

# ZONTA ON THE ROCKS.



**Zonta Club of Rockhampton Inc**  
Member of Zonta International  
*Advancing the Status of Women Worldwide*

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## PLEASE NOTE!

If you are unable to attend the dinner meeting, please advise Anna Tempest Ph 4928 7880 (W) Ph 4928 7125 (H) by 10 am on the Monday before the meeting.

Failure to apologize will incur payment of \$25.00.



District Conference  
23rd—25th  
September 2011  
Brisbane

International  
Convention  
7th-12th July 2012  
Torino—Italy

## From the President:

We all enjoyed District Governor Trish's address to our last meeting. Inevitably, we become caught up in the month to month running of the club's business so it is really good to have our international operations clarified for us. When we travel in some overseas countries, we see the most appalling, heart-wrenching poverty and hardship and it is comforting to know that our efforts here are helping in some way to alleviate that.

Just a reminder of the importance of committees. I try at meetings to deal with our business expeditiously as that seems to be what members want. But it is important that recommendations that come to the Board and then the Club do represent a valid cross section of the thoughts and feelings of our membership. So please – come to the committee meetings, make your voice heard and help to shape the direction of your club.

Our next venture will be the self-catering Afternoon Tea on 6<sup>th</sup> August at the Leichhardt Rowing Club. Meredith is circulating a list for food preparation, setting up and cleaning up. Please contact her if you can help.

A date claimer for next year – don't groan, it will come all too quickly. We are hosting the Area Meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> March and at the moment are looking at a venue, entertainment and a guest speaker. Please talk to a Board member if you have any suggestions. Hosting the Area Meeting gives all our members the chance to participate without the necessity of travel.

I'd like to extend my thanks to all board members and VP Meredith for looking after club affairs so well. I thoroughly enjoyed my time overseas.

Sincerely,  
Margaret



As of 30th April 2011,  
Zonta has 31, 114 members  
in countries  
around the world.

The aim is to have  
33,000 members  
by the end of this biennium.

## Notices:

### MEETINGS.

#### Board Meeting:

6.30pm:  
2nd Tuesday  
of the month  
Venue:  
Rockhampton Plaza  
Hotel.

#### Club Meeting:

6.00 pm for 6.30pm  
3rd Tuesday  
of the month  
Venue:  
Rockhampton Plaza  
Hotel.

#### Committee Meetings.

##### OMC:

Venue:  
Rockhampton Plaza  
Hotel  
5.30 pm—  
2nd Tuesday  
of the month.

LA & A / Program /  
PR & C/ United Nations/  
Newsletter /Archives:

Venue:  
Rockhampton Plaza  
Hotel.  
5.30 pm—  
2nd Tuesday  
of the month.

##### Service:

Venue:  
Rockhampton Plaza  
Hotel.  
5.30pm—  
2nd Tuesday  
of the month.

### Calendar:

#### July:

12 Committee Meetings/  
Board Meeting  
19 Dinner Meeting

#### August:

06 Function: Afternoon Tea -  
09 Committee Meetings /  
Board Meeting  
16 Dinner Meeting—  
"At Home" - St Luke's Hall -  
Rundle Street, Wandal.

### Special United Nations Observances and Other Significant Days.

#### July:

11 World Population Day

*"Look well to this day ...  
for yesterday is but a memory  
and tomorrow is only a vision...."  
Ancient Indian Poem.*

### Dinner Raffle.

The supply of gifts for the  
Dinner Raffle follows the listing  
in the Members Directory.

July	Landsberg J
August	Lawrie M
September	Lee C
October	Loscher, J

Please give your  
raffle prize to Elizabeth.



## Happy Birthday

### July:

01 Anna Tempest  
08 Norma West  
18 Glenys Conrade



## Date Claimer

Zonta District 22

District Conference

Brisbane: 23rd–25th September 2011

Zonta International

International Convention

Torino –Italy: 7–12 July 2012

Please enter into your diary - more information coming soon.



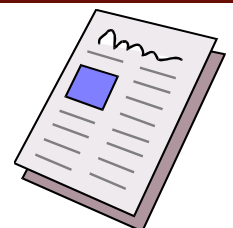
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please forward articles to Berenice Payne

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Deadline: First Tuesday of the month.





*The following is taken from the Zonta International Website and gives insight into the Advocacy aspect of Zonta.*

## INTERNATIONAL ADVOCACY (FROM THE ZI WEBSITE)



Zonta International has engaged in advocacy at the international level through its [international service projects](#) and its [awards programs](#) which promote the status of women.

Zonta's International [Legislative Awareness and Advocacy](#) and [United Nations](#) Committees, in particular, engage in advocacy action at the international level and alert members to opportunities for advocacy at the district and club levels. Advocacy, either directly or through our Service and Award Programs, takes account of:

- ◆ **Zonta's Objects of**  
'improving the legal, political, economic, educational, health and professional status of women' (*ZI Object (a)*) and 'to promote justice and universal respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms' (*ZI Object (c)*);

**These aims align with the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination (CEDAW) Articles 1-16.** Zonta International is currently the only women's international non-governmental organization (NGO) which focuses solely on Articles 1-16;

- ◆ **The Beijing Platform for Action (BPFA)** (Latest update) - especially the 12 Critical Areas of Concern;
- ◆ **The Millennium Development Goals (MDGs)** (latest update) - especially MDG 3 and MDG 5.

**Relevant international instruments** to which Zonta International refers to undertake advocacy at the global level are:

- ◆ Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, CEDAW (1979) and Optional Protocol to the Convention (1999)
- ◆ Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime (2003)
- ◆ Convention on Consent to Marriage, Minimum Age for Marriage and Registration of Marriages (1962)
- ◆ Convention against Discrimination in Education (1960)
- ◆ Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention (1958)
- ◆ Convention on the Nationality of Married Women (1957)
- ◆ Convention on the Political Rights of Women (1952)
- ◆ Equal Remuneration Convention (1951)
- ◆ Convention for the Suppression of the Traffic in Persons and of the Exploitation of the Prostitution of Others (1949)

- **Associated Declarations and Resolutions** by the General Assembly Economic and Social Council and the Security Council which relate to women and the girl child, and especially their protection in emergencies and armed conflict, also inform Zonta's advocacy.

The **International Bill of Human Rights and Core International Human Rights Instruments** (only as they apply to women and girls) are also relevant to Zonta's advocacy at the international level.

These include:

CERD	International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination
CCPR	International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights
CESCR	International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
CEDAW	Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women
CAT	Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment
CRC	Convention on the Rights of the Child
CRMW	International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families
CPAPED	International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance
CRPD	Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities
CESCR-OP	Optional Protocol of the Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
CCPR-OP1	Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights
CCPR-OP2	Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty
OP-CEDAW	Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women
OP-CRC-AC	Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the involvement of children in armed conflict
OP-CRC-SC	Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography
OP-CAT	Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment
OP-CRPD	Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Zonta International is affiliated with the United Nations as an NGO in the following ways:

- ◆ General Consultative Status with the UN Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC);
- ◆ Consultative Status with the International Labour Organization (ILO);
- ◆ Affiliation with the Department of Public Information (DPI);
- ◆ Member of the Conference of NGOs (CONGO) which has a Consultative Relationship with the UN (Zonta participates in a number of CONGO Standing Committees in New York, Geneva and Vienna);
- ◆ Operational Relations with UNESCO (Paris);
- ◆ Accredited Representative (on application) to Working Group Sessions of the Human Rights Council (now Commission) via consultative status with ECOSOC (Geneva).

Zonta International also has Participative Status with the Council of Europe.

Members of the International UN Committee represent Zonta International in NGO Forums in New York, Geneva, Vienna and Paris. Members of the International Legislative Awareness and Advocacy Committee assist in formulating advocacy statements on international issues which are then endorsed by the Zonta International Board.

Zonta members are encouraged to read their country reports to CEDAW as well as reports to UN entities on their country's Beijing Platform for Action progress and Millennium Development Goal progress to look for opportunities for advocacy action. The submission of NGO Reports on Country reports is also encouraged thus engaging members in matters which are pertinent to their own country as well as international issues.



### DEANNE SMITH—PROFILE.

- \* Born in Rockhampton
- \* ATCL (violin)
- \* Matriculated from Rockhampton Girls' Grammar School
- \* Graduated in Science (Chemistry) from University of Queensland
- \* Teaching career included teaching in State and Catholic High Schools as well as at RGGGS
- \* Science Coordinator at RGGGS 1980 -1992
- \* Head of Science Department at RGGGS 1992 - December 2000
- \* facilitated students' participation in extension activities
- \* member of BSSSS Rockhampton Panels :  
Physics 1984 - 1992  
Chemistry 1992 - 1996
- \* coordinated QCST Tutorial Program at RGGGS
- \* served on the RGGGS Pastoral Care Committee
- \* coached Titration Teams - in 1996 one team claimed first place in Australia in the National Analysis Competition, each student received a gold medal for results within 0.05 - 0.18 % of correct value.

Over the years, I have striven to provide opportunities for students to achieve their maximum potential and encouraged girls to consider a wide range of career options, including the non-traditional options such as engineering, science, medicine and veterinary science. ( Zonta ideals)

Retirement has afforded opportunity to spend more time with family, especially our Grand-children, and to travel within Australia as well as overseas.

Zontians show their support for the Say NO— UNITE Campaign at the 60th Zonta International Convention in San Antonio Texas in June 2010.

*People from 227 countries and territories have visited Say NO – UNITE.  
More than 300 civil society groups engage through action pages that highlight their activities and allow people who visit to sign on and express support or otherwise get involved.*

Find out more at the link below:

<http://www.saynotoviolence.org/around-world/news/say-no-records-1-million-actions>





## Zontian of the Month

### Elizabeth Acton.



It is a great pleasure for the Board to recognize Elizabeth as the Zontian of the Month.

Elizabeth is currently serving as correspondence secretary but does much, much more for the well-being of the club, often in a quiet behind the scenes way.

Elizabeth arranges our monthly lucky prize, our dinner seating, contributes hugely to the pamper packs and is responsible for writing to our Plan child. Elizabeth also wraps the Breast Care Cushions ready for presentation to the recipients and delivers them to the Cancer Fund for distribution.

It is hard to imagine a function without Elizabeth as she makes her business available for replies and somehow reduces the chaos of those replies to an orderly table arrangement. She is always there when there is work to be done. By regularly attending Conventions, Conferences and Area Meetings, Elizabeth has acquired a wealth of experience and understanding of Zonta.

Elizabeth, we thoroughly enjoy your friendship and companionship and appreciate all that you do to prosper the club. Thank you.

Margaret

*Zonta maintains a presence in countries marked in Gold.*



#### District 22

- A Queensland Australia
- B Northern Rivers Inc.  
New South Wales Australia

