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***AREA 3***

***DISTRICT 22***

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***NEWSLETTER –APRIL 2012***

DINNER MEETING DETAILS

*“BRA ROUND UP”*

*In support of “OXFAM”*

 *THERE IS A PRIZE FOR THE PERSON WHO BRINGS THE MOST!!!!*

Tweed Heads Sports Club at 4 Minjungbal Drive, Tweed Heads South,

in the The Secret Garden room on Monday 16th April

**6-30, FELLOWSHIP DINNER 7PMCOST $20-00**

***Guest speaker:***

***Jill Stephan – Operation Uganda***

**APOLOGIES to MARIE-ELISE *By SUNDAY 15th April***

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FAILURE TO DO SO MEANS YOU WILL BE CHARGED FOR DINNER

***THOUGHT OF THE MONTH***

**All change is not growth, as all movement is not forward.** [**Ellen Glasgow**](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/quotes/e/ellenglasg104512.html)

**Advancing the Status of Women World Wide**

Presidents Report April 2012.

The Easter Holiday weather was just wonderful; I trust that you were able to be out and about to work off any excess chocolate. I certainly welcomed the extra time off work.

Information gathered at the 2012 Area 1 & 3 Meeting proved as always to be beneficial.

The workshop theme Exploring Our Zeco System-Zonta Eco System “Working in Harmony”,

Included workshops; Changes in our “Zeco-system” Diversity in Membership. This was of particular interest as our club was to present “Widening the horizons for membership”, later in the day. Also Revival of our “Zeco-system” – New ideas & Interpersonal Behaviours.

Balance in our “Zeco-system”-Social Interaction & Zonta Business. The Centre of our “Zeco-system”- Passion, Emotion & Advocacy. These topics highlighted the sometimes fine line between balancing business, fellowship and the need to keep meetings informative, interesting whilst still conducting the necessary Zonta Business, all within a timely manner.

 I have been made aware that members feel at times they are bombarded with e-mails. I know this can be painful; however I am required to keep members informed and update

A suggestion has been that bulk monthly e-mails be circulated in folder prior to the dinner meeting. I encourage feedback as the alternative is that this information be delivered at the meeting; this of course would extend the meeting time considerably.

Brisbane Metro Breakfast- “Project Now” linking Zonta ideals with other organizations. NOW Nurturing Our Women will afford the opportunity for Zonta Clubs to work collaboratively with the Salvation Army, & Rotary International to provide residential care for women recovering from addiction. I encourage you to read the information that I have previously circulated. T.E.A.M. Together Everyone Achieves More.

Redcliffe Zonta Clubs Breast Cancer Video “Side by Side”. A documentary DVD made available to help breast cancer patients, their families and friends to understand the journey they are about to take. This presentation was made all the more insightful with Jayne Coe sharing her story. Jayne was diagnosed with breast cancer in 2004, 2008 and 2011.

These projects were but 2 examples of what can be done when ideas turn to inspiration combined with a passion to achieve a positive outcome.

The new member information day will now be held on May 6th. Please contribute your time or bring a potential member along, our club needs a boost. Membership is vital to keep our projects and fund raising alive.

I look forward to seeing you at our next dinner meeting April 16th. Our guest speaker will be Jill Stephan who is a member of Operation Uganda which addresses the alleviation of extreme poverty, helping with the orphan crisis and battling the AIDs pandemic within Uganda and will be showing us products handmade by Women’s Empowerment groups in Kampala, and a small variety of other craft and jewellery from Uganda and neighbouring countries. These will be for sale on the day/evening with all profits going back to Operation Uganda to help run more women’s programmes and care for the children in the orphanage “Jordan House”

ANZAC Day is fast approaching, a time to remember not only the sacrifices our armed forces endured, but to remember also the contribution made by women, wives, mothers and daughters so that this generation can enjoy the freedom and benefit from life in such a wonderful country.

Kind regards,

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**MARCH MONTHLY REPORT FROM**

**Marie-Elise Allen,
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Friday, 13 April 2012

**Action taken during the months of March 2012:**

Having spent most of March either out of the country or travelling as a Nanny (paid work - nice if you can get it), it feels as though not much has been achieved by me this month. However, I was back for the IWD Breakfast and take my hat off to Lesley-Anne Blacklock and my fellow Zontians who pulled together yet another fantastic celebration of International Women's Day. Please ensure you check out our facebook page and LIKE the page as well as watch the video of the breakfast and see the photos.

**Birthing Kits:**

 The application form has been completed and forwarded to the Foundation for 1000 birthing kits to be assembled on or around 5th August 2012. As the price per kit has risen to $3 each PLEASE ask for a tin and place it at your local Chiropractor, Bakery, Coffee shop and help us raise the much needed funds. All you need do is check on whether the tin is full and needs replacing or not once in a while.

 The exact number of birthing kits is dependent on funds raised at mid-year, however I am hoping and going for $1000. This means we need to raise $3000 by July.

**Membership:**

It is the rersponsibility of each member of the Club to spread the word about Zonta. There are only 10 of us, and we need to encourage friends, co-workers and others to come along and see what we do. Please help us increase membership and remain viable as a club, by bringing along friends to the Monday meeting on 16th April. Please, also bring your old, no longer used bras for us to send to Oxfam. The more the merrier and this is a great opportunity for a fun night especially with such an interesting Guest Speaker , Jill Stephan from Operation Uganda. There will even be some craft and jewellry available on the night.

I have double booked myself for Sunday 29th April which was to be our membership information morning at South Tweed Sports Club, so this date has been changed to the following Sunday May 6th at 11.am in the Secret Garden room.

If you know of anyone who may be interested in becoming a member, please encourage them to come to this introduction. It will be approximately 1.5 hours in duration.

**Fundraising:**

 Please ask for a collection tin and have it placed in a local store where the public can donate $2 or more in our efforts to raise funds for the birthing kits.

 4CRB Community Billboard is very kindly giving airplay to Monday 16th's dinner meeting and bra collection.

Marie-Elise Allen

Membership Chair