

# East-Enders

October 2022

*“Building a Better World for Women and Girls”*



## *Presidents Patter*



After a three week road trip I have visited many destinations and completed a 4400 kilometre journey to and around Victoria. This journey of course was broken into many sectors with as many destinations. “The place to which someone is going” as in a destination, can be pre booked or a detour along the overall journey. It is often along “the road less travelled” that new and unexpected experiences can be collected. One memory that could not be planned was travelling along a connecting road to the Newell Highway in the NE of the Riverina area in NSW. Trotting along the middle of the road was a white (sure he would have been with a good wash) Maltese cross about 20 cm at the shoulder. We stopped and were greeted by a very friendly Brutus who was wearing a tag with name and number. I was worried that he had jumped out of a car/caravan or worse, had been dumped. However after contacting the owner (thank goodness I have Telstra because Optus wasn’t connecting), he explained that 10 year old Brutus had just started to trot between their two properties. Those little legs were working overtime and it was a cute moment along our journey.

The concept of destinations and journeys lead me to think of our lives as a journey with many destinations. We often hear this referred to as the “dash” during funeral services; that is the time between our birth and our death. As our travels are broken into many journeys so too are our lives; there are many “dashes” of varying lengths throughout life.

These dashes punctuate our life journeys with various destinations across family, education, relationships, career, health, responsibilities, community involvement, spiritual development, or political stance. Some may be repeated and occur concurrently as we age, but all are unique.

Look forward to the next ‘dash’ in your life and all that it offers.

*Valerie*

## Member News

Our thoughts this past couple of weeks have been with Lyn and her family on the passing of her mother. Lyn brought her Mum to many of our Club functions so she was known to many of us. Also with Alex who has spent some time in hospital – now home but take it easy Alex.

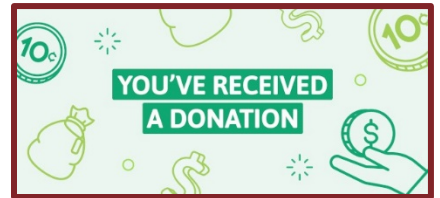
For happier news we look forward to hearing from Jacinta on her overseas travels as she returns from visiting her daughter in Europe and Margy who has returned from the visiting her daughter in the US. Jo has also returned from her travels and Valerie has been “on the road” for three weeks. We also wish Sarah good luck with her exams this month. Ros and Jo take off later in the month to spend a few days in Tasmania.

## Fundraising



Our next sausage sizzle is Saturday 26 November so if you are out Rocklea way call in and see us at our Sausage Sizzle and of course purchase a sausage to assist in our fundraising .

For those who are helping with our fundraising via “Containers for Change” we now have a deposit number to make it easier for you. Just drop your bag of recyclables to the drop off centre and quote the number. The funds raised will then go into our Fundraising Account.



## Service



Jo, Anick, Susan and Ros staffed the Club stall at the Wynnum Manly Rotary Family Fun Day on 18 September. It was a great day, well attended and organized and our stall generated considerable interest so we were able to spread the Zonta word – the Chuppa Chups were also very popular with the kids.

Don't forget that following our October meeting we will be filling dignity bags with personal items to distribute to women in need so pop an item in your basket on your next shopping trip and bring to the meeting. Jacinta has already forwarded a list of items we are needing as well as suggestions re suitably sized bags.

## International News

24 October is United Nations Day so it is timely that we consider Zonta International's relationship with the United Nations. Zonta International holds General Consultative Status

with the United Nations Economic and Social Council and Participatory Status with the Council of Europe. Zonta teams engage in these important intergovernmental organizations and in important events and campaigns to further our global advocacy efforts and our mission to empower women worldwide. Details on Zonta at the UN, Zonta at the Council or Europe, The Commission on the Status of Women, the Sustainable Development Goals and the Women’s Empowerment Principles can be found at [https://www.zonta.org/Web/About\\_Us/Changing\\_the\\_World\\_for\\_Women/Web/About/Changing\\_the\\_World\\_for\\_Women\\_Home.aspx?hkey=15e6cc8a-2613-49c5](https://www.zonta.org/Web/About_Us/Changing_the_World_for_Women/Web/About/Changing_the_World_for_Women_Home.aspx?hkey=15e6cc8a-2613-49c5)



Zonta Foundation for Women International service projects approved for this biennium are:



- Adolescent Girls Health and Protection, Peru (UNICEF USA \$US750,000)
- Her Health & Dignity Our Protection, Papua New Guinea & Timor Leste (UNFPA \$US750,000)
- Engaging Girls on Climate Change, Madagascar (UNICEF USA (\$US500,000))
- Global Program to End Child Marriage ( UNFPA & UNICEF via UNICEF USA (\$US1,200,000))

### ***Diary Dates***

- 10 October 2022 – Board Meeting by ZOOM
- 17 October 2022 – Monthly meeting – hands on service activity
- 14 November 2022 – Board meeting by ZOOM
- 21 November 2022 – Monthly Meeting
- 21 November 2022 – Paint the Bayside Orange Breakfast – Wynnum Manly Leagues Club
- 25 November – 10 December 2022 – ZSN Campaign
- 26 November 2022 – Sausage Sizzle, Bunnings Rocklea
- 2024 – Zonta International Convention – Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre

