

NEWSLETTER OF THE ZONTA CLUB OF BUNDABERG INC. QUEENSLAND - AUSTRALIA

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FEBRUARY DINNER MEETING

Tuesday, 6 February, at East Bundaberg Sports Club (formerly Natives Club), 21 Eastgate Street, East Bundaberg at 6.30pm for 7.00pm. \$20.00. No apology by 10.00am on the day of the meeting - you will receive an invoice for the cost of the dinner.

APOLOGIES to Judy Bedford, phone 4152 4783 or email <u>judy.bedford@bigpond.com</u> <u>*Rosters*</u>: Door: Dianne Leggo & Debbie Leis; **Blessing:** Robyn Ballantyne

Happy Birthday in February to: 10th Lyn Costigan, 24th Lesley Evans *Happy Birthday* in January to: 4th Ann Robinson, 9th Gaye Zimmerman, 28th Jane Truscott. (We hope you enjoyed your birthdays in January)

Dates to remember: 11 March 2007 – IWD Breakfast 21/22 April 2007 – Cancer Fund Relay for Life. 28/29 April 2007 – Area 4 Meeting at Hervey Bay. 8/9 September 2007 – District 24 Conference, Location TBA. 28 June-3 July 2008 – 59th Zonta International Convention in Rotterdam.

DIARY NOTE - ROSTERS FOR FEBRUARY & MARCH

(*Please arrange a replacement if you cannot attend*) <u>February</u> – Door: Dianne Leggo & Debbie Leis; Blessing: Robyn Ballantyne <u>March</u> – Door: Lyn Murray & Anne Nelson; Blessing Kirsty Broun

<u>Important Reminder</u>

Chairmen of Committees please note: Copies of all Committee reports to Board and Club must be sent to Secretary Jean Pershouse to ensure accuracy of club minutes.

<u>Message from President Judy</u>

Dear Everyone

I hope you all had a very happy and safe Christmas holiday.

Our December meeting was a very busy meeting. It was lovely to welcome and induct our new member Kerry Grove and to welcome our two guests Rebecca Curino and Rebecca Pope.

Congratulations to the Program Committee members Robyn, Kaye, Wilma and Annette on making the night very Christmassy and the decorations were beautiful. Thank you to all members who attended and made our last meeting for 2006 very successful. Thank you also to Margaret and her staff at the East Bundaberg Sports Club for a delicious meal.

Our Board Meeting in December was very relaxed with a Dinner at Bundaberg International Motel (Restaurant). To our very dedicated Board Members thank you sincerely for your support, attendance and friendship during my time for 2006.

Our Social function in January was well attended by members and it was lovely to see members accompanied by their guests, children and grandchildren. My sincere thanks to you all for attending. Thank you to our Program Committee members Robyn, Kaye, Wilma and Annette for organizing this function.

I wish you all the very best for a Happy, Healthy and Successful New Year and look forward to seeing you at our February Dinner Meeting.

Judy

IWD Breakfast – March 11

Do start promoting our annual IWD Breakfast to be held on Sunday, 11 March. This is one of our major fund-raisers for the year. Let's make this one a big one.



Dianne with friends at IWD Breakfast 2005

Cancer Fund Relay for Life

21/22 April. We now have 12 in our 2007 team and hope to gather more team members at the February meeting. Come join us for this great fun weekend of socializing whilst raising funds for cancer research. Kirsty Broun, our new Team Captain, is looking for club support.

Dianne has joined the Relay Committee as Sponsorship Co-ordinator and would be grateful for any contacts for corporate sponsorship for the event.



Membership Committee

Welcome to Kerry Grove inducted last meeting. We wish you happy times with us. We give Kerry our sincere condolences as her father passed away earlier this month.



<u>Guests</u> – We hope two potential members Tanya Bell and Shirley Leacy will be at the February meeting.

Please introduce yourself to them and make them welcome.

<u>Special Craft Committee</u>

Would our "crafty members" talk to Robyn Rehbein or Dianne Leggo about what day would suit you for our get-togethers. There are seven of us, so it will be a good opportunity for some fun social activity. If you would like to knit scarves or coat-hangers, make breast cushions or drainage bags, then join this new Craft Committee. We also plan to share news, drink coffee and eat cake!

<u>Member profile</u>

Dr Jane Truscott is a Nurse Practitioner and an academic with post graduate preparation in the United States (US) with a Master of Business Administration, Masters of Science, and a PhD in Nursing. She immigrated to Bundaberg Queensland in 2003 from the US, where she has worked as a Clinical Nurse Consultant for the Bundaberg Health Service District and as a Lecturer for Griffith University on the Gold Coast. Currently she is working as a Lecturer with Central Queensland University, Faculty of Sciences, Engineering and Health on the Bundaberg campus.

She is endorsed by the Queensland Nursing Council (QNC) as a Nurse Practitioner, making her the first Nurse Practitioner registered with QNC under new regulatory policy. She is also board certified as a Family Nurse Practitioner with the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) and has practised as a Nurse Practitioner in aged care, palliative care and primary care settings in the United States.

Jane is also working towards implementation of the Nurse Practitioner role within the Bundaberg. This is a new role for Queensland, which will enable her to provide primary care for chronically ill and older adults living in residential aged care facilities (ACFs). As a Nurse Practitioner, she plans to liaise with local General Practitioners (GPs) and ACFs to provide advanced assessment, diagnosis, prescription of medications and diagnostic investigations and treatment for residents.

Jane lives with her husband and two cats in North Bundaberg and enjoys multiple outdoor activities, gardening, and cooking.

News from UNIFEM

The Sobbhana Foundation in Cambodia joined the global campaign on violence against women as a human rights violation. During 2006 they worked with UNIFEM Australia to produce 500,000 White Ribbons.

During the 1st phase, Sobbhana recruited 60 students from two Universities who along with Sobbhana women, finished 150,000 ribbons in 10 days. The 2nd phase involved 80 students producing 350,000 ribbons in 20 days. During both phases, the Sobbhana Training Center became a meeting place for different university students to discuss and debate the rights of women.

Sobbhana has committed to making the white ribbons an annual event where both men and women participate in the process.

<u> Zontian magazine – 2007 Jan.</u>

Do read your Zontian magazine this month. Such interesting articles on the Z.I. Foundation! This is where our precious funds are spent and make such a difference in the lives of women around the world.

Note also publicity given to Australia via the activities of District 23 on page 13.

Have you started to save yet for the 2008 Convention in Rotterdam? Such opportunities for interaction between members from other countries.

<u>Invitation to Warsaw</u>

Dianne received an invitation last week to attend the Zonta Club of Warsaw's 15th birthday. A 3 day weekend celebration in a Polish palace near Warsaw.

By some wonderful coincidence, it comes one day after she finishes a classical music tour of Munich, Germany in June. Munich is just one hour's flight from Warsaw.

Guess who is going to Warsaw?



17th Century Palace in Radziejowice.

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