

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME PACK 2026

Membership of Zonta is an opportunity to make a difference to the lives of women and girls around the world and in our own community.

TODAY, ZONTA INTERNATIONAL HAS NEARLY 30,000 MEMBERS IN 66 COUNTRIES

Founded in Buffalo, New York, in 1919, its early members were among the first generation of college-educated women, the first generation of North American women to vote.

[READ MORE](#)



www.zonta.org

This document is updated by the Membership Committee, presented to each new member during the Induction Ceremony.

Each new member will be appointed a club mentor who will help with orientation and finding out about Zonta.

Contents As of January 2026

1 ZONTA INTERNATIONAL

- History- when started
- Symbol meaning (ZONTA)
- Yellow Rose of friendship emblem
- **Zonta International**
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Oak Brook, IL 60523 USA
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zontaintl@zonta.org
- Website – logging onto it as a member
- Zonta.org sitemap (see attachment)
- ZI board of directors
- International Conventions
- After you have joined, as a member, you will be given a certificate of membership, login details and you can give yourself a password for Zonta International and District websites.

The **Zonta emblem** symbolizes the qualities of **honesty, trust, inspiration, and the ability to work together for service**. It is derived from several Sioux Indian symbols and represents the commitment of Zontians to advance the status of women worldwide. The emblem features a letter "Z," which is the Sioux symbol for "ray of light" or "sunshine," signifying inspiration. Additionally, it embodies loyalty and the idea of "carrying together" for a common purpose, reflecting the collective efforts of Zontians in their service projects and advocacy for women's rights. zontapetoskey.com +2



- see **Zonta.org**
- see **attachment Welcome to Zonta**

Zonta Caboolture is in District 22, area 1



Zonta International District 22
<http://www.zontadistrict22.org>

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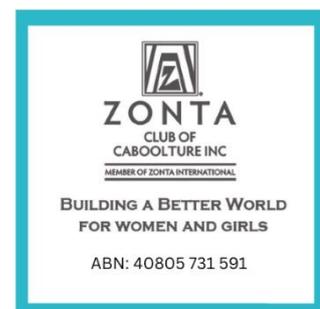
Zonta International **District 22** comprises 45 Zonta Clubs throughout Queensland plus the Zonta Club of Northern Rivers Inc in New South Wales.

District Governor: (2025-6) Petra Ladwig
Area 1 Director: Marie Stewart (Redcliffe Zonta Club)
District Conference and Area Meetings tbc

All the information you need will be in these two websites as well as the zontacaboolture.org.au

3 ZONTA CLUB OF CABOOLTURE

- Chartered 3 August 1993
- Website, Email address, other media including Facebook and Instagram
- Membership fees (1 April AA to 31 May AB) \$200 new member, \$170 renewal pa Which includes ZI fee, district fee and club fee
- AGM to elect new Board May-June
- Members details (see *attachment – Membership directory*)
- logo



3 CLUB PUBLICATIONS AND MEDIA

- Annual budget (Planning Day in January, budget for year Jan to Dec)
- Annual Calendar (Jan to Dec)
- Annual Audit – April
- Website
- Facebook, Instagram
- Email **www.zontaclubcaboolture@gmail.com**
- Business Card
- Club brochure
- Information bookmark
- Safetycards
- Radio 101.5 interview

4 COMMITTEES

- Service
- Advocacy
- Membership
- Events

Note: You are able to attend any of the committee meetings. You will be encouraged to find out more about our club's projects by attending the Committee meetings.

Service Committee

Aims and Objectives:

Projects include both local and international initiatives

For Local projects see the website **zontacaboolture.org**

For Zonta International Projects, see the website **zonta.org**

Advocacy Committee

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Membership Committee

The membership committee looks after members by:

- Promoting the club in the local community and inviting new members
- Club Policy and Procedures for New Member Referral and Acceptance
- Providing guidance and information about Zonta to new members
- Mentoring new members about ZI, District 22, Area 1 and the Zonta Club of Caboolture
- Explaining Meeting procedure including following Robert's Rules for efficient meetings
- Maintaining a warm and supportive membership team representing all members of our club
- Following guidelines from Zonta International
- Maintaining a register of members, recording attendances etc
- Recording the receipt of membership fees and following up on the payment of District 22 and Zonta International membership fees

Events Committee

Events committee plans for fundraising events throughout the year. All club members take part in raising funds to be spent on Service and Advocacy projects, decided at Planning Day in January.

Approximately one-third of money raised is sent to Zonta International for International Service Projects. The remaining two-thirds is used for local service and advocacy projects.

(see Zonta.org for international projects and zontacaboolture.org.au for local projects)

5 MEETINGS

Committee meetings held in the second week of the month

Venue tba

Dinner meetings held in the *Caboolture Bridge Club, 10 Short Street, Caboolture 4510* on the last Wednesday of the month from 6pm for a 6.30 start.

Cost: \$40 (includes a \$10 Admin fee). If an apology by Monday before date of the meeting, only the Admin fee is payable. Late apology will incur full cost of the meal.

Meeting Procedure: follows Robert's rules

Robert's Rules of Order provides a structured framework for conducting meetings, ensuring fairness, order, and the rights of all members.

Key Principles

1. **One Thing at a Time:** Only one topic or motion can be discussed at a time, ensuring clarity and focus during meetings.
2. **Equal Rights:** Every member has the same rights to speak, vote, and participate in discussions, promoting inclusivity.
3. **Majority Rules:** Decisions are made when more than half of the members vote in favor, ensuring that the majority opinion prevails while still respecting minority rights.
4. **Protect the Minority:** Even if outvoted, every member has the right to express their views and be heard.
5. **Discussion Before Deciding:** Every motion should be open to fair discussion before a vote is taken, allowing for thorough consideration of all viewpoints.

Common Motions

- **Main Motion:** A proposal to take action or express an opinion. It must be seconded before discussion can begin.
- **Amendment:** A change to the wording of a motion under discussion. It requires a second and is voted on before returning to the main motion.
- **Motion to Table:** To temporarily set aside a motion for later discussion, allowing the group to focus on more urgent matters.
- **Motion to Close Debate:** Also known as "calling the question," this motion ends discussion and brings the assembly to a vote on the pending question.
- **Motion to Refer:** To send a motion to a committee for further study or investigation before making a decision.

Meeting Structure

A typical meeting following Robert's Rules includes the following steps:

1. **Call to Order:** The presiding officer opens the meeting.
2. **Roll Call:** Attendance is taken to ensure a quorum is present.
3. **Approval of Minutes:** The minutes from the previous meeting are reviewed and approved.
4. **Reports:** Officers and committees provide updates on their activities.
5. **Old Business:** Discussion of unresolved issues from previous meetings.
6. **New Business:** Introduction of new motions and topics for discussion.
7. **Announcements:** Any additional information or reminders are shared.
8. **Adjournment:** [The meeting is formally closed.](#)

[By following these simplified rules, groups can conduct meetings more effectively, ensuring that all members have a voice and that decisions are made in an orderly and democratic manner.](#)

An agenda is prepared, minutes are recorded by the secretary, and the treasurer receives and records money taken. An Auditor is appointed for our financial records.

(See attachment - Club Constitution)

The Board of Directors meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month in the office of Terry Young MP, King Street Caboolture

6 YOUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS (changeover JUNE ea YEAR)

2025-2026

President	Pam Berkett
Vice President	Lawrence Ezedinma
Secretary	Patricia Clunes
Treasurer	Karen McNab
Director	Meleitta Lowrey
Director	Annette Lovering

New Member's Induction

Performed by the President and chair of Membership Committee

- Ceremony program printed
- Zonta Club Name Badge
- Zonta International Pin
- Table placecard with Name
- Yellow Rose of Friendship
- Zonta Says No cap and bag
- Information re shirts available for purchase
- Welcome Pack

Contents and Attachments:

Zonta – Welcome to Zonta
Zonta International website map
Membership Directory
Robert's rules for meetings
Zonta Caboolture Constitution
Budget for 2005-6
Annual Calendar Jan - Dec