



# East-enders

Newsletter of Zonta Club of Brisbane East Inc

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## Next Dinner Meeting Monday 11 July

Pre-Dinner nibbles 6pm  
Committee Meetings 6.15pm  
Dinner 7.30pm –9.30pm  
At

### Good Earth Hotel

Wickham Tce  
(Ground Floor)

### Cost \$32.00 each

\$5 Meeting only

### Apologies to Jill Hedley

Thursday 7 July  
3279 2096 (H)

### After hours

*In absence on an apology an  
invoice for \$27.50 will be sent to  
all non-attending members.*

## PRESIDENT'S PATTTER

Welcome to the new Zonta year and to my role as President. I hope that we will all enjoy the year ahead and I look forward to hearing from all members as to how they would like to see the club progress over the next 12 months.

New members are very high on my priority list so I would encourage everyone to keep a keen eye on work colleagues or friends who might embrace the Zonta ideals.

### Committees

To avoid the practice of the same few people carrying out most of the club activities I hope to have a strong Committee presence in the club. If we spread the load around then we can all manage our work and home responsibilities with the activities of Zonta.

The Club has reduced the number of Board members to align with the reduced numbers in the Club but this needs to be

balanced with more involvement from Committees. Your Executive will be asking everyone to indicate which committee they would like to join—we will also need people to head up a committee. So when the membership sheet is circulated please think hard about how you would like to contribute.

Current committees are: Status of Women; United Nations; Public Relations & Communication; Organisation, Classification & Membership.

**Breast Cushions:** We had to cancel our last workshop as everyone was busy however, we have completed a number of cushions through the 'relay' method. We hope to have some more cushions cut out and ready to sew..stuff..close..wrap. Volunteers for any of these tasks are always welcome. We have committed ourselves to supplying a number of hospitals so need to continue our workshops. Our next workshop is scheduled for Sunday 26 June and this should be confirmed at the dinner meeting.

**Antique Fair:** This is a very ambitious undertaking but one that should provide most of our fundraising budget for the year. We have the expertise in Heather Mildwaters; the organisational planner in Denise Conroy but will need the support and help of all members. There will be flyers to distribute through work and your neighbourhood as well as the Jindalee area and a list of other duties that Denise has outlined. Most members would have been emailed the outline/budget and timeline for the Fair. If everyone can contribute little bites, we will devour the cake.

Lynn Callander

A report that shows how alcohol consumption patterns among Australian women can change over a lifetime.

*Australian Women and Alcohol Consumption 1996–2003*, found that while most women did not change the amount of alcohol they drank over the 5-7 years survey period, younger women were more likely than mid-age or older women to cut down their risky drinking levels.

## Entertainment Books...still a few left please talk to Jill

*We now have our own Club logo which can be used on publications thanks to the work of District Governor Ros Kinder.*

*Going to District Conference in October?? The early bird special runs out at the end of June so please make sure you get your registrations forms back before then.*

### Status of Women/Service Committee:

*The Status of Women/Service work of this committee encompasses:*

*Amelia Earhart Award, Current International Service projects Jane M. Klausman Scholarship, Legislative awareness and advocacy Local service projects YWPA, Z and Golden Z Clubs ZISVAW*

### Responsibilities

**Recommend** action and service projects to support Zonta's objects, mission and goals

**Coordinate** programs of Zonta International, the club, events and functions which: raise the awareness of status of women issues provide education and development to women publicise and raise funds for local status of women projects, award programs and current international projects (*it is recommended that one-third of total funds raised is sent to Zonta International Foundation service projects*)

**Seek** corporate sponsorship, grants and bequests for major projects designed to advance the status of women

Keep club members informed of the accomplishments of women and of the activities of local women's organizations

**Provide** self development and training programs for club members which enhance their legal, political, economic, education, health or professional status

### United Nations Committee

The United Nations committee provides information to club members on Zonta International's work with the United Nations and their agencies. This information will enhance member awareness of Zonta International's efforts in advancing the status of women and providing global service.

### Responsibilities

**Provide** up-to-date information on the UN, its affiliates and initiatives as pertinent to the fulfilment of Zonta International's objects

**Disseminate** information on the important activities of Zonta International and District United Nations committees

**Publicize** within the community (with the Public Relations/Communications Committee) the work of Zonta in UN initiatives

**Inform** district and International United Nations chairmen of club activities that highlight our UN partnerships

### Organisation Membership and Classification Committee

*This committee is vital for the future of the club and for the growth of Zonta International.*

### Responsibilities

**Recruitment, rejuvenation and retention**  
**Define** short and long-term goals

**Develop** a plan for recruiting members and design activities that will help identify new members

**Encourage** every member to identify prospective members throughout the year, invite them to club meetings and events and refer them to the Membership / Fellowship / Classification committee. Before being formally invited to join the club, it is highly recommended that the prospective member attend an information session about Zonta

**Identify** a mentor for each new member. The mentor helps the member get involved with club activities and learn about Zonta procedures and encourages participation in committee work as well as participation in meetings at area and district level

**Evaluate** committee progress at least once a year. Have the goals been achieved? What worked? What needs to be changed?

### Classification

Classification of new members and members who change jobs is done according to the Marion de Forest Membership and Classification Manual. Available on Zonta International website (Members Resource Centre) and the District website (Members Section). Classification of all members should be reviewed at least once every biennium.

### Public Relations/ Communications Committee

The work of this committee encompasses: International relations; Media relations; Public relations and communications; Archives and history ; Production of a Club Newsletter

### Dinner with International President Mary-Ellen Bittner

*The Honourable Desley Boyle, Minister for the Environment, Local Government, Planning and Women is our host for this evening.*

*The evening will include a Welcome from the Minister, a short address from our International President and the opportunity for you to meet with her and speak with her directly. It is Mary Ellen's wish to meet as many Zontians as possible*

*6pm on Wednesday*

*13 July 2005*

*Cost \$40.00*

*At Parliament House Annex  
George Street Brisbane.*

*A table of 10 has been booked for  
Brisbane East Club through  
Denise Conroy*

*Money should be paid direct to Denise  
on first come first served basis.*

*Tickets are selling fast.....*

### Responsibilities:

**Develop** a comprehensive plan and relevant material to create awareness of Zonta International using all forms of news media

**Keep informed** of projects and achievements of the club and Zonta International

**Promote** knowledge and understanding - within and outside the organization - of the objects, goals, accomplishments, projects and events of Zonta

**Promote** the pride and participation of members in Zonta achievements

**Encourage** contacts with other clubs, including exchange programs

Use every opportunity to promote Zonta's name and work in the community.

## DATE CLAIMERS

**Monday 13 June—Queen's Birthday Weekend (hence early dinner meeting)**

**Sunday 26 June—Breast Cushion workshop—To be confirmed**

**Monday 27 June—Board Meeting—venue to be advised**

**Thursday 30 June—Close of "Early Bird" Registration for District Conference**

**Monday 11 July— Dinner Meeting**

**Wednesday 13 July—Parliament House Dinner for International President**

**Sunday 7 August—Antique & Collectable Fair at Jindalee**

**7-9 October—District 24 Conference, Gold Coast**