

DIARY DATES

DINNER MEETING
Thursday 19th JULY
Coral Sea Resort Jetty
6.15 for 6.30pm start
Presentation Bianca & Portia Large
introducing Literacy Project

UN BREAKFAST SESSION
Monday 30th JULY
7.30am Capers – Robyn
‘Burma and Human Rights’

BOARD MEETING
6pm Thursday 2nd AUGUST

UN COMMITTEE Meeting
Tuesday 7th AUGUST
4.30pm at Capers

DISTRICT 24 CONFERENCE
TWEED HEADS NSW
7th to 9th SEPTEMBER

WORLD NEWS
11th JULY
WORLD POPULATION DAY

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Advancing the Status of Women Worldwide



From the President's desk

Hello girls

The recipe books have sold very well in the last two weeks with an amount of \$270 and \$185 respectively. (Dare anyone escape Sue when she's on a roll!). The binoculars brought in \$300 over a period of two weeks. This totals \$755 of pure profit in the two weeks with only a couple of hours effort put in by Zontians. Not bad at all....

Everyone has received their roster for the recipe books by now – I have everything stored at my home so the first girls on for the morning have to pick everything up from me the day before or early on Saturday morning. The last one to please bring back to me.

Let's all congratulate Wendy on her second place in her age group in the recent 42.2klm marathon on the Gold Coast. She was pipped at the post by 60 seconds by a Japanese man. Well done Wendy... it does us good just sitting back and being proud of you.

We must have all names of apologies and guests for our General meetings in by PM Tuesday of the week. Coral Sea Resort have told us that they cannot accept anything after that. Any extra meals must be chosen from the menu. The reason for this is that Chef orders in especially for us. Any apology after Tuesday must be paid for by the person apologizing. I will speak more on this at our next meeting.

There are about 22 people going to the David Campbell concert in Mackay in August. All have paid and Robyn has organised a great rate for the bus to take us there and back. We will have a very special time, I'm sure. These are the rewards for all the hard that we do.

Look forward to seeing you all on July 19th at our next General Meeting (just hope it's not as wintry as the last one!).
Love, Carole

RELAY FOR LIFE:

I believe all of our 'Wonderful Women' should be really, really proud to have been a part of this community effort. We all owe **Wendy and her Team a huge thanks** for their tremendous efforts in organising this major community event. *FJ*

"You should all be extremely proud that **a total of \$65,595.70** has been banked for the Whitsunday Relay. Can you believe, that is \$38,000 more than last year? You have all become the benchmark for towns across Queensland. On behalf of the Cancer Council Queensland, I thank you. You raise money for many projects conducted by the Cancer Council, such as the cervical cancer research by Professor Ian Frazier".

*Chrissy Mau, Mackay Community Liaison Officer,
The Cancer Council Queensland*

World Population Day 11 July

This year the focus on World Population is on young people. In her statement, the **UNFPA Executive Director, Thoraya Obaid**, remarks "All over the world, young people want to be heard and involved. They possess the ideas, determination and energy to accelerate effective action to reduce poverty and inequality. It is clear that the [Millennium Development Goals](#) will not be met unless young people are actively involved in policy making and programming, their voices are heard, their needs are met and their human rights are respected."

Kafi Annan, UN Secretary General ...

"The theme of this year's World Population Day '**One billion adolescents: the right to health, information and services**' highlights the need to support young people in their efforts to lead safe, rewarding lives and contribute to the well-being of their families and communities. Information and services are also crucial in the fight against AIDS and the broader quest for good health. Young people should know how the HIV virus is transmitted, and how to protect themselves from infection. Throughout the world, millions of boys and girls are deprived of an education, harming their individual prospects and those of society at large. In some countries, half of all girls are married before the age of 18, often resulting in early child-bearing that poses serious health risks to both mother and child. Experience shows that educated women are more likely to marry later, and have healthy and better educated children who will pass on these benefits from one generation to the next. Education and information also influence how many children they will have. If a woman were to wait until age 23, instead of age 18, to have her first child, that alone could **reduce the momentum in population growth by over 40%**. One of every six people on earth is an adolescent. In the developing world, more than 40% of the population is under age 20. The decisions these young people make will shape our world and the prospects of future generations. On this World Population Day, let us recognise their right to health, information and services they need and deserve."

Call to Conference

"Looking back – Looking forward"

"Wisdom of the past that can be applied to the future"

You are cordially invited and will be warmly welcomed to the Zonta International District 24 Conference at Twin Towns Services Club, Tweed Heads, NSW on **7th, 8th & 9th September**. The details of the District 24 Conference are available by clicking the link on the front page of the District 24 Website www.zontadistrict24.org.

Those who wish to book and pay online can do so by using the 'Zontians register on line' link found on the left side of the front page of the site. Those who wish to fill in a form and submit a cheque can do so by downloading and printing off one of the 'registration forms' from the front page of the district website. **Early bird booking privileges finish on the 31st July**, so please book now.

If you have any questions, please contact President Carole.

A warm Welcome was extended to seven Member guests at our June Dinner Meeting – Cheryl Arthur, Debbie Friend, Jill Harland, Victoria Jane Rafael, Sandy Garland, Helen Murphy and Raelene.

Fantastic – let's see if we can beat this number in July!

★★ 2007 - 2008 Committee **

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President - Carole Brauner
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Directors – Roz Jennings, Kay Harris, Connie Riley
Parliamentarian – Pam Graham

Committee Chairs

UNITED NATIONS – Leigh Robinson
PR&COMMUNICATIONS/NEWSLETTER – Luella Mackay
SOCIAL/MEMBERSHIP – Sue Hansen
SOWS – Connie Riley & members as Event Chairs
YWPA – Wendy Downes

Directors

SOCIAL/MEMBERSHIP – Roz Jennings
SOWS – Connie Riley
UN / PR&C / IWD BREAKFAST – Kay Harris

Duties of Directors: Direct support to committees, mentoring and reporting back to the Board on activities, and supplying reports to Editor 'ReefTalk'.

Nominating Committee 2008

Marlene (Chair), Leigh, Cath, Wendy

Introducing the Committees and Chairs

Finance

Linda (Chair), Sue, Carole

Organisation/Membership

Sue (Chair), Roz, Wendy

Public Relations & Communications

Luella (Chair), Annie, Eunice, PJ, Joan, Kerry, Kay

United Nations

Leigh (Chair), Sharon, Joanne, Roz, Janine, Pam, Luella, Julie

SOWS

***Health Advocacy** – **Noelene (Chair)**, Robyn, Angela, Janine, Julie

***Prevention of Violence against Women** – **PJ (Chair)**, Linda

***Young Women in Public Affairs** – **Wendy (Chair)**, Joanne, Kerry, Sharon

***IWD Breakfast/Brunch** – **Julie (Chair)**, Marlene, Joanne, Adele, Sharon, Kerry, Eunice, Melody (to liaise with PR&C)

***Pamper Packs/hampers** – **Adele (Chair)**, Kay

***AFADU** – **Sue (Chair)**, Connie, Carole, Sandii

***Rotary Boat Show/Zonta Food Court** – **Sheryn (Chair)** plus all members as per roster

***Reef Festival Parade** – **Sheryn (Chair)**, Melody, Lyn

***Film Evening/Fashion Parade** – **Annie (Chair)**, Janine, Linda, Adele

***Christmas party/progressive dinners** – **Sandii (Chair)**, Roz, Marlene, Carole, Wendy

***Social with Lions** – **Sue (Chair)**, Connie, Wendy

***Fundraising Binoculars** – **Robyn (Chair)**, Sue, Carole, Connie, Janine

***Cookbook sales** – Roz to organize ongoing rosters for markets
(Each Chair to nominate their own Event photographer)

NOTE: Sheets to be completed at the commencement and end of each project/activity to keep records of club activities. If these are done at the time of the activity, they shouldn't be too onerous and will save having to compile stats from memory. It will also give a good guide as to what was successful and what should be done again in the future. All forms to be forwarded to the appropriate Director.
Vice President Robyn

ZONTA INFORMATION CORNER

For the benefit of our new members

Status of Women Service Committee (SOWS)

What is this Committee all about ?

It is the responsibility of the Status of Women Service Committee to recommend action to support Zonta's Objects and its mission to advance the Status of Women, and make appropriate studies and recommendations for club service projects.

The Goals:

- * To improve the legal, political, economic, educational, health and professional status of women.
- *To provide service at the local and global level.
- *To increase our commitment to service by the wise use of time, talent and money.
- *To empower women to make life changing choices.

Organising an effective SERVICE Project:

Motivate and involve the personal support of the membership, in terms of time, energy and finances.

Appeal to the media and general public through the Public Relations committee.

Raise funds from the general public as well as the members.

Enable easy planning, not too time consuming.

Plan well in advance with clear delegation of duties.

Reach a target that is totally realistic.

Communicate with the area, district and Zonta Int Service Committees to inform them of the Club's Service activities.

Maintain detailed records of all service projects, and place all media coverage in Archives.

Inspiring Women!!

Bowen is a very proud town right now – why is this???

Nicole Kidman has been in their midst for the past 6 weeks for the shooting of Baz Luhrmann's film "Australia."

Earlier this year Nicole, who is the UNIFEM Goodwill Ambassador, joined UN officials in calling for more resources and actions to end violence against women.

"We all know in our heads and our hearts that every woman is entitled to a life free of violence.

Let's make that a reality. Let's end violence against women,"

Kidman said at an event commemorating the 10th Anniversary of the UN Trust Fund.



From the Editor

Zonta International Convention 2008

For the two years to come, this special Zonta International website will communicate about the **Convention in Rotterdam in 2008** to all Zontians in the world. We will try to keep you informed as much as possible. If there are any questions, remarks or suggestions, do not hesitate and mail us zonta2008@congreg.nl.

Holland is a very transparent country, where we are used to being very open and broadminded. Be welcome in Rotterdam and see you in 2008!

Ingeborg van 't Hoogerhuijs

Chair ZI Convention Rotterdam 2008 Committee



Introductionmovie Rotterdam

1-06-2008 This movie gives a good impression on The Netherlands and especially Rotterdam, the city that will host the Zonta International Convention in 2008.

To watch the movie, please click on the link 'Read more'.

Rotterdam – La City in 2008

12-06-2007 Rotterdam, pre-eminently a masculine city, is to be 'La City '08' for one month in 2008. From 14 June to 12 July 2008 inclusive, the city is going to focus on its feminine aspects. For a whole month, Rotterdam will present its feminine, seductive, intellectual, intercultural and hospitable side.

Birthday babes

Many happy returns to our July gals
Angela 15th Joanne 22nd Ann 25th PJ 31st



August Zontians – Adele 24th & Sandii 25th

Subject: Zonta FW: Women's misconceptions

As you know, our District 24 is a member of the Australian Women's Coalition (AWC). The Australian Federation of Medical Women is also a member, the representative of which sent the following email. *Patricia Lawson, Gov District 24*

"Most women will go for the mammogram and breast screen when in fact a good general exam (including blood pressure) and screening blood tests is more likely to save their life. In a developed country Death from Heart disease, cerebrovascular disease and diabetes = 47% of women's Compared with Death from breast cancer = 4%. 'This does not mean you should not have your pap smear and mammogram - but it does indicate other "things" should be done to decrease your chance of death!"

Dr Gabrielle Casper

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Member Profile

JULIE BOSS

Date of Birth: 30th January 1976

Joined Zonta: This year

Background: Moved to the Whitsundays last August (from South Australia, originally Mount Gambier and for many years Adelaide), with my husband Skipper Tony Boss, in search of sunshine, opportunities, and a relaxed life style (goodbye peak hour traffic!)

How I heard about Zonta: I first heard about Zonta through Joanne Richardson, who spoke to me very passionately about international humanitarian issues, and made me very curious about the club and the work Zontians do!

Reason for joining Zonta:

I had in the last couple of years begun to be more conscious of issues which affect women, particularly international issues, and wondered what one person can do to make a difference. Also, being new to the area I was interested in meeting people and becoming a part of the local community. Hearing about Zonta and finding out about its projects, I was very enthusiastic - I felt the club could give me an opportunity to work together with others to make a difference in some way, and have fun along the way.

Zonta Committees:

UN committee, International Womens Day Breakfast/Brunch committee, Health Advocacy Committee (Breast Care Nurse).

Career background and current career info:

Interior Designer by trade (studied Bach of Interior Architecture at the University of South Australia), and over the years have also worked in hospitality and administration roles, and had one wonderful year working and travelling overseas. Currently working at reception at Club Crocodile Resort, and hope to begin my own Interior Design consultancy by the end of this year.

Family: My family are all in South Australia, though my Parents and Grandmother have purchased a holiday home here in Cannonvale to escape the winter blues down South!

Favourite activities outside work and Zonta:

Getting outside and enjoying this beautiful place.

Anything relating to music or singing.

Last week I tried my hand at Wild Turkey Poker - and had a ball!

Future goals:

To live a balanced and joyful life. To work hard and play hard, and to make the most of each day.



Showcasing Ms JULY – Julie Boss

(Let's hear it for the South Aussies – Julie, Robyn, Luella)

Thanks for sharing with us Julie – just don't overdo the Wild Turkey!! Good luck. Luella

Let's hear it for the Blondes!!!

Blonde goes over to her friend's house wearing a T.G.I.F. t-shirt.

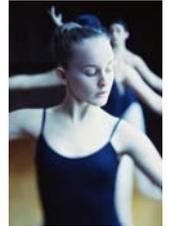
"Why are you wearing a Thank GOD It's Friday tee-shirt on Monday?"

"Oh bugger" the blonde says. "I didn't realize it was a religious t-shirt. I thought it meant "Tits Go In Front."

Jessica Bailey - a ballerina on the move

Morning of highs - Whitsunday Times, March 2004

"More than 120 women celebrated IWD at a breakfast hosted by Zonta at Coral Sea Resort. Guests wore authentic oriental dress, in keeping with the theme of the International Year of Rice. As part of its mandate to promote the status of women, *Zonta President Annie Lloyd-Lewis* presented local sisters **Jessica** (12) and **Madeline Bailey** (11) with a cheque for \$1,000 to assist them to pay registration fees for a prestigious workshop with the Queensland Youth Ballet. The girls performed two of their Eisteddford routines to show the audience their talents and



the bright future that lies ahead of them."

Jessica dances into big time - Whitsunday Times

'Chill', July 5-11, 2007

"From local Airlie beach girl to one of Brisbane's most promising ballet dancers, **Jessica Bailey** is a ballerina on the move. Since moving to Airlie Beach in 1997, the 15-year-old has pirouetted, leaped and pranced her way through Whitsunday Dance Connection, where principal Jenny Featherstone had to push her onto the next level. Jessica auditioned for the Queensland Conservatoire of Ballet and was quickly accepted and moved to Brisbane early this year, where she hopes to complete a two-year diploma course. A new life with a home-stay family has been a real learning curve for the young girl. "It's hard sometimes, organising everything myself," she said. "But I love dancing and I want to audition for major dance companies when I turn 18." With the goal of joining a ballet company, either in Australia or overseas, who knows where in the world this Airlie Beach girl will end up.

One thing is almost certain. It will be on STAGE."

Editor

NEW WEBSITE for Claire Hubbert (former Zontian)

The website has been launched for small businesses to assist them in meeting their compliance obligations. It also includes a full Health & Safety Manual to assist businesses to meet their obligations in respect of Workplace Health & Safety.

Please feel free to have a look at the website. Claire

www.simplysystems.com.au/about_us.html

FROM THE UNITED NATIONS COMMITTEE.....

United Nations Breakfast

The next UN breakfast will be held on **Monday 30 July, 7.30am** at Capers. Zontian Robyn Mitchell will give a talk on Burma and human rights abuses with examples of projects in place there. If you would like to attend, could you please email Leigh at leigh.robinson@bigpond.com so that we can organise the right number of tables and chairs. There is no need to send apologies.

Guest Speakers for next general meeting

Two young women, Portia and Bianca Large will speak to members at the beginning of the next meeting, outlining a literacy project that they have initiated within the community.
UN Chair, Leigh Robinson

Another Inspiring Woman!

Betty Churcher, Australia's female art supremo, former Director of the Australian National Gallery in Canberra, officially opened and judged the artwork at *Art Whitsunday's 20th Annual Exhibition* on Friday July 6th. The exhibition runs until July 14th.

Thought for the Month

"I'm always fascinated by the way memory diffuses fact." **DIANE SAWYER**

From the Editor



Member Snippets....

Two members have a surprise for the next meeting.
 Ann Cleghorn is travelling Europe for a few months.
 Connie will be back after her extensive overseas holiday at the end of July. Postcard received from Moscow.
 Roz will be going on a nice long European holiday after the next meeting.
 PJ has been diving up north and staying at Lizard Island.
 Robyn is being a full time Grandma in Adelaide for a couple of weeks.
 Sandii is starting to work normally with no more thousands of klms to drive.
 Marie has finally become a lady of leisure.
 Kay Harris has moved house.
 Joan Watson has a new car.
 Linda Wilkinson is happy again.
 Now that filming has gone to Darwin, Pam is back from Bowen.
 Sue's new house is moving along finally.
 Eunice is back from Jakarta after visiting her son, daughter-in-law and TWO grandsons. Congratulations Granma!
 Luella is back from camping in the Daintrees/ Cape Trib.
 Jan McKinnon is still on an extensive overseas trip.
 The rest of us will keep the club running.

Supplied by Carole

See you on the 19th... please don't forget to inform Wendy of any apologies or guests you are bringing by **PM TUESDAY**. Luella

Lucy's homecoming

Lucy Fraser arrived home on Monday 25th June. She had travelled from London over the past 2 days. Although tired, she was excited to see family and friends and talked non-stop about her adopted family in Cusco and the wonderful friends she'd made in Peru. Later, at her house, we listened to Peruvian pipe music and heard tales of making mud bricks, seeing the sun and clouds rise over Macchu Picchu, and living with a generous yet poor family. It means that we will have a lot to ask her about when she comes to tell us more at our Zonta August meeting. Cheers, Robyn



Lucy's family



Why are these Zontians smiling & wearing tiaras?
 See what you miss when you miss a monthly meeting?
 Heaps of fun, that's what!



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