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Newsletter November 2015

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President's Report

by Vice President Jenny Eldridge

Hi Ladies,

Wonderful work again by Louise in organising the Craft Fair trip - a lovely day again for all who came.

The Movie Night of the premiere for "The Dressmaker" was a great success - many thanks to Rhonda for organising it.

Many thanks to the Zontians who supported the combined Warwick Safe Haven/Zonta Rosie Batty DVD screening and community information night at Williams Hall last Tuesday night. Mary G, Jenny Loy, Faye, June, Jen-Rose, Dee, Karen and Jacinta with great food as usual and serving and cleaning up. About 60 people attended from a variety of agencies, community groups and areas of interest. Bette Bonney introduced the evening and spoke of the way that Warwick Safe Haven is currently "spreading its wings" to expand its service on the Southern Downs and the continued wonderful community support here. Again we wore our Zonta shirts and displayed our banner. There was also an opportunity for Jacinta to promote the Zonta breakfast.

A panel of workers from Qld Police Service, Domestic Violence Action Centre and

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...mercy family services then took a Q and A session. There were also valuable networking opportunities as there will be at our breakfast.

After the breakfast, the final event in our 16 days of activism will be another partnership with Warwick Safe Haven and the Peace Project - a candlelight march and vigil on December 10 - 6.00 for 6.30 pm in Leslie park. More details later but come to help carry the Zonta Says No banner and in your Zonta shirts.

Another interesting possible involvement for Zonta next year is sewing sanitary kits for girls in developing countries - Days for Girls. The advantages include keeping girls in school and therefore getting a better education. The local Allora based group is seeking assistance with sewing and funding for resources and Nola Roach has kindly completed sewing a set of material for kits due in November and also assessing the possibility of our club in joining in the local project. More news and probably working bees will be organised next year.

Finally I was privileged to represent the club at the Warwick High School Awards Night recently. I was warmly welcomed as the Zonta representative in an announcement at the beginning of the night. It is nice for our club to be recognised this way. The evening was very inspiring; showcasing the wide variety of academic, sporting and cultural achievements of the students and the great opportunities the school provides.

Regards
Jenny

Movie Night - The Dressmaker

It is safe to say that we put together a very successful movie night. Profit from the night was \$2334.50! People seemed to enjoy the movie (thanks Rhonda for securing "The Dressmaker"); the food, as always, was tasty, filling and in ample quantity; and our selection of drinks was second to none. Thank you all for your work in preparing beautiful food and selling tickets that resulted in such a successful evening.

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We'd particularly like to mention Sarah Worth (Lois's daughter and a non-member) from the Sovereign Hotel and Lois who arrived with our alcoholic drinks and bottles of water on ice and each with their own label. Very professional indeed. To top it off, at the end of the evening, Sarah would not accept payment for the drinks making a sizable donation to the club. Thank you so much Sarah. We very much appreciate your generosity.

A special mention and thanks to our Zonta men who came along and helped lug the heavy items in and out of the cinema. Our thanks and appreciation as always!



Current Campaigns

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

Young Woman's Scholarship

Each year the club invites applications for the Young Woman's

Christmas Happening!

Plans are well under way for the Zonta Club of Warwick Christmas get together. At this stage it is proposed that we meet at the back of the Library at 9.30am for a 10.00am get away and head to Glengallan Homestead for morning tea of damper or scones and tea/coffee and to check out the markets and homestead. Around 12.00 midday or earlier we'll head to Rudd's Pub for lunch. A visit to the Allora Regional Sports Museum and/or Mary Poppins House is proposed for the return trip.

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Scholarship from girls making the transition from Year 10 into Year 11 at a Warwick District School. The aim of the scholarship 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 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

bus or car pool - please let Jenny Loy know by 31 October if you are intending to go and also if you'd prefer bus or car pool.



Zonta Club of Warwick Inc

Zonta says **NO** to
violence against
women

Do your part by joining
us for breakfast

Friday
20 November 2015
6.30am for 7am
Finished by 8.30am

Kings Function Room
Warwick RSL Memorial Club

Tickets \$35
Ticket sales close at Warwick RSL
Club on Wednesday 11 November

STOP
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

ZONTA SAYS NO
TO VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

Join us for Breakfast at Kings Function Room!
Tickets from Warwick RSL

Forthcoming Events

**Zonta Says No to Violence Against Women -
Breakfast - 20 November 2015:**

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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 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.

Birthdays



Our best wishes for a very happy day!

November:

No November babies!

See flyer below.

Toowoomba Region Domestic & Family Violence Summit - 23 November 2015:

9.00am - 3.00pm - Armitage Centre, Empire Theatre, neil Street

Contact: Jenny Synnot - 07-34370482

White Ribbon Breakfast - 25 November 2015:

6.45am - 8.00 am - Clewley Park (opp Toowoomba Base Hospital)

Zumba for Zonta - 25 November 2015:

10.35am - Breathe Health Club, Cnr James, Prescott and Goggs Streets, Toowoomba

Gold coin donation

Contact: Breathe Reception - 07-46387645

Christmas Happening - 6 December 2015:

See details above.

Human Rights Day Zonta Flag Raising - 10 December 2015:

12.00 noon - Zonta Clubs of Toowoomba invite you to join them at the Village Green, 543 Ruthven Street, for a flag raising ceremony to pledge and uphold the spirit of *16 Days of Activism* which begins 25 November and ends 10 December on Human Rights Day.

Contact: Shirley Owen - 07-46327353

Candlelight March and Vigil - 10 December 2015:

Final event in the 16 Days of Activism held in partnership with Warwick Safe Haven and the Peace Project.

Leslie Park - 6.00 for 6.30pm

Zonta Area 4 Meeting - 19-20 March 2016:

To be held in Roma.

Cooking for a Cause - Zonta Club of Toowoomba - 30 April 2016:

More info to come!

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December:

- 11: Louise Clarke
- 11: Mary Goyne
- 12: Louise Cox
- 13: Jenny Loy

The **Zonta** Clubs of Toowoomba invite you to join the fun Zumba instructors at **Breathe Health Club** to launch

Zonta International's 16 days of Activism commencing with **WHITE RIBBON DAY** & finishing with **UN FLAG RAISING DAY**

Zumba is a fun way to dance & get fit.



ZUMBA FOR ZONTA

10.30am
 (Zumba session starts)
WEDNESDAY
NOV 25

@**Breathe Health Club**

Corner of James, Prescott & Goggs Street, upstairs of Centrepoint

Tel: 46 387645 Reception @Breathe or E: ajkj7761@bigpond.com



INVITATION to our TOOWOOMBA COMMUNITY to support the

Zonta Says No campaign is to raise awareness of and increase actions to end violence against women and girls around the world

Cost:

- Breathe members free
- Gold Coin donation

PLEASE WEAR ORANGE COLOURS



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Zonta Clubs of Toowoomba event

Member News

Jen-Rose Holmes shares memories of her recent travels with her daughter:

It began with a remark from my daughter Millie: "Mum when I go to Scotland to continue my uni studies in September, why don't you join me?"

It took little persuading as I was retiring from teaching in mid year so the wheels were put in motion and with a frantic last minute tidy of the house and garden (housesitters were staying) we departed Brisbane on 1st July. Our first destination was Rome, Pompeii and the Amalfi coast where we sweltered through happy days of sightseeing ancient ruins and staying in hillside villas overlooking the sea. Eating food freshly picked from the farms nearby was a gourmet's delight. Further highlights were walking along coastal trails in Wales, attending a folk festival in Cambridge, walking along the city walls in York, eating fish and chips in Whitby beside the Captain Cook monument, sailing in the Shetland Isles, visiting friends in Cracow, Poland, following the literary trail in Dublin as Lady Gregory (Yeates patron) is my ancestor and eating apples from a tree grafted from the original in my great great grandfather's walled garden.

What a wonderful experience and how blessed I am to return with these memories and be reminded of the saying: "What was once only imagined will come to fruition".

(Images of the trip below)



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A large graphic featuring a black and white portrait of a woman wearing a wide-brimmed hat. Overlaid on the right side of the portrait are vibrant, colorful abstract designs, including stylized leaves and floral patterns in shades of pink, orange, green, and blue. At the bottom right, there are silhouettes of people with their arms raised.

Young Photographer
Ceilidh Bishop
BURTSTS
onto the scene
with
EUREKA
10 December '15 - 24 January '16
Warwick Art Gallery Foyer

Ceilidh Bishop is the young local photographer who takes some of our event images. She is feature artist at the Burst Exhibition 10 December to 24 January.

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Happenings on Facebook

Since our last newsletter:

As November is Domestic and Family Violence awareness month including the 16 Days of Activism (25 Nov to 10 Dec) there have been a lot of posts shared around this theme.

Racing to Break the Cycle of Domestic Violence event was shared - 22 November at Albert Bishop Park, Nundah

The Domestic Violence Action Centre shared the news that Brisbane Women's Correction Centre fundraised \$5327 for them.

We shared the news of how pets are affected by domestic violence situations.

We gave an update on the Zonta Rose Garden.

The Domestic Violence Action Centre shared an article about NSW Police launching a 'game changing' domestic violence initiative.

We shared photographer Ashley McCowan's domestic violence awareness images - very powerful.

Zonta International shared a video explaining very simply the wage gap: Lessons in Equal Pay from Corporate America

Michelle Payne became the first female jockey to win the Melbourne Cup.

Mt Isa QPS DV unit and Neighbourhood Watch collaborated to come up with a novel way to spread the Say No to Domestic Abuse message - takeaway coffee cups!

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ACTSCARE GROUP
Along with
WARWICK COMMUNITY THEATRE
Present

A Christmas Carol
December 11th, 12th at 7pm
December 13th at 1pm
St Marks Hall
75 Grafton Street, Warwick

Adult - \$15 Children (3—12) - \$5
Aged Pensioner - \$5 Student/Concession - \$10
Family (2 Adults up to 4 Children) - \$40

 Tickets available at St Mark's Parish Building Room 3 ph: 0403 682357
or at Darling Downs Insurance Brokers, Grafton Street, Warwick

First step out for this new Warwick-based Community Theatre group

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Committee Notes

Advocacy Committee

The committee is currently working on the Young Women in Public Affairs Applications and plan to distribute them to local High Schools the week commencing 16th November. Applications close Friday, 19th February 2016, with the intention to present the award at International Women's Day Breakfast in early March 2016. Young women aged 16-19 are eligible which in the case of our district generally means girls going from Year 11 to Year 12 next year. If members know of anyone interested outside the local high schools please contact Sally Carr.

The Zonta Scholarship will be presented in the next week or so to the winning Assumption College student.

Membership Committee

The committee is currently looking into the logistics of running a heritage homes tour as part of next year's Jumpers & Jazz in July festival.

Service Committee

The "Zonta Says NO to Violence Against Women" Breakfast will be held next Friday, 20th November, at the new Kings Function Room, 6.30am for 7.00am. The Guest Speaker will be Senior Constable Wendy Brooks, District Crime Prevention Coordinator with the Queensland Police Service. Wendy has had considerable experience in the area of Domestic Violence. The Service Committee have put a lot of work into this function since mid-June this year, and are to be congratulated on their efforts.

There will be further details at the November meeting on what time the working bee will be on Thursday next at the RSL. Hopefully, we will need to do only the decorative bits, as the RSL have offered to put up the various banners and perform the more physical duties. Numbers are currently about 117 and it would be good if we can get to 120.

Calendar of Events

NOVEMBER

- 5-6 **Australian Regional Women Leaders Convention** - Melbourne: [Event Site](#)
- 20 **Zonta Says No breakfast** - Kings Function Room
- 23 **Toowoomba Region Domestic Family Violence Summit** - Armitage Centre, Empire Theatre
- 25 **White Ribbon Breakfast** - Clewley Park, Toowoomba
- 25 **Zumba for Zonta** - Breathe Health Club, Toowoomba

DECEMBER

- 6 **Christmas Happening!**
- 10 **Human Rights Day Zonta Flag Raising** - Toowoomba Village Green

MARCH 2016

- 19-20 **Zonta Area 4 Meeting** - Roma

APRIL 2016

- 30 **Cooking for a Cause** - Zonta Club of Toowoomba

JULY 2016

- 2-6 **Zonta International 63rd Convention** - Nice, France

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Next Dinner Meeting:

(3rd Tuesday of each month)

17th November - Cafe Jacqui's - 6.15 for 6.30pm start.

October Raffle: won by Kim Creighton (guest).

Please contact Sally on daveandsallycarr@hotmail.com or text message to **0421 782 962** by **Sunday 15th November**, to advise if you are bringing guests OR if you **cannot attend**.

Next Board Meeting

(1st Tuesday of each month)

December: 1st December 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).

All members are welcome to attend Board meetings.

Board 2015/2016

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Nominating Committee:

TBA

District 22 Governor: Judith Trevan-Hawke

Area 4 Director: Sandra Venn-Brown

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