



Zonta Club of Warwick Inc

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*Advancing the Status of Women Worldwide*

Zonta Club of Warwick Inc  
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Area 4 District 22

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## Committees 2013/2014

**Service:** Rosa Hardy (Chair), Rhonda Betts, Faye Marley,  
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**Membership:** Mary Goyne (Chair), Lois James, June Stewart,  
Dee Mayo, Louise Cox.

**Advocacy:** Mary Johnston (Chair), Lyn Prowse-Bishop,  
Jenny Eldridge, Sally Carr.

**Nominating Committee:** Jacinta Fromm, Dee Mayo, Louise Cox

(Karen Shepherd, Leanne Olsen, Jenny Loy, Jacinta Fromm to assist committees as required).

**NEXT DINNER MEETING (3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month): 19<sup>th</sup> November 2013, at Café Jacqui's, Cnr Albion and Victoria Streets Warwick, 6.15 pm for 6.30 pm start.**

Please contact Sally on [daveandsallycarr@hotmail.com](mailto:daveandsallycarr@hotmail.com) or text message to **0421 782 962** by Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> November, to advise if you are bringing guests, or if you cannot attend. Please note that it is too late to change bookings if you contact Sally on Monday!

**NEXT BOARD MEETING (1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month): 3<sup>rd</sup> December, at 5.30 pm (approx 5.30-7pm).** Venue to be confirmed.

**Next Meeting:**  
**Guest Speaker: Dorothy Haig, Artist**

## ***From President Karen***

I can't believe how fast the last few weeks have gone - maybe I am getting old (or older).

I have forwarded to you an email from Judith Anderson about the "YWCA Queensland's 125 Leading Women". At the time of writing this report I am up to the "M's" and have found Bette Bonney and Laura Geitz from our area, how wonderful!

Other wonderful women like June Daly-Watkins and Elizabeth Kenny have featured. I look forward to reading the rest of the stories.

Until the next meeting

Regards

*Karen*

## ***Forthcoming Events***

### **Dinner Meeting: 19 November**

Guest Speaker at this month's meeting will be Dorothy Haig, who lives near Allora. Following a career in education, Dorothy graduated with Bachelor Visual Arts from USQ in 2008, studied Museum and Gallery Studies at Postgraduate level with UQ, and has also been awarded a Masters Degree in Visual Arts Practice by University of Tasmania. Her artwork reflects elements of architecture, using a diverse range of materials – natural transformation, history and perception are underlying themes in her work. Her current work explores how the evolution of women's needlework captures and commemorates life moments, evoking social and cultural memory

**Source:** <http://www.dorothyhaig.com/index.php/profile>

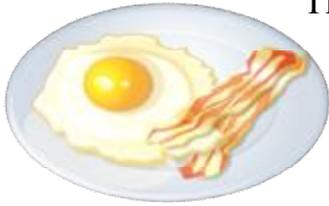
Mary informs us that Dorothy was a member of Zonta Club of Infracombe. Dorothy is sure to be an interesting and inspiring guest speaker.

### **Dinner Meeting: 10 December**

This year, Mary will invite her daughter Fiona to address our December meeting to update on results of fundraising for the Chinese orphanage, and to highlight the successful outcomes of the ongoing work of the Australian therapy team. Therefore it has been decided to have our Christmas meeting at Café Jacqui's, and other guests (who have also supported Fiona's program) can be invited. Note that the meeting will be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday in December (not the usual 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday/ month).

Because of the change in date, the newsletter will go out after the meeting, There is no Club meeting in January.

## **Australia Day Breakfast: 26 January 2014**



Thanks to Mary J who has again offered to host this successful Zonta event. A committee is being formed to start organizing catering, equipment, furniture etc – Mary is approaching former member, Kayleen, to request loan of tables and chairs. More information at next meeting, and in the next newsletter.

# ***Past Events***

## **ZONTA 3rd Biennial Conference District 22 (September 2013) VISIBLE + CREDIBLE = A VIABLE FUTURE**

Jenny Loy and I attended this Conference and what a wonderful experience it was for both of us. We had previously been to Area 4 meetings but this was our first Conference. We arrived at our accommodation on Friday afternoon, and that evening caught up with the few people we knew for registration and the welcoming party.

Saturday morning started with the flag parade and conference opening, followed by the first business session. Ros Kinder (Bylaws Chairman) gave a brief outline of procedures and protocols and conducted the essential formal business of adopting the conference program, standing rules and minutes of the previous conference. Judith Anderson then gave her District Governor's report.

Trish Collins (Nominating Committee Chairman) presented the candidates for election for the next Biennial and the International Representative, Maria Stefanova from Bulgaria introduced a video message from Zonta International President, Lynn McKenzie.

Next we were treated to inspiring presentations by three young women: Shannon Scott (District winner of one of the international Jane M Klausman Scholarship for Women in Business in 2012), Sarah Newman (the 2012 District and international award winner) and Chloe Yap (our 2013 District winner). Following this was a video presentation from Jendi Kepple (an Australian Amelia Earhart Fellowship winner), followed by a live presentation from Liz Davenport on her Kimberley Girls Project and then Dr Joy O'Hazy (who founded the birthing kit project).

After lunch the session began with some of the essential business of the conference: financial reports, the budget for 2014-2016, motions and resolutions put forward by Clubs and the results of the election for the next board of District 22.

This necessary part of the conference was followed by Dr Shannon Spriggs who spoke on advocacy to reduce violence against women; her topic was "Whose

business is it". Saturday's session was finished by Area 3 Director Amena Reza who led a discussion "Zonta says NO"

The dinner was a gala affair starting at 6.30pm with drinks, followed by an excellent three course meal, great company and surprise entertainment with a fashion parade by Liz Davenport. A silent auction was held during the evening and was a huge success.

Sunday morning started with a wonderful presentation by Carla Pearce (Lozang Tsultrim) who is a Buddhist nun and spoke about our commitment to peace. Then Ros Kinder shared the story and successes of the Breast Cushion project over the many years since it has been established.

Denise Conroy, a former international advocacy chairman then spoke on "The Advocacy Jigsaw." Donna Foster (Pacific specialist) followed and opened our eyes to the reality hidden behind the images of Pacific paradise.

After morning tea the session took us via You Tube to Zonta's program in Rwanda to reduce gender-based violence and eliminate mother-to-child HIV and then to Liberia where Zonta's fistula project has operated since 2008.

In the final session the conference was closed with a presentation by International Representative, Maria Stefanova, about service and advocacy in Europe where the issues and concerns are very different from ours in Australia.

Jenny and I left after lunch, after having experienced a most rewarding weekend.

*Karen*

### **Movie Night Fundraiser: "Blue Jasmine"**

Thank you to Rhonda for organising this event and selling tickets, and to fellow Zontians for providing food, selling raffle tickets and hosting this event. A smaller group than usual – approximately 60 people attended. Reaction to the movie was polarised – I thought it was brilliantly produced and a stellar performance by Cate Blanchett, and even more impressed that the theme was so appropriate for Mental Health Week – but others were less impressed.

### **Craft and Quilt Fair:**

Thirty four women supported this event, and as in previous years, everyone enjoyed the time at the craft fair (or retail therapy for some of us!) The raffle was well supported – sincere thanks to those who donated prizes (vouchers for Shelley's Craft Shop, bottles of wine, mystery gift). Leanne Ingram won the ticket to the Australian Day Breakfast, so we will be contacting her in January to provide information and encourage her to attend this event with a group of friends. This year the presentation focused on the Bursary (\$750 awarded to girl finishing Grade 10 to encourage her to continue secondary studies) – this was relevant to the theme of International Day of the Girl Child which had been

celebrated that week. According to my calculations, we raised \$413 (not meeting the target for the Bursary but hopefully we raised awareness of this less known local Zonta activity). Leanne will provide a full financial report at our next meeting.

### **Safe Haven BBQ: 26.10.2013**

Jenny E was seeking support from Zontians for this fundraiser outside Bunnings – report at our next meeting.

## ***Committee Notes/ Jottings***



**October Raffle: won by Rhonda.**

**Rhonda will donate the raffle prize for the November dinner meeting.**

### **October Dinner Meeting:**

We were very pleased to welcome guests Kathy Payne (our guest speaker), Sue Hamlet, Melissa March and Nola Roach.

That morning, some of our members joined in with approximately 80 others for the inaugural meeting (a breakfast) of the Women in Warwick (WOW) group – of which Sue is one of the organizing committee.

Jenny presented an overview of the International Day of the Girl Child, and was to include YouTube presentation (unfortunately some technical problems prevented this) – so Jenny encouraged us to go to the website ourselves. I found some very inspiring clips related to Innovating for Girls' Education:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iOIJIEGpoPw>

<http://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLzfcpxK7Y8rRf77EmnMPhiMNYLNiqfnXv>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gSq-Nrbw6eM>

even a clip featuring Katy Perry “Hear me Roar” for Girl Child

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3wzjYpUMCKY>

We then had the privilege of hearing from Kathy Payne, who shared the story of her son Aaron's past 12 months recovering from a hemispherectomy, before informing us of some of the programs she facilitates within the Warwick community.

Kathy talked of her experience working with girls aged 12-18 years (predominantly at Flexi School) and the success of the SHINE program, which is a self-development program which focuses on three principals WORTH, STRENGTH & PURPOSE. This program is also offered 4 times / year at

Warwick State High School, and Stanthorpe State School is aiming to start SHINE programs with girls in primary school.

I found numerous articles on websites about this program

<http://www.shinetoday.com.au/About-Shine.aspx>

<http://myhillsonline.com/shine>

<http://www.workventures.com.au/news-and-publications/news/714-shinegirl-jun13>

Kathy also informed us of the SPA: Spotlighting Parenting Adventure program targeting teenage pregnancy (she has worked on this program through Head Space), and a new initiative which Head Space is hoping to fund – Young Mum's Playgroup, catering for teenage mums who are disengaged from other social support networks.

*(Editor's note: some interesting areas to follow up prior to our next Planning Day – perhaps some local projects which we can advocate and support?)*

## **Breast Cushions**

Mary is liaising with Bronwyn King at St Vincent's Hospital Toowoomba, who will receive the next bag of cushions - thanks to June for wrapping / decorating. The Custody Programme returned two bags of completed cushions to Mary a few weeks ago, and they are still more in their production line!

## **New Members**

- Nola Roach is being inducted as a member at the meeting next week. Her contact details are included in the updated list of members (which will be sent out with this newsletter). We look forward to formally welcoming Nola to our club, and getting to know her through our meetings and events.
- Mel Marsh is joining Zonta in February, 2014.

## *Members' News*

### **Forward notice of neighbourhood project**

While not in our specific brief of Zonta projects, I have been assisting Pam Burley and the Lions Club of Warwick to organise a combined services club project involving Neighbourhood gatherings throughout the Southern Downs Region in the month of January 2014; to build stronger neighbourhoods and disseminate information and encourage people to organise their own emergency plans. Our dream is to maybe hold up to 200 gatherings throughout the region.

**What we would like to ask members of all the combined service clubs of the Southern Downs is to consider holding or encouraging their neighbours to hold, small neighbourhood gatherings during January 2014. They can be**

very simple – a morning or afternoon tea with BYO right up to larger BBQs or breakfasts. Registration forms, invitations and kits will be supplied but we will get back to you on this when we get expressions of interest.

I would much appreciate any assistance with this from individual club members in disseminating the information. **You do not need to do anything yet - I will send out all the fliers and info when we finalise it this week, but just wanted to give members a little advance warning in the newsletter.** We will also be putting out paper copies in all Southern Downs Regional Council outlets as they have given a grant for this project through the Lions Club.

*Jenny Eldridge*

Faye has requested Leave until April – hopefully we will see her around in the meantime.

Rhonda advised that this year's "Airing of the Quilts" October raised \$12000 for breast and prostate cancer. Rhonda thanked Zonta members for supporting this event.

Jacinta thanks Zonta members for supporting the Mini Fields of Women held again at the Baringa Nursery.

Jen-Rose has returned to work in China for 2 months.

Mary G has passed on update from Sue Hamlet for the **WOW Team: Women of Warwick - Events to Connect + Inspire**

1. **Women at the Waterhole** (supported by Warwick Chamber of Commerce) to be held at Warwick Hotel, commencing 5.30 p.m. on the first Friday of January, March, May, July, September, and November.
  2. **WOW Breakfasts** will be held on the first Tuesday of February, April, June, August, October and December.
- ***Tickets now on sale for the next WOW breakfast:***



***Café Jacqui's on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December,  
6.30 – 8.00 a.m. \$25 / person.  
Only 70 tickets available, and they will sell out  
quickly!***

For more information, email  
[sue@fledgedesign.com.au](mailto:sue@fledgedesign.com.au)

Leanne shares with us photos taken at her daughter Luana's wedding in September. This is the entire Olsen family – Leanne says that they didn't even try to coordinate their clothes – but the result is picture-perfect!

The photo below is a photo of Sally's daughter Laura with Luana. They have known each other forever.



Leanne says: “That's us done and dusted for weddings now - 3 in 17 months. Now what will we do?”

(Dare I suggest – grandchildren?!)

## ***Birthdays***



*November: no members have a birthday this month?*  
*December: Mary G (11<sup>th</sup>), Louise (12<sup>th</sup>) Jenny L (13<sup>th</sup>)*  
*- best wishes for a happy celebration*

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**Deadline for next edition: 11 December 2013**  
Next issue: sent to members by 17<sup>th</sup> December 2013

