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Dinner Meeting:

Contact **Grace Cochrane** for all dinner arrangements no later than the Monday prior to our dinner meeting. Advise her of any apologies if you are unable to attend or to let her know of extra dinner guests that you have invited.

COST (Includes dinner)
Members/Guests \$20.00

Special Dietary Requirements:

If anyone has any special dietary requirements will they please inform Tracy so that she can inform the club. The club is very happy to cater to individual needs.

Grace Cochrane

Home: 3325 1896

Mobile: 0411 783 020

Email:

gamp@inet.net.au

As it is assumed you will be attending all meetings of the club unless an apology is received, any member from whom an apology is not received in time will still be invoiced for the meal ordered for her.

Diary Dates

*Saturday 8th May – 8am to 3pm
Sausage Sizzle –
Carseldine Bunnings*

*Wednesday 12th May - 6.30pm
Dinner meeting –
Arana Leagues Club*

Bingo Report



Please take note of some changes to BINGO ROSTER 2010

Hi everyone,

The bingo game is the major fundraiser for our club and we have been conducting the bingo game for **14 years** at least. If anyone has a spare Thursday morning, it would be really appreciated if you could help our few treasured volunteers.

There have been some major changes to the bingo roster. Please take notice of any new roster dates. PLEASE change with someone else on the roster if you cannot do your day.

In March 2009 I wrote asking members to come along and learn how to do the calling.

Bingo Roster

April	29 th	Bettina
May	6 th	Ros
	13 th	Karen
	20 th	Jan
	27 th	Karen
June	3 rd	Ros
	10 th	Bettina
	17 th	Jan
	24 th	Kay
July	1 st	Carole
	8 th	Jan
	15 th	Karen
	22 nd	Kay
	29 th	Bettina

Even if you are not on roster, please come to the game at about 12.30 and I can spend an extra hour teaching you the rudimentaries of calling bingo. (I need to be able to have a holiday sometime.) Regards,

Vicki Williams

Bingo Convener

Happy Birthday

to...

*Fiona McNamara
9th April*

*Karen Fuller
17th May*

*Pam
Ross-Smith
27th May*

Best Wishes!



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President's Message

Fellow Zontians,

Members who went to the Zonta District 22 Area meeting all enjoyed renewing old friendships and attending some excellent workshops. Vicki Williams Area 1 Director and Janet Burrage Area 3 Director put lots of work into the success of the day which was held at Forest Glen. There is still time to register for the Zonta International Convention in June, so log onto the website to check it all out.

Don't forget also to log onto the District website from time to time (www.zontadistrict22.org/) which lists all clubs, newsletters and heaps of interesting information which particularly helps if you are a new Zontian.

Since our last newsletter we have held the International Women's Day High Tea which was another financial success. This isn't possible without members help and in addition to Karen & Simone's planning, Janet's excellent editorials to local newspapers spreads the word in the local community and helps ensure we get people in the door. We are never short of help when the curtain goes up so thanks to all for supporting our fund-raising ventures.

Next on our list is the Bunnings Sausage Sizzle on 8th May.

Regards,
Lorraine Hunter

(Unfortunately, and to Zonta's loss, Lorraine has resigned since the writing of this column. We thank her for all her hard work over the years in our club and wish her all the best for the future).

Organisation, Membership & Classification Committee

Greetings members,

NEW MEMBERS

At the April meeting Lorraine inducted new member Grace Cochrane, and it's great to have Grace on board. Grace is already joining in with Club activities, and has changed the format of the membership list to make it much easier for me to make adjustments. Thank you Grace for offering to do that and then doing it so quickly.

Also at the April meeting Gabi Simon and Elizabeth Ling paid their membership fees, and it is great to have these further two new members. We can look forward to their inductions at the May meeting.



Where: Bunnings Carseldine
When: Saturday 8th May
Time: 8am – 3pm

If you would like to help out please contact Simone to find out when might be the best time. Or, alternatively, just show up when you can – there's sure to be a spot!

RESIGNATIONS

Most unfortunately Lorraine resigned at the last meeting which was a shock to most of us I am sure, and Melindie, with a new full time position and other priorities more important to her than Zonta, has also sent me her resignation and her best wishes to the Club members.

Jennifer Meek resigned in March as her workload and work hours as Manager of a 24 hour pathology lab are unrelenting. Jenny too sent us her best wishes and I hope she and Melindie may return to the Club at some future



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utopian time when work eases off for both of them!

THE BIGGER ZONTA PICTURE

At the Area meeting in March we were told that District 22, our District which encompasses all of Queensland plus the Northern Rivers Club of NSW now has 1193 members in 47 Clubs.

RICH IN GIVING

District Governor Vicki Varthas also told us that District 22 is the second highest contributor to the Zonta International Foundation (the overseas service projects and scholarships) in the world.

BARE-BONES PROFILE

This month we have the second of my three "bare bones" profiles. At a sewing bee I jotted down a quick outline of Bettina Mayfield's life. Bettina is the only remaining Charter member of the Club, joining in June 1994 when the Club was formed.

I know very well from past chats that Bettina could fill a book on her early life on the farm, never mind incidents from some of the adventure holidays she and husband Len have taken. Instead I give you one page! Never the less I am always grateful to have even a little insight into a member's life to offer you and I hope those of you who don't know

Bettina very well (and that includes me) enjoy reading a little bit about our sole remaining Charter member.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the May meeting

Regards,

Rosalind Pestell

United Nations Report

Zonta Clubs and Members of



Zonta International Donate to UNIFEM to Support Relief Efforts in Haiti

In the aftermath of the devastating earthquake in Haiti, Zonta International has encouraged its clubs and members to support UNIFEM's efforts to provide urgently needed services for the protection of women and their families, specifically the rebuilding of women's shelters and the expanded provision of emergency services for women. To date, \$1,900 has been donated to UNIFEM by Zonta clubs and Zontians worldwide.

Sewing Bee (at Vicki's)

Suzanne, Marina, Glynnis, Simone, Carol and Bettina completed 22 breast cushions at my place. We had a lovely chatty time and bringing along nibbles to share was a great idea.

Bettina and I had cut out 62 breast pillows the Saturday before the sewing bee, so we were well prepared for the day.

For those newer members, our club supplies breast cushions to the **RBWH, The Mater, private and public hospitals, North West hospital and The Wesley hospital** for women who have had mastectomies.

The sewing bees are also a good time for members of our club to get to know each other a little better on an informal basis.

Thanks,

Vicki Williams

Sharing Zonta

(These snippets are taken from the Brisbane Club newsletter)

"It is reported from Zonta clubs world-wide that the best way to **grow membership** of a club is for members to invite friends to a club meeting as a guest or encourage them to participate in a club activity. And it is good to keep in mind the principles



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that Zonta International sets out for prospective members:

- that they understand the objectives of Zonta International - ie. a **focus on women and girls.**
- that the club aims for a diversity of **professional and business** oriented experience.
- that members have a background in **decision-making roles** in their profession (2008 By-Laws).
- that they possess **interpersonal or leadership skills.**
- that in using a **democratic process** it is understood that individual opinions will not always be the majority opinion, but they are nonetheless still willing to support the club's decisions. "

Well, these are very high standards and I doubt if we could all live up to such stringent criteria. However, motivation counts for a lot and when people are willing to give freely of themselves and their time in order to benefit the community (in Zonta's case – for the advancement of women) then willingness to serve is not to be turned down lightly. Ultimately, it is in every club's discretion to decide on membership criteria.

MEMBER PROFILE



I grew up in Sydney.

And I lived with my mother & father and pet dogs and cats. I was an only child and had horses during my teen years which nearly made my parents childless as the horses threw me off numerous times.

My biggest move to date was when, after getting married in Melbourne I moved to Cedar Creek in 1955 with my husband Len who wanted to go bush but couldn't milk a cow. Despite this we bought a dairy farm, and not surprisingly Len was the first in the district to mechanize his dairy! After 30 years we closed the dairy in 1988.

People, pets and possessions dearest to me now are my husband Len, daughter Belinda, son Guy (both in their 50s now), five grandchildren and cat Mau.

My profession is: Accountancy – which I hated and still hate!

My current occupation is:

Still accounting – our own business books for our commercial properties.

My other interests, skills & indulgences include

- No time for indulgences (tho Len and Bettina have had some very adventurous holidays to far flung places - Ros) - most of my spare time is taken up with community organisations, Church activities and Zonta projects.

I also want to tell you that I was a Charter member of the Zonta Club of Pine Rivers.

I joined Zonta in May 1994.

I joined Zonta because a friend, Pat Wagner of the Caloundra Club (at that time) dopped me in!

I remain in Zonta because I enjoy the company and agree with the principles of Zonta

Positions held in Zonta: Director

Positions I'd be willing to try: Nothing official - I prefer being a hands on member.