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NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2025

From the President

Once again thank you all for the work you have done for our club during the past month. It is always very much appreciated. A portion of our work is done behind the scenes e.g. attending committee meetings, shopping for Bunnings BBQs, making crafty butterflies for our Fashion Parade or delivering breast cushions etc to our local hospital.

Our 32nd Birthday lunch held at The Little Lamb on 3rd August was attended by 23 Zontians, Honzons and past members of our club. We were also pleased that our Area Director Marie Stewart was able to attend. The food was delicious and the service at the restaurant was excellent. Patricia organised for our lovely birthday cake to be made and it was delicious as always.



Our Birthing Kit Day was an enormous success and was held in conjunction with Sister Veronica and her helpers at the Abbey. We had many volunteers which resulted in 1200 birthing kits being completed before lunch.

I attended the District 22 Zonta AGM information session via Zoom on 21st August where questions could be asked regarding the voting and anything relating to the conference. I will be attending the actual AGM via Zoom on Saturday 30th August at 9.00am. The voting for District Board members for 2026-2028 will be voted on via Election Buddy on 7-8 September. I will be doing the voting on behalf of our club. Lawrence will be voting at Conference on the motions as well as speaking on the motion we put forward to district. June Teller from the Zonta Club of Redcliffe will be our seconder for the motion. Mary Fuller from Brisbane Northside will be our Proxy Alternate at Conference if needed. We thank Lawrence for being our Club representative at conference.

Raffle tickets for the conference are available online on Raffletix. You don't have to be at conference to purchase these tickets. \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00.

I am still looking at our club being involved in the Twinning Program. I have a name that I will contact to find out more information. Stay tuned.

Save the Date: -

31st August Women's Health Week Sisterhood Conversations
05th September – Butterflies and Bling Fashion Parade
08th September 2025 First Responders Dinner
12-14 September 2025 District 22 Conference Mt Isa
25th September 2025 Terry Young's Longman Seniors Expo 2025
29th September 2025 National Police Remembrance Day Service
11th October 2025 International Day of the Girl



President Pam

SERVICE

Committee Report

August 2025

Birthing Kits

Thank you to all members who came along to our Birthing Kit Packing Day, the Committee felt it was a great success, with so many hands (thanks to Sister Veronica's band of helpers) although we felt that the hall was a little small, next year we will probably be in the bigger school hall. There was so much beautiful food taken along by everyone. Thank you .

I was also very happy to see Terry Young and his wife plus our two STEM Awards winners Jessica and Ariella and their families.

Thanks to Karen W and Lyn for being runners on the day.

STEM Awards

At our Service Meeting on the 15th of August, the Committee agreed that Ariella Paliza will be the most suitable candidate for the District 22 STEM Award.

She has accepted our Club's nomination and I have forwarded all the paperwork to her to complete for the District Award.

Banksia Awards

If you are able to attend any school awards night, please notify Patricia so she can allocate a school for you to present our Banksia Awards.

This will be the first year in many a year, that there will not be a **Marie Brady Award** presented to a student at Deception Bay Flexi Learning Centre.

Thanks to the financial generosity of Edith Fogg we were able to continue presenting this Award.

DV Soft Rooms

Meleitta has been delivering many blankets to the soft rooms at Burpengary and Caboolture Police Stations, with thanks to the craft ladies at Beachmere Bay.

They have received a donation for the Beachmere Bay Home Owners Association for \$250.00 so they they can buy more material for blankets.

On behalf of Zonta Caboolture I personally thanked the HOC for their generous donation.

Breast Care

Lyn and Karen W. have been busy this past month delivering breast care products to our local hospitals. Lyn has met a lady at her village (Halcyon) who would like to make turbans for us. It's a wonderful gesture which we really appreciate.

We have allocated \$300.00 of our Breast Care budget for material.

Please pass on our sincere thanks to her, Lyn.

Next Service Committee meeting Wednesday 1st October 2025

Sue Droughton Chair Service Committee

BIRTHING KIT PACKING DAYS 2025

Zonta Caboolture partnered with the Parish of St Michaels, Caboolture, to prepare 1200 birthing kits destined for developing countries. These kits help prevent infection and give a healthier birth for babies and mothers.

The kits were purchased for \$5 each and consist of a 1m square of plastic, 4 rubber gloves, 3 pieces of string, a scaple, a piece of soap and 5 pieces of gauze.

Thank you to all the Zontians and friends who came along to birthing kit packing this week. Sister Veronica, Sister Maria, Wayne and her team of helpers were amazing, the team in the kitchen provided and put out a beautiful morning tea/lunch with plenty of tea and coffee.

My sincere thanks go to Edith Fogg for driving 2 hours in the rain to be there for us all. I don't think Edith will ever want to miss a birthing kit day.

Thank you to Pam B for presenting me with my " 2025 Birthing Kit Champion " badge. I feel honoured and humble.

Warmest Regards
Sue Droughton
Zonta Caboolture





ADVOCACY

Report August 2025.

Thanks to the Advocacy Acting Committee stepping in during my absence for June/July, preparation for Advocacy Activities is up and running.

Pam Termont-Schenk has submitted the booking of the Banners for the 16 Days of Activism from 24th November to 7th December 2025. She has been told by her local member the request is being processed and hopefully will be approved. We need to confirm the dates for the booking of a table at Morayfield Shopping Centre to coincide with the 16 Days activities. This will be discussed at the next dinner meeting to gauge member availability. November 20 and 30 seem the most suitable dates to request.

Pam Termont-Schenk also raised that one of our signs has been damaged and may need replacement. She has been in discussion with Lawrence Ezedinma on the progress of new safety plaques/signs for the Health Hub. Lawrence has been in consultation with the Hub to progress the signs, but this may need to wait until he is back from the District Conference in mid-September.

Cecil Nielson has confirmed some review is needed to assess the maintenance of the Zonta Police Garden. The status and future maintenance of the garden will be discussed at the August Dinner Meeting. This is an appropriate time to review the continued supply of children's materials for the Police Soft Rooms.

The Committee plans to resume discussions with Terry Young's office on continuing the Women's and Girls' Expo and will seek to have a meeting with his office in September (after the District Conference) or October.

Susan Lepper
Advocacy Chair

What are the Zonta International Projects?

(taken from the Zonta International website)

Zonta International is passionate about providing life-changing opportunities for women and girls through international service. By partnering with agencies of the United Nations and other recognized non-governmental organizations, Zonta has improved women's health, provided better economic opportunities and prevented gender-based violence in over 61 countries. Since our first service project, Zonta has contributed more than US\$39 million to our international service projects.



Climate Empower

Learn how we are preventing climate-induced gender-based violence (GBV) and other harmful practices in Madagascar, Mozambique and South Sudan.



Ending Child Marriage

Learn how we are protecting the rights of millions of vulnerable girls and putting an end to this global violation of human rights in 12 countries in Africa and Asia.



Laaha

Learn how we are providing a virtual safe space for girls and women with information about women's health, rights and gender-based violence services.

EVENTS

EVENTS – 24 AUGUST 2025

Fashion Parade

All appears to be place. A mini working bee will be held on Thursday 4 September to put 'butterflies' to the lanterns for able decorations. If time, we will sort out the raffle prizes.

Phil Lovering will be our MC for the Fashion Parade.

Pina Colada will have clothes, shoes and bags for sale. Four models are needed. I have three at the moment. They would like someone in the size 20-22 size range. Is this you??

Kay's Catering is doing the catering this year and she will plate it and Zontians will be required to take the food to the tables.

Thank you to everyone for the amazing raffle prizes and lucky dips items.

MEMBERSHIP

The membership team of Pam Berkett, Glenda Moor and Cecil Nielson met to look at the procedure for new member inductions. It was decided to update the Membership files over coming months and think about ways of encouraging new members to join our club.

We will be replacing out of date information and reprinting the Business card and the Bookmarks in the near future.

The Selfie board is being printed and will be ready for the Fashion Parade, decorated with beautiful butterflies, made by Karen Whalan.

MEMBERS OUT AND ABOUT

Photos of Burpengary police gardens after a little tlc from Steve and Pam



Thank you Pam and Steve for tidying up the garden. Good work.

Pam



Rockers Patricia and Glenda enjoyed a night out to see Keith Urban live at the Brisbane Entertainment Centre. It was a fabulous concert and Keith mentioned his youth growing up in Brisbane and Caboolture.

