

ZONTA CLUB OF ROCKHAMPTON INC MEMBER OF ZONTA INTERNATIONAL

EMPOWERING WOMEN THROUGH SERVICE & ADVOCACY



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President's Message:

Area 2—District 22 Incorporation No: 1A 13139

eNewsletter: February 2018

Dear members,

Welcome members to an action packed 2018 Zonta year. We start with our IWD breakfast on March 8. The organising committee has been working hard to prepare a standout performance, headed by our guest speaker, Anna Daniels. Make sure you have your ticket, or you may be too late.

March 8 is also celebrated as Zonta Rose Day.

On April 14-15, our club will host the Area 2 Meeting and another committee has put together an excellent program for our members and guests. There are still many opportunities for all members to play a part at the Area Meeting. Support our Club by joining with neighbouring Clubs and fill out the Registration Form ASAP. Our Club wants strong representation at both events.

We are proud that a woman has been selected as "Australian of The Year 2018". Michelle Simmons' interview after her award was uplifting and should be listened to.

Thank you, Tracy Forshaw, for the book "Gulf Women". There are amazing stories of women coping wonderfully under some very adverse and contrary conditions.

Still on literary pursuits, The Rockhampton Library also has an author, Therese Creed, as their guest speaker on IWD evening 5.30 – 7pm. Phone the Library if you would like to hear her.

I hope we will be represented at the Women's Wellness Expo on March 10. It is a chance to promote Rockhampton Zonta. Having consolidated our membership last year, this year I want to increase it, so we need to advertise ourselves. We have a wonderful array of promotional material now, so let's use it.

Find somewhere cool for the next few days, but after that we enjoy a perfect climate. Until the committee meetings on Feb 13, preceded by the IWD meeting at 5pm.

Best wishes

Meredith



If you are unable to attend the dinner meeting, please advise Elizabeth Acton elizabethacton@cqnet.com.au (Ph: 4922 4944)

by 9am on the Monday before the meeting.

Failure to apologize on time will incur payment of \$30.00.

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Meetings:

<u>Board Meeting:</u> 6.30 pm: 2nd Tuesday of the month Venue: The Stirling—Albert Street Rockhampton.

<u>Club Meeting:</u> 6.00 pm: 3rd Tuesday of the month Venue: The Stirling—Albert Street Rockhampton.



ADVOCACY

All Standing Committee Meetings: 5.30pm: 2nd Tuesday of the month Venue: The Stirling—Albert Street Rockhampton.

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For your Diary:

Tuesday 13th February 2018

Tuesday 20th February 2018

Friday 16th February 2018

Friday 23rd February 2018

Thursday 8th March

Saturday 10th March

Saturday—Sunday 14th—15th April 2018 **Club Committee Meetings:**

Club Dinner Meeting:

YWPA Award: Due date for applications

LT Award : Due date for applications

IWD Breakfast and Zonta Rose Day: Frenchville Sports Club

Women's Wellness Expo: Rockhampton Showgrounds

Zonta D22 Area 2 Meeting: Rockhampton





President Meredith presented Rosalie with her 10 year Service Certificate at the January Dinner meeting.



International Women's Day 2018 (Click for more information)

Leave no woman behind Together we can empower women across the globe.

International Women's Day is celebrated around the world on March 8th.

'Our theme for International Women's Day 2018 is "Leave no woman behind", examining the vital role that women play in humanitarian and disaster planning and response.

The Zonta Club of Rockhampton will once again be holding the IWD Breakfast at the **Frenchville Sports Club on Thursday 8th March** this year. Guest Speaker will be Anna Daniels, writer, presenter and producer.

Details of the event can be found here.



Zonta Clubs around the world also celebrate Zonta Rose Day on 08 March.

The Zonta Roses—History and Details:

The beauty of a single yellow rose has been a favourite Zonta symbol for decades. The yellow rose has adorned many Zonta items from stationery to clothing, and has been used in many charter and anniversary celebrations.

The Zonta Rose is much more than a lovely flower. Since 1999, it has served as the symbol of Zonta Rose Day, which falls on 8 March and coincides with International Women's Day. On this special Day, Zontians worldwide are encouraged to publicly distribute yellow roses, or items bearing the image of yellow roses, accompanied by information about Zonta International and issues relating to improving the lives of women.

History of the Zonta Rose:

Since the 1980s, each decade has seen a new Zonta rose:

1980s: In 1983, Valerie Webster, then Lt. Governor of District 16, proposed that a breed of rose be developed as a living symbol of our organization. With support from a local rose grower and Zontian Mary Mason, the world famous *R. Harkness & Co., Ltd.* rose nursery in England was contacted. Mr. Harkness had developed a new breed of rose he called *Hartanna* for his daughter, but generously offered to donate it to Zonta International. **The Hartanna**, also known as *Princess Alice* or *Brite Lites*, was introduced for the first time at the 1984 Zonta International Convention in Sydney, Australia.

1990s: In the spring of 1997, the Denmark Zonta Clubs in District 13 undertook a rose project. The leading Danish rose grower, Mr. Martin Jensen, offered the Clubs a new breed of rose, also produced by *R. Harkness & Co., Ltd.* in England, called the *Harflow*, also known as *Easy Going*. Once again, **Mr. Harkness sponsored the 500-cut** *Harflow* **roses introduced at the 1998 Zonta International Convention in Paris, France.**

2000s: In 2007 the well known Dutch rose breeder LEX+ developed a new yellow rose, and through the efforts of Ingeborg van't Hooherhuijs, Chairman of the 2008 Convention Committee, the rose was registered with the name Zonta+. It was introduced at the 2008 Convention Opening Ceremony in Rotterdam; 2006-2008 ZI President Olivia Ferry was joined by Dutch Minister of Foreign Affairs Maria van der Hoeven for the formal naming of the Zonta+ Rose.

The Zonta International Foundation Rose Fund provides additional support to Zonta International Foundation programs not fully supported by fund-specific contributions and enables the Foundation to support new program development.



Members Jan, Berenice, Norma and Elizabeth with Past District Governor Ros Kinder at the Rotterdam Convention in 2008 when the Zonta+ Rose was introduced.





- Relaxation
- Fitness
- Careers &
 - Education
- Entertainment
- ____

FREE Activities throughout the day

Dinner Raffle:

Gifts for the dinner raffle follow the listing in the Members Directory.

February: March: April: May: Valda Louise Adrienne Jan

Please give your raffle prize to Elizabeth to co-ordinate.

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