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# NEWSLETTER APRIL 2024

BIRTHDAYS: Lawrence 2/5; Deb 31/5;



# FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

Last Sunday morning I cried as I watched the news about the terrible tragedy that occurred last Saturday afternoon at the Bondi Shopping Centre. The tragic loss of five beautiful women (and one male security guard) made no sense to me. It reminded me of the importance of the Zonta spirit: To be kind, to be respectful.

For the past two years as my role as President, I have tried to foster a positive environment and ensure that our members experience friendships and lasting connections within our club.



My best wishes go to Meleitta who has undergone major surgery for breast cancer. I am sure that you all will send her positive thoughts and blessings. I am also looking forward to Annette returning to our meetings after her accident at Bunnings.

I am so pleased that we have finally moved into our new storage shed. Now that we have a fridge and freezer I am hoping that it will be much easier for Arthur and Deb who have so generously taken all the BBQ supplies to and from the shed ready for our Bunnings BBQs.

Pam TS, Lyn and I had a great time going through old paperwork, photos, and old files. We all agreed to take a minimalist approach, and so we reduced the old archives from six large tubs down to one. However we were very careful not to get rid of historic photos, newspaper articles and important documents.

The staff at the office at Terry Young's office shredded all the old paperwork, bank statements, cheque books etc. (at no charge to our club).

Thank you to all who came along to the Membership Committee's morning tea last Tuesday. It is a great opportunity to mix socially with our Honzons included. It was a good venue at the Jacaranda Cafe, and I am sure Sarah was happy to see us all support her.

#### Sue Droughton, President



#### MEMBERSHIP REPORT MEMBERSHIP REPORT

No Membership meeting was held in April 2024.

#### Fellowship Morning Tea

Our second Fellowship Morning Tea was held at The Jacaranda Café on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April. It was attended by 4 Honzons and 10 Members. It was good to see Meleitta there so we could wish her well for her upcoming Operation on 17<sup>th</sup> April. We will be thinking of her as she recovers at her sister's home.

#### Memorial Service at Convention

I have forwarded the information to Zonta International of our two members, Diana Wallman and Marie Brady who have sadly passed away in the past two years. They will be remembered at the Memorial Service on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

#### Years of Service Awards

There is one member in April and one in May who have significant years of services awards to be presented to them at our next two dinner meetings.

#### Anzac Day Wreath

Carole Tomvald and Pam Berkett will attend the Dawn Service at 4.50am held at Bolton Clarke Fernhill Water Tower by The Caboolture-Morayfield and District RSL Subbranch. Our wreath will be laid on behalf of all the Members of the Zonta Club of Caboolture.



Membership Committee Chair Pam Berkett



SERVICE COMMITTEE REPORT

Service Report April 2024

All members were in attendance.

Lyn & Karen continue to distribute Breast Cushions and Seat Belt Buddies to both Caboolture Public and Private hospitals.

The craft ladies at Beachmere Bay continue to supply us with readymade buddies for distribution.

We now have the stuffing at my home ready for the stuffing day at my home Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2024.

Dyman Foam donated half of the cost of the stuffing. I presented them with a Certificate of Appreciation on behalf of the Zonta Club of Caboolture.

At the meeting we contacted Dave Grieg to confirm our commitment (as per planning day ) to pay \$3000.00 for Domestic Housing. Dave is about to retire from the Ministry that manage the money for DV housing and Caboolture Community Action will be taking over this role. The Committee agreed that we pay the money as soon as possible.

Pam Termont-Schenk confirmed that Sister Veronica from the Abbey and her helpers will be joining us for Birthing Kit Packing Day on Saturday the 17<sup>th</sup> August at the Beachmere Beach House.

We will also invite the ladies from Bribie Island Pink Dragons.

Sue Droughton Chair Service Committee



Thank you to all who helped at the BBQ (Saturday 21 April). We still have slots available for the May BBQ. We haven't been allocated any BBQs for June and July at this stage.

It was lovely to have Paneet (Perri) helping at the BBQ again today. She is very bright and bubbly and is interested in helping us with the Breast Cushions and will bring her mother.

The <u>FASHION PARADE</u> is booked with Portofino Fashions for Friday 6 September at the Morayfield Community Hall. Set up from 8.30am Doors open at 10.30am. We will probably need 6 models on the day. Raffle prizes will be required.

What other things can we hold to raise funds for our club? All suggestions are very welcomed.

Patricia Clunes Events Chairman

## CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS REPORT

## Constitution & Bylaws Report April 2024

Over the past month, there is little to report. At this stage, our Club is awaiting notification from the Office of Fair Trading regarding the registration of our amended constitution. Until then, the Club operates under the previous constitution.

Cecil Nielson, Chairman Constitution/Bylaws Committee Carole Tomvald and Pam Berkett

# ADVOCACY REPORT

## For April 2024

Advocacy team meeting via zoom on 22 April 2024 at 6:00 pm.

- Police Station Interview Rooms: Carole delivered 4 pillows and 4 small blankets to Burpengary Police Station and 4 pillows, 4 blankets and 4 packets of pencils with colouring books to Caboolture Police Station.
- 2. CADA Candle lighting: Cecil and Pam B. filmed lighting a purple candle to remember the women and girls who lost their lives to domestic and family violence. The purple candle is for the dignity of women and children, for those who know themselves to be people of courage, freedom and truth. The video of the candle lighting will be published on 1 May at 6 pm on the CADA Facebook page.
- 3. Turbans: Carole made 27 turbans for the Service Committee to give to Caboolture Hospital for women receiving treatment for cancer.
- 4. May DV Awareness Month:
  - Banners are organised for Apex Park and Cnr McKean and Wallace Streets Caboolture. Banners will go up on 6 May and come down on 19 May.
  - Social media has been organised showcasing the 12 signs of coercive control. Each of the images for the 12 signs will be posted and boosted focusing on all genders aged 18 to 65+ in the Caboolture and Morayfield areas (+20 km). Approximately 3 posts per week. The budget of \$250 will be shared between the 12 posts (approximately \$20) each post. A link or button will link to our website's domestic violence page.
  - Advocacy team has accepted invitation on Facebook and would like to encourage members to participate in the Moreton Bay Says No to Violence Walk on 31 May (Friday), 8:30 start, expected finish is 11:00 am. Meet at Rotary Park Redcliffe.
- 5. Women's Wellbeing Expo: Carole, Lynda and Cecile will register and go to the Moreton Bay Region Industry and Tourism free Community Event Industry Workshop on 19 June to learn more about how to host safe and successful community events in Moreton Bay. The Advocacy team will focus on the expo after May DV month.

Next Advocacy committee meeting: Monday, 13 May at 6:00 pm via zoom.

Lynda Galway and Susan Lepper Advocacy Co- Chairpersons

# DATE CLAIMERS:

**BREAST CUSHION STUFFING DAY:** 18 May 2024. At Sue's home - Villa 55/194 Bishop Road Beachmere. BYO small plates to share Morning Tea and Lunch.

## BUNNINGS BBQs in 2024 -Sunday May 19 May

## ZONTA INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION Brisbane 28 - 30 June 2024.

Members should try to attend as it is very rare for the Convention to be held "Down Under" thereby saving us airfares and accommodation as we can travel in and out each day by train or carpool.

## MEMBERS OUT AND ABOUT IN APRIL



Jon and Lyn Howells, Karen and Pam at a very wet Bunnings BBQ



Glenda, Lyn and Karen attending the Membership Morning Tea at Jacaranda Café



The afternoon crew: Patricia, Glenda, Parneet Khaira, Susan and Lawrence



Honzons Jon and Brian delivering breast cushions to Breast Care Nurses, Caboolture Hospital