

ZONTA CLUB OF PINE RIVERS INC

MEMBER OF ZONTA INTERNATIONAL

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JUNE 2017 NEWSLETTER

Date Claimers

Fri 21 July, 2017

Birthing Kit Packaging Day at Mount Alvernia College starting at 3.15pm

Fri 8 - Sun 10 Sept, 2017

Zonta District 22 Conference, Royal on the Park

Dinner Payments

Reminder, meal payments are due prior to the monthly meeting.

Account Name: Zonta Club of

Pine Rivers Inc BSB: 633000

Account Number: 123710873

Board Changeover

Pine Rivers Club welcomed Area 1 Director Lyn Agnew to their Annual General Meeting and Changeover Dinner at the Eatons Hill Hotel on May 10. Lyn assisted with the induction of President, Simone Boersma, and the 2017-18 board members. They are as follows:

President: Simone Boersma

Vice President: Sharlene Brookes

Secretary: Denise Preston
Treasurer: Janelle Brent
Board Member: Dot Patrick
Board Member: Anita Goldie

Our outgoing President, Glynnis Gartside, delivered the 2016–17 Annual Report, which celebrated significant club successes of the past year. She thanked club members for their unfailing support and acknowledged the work of the outgoing board who had made her job much easier. Simone presented Glynnis with a gift and thanked her for two years of club leadership.

Two members of the neighbouring club from Caboolture also attended the dinner to acknowledge this special evening. Simone and Ros Pestell subsequently attend the Caboolture Club's Changeover Dinner on 3 June.



Pictured, left to right: Janelle, Anita, Denise, Simone, Sharlene and Dot with Area Director 1 Lyn Agnew after their induction ceremony.

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Sharing the DigniTEA

Members and friends of the club shared a table for 12 at the "DigniTEA" high-tea fundraiser on Sunday 28 May. This event, held to benefit the Share the Dignity initiative was held in recognition of International Menstrual Hygiene Day. It took place at the very sumptuous Cloudland in Fortitude Valley and we all enjoyed a delectable high tea!

It was a lovely opportunity for Zonta members to come together to support a very worthy cause. The event focused on the difficulties faced by homeless woman and those subjected to domestic violence.



About 350 people attended the event, where we heard from a number of "Sheroes" and were entertained by comedian Anne Ferguson-Howe.



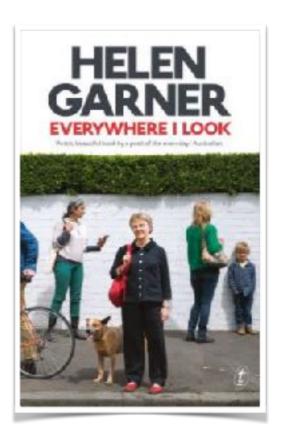
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A spontaneous act of sisterly protectiveness.

An excerpt from Helen Garner's "Everywhere I look" (a collection of essays and diary entries by the author, published 2016).

At a tram stop near Southern Cross, a lovely Asian girl, perhaps still a teenager, with a fall of silky hair right down her back, is standing among the waiting passengers. A man in a T-shirt and jeans approaches her and tries with a dull, unsmiling belligerence to engage her in conversation. His questions strike a discordant note: "where are you going? How old are you?". I can't hear her replies, or even if she is making any. Two young women in business suits and heels, who have been chatting and laughing at the stop, step forward to the platform's edge and without breaking their flow of talk simply interpose their bodies between the importunate bloke and the girl. He moves off, sullen and confused. The women don't address the girl. In fact I'm not even sure that they noticed her predicament, but I choose to believe that they performed a spontaneous act of sisterly protectiveness.

Submitted by Rosalind - "I think this is an elegant example of how, sometimes, there are non-confronting opportunities to make a small improvement to a woman's life."



Sizzling Sausages

We are very thankful to Bunnings Carseldine for their ongoing support of our club.

We held sausage sizzles at the store on Monday 15 May and Tuesday 13 June, raising around \$900.

The money we raise selling sausages and drinks at Bunnings makes a significant contribution towards our fundraising each year, and the funds raised help support both our international and local causes.

Thanks again to Bunnings Carseldine, and a big thanks to those members who give their time to purchase, cook and sell!



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Knitting for KOGO

Some of our lovely members have been busy this winter knitting much-needed scarves, beanies and squares, which will be used to make blankets, for KOGO (Knit One Give One).

KOGO distributes these wonderful articles to the homeless and those in need. In 2016, KOGO distributed 70,000 hand-crafted winter woollies via 250 community partner organisations.

If you'd like to know more about KOGO then please go to www.kogo.org.au.

Pictured is a work in progress by member Janelle.



Breast Cushions

On a Saturday morning in June a small number of members went to Kaye's house for a breast cushion sewing and stuffing bee. In what seemed like no time at all Glynnis, Simone, Kaye, Anita and Nat had whipped up 27 breast cushions ready for distribution in our local hospitals. Our morning was complete with our shared lunch and Kaye's delicious sausage rolls.

Thank you everyone and great work!

