

Zonta Club of Redcliffe Inc.

Next General Meeting: Monday March 27

Please note:

1. A change to the protocol for indicating attendance at the General Meeting.

It will be assumed members are attending the General Meeting unless they respond by email with a "No" response to Jenny by no later than 4pm Thursday March 24 as the venue want final numbers by Friday morning.

Venue: The Komo, 96 Marine Parade, Redcliffe

Zoom option also available, please advise Marie.

Payment Information: \$5.00 payment by Internet Transfer by **March 24** and email Sammy to confirm.

Zonta Club of Redcliffe Admin.

BSB: 633-000 Acc. No: 140820887

Please remember to put your name in the reference field and a brief description of what the payment is for.



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REDCLIFFE INC
MEMBER OF ZONTA INTERNATIONAL
EMPOWERING WOMEN
THROUGH SERVICE & ADVOCACY

ABN: 64820813003

Dates to remember

March 20

Board Meeting

March 27

General Meeting

March 18

Area 1 Meeting

Presidents Report – Jenny Osborne

Hi everyone,

We are back in the swing of things, promoting Zonta in Redcliffe, after a full 2022.

Those who attended our XMAS DINNER at The Point at the RSL on 3/12/22, had an enjoyable dinner. I hope that all members enjoyed the Christmas and New Year Festive Season.

We had approximately 30 people attend our inaugural Flag Raising Ceremony at the Council Chambers on 10/12/22, which commenced at 7:15am. Thank you to Marie and June for organizing this event. Also, thanks to Sammy as MC on the day. June and I managed to raise the United Nations and Zonta flags without any hitches (pardon the pun). We had several speakers including the mayor of Moreton Bay Shire Council. After the ceremony, we had coffee and muffins. Thank-you to all our members who contributed to the day and attended the ceremony. As Marie and June have now paved the way, I'm sure it will be easier to organize any future Flag Raising Ceremonies, as we wish to make this an annual event.

Lois is home from hospital being very well looked after by Vi. I took around an orchid and card from her friends at Zonta Redcliffe. Hope you are progressing well Lois.

On 5/2/23, we held our first Bunnings Bar-B-Que since Covid raised its ugly head. If it wasn't Covid, it was very bad weather that cancelled our last attempt in 2022. Thank-you to all our members who volunteered to assist selling sausages in bread and drinks. It was extremely hot working in the tent. Thank-you also to Phil, Graeme and Geoff for assisting to deliver, set up and cook on the day. Unfortunately, our square gave up the ghost early in the afternoon, so we were only able to sell to those with cash from that time onwards. We packed up early as a result, and made up sausages in bread for the Bunnings workers utilizing all the bread, cooked sausages and onion. Selena, from Bunnings, was very appreciative of this gesture from Zonta. We are now back on the BBQ list, so we may receive another invitation later in the year. We made an overall profit of \$1347.36 on the day. Well done everyone!!!!

We held a very successful International Women's Day Breakfast held at The Komo on 5 March 2023. Thank you to everyone for inviting family and friends.

I was absent from our February General Meeting, as Geoff and I went to Tasmania on holidays. Dawn chaired the meeting in my absence.

Regards

Jenny Osborne

President 2022 -2024

News from the Committees

MEMBERSHIP



On Wednesday March 8, two of our Redcliffe Zontians set up outside Woolworths at the local shopping centre Bluewater Square. With yellow roses in hand, they shared the message of care and advocacy for women and girls worldwide- the core of Zonta.

Yellow roses with a Zonta banner were given out to women as they passed and this often-generated conversations about International Women's Day and Zonta's role in advocating for women.

Many contacts were made and various conversations had. A very successful awareness raising morning on International Women's Day.



Looking further forward, we envisage booking a space at the Redcliffe Volunteer Hub, with the MBRC, for mid-May 2023, to enable us to hold a Membership Information Night prior to the end of the current Zonta year.

ADVOCACY

Our club held a High Tea for International Women’s Day on 5 March at The Komo. The guest speakers were Jacqueline Nagle “Any given Tuesday” and Teresa Reed “The Forgotten Women”



The Forgotten Women is a unique, grassroots housing initiative for homeless women over 55. The project's mission is to put a roof over the heads of as many of these vulnerable women as possible. Through the acquisition of suitable properties, The Forgotten Women project will ensure these women have access to secure, safe and affordable housing options that enable them to age in place.

Members of the club also supported other IWD events with members attending, Quota IWD, Zonta Club of Caboolture IWD and Zonta Club of Pine Rivers IWD.



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SERVICE AND FUNDRAISING

A very successful sausage sizzle day was held at Rothwell Bunnings on 5 February raising valuable funds that support our key priorities.



Planning is underway for Giggle Trivia to be held on 27th May. The committee is exploring opportunities to garner some great prizes and increase awareness of the event.

The club has also agreed to provide volunteers for the Jetty-to-Jetty race event on 16th July 2023.

Zonta International District 22 Conference

SAVE THE DATE: Friday 8 September to Sunday 10 September 2023 for the ZONTA INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 22 CONFERENCE.

The Conference Theme is “Build a Better World” and it is being held at the Mackay Entertainment and Convention Centre (MECC).

More details to come on the Zonta International District 22 Website.

Women's earnings compared to men over a lifetime – The Guardian

Women in Australia earn \$1m less on average over their lifetimes than men and retire with \$136,000 less in superannuation, according to research released on International Women’s Day.

Research indicates the biggest driver of the gap in retirement savings is still the gender pay gap. It found that women earning the median wage would accumulate about \$393,676 in super, \$151,000 below the level defined as a “comfortable retirement” by the Association of Superannuation Funds of Australia.

The research adds to growing calls to pay more parental leave to both parents and pay superannuation on paid parental leave.

The Centre for Future Work report’s other recommendations are for greater family-friendly work practices and access to free or more affordable earlier childhood education and care, because lower participation among women and part-time work to balance work and care also drive lower retirement savings.

Quote of the Month



Birthdays



Wishing all members celebrating a birthday in February and March, a very happy day.

Future Dates

15 March	Coffee Catch Up - Old Corner Shop, Victoria Street
18 March	Area 1 Meeting - The Hub, Caboolture
20 March	Board Meeting
27 March	General Meeting
13 April	Coffee Catch Up – Salt Shop & Cafe
27 May	Giggle Trivia
August	Birthing Kits
September 8	District 22 Conference in Mackay
Sept/Oct	Fashion Parade

Please feel free to send Dawn Morris any interesting photos, information or short stories for inclusion in the newsletter.