

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 Vice -President:

We have all survived “The Wedding” – normal programming will now resume! It was my very pleasant duty to welcome three new members to our club at our last meeting - Kaye, Deanne and Katherine. I hope you will enjoy your Zonta experience.

Governor Trish has alerted us to the upcoming District 22 Conference on 23-25 Sept in Brisbane. Our club is responsible for the Zonta store organization – please assist where you can.

I have been forwarding emails to you all from ZI. Please read them and bring any comments or action to our next meeting.

Carry and her team have planned a fabulous evening for “The Romance of Paris” on 25 May at Kershaw House. This is very close, so please use all your marketing skills to sell tickets. Remember to bring items for the raffle (a little bit French) to the next board or general meeting.

Pauline is lending her home for the

Breast Cushion sewing bee on May 14. Many hands make light work and yes, I know too many cooks spoil the broth – but come along for a social chat while you sew – or watch someone else sew.

Our AGM is on 17 May – I know the nominating committee has been working hard to fill positions but remember that when we joined we vowed to “serve any position – enthusiastically!” It will be great to have a good attendance at our AGM.

After all our hard work, President Margaret will return refreshed from her holiday and ready to spur us on to greater things (or maybe she’ll just want to put her feet up).

Finally, over the last couple of months I know several of our members have not been well. I hope all is well with you now and good health keeps you company from here on.

Meredith.



Empowering women to achieve educational excellence

A reminder to all members that member fees were due on the 30th April. If you have missed the due date, the Treasurer would appreciate immediate payment so as to facilitate payment of International and District fees.

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:

May:

- 10 Committee Meetings/
Board Meeting
- 17 Dinner Meeting/AGM
- 25 'Evening in Paris' - Kershaw House

June:

- 14 Committee Meetings/
Board Meeting
- 21 Dinner Meeting

*Special United Nations Observances and
Other Significant Days.*

May:

- 28 International Day for Action on
Women's Health

***"Never be afraid to do something new.
Remember, amateurs built the ark;
professionals built the titanic."***
Anon.

Dinner Raffle.

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

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| May | Fisher M |
| June | Forster P |
| July | Landsberg J |
| August | Lawrie M |

Please give your
raffle prize to Elizabeth



May:

- 14 Jacki Manning
- 27 Jennifer
Loscher



Date Claimer

Zonta District 22

District Conference

Brisbane: 23rd–25th September 2011

Zonta International

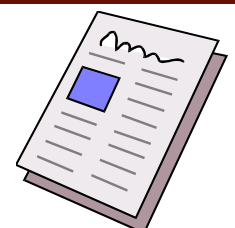
International Convention

Torino –Italy: 7–12 July 2012



Please enter into your diary - more information coming soon.

If you would like to contribute to your Newsletter
please forward articles to Berenice Payne
either by
Fax: 4922 3315 or
Email: berenice.a.payne@bigpond.com
Deadline: First Tuesday of the month.





Vice-President and Chair of OMC Committee Meredith Sutherland welcomes Deanne Smith, Kaye Clark and Katherine Lord to Zonta after they were installed as members.

As we welcome Deanne, Kaye and Katherine to the Club,
it is appropriate that all members once again take note of what it means to be a Zontian.

As members of Zonta, Zontians work together to make women's equality a reality around the globe through support for Zonta International service projects, educational programs and advocacy efforts. At the club level, individual Zonta clubs participate in service projects and advocacy efforts affecting their local communities.

Responsibilities as a member of Zonta:

- ◆ Attend club meetings and club events
- ◆ Participate actively in meetings and deliberations
- ◆ Support local fundraising and service activities
- ◆ Financially support the programs funded by the Zonta International Foundation
- ◆ Fulfill the mission and vision of Zonta

A world of opportunities, services and privileges are open to Zonta club members.

Zonta membership provides the opportunity to:

- ◆ Meet interesting, involved professionals who seek to help women reach their potential.
- ◆ Work together, through service and advocacy, towards common goals; i.e., the objectives of Zonta International.
- ◆ Socialize and network locally, nationally and internationally with business and professional people working in many different fields.
- ◆ Experience the warmth of international fellowship. Members are welcomed at Zonta clubs world wide.
- ◆ Accept leadership roles that promote personal growth and self-confidence in a friendly, supportive atmosphere.
- ◆ Participate actively in committees, meetings and interesting discussions.

The first biennium of the Zonta Club of Rockhampton.

From the Potted History

*Compiled from records (Minutes/Newsletters/Newspaper Cuttings etc) by Berenice Payne.
for the 20th Anniversary celebrated in 2003.
(I acknowledge the assistance of Elizabeth Acton when trawling archived minutes of club).*

01 July 1983 – 31 May 1985 Charter President: Enid O'Toole

17 July 1983 - Inaugural Meeting - Bartlett's Club Tavern – 32 charter members

05 August 1983 – Charter signed by Zonta International President – Cornelia Hodges

19 November 1983 - Charter Dinner – Leichhardt Hotel
Attended by Leneen Forde – Governor District XVI
Sponsored by Mary Magee and Shirley King. Founder - Dr Helen Row - Zonta Club of Brisbane Inc.
Charter presented by Mayor - Ald. Jim Webber

1983 - First fundraising - Silver Circle

October 1983 - Calcutta - Mock Horse Auction - raised \$755

October 1983 - first liaised with Rockhampton Women's Shelter - Pat Frazer guest speaker at Meeting.
Donated screens for windows \$310 – Donated \$500 and collection of consumables, toiletries and clothing

November 1983 - Meetings moved to Rockhampton Club

February 1984 - Mafia Evening - Godmother Strikes Back-raised \$3646

1984 - Donated to SPAN (skills of retired persons available to community) – purchased tools - \$730

May 1984 – Took part in ANZ SupaWalk and raised \$4000
Jill Finlayson won State Champion Fundraiser – raised over \$2000
Club donated prize of Video machine and Cassettes to Lifeline

June 1984 – Five members attended Sydney Convention

July 1984 - Visit by Quentin Bryce (then coordinator of the Federal Government's Women's Information Service-Office of the Status of Women-Prime Minister's Department) – Dinner Meeting

July 1984 – Seminar – Women in the Eighties Confronting change – Senators Martin and Reynolds – 200 attended

July 1984 – Collection of clothes for Women's Shelter

1984 – Participated in Cancer Door Knock

September 1984 – Donated video machine to Ante Natal Clinic

1984 – Sri Lankan Water Well - \$225

1984 – Nursing Trolley for the new Clairview Nursing Post - \$293.95.

1984 – Amelia Earhart Fellowship Fund - \$200

1984 – Zonta Sign placed at southern entrance of city
(Replaced in October 1985 at a cost of \$80 after having 'disappeared').

October 1984 – Water Bed Art Union raised \$2300

November 1984 – Calcutta - raised \$750

November 1984 – Sponsored 4 disadvantaged children to summer camp – Qld Recreation Council - \$200

*The information below relates to the District 22 Conference
which is being held on the weekend of 23rd September in Brisbane.*

Motions for Conference - Ros Kinder

It is that time in the Biennium when Club members are asked to turn their minds to Distinct Conference (23-25 September 2011) and the Motions their Club would like to be debated at Conference. These can relate to changes to Zonta International Bylaws, to our District Rules and Conference Standing Rules or to issues of concern eg Policy motions. Attached is a letter explaining this along with a proforma for motions which may be passed by your Club for consideration at Conference (*See below*).

The return date is no later than 30 June 2011 so as to enable me to review the motions and then circulate them to other Clubs in accordance with the Bylaws so that they may also consider them and determine a position.

If you have any questions about this please contact Ros Kinder.

(All information relating to this article (Proforma for motions etc) is posted in the Conference 2011 section on the Members page of the District 22 Website.)

Silent Auction during Conference Dinner - Denise Conroy

Our District Governor, Trish Collins, has accepted my offer to organize a Silent Auction to be held at the same time as the Conference Dinner at our Annual Conference on 23-25 September next. All funds raised will go towards the District's contribution to the Zonta International Foundation for international projects.

I'm sure, in fact I know, that there are many talented Zontians in club land. What would be great is if those so talented would donate something for the Silent Auction as I am sure this would provide a wide range of creative items which would be highly sought after – especially if they have been produced by our valued members. We also need items which come from each club's local area so that members from that area can bid on these. Such things as restaurant vouchers, beauty salon vouchers, a will or Advanced Health Directive/ Enduring Power of Attorney (donated by a solicitor), interior design concept, financial advice, eye examination etc. from a variety of professionals.

Some members who own holiday properties might consider donating a two night holiday, for example. Those who live on a farm might consider a 'farm stay'. Who knows, you might get help with the chores! Others who own businesses may care to donate goods/products or services. Clubs which have 'products' might like to donate these. The possibilities are endless. **The items are not required until Friday 23 September, but if you want to send them earlier then that can be arranged.**

I would be grateful if you could send this email to all club members and discuss at your next meeting what items you might contribute. The range of items in terms of size and value is what makes a good Silent auction. I remember at a previous auction that a Commonwealth Bank 'vintage' money box went for \$45. A tin box!!! But a collector's item.

I would also appreciate it if you could indicate what donations you have organized by 20 May. This is NOT a cut-off date, but one where I can send out a summary before I go overseas on 25 May. I will continue to pick up emails whilst I am away but not as frequently as I would here. I will return on 29 June so will then have time to collect any donations if you wish to hand them over prior to 23 September.

If you are gathering vouchers, please remember that the Conference is on 23-25 September so those who bid on them will be using them after that date. If there are restrictions on when items can be used or an expiry date, it would be helpful to have that stated in a letter from the donor.

It is my hope that this Auction might attract additional attendees to the dinner on 24 September. It is a reasonably unobtrusive event as one can just keep checking on the item(s) they are bidding on. I will produce a list of items ahead of the Conference so that you will have some idea of what is on offer but you will need to attend the dinner in order to make a bid.

I await your responses with great anticipation. My email address is dk.conroy@qut.edu.au or I can be contacted by phone on 3397 8385.



NORMA WEST—PROFILE.

I was flattered to be invited to join the first Zonta Club in Rockhampton in 1983, and appreciated the opportunity to meet with women from such different and diverse professions and businesses to my own Nursing Profession. I began my journey with Zonta in the role of Charter Minute Secretary. I have subsequently held the position of President, and have been Chairman of committees over the years, including the nominating committee, resisting at all times the role of Treasurer. The year after joining Zonta, Sydney hosted the first Zonta Convention outside of America. I attended, and I have since attended Conventions in Toronto, Hong Kong, Hawaii, Melbourne and Rotterdam, as well as most Conferences and Workshops in Australia since. It is the reinforcement in the original belief, gained by the above attendances that allows me to want to continue to be in Zonta.

So who am I?

I was born in Proserpine, the fourth child of six (three boys and three girls) and the middle daughter. (middle children have it hard). My three brothers are deceased. My sisters live in Brisbane and Perth, and we endeavour to meet at least once a year. My schooling was to Junior level, and when the opportunity arose, I completed Senior subjects after moving to Rockhampton.

My first job was as a Stenographer for a Solicitor in Proserpine for 12 months, then as a Stenographer for a Company selling Earth Moving equipment in Townsville. (Actually my first paying job was delivering ice blocks in my little cart for the ice chests of a few neighbours.)

Nursing had always been the goal, and when eligible, I commenced the four year general training course in Bundaberg. (I still meet up with friends from that first year on a regular basis, and we are off on a Pacific Cruise this year.) Midwifery at the Queen Alexandra Maternity Hospital in Hobart followed. I loved this field of nursing.

As A DC Sister, I worked first at my training Hospital the Queen Alex, then a Private Hospital in Adelaide, and then home to Proserpine for a year at the Local Hospital. From Proserpine I went to Monto and after two years as a DC Sister on staff there, I was persuaded to take on the role as Matron. I held this role for two years, when I left to obtain the Maternal and Child Welfare Certificate.

With the Maternal and Child Welfare completed, I worked first in the Baby Clinic in Mackay travelling to Sarina and St Lawrence to conduct Clinics, Sarina by car, and St Lawrence by train. And then Mt Isa which included by plane, visits to Cloncurry and Camoweel. Cloncurry in a DC 3 and Camoweel in a Fokker. (Married women were not permitted to do M& CW at that time.)

I enjoyed the Clinics, but preferred a variety of experiences offered by the smaller hospital and accepted a position as Matron of the Longreach Hospital. I was at Longreach for 7 years except for a year I took off to undertake the Diploma in Nursing Administration Course at the College of Nursing in Brisbane. (This was the only post grad courses open to nurses at that time). While in Longreach, I was one of the few invited to have lunch with the Queen.

With the added qualification of Nursing Administration, I accepted the Matron's position at the Rockhampton Base Hospital, and took up this position in 1971 and with title changes to first Nursing Superintendent, then Director of Nursing and finally Executive Director of Nursing, I retired from this position in 2001. As an external student while at Rockhampton Base Hospital I obtained a Graduate Diploma in Management at the Central Queensland University.

Since leaving the work place, apart from all that Zonta has to offer, I am involved with Meals on Wheels, ADFAS, The St Luke's Church, AIR (Independent Retirees), President of the ACHHA, Chairman of the International Nurses Day Celebrations, and am a member of U3A, (including 3 years as President of U3A.) Through the U3A, I belong to groups such as Astronomy, Tai Chi, Mah Jong, Speaking, "cooking", Armchair Travel. I attend Curves Gym four or five times a week, and walk one or twice a week.

Apart from the rewards offered by being in such a profession as Nursing, I received the Imperial Award of OBE in 1983, and in 2010 I was made a Companion of the University by CQUniversity, and received the Living Treasure Award from the Rockhampton Zonta Club. Also in 2010, I was honoured in the Rockhampton Regional Council publication "Leading with Grace and Strength" "Stories of Women in Central Queensland".

I continue to enjoy my involvement with the Rockhampton Zonta Club, and have watched with interest the Clubs changes in emphasis and direction, depending on the skills and interests of the membership, while at all times the Clubs has focused on Zonta's ideals.



Zontian of the Month



Margaret Anderton

The Board is delighted to recognize President Margaret as our Zontian of the Month.

As a Charter member, Margaret has served the club well since joining in 1982. Over the years Margaret has served on the Board as a Director, Correspondence Secretary, Vice President and is currently serving as President. She has performed each role efficiently and her expertise in letter writing is well known.

As President, Margaret has guided members to develop a yearly plan of activities and service so that the club fulfills its commitment to both local service and international service and she has encouraged all to participate. Margaret has also been to the forefront of fundraising activities, having been an instigator of a very successful self catered fundraiser last year. We are very appreciative of the many and varied contributions Margaret makes to functioning of our club.

Margaret has attended Area Meetings and Conferences over the years to widen her knowledge.

Our thanks to Margaret for her guidance and support.

Zonta maintains a presence in countries marked in Gold.



District 22

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

