



Zonta Club of Charters Towers Inc

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Advancing the Status of Women Worldwide

NEWSLETTER—AUGUST 2014

From the President's Desk...

It was a great way to start the new biennium with the induction of two new members, Lesley Collins and Kate Thomson.

We hope they have a long and rewarding association with the Zonta Club of Charters Towers.

Our 2014-15 executive is blend of old and new members , experience combined with fresh ideas, and I know Vice President Tania van Wijk, Secretary (minutes) Beatrice Harris, Secretary (correspondence) Maxine Lockman, Treasurer Robin Bassingthwaighte and Directors Sue Farmer and Rhonda Pitt will all work well together.

The July breast cushion sewing day organised by Maxine Lockman and Judy Barnes was extremely successful- 7 Zontians and 18 Friends of Zonta made up 86 cushions. The cushions have already been dispatched to the Oncology Unit at the Townsville Hospital. The need continues to grow, it seems.

Guest speakers at our August meeting were Sue Ellen and Lisa from the Neighbourhood Centre and Kylie Stretton, convener of the 2014 state conference of the Queensland Rural , Regional and Remote Women's Network.

Sue Ellen was able to give us an update on the setting up of a much needed respite unit at the old Mossman Hall.

The Neighbourhood Centre has been offered a unit rent free for a year but has to paint, repair and furnish the unit, all of which is under way.

Following on from earlier discussions, the club has voted to furnish one of the bedrooms in the unit.

Kylie Stretton spoke about the conference that Charters Towers is hosting this year which is sure to live up to the organisation's motto of connecting, networking and inspiring rural women.

Zonta is manning the conference registration desk on Tuesday 16th and Wednesday 17th September.

Hope to see you all at the Trash and Treasure this Saturday, August 23 at the CWA Hall. Goods can be dropped off prior at 12 Churchill St.

Hilary Grant



New members Lesley Collins & Kate Thomson inducted by Club President Hilary Grant.

ZONTA improves the lives of women and girls, locally and globally, through service and advocacy.

Do you have the heart for the mission of Zonta? Are you willing to be an active member – offering your time, talents, energy and ideas?

Find out more: www.zonta.org | www.zontadistrict22.org |

Local Contact: Membership Officer Judy Barnes— judy@rbcommunications.com.au

New Equipment for Club



Our Club was very pleased to receive \$1800 from the Queensland Country Credit Union—Community Grants Scheme for a colour photocopier. The club purchased this locally through Hi-Tech Solutions.

Judy Barnes taking delivery of the photocopier with Sue Murphy, Charters Towers Branch Manager, QCCU.



*Breast Cushion Sewing Day—
July 27th. 86 cushions were
completed on the day. Many
thanks to the Girl Guides for the
use of their hut.*



*Katie Dunlop from the
Neighbourhood Centre with
Zontians Hilary Grant, Robin
Bassingthwaighe & Rhonda
Pitt, participated in the
march for a safer
community.*

St Gabe's Z Club

The St Gabe's Z Club has signed off on two projects over the last month –pamper packs for rural women and goody bags for children affected by domestic violence.

The pamper packs containing face and hand creams, soap, shampoo, conditioner and chocolates were handed over to Jeanie Brook from Frontier Services.

Jeanie has been running pamper days to help boost the spirits of rural women adversely affected by drought.

Katie Dunlop from the Neighbourhood Centre took delivery of the goody bags.

The bags contained a variety of colouring books and crayons, cuddly toys, story books and games –something the children can call their own when they are forced to leave their home.

The girls raised over \$600 for these two projects organizing 2 fun nights at the town pool and a free dress day.



St Gabe's Z Club members & teacher Helen Leicht handing over pamper packs to Jeanie Brook from Frontier Services.



Calendar

AUGUST:

23- Trash and Treasure, CWA Hall, 8am to noon

30 – Zonta Club of Townsville 30th Birthday celebration

31-Executive training day, Townsville Yacht Club, 10am to 1pm

SEPTEMBER:

10-Monthly meeting, Civic Club, 5.30pm for 6pm

16-18, Qld Rural Regional and Remote Women's Network state conference, World Theatre.

(Zonta is manning the registration desk on Tuesday afternoon 3-6pm and Wednesday morning from 8-10am)

OCTOBER:

8-Monthly meeting, to be held at Robin Bassingthwaite's, pot luck meal followed by a showing of Prof Rane's film, Riwayat.

NOVEMBER:

12 - Monthly meeting, Civic Club, 5.30pm for 6pm

15- 10th birthday celebrations, Henry's Cafe and Restau-

rant, from 6.30pm

DECEMBER:

13- Christmas party?



JULY:

5—Judy Barnes

12—Meg MacKenzie

SEPTEMBER:

25- Sue Farmer (very special – rhymes with nifty)

26—Rhonda Pitt

OCTOBER:

8—Bea Harris



2014-2015 Club Executive

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