



# ZONTA

CLUB OF  
PINE RIVERS INC

MEMBER OF ZONTA INTERNATIONAL

EMPOWERING WOMEN

THROUGH SERVICE & ADVOCACY

## JANUARY 2018 NEWSLETTER

### Date Claimers

#### Planning Day 2018

**When:** Saturday 3 February,  
9.30 am to 11.30 am

**Where:** Arana Hills Library, 63  
Cobbity Crescent, Arana Hills

**What to bring:** Your ideas for  
fundraising, service projects  
and advocacy in 2018!

#### Sausage Sizzles

Thursday 22 February

Tuesday 20 March

Bunnings Carseldine

### 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

### A reminder from our Treasurer

Membership fees are due 31  
March 2018.

Please pay \$180 to the club's  
Administration Account

- BSB: 633-000
- Account: 123 710 873

### President's Patter

Farewell to 2017 and welcome to 2018. I would like to thank everyone in our club for the hard work you have done throughout 2017. I know you all give 110% and your dedication and enthusiasm are what makes our club, though small, so productive.

We have successfully delivered an IWD luncheon; a Family Trivia Night; Melbourne Cup Fashion Parade and Lunch; a lunch at Portabella to launch the 16 Days of Activism against Domestic Violence along with a walk from Samford to Ferny Grove to advocate for this cause. We have participated in two Birthing Kit Assembly Days; had a breast cushion assembly day and social; collected and donated hygiene products, bags and other various products to Share the Dignity several times during 2017; conducted the Young Women in Public Affairs Award program; attended the Zonta Conference in Brisbane; given new life to our club Facebook page and club website; once again supported the delivery of RAVES in our local schools; provided the Zonta Club of Pine Rivers QUT Equity Scholarship; attended the Combined Services Dinner; packed and delivered 10 Christmas hampers to the Centre Against Domestic Abuse Inc.; (take a breath!) and soldiered through rain and heat at numerous Bunnings Sausage Sizzles all year long! I'm tired just listing it all.

At the dinner meetings in 2017 we heard from many inspirational groups who are helping those in need in our community, such as the Redcliffe Breakfast Club. Having guest speakers and hearing directly from those involved, I believe helps to revitalise our desire to make a difference in peoples' lives and demonstrates how in many cases a small gesture can make a huge impact.

Thank you to Karen Fuller for hosting the Christmas Dinner Meeting at her home. The table looked amazing! Thanks also to everyone who attended for bringing along so much yummy food.

After all this exhausting effort, I hope that you have all enjoyed your Christmas time with family and friends and saw in the New

Year with fun and laughter. May you all return refreshed for another big year as we commence our meetings again in February.

On behalf of the board and myself, I wish you a safe and happy 2018.

*Simone Boersma*  
President

## Farewell to Kay

It was with sadness that we received the news that Kay Reid will be leaving our club. Kay has been a member of the ZCPR for 17 years. During that time, she has been a valued member of our group, the holder of the archives, an unfaltering supporter of all our events and projects. We will miss her greatly but wish her all the best in the future.



## Christmas Hampers

Once again in 2017 we have given 10 Christmas Hampers to The Centre Against Domestic Abuse (formerly Caboolture Regional Domestic Violence Service). The hampers were delivered in early December so that they could be given to the recipients before Christmas. Club members demonstrated their generosity by donating the money from our December dinner meeting to this project as well as an additional amount from Service to bring the contribution up to \$500.



## 16 Days of Activism Walk - 26 November

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After a week of rainy weather, Sunday 26 November dawned hot and clear and we still had no outcome from the State Government election. Six intrepid club members, and three unsuspecting partners, gathered bright-eyed and bushy-tailed at Petersens road Camp Mountain for a 4km walk to raise awareness of violence against women in general, and human trafficking, in particular.

Our orange shirts made a bold statement as we meandered along the track, enjoying the calm of the bush and participating in some easy fellowship. On arrival at the end point, we met Jan who had planned to meet us part way but got ahead, so had assisted in the preparation of a well-earned sausage sizzle.

Fortified with a sausage or two, we parted company a couple of hours later with some walking back and others commuting back.

Special thanks to my husband John and daughter Kendall for their assistance with cooking, assembling the marquee and placement of signage.

Intrepid Members: Simone, Ros, Jan, Glynnis, Denise, Bronwyn and Sharlene

Unsuspecting partners: John, John and Gary

Sharlene Brookes



## Christmas dinner meeting

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Many thanks to club member Karen and husband Lance who opened their home to us for our December dinner meeting. Once the business side of things was over we were able to escape to the beautifully decorated table outside and enjoy the festive food provided by members. We were also treated to the antics of their very talented pet cockatoo!



## Melbourne Cup lunch

Our successful 2017 Melbourne Cup lunch at Wantima Golf Club had 82 guests seated at 10 tables, and Jan, Yvonne, Janelle, Bron and myself were all "hands on" before and on the day.

This year, thanks to some lateral thinking by Yvonne, our fashion parade was by Rockmans of Brookside with Yvonne providing the commentary on the fashions. Rockman's manager Trish dressed the models, who included Brooke (Jan's grand-daughter), Gail and Zita (two of Yvonne's friends - and long-time club supporters) and a Rockman's staff member, Nevis.

Once again Gay Maloney, Samford artist and milliner, provided a beautiful display of hats and fascinators and collaborated with Yvonne to choose some of the hats for the models.

The second stall was Pukka PJs, and owner Becky provided us with a \$100 voucher as a lucky door prize. Becky's use of personally sourced pretty cotton fabrics and her employment of women in rural communities in India whom she visits sits well with the values of Zonta International.



Janelle and husband Brian were extremely efficient at selling the sweepstakes and raffle tickets helped by Bron, while Jan and her grand-daughters handed out the free drinks tickets and the lucky door prize tickets.

Once again Wantima staff kindly collected TAB slips from our guests and placed the bets for them, and I contributed a "just for fun" quiz on each table.

Yvonne and myself shared microphone and raffle drawing duties.

We invited raffle ticket buyers to place their tickets in the bags in front of the prizes they wanted to win. We had 8 very good prizes thanks to the generosity of our members, including a beautiful Park Lane necklace and earrings from Yvonne, and Bron's scoop of a \$100 hairdressing voucher & hairdressing products. This raffle method is always popular with our guests.



Funds raised at the lunch were boosted by \$140 by the generosity of Yvonne's friend Vilma who contributed all the money she made on the day from the sale of her beautiful hand-made Christmas decorations.

Last year's winner of "fashions off the field", Zeta was the judge this year, who chose a smart co-ordinated outfit from a finalist field of 8. As always the prize was a Nutrimetics gift pack provided by Yvonne (many thanks).



My thanks to all the Club members, and their families and friends who contributed prizes, time, and bottoms on seats, to help make the day a success, but especially to Jan, Yvonne, Janelle (and Brian), and Bron.

Rosalind Pestell

## Sizzling Success

Our sausage sizzles at Bunnings Carseldine continued to raise welcome funds for the club.

Sizzles held on 4 September, 21 November and 28 December raised a total of more than \$2300! Many thanks to our members who helped out on the days - cooking the sausages, serving customers and keeping stocks of drinks, bread and sauces up with demand.

Our upcoming sausage sizzle dates are:

- Tuesday 9 January
- Thursday 22 February
- Tuesday 20 March



## It's in the bag(s)!

BPW (Business and Professional Women) North Lakes held their packing day for Share the Dignity on Sunday 12 November. Zonta Club of Pine Rivers was happy to help them out by donating a bulk supply of personal hygiene products – almost \$500 in value. Some of our members also provided individual donations of bags and products.

With help from our club and other donors, BPW North Lakes was able to pack and deliver 430 bags to Share the Dignity as part of their 'It's in the Bag' Christmas charity drive. Well done!



## Council support

Our club is fortunate to have the ongoing support of Moreton Bay Regional Council's representative for Division 10, Councillor Matt Constance.

Accompanying his latest donation to our club, Cr Constance wrote the following:

"I would like to thank you for the contribution the Zonta Club of Pine Rivers makes to the Division 10 community and the Moreton Bay region and I would like to assist with your fundraising efforts.... Your efforts are very much appreciated, especially the support of women and girls in our community and domestic violence awareness."

And we appreciate your continued support Matt!

## Sunday Lunch fundraiser – friends, food and fun!

We held our popular Sunday Lunch fundraiser on 12 November at Portabella Restaurant in Albany Creek. The fabulous food, entertainer Darryl Murphy and amazing raffle prizes helped make it a great success, raising in excess of \$2800.

A highlight of the lunch was Darryl's performance which included an amazing vocal range and some 'memorable' impersonations of well-known singers.

The day could not have happened without the dedication



of club members Karen and Natalie who pulled together a very successful event in a short period of time. They secured the entertainment and sourced the wonderful raffle prizes from Camilla, Lancôme and more, and ensured the guests had a fun and memorable time (each received a gift of a bottle of rosé on arrival).

Well done Karen and Nat.



## Birthing Kits @ St Paul's College

On the 14th of October, our members gathered together with students from St Paul's College to assemble birthing kits.

This year we assembled 3000 kits, half of which were paid for by the Club. The students fundraised for the purchase of the remaining kits.

A great learning opportunity for the students and a fantastic partnership for our club.



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The Zonta Club of Pine Rivers invites you to their

# International Women's Day Lunch

## Sunday 4 March 2018

Arrive 11.00 am for 11.30 am start

**Kedron-Wavell Services Club**

21 Kittyhawk Drive, Chermside

Our guest speaker will be  
**Jenny Woodward**  
ABC weather presenter



**Tickets \$85 each.**

**\$80 early bird!!** (Pay by 14 February)

- ◆ 2-course meal
- ◆ Guest presenter
- ◆ Entertainment

Tables of 10. Cash bar available.

All proceeds to the club's local projects.

Register via **Zonta Tickets**

[www.zontatickets.com.au/event/6237](http://www.zontatickets.com.au/event/6237)

(Payment by credit card only)

Or pay by **funds transfer** to:

Zonta Club of Pine Rivers Inc Service Account

BSB: 633-000

Account: 123710980

Reference: Your name (Table name)

Sorry, no cash payments accepted on the day.



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