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# **President's Report**

### Karen Shepherd

Hi Ladies.

Welcome to another month of Zonta. We have been having wonderful winter weather for Warwick but really need a lot more rain.

Jumpers and Jazz will be with us in a few weeks and if you would like to join some of us at "Get Dressed Not Stressed" on 20<sup>th</sup> July please let Jenny L know.

On 19<sup>th</sup> July Allora is hosting a 'Meet the Makers' which will include a lot of craft making, food demonstrations and much more. This will be the first time Allora has joined JJJ and I am looking forward to attending this event along with Louise and a few ladies from work.

I am looking forward to our July dinner meeting as Leanne is putting together a trivia quiz about the Commonwealth Games.

I had a great hour or so with WOW at the Palace Hotel on Friday evening and it was great being able to catch up with Lyn PB, Jenny E, Lisa Hooper (a former member) and Zonta supporters Sue Hamlet and Ros Keim.

Regards

Karen



The original Syracuse China bell, rung at the first International Zonta Convention in Syracuse, New York 20 and 21 May 1921, was donated by the 2006-2008 Zonta Club of Syracuse President Candace B. Edwards. The bell can be found displayed in the Past International President Corridor at Zonta International Headquarters.

(Source: Zonta International Facebook)

# Current Campaigns

These are the campaigns our district and club are currently involved with:

#### Make the Call

The Make the Call campaign encourages friends, family members, neighbours and colleaues of people experiencing abuse to call the DVConnect helpline for confidential advice on safety strategies and available support. Find out more information here.

#### **Birthing Kit Assembly**

Zonta Club of Warwick Inc fundraises for and assembles 1000 Birthing Kits each year. These are sent by the Birthing Kit Foundation to areas of need throughout the world.



### Claro Read: Helping a Young Mother

Members will recall that the Zonta Club of Warwick Inc donated funds to Mercy Community Services to purchase the Claro Read program to be used by one of their clients, a young mother.

Claro Read is a multi-sensory software program for supporting individuals who struggle with reading and writing. This program provides text to speech support tools that allow computer users to read and write independently. By making a computer speak any text with a human voice, this program gives its user the opportunity to access information independently, aiding concentration and increasing confidence.

One of the Mercy caseworkers has advised us that this local woman is using the program to transcribe information about the ages and stages of development of babies, to learn about first foods and how to introduce different tastes and textures, and for understanding her case plan and for accessing the internet.

Although she has limited reading skills, Claro Read has allowed



# Happenings on Facebook

# Zonta Club of Redcliffe:

Holding a **Night of Hope** dinner dance in support of breast cancer research on 16
August.
Tickets available now \$60pp - see <u>Zonta Club</u>

# Zonta Fashion Showcase:

Redcliffe

Zonta Club of Brisbane have told us about the Zonta Fashion Showcase to be held at Brisbane City Hall Sunday 12 October 2014 at 1.30pm - more info

# Zonta District 20 - Finland & Estonia:

This group has been sharing the United Nations Millennium Campaign "Millennium **Development Goals** Report" recently. Amongst others, the goals include: reduce infant mortality; promote gender equality and empower women; improve maternal health; achieve universal primary education. While some MDGs targets have been met, including the reduction of extreme poverty by half, other critical targets, such as the reduction of maternal mortality by 75% remain far off course. See more

access to a range of information which gives her opportunities for learning more about effective parenting.

If you are interested in knowing more about the program visit the following resources:

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# **Forthcoming Events**

### **Fellowship Activity:**

'Get Dressed Not Stressed' – a women's wellness event

Date: 20 July

Time: 2.30 pm - 5.30 pm

Presenter: Rita Noon, Image Consultant

Venue: Warwick Town Hall

Cost: \$25, includes afternoon tea

If you are interested in attending with fellow Zontians, contact Jenny Loy to book a ticket.

### **Helen Newton's Quirky Textile Work:**

Date: 22 July

Time: 9.30am for 10.00am parade

Venue: Cafe Jacqui's, 8 Albion Street

Cost: Entry free. Morning tea can be selected from the menu or sample the Jumpers

& Jazz special Devonshire tea

Bookings: Cafe Jacqui's - 4661-9022

### **Past Events**

# Changeover Dinner (Lions Club of Warwick): 20 June 2014

Karen Shepherd and Jenny Eldridge attended the dinner representing Zonta Club Warwick.

#### 62nd Zonta International Convention:

Held in Orlando, Florida, 27 June to 1 July 2014 - was by all accounts a great success.

Read a special message from the Convention Chair Jane Adams here.

Zonta Club of Trenton/Mercer are running a 3-month campaign to collect bras as part of the "Free the Girls" campaign to help girls who were once part of the sex trade industry in Mozambique.
Check out the CNN videos here (3 parts).

### **Birthdays**



### July:

4 - Jen-Rose

#### August:

20 - Lyn PB 23 - Jenny E

Many happy returns!

### Planning Day: Sat 31 May 2014

Much discussion! Agreement that a coordinator will be appointed for key events. This is the list so far:

- Movie Night/s: Rhonda Betts
- Craft & Quilt Fair: Louise Cox
- Bursary/Young Woman in Public Affairs (YWPA): Jenny Eldridge
- Australia Day Breakfast: Mary Johnston, Valerie Rose
- International Women's Day Breakfast: Rosa Hardy
- Pamper Packs: Jen-Rose Holmes

#### Notes:

- Please contact Rhonda if you are aware of suitable movies coming up in the next few months for the movie night/s.
- The Craft & Quilt Fair is a fellowship activity, with opportunity to invite women from our community, and therefore raise funds for a specific project. This craft fair is being held 8-12 October, at the Exhibition Centre in Brisbane (in past years we have attended on the final day).
- Pamper Packs: Members collect/donate toiletry items (soap, body wash, shampoo and conditioner, body lotion, toothpaste, toothbrush, tissues, comb etc). These items are assembled into emergency / pamper packs for women; for example, a) women in Safe Haven shelter who have left their homes with minimal possessions; b) previously provided to women stranded in Warwick due to floods / equine flu (2007); c) sent to women in areas affected by severe drought. Jen-Rose is currently taking inventory of the goods currently received, and will advise members of items required for the packs, and when the next assembly will take place.

# **Committee Notes/Jottings**

June Raffle: won by Jenny Loy, who will donate the prize for the July dinner meeting.

#### Is Your Blue Card Current?

For some of the events we support or organise, Zonta members may need to have a Blue Card (to be involved with children). Application and renewal forms changed as at 1 July, and Leanne has printed these forms, and will bring to the next meeting. Members completing these forms will need to bring 2 forms of ID - one photo with signature and one other - as well as their current Blue Card if they have one.

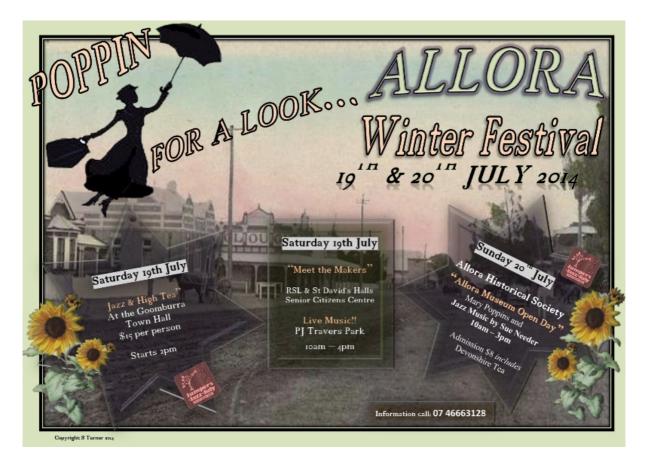
#### Birthing Kit Foundation (Australia) Update

1000 birthing kits assembled by Zonta Club of Warwick Inc were forwarded to Mission in Health Care and Development involved in primary health care in the Democratic Republic of Congo – our 1000 was part of a total consignment of 20,000 birthing kits, which arrived on 30<sup>th</sup> June. These birthing kits along with traditional birth attendant and midwifery training and intensive vaccination schedules are targeting this area's maternal and infant death rate, which are one of the highest in the world.

## **Member News**

Mary Goyne is heading to the USA to visit her son and daughter-in-law, who are expecting their second child, a daughter due by the end of July! Here is a picture of Mary with her grandson Joshua born in Brisbane on 18 June!





See more information on the Allora Winter Festival including the full program of events by clicking the button below.

**Program of Events** 

## **Calendar of Events**

#### **JULY**

1 Board Meeting

15 Dinner Meeting

19/20 Allora Winter Festival

20 Fellowship Activity: Get Dressed Not Stressed (event during Jumpers & Jazz)

22 Helen Newton's Quirky Textile Work, Cafe Jacquis

#### **AUGUST**

5 Board Meeting

19 New Member's Dinner Meeting

#### **SEPTEMBER**

2 Board Meeting

16 Dinner Meeting

21 International Day of Peace

#### **OCTOBER**

6 Labour Day

- 7 Board Meeting
- 12 Craft and Quilt Fair
- 21 Dinner Meeting
- 24 United Nations Day

#### **NOVEMBER**

- 4 Board Meeting
- 8 Zonta International Day
- 18 Dinner Meeting
- 25 International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women
- 25 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence begins

#### **DECEMBER**

- 2 Board Meeting
- 10 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence ends
- 16 Christmas Dinner Meeting
- 25 Christmas Day
- 26 Boxing Day

# **Next Dinner Meeting**

(3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month)

<u>July</u>: 15<sup>th</sup> July 2014 at Café Jacqui's, Cnr Albion and Victoria Streets Warwick, 6.00 for 6.30pm start.

- Dorothy Haig is being inducted as a member at the next meeting and she will be on the Service Committee.
- With the Commonwealth Games about to begin, we are having a Games Trivia competition between the tables! Everyone will need to brush up on their Commonwealth Games knowledge. Leanne is organising the competition, so we are guaranteed to have a lot of fun!

Please contact Sally on <u>daveandsallycarr@hotmail.com</u> or text message to **0421 782 962** by **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> July**, to advise if you are bringing guests (so correct number of meals can be ordered) OR if you cannot attend.

It is assumed that all members are attending Dinner Meetings, unless you have requested a leave of absence for a specified period. Therefore if you are unable to attend a Dinner Meeting, you need to notify Sally by Sunday preceding the meeting. Members who do not advise inability to attend, will have a meal ordered for them and will need to cover this cost.

# **Next Board Meeting**

(1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month)

5<sup>th</sup> August, at 5.00 pm (approx 5.00-6.30pm). Board Meetings are to be held at Betta Bilt Showroom (next door to Daily News in Albion Street).

All members are welcome to attend Board meetings.

# **August Dinner Meeting**

(3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month)

### August: 19<sup>th</sup> August 2014 - New Members meeting - themed dinner at a member's home - TBC

All members are asked to invite a guest who is interested in knowing about Zonta and may consider membership to our August meeting. This will be the 'new members' evening, and plans are underway for a themed dinner at a member's home. More information in next newsletter - but start talking to your colleagues and friends about Zonta and their interest in attending this dinner.

Please contact Sally on <u>daveandsallycarr@hotmail.com</u> or text message to **0421 782 962** by **Sunday 17**<sup>th</sup> **August**, to advise if you are bringing guests OR if you **cannot attend**.

#### Board 2014/2015

President:Karen ShepherdVice President:Jenny Eldridge2nd Vice President:Rosa HardyMinutes Secretary:Leanne OlsenCorrespondence Secretary:Jacinta FrommTreasurer:Louise CoxAssistant Treasurer:Rhonda Betts

Directors: Dee Mayo; Nola Roach; Sally Carr

**Archivist:** Mary Goyne

Newsletter: Jacinta Fromm; Lyn Prowse-Bishop

#### **Committees 2014/2015**

#### Service:

Rosa Hardy (Chair), Jenny Loy, Faye Marley, Karen Shepherd, June Stewart, Jacinta Fromm, Dorothy Haig.

#### Membership:

Jen-Rose Holmes (Chair), Nola Roach, Mary Goyne, Louise Cox, Dee Mayo, Lois James.

#### Advocacy:

**Sally Carr (Chair)**, Jenny Eldridge, Leanne Olsen, Mary Johnson, Valerie Rose, Rhonda Betts, Lyn Prowse-Bishop.

#### Nominating Committee:

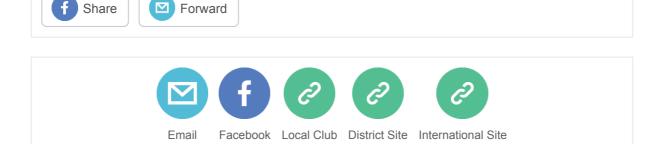
Jacinta Fromm, Louise Cox.

**District 22 Governor: Judith Trevan-Hawke** 

Area 4 Director: Sandra Venn-Brown

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