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President's Patter

I attended the area meeting for incoming Presidents of the Zonta clubs on Sunday 7th August and was pleased to see that our club is doing very well. The Brisbane clubs have a number of membership challenges due to so many clubs meeting in the city and not being attached to a suburb or local area. The Breakfast club runs its committee meetings almost entirely via email and use periodic direct debit for the dinner fees or if members don't attend, then the administration fee is charged. Interestingly, their club raised \$45,000 for birthing kits and completed 15,000 of these kits in the past year.

The Noosa club raised \$36,000 in 10 days with their recycled fashion in a 'pop-up' shop. Apparently the ladies have no designer clothes, shoes or bags left!

Flyers for the Race Day on 16th October will be circulated shortly and the plans for the 'Fire and Ice' cocktail party for IWD in March are looking spectacular, thanks to Lynette and her team.

So much work on the RISE project has been going on behind the scenes. The Advocacy committee has worked frantically to complete an application to the Gaming Fund for fixtures and fittings for the house. A number of letters have been prepared to go to politicians and some 'bloody difficult' women in the community but are on hold while sensitive discussions go on between the politicians. Negotiations are complete with Coast2Bay regarding tax-deductible donations to RISE but to do this, they need to be the lead agency on the flyers as they are a registered charity that can provide tax receipts. A bold slogan has been chosen; '\$90,000 in 90 days' as this is what is needed to get the house built and finished. By making donations tax deductible, business and individuals are more likely to give generously. It is hoped that the flyers can go to the My Preview luncheon, Gary Crick lunch, Zonta Race Day, Caloundra Chamber of Commerce function and newsletter and that we can get some prominent women to promote our cause.

It is also hoped that with a bit of public pressure, the government may be persuaded to grant some funds to RISE. Apologies to those who brought wine or beer at the last meeting. A price of \$5 for house wine and beer had been negotiated but the wait staff was not aware of this when I spoke to them on the night.

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(President's Patter continued)

The manager has assured me that the cost is \$5 for house wine/beer at future meetings; however, the option to buy something of your choice at bar rates remains.

Thank you all for your support and hard work on behalf of Zonta, there is often a lot going on at committee levels to make each activity a success.

Kelly

Reports

Board Meeting Summary

- ✚ Membership will take care of invites and bookings for dinner meetings.
- ✚ Dinner fees from August meeting were added after last meeting. See report.
- ✚ Admin account and fundraising account: corrections made
- ✚ Members should be encouraged to set up a periodic direct debit for dinner meetings and to cancel if not attending.
- ✚ Invitation to donate to the installation '1 Million Stars to end domestic violence' at Noosa Civic Centre. Service Committee to consider within Zonta's aims and advise members at next meeting.
- ✚ Invitation from Lyn Agnew to join Brisbane North Zonta club on 12 the September as Professor Clare Tilbury is the speaker: Inaugural Leneen Forde Chair of Child and Family Research; Planning better futures for young people in care.
- ✚ Judy has emailed the 5 prospective members about meetings.
- ✚ The Service committee decided to postpone launch of Zed club until next year due to school demands.
- ✚ Bursaries to be promoted in 3-week's time. Desley to look at website and contact Ros Kinder from Zonta re accessing website.
- ✚ Collection of diaries for Illuka and possibly, Lavally Lodge, to commence.
- ✚ Marilyn reported on events with RISE. Brochure presented with theme of '\$90,000 in 90 days' suggested but yet to be accepted. Campaign needs to be approved by Coast2Bay. Once this is done, Marilyn will take the brochures to Maleny Green print.
- ✚ Vicki will chase up Caloundra Chamber of Commerce for costing to put the flyer into their monthly magazine.
- ✚ Mark McArdle, Peter Wellington and Andrew Wallace are aware of the issues and supportive.
- ✚ Donations to RISE via Everyday Hero site is being considered.
- ✚ Marilyn and Jillie are preparing a submission to the Gaming Fund for fixtures and fittings for the house for \$35,000 and is due by end of August.
- ✚ Vicki and Kim will represent Zonta at the Cricks fundraising luncheon.
- ✚ Zonta T-shirts are running low. Jillie will raise this at the next meeting.
- ✚ Jillie is attending as our rep at the community meeting with Mark McArdle.
- ✚ Race day poster is almost complete and will be emailed to members
- ✚ IWD cocktail party: Gallery is only available on the 10th March. Board agreed with this in principal. Theme: 'Fire and Ice'. Cost: \$85 per person. Possible: Jessica Watson or Detective Senior Sergeant Tanya Swift.
- ✚ Tickets will be sold at outlets.
- ✚ Sponsorship needed for the event. Needs a minimum of \$500 to have logo displayed.
- ✚ Club to look at the Zonta 'Talent release form' for all members to give permission to use images.

Calendar

KEY DATES:

6 th September	Dinner Meeting - Wildflower Restaurant)
4 th October	Dinner Meeting - Wildflower Restaurant
16 th October	Race Day
1 st November	Melbourne Cup Day - Club Fellowship Day/Lunch
8 th November	Dinner Meeting in lieu of 1 st November meeting
25 th November	White Ribbon Day
25 th Nov to 10 th Dec	16 days of Activism
6 th December	Christmas Function
January	no meeting
7 th February	first Dinner Meeting for 2017
Friday 10 th March 2017	IWD Venue to be advised

UN WOMEN IN AUSTRALIA



A girl's view of the 17 sustainable development goals - in pictures

'If you don't know where to start with the SDGs, start with women and girls everything else will fall into place,' said UN Women head Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka recently. These photographs of women and girls all over the world illustrate each of the 17 SDGs. The exhibition was part of last year's "European Week of Action for Girls"

Anna Leach

The European Week of Action for Girls website (see above link)
is well worth viewing

This month's Member Profile introduces Chris Adler



I was born in Cootamundra, a small town in the central west of NSW. When I was 11 we moved to Sydney where my parents thought that my brother and I would gain a better education and more opportunities. I graduated from Turrumurra High School and subsequently enrolled at the University of NSW to achieve a degree in Science, but due to illness, never completed my degree. Always loving maths, I took a position as an accounts assistant and was involved in the transition of accounts to a computerised system. This was when I discovered an interest and talent for data entry, computer operations and later, programming.

I then married and to support my husband in a business venture moved with my family back to the country, owning and operating motels for 5 years. It was over that period that my first 3 children were born, 2 boys and a girl. We then returned to Sydney, owning and operating a retail business before I had the opportunity to return to IT, becoming the Data Processing Manager with a Commercial Shipping Company. Unfortunately my first marriage ended.

I later remarried my soulmate and we have now been together for 25 years. This was followed once again, by going in to business for ourselves writing software and providing information solutions to companies in the transport industry. In 2003 Warren and I made the decision to move closer to our families, with parents on both sides becoming unwell, so we moved to Grafton on the North Coast of NSW and bought a retail/wholesale Fruit & Vegetable Market. Our 2 sons were born 17 months apart soon after. This made us a real Brady Bunch, Warren having 2 children, a boy and a girl from a previous marriage coupled with my 3 and then our own 2. We had a total of 5 boys and 2 girls, but only ever had 5 living with us at once as Warren's 2 children were older and still living in Sydney.

We relocated our business to Woolgoolga (26klms north of Coffs Harbour) and later sold it in 2004 after 10 years. I then moved into the Health Industry, first as a receptionist and later as the Practice Manager for a Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeon. I still remain working for him as a contract bookkeeper, as I also do, for 3 other medical specialists who, with him, own a large specialist medical centre in Coffs Harbour.

My husband remained in the retail industry after our business was sold, but due to the business that he worked for, going in to liquidation in 2012, we made a decision to bring forward our retirement plans to move to the Sunshine Coast where we had enjoyed our holidays since 2006. All our children had grown up and moved on and we no longer needed to rumble around a big house on our own. We moved to Caloundra and both gained work very quickly, my husband working in a Management Position at IGA Maleny and myself after a short term position with an Orthopaedic Surgeon and a 2 year stint as an Office Manager in General Practice accepted the position as Practice Manager at Coastal Cancer Care in March this year.

We have just celebrated the birth of our 14th and 15th grandchildren, love spending time with our enormous family and love reading, walking, camping and travelling. We have now commenced a transition to retirement cutting back to working just 4 days per week and are both committed to volunteering and assisting in the community.



The latest developments in our RISE project.

Over the last few days a lot has happened in the development of our project. Below is a note regarding progress which Marilyn has passed on to me to include in the newsletter to keep us up to date.

Successful concurrent events held at Ebb Restaurant (My Weekly Preview) and Cricks Lunch at Post Office yesterday (Friday). Launched our \$90,000 in 90 days at both events.

Lodged application to Gambling Benefit Fund this week for \$35,000 worth of fit out items for house

Salvation Army have agreed to provide professional services to RISE tenants at nil cost to Project and are delighted to be on board

Rotary have agreed to continue to support the project.

Meeting Doug Drinnan & Coast2Bay on Monday.

Caloundra Zonta women enjoying the luncheon event at Ebb Restaurant



Next Dinner Meeting

Our next **Zonta Dinner** meeting is on **Tuesday 6th September 2016**

Wildflower Restaurant

at the Best Western Plus Lake Kawana Hotel

9 Florey Boulevard, Birtinya, Qld 4575.

We will be meeting at **6.00pm for 6.30** cost **\$35.00**

Please pay into our Account with NAB.

Details: BSB 084-484 A/C 98-771-5070

Apologies and acceptance for dinner meetings to judyhillinternet@gmail.com by the Friday before each meeting please.

Remember - if you accept the invitation for dinner and cannot make it you are still liable for the \$35.00 cost.