



ZONTA
INTERNATIONAL

DISTRICT 22 LTD

“Building a Better World for
Women and Girls”

2008 -

Background

Zonta International was introduced to the Southern Hemisphere in the early 1920s with the establishment of the original Zonta Club of Sydney by Dr Rosalie Slaughter-Mortin, Charter President of the Zonta Club of New York. It was assigned Charter Number 109. The club was disbanded in the 1930s and while the date remains unknown it was last mentioned in Zonta International records in 1935.

In October 1965 Canadian Zontian Miss Dorothy Thompson held an organisational meeting in Auckland NZ, and the Zonta club of Auckland chartered on 15 November 1965 that year. In 1969 Clubs were chartered in all Australian capital cities along with five clubs in New Zealand.

The early clubs were non-districted and managed as part of Area/Region III Asia-Pacific. On 2 July 1972, at the convention in Portland, the Zonta International Board agreed to grant Region III district status.

By 1974 there were 18 Clubs operating in Australia and New Zealand and the new District XVI was formally declared at a pre-Convention meeting of the Zonta International Board in Boston USA that year.

With increased growth of Zonta clubs in District XVI, at the 1990 Zonta International Convention in Dallas USA, the District was divided into three – District XVI (New Zealand), District XXIII (Victoria, South Australia, Western Australia and the Northern Territory with Tasmania added in 2000), and District XXIV (New South Wales, Australian Capital Territory and Queensland).

As District 24 grew in numbers there were moves to further divide into two. The issue was raised on a number of occasions with longer-term members believing that when the District reached 75 Clubs the initiative to split the District would probably come from the Zonta International Board in line with the then Zonta International District Manual.

At the 1997 District 24 Conference at the University of Queensland, St Lucia, Brisbane, a motion to divide the District was proposed. After considerable debate and confusion as well as numerous substantial amendments, the motion was passed that “as from the year 2000 Zonta International Convention the existing District 24 be reconstituted to form two new districts”.¹

At the District 24 Conference in Toowoomba in 1999 there was further discussion on the motion regarding the split of the District, and a motion was put rescinding the 1997 motion.² With 41 votes in favour, 26 against and 2 abstentions, the effect was that the conference decided not to split the District.

By the end of 2005, District 24 comprised 78 clubs and some 1700 members and covered a large area. In early 2006 four clubs located in Queensland passed motions for consideration by the 2004-2006 District 24 Board that District 24 be divided into two Districts at the Queensland New South Wales border; that the division if approved by the Clubs take effect from the 2006-2008 Biennium (i.e. immediately post the 2006 Zonta International Convention), and that the funds of the District be divided on a pro rata basis based on membership as at 31 January 2006.

The District Board, after lengthy consideration, determined that a postal ballot of all Clubs within District 24 be conducted to determine support or otherwise of the motions. Such action was in accordance with Zonta International Bylaws and the various Zonta International Manuals and Guidelines applicable at that time

The Ballot closed on 25 April 2006 with a return of 72 of the 81 eligible ballots. The results were 56 votes in favour, 15 against and 1 informal or a 77 per cent majority in favour. Ballots received after the closing date increased the returned number to 79 of the 81 eligible ballots. If combined with those received by the closing date, the support for the division of the District was 76 per cent.³

The outcome of the ballot, supported by a substantial submission in support of the division, was forwarded to the Zonta International President, Mary-Ellen Bittner and the 2004-2006 Zonta International Board, requesting that the wishes of the membership of District 24 be considered and that the split be approved effective from the close of the 2006 Zonta International Convention in Melbourne. The refusal of the Zonta International Board to approve the Division caused considerable disruption across the District and resulted in a request to the 2006-2008 Zonta International Board to reconsider the submission.

Further discussions were held with clubs and, at the request of the Zonta Club of Northern Rivers Inc,

it was determined that the proposed border of the new District be amended to include this northern NSW Club which argued strongly that it had a greater affinity with the Queensland-based Clubs closer to the border.

Approval was finally given by the Zonta International Board, and at the 2007 District 24 Conference in Tweed Heads elections⁴ were held for the inaugural District 22 Board with the District becoming operative from the close of the 2008 Zonta International Convention in Rotterdam.

The newly created District 22 had 49 Clubs and 1189 members, and was divided into 5 Areas with only minor variations from the areas existing prior to the creation of the District and renumbering.

After debate at the 2015 District Conference District 22 was registered as a Public Company Limited by Guarantee – Zonta International District 22 Ltd, effective from 13 June 2016 (Australian Company Number 612 963 194)⁵

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1. 1997 District 24 Conference Minutes
 2. 1997 District 24 Conference Minutes
 3. 2006 District 24 Board Minutes
 4. 2007 District 24 Conference Minutes
 5. 2016 Registration confirmation from ASIC

2008-2010 Biennium

District Board



- Governor: Vicki Varthas (Zonta Brisbane Metro Breakfast Inc)
- Lieutenant Governor: Trish Collins (Zonta Club of Rockhampton Inc.)
- Treasurer: Ann Grant (Zonta Club of Cairns Inc)
- Area 1 Director: Vicki Williams (Zonta Club of Pine Rivers Inc)
- Area 2 Director: Pat Faircloth (Zonta Club of Bundaberg Inc)
- Area 3 Director: Janet Burrage (Zonta Club of Paradise Point Inc)
- Area 4 Director: Robin Burton-Ree (Zonta Club of Stanthorpe Inc)
- Area 5 Director: Kelly Stokes (Zonta Club of Townsville Metro Inc)
- Secretary: Berenice Payne (Zonta Club of Rockhampton Inc)

Zonta International positions

Appointed

- International Legislative Awareness & Advocacy – Chair, Denise Conroy (Zonta Club of Brisbane East Inc)
- Organisation, Membership & Classification Committee – Member, Jane Wilson-O'Brien (Zonta Club of Sandgate Inc now Northside Inc)

District Conference

- Rydges Southbank, Townsville – Theme: “*Create, Communicate, Celebrate*”
- ZI Representative: Zonta International President – Beryl Sten, Zonta Club of Vaxjo, Sweden

Advocacy

Letter to Prime Minister Rudd MP congratulating the Government on signing of the Optional Protocol to CEDAW.

Biennial Highlights

Z and Golden Z Clubs

- Formation of Bracken Ridge State High School Z Club
- Formation of Queensland Academy of the Creative Arts Z Club
- Formation of Megsz Mirani State High School Z Club

Disbandments

Zonta Club of Gold Coast Inc

Zonta Club of Brisbane West Inc

2010-2012 Biennium

District Board



- Governor: Trish Collins (Zonta Club of Rockhampton Inc)
- Lieutenant Governor: Kelly Stokes (Zonta Club Townsville Metro Inc)
- Treasurer: Ann Grant (Zonta Club of Cairns Inc)
- Area 1 Director: Bev Bellett (Zonta Club of Caloundra City Inc)
- Area 2 Director: Barbara Huff (Zonta Club of Longreach Inc)
- Area 3 Director: Judith Trevan-Hawke (Zonta Club of Wynnum Redland Inc)
- Area 4 Director: Heather Hall (Zonta Club of Roma Inc)
- Area 5 Director: Janice Micola (Zonta Club of Burdekin Inc)
- Secretary: Judith Anderson OAM (Zonta Club of Brisbane Inc.)

Zonta International positions

Appointed

- YWPA Committee – Member, Jane Wilson-O'Brien (Zonta Club of Sandgate Inc now Northside Inc)

District Conference

- Novotel Hotel, Brisbane – Theme: *"Together as One – Vital, Visible, Viable"*
- ZI Representative: Zonta International Vice President – Lyn McKenzie, Zonta Club of Wellington, New Zealand

Advocacy

Letter to the Premier the Hon Anna Bligh MP acknowledging Queensland Health for setting the target, that by the end of 2013, 10 per cent of all births in Queensland Health public hospitals will occur in a continuity of care model which supports CEDAW Article 12 – Health

Letter to the Premier the Hon Anna Bligh MP advocating that the Queensland State Government provide financial support to the Women's Legal Service for the continued operation of a dedicated legal advice line

Letter to the Minister for Health and Ageing and other relevant Ministers and Shadow Ministers advocating to the Federal Government that, in the absence of a Medicare rebate for compression garments for post mastectomy sufferers of lymphoedema, it ensure that those women who develop lymphoedema after a mastectomy will have access to these garments under a similar Medicare Agreement that exists for the provision of free breast prostheses for all mastectomy patients.

Biennial Highlights

Zonta District 22 website revised

Disbandments

Ferny Hills State High School Z Club
Bracken Ridge State High School Z Club

2012-2014 Biennium

District Board



- Governor: Judith Anderson OAM (Zonta Club of Brisbane Inc)
- Lieutenant Governor: Judith Trevan-Hawke (Zonta Club of Wynnum Redland Inc).
- Treasurer: Elaine Harrington (Zonta Club Metro Breakfast Inc)
- Area 1 Director: Narelle Fraser (Zonta Club of Brisbane North Inc)
- Area 2 Director: Denise Wilschut (Zonta Club of Maryborough Inc)
- Area 3 Director: Amena Reza (Zonta Club Metro Breakfast Inc)
- Area 4 Director: Kath Everitt (Zonta Club of Ipswich Inc)
- Area 5 Director: Hilary Grant (Zonta Club of Charters Towers Inc)
- Secretary: Julie Mannion (Zonta Club of Brisbane Inc)

Zonta International positions

Appointed

- YWPA Committee – Member, Jane Wilson-O'Brien (Zonta Club of Sandgate Inc now Northside Inc)

District Conference

Noosa Convention & Exhibition Centre – Theme: “*Visible+Credible= A Viable Future*”

ZI Representative: Zonta International Director – Maria Stefanova, Zonta Club of Saint Sofia, Republic of Bulgaria

Advocacy

Letter to the Minister for Police and Community Safety the Hon Jack Dempsey MP requesting that the Queensland Police Service report on the outcomes of their Domestic and Family Violence Strategy 2009-2013 with respect to its effectiveness in helping women to exit such violence.

Letter to the Premier the Hon Campbell Newman MP requesting that in the 2013-2014 Budget consideration be given to increasing funding for domestic and family violence shelters, as well as providing low-rental accommodation assistance for persons on low incomes or social security benefits where they are in rental stress (i.e. where they need to spend more than 30 per cent of their available income after tax on rent).

Letter to the Hon Peter Dutton, MP Minister for Health requesting that the Federal Government continue to fund the National Perinatal Depression Initiative as a priority area under a National Mental Health Program.

Letter to all Queensland Local Government Councils advocating that each undertake a safety audit to identify those areas which may be unsafe for women and the girl child, especially around transport services (train, bus stations, ferry terminals), public amenities (especially public toilets), sports grounds, parks and gardens, cultural precincts and major shopping centres.

Letter to the Prime Minister the Hon Julia Gillard MP commenting on recent actions of the Federal Government in relation to Government to Act on Female Genital Mutilation in Australia; National Compact on FGM. (12 December 2012 and 7 April 2013), the Crimes Legislation Amendment (Slavery, Slavery-like Conditions and People Trafficking Bill. (27 February 2013) and the Inquiry into Multiculturalism in Australia. Parliamentary Paper Tabled 18 March 2013.

Biennial Highlights

Launch of renewed District 22 Website

Zonta International Award Winners

- Sarah Newman, nominated by the Zonta Club of Brisbane North Inc – Zonta International Young Women in Public Affairs Award Winner 2012
- Shannon Scott, nominated by the Zonta Club of Ipswich Inc – Zonta International JMK Women in Business Scholarship Winner 2012
- Teegan Green, nominated by the Zonta Club of Brisbane North Inc – Zonta International JMK Women in Business Scholarship Winner 2013

Z and Golden Z Clubs

- Formation of HOWW Z Club, North Mackay State High School
- Formation of St Gabe' Z Club, All Souls St Gabriel's School, Charters Towers
- Formation of HSC Z Club, Holy Spirit College, Mackay
- Formation of Northern Beaches Z Club, Northern Beaches Stat High School, Mackay

Disbandments

Zonta Club of Tamborine Mountain Inc

Zonta Club of Logan Inc

Zonta Club of Mount Isa Breakfast Inc

Zonta Club of Emerald Inc

2014-2016 Biennium

District Board



- Governor: Judith Trevan-Hawke (Zonta Club Wynnum Redland Inc)
- Lieutenant Governor: Dr Ans Van Erp (Zonta Club of Toowoomba Inc)
- Treasurer: Elaine Harrington (Zonta Club Metro Breakfast Inc)
- Area 1 Director: Christine Stewart (Zonta Club of Redcliffe Area Inc)
- Area 2 Director: Jan Landsberg (Zonta Club of Rockhampton Inc)
- Area 3 Director: Anne Kuhnemann (Zonta Club of Brisbane River Inc)
- Area 4 Director: Sandra Venn Brown (Zonta Club of Ipswich Inc)
- Area 5 Director: Marie Cameron (Zonta Club of Mackay Inc)
- Secretary: Lyn Agnew (Zonta Club of Brisbane Inc)

Zonta International positions

Appointed

- Membership Committee – Member, Judith Anderson OAM (Zonta Club of Brisbane Inc)

District Conference

Coral Sea Resort, Airlie Beach – Theme: *“Empowering Women with Conviction, Commitment, Courage”*
ZI Representative: Zonta International & Zonta International Foundation Director – Sally Bean, Zonta Club of Janesville, USA

Advocacy

Submission to the Australian Government concerning support for a Trauma Fraction Liaison Service for improved management of osteoporosis in women (especially ageing women suffering repeat fractures) • October 2015 – Submission urging the Australian Government to continue support of programs addressing domestic and family violence against women in Papua New Guinea

Submission to the Australian Government requesting it express grave concern through its representatives in all UN Forums (especially the Security Council and General Assembly) about the abuse of women’s human rights in conflict situations (e.g. abduction of girls in the Congo and Islamic State’s sexual slavery of women, combined with forced birth control)

Submission on behalf of Districts 22, 23 and 24 to the Federal Government on the Beijing Platform for Action: Beijing +20 Review. The District 22 submission was sent to the Prime Minister (the Honourable Tony Abbott), the Leader of the Opposition (the Honourable Bill Shorten) and all relevant Ministers and Shadow Ministers

A submission to the Queensland Government to the Taskforce on Family and Domestic Violence in Queensland headed by Dame Quentin Bryce.

Biennial Highlights

Registration of Zonta District 22 Ltd (Australian Company Number 612 963 194) on 13 June 2016

Zonta Club of Brisbane Metro Breakfast Inc receiving a Zonta International Certificate in recognition of its Zonta Says NO Walk.service project.

Zonta International Award Winners

- Emma Tait, nominated by the Zonta Club of Brisbane North Inc – Zonta Young Women in Public Affairs Award 2014
- Sophie Ryan, nominated by the Zonta Club of Brisbane North Inc – Zonta International Young Women in Public Affairs Award Winner 2015

Z and Golden Z Clubs

- Formation of Zarina Z Club, Sarina State High School
- Formation of Pioneer Z Club, Pioneer State High School, Mackay
- Formation of Burdekin Christian College Z Club

Disbandments

Zonta Club of Gympie Inc

Zonta Club of Emerald Inc

2016-2018 Biennium

District Board



- Governor: Dr Ans Van Erp (Zonta Club of Toowoomba Inc)
- Lieutenant Governor: Sandy Venn Brown (Zonta Club of Ipswich Inc)
- Treasurer: Jill Lucht (Zonta Club of Ipswich Inc)
- Area 1 Director: Lyn Agnew (Zonta Club of Brisbane Inc)
- Area 2 Director: Rosalie Welburn (Zonta Club of Rockhampton Inc)
- Area 3 Director: Elaine Harrington (Zonta Club Metro Breakfast Inc)
- Area 4 Director: Robyn Finlayson (Zonta Club of Dalby Inc)
- Area 5 Director: Bridget Mather (Zonta Club of Mackay Inc)
- Secretary: Marie Cameron (Zonta Club of Mackay Inc)

Zonta International positions

Elected

- Zonta International & Zonta International Foundation Board – Director, Judith Anderson OAM (Zonta Club of Brisbane Inc)

Appointed

- Advocacy Committee – Member, Bridget Mather (Zonta Club of Makay Inc)
- Membership Committee – Member, Petra Ladwig (Zonta Club of Maroochy Inc)
- Z Club Committee – Member, Marie Cameron (Zonta Club of Makay Inc)

District Conference

Royal on the Park, Brisbane – Theme: *“Empowering Women Through Service and Advocacy”*

ZI Representative: Zonta International & Zonta International Foundation Director – Ute Scholz, Zonta Club of Verden, Germany

Advocacy

Letter to the Honourable Anastacia Palaszczuk MP, Premier of Queensland and Minister for Trade congratulating the government on setting up the Queensland Anti-Bullying Taskforce.

Endorsement of the National Federation of Australian Women (NFAW) submission on the aged care workforce (predominantly women: 90 per cent). The submission stated Zonta's opposition to any form of discrimination in employment, particularly inadequate remuneration and inferior working conditions just because the workforce is dominated by women

Biennial Highlights:

Chartering the Zonta Club of Brisbane City Heart Inc
Chartering Zonta Club of Greater Springfield Inc

Zonta International Award Winners

- Phoebe Frederick, nominated by the Zonta Club of Brisbane East Inc – Zonta International Young Women in Public Affairs Award Winner 2016

Z and Golden Z Clubs

- Formation of Women of the World Z Club, St Margaret Mary's College, Townsville
- Formation of St Patrick's College Z Club, Mackay
- Formation of St Catherine's College Z Club, The Whitsundays
- Formation of The Ambassadors Z Club, Caloundra State High School
- Formation of Central Queensland University Golden Z Club, Mackay

2018-2020 Biennium

District Board



- Governor: Sandy Venn Brown (Zonta Club of Stanthorpe Inc.)
- Lieutenant Governor: Bridget Mather (Zonta Club of Makay Inc)
- Treasurer: Jill Lucht (Zonta Club of Ipswich Inc)
- Area 1 Director: Petra Ladwig (Zonta Club of Maroochy Inc)
- Area 2 Director: Sandy Peters (Zonta Club of Maryborough Inc)
- Area 3 Director: Anne Beulah (Zonta Club of Beaudesert Inc)
- Area 4 Director: Helen Miller (Zonta Club Toowoomba Area Inc)
- Area 5 Director: Barb Coleman (Zonta Club of Townsville Metro Inc)
- Secretary: Pat Cussens (Zonta Club of Noosa Inc)

Zonta International positions

Elected

- Zonta International Nominating Committee – Member, Judith Anderson OAM (Zonta Club of Brisbane Inc)

Appointed

- Advocacy Committee – Member, Janet Prowse (Zonta Club of Brisbane Inc)
- YWPA Committee – Member, Leanne Shepherd (Zonta Club of Mackay Inc)
- Women in Technology Committee – Member, Marie Cameron (Zonta Club of Mackay Inc)

District Conference

Centennial Anniversary Interdistrict Conference, Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre – Theme: *“Honour and Empower”*⁶

ZI Representative: Zonta International & Zonta International Foundation President – Dr Susanne von Bassewitz, Zonta Club of Dusseldorf 11, Germany

Advocacy

Joint submission with Districts 23 and 24 to Senator Marise Payne, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Women urging the Federal Government to develop a national strategy to eradicate child marriage and forced marriage

Letter to the Prime Minister, the Hon Scott Morrison MP regarding gender discrimination in the banking industry

6. Districts 16, 22, 23, and 24 combined for the first interdistrict conference

Biennial Highlights

Chartering the Zonta e-Club of Queensland Inc

Establishing the Dianne Leggo Honour Roll which recognises and honours individual Zontians who have personified the ideals of Zonta at club level through their support and promotion of local projects and Zonta International. Inaugural awards to:

- Margaret Bell, Zonta Club of Toowoomba Area Inc
- Margaret Banfield, Zonta Club of Noosa Inc
- Gail Sellars, Zonta Club of Gladstone Inc
- Susan Davies, Zonta Club of Brisbane Inc

District 22 Ltd Centennial Anniversary Launch at the Hilton Hotel

Police Commissioner Catarina Carroll awarded the 2019 Zonta International Centennial Award for service to the advancement of women and girls

Zonta Clubs of Brisbane City Heart, Brisbane East, Ipswich and Brisbane Metro Breakfast received a Zonta International Centennial Anniversary Grant for their local project. Sixty-two (62) applicants from around the world will receive grants benefitting more than 5,000 women and girls; with potential to influence many thousands more.

The four District 22 projects were: Brisbane City Heart—Zonta Food Bank Mobile Kitchen in conjunction with Anglicare; Brisbane East—LoveBites in conjunction with National Association for Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (NAPCAN); Brisbane Metro Breakfast—Resourcing Women to get Online in conjunction with Women's Community Aid Association (WCAA); and Ipswich—Community Hubs "Standing up" - Women's Cultural Event in conjunction with Access Community Service Ltd.

Zonta International Award Winners

- Madison Birtnell, nominated by the Zonta Club of Paradise Point Inc – Zonta International Young Women in Public Affairs Award Winner 2018
- Khushi Shelat, nominated by the Zonta Club of Brisbane River Inc – Zonta International Young Women in Public Affairs Award Winner 2019
- Emma Beal, nominated by the Zonta Club of Brisbane Inc – Zonta International JMK Women in Business Scholarship Winner 2018
- Caitlene Hillman, nominated by the Zonta Club of Brisbane Breakfast Inc – Zonta International JMK Women in Business Scholarship Winner 2019

Z and Golden Z Clubs

- Formation of Z Club of Mt Alvernia College
- Formation of Mt Isa Z Club, Mount Isa State High School
- Formation of E-Z Club, School of Distance Education, Cairns

Disbandments

Zonta Club of Greater Springfield Inc disbanded to become Zonta e-Club of Queensland Inc

2020-2022 Biennium

District Board



- Governor: Bridget Mather (Zonta e-Club of Queensland Inc.)
- Lieutenant Governor: Lyn Agnew (Zonta Club of Brisbane Breakfast Inc)
- Treasurer: Christine Carr (Zonta Club of Townsville Inc)
- Area 1 Director: Pat Cussens (Zonta Club of Noosa Inc)
- Area 2 Director: Alex Grove (Zonta Club of Bundaberg Inc)
- Area 3 Director: Jo Diessel (Zonta Club of Brisbane East Inc)
- Area 4 Director: Jenni Ziesemer (Zonta Club of Toowoomba Garden City Inc)
- Area 5 Director: Robyn Pratt (Zonta Club of Charters Towers Inc)
- Secretary: Caitlin Roberts (Zonta Club of Mackay Inc)

Zonta International positions

Appointed

- Bylaws Committee – Member, Denise Conroy (Zonta Club of Brisbane East Inc)
- Leadership Development Committee – Chair, Lyn Foley (Zonta Club of Toowoomba Garden City Inc)
- Membership Committee – Member, Dr Ans Van Erp (Zonta e-Club of Queensland Inc)
- Public Relations & Communications Committee – Member, Catherine Govey (Zonta Club of Caloundra City Inc)

District Conference

Held online due to COVID

ZI Representative: Zonta International & Zonta International Foundation Director – Florence Fischer-Herber (Dcd), Belgium

Advocacy

Submission to Women’s Safety and Justice Task Force – Options for legislating against coercive control and the creation of a standalone domestic violence offence

Biennial Highlights

Chartering Zonta Club of Biloela Inc

Inaugural Z and Golden Z Conference, CQ University – Mackay Campus

Establishing the Mary Magee OAM Award to recognise a Club or Zontian who has made a major contribution to increasing Zonta membership – awarded to Zonta Club of Gladstone Inc

Dianne Leggo Honour Roll awardees:

- Cherry Brosnan, Zonta Club of Mt Isa Inc
- Vassie Comino, Zonta Club of Mackay Inc

- Merle Stephen, Zonta Club Southern Gold Coast Tweed Inc
- Alison Kelly, Zonta Club of Gladstone Inc
- May McPhail, Zonta Club of Paradise Point Inc
- Julie Mannion, Zonta Club of Brisbane Inc

Zonta International Award Winners

- Sanuri DeSilva, nominated by the Zonta Club of Beaudesert Inc - Zonta International JMK Women in Business Scholarship Winner 2020

2022-2024 Biennium

District Board



- Governor: Lyn Agnew (Zonta Club of Brisbane Breakfast Inc)
- Lieutenant Governor: Petra Ladwig (Zonta e-Club of Queensland Inc)
- Treasurer: Christine Carr (Zonta e-Club of Queensland Inc)
- Area 1 Director: Gwendoline Jull AO (Zonta Club of Brisbane Inc)
- Area 2 Director: Robyn Liddell (Zonta Club of Gladstone Inc)
- Area 3 Director: Michele Turner (Zonta Club of Beaudesert Inc)
- Area 4 Director: Jenny Loy (Zonta Club of Warwick Inc)
- Area 5 Director: Therese Smith (Zonta Club of Townsville Metro Inc)
- Secretary: Pauline Brown (Zonta Club of Southern Gold Coast Tweed Inc)

Zonta International positions

Elected

- Zonta International and Zonta Foundation for Women Board – Director, Sandy Venn Brown (Zonta Club of Stanthorpe Inc)
- Zonta International Nominating Committee – Member, Dr Ans Van Erp (Zonta e-Club of Queensland Inc)

Appointed

- Zonta International Greater Visibility Committee – Chair, Ruthie Adams (Zonta e-Club of Queensland Inc) – resigned in August 2023
- Zonta International Young Talents Committee – Chair, Sara Faraj (Zonta Club of Hervey Bay Inc) – resigned in August 2023
- Zonta Spirit Committee – Chair, Lynne Foley (Zonta Club of Toowoomba Garden City Inc.)
- Chief Club Creator – Dr Ans Van Erp (Zonta e-Club of Queensland)

District Conference

Mackay Entertainment and Convention Centre – Theme: *“Build a Better World”*

ZI Representative: Zonta International & Zonta International Foundation Director – Annika Branstrom, Zonta Club of Sundsvall, Sweden

Advocacy

Letter to the Prime Minister of Australia and the Queensland Attorney-General requesting stronger responses to the homelessness of women with regard to the National Plan to Reduce Violence against women and children

Letters to the Speaker of the House of Representatives APH, and local Federal members expressing concern regarding the treatment of women representatives in the House

Planning and consultation for Zonta Australia conducted throughout biennium in preparation for launch at the ZI Convention in Brisbane June 2024

Biennial Highlights

Zonta Excellence in Service and Advocacy Award presented at ZI Convention, Brisbane

District 22 Housing and Homelessness Working Group formed to commence advocacy in the area of older women's homelessness

Statewide engagement with Queensland Rugby League for advocacy efforts during the month of May (DV month)

Dianne Leggo Honour Roll awardees:

- Robin Rayner, Zonta Club of Hervey Bay Inc
- Sandy Gray, Zonta Club of Maroochy Inc
- Isabel Stubbs, Zonta Club of Burdekin Inc
- Lee-Anne Allen, Zonta Club of Bundaberg Inc

Mary Magee OAM awardee:

- Marie Stewart, Zonta Club of Redcliffe Inc

Zonta International Award Winners

- Charlotte Gillies, nominated by the Zonta Club of Brisbane Inc – Zonta International Young Women in Public Affairs Award Winner 2023
- Mary Doh, nominated by the Zonta Club of Brisbane River Inc – Zonta International Young Women in Public Affairs Award Winner 2024
- Tara McCarthy, nominated by the Zonta Club of Brisbane Inc – Zonta International JMK Women in Business Scholarship Winner 2023
- Jenny Luong, nominated by the Zonta Club of Brisbane Inc – Zonta International JMK Women in Business Scholarship Winner 2024
- Shayna Spencer, nominated by the Zonta Club of Paradise Point Inc – Zonta International Women in STEM Award Winner 2023

Z and Golden Z Clubs

- Formation of Good Shepherd Lutheran College Z Club
- Formation of Hillbrook Anglican College Z Club
- Formation of Fortitude Valley State College Z Club
- Formation of Griffith University of Gold Coast Golden Z Club
- Formation of Golden Z Club University of Southern Queensland, Moreton Bay

Disbandments

Zonta Club of Longreach Inc

Zonta Club of Biloela Inc

2024-2026 Biennium

District Board

- Governor: Petra Ladwig (Zonta e-Club of Queensland Inc)
- Lieutenant Governor: Robyn Liddell (Zonta Club of Gladstone Inc)
- Treasurer: Robyn Finlayson (Zonta Club of Dalby Inc)
- Area 1 Director: Marie Stewart (Zonta Club of Redcliffe Inc)
- Area 2 Director: Nshara Kingston (Zonta Club of Maryborough Inc)
- Area 3 Director: Roslyn Scott (Zonta Club of Paradise Point Inc)
- Area 4 Director: Libby Gleeson (Zonta Club of Toowoomba Area Inc)
- Area 5 Director: Belinda Hassan (Zonta Club of Mackay Inc) -Resigned
- Secretary: Emily Laverie (Zonta Club of Northside Inc)

Zonta International positions

Elected

- Zonta International and Zonta Foundation for Women Vice-President – Sandy Venn Brown (Zonta Club of Stanthorpe Inc)

Appointed

- Membership & Chief Club Creator – Co-Ordinator, Dr Ans Van Erp (Zonta e-Club of Queensland Inc)
- Students Sub-Committee – Member, Marie Cameron (Zonta e-Club of Queensland Inc)
- Zonta Remarkable Women Powerful Stories Podcast – Lynne Foley (Zonta Club of Toowoomba Garden City Inc)

District Conference

Mount Isa Civic Centre, Mount Isa – Theme : *“Speaking Up for Human Rights: Finding Courage and Voice”*
ZI Representative: Zonta International & Zonta International Foundation Director – Christine Dersch, Zonta Club of Marburg, Germany

Advocacy

Letter to the Premier the Hon David Chrisafulli MP and others offering congratulations on his election and seeking government’s commitment to the safety, equality and economic security of Queensland women and girls

Biennial Highlights

Orange women silhouettes advocacy project for 16 days of activism (initiated by Zonta Club of Ipswich in 2010) adopted as an international project

Receipt of Bequest from the late Dr Elaine Katte former member Zonta Club Brisbane South Inc

Launch of Zonta Australia to provide coordinated advocacy across all Districts 22, 23 and 24.

Z and Golden Z Clubs

- Formation of Tara Shire State College Hope of Community Z Club

Zonta International Award Winners

- Allegra Nutley, nominated by the Zonta Club of Brisbane Inc – Young Women in Leadership Award 2025 (retitled from Young Women in Public Affairs Award)

Disbandments

Zonta Club of Dalby Inc