1st Thurs every month at Women's Infolink, Mary St.,  
6 - 7.30pm

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## ***President's Message***



Women of the new Millenium, in this evaluative time, it is good to remember that it was this century when women won the right to vote, the right to work (for wages), the right to complain about discrimination and the right to demand social and political justice (as indeed do all Human beings).

It is now generally recognised in even the most developed countries that women are also the primary carers in any family. They provide the primary care for children, by and large, whether these children are one's own or belong to other families, such as provided by childcare facilities, family day care and the like. They are also the teachers of those with disabilities, by and large, or their therapists. They are the teachers of independence when the children grow.

Women also have periods of dependency, when a girl child, or when illness or injuries or stress 'lays us low'. The elderly, predominantly female as well, have always received some care, traditionally within the family, although increasingly in 'institutional' care, but many don't get care that shows respect for their dignity and encourages continued activity of body and mind.

Our social discourse is shaped by a society where there is acceptance that this is 'what women do', sometimes without recognition, generally without assistance (either human or financial) and certainly without input to political systems that may change these conditions.

Our political discourse is shaped by a society based on equality, mutual advantage, a fair go (or Locke's 'free, equal and independent'), so we are told. Many women are not free when they have children, or elderly relatives or become frail themselves. They are not treated as equals in our system, often battling 'the system' to get anything of benefit at all. They are no longer independent. This would not happen to men who have children, or elderly relatives or become frail. One would ask why. One would ask what better could we as women, do to help those who need our 'voice', our expertise, our funds to establish their freedom and independence.

Sure, it is lovely to have fun and enjoy ourselves while helping others, but our social needs cannot rate above the needs of those other women, can they?

This coming year we have identified some groups which need our 'voice', our funding, our practical help and our sympathy. I know you'll be ready to meet all or some of those needs. We'll also try and make sure you have fun while meeting those. It will be a great start to the new Millenium!

*Thea*

## ***Diary Dates***



- January 21*** Amelia Earhart Breakfast. Oxley-on-the-River, 9 a.m. for 9.30. Cost: \$28.00 each. RSVP Trish O'Connor, Tel 3345 1577. Cheque to Zonta Club of Brisbane South, PO Box 76, Coorparoo. 4151. District Governor Judy Lord will present Charlotte Higgins, post-graduate engineer, University of Qld, with her Amelia Earhart Fellowship Award. Susan Anderson, previous winner of the AE Fellowship also will attend.
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The Money raised at our Christmas party was made up to \$105 by the Board and donated to the Women's House in Woolloongabba for their Christmas. Ten teddies also arrived there, courtesy of Hon Zon Eric Jesson. Thanks to all who contributed.

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### Improving the Status of Women



### The Club Calendar

Attached is a range of dates, events, speakers or activities proposed by members and discussed by the Board at its last meeting for the year, 13th December.

These are not 'set in concrete', nor have arrangements been finalised as yet. That means that your ideas can still be incorporated. We would aim to start organising 'task groups' around each of the events or activities, so that where it states 'PR C'tee', it may not be the Committee as it is presently composed, but a variety of small groups to take things in hand.

There is also mention of a 'fundraising group'. They will be working across the various Committees and organise events as they fit into their fund development planning, not to raise funds by charging our members to attend or donate, but by inviting the public or other community groups to come and support us in our endeavours. This means that when there are 'flyers' or brochures, we would appreciate the help of ALL members to make sure they end up in the hands of the public, are pinned up at work, given to your hairdresser, displayed at your church, etc.

### **WANTED**

Daubers, dabblers, pencilers, painters and those who like to 'mess around' with colours, either on paper or canvas.

Would you like to have a workshop to get started? We'd like a Zonta Club of Brisbane North **Art Show** for November. We might even be able to hang some works in August for the wine/cheese/art fund-raiser. Please phone Thea on 3300 3368 or email: - [thea@gil.com.au](mailto:thea@gil.com.au) during the first week of February, so she can get it organised.

## Club Chat

'Twas the season to be jolly, or is it still? Well, for some it is.

Joan Sheridan and husband Norm are off to tour the South, heading off to Melbourne and along the Great Ocean Road, one of the world's most photographed coastal roads.

Joan assures us that she'll be back in time for the first Dinner Meeting of the year.

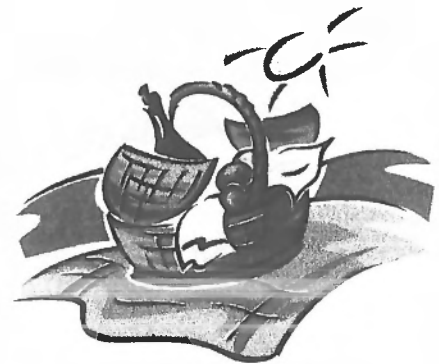
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Three of our members who attended Dianne Jeans' workshop on Zonta and Domestic Violence were so galvanised into action that they

ended up on the Committee of the Foundation for the Survivors of Domestic Violence. The Foundation is at the point of Incorporation and needs lots of administrative and emotional support.

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The Office of Domestic Violence Prevention in the Dept of Families, Youth and Community Care is compiling a calendar of events which promotes the activities of various clubs in this area. There is even a grant for those who want to really put on a 'spread'. If you are interested in joining Chris, Jennie and Thea in some 'hands-on' work, let one of them know and we could work on it.



*Life's a picnic!*

*And then there are the ants...*

Our Club has contributed some \$3,004.31 to our International Foundation as well as having money available for the project grants, advancement grant, etc. A pretty good record and well done us!

# CLUB CALENDAR

Date	Events	Speakers/activities	Social events	Coordinators/team
January 21	Amelia Earhart Breakfast			Ann-Maree O'Connell
January 26	Australia Day			
February 12	Dinner Meeting	Liz Mellish on 'Change'	Awards announced/presented	Thea Biesheuvel
February 17/18	District Board meets			
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February 26	New Members' Info.			Lynette Liddle
March 1	YWIPA forms Board Meeting			
March 8	Zonta Rose Day			
	Int. Women's Day Breakfast	Breakfast at St. Margaret's School	Invite other schools/clubs	Kathy Thomson and Thea Biesheuvel
March 12	Dinner Meeting	Office of Women speaker		
March 21	Int. Anti Discr Day		Attend Play or Film	Vicki Lomax and Jean Sinclair
April 9	Dinner Meeting	Nominating c'tee reports Speaker on 3 <sup>rd</sup> world health		Barbara Young
April 13	World Health Day			
April 13 - 16	Easter Break			

May 14	Dinner Meeting Annual General Meeting	Nominations/Elections District Speaker			
May 16 - 21	Domestic Violence Week	Zonta members to report	Attend Film or Play	Vicki Lomax and Jean Sinclair	
May 28	Women's health day JMKlausman Award				
June 9	Dinner Meeting	Carol de Costa-Roque Dianne Jeans	Prepare for Fair Library Displays set up	Joan Sheridan PR C'tee members	
June 10	World Environment Day		Arrange visit (perma- culture)	Vivienne Hallman	
July 9	Dinner Meeting	BCC Events Coordination (Jane Prentice)	Make up Fair Display and brochures	PR C'tee members	
July 21	FAIR	Opened by ...	Work at Fair		
August 9	Dinner Meeting	Suzanna de Vries on Literacy		Barbara Young	
August 16	Ekka	PR person	Staff the display at Ekka Wine/Cheese/Art Exhib.	PR C'tee + Exec. Fundraising group	
	St Lucia Fair	Exec. to organise			
September 8 September 10	Literacy Day Dinner Meeting	Suzanna de Vries	Writing workshop	Barbara Young Thea Biesheuvel	
October - U. N. MONTH 14	Peace Corps/Int. Day of Peace				
October 15	Dinner Meeting	Sheila O'Neill/Jackie Huggins	'Shelta' visit	Thea Biesheuvel	



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We have just had our New Members' Night. A good cross-section of young women and experienced professionals. My speech to welcome them mentioned the fact that we have a lot in common. Obviously we are all women. I think we all want to give something back to the community, especially the community of women. The women who started this organisation felt the same way in 1919. We share friendships and fellowship through our local and (for some) global network. We work to further women's rights and progress their status. It is even a more difficult task than when Zonta International started. There are many women, here in Brisbane, whose legal rights are swept aside at times, whose political voice cannot be heard at times, whose economic circumstances are below the national poverty line, whose education is cut short through a variety of circumstances which would not stop men in similar situations, whose health needs are not documented or attended to.

The way we address this at the local level is to work hard in our Committees to bring awareness of these circumstances before the women in this city, to educate ourselves on the best method to rectify the situation and to commit to eliminate these inequities. The Committees are the life-blood of our organisation, at the Club level, and at the District level.

We have a **Combined Area workshop** coming up in **April**. A prime time to get our network busy on particular issues, don't you think? We can think globally and be 'turned on' by all those projects to vaccinate in Nepal, educate in India, etc., but how about working here, in Brisbane, in Queensland, in Australia, to eliminate the poverty of separated women, the health of aboriginal women, the housing needs of older women, the...

*Thea*

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- MARCH 29 Zonta Club of Caboolture Cinema Night. Venue: Maroochydore Cinema . Film: Finding Forrester, starring Sean Connery.  
This is an annual fund-raiser for the YWPA Fund. Admission \$15.00  
Also entitles ticket holders to a free champagne and tasty finger-food supper.
- APRIL 9 This **Dinner Meeting** will be given over to a facilitated session with Liz Mellish to establish a plan for the next year (and beyond) and review the progress on our Strategic Plan so far.
- APRIL 28 - 29 **Area 3 and 5 Combined Workshop**. Venue: Brisbane Technology Park, Miles Platting Road, Eight Mile Plains. See separate flyer.  
Registration will be coordinated by Elizabeth Fraser. Registration Forms need to be completed and returned by Monday, 16th April.
- MAY 6 - 12 Domestic Violence Prevention Week Contact DVRC on 3217 2544.
- MAY 14 **Annual General Meeting** and Dinner Meeting. Guest Speaker to be advised.
- JUNE 30 Young Women in Public Affairs Seminar. Afternoon Workshop, Dinner and interesting speakers. Bring along any young women likely to want to get on in the world. Excellent raffle and dinner.
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### ● Improving the Status of Women

*Aligned to Zonta International's Mission and the four Biennial Goals, the Zonta Club of Brisbane North Inc. has the following 5 goals for the next 2 years:-*

1. *Membership, Organisation and Extension.* Encourage, Seek, accept and develop our membership; provide flexible structures and promote/mentor Z Clubs in secondary schools;
2. *Public Relations and Communications.* Promote an identity for our club as progressive and uniquely vital. We will advance the interests and status of women and provide leadership and advocacy on women's issues.
3. *Status of Women Service.* We will merge the two committees and develop a common understanding of what 'advancing the status of women' means and what 'advocacy' for that advancement will entail.
4. *United Nations.* We will create an awareness of U. N. goals and achievements in advancing the status of women and humanity in order to influence and implement these goals. We will create alliances and links, providing information, empowerment through the means of food control and food production.
5. *Fundraising.* We will have a fund raising model like that used in the not-for-profit sector, survey our own members, explore tax deductibility as a means of attracting funds. We will have an annual goal of raising 25% over current funds and a data-base for potential sources of income outside our Club. We will also raise money by holding events and fostering fellowship.

## Points to Ponder

Often considered the last area of fund-raising practice, planned giving offers valuable benefits to nonprofit organisations and its dedicated supporters and volunteers. A well-defined giving program will give a reminder to senior donors when they are planning their estate. There are means by which one can provide for a favourite nonprofit organisation in one's will. This could be a specific dollar amount, a selected asset, or specific property.

There are also 'plans' which allow one to pledge a certain amount each week/month or year to one's favourite nonprofit organisations. This is now a part of most church donations.

Have you thought about this?

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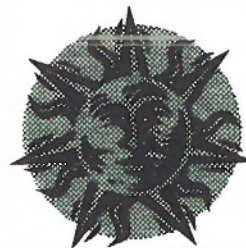
If Benjamin Britten was right (see quote under), could we say that service to the community does not excite until one is involved in it?

There are several women's organisations who have asked for 'hands on' help – publishing a 'help' card with contact numbers for women in need of help and one who needs women to serve on a management committee until it is able to build up membership and hold an AGM. *Contact Thea if you have the*

**Remember your Club fees are due shortly!**

**Please make the Treasurer's job easy by not having to be reminded.**

*time and skills, or even if you want to learn.*



*'Music does not excite until it is performed' Benjamin Britten*



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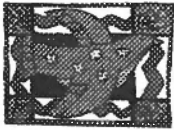
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I'm not sure if the spirit of change, of renewal can be infectious or whether it is just the run-up to Easter, with all its new start connotations, or maybe it is just the end of a long and weary summer, but it is about this time of the year that most organisations have earmarked for a quarterly review. What with the Ryan by-election some reviews of government policies were on offer as well this year. Not to be outdone or outrun by such events means we also need to catch the spirit of change, the urge to renew, to look at ourselves.

Catching anything usual means misery until the immune system catches up with 'it'. Urges are usually dangerous things to give in to. They smack of impulsive behaviour. Looking at ourselves gets more and more difficult unless you have a mirror that is kinder than mine. Looking inward at ourselves can also consume all our energies, either positive or negative. What are the differences? Well, I was reminded when the Young Woman in Public Affairs nominee referred to how many muscles it took to frown and how few muscles it took to smile - and yet, what do we do most?

We all have changes that 'hit us' and then there are the changes we choose. If changes 'hit us', we go into shock or denial, we will even get angry and sad about those changes before we start to explore the benefits or positive points about the changes. Once that exploration starts, energy levels rise. If we choose a changes ourselves we are much more ready to explore the positive side of change and invest our energy in adopting the change, adapting what we do and thinking up even better ways of doing what we do.

There are those amongst us who feel that changes 'hit' them all the time. This may not be quite right, but perhaps they did not notice the signs of the times, the signals that things needed to change. Signals like feelings of loss, grief, tiredness, of stress or 'isolation', even non-acceptance. Signs that other 'like' organisations were doing better or more of the great things. Comparisons that leave one feeling a bit dissatisfied. Just more things to add to this long, wearying summer. So, what will be the best method for investing our energies?

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At this meeting the Nominating Committee will report on candidates for next year's Board. There will be 30 minutes of 'normal business', after which Liz Melish will facilitate the review of our activities and speak on "Managing the Decision-Making process", during which the membership will break into discussion groups and report back at a plenary session.
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- APRIL 13-16** EASTER BREAK.
- APRIL 28-29** AREA 3 AND AREA 5 COMBINED WORKSHOP.  
Venue: Brisbane Technology Park, Miles Platting Road, Eight Mile Plains.  
Registrations being coordinated by Elizabeth Fraser and need to be completed and returned by Monday, 16th April. **See newsletter announcement about EARLY BIRD DISCOUNTS**
- MAY 6 - 12** Domestic Violence Prevention Week. **See Newsletter item about activities or Contact DVRC on 3217 2544.**
- MAY 14** ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. ELECTION OF NEW BOARD, COMMITTEE REPORTS
- JUNE 14** ZONTA CLUB OF BRISBANE INC. THEATRE EVENING.  
"Falling from Grace" Brisbane Arts Theatre, 210 Petrie Tce., 7.30 pm. For 8.00 pm. Cost \$20.00.
- JUNE 30** Young Women in Public Affairs Seminar.  
One of the most interesting events in our club calendar. Afternoon Workshop, Dinner and interesting speakers. Bring along any young women likely to want to get on in the world. Excellent Raffle and Dinner!!
- OCTOBER 5 - 7** DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2001. "Building Zonta with Innovation, Interaction and Inspiration." Venue: Calrossy School, Tamworth.
- OCTOBER 20** ZONTA CLUB OF BRISBANE INC. 30TH Anniversary Dinner, The Hamilton Room, Powerhouse Boutique Hotel, Kingsford Smith Drive, Hamilton.

**THE FAIR BLAST-OFF! WE HAVE IGNITION!** A most successful initial meeting for this year's Zonta Fair was held at the Indooroopilly home of the convenor Joan Sheridan with 16 members present and telephone offers of assistance and contributions from 14 more. The Fair is currently set down for July 21 in Robertson Park, Indooroopilly. Stalls and stall-holders are:

*Books:* Jean Sinclair; *Pre-loved Clothing:* Lynette Liddle; *Brunella's CoffeeShop:* Brunella and Family (Brunella's Mum is back from Italy!) *Jewellery, Toys, CDs:* Mary Mahoney and June Halliday; *Muffins:* Vicki Lomax and Barbara Young; *Plants:* Glen Marshall; *Trash & Treasure:* Jocelyn Grant-Taylor; *Lucky Barrel:* Mercia Ferrier; *Fair Raffle:* Kathy Thomson; *Marmalade Stall* (new stall convened by friends of convenor Joan. **From now on** members are requested to start thinking about their contributions to these stalls.

**THEATRE PARTY FUND-RAISING;** Vicki Lomax and Jean Sinclair are still working on this. Arranging Catering has been the biggest hurdle. For the present watch this space and expect more!

## ***The Year so Far***

### **Membership and Organisation extension**

A very successful Information Evening was held on 26th February. The program for the evening was expertly put together by Dr. Lynette Liddle, with short talks from the President, the Minute Secretary (as one of the newer members) and by Joan Sheridan (as one of the Charter members). Two video clips were shown and there was some great food and drinks provided by the United Service Club. We will be inducting three new members, Mrs Helen Gregory, Mrs Nicole Nolan and Mrs Elaine Varley, at our May meeting as a result.

### **Status of Women Service**

Our Local Project 2000-2001 is in aid of the ZIGZAG Young Women's Resources Centre. The program they intend to run is called "Not Just a Band-Aid" - (Young women and Self-help). The money will be spent on setting up a support group for young women prone to self-harming and will run over about 4 months. It is designed to move the young women from coping strategies that involve self-harm to strategies of self care. A video will be produced and will be used by ZIGZAG to educate and train others about the issue. All applicants have now been notified of the results and some help offered to groups wanting to explore other funding options.

### **Public Relations and Communication**

The new committee met in the week following the Dinner Meeting, keen to start on planning PR and media liaison. The two immediate concerns were the media relations and 'marketing' of our Club via the publicity for our Advancement Grant, (as this is our Club's own) and the erection of an Information Board at our next Zonta Fair, (21st July), including photos, information and brochures for people interested in who we are and what we do (the most frequently asked questions at the Fair).

### **United Nations/Legislative Awareness**

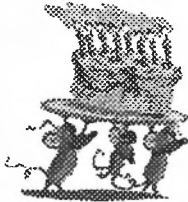
The new committee has the bulk of its members on Leave of Absence for the next three months. This has led to the co-opting of others interested in this work (see revised Committee List at page 7)

The Newsletter is awaiting some lines from other Committees as they meet.



### ***Area 3 and 5 Combined Workshop***

By now you will have had several flyers to announce this informative and entertaining workshop on 28 - 29 April. There is a **10% discount on all costs, including the Dinner** on Sat. night for those who send in their registration by **March 30**. We had Elizabeth Fraser to keep a tally of those going with a view to arranging transport and Dinner Tables. **Make a commitment early and save!**



### ***Birthdays!***

Yes, I know, time is standing still for you (never me!) BUT it would be good to help you celebrate them. How about letting the Editor know the day and the month (never mind the year!) and we can be kind to you at the time.

### ***Our District Conference, 5- 7 October.***

Please enter this date in your diaries. The whole Conference deals with changes being implemented to enable the clubs to come more into line with modern business and the emphasis on

Accountability and transparency. This will result in better service to all members, thus ensuring a strong future for Zonta in this country.

### ***Domestic Violence Awareness***

Under our ZISVAW (International) aims we pledge ourselves to educate, lobby and provide support for women who experience violence. During May there will be a week where **Domestic Violence** seminars, workshops, exhibitions and activities will be undertaken by all DV groups and almost all Zonta Clubs. Do we intend to sponsor a function during that week, or get involved in supporting a group? If so, what/who? Jennie Watt is our Club's contact point. Dianne Jeans is the District Coordinator. My call for help for Survivors of Domestic Violence Inc. did not result in any phone calls or e-mails.

### ***Jane M. Klausman award***

It is time to start looking for a suitable candidate for this award as applications must be received by the District Governor by the 18th May. For conditions etc., look at [www.zonta.org](http://www.zonta.org)

The young women must be in 3rd or 4th year of an undergraduate Business degree program as at October, 2001. Do you know of anyone?

Yesterday is History;

Tomorrow is a Mystery;

Today is a gift – That's why it is called **THE  
PRESENT.**

### ***Reconciliation and all that***

On reading Chapter 12 of "the Spirit of the Great South Land", in "An Authentic Life" by Caroline Jones reminded me of my expectations when, as a child of eight I first visited Australia. Living in Singapore I was used to the Festivals, the Celebrations and lifestyles of many cultures, all of which contributed to the richness of everyday life. My maternal grandmother, a Shetlander, had migrated to Melbourne and wrote me a letter in which she told me the same stories Aborigines told their children. When I came to Australia, I expected these stories to be known to children here and that Aboriginal culture would be part of everyday Australian life. How wrong was I? I did see some people throwing and selling boomerangs at La Perouse, in Sydney - not Aborigines, though. Now the ABC has run a series telling dreamtime stories - and there were the Olympics! But how much do we know about Aboriginal Culture and Customs? How can reconciliation occur when the richness of Aboriginal Australians is not widely known?

*Barbara Newton.*

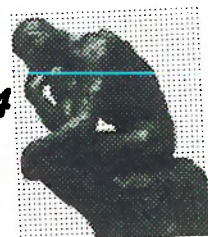
### ***And then there are those Annual Reports***

Yes, it is that time again. Why do we do these? For the same reason the District Conference is tackling the subjects of 'accountability and transparency' this year. This is where we, as members of an Incorporated Association become accountable for our actions and methods. It is where we show clearly how we respond to our aims, our goals. It is where we show how responsible we've been in raising monies, offering support and how we acquitted those responsibilities.

Could all those who've held positions of responsibility please look at last year's Annual Report and update the knowledge of the membership as well as that of Zonta International and the wider community?

This means Chairpersons, task group leaders, Board members.

***Report of the District 24 Board*** is attached to this Newsletter. Please familiarise yourself with its concerns.





## **Report of the District 24 Board Held on February 17-18, 2001 Old Government House, Brisbane**

Feedback from Clubs, via the Area Directors, identified that clubs want clarification on the role of the District 24 Board, what we have achieved so far, and our "work in progress". We're delighted to share this information with our fellow District 24 Zontians, and we welcome feedback like this in the future.

### **Who is on the District Board ?**

District Governor: Judy Lord  
Area 1 Director: Olivia Sarah  
Area 3 Director: May McPhail  
Area 5 Director: Bev Follitt  
Area 7 Director: Ann Leathwick  
Area 9 Director: Lesley Nixon  
District Treasurer: Evelyn Whittaker

Lieut. Governor: Robyn Gaspari  
Area 2 Director: Fran Lyndon-Ross  
Area 4 Director: Desirae Kirby  
Area 6 Director: Farzaneh Magzub  
Area 8 Director: Yvonne Duffy  
District Secretary: Lorry McIntyre

### **What is the role of the District Board ?**

**(Reference: District Board Manual 1999 Edition page 10)**

The Zonta International Bylaws specify that the district board has general supervision over clubs and administration of the district. It makes decisions upon matters requiring action between meetings of the district conference, but may not act in conflict with Zonta International Bylaws, the district's rules of procedure, or actions taken by the conference.

More specifically, the District Board

- Should meet at least twice yearly, including a meeting immediately before each district conference (some district boards also meet immediately after the district conference. If so, the governor may wish to invite members of the district board for the next biennium to the board meeting immediately following the conference at which elections were conducted)
- Declares any board office vacant and fills the vacancy by following the procedures specified in the Zonta International Bylaws
- Deliberates on grievances, removal of a district officer and suspension or expulsion of a member of club, according to the procedure in the Zonta International Bylaws

- Acts on routine questions to carry out established policies, but does not determine policy, authorize projects or donations, or adopt a budget
- Establishes the boundaries for areas within the district provided that a majority of all clubs in the affected areas agree
- Proposes goals and long range plans for the district
- Works with the governor and the district conference committee or host club to plan the conference program (see section 4 of this manual re: district conferences)
- Submits the district conference schedule, including dates and location, to the Zonta International president for approval at least one year in advance
- Designates the bank(s) to hold district funds and ensures that the funds are in insurance protected securities
- Reviews expenditure in accordance with the approved district budget at each district board meeting
- Ensures that the financial records are audited or reviewed by certified or chartered public accountants or by a qualified individual independent of the district board. The books must be closed on May 31 each year for audit or review
- Recommends the biennial district budget for approval by the voting members of the district conference

(from the Zonta International Bylaws, current edition. Article V111 Section (b) page 26)

District Board Duties. "The District Board shall have general supervision over clubs and administration of the district. It shall make decisions upon those matters requiring action between meetings of the district conference, provided that none of its acts shall conflict with action taken at the conference. It shall perform duties as prescribed by the bylaws. The Zonta District Manual shall serve as a guideline for district operation."

### What has the District 24 Board Achieved To Date ? What is "in progress" ?

- **Operational** : development of Corporate Governance strategies \*, charities submissions about the definition of charities and related organisations, website development and registration of a new website name [www.ZontaDistrict24.org](http://www.ZontaDistrict24.org) The website now contains the Manual of Procedures, the District Manual, District Committee brochures and District Governor newsletters which can be downloaded or saved to file.
  - \* Policies Adopted - 17<sup>th</sup> February 2001 : Anti - Discrimination, Freedom of Information, Role Statements for District Board Members & District Committee Chairmen, Leadership Support, Performance Evaluation, Incorporation & Fair Trading, Fundraising, Policy Review, Club Succession Planning
- **Consultation / Communication** : formation of "Consultant Team" and feedback papers on a range of issues, formation of "Young Zontians Advisory Project" YZAP, planning for Area Workshops, sourcing and costings and format for advertising and promotional videos
- **Membership** : developing new systems for District nominations (to be sent to your club in March 2001), development and maintenance of a speakers list for use by clubs, assisting those developing new clubs to Charter
- **Action / Advocacy** : attendance at UN / Beijing +5 seminars, writing media releases, updating Government websites with District information (ie: OSW)
- **District Conference** : planning workshop topics which offer real value - such as a computer lab where members will learn to log on to the internet and visit the district website; an invitation for our Zonta International Representative International Treasurer BJ Bourdon to answer our queries about paying international dues and dealing with a fluctuating exchange rate
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- **Finance** : sorting and consolidating financial records to streamline reporting and maintenance, sourcing District Insurance for each member

### Dates for Area Workshops :

Members will be pleased with the agendas being developed for Area Workshops over the next few months - Board members have embraced new formats, exciting themes, and a focus on delivering something of value to members.

Area 1	7 <sup>th</sup> April	Sydney
Area 2	24 <sup>th</sup> March	Hornsby Ku-Ring-Gai
Areas 3&5	28/29 <sup>th</sup> April	Brisbane
Area 4	31 <sup>st</sup> March	Bundaberg
Area 6	16/17 June	Warwick
Area 7	19 <sup>th</sup> May	Townsville
Area 8	4/5 <sup>th</sup> May	Canberra
Area 9	10 <sup>th</sup> or 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Armidale

### OMC Report from Robyn Gaspari Committee Chairman

At the moment it is very exciting to read newsletters I receive from many clubs, especially with reports of new members. I would value receiving newsletters from all clubs because it makes me feel part of your community. Please brag to me about what you are doing that works to attract new members and to retain your existing members. I would like to have an abundance of ideas to offer to clubs who are working hard to get their numbers past 15 and even the magical 20. Information exchange will help all of us as we work together in our mission to advance the status of women.

There is a form (isn't there one for everything!) called the Member Report Form on pages 116-117 in the club manual that is used to advise Zonta International, the District Treasurer and the District Lt. Governor of membership movements in each club. Please remember to send me a copy because it is an easy way keep track of membership in the district. If there is any way that the District OCM Team can be assistance to your club please feel free to contact me on 02 9889 1511 or by Email: [resolvit@gaspari.com.au](mailto:resolvit@gaspari.com.au)

### Resources :

- **Website** : many forms and information articles can be located on the District Website [www.ZontaDistrict24.org](http://www.ZontaDistrict24.org) and the International Website [www.zonta.org](http://www.zonta.org)
- **Videos** : updated promotional videos for use in your club and at prospective member information sessions, can be obtained from Robyn Gaspari at minimal cost.

### Deadlines :

- **Member Report Forms** : should be forwarded to ZI HQ in Chicago, Lt Governor Robyn Gaspari and the District Treasurer Evelyn Whittaker whenever there are any changes - resignations, new/change in address and new members as inducted.
- **Club Dues and District Dues and member report forms** : collect club dues by April 1<sup>st</sup> each year. District dues and member report forms to reach the District Treasurer by May 1<sup>st</sup> each year.
- **International Dues and member report forms** : to reach ZI HQ by June 1<sup>st</sup> each year.
- **Club Officer report forms** : to reach ZI HQ in Chicago by May 1<sup>st</sup> each year.
- **Annual reports** : to reach your Area Director by May 1<sup>st</sup> each year.

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# Zonta International Club of Brisbane North Inc.

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### Domestic Violence Week 14 - 21 May

Let us help eliminate all Family Violence and improve the status of  
women

President	Thea Biesheuvel
Vice-president	Gina Brosnan
Treasurer	Jennie Watt
Secretary	<u>Correspondence</u> - Elizabeth Fraser <u>Minutes</u> - Barbara Young
Directors	Ann-Maree O'Connell and Kathy Thomson



6th May, 2001

## Your New Committees

All members are expected to attend their respective committee meeting Please contact your Chairperson

Status of Women Service Task Groups Interim Chairperson: Barbara Young,

Phone 3870 7945 or e-mail: [barbara.young@uq.net.au](mailto:barbara.young@uq.net.au)

Membership & Organisation Extension Interim Chairperson: Chris Christensen

Phone 0418 735 897 or e-mail: [Chrisglenva@bigpond.com](mailto:Chrisglenva@bigpond.com)

Finance Current President and Treasurer. Meet with Service Budget Task group  
and funding task force 2 - 3 times per year by appointment.

Jennie Watt, Phone 32216200 or e-mail: [jwatt@barbacan.com.au](mailto:jwatt@barbacan.com.au)

Public Relations and Communications Interim Chairperson: Brunella Novello,

Phone 014 160 2184 or e-mail: [novello@uq.net.au](mailto:novello@uq.net.au)

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Phone 0419 786 384 or e-mail: [s367568@student.uq.edu.au](mailto:s367568@student.uq.edu.au)

Advocacy/Environmental Issues Interim Chairperson: Vivienne Hallman, Ph.3378  
6963; e-mail [hallmanv@webtime.com.au](mailto:hallmanv@webtime.com.au)

Attendance & Birthday reminders Interim Chairperson: Kathy Thomson,

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### Dinner Meeting dates

2nd Monday of the  
month at the United  
Service Club,  
Wickham Tce.

14 May;

18 June;

9 July;

13th August;

6.30 for 7 pm





## **Diary Dates**

- MAY 14 START OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE WEEK IN BRISBANE.**
- MAY 14 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING and DINNER MEETING** at the United Service Club, 183 Wickham Tce., Spring Hill.
- A.G.M.** This will see the election of the new Board plus Annual Reports from the Treasurer and all Chairmen of Committees as well as an address by former District Governor, Glenda McChesney-Clark.
- DINNER MEETING.** This will see the induction of new members and an address by Dianne Jeans, Chair of the ZISVAW Committee. **NOT TO BE MISSED!** APOLOGIES must be made to Jocelyn Grant-Taylor Ph. 3217 5804 before 9 am. on the day of the Dinner. Failure to do so means you will be charged for the dinner ordered on your behalf. Those requiring special diets also should ring Jocelyn before 9 am on that day.
- MAY 19 CENTENARY OF FEDERATION RACE DAY** at Clifford Park Racecourse, Toowoomba. "With Panache and Plumes" Organised by Zonta Club of Toowoomba Area. To raise funds for Toowoomba Hospice, Centacare Homestay Project and Zonta International Charities. Tickets \$40.00 Includes champagne on arrival, afternoon tea and dinner.
- JUNE 2 ADVOCACY WORKSHOP** at The Gehrman Theatre, Brisbane Girls' Grammar School. 8.30 am. to 12.30 pm. Cost: \$25.00 a head. Pensioner/Concession \$20.00, Full-time Student \$20.00. Includes launch of Zonta District 24 Legislative Awareness and Advocacy Guide by Hon. Justice Margaret McMurdo. Other topics and speakers include How to Get Government's Attention (Hon. Kathy Sullivan) How to Advocate on Status of Women Issues (Stephanie Belfrage, Executive Director, Office of Women's Policy, Qld., Advocacy and Zonta (Denise Conroy). An important workshop for ALL Zontians. We are all advocates in that we support causes (especially through our fund-raising) or oppose others as we see fit. If you do not receive the program and registration form for this, ask for one. (see also the attached flyer).
- JUNE 14 ZONTA CLUB OF BRISBANE INC.** Theatre Evening. "Falling From Grace" at Brisbane Arts Theatre, 210 Petrie Tce. 7.30 pm. for 8.00 pm. Cost \$20.00 a head.
- JUNE 30 ZONTA CLUB OF BRISBANE NORTH'.  
Young Women in Public Affairs Seminar.** At Women's College, University of Queensland. One of the most interesting and enjoyable events in club's calendar.
- JULY 21 ZONTA FAIR** in Robertson Park Have you begun collecting your donations? We particularly want **CAKES, CAKES, CAKES, BISCUITS AND SWEETS** which your Diarist forgot to mention in the May Newsletter. Jewellery and other geegaws to delight children, Trash and Treasure, Books and more books, CDs, jig-saws, pre-loved clothing, pot plants etc. etc. Kathy Thomson needs lots of donations to her Monster Raffle. These could be anything delectable from wine to biscuits, and any comestibles in between that will fit comfortably into the raffle basket
- AUGUST 31 Tentative date for Club's Theatre Evening** for members and friends.

## QUEENSLAND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE STATISTICS

### Incidence Levels

Research by the Australian Bureau of Statistics shows that, at least 1.1 million Australian women have experienced violence by a former partner<sup>1</sup>. The same research found that 2.6% of Australian women in married or de facto relationships had been abused by their current partner within the last 12 months.

Extrapolation of this figure to the population of women in marriage or de facto relationships in Queensland<sup>2</sup> suggests that 19,843 Queensland women are likely to be subjected to domestic violence by their current partner.

In Indigenous communities, it is estimated that 90% of families will be affected by domestic violence. Injuries sustained in this violence are likely to be more serious than those of non-Indigenous victims<sup>3</sup>.

The actual incidence of domestic violence in Queensland is not known as no incidence studies at the state level have been done. However, data used to indicate the level of domestic violence include: the number of applications for domestic violence protection orders; breaches of those protection orders; the rate of police contact with domestic violence incidents; spousal homicide rates; and domestic violence injury statistics collected in hospital Antenatal, Gynaecology and Emergency wards.

### Domestic Violence Protection Orders

In the eleven years since the inception of the *Domestic Violence (Family*

*Protection) Act 1989* until 30 November 1999, Queensland courts recorded 105,567 applications for protection orders<sup>4</sup>. In this same period 72,894 protection orders were made. The vast majority of applications not resulting in a protection order were either withdrawn or dismissed/struck out (ie because of insufficient evidence to support the application, the parties have failed to appear or they have requested that the matter be finalised in this manner).

On average, 82% of spouses applying for protection orders are women, while 11% of these applications were made by or for people with an Indigenous background.

### Breaches

From 1 July 1998 – 30 June 1999, a total of 3,062 convictions were recorded in *higher and lower* Courts in Queensland for breaches of an order under the *Domestic Violence (Family Protection) Act 1989*<sup>5</sup>.

Of the 1,936 appearances in all *lower* courts in Queensland during 1 July 1998 to 30 June 1999, where a breach of a Domestic Violence Protection Order was the most serious offence, the following consequences were recorded:

- 1,145 fines;
- 223 concurrent prison sentences;
- 10 cumulative prison sentences;
- 267 good behaviour bonds; probation, community service, or counselling orders.

In 54 cases no conviction was recorded.

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<sup>4</sup> All data on protection order figures referred to in this Fact Sheet is from the Domestic Violence Summary System or the Domestic Violence Matters System, Families, Youth and Community Care Queensland.

<sup>5</sup> Data on breaches is from Department of Justice and Attorney-General, Statistical Services Division, February 2000.

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<sup>1</sup> 'Women's Safety Australia', 1996

<sup>2</sup> 763,200 in – Family Characteristics State Summary – ABS 1997

<sup>3</sup> cited in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Women's Task Force on Violence Report, 1999.



### **Police Attendance**

Statewide figures for police attendance following reports of domestic violence are not currently available. However, in the 12 month period from 1 July 1998 – 30 June 1999, police in the Brisbane Metropolitan (North and South) area, investigated 6,726 domestic violence incidents<sup>6</sup>.

### **Domestic Violence Homicides**

**Disclaimer :** These figures are not official Queensland Police Service statistics. They have been collated by Senior Sergeant Dale Murray, State Domestic Violence Coordinator for Crime Prevention, Queensland Police Service, in March 2000.

105 'spousal' homicides have been recorded by the Queensland Police Service in the 6 years from January 1994 to December 1999.

These deaths occurred in 85 separate incidents. In 12 of these 85 incidents the offender committed suicide following the killings.

### **Victims**

Of the total deaths of spouses, there were 65 women and 20 men. Victims also included both parents of a spouse, and six children of two families.

Twenty-nine deaths (27.6% of total) were of people from Indigenous backgrounds. Of these, 21 were women, five were men and three were children.

### **Offenders**

In 43 of the 85 total spousal homicides in this period the offender was a non-Indigenous male, in 22 cases he was an Indigenous male. Non-Indigenous female offenders numbered 12 and eight Indigenous female offenders were registered. All the offenders who subsequently committed suicide were men.

### **Circumstances**

Of those killed, 76.5% of people did not have a current Domestic Violence Protection Order against the offender.

Firearms were used in 24.7% of the incidents, knives in 37.6%, and manual methods of killing were used in 29.4% incidents.

Twenty-seven (31.8% of the total incidents) were reported by police as being alcohol related incidents.

### **Medical Screening**

In 12-week trials of domestic violence screening of patients presenting to Emergency, Antenatal, and Gynaecology departments of 5 hospitals in Queensland, 7% of women disclosed domestic violence perpetrated by their current partner<sup>7</sup>.

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<sup>7</sup> Initiative to Combat the Health Impact of Domestic Violence Against Women Stage One Evaluation Report, Queensland Health, 1999.

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<sup>6</sup> Data provided by Crime Prevention Unit, QPS

# LEGISLATIVE AWARENESS & AD- VOCACY

Do you have a special interest in LA & A?

Do you know -

Who can do what?

What you need to know ?

Where you can find this information?

How to proceed with Advocacy?

What has been done in District 24 so far?

Where to find help ?

Do you want to have contact with other Zontians in District 24 who have the same interests?

**THEN GO TO:** [www.zontadistrict24.org](http://www.zontadistrict24.org)

Members section -> District committees -> Status of Women Service -> LA&A article

Click on 'more'

Read to the bottom of the page & check out the direct links to other relevant sites

Then type in your comment, queries, ideas in the "Post Notice" box at the end of the LA&A article and click on 'Post Notice'

THEN keep watching .....for other Zontians replies, ideas etc

If you have not yet registered to be a member of our District Website, (WE HAVE), then click on 'Join Now' on the home page and follow the prompts.

Once you have entered your details a message will be sent to the Webmaster and you will be added to the User list within a couple of days

## ZONTA CLUB OF BRISBANE NORTH INC.

### MINUTES OF DINNER MEETING.

Monday 9th April 2001  
at United Services Club, Spring Hill.

1. **Meeting opened** at 7.10 PM.
2. **Welcome;** President Thea Biesheuvel welcomed Dr. Liz Mellish who was present to facilitate the Future Directions Review. She also congratulated her on attaining her Phd. and in response Dr Mellish said that she would now be free to rejoin Zonta North. The President also welcomed prospective new member, E. Varley.
3. **Apologies;** E. Gill, L. Webber, P. Burke, A. Fredericks, M. Pennell, A. Jones, J. Grant Taylor, J. Schmidt. Leave of Absence R. Gill., N. Foggon.
4. **Minutes of previous meeting** held on 12th March 2001 were confirmed with the amendment substituting the word Directors for Board members in Business Arising 5.2. Moved B. Young, seconded J. Sheridan carried.
5. **Business Arising;**
  - 5.1 The President reminded members that registrations for the Area Workshop would close soon and also reminded them that Elizabeth Fraser was coordinating registration from Brisbane North.
6. **Correspondence In ward.** Routine correspondence noted and for special noting the following;
  - 6.1 Letters of resignation from C. Dauber and M.M. Batch.
  - 6.2 Membership Fees from H. Mohay, L. Liddle, P. Burke, J. Prentice, R. Fraser, J. Sinclair, A. Jones L. Webber, E. Gill and R. Gill.
  - 6.3 Report from Membership Committee Chair for A.G.M.
  - 6.4 Letter from Karuna with thanks for all the past support.
  - 6.5 Invitation to Race Day in Toowoomba 19th May.
7. **Correspondence outward** The folder was circulated for noting.
8. **Report from the Nominating Committee** Mary Mahoney reported that the committee had completed its work and announced the following nominations, advising that nominations would be accepted for any of the positions from the floor.

President	Thea Biesheuvel - no other nominations - declared elected.
Vice President	Gina Brosnan - no other nominations - declared elected.
Treasurer	Jennie Watt - no other nominations - declared elected.
Correspondence	
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  - 9.1 Chris Christensen reminded members about the Alumni Seminar and Dinner at Women's College on 30th June.
  - 9.2 Joan Sheridan thanked members who had attended the Fair meeting and advised that the response was fantastic and she expects the event to be bigger and better than ever.
  - 9.3 The President reminded members that the May meeting will be the A.G.M. with a very full agenda including the induction of new members.
10. **Next meeting** will be held on 14th May

# ZONTA INTERNATIONAL CLUB OF BRISBANE NORTH INC. NEWSLETTER JUNE, 2001

Zonta Club of  
Brisbane North

## OUR NEW YEAR!

Welcome to our new Newsletter format. Hope you like it—or tell us if you don't!

This is the start of our New Year so it seems appropriate to present a shining new face.

And what shall we do with this New Year?

Hopefully communicating in a very positive way within our own club especially and with other clubs more frequently – the latest Area 3 and 5 Workshop was a very inspiring two days of talking to each other and listening carefully to all that transpired.

There was another

opportunity not only for learning but also for much inter-club communication at the Advocacy Workshop at Brisbane Girls' Grammar on June 2.

Five Brisbane North Zontians were present among about 60. So ask Chris, Barbara N, Barb. Y, Jennie W. or Jean S. what they scribbled about so industriously!!

A longer report will be forthcoming which will be aired at some future date., and go into Advocacy Committee files.



New Year inspirations!!

The occasion saw the launch of Zonta District 24 Legislative Awareness and Advocacy Guide by Hon. Justice Margaret McMurdo, President, Appeal Court, Qld. Member, Zonta International Legislative Awareness and Advocacy Committee

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### Special points of interest:

*Dinner Meetings, etc.*

- 18th June (DM)
- 30th June  
YWIPA Alumna Seminar
- 9th July (DM)  
21st July  
Zonta Fair
- 13th August (DM)
- 31st August  
Theatre Night



## The Zonta Awards Alumnae Event 2001. "Making your Way" Saturday 30th June

This event (pioneered by Brisbane North's YWPA Seminar and Dinner last year) aims to draw in Alumnae of all Zonta Status of Women Awards. It should also be seen as an attractive event to which to bring young women (potential

Zontians of your acquaintance. Motivational speakers at the Seminar include Rachel Hunter, Queensland Public Service Commissioner, and Kerrie Tim, Executive Director, Aboriginal and Torres Strait

Islander Policy. The After Dinner Speaker will be Judy Lord, our District Governor. Mary Magee, our Zonta International President and Jane O'Brien, International Co-Chair of the OMC Committee will be attending.



## Diary Dates

**JUNE 18** Monthly Dinner Meeting at the United Service Club, 183 Wickham Terrace, Spring Hill. 6.30 pm. for 7.00 pm. Induction of new member Helen Gregory. (Classification: Environmental Protection Agency}  
**GUEST SPEAKERS** (yes there will be two), from ZIGZAG Young Women's Resources Centre, will talk about their organisation and the programs they administer to help young women.

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**JUNE 21** ZONTA FAIR MEETING. At 2pm. at home of the Chairman, Joan Sheridan, 57 Castile St., Indooroopilly. This is the last meeting before the Fair itself so all members are earnestly invited to attend, especially new members who are probably wondering what is required of them and need the opportunity to get better acquainted with us all. **MEANWHILE, PLEASE BRING GOODIES FOR THE FAIR'S MONSTER RAFFLE TO THE JUNE MEETING.** These can be anything from packets of teabags and biscuits to something more exotic like wines and other gourmet items. Anything tasty will be acceptable. Members also are asked to start rummaging NOW through their cupboards for donations to the following stalls. Pre-loved Clothing for Lynette Liddle's stall; Jewellery and other knick knacks including games, jigsaws, etc. for Mary Mahoney and June Halliday's stall which caters especially for the young fry anxious to buy "something for Mummy" as well as themselves. Jocelyn Grant-Taylor and Ann Jones will appreciate all you can dig up for their Trash & Treasure stall, but not too trashy so that it contributes to what has to be carried away after the Fair! Books, books, books for Jean Sinclair and Co. If you can bring your books on the day of the Fair, that will be very helpful. Brunella Novello and her family will conduct their food stall selling hot dogs, Italian delicacies, tea and coffee; Glen Marshall will be delighted to receive donations for her Garden Stall which also sells fresh vegetables. Lorna Webber and Glenda Gobe need donations of **CAKES, CAKES, CAKES.** Can't have too many of these plus jams biscuits and sweets. This stall is always sold out early. And don't forget Vicki Lomax's Muffin Stall.

**JUNE 30** District 24 (Areas 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7) The Zonta Awards Alumnae Event—"MAKING YOUR WAY..." at The Women's College, St. Lucia. Comprising a Seminar in The College Playhouse, Sir William Macgregor Drive at 2.00 to 5.00 pm. Motivational speakers (as per front page report), followed at 5.30 pm with pre-Dinner Drinks and 6.00 pm. Dinner at The Women's College, College Road, Uni. of Qld. Our District 24 Governor Judy Lord will be the After Dinner Speaker. Mary Magee our Zonta Int. President and Jane O'Brien will attend.

**Have you registered yet?** If for some reason you have not received a registration form or if you have any other queries the contacts are Chris Christensen Ph.(07) 3356 3513; E-mail: [chrishlenna@bigpond.com](mailto:chrishlenna@bigpond.com) or Glenda McChesney-Clark (07) 3892 2922 [glendamc@powerup.com.au](mailto:glendamc@powerup.com.au). **NOTE: NO PHONE BOOKINGS.** Numbers are limited so **HURRY!**

**SEPTEMBER 1** The date of our fund-raising Theatre Night has had to be moved forward a night because the Liberal Party has already booked the night our committee had planned (August 31) and another group has booked the other Friday night. Seems we have picked a popular production in "In The Good Old Summertime"! A flyer for our theatre fund-raiser will be forthcoming later, hopefully in time to distribute at Zonta Fair. **NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE** from the front page!

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# Milestones for women

- 1902 Australia the second nation where women win right to vote and sit in Parliament.
- 1910 Age of Consent for girls lifted from 11 years to 16 years.
- 1916 Women win custody rights after divorce.
- 1918 Women admitted to the Bar.
- 1943 First two women elected to Federal Parliament.
- 1966 Marriage bar lifted for women in Federal Public Service
- 1969 Principle of equal pay approved by Australian courts.
- 1971 Bank of NSW grants loans to women without partners.
- 1972 Women's Electoral Lobby founded.
- 1973 Paid Maternity leave granted to Federal Public Service; first women's Refuge in Sydney; first women's advisor appointed to Federal Government.
- 1984 Sex Discrimination Act passed by Federal Parliament.
- 1985 First woman speaker in the House of Reps. (Joan Childs)
- 1986 First woman appointed to High Court; Domestic violence legislation introduced.

- 1990 First Women premiers WA and Vic. First woman Federal Court Judge and Pres. Of the Admin. Appeals Tribunal.
- 2000 First woman general in the Defence force.



ACHIEVING!

### ADD THE SIGNIFICANT ACHIEVEMENTS:-

- Age 4 Not peeing in your pants
- Age 12 Having friends
- Age 18 Getting a driver's license
- Age 20 Having sex
- Age 35 Having money
- Age 50 Having money
- Age 60 Having Sex
- Age 70 Getting your driver's license
- Age 80 Having friends

Age 90 Not peeing in your pants.

(we are indebted to the Zonta Club Brisbane Inc. for these pearls of wisdom).

# Comings and goings

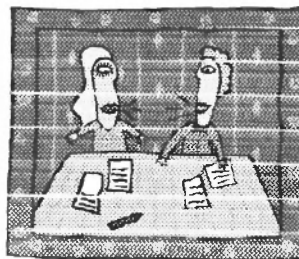
It is good to have Rosemary Gill back from her three months study leave in London and other ports of call.

Noeleen Foggon should be returning to the fold any time as well

On the other hand, we wish our friend Joan Webster well during her recovery period.

Congratulations to Mary Mahoney on becoming the President of the University of Qld/s Alumni Association.

Thea will be Barber-shopping all over the long weekend. 3,000 women will converge



Reporting the news—Let us have yours too!

on Sydney to compete and get coached by International Experts in the art of four-part, unaccompanied singing. Don't ask her to talk next week!

Lynett Liddle has left for parts unknown, but she'll be back for the FAIR.



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## OUR THEATRE NIGHT



At our July Dinner Meeting you will be requested to state what you can do and supply to make our September 1 Theatre Evening a splendid success.

Firstly, we must fill 70 seats with family, friends and members of the public.

Flyers are to be distributed at the August dinner for dispersal among your friends and around your neighbourhood.

This theatre night is somewhat different in program from others in that instead of the customary half-hour interval there will be two 15 minute intervals between acts.

Therefore speed in catering will be the essence, so we shall need  
**FINGER FOOD ONLY.**

## ADVOCACY

A report from the Advocacy Workshop in June was prepared by Barbara Young and although it is much too lengthy to include it all here a few extracts can be made.

For successful advocacy the "dos" given were preparation and research; keep the message

This should also save considerably on washing up.

At the July dinner meeting you also will find a list awaiting your signature indicating what you can do to help.

We need a contact person for the public to answer a phone. We need some tickets made and



we need someone to send out tickets by mail if necessary We expect **EVERYONE** to do **SOMETHING.**

## WOMEN IN EAST TIMOR

You will notice in Diary Dates that Unifem Australia Inc, are organising a September Spring Walk/Run. The invitation to take part comes from The United Nations Development Fund for Women.

The idea is that participants choose the date, the pace and place for their walking or running. Sponsorship at \$5.00 per 5 km is to aid women of East Timor who have to walk 5 km. for such necessities as fresh water, food, firewood for cooking, medical aid and access to power. Proceeds will be contributed directly to UNIFEM'S economic empowerment program for women in East Timor. UNIFEM is also working with Timor Aid to develop a national strategy for marketing and product development of TAIS.

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argument unwinnable; don't be too argumentative; don't commit to an impossible result and above all do not attack at a personal level.

Above all, Kathy Sullivan urged Patience. After all it took her 12 years to get Parliament to install an Ombudsman.





## **DIARY DATES**

JULY 9 Monthly Dinner Meeting at the United Service Club, 183 Wickham Tce., Spring Hill. 6.30 pm for 7.00 pm. No Guest Speaker. This is the night it was said that the committee reformations would be discussed as to how comfortable or otherwise members were with the changes. So, as is often said in TV dramas "we need to talk". APOLOGIES for non-attendance should be made to Jocelyn Grant-Taylor Ph.3217 5804 before 9 am on the day of the dinner. Failure to do so means you will be charged for the dinner ordered on your behalf. Those requiring special diets also should let Jocelyn know before 9 am on the day.

JULY 14 Bastille Day, of course! But it is also the day The Qld State & Municipal Choir performs *Carmina Burana* at the Garden City Christian Church, Rover St., Mt. Gravatt at 8 p.m. It will be a 'knock-your-socks-off' production, with students from 7 High Schools participating.

JULY 21 ZONTA FAIR!!! Any loose ends there happened to be were attended to at the meeting at Joan Sheridan's on June 23 except perhaps for Brunella's refreshment stall which needs ONIONS, ONIONS, ONIONS to tuck into the hot dog bread rolls. All members are asked to slice three or four onions into rings. These can be prepared and frozen until day of the Fair when they should be brought to Brunella's stall as soon as members arrive. If you have forgotten Kathy Thomson's need of goodies for the Monster Raffle, please bring something to the July Dinner Meeting. But PLEASE NOTE: NO MORE WINE THANK YOU (Kathy has plenty) but please otherwise donate anything from teabags to luxury items. There is also still time to donate to Lynette Liddle's pre-loved clothing, Mary Mahoney's and June Halliday's Jewellery and Knick-knack stall always has a line-up of children looking for "something for Mummy" as well as something amusing for themselves like jigsaws and games. So this stall still needs plenty more donations, especially jewellery. Jocelyn Grant-Taylor and Ann Jones will accept all acceptable Trash & Treasures and the Book Stall gratefully will accept books, books, books on the day of the Fair to help Jean Sinclair & Co. with the cartage to Robertson Park. Vicki Lomax brought a load of books to 95 McCaul St. a few weeks ago which Ulla Zeller our generous ex Zontian will load on her 4wheel and bring to the Fair. Glen Marshall will be very grateful for donations to her Garden Stall which also will be offering a special line in fresh vegetables. Lastly but by no means leastly please bring CAKES CAKES, CAKES BISCUITS & SWEETS to Lorna Webber and Glenda Gobe on the day of the Fair.

JULY 28 ZONTA CLUB OF CABOOLTURE INC. INAUGURAL GALA BALL.  
VENUE, Pine Rivers R. S. L. & Services Memorial Club Kallangur Inc., 1347 Anzac Avenue, Kallangur. 7.00 pm for pre-dinner drinks. Featuring The Royal Queensland Naval Swing Dance Band. Dress: Lounge Suit. Cost \$60.00 per person. Tables of 10 available.

AUGUST 6 Survivors of Domestic Violence meeting DVRC Training Room, 187 Melbourne St., West End. Noon to 2 pm.

AUGUST 18 Queensland Youth Symphony Orchestra, QPAC Concert Hall. 8pm. Conductor: John Curro AM BE & Stephen Emmerson, pianist.

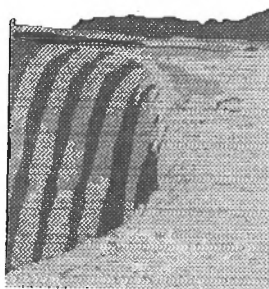
### ***Diary Dates (cont)***

SEPTEMBER 1 Our fund-raising Theatre Night - a presentation by St. Luke's Theatre Society of The Good Old Summertime. Venue: 193 Ekibin Road East, Annerley. Time: 7.15 pm for 8pm. Tickets: \$20.00. This promises to be a lot of fun! Fliers are currently being prepared to distribute at the Dinner Meeting and Zonta Fair. See elsewhere for fuller details!

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### **Comings and Goings**

Elizabeth Fraser has joined 'the club'. Yes, we know she's a member already, but it is that exclusive 'granny' club. Congratulations on the birth of her first grandson.

Thea Biesheuvel has been appointed to the Board advising the Minister for Multicultural Affairs, (Tom Barton). Does she need another Committee meeting, I ask you? (on second thoughts, don't ask).

Ann Morton who was Charter President of Brisbane South Zonta Club, is one of the convenors of the Gourmet Marmalade stall at our Zonta Fair on July 21<sup>st</sup>. How nice it is to see her back again, if only briefly in our Zonta world.

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**ZONTA CLUB OF BRISBANE NORTH INC.  
MINUTES OF DINNER MEETING**

**Monday 18th June 2001.**  
at United Service Club, Spring Hill.

1. **Meeting opened** at 7.10 PM.
2. **Welcome.** President Thea Biesheuvel welcomed members and special guests from ZIG ZAG, Caitlin Marshall, Julie Chalmers and Christine Maguire.
3. **Apologies.** M. Ferrier, E. Gill, G. Gobe, V. Hallman, A. Hardy, M. Lee, L. Liddle, H. Mohay, K. Thomson, L. Webber.
4. **Minutes of previous meeting** held on 14th May, 2001 were confirmed on the motion of B. Young, seconded M. Mahoney, carried.
5. **Business arising.** Members were reminded about the Alumni Seminar to be held at Women's College on Saturday 30th June and urged to register to support this event initiated by Brisbane North in 2000.
6. **Correspondence Inward.** The Correspondence Folder was circulated and members requested to take any documents relating to their Committees or Task Groups.
7. **Correspondence Outward.** Members were requested to note outward correspondence being circulated in the Correspondence Folder.
8. **Committee and Task Group Reports.**
  - 8.1 **PR/Communication.** Regular meetings have been established and enthusiasm is growing to achieve good outcomes. Joan Sheridan reminded members about the Fair Meeting next Saturday.
  - 8.2. **Environment/Advocacy.** Vicki Lomax reported that the work of the task group was ongoing and noted the environmental reminders distributed to members. Jean Sinclair attended the Advocacy Workshop which had been reported on in the Newsletter. Vicki also reported that a Theatre Evening is being planned and sought support from members.
  - 8.3 **U.N./Legislative Awareness .** Barbara Newton reported that work continues.
  - 8.4 **Status of Women/Service.** Barbara Young reported that the larger group had been divided into two task groups - Awards and Service. Gina Brosnan was coordinating the Awards Group and Barbara Young was coordinating the Service group. Elizabeth Gill had undertaken to keep the club up to date on Amelia Earhart matters. Gina Brosnan then spoke enthusiastically about the Seminar and Dinner for the Alumni on 30th June providing details of the event and speakers.
  - 8.5. **Membership.** Chris Christensen assisted the President with the Induction of three new members, Helen Gregory, Sharon Herbert and Nicole Nolan. Each was introduced by a member and each spoke briefly about themselves. At the completion of the ceremony they each received the traditional Zonta rose.
9. **Treasurer's Report.** The Treasurer moved the adoption of her Annual Report for 2000-2001 Seconded B. Young, carried. She also reported that the Bank Reconciliation



at 31st May was \$7490.36, the Cash Book Balance at 18th June was \$1729.91 and the Macquarie Cash Management Trust stood at \$9017.78. During discussion of the report members were advised that savings that had accumulated in previous years were being eroded by new demands for funding such as the support for the subsidy of former Awards participants to attend the Alumni event. Moved the report be received, J. Watt, seconded M. Mahoney, carried.

**10. Other Business.**

10.1 Members were reminded about the raffle circulating and to buy tickets. The raffle was duly drawn and winners announced - G. Brosnan, C. Christensen, V. Lomax.

10.2 Jean Sinclair was congratulated on her work with the Newsletter and the President sought the participation of another member to ease her burden.

10.3 The president sought a volunteer to keep the Web site up to date. Carolyn Evans accepted the responsibility.

10.4 The President noted that the Zonta Conference to be held in Tamworth in October should be supported by as many members as possible. There was some discussion about group transport arrangements. Further discussion will occur next meeting.

**11. Next meeting** will be held on 9th July 2001.

**12. Meeting closed** 9.20 P.M.

**GUEST SPEAKERS.** Three speakers from ZIG ZAG which is the organisation being supported by Zonta North during 2001 for a project with young women who self harm. The first speaker gave a brief description of the organisation as community based, receiving basic funding from the Qld Dept of Health and the Department of Families, working with young women between the ages of 12 and 25 in the Brisbane region. Established 13 years ago, it offers sexual assault services including counselling, groups, community education and training, housing and counselling for young women at risk of homelessness. It also provides a library and acts as a resource centre for young women. Housing is a major concern for many young women and ZIG ZAG provides medium and long term accommodation and support. The speaker noted that young women who are homeless are often invisible as they try not to "sleep rough" in public places like men but seek short stays with friends, relatives or enter into relationships some of which are far from satisfactory. There is an acute shortage of emergency shelter for homeless women in Brisbane. The sexual assault team works with young women who have suffered sexual violence providing support and counselling to young women and their families. The team also engages in community education activities to increase awareness of sexual violence and to improve community attitudes and support for young women who survive violence. The speaker noted that 79% of sexual assault victims are women and over half of these are younger than 25 years with the 15 to 19 age bracket the most likely to be assaulted followed by the 10 to 14 age group and then by the 20 to 24 age group. The third speaker talked about the project with self harming young women which is being supported by the club. She described "self harm" as any form of violence against one's own body. This can include eating disorders, substance abuse, self injury from cutting, burning, scratching or swallowing harmful things. Self harm is not the same as suicide but a coping mechanism which many young women use to deal with emotional disturbances, conflict with others, emotional and sexual abuse. Young women who self harm do not do it as an attention seeking act but most often go to great lengths to hide it. The problem of self harm spans all social boundaries in the same way as sexual violence and incest. The

project with the young women will run for four months and will include supportive group work during which there will be a sharing of experiences in a safe environment. There will be an adventure based phase which will help foster trusting relationships and self confidence as well as working on good communication and a sense of personal boundaries. The third phase will cover planning the future of the group and individuals within it with a focus on building and maintaining supportive networks as well as developing strategies for using the group's experience to build better understanding within the broader community with regard to young women who self harm. A video will be produced that will document the young women's journey and their understandings and this will be used as a training tool for future groups and service providers.

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## Our Theatre Night

**This is the most important item on the Club agenda right now and all members are earnestly enjoined to give the matter their urgent attention.**

Are we going to be able to hail the evening as one of the club's success stories? It will be if we can fill those 70 seats that have been reserved for us and make another \$1,000 to add to the year's fund-raising. We know people habitually leave decisions to the last minute, but committee chairman Vicki Lomax really needs to have an idea of numbers at the August Dinner meeting.

Vicki especially needs volunteer helpers on the night and especially some-one well versed in serving drinks and gifted

in the gentle art of popping corks. And speaking of wine, Vicki asks "Would members please bring their wine donations to the August meeting?"

Vicki also thanks those who have promised supper provisions which as already advised should be finger food only.

Another request from Vicki is to pay for tickets at the meeting and to collect your tickets then. Other members of the committee are Jane Prentice, Vivienne Hallman and Jean Sinclair, who can help you if you cannot tact Vicki. Tickets ordered later will be posted to you, so please help to make the evening a great success through your presence.

Let's see Vicki smiling at

the August meeting.

Tickets are \$20 each and include pre-theatre drinks and supper.

### At a Glance :

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- 1st September Theatre Evening
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## Pine Rivers Coup

District 24 Conference 2001, October 5-7. Likely to get a great welcome at the District Conference at Calrossy School, Tamworth, NSW, is the Zonta Club of Pine Rivers Inc. which is taking a busload to

the conference. The party will include Z Club members. But wait, there's more. The Pine Rivers Shire is financing the bus and driver, and is paying for the registration of the Z club girls too. We can only

say, bravo, very well done to this master-stroke or mistress-stroke to be politically correct.

Do we have any reps from our club? One of the vital topics to be aired deals with the

## From the Editor

Probably not many members are aware of the great publicity that our Zonta Fair attracted in the local South-West News this year. Not only before the fair, but after it as well.

Before the fair, the S.W. News published a very nice picture of the Fair Committee chair, Joan Sheridan with Zonta International President, Mary Magee. The next week there was quite a spread with a charming picture of Vicki Lomax at her muffin stall and two other pix of some of our very young patrons of the fair.

We have never had such a wide coverage which surely is the result of grow-

ing awareness of what has become an important community event. But wait, there's more! International President Mary plans to give our Fair space in the Zontian. So now our Fair is going international. So well done us.

With proceeds standing at \$9,700, we deserve to pat our own backs a little.

Meanwhile a special message from Chris who wants to track down the masterly (mistressly?) hand behind the numerous chutneys she is now drooling over, not to mention the Turkish cornbread.

Also a message from her friend Margaret Hounslow who collected all sorts of

bargains towards the end of the fair to pass on to TPV Refugees, including a much needed child car seat. Quality goods at a Fair price (pardon the pun).



Caption describing picture or graphic.

## Ideas and Successes

While basking in our own recent success with the Fair and increasing membership numbers, perhaps we should spare a thought for our sister club of Brisbane West Inc.

Membership has deteriorated badly, but Ann White as President is prepared to tackle the problem.

A membership drive lately has been successful in attracting interest so we wish them well.

We could start helping this Club by patronizing their Art Show on August 24 and 25 as advertised in Diary dates.

The Presidents' Day produced some interesting stories: Noosa raised \$40,000 through a Race Day and Ball, which proved such a hit they have been asked to do it again next year.

Brisbane has a "Women of Achieve-

How did  
12 people  
raise  
\$40,000  
at one  
event?

ment' Award for non Zontian women annually. Past Presidents choose the winner out of their applicants.

And what about that lovely "Grace" at the Alumnae Seminar that includes all who have a different name for their God?

Our club was hailed as successfully "re-inventing itself this year by sending out a "package" for project funding and re-organizing its structure.

## Your Board at Work

On 2nd August, your board considered the following matters :-

- The registration and voting rights at our October Conference in Tamworth
- Becoming part of the ZigZag management committee/Board
- The request from Brisbane West to assist them in their membership drive and building their capacity.

We also considered the program com-

mittee request/ motion and some interesting guest speakers (from the Board's perspective). Reports were received from all committees. We will recommend that the membership accept the membership application of Dr Elaine Wainwright.

The various ideas and motions on smoothing out the reorganization of committees were discussed and as support for the current break-up is popular, the ideas about which sub-group reports to which Committee Chair

seems to be the only outstanding matter to be discussed.

The proceeds and allocation of the Fair monies was discussed, with congratulations to Joan Sheridan and the hard working stall holders for an (almost) record year.

The Board needs to have the Nominating Committee voted on ASAP, as the terms of President and Vice-President will expire early next year. The former Chairperson, Mary Mahoney, cannot do justice to the position, so volunteers are needed. Here's your chance to have a say!



## Diary Dates—August

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Main topic : The Theatre Evening

AUGUST 18

Queensland Youth Symphony Orchestra at QPAC Concert Hall at 8pm. To be conducted by John Curro AM BE and with pianist, Stephen Emmerson.

AUGUST 20

Literary Lunch and Book Launch.

Dr Catherine Hamlin, famous with her husband, Reginald, for the setting up of a Midwives' School in Addis Ababa bringing restored health to so many African women is launching her book "the Hospital by the River" which tells of her extraordinary life together with

inspirational stories of hope and courage which abound at that hospital. Dr Hamlin spoke to our club some years ago and we were moved to donate to her hospital fund.

Venue : Hilton Hotel

Time : 12 noon

Tickets : \$35 per person (includes light lunch and welcoming glass of champagne).

AUGUST 24—26

Zonta Club of Blackall Range Inc presents Zonta Women in Art Exhibition

## Diary Dates continued : supporting a sister club

AUGUST 24 & 25

Art Exhibition

Zonta Club of Brisbane West Art Show official opening. Friday 24th August

Venue : St Thomas' Anglican Centre, High Street, Toowong

Time : 7pm

Tickets : \$15 per person

Exhibition Times—Saturday 25th Aug

From 9.30 to 4 pm. Entry fee : a gold coin

Proceeds go to St Mary's Support and Accommodation Centre.

Brisbane North members have been particularly appealed to, to support this function and help this club regain strength.

Please note also the cause, which is to help homeless women.

## Dairy dates—September / October

SEPTEMBER 1

Zonta Club of Brisbane North Inc

Theatre Night "The Good old Summertime", an English comedy by Leslie Sands. Directed by Jan Moody

Venue : St Luke's Theatre Society's Hall at 193 Ekibin Road, Annerley

Time : 7.15 drinks 8pm Start

Tickets : \$20 per person (supper too)

OCTOBER 5—7

District 24 Conference 2001

"Building Zonta with Innovation, Interaction and Inspiration"

Venue : Calrossy School, Tamworth

OCTOBER 20

Zonta Club of Brisbane Inc 30th Anniversary. This club, as the oldest in Queensland, is therefore the "mother"

of all Zonta clubs in our state.

Venue : Hamilton Room, Powerhouse Boutique Hotel, Kingsford Smith Drive, Hamilton

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**ZONTA CLUB OF BRISBANE NORTH INC.  
MINUTES OF DINNER MEETING**

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2001.**  
At United Service Club, Spring Hill.

1. **Meeting opened** at 7.05 P.M.
2. **Welcome.** President Thea Biesheuvel welcomed members and especially guests, Elaine Wainwright, Penny French and Christine Roberts.
3. **Apologies.** A. Frederick, M. Lee, G. Marshall, H. Mohay, J. Prentice, E. Varley, L. Mellish, P. Rego.
4. **Minutes of previous meeting** held on 18<sup>th</sup> June 2001 were confirmed on the motion of B. Young, seconded E. Fraser, carried.
5. **Business arising.** The President noted that ZIG ZAG had supplied a list of needed items for their independent living program. Members will receive a copy for their own reference.
6. **Correspondence Inward.** The correspondence folder was circulated and members requested to take charge of documents relating to their task groups or committees. The President noted the receipt of the Tamworth Conference details and urged members to consider registering and attending.
7. **Correspondence Outward.** Members were requested to note outward correspondence circulated in the correspondence folder.
8. **Treasurer's Report.** The Treasurer reported that the Bank Reconciliation at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2001 was \$3,373.98 and the Cash Book Balance at 7<sup>th</sup> July was \$1621.83. She reported that the Alumni event – seminar and dinner at Women's College was expected to make a small profit. She moved that her report be accepted, seconded C. Christensen, carried.
9. **Reports.**
  - 9.1 The President advised the meeting that rather than provide a current report on club matters she had been inspired by the speakers at the Alumni Seminar to do talk on the same theme – "Making my Way". She spoke of her life as a child migrant to Australia and the course that her life had taken arriving at the present time as President of ZONTA Club of Brisbane North. She ended by noting what she believed were several myths that had arisen about her leadership of the club and disputing the validity of claims made about her actions. She invited comments and discussion during discussion on the restructuring of committees.
  - 9.2 P.R. &C. Joan Sheridan reminded members that the ZONTA Fair was looming and all was going well in preparation. Many donations had been received and others promised. Advertising on ABC Snapshot and in the local papers was secure, local churches included the Fair in their newsletters. She noted that stalls needed more jewellery, toys, clothes. Jenny Grant Taylor advised that the committee had discussed the Theatre Evening Flyer, the Fair – thanks and acknowledgment of donors and sponsors and a display board that could be used at various events to provide information about ZONTA.
  - 9.3 Environment. Vivienne Hallman advised that her Task Group was continuing its work relating to sustainable development. She noted that the group aimed to educate and encourage the participation of ZONTA women with regard to the good use of water, energy and food production. The group also wanted to target disadvantaged women in the wider community to improve their opportunity to be more economically independent and a project to this effect was planned for the Corinda area. Vicki Lomax asked members to support the Theatre Evening and thanked the President for her assistance with the Flyer.

- 9.4 U.N & Legislative Awareness. Barbara Newton advised that she fully supported the new committee and task group structure of the club noting that it was building the club for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. She planned the UN work to be carried out predominantly by email and any member who would like to be involved would be welcome to register with her.
  - 9.5 O.M. & C. Chris Christensen advised that the Alumni Seminar and Dinner was a very successful event, noting that there were 61 at the seminar, 42 at the dinner, 15 alumni from 10 clubs present and 17 clubs represented. Brisbane North was represented by 14 members and 7 guests.. She also advised that the committee had had oversight of the induction of 6 new members and there was a need to consider how to make these new members integrate happily.
  - 9.6 Status of Women/Service. Barbara Young reported that the Service Task Group had met to consider roles and responsibility of individual members. Regular meetings would be held on 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Month unless agreed otherwise. The next meeting to be held on 22<sup>nd</sup> June would consider confirmation of roles and tasks, a reporting process for Board and Dinner Meetings and the focus for the group over the next twelve months. Gina Brosnan spoke on the work of the Awards Task Group, thanking Chris Christensen for her work on the Alumni seminar and thanking Barbara Newton for her contribution towards taking the Advancement Grant forward.
10. **Special Business.** The President opened the discussion on the restructuring of committees noting that we could decide tonight to go back to the old structure, or we could try to do better adjusting to the new arrangements. After some critical remarks about the process and questions whether all the ZONTA mandatory committees were properly constituted in our club, a suggestion that there should be proper feed back from Committees and Task Groups with final discussion on the subject at the next meeting. This became a motion, moved P. Burke, seconded B. Young and carried. A further motion was put that there be a Program Committee, Moved J. Halliday, seconded V. Lomax and carried.
  11. **Other Business** The President once again reminded members about the Tamworth Conference which is now only 12 weeks away.
  12. **Next Meeting** Monday 13<sup>th</sup> August.
  13. **Meeting closed** 9.10P.M.

# ZONTA INTERNATIONAL CLUB OF BRISBANE NORTH INC. NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER , 2001

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Zonta Club of  
Brisbane North

## I have an idea

One final request from  
Joan, our Zonta Fair  
Chairman.

you a kindness.

This exercise would thus  
be of two-fold benefit.

To-day I spoke to Ann  
Morton, Convenor of the  
Gourmet Marmalade  
Stall at our recent Zonta  
Fair. She advises that  
there are 90 unsold jars  
of marmalade—including  
some recently made.

I wish to extend sincere  
thanks to all club mem-  
bers for your hard work,  
generosity, commitment,  
and dedication at the  
fair. It is indeed a great  
privilege for me to be  
your Fair Convenor.

### I HAVE AN IDEA

If each member at our  
Dinner Meeting on Sep-  
tember 10 would kindly  
purchase two jars of the  
delicious marmalade  
there would be NO un-  
sold marmalade and we  
would make another  
\$360.00. Why not buy  
the marmalade—\$4.00 a  
jar and give it to a  
neighbour, colleague or  
friend who has shown

At the Dinner meeting,  
Helen Gregory and Peg  
Burke will staff a Mini  
Gourmet Marmalade  
Stall and will have five  
types of marmalade for  
sale.

### At a Glance :

- 10 September Dinner Meeting
- 8th October Dinner Meeting
- 5—7 October District 24 Conference 2001

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## In our mailbox

Thankyous from  
International Presi-  
dent Mary Magee for  
our club's nomination  
of her for the Interna-  
tional Nominating  
Committee

Thankyous from  
Former member Joan  
Webster for our card  
inscribed by members

Thankyous from  
Melanie Roberts for our  
invitation and sponsor-  
ship for the Alumni  
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### September 12

Zig Zag AGM

Time : 2pm to 5pm

Venue : Young Women's Resource Centre at 575 Old Cleveland Road, Camp Hill Phone : 3843 1823

### September 14

AP Theatre Company opens a season of musical comedy SUGAR.

Venue : Hamilton Town Hall

Cnr Race course Road and Rossiter Parade

Time : 7.30pm

Tickets : \$14.00

Concessions : \$11.00

Bookings : Phone 3005 6666

### September 15

Zonta Club of Pine Rivers Charter Dinner. District Governor et al in attendance

## Diary Dates— October

### October 5-7

District 24 Conference 2001,  
At Calrossy School, Tamworth

Kingsford Smith Dve, Hamilton

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Venue: Hamilton Room

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Contact : Lana Gishkariany

Phone : 07 3210 2666

Email : info@backbone.org.au

## Dairy dates—November / December

### November 11

Somerville House conducts 2001 Women's Team Challenge Regatta on Milton Reach of Brisbane River.

Contacts :

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Cath Miller Ph : 3844 8329 or mobile 0408 798 545

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Cost of participating \$1375 including GST of \$275 per seat

Training for four weeks will begin on 13th October

### December 10

Club Christmas Party

Venue : Joan and Norman Sheridan

57 Castile Street, Indooroopilly.

More details later

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# ZONTA INTERNATIONAL CLUB OF BRISBANE NORTH INC. NEWSLETTER OCTOBER, 2001

Zonta Club of  
Brisbane North

## Interesting Women

**One of the responsibilities of the Status of Women Service Committee is to keep Club members informed of the accomplishments of women.**

It is proposed that each monthly Newsletter will contain an account of a prominent or perhaps not so prominent woman. Do you know of a special woman who would be of interest to the members of our club? If you do, Margaret Lee would like to hear about her. You might even write a contribution of up to 200 words about someone you know or know about.

Margaret would also like to hear whether you would prefer to hear about local women or a mixture (eg. Are we interested in the woman who is "saving New

York's Central Park"? Would you like to hear about women from our region? Margaret would really like to hear your opinion, so get in touch.

Barbara Newton has written the first contribution about someone she knows. Here it is.

On the 30th July 2001, Carmel MacDonald was sworn in as the first woman member of the Queensland Land Court after being a part-time member for some years. Carmel also became the first female Chairperson of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Tribunal after eight years as a part-time Deputy, a role which included duties at Wujal-Wujal on the Bloomfield River between Cape Tribulation and Cooktown.

A graduate of University of Queensland in Arts and Law, (she and PIP Leneen Forde are close friends, graduating together in 1970), Carmel also has an LL.M. from Kings College, London.

Carmel held academic positions at QIT (later QUT) Law School from its inception and counts her interests as swimming and the beach, while literature is her passion.

### At a Glance :

• **NEW DINNER DATE**  
*CHANGE from the 8th Oct to the 15th Oct.....apologies for any inconvenience.*

• 5-7 October District 24 Conference 2001

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## Our Theatre Success

Vicki Lomax and Co. who comprised the committee which arranged the Theatre Night on September 1st at St. Luke's Theatre Society production of the "The Good Old Summertime" are very chuffed with the

success of this project which raised \$1,000 through their efforts. St. Luke's has great facilities for such an event and guests were very generous in their praise.

Pre-dinner drinks gave guests time to mingle and chat and the

scrumptious supper was enjoyed by all. Vicki thanks members for their generous support. This result may encourage the club to consider setting up a permanent committee to plan two such events a year.

# Zonta Fair Appreciation

**The Following is a letter Fair Committee Chairman Joan Sheridan received :** " I wish to express my sincere gratitude to you and to all members of the Zonta Fair Committee for a most enjoyable morning at Robertson Park. The dedication and commitment of all helpers was most evident—I trust the result was rewarding and a great success.....

I was totally blown away to hear my name called as the raffle winner. I am still coming to terms with the magnificent selection of prizes in the basket and can only assume that those who so kindly donated were ladies of exquisite and gourmet taste.

Thank you especially Joan for your

enormous contribution to the charitable cause.

Would you also thank Kathy Thomson and her daughter for driving me home

.....signed Joan McQuinlan

## Fund Raising

**At the September dinner meeting Joan Sheridan announced that as a fund raising gesture, she was offering 50 tickets for the Friday, October 12th performance of the famous "Fiddler on the Roof" musical performed by the Ignatians Musical Society.**

All of the tickets have been sold and there has been a donation of \$10 as well. So Joan now has a cheque for \$260 to present at the October dinner

meeting on October 15th.

Star attraction in "Fiddler" for Joan and fellow members will be the appearance of Joan's grandson Eliot Hastie, the well known young violinist, who regularly donates his talents as busker to Zonta Fair proceeds. Seven year old Eliot will be performing in the cast as one of the village children.

Joan will be forwarding tickets to

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members, plus flyers, and an Ignatians publicity sheet with information about this very bright collection of musicians and vocalists whose motto is " for the sheer fun of it ".

## Gourmet Marmalade Stall

**At our October 15th dinner meeting, we anticipate selling the remainder of the delicious gourmet marmalade left over from the Zonta Fair.**

At our September meeting a great deal was sold by Rosemary Gill and Lynette Liddle who manned the special stall and sold marmalade to the value of \$340.

Rosemary and Lyn have nobly agreed

to be sales ladies again, so roll up for more of the same, especially those who were not at the September meeting.

The jars sell at only \$4 each and make wonderful gifts for friends and neighbours who have shown a kindness which makes this exercise a two-fold benefit. It will also earn the gratitude of Joan who is looking to the club to empty our marmalade larder.

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The Club’s Woman of Achievement Award for 2001 will be presented on the occasion.

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This is the home of Mrs Helen McVay and proceeds will go to Karuna Hospice Services.

Morning and Afternoon teas will be served . Entry fee \$4.60

Joan Sheridan and Jean Sinclair intend going on the Saturday at 2.30pm and would be delighted if other members joined them.

**The Bean Scene** : Shop 1 / 242 Hawken Dve St Lucia. On Sunday , October 7th at 9am, ex Chairman of the ex Membership committee Lynette Liddle et al. will be having their three monthly breakfast meeting at the Bean Scene.

Anyone who likes a nice chatty breakfast with their Zonta friends are very welcome to join in.

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**ZONTA CLUB OF BRISBANE NORTH INC.  
MINUTES OF DINNER MEETING**

**Monday 10th September 2001.**  
At United Service Club, Spring Hill.

1. **Meeting opened** at 7.05 by Vice President Gina Brosnan.
2. **Welcome:** A special welcome for Christine Roberts and birthday greetings to Mercia Ferrier and Heather Mohay.
3. **Apologies:** T. Biesheuvel, P. Burke, N. Foggon, R. Fraser, E. Gill, G. Gobe, H. Gregory, A. Hardy, A. Jones, B. Novello, A.M. O'Connell, J. Schmidt, J. Sinclair, L. Webber, J. Prentice, L. Mellish.
4. **Minutes of previous meeting** held on 13th August, 2001 were confirmed with two amendments, the first related to the the U.N. Report - legislative awareness *classes are not currently available* and the second related to the motion moved by C. Christensen regarding committee structure - *the entire motion to be appended to the minutes*. Moved B. Young , seconded B. Newton, carried.
5. **Business Arising:** The Chair of the Service Group advised that the two recommendations brought to the last dinner should not be lost - her group would look at ways of taking them forward for the club to consider further.
6. **Correspondence inward:** The correspondence folder was circulated and members requested to take particular note of matters relevant to their committees. Of particular note was a letter from Melanie Roberts a young woman from the YMPA program requesting help with connections in Canada where she intends studying. Also noted was the restriction on movement in the CBD during CHOGM.
7. **Correspondence outward.** An email requesting members to nominate as representatives at Tamworth brought no responses and *the Board therefore nominates Thea Biesheuvel and Chris Christensen who will be attending - agreed.*
8. **Treasurer's Report.** The Treasurer reported that the Bank Reconciliation at the 31/8/01 was \$17,114.09. She noted that some money in the account had to be transferred to Brisbane West because they had used our credit card facility at a recent function. The cash book balance stood at \$6,784.68. The latest figure for the Zonta Fair was \$10,039.20 and the Theatre Evening had net proceeds of \$1,217.00. Motion that the report be accepted - J. Watt, seconded B. Young, carried.
9. **Reports.**
  - 9.1 Membership. A request was made for lists of membership of all the current subcommittees from the various chairs as well as a request that members notify the committee when aware of other members who are unwell or otherwise potentially needing support.
  - 9.2 Status of Women/Service Members were advised that the Service Group is looking closely at the ZISVAW grant scheme with a view to finding a suitable local partner with whom to apply for funds. The Advancement Grant has been widely circulated and the closing date is 15th October.
  - 9.3 P.R.&C. The committee had held a very positive meeting generating raising ideas such as film evenings, the sale of left over goods from the Fair at other fair stalls, and working on the design of a display board to promote Zonta.
  - 9.4 U.N. The meeting had not reached a quorum, however members should remember that U.N. Day happens in October.
10. **Induction of new member** Chris Christensen conducted the induction of new member Christine L. Stewart-Roberts and she was duly welcomed as the club's newest member.
11. **Job Talk.** Vivienne Hallman spoke about family which had included 12 foster children as well as her own. She currently teaches young people at University of Queensland in biology. Her interests are broad and include environmental issues and the empowerment of women.

12. **Other Business.** Lynette Liddle advised that a further \$340 had been realised on left over Fair merchandise. Members were advised that the Zonta Birthday would occur on 8th October and that eight clubs were interested in celebrating and raising funds and awareness together. Agreed that we should be involved next year. Elaine Varley advised that she would attend the Charter Dinner of the Pine Rivers Z Club. Jocelyn Grant Taylor will represent the club to present the Helen Leahey Award at Queensland Orienteering.
13. **Special Business.** Issues to be voted upon at Tamworth were presented by Elizabeth Fraser with appropriate explanation. After debate and discussion the follow instructions were agreed by the club.
- Resolution 1** - Amend the Constitution to allow for a district change-over at the 1st June. **AGREED**
- Resolution 2.** That nominations for District positions only be allowed to be nominated by their own club. Amendment that Nominations should only be allowed from **one** club only. **AGREED.**
- Resolution 3.** A similar motion but for International Level. **AGAINST.**
- Resolution 4.** That bylaws be amended so that people taking leave of absence should only pay 50% of fees. **AGAINST.**
- Resolution 5.** Related to the employment of staff and the establishment of a National Office. **AGAINST.**
- Resolution 6a** Production of Information kits.**6b** Also put similar information on disk. **AGAINST IF COST TOO HIGH.**
- Resolution 7.** That the Federal Government develop a program of bone density testing for women entering menopause. **AGREED IN PRINCIPLE.**
- Resolution 8** That the Federal Government put treatment for osteoporosis on PBS. **AGREED IN PRINCIPLE**
- Resolution 9.** That the Federal Government make child care tax deductible for all families. **AGREED IN PRINCIPLE - Heather Mohay will provide some wording for a possible amendment.**
- Resolution 10.** That income splitting be allowed in families where only one parent works outside the home. **AGREE IN PRINCIPLE - Heather Mohay to frame possible amendment.**
- Resolution 11** That ZI produce a strategic management plan to increase efficiency and effectiveness. **AGREED.**
- Resolution 12.** That ZI should conduct performance evaluation on all Board Members and committee members annually. **AGAINST.**
- Resolution 13** Congratulate Judy Lord and her Board for creating notions of good corporate governance. **AGREED**
- Resolution 14.** That clubs all establish Websites. **AGREED WITH AN AMENDMENT THAT SITES BE LINKED.**
- Resolution 15** That clubs worldwide raise \$100,000 for a search for the wreckage of Amelia Earhart's plane. **AGAINST.**
- Resolution 16.** That the Cairns Club bid to host the 2006 ZI Conference.**NEED TO KNOW MORE .**
- Resolution 17.** Increase in membership fees for District 24 to \$26. **AGAINST.**
- Resolution 18** Accumulated District Funds of \$50,000 be used to fund local projects. **AGAINST.**
- Resolution 19.** Insurance for members to be financed by a levy on members of approximately \$2.40 annually.**AGREED.**
- Resolution 20.** Increase in District fees. **ALREADY VOTED AGAINST.**

Members thanked Elizabeth Fraser for guiding the discussion so effectively. Members agreed that our nominated delegates should vote on our behalf and while noting our instructions be free to vote otherwise if convincing arguments are presented at the conference.

14. **Next Meeting** 8/10/01

15 **Meeting closed** at 9.50PM.

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# ZONTA CLUB OF BRISBANE NORTH INC. NEWSLETTER

## December 2001

## Interesting Women

**One of the responsibilities of the Status of Women Service Committee is to keep Club members informed of the accomplishments of women.**

It is proposed that each monthly Newsletter will contain an account of a prominent or perhaps not so prominent woman. Do you know of a special woman who would be of interest to the members of our club? If you do, Margaret Lee would like to hear about her. You might even write a contribution of up to 200 words about someone you know or know about.

Here is the third in our series.

Jessie Street (1889-1970) was one of the most active campaigners for women's rights in Aus-

tralia. She had a relatively privileged upbringing, attending school in England and residing at Women's College University of Sydney. She graduated BA in 1910. She was interested in women's issues from an early age, attending the International Alliance of Women's Conference in Rome in 1911 and in Geneva in 1914. In 1916 she was a co-founder with Annie Golding of NSW Social Hygiene Association and in November of that year gave the address "The place of treatment of venereal disease in social reform" at the Workers' Educational Association Sex Education Conference. (Just imagine a middle/upper class woman doing that !!!)

Jessie Street campaigned vigorously for equal rights for women, equal pay, appointment of women to public office, election of women to parliament, social justice, Aboriginal rights. She was interested also in the plight of Jewish refugees and the question of peace. Her husband was Sir Kenneth Street, a Supreme Court Judge.

Of particular interest to Zonta (our ngo status at the UN) is that Jessie Street was the sole woman representative in the Australian delegation to the founding conference of the United Nations in San Francisco in 1945.

With other internationally known women, she was instrumental in

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Zonta Club of  
Brisbane North  
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### At a Glance :

- **DINNER DATE**  
*February 11th*
- *President's message*
- *Bean Scene Breakfast*
- *Amelia Earhart Annual Brunch*

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## Advancement Grant Report

**Gina Brosnan for the Advancement Grant Task Group advises the following:**

This year there were twenty-four applicants—a record number. This was attributable to the enthusiasm of club mem-

bers who ensured that special interest groups were made aware and to a wide distribution of information brochures.

Applicants came from a wide cross-section of society. They included business students conducting a simulated management project

and seeking to attend a national conference; a final year medical student; sole parents with dependent children who wished to begin or to continue a course of study; women hoping to start Masters and PHD  
*(continued on page 2)*

## Editorial

In this newsletter we publish the third of the series of **Interesting Women which it is hoped inspires members**. Your editor would like to add that years ago she met and heard Jessie Street at a women's political meeting. She was a handsome, dark eyed dynamo and I being very young and naïve found her forthright manner a little alarming if I remember rightly.

Hers was a pretty lonely voice in those repressive days. And such subjects as "VD" would never have arisen in *polite society*. There was a television program some time ago in which A. N. Wilson, a noted English writer de-

scribed the cruel methods by which women were examined, but never the men with whom they had consorted !!!

That was in the late 19th Century in England, but probably the same attitudes applied in Australia. It seems un Jessie Street's time things had not really progressed either.

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in having the United Nations establish a permanent Commission on the Status of Women and became Australia's representative on the Commission in 1947.

A National Women's Library which collects, preserves and promotes the literary and cultural heritage of Australian women has been named in her honour

(compiled from information on the website : <http://www.jessiestreetwomenslibrary.com> )

Visit the website for more.

## From the Board

**At the last Board meeting, the following are some of the topics discussed.**

At the Board meeting, we discussed the Footprint of Service statistics needed by our International sisters. In case there are misunderstandings, these statistics are used in lobbying and advocacy purposes.

All members should keep a track of their service hours, fund donations, support for other women and women's

organisations. Committees will be asked to collate these.

The deadline is the week between Christmas and New Year and late returns just mean there will be blank space where our efforts should be.

We also discussed the leave of absence of several Board members in 2002 and wish you all the best for the festive season.

**24  
apply  
for  
our  
grant**

## Advancement Grant Report continued :

programs, as well as a person who hoped to overcome her learning difficulties.

The expert judging panel comprising June Halliday, Rita Fraser and Barbara Newton were able to consider the applications as objectively as possible, considering in particular, the potential for the Awardee to put something back into the community. The panel settled on Yvonne Harfstad, a self-

supporting high school student who will use the grant to alleviate financial pressure while completing year 12 in 2002. Yvonne hopes to study Anthropology and Spcop:ppgu at UQ; and then work with indigenous communities.

There was another outstanding applicant, Zahara Askary, an Afghan refugee who is currently learning English. She seeks to develop computer skills

to become a Dari interpreter to help women in her community with medical issues. Anonymous donations of \$775 have been recorded by treasurer, Jenny Watt. More welcomed. Both Yvonne and Zahara have been invited to our February Dinner meeting.

Thanks go to June, who had to prepare all those hard to write rejection letters.

# The President's Message

Well, 'tis the season to be jolly or thankful, or even reflective, depending on your bent.

When we are jolly, it is usually because we have friends, feel loved or appreciated.

When we are thankful, it is usually because we thought things would turn out so much worse than they actually did.

When we are reflective, it is usually because there is something, not quite tangible, not quite resolved.

We are so lucky to have women friends in Zonta who appreciate us for what we are.

We are so fortunate to have our 'service' commitments to make us feel fortunate.

We are also able to reflect with these friends and reinforce our views of ourselves.

What about those women not so lucky, or so fortunate? I am not suggesting they are like us, because our lives revolve around different things.

We are also very different within our Club. After all, medicos don't quite appreciate what lawyers have to do, and academics are not a bit like the women running small businesses, are they?

We know about our own sacrifices and struggles, but others don't always appreciate how chaotic our life-style is or don't understand the hard work

that went into certain things that everyone now takes for granted.

Our Charter members put in the hard yards of building up a club, while our newest members have a working and family life few of us would have imagined when we started work some time past.

How can we appreciate these differences?

How much more difficult is it then to appreciate the differences in women's lives in other parts of the world.

We can give each other the best gift there is for Christmas: that of a high estimation or honour, consideration and courtesy, reciprocally given and received.

Let's do that for and to each other as women, wherever we are, whenever we meet.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A FULFILLING NEW YEAR TO YOU ALL. THEA**

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## Diary Dates :

### February 10

#### Bean Scene Breakfast

Lyn Liddle reminds all the ex members of the Membership Committee, and any one else who would care to come, that the three monthly breakfast at the Bean Scene, is on again.  
Venue: Bean Scene 242 Hawken Drive  
St. Lucia at 9am

The Amelia Earhart Brunch on the 20th January will be attended by District Governor Judy Lord. She will present Amanda Robbins, the recipient of this year's A E Bursary, with her wings and certificate. We expect Amanda will tell us about her field of research, which is Microgravity.

Please RSVP to Trish on 3345 1577 during business hours

### January 9

Brisbane Bunya Lions Club Annual Combined Dinner Meeting at Kedron Wavell RSL. Cost : \$20  
Contact : Brian Smith 5 Chevalier St Mc Dowall or phone 3353 1106

### January 20

Amelia Earhart Brunch at Oxley's on the River from 9am on Sunday. Cost : \$28

### February 11

Monthly Dinner Meeting



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month. You are most welcome to come and observe.*

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