

[Subscribe](#)[Share](#)[Past Issues](#)[Tr](#)

Newsletter September 2014

[View this email in your browser](#)

President's Report

Karen Shepherd

Hi Ladies,

I find the hardest part of being President is finding something to write for the President's Report each month.

I spend days going over in my head what I can write about and nothing ever comes between my ears.

So this month I am sitting here still thinking (before I meet a friend in town and attend an Arts Council function) and have decided to put my thoughts down about what Zonta means to me.

A few Saturdays ago a group of us attended the Area 4 Leadership meeting in Toowoomba and had a really great day. Zonta gives me the chance to meet great ladies who are doing great work in their local communities, helping women and girls throughout the world and bringing education and better health standards to people less fortunate than us here in Warwick and Australia. With this in mind we are all working towards a better world for women and girls (and therefore all people) around the world.

Further in this newsletter you will find a piece from Jacinta about the Area 4

[Subscribe](#)[Share](#)[Past Issues](#)[Tr](#)

Leadership meeting. The Area 4 meeting will be held in Dalby the weekend of 28-29th March 2015. If you are available that weekend please come along as it's a great time and we all learn such a lot from other Clubs and ladies.

Regards

Karen



This painting of the picnic that took place at the 1984 Zonta International Convention in Australia was recently donated to Zonta International by Past International Foundation President Mary Good.

The artist, Mary's husband, Bill accompanied her to the convention and painted the scene in the countryside of the participants and their surroundings.



August Dinner Meeting - French-Themed Dinner to Welcome Potential Members

Thanks to June and Rosa for hosting and catering for our French-themed dinner meeting in August. Seven guests attended and members presented an overview of how Zonta advocates for the status of women through service and advocacy at an International and local level. We highlighted the ongoing involvement of Zonta Club of Warwick Inc in the Breast Care Cushion project,

Subscribe**Share** ▢**Past Issues****Tr**

Birthing Kits, Young Women's Bursary and Young Women in Public Affairs Award, as well as projects supported through fund raising: Warwick Safe Haven, Olive McMahon Cancer Lodge, and the International Women's Development Agency to promote sustainable cottage industries run by women in Timor.

But the loudest message on the night was the strength of fellowship within our local club, and guests experienced the generosity and talent of members, June and Rosa. The venue was tastefully decorated with artefacts collected in France, French maids were on hand to serve drinks and meals, members were dressed in berets and scarves, and we were treated to a tasty and beautifully presented 3 course meal. C'était délicieux!

Current Campaigns

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

Young Woman's Bursary

Each year the club invites applications for the Young Woman's Bursary from girls making the transition from Year 10 into Year 11 at a Warwick District School. The aim of the bursary is to provide financial assistance to a girl who may be considering leaving school due to financial pressures.

Young Women in Public Affairs

The goal of Zonta International Young Women in Public Affairs is to encourage

Forthcoming Events

The Pink Dinner - Zonta Club of Stanthorpe:

Zonta Club of Stanthorpe presents The Pink Dinner on **Thursday 9 October 2014** at the Queensland College of Wine Tourism. Guest speaker is Kelly Porter, from Kim Walters Choices Foundation. Tickets are \$55 for a 2-course meal. For more information about the event, and how to book, [visit this link](#).

Brisbane Craft and Quilt Fair:

Zonta Club of Warwick is arranging a visit to the Brisbane Craft and Quilt Fair on **Sunday 12 October 2014**. Tickets \$50 which covers return bus trip and entrance to the fair. Tickets available from Shelley's Curtains & Craft, Grafton Street. Tickets must be purchased by Monday 6 October 2014. The bus will depart from the Lyon Street Bus Depot at 7.30am returning approximately 6.00pm. Contact Louise Cox for more info.

Zonta Fashion Showcase:

A major fundraising event is the Zonta Fashion

Subscribe**Share** ▾**Past Issues****Tr**

more young women to participate in public affairs by recognising a commitment to the volunteer sector, evidence of volunteer leadership achievements and a dedication to the advancement of the status of women. The program works at the club, district and international levels.

Birthing Kit Assembly

The club continues to fundraise for and assembles 1000 Birthing Kits each year. These are sent by the [Birthing Kit Foundation](#) to areas of need throughout the world.

Breast Care Cushion Project

The club works with Queensland Corrective Services, giving the materials needed for breast care cushions to women prisoners who then sew the cushions as part of their community service work. The cushions are then provided to the Toowoomba Hospital for their breast care patients and they provide immense relief to patients who have lost a breast to cancer.

Fundraising Projects

Our club also has ongoing involvement

Showcase to be held on **Sunday 12 October 2014** in Brisbane City Hall. This event is the combined effort of eight Zonta Clubs in Brisbane and the Zonta Club of Ipswich. Tickets on sale from 1 September 2014. The event supports Anglicare's home-away-from-homelessness project to raise funds for a new facility in Brisbane for women who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. For more information about the event and the cause, [visit this page](#).

Area 4 Workshop:

Area 4 Workshop will be held in Dalby 14 and 15 March, 2015. Save the date!

Past Events

Zonta District 22 Area 4 - Leadership Meeting 2014

On 23rd August, Board members from Area 4 met in Toowoomba, to develop relationships between the seven clubs in Area 4, to help office bearers understand their roles and responsibilities, and to introduce office bearers to Zonta goals for 2014-2016. Sandy Venn-Brown presented the role of Area 4 Director, and a range of suggestions

- Collaborate with other Zonta clubs for fundraising and advocacy. Examples might be the Fashion Showcase being conducted by Zonta Clubs in Brisbane, or joining with other clubs to promote 16 days of activism against gender violence, or participate with other Zontians in a public event such as Zonta Says No walk.
- Utilise Zonta Club Manual (access in the Members Resources section at www.zonta.org) – the latest version is March 2014; there is also a Protocol manual on this site.
- Read the Zonta International Electronic Communications [Policies and Guidelines](#)

Subscribe**Share** ▢**Past Issues****Tr**

in local projects we support via fundraising efforts including **Warwick Safe Haven, Olive McMahon Cancer Lodge**, and the **International Women's Development Agency** to promote sustainable cottage industries run by women in Timor.

Make the Call

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

Birthdays



September:

12 - Leanne
29 - Valerie and Faye

October:

2 - Dee
27 - Rosa
31 - Mary Johnston

Our best wishes for a

- View the Youtube presentation on the [Liberia Fistula program](#).
- Know the 2014-2016 Biennial Goals and 3 Themes: Conviction, Commitment, Courage.

Sandy will forward a monthly newsletter to the Area 4 Clubs. Deadline for the September edition will be 15 September. The newsletter will advise of clubs' events and fundraisers, and there will be a focus on one club each month (start thinking of what we will include for Warwick Club).

Ans Van Erp, Lt Governor District 22, presented Zonta Goals for 2014-2016 and International Projects:

1. Service Committee

- Focus on delaying early marriage
- Prevention of violence through education
- Improving women's health

2. Advocacy Committee

- Align with ZI Strategic Plan
- Carry on 'Zonta Says No'
- Work with like-minded organisations (particularly in smaller communities to pool resources)

3. Resources Committee

- Increase recruitment and retention of members
- Work for more flexibility for membership

Contributed by: Jacinta Fromm

[Subscribe](#)[Share](#)[Past Issues](#)[Tr](#)

very happy day!

Violence Against Women

Zonta International President, Maria Jose Landeira Oestergaard, has written to Dame Quentin Bryce, congratulating her and wishing her success in her new position as head of the Qld Government taskforce to address Queensland's domestic and family violence.

Zonta International launched ZISVAW program (Zonta International Strategies to eradicate Violence Against Women) in 1996, and since then more than US\$3 million has been provided to support 40 projects in more than 23 countries. Focus this biennium is 'Prevention of the Root Causes of Violence through Education'.

Zontians believe that sustainable prevention requires an understanding of the root causes and the use of multiple complementary strategies operating on individual, relationship, and the community and society levels. Prevention should start early in life during childhood and early adolescence. In the schools, the strategy should be to teach children to recognize and avoid violence and abuse situations, and to build a climate of tolerance, promoting respectful relationships and mutual respect. As adults, we have the responsibility to actively defend and preserve the right to equality and to a life free of violence for all.

We look forward to opportunities to advocate for prevention of violence in our local community, and hearing how Zonta may support the work undertaken by Dame Quentin Bryce.



Happenings on Facebook

Zonta Club of Brisbane The Babette Stephens theatre night is on Tuesday, 7 October 2014 at the QUT Gardens Theatre: Romeo & Juliet. Bookings: www.gardenstheatre.qut.edu.au or 3138-4455.

Former Governor-General Dame Quentin Bryce is set to chair the new Queensland taskforce on domestic violence. [Read more...](#)

Zonta Says No **shared a video** on street harassment of women and how three words stopped it for one woman. #youOKsis?

Committee Notes/Jottings

August Raffle: won by Louise Cox, who will donate the prize for the September dinner meeting.

[Subscribe](#)[Share](#)[Past Issues](#)[Tr](#)

Advocacy Committee.

Each year the club invites applications for the Young Woman's Bursary from girls making the transition from Year 10 into Year 11 at a Warwick District School. The committee has selected a winner for our current bursary and the successful applicant will be announced in a later newsletter.

We are currently turning our attention to the Young Women in Public Affairs award which is presented at International Women's Day.

Member News

More babies arrived during the latter part of July. Congratulations to the Loys and Goynes!

Ruby Rose entered the world at 6.32 am this morning weighing in at a hefty 6 lb 2 oz in the old measure. The mother is exhausted (naturally) and the father in a daze and the Grandie (me) in tears, but all are doing well thank you - Jenny Loy



I am in Charlottesville, Virginia and just letting all my Zontian friends know of our new little addition. Sophie was born 29th July and is so far a good little baby.

Phil and I have had just over a week of aviation pursuits in different parts of the USA and now it is family time with my main responsibility to produce a meal each evening.

The weather is beautiful and it is such a pretty, leafy part of the country - Mary G

[Subscribe](#)[Share](#)[Past Issues](#)[Tr](#)

Calendar of Events

SEPTEMBER

- 2 Board Meeting
- 16 Dinner Meeting
- 21 International Day of Peace

OCTOBER

- 6 Labour Day
- 7 Board Meeting
- 11 International Day of the Girl Child
- 12 Craft and Quilt Fair
- 15 International Day of Rural Women
- 21 Dinner Meeting
- 24 United Nations Day
- 27 Pink Ribbon 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

JANUARY

- 1 New Year's Day

[Subscribe](#)[Share](#)[Past Issues](#)[Tr](#)

Next Dinner Meeting:

(3rd Tuesday of each month)

16th September 2014 - Cafe Jacquis, 6.15 for 6.30pm start.

Guest speaker: **Jan Byrne** - a cancer survivor who instigated Relay for Life in Warwick. Jan is an inspiring role model for finding a new life after retirement.

Please contact Sally on daveandsallycarr@hotmail.com or text message to **0421 782 962** by **Sunday 14th September**, to advise if you are bringing guests OR if you **cannot attend**.

Next Board Meeting

(1st Tuesday of each month)

Sept: 2nd September, at 5.00 pm (approx 5.00-6.30pm). Board Meetings are held at Betta Bilt Showroom (next door to Daily News in Albion Street).

Oct: 7th October at 5.00pm

All members are welcome to attend Board meetings.

Board 2014/2015

President: Karen Shepherd
Vice President: Jenny Eldridge
2nd Vice President: Rosa Hardy
Minutes Secretary: Leanne Olsen
Correspondence Secretary: Jacinta Fromm
Treasurer: Louise Cox
Assistant 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.

[Subscribe](#)

[Share](#)

[Past Issues](#)

[Tr](#)

Nominating Committee:

Jacinta Fromm, Louise Cox

District 22 Governor: Judith Trevan-Hawke

Area 4 Director: Sandra Venn-Brown

Please send all contributions to the newsletter to:
robertfromm@bigpond.com or lyn@execstress.com

Deadline for next edition: 27 September
Next issue: sent to members by first week of October



Email



Facebook



Local Club



District Site



International Site

You are receiving this email as a member of Zonta Club Warwick Inc or because you have asked to be kept up to date with information from Zonta Club Warwick Inc.

Copyright © 2014 Zonta Club of Warwick Inc, All rights reserved.

Our mailing address is:

PO Box 784
Warwick Qld 4370

[unsubscribe from this list](#) [update subscription preferences](#)

MailChimp