## **Newsletter May 2023**

# Zonta Club of Redcliffe Inc.

#### Next General Meeting and AGM: Monday 26 June

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 June 22 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 June 23

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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### Dates to remember

June 26

**General Meeting** 

### **Presidents Report June 2023**

Hi Everyone,

We are starting a new Zonta year. We are still to fill the positions of 1 year Director and Junior Vice-President for 2023 to 2024.

On 18/5/23, June, Clem and I attended the 2023 Petrie Volunteer Awards at Citipointe Clontarf, to support Marie when she was rewarded as a Volunteer Hero by Luke Howarth. Marie was very proud to represent her family and Zonta Redcliffe as an awardee at the presentation morning tea. There are many volunteers in the Petrie district endeavouring to assist those in our community less

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fortunate than we are. Congratulations Marie!!

At our AGM/GM on 22/5/23, Marie installed the following Board Members:

President Jenny Osborne

Treasurer Lee Dawson

Secretary Suzanne Stevens

Correspondence Secretary June Teller

Directors Petra Cook (Chairperson Service and Fund-Raising Committee)

Debbie Lee (Chairperson Membership Committee)

Dawn will be installed at our June General Meeting. If there are any other members prepared to join the Board as Junior Vice-President and 1 year Director, please advise me so that you can also be installed at the same meeting.

Graham, Karl, Phil, Clem and Geoff joined us for dinner after our AGM/GM meeting. We will continue to invite partners to our mid-quarter meeting for dinner.

On 27/5/23 we held our Annual Giggle Trivia night at the Scarborough Bowls Club. Greg, the cook, put on an excellent Roast dinner for those interested prior to the commencement of the Trivia. Not sure how we managed it, but Petra and my table including my Daughter, Son-in-law and their friends won a bottle of wine each for winning the night by 1 point. We had some great raffle prizes and the Money Board was also won by our table. I'm sure that everyone else also enjoyed the night!! Overall profit of \$2235.46 will see 1/3 go to ZI, 1/3 to Ovarian Cancer Research and 1/3 to ongoing Zonta projects.

On 1/6/23, Marie, June, Lee and I attended the Event Industry Workshop at the North Lakes

Community Centre organized by MBRIT. We received direction on Planning an Event in the Moreton

Bay Region. Kerry Neill coached us on delivering a meaningful Acknowledgement of Country. Dane

Cross from Spinal Life Australia delivered a session on providing a more accessible and inclusive

Event. The MBRIT Community Marketing Team explained how to develop a Marketing Plan for your

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Community Event. We also received guidance on which Grants via the Moreton Bay Council were suitable for which events. The MBRC Waste Team also covered rethinking waste at Events. It was a very informative workshop.

"Share the Love" at the Mango Hill MarketPlace for May 2023 saw Zonta Redcliffe win second prize to the value of \$1000. The Mastercards to this value can be spent at the MarketPlace. Perhaps we can use the cards to purchase Sausages, Bread, Sauces, Napkins, and Drinks for our next couple of

Bunnings Bar-B-Ques, then all takings will be profit. Alternatively, if any members wished to purchase a mastercard, please see Lee or June.

On 2/6/23, Bernadette Quail from The Church of the Latter-Day Saints delivered 28 new blankets to me for distribution to our community. I sorted them into dark-coloured blankets for the Breakfast Club and light and crocheted blankets for the Women's Refuge at Clontarf. Willemina took the Breakfast Club blankets for distribution and I delivered the rest to Zoe and Charmaine at the Redcliffe Police Station for the Women's Refuge. They were very appreciative of the donation. Zonta Brisbane had applications for the Women in STEM grant. They offered the second-best nomination to any other club which was taken by Brisbane North. The Board has decided to take their 3 rd best nomination as we have not had prior exposure to this grant. We are not offering a monetary reward to this nominee but will onforward her submission as our Club's nomination. Lyn Agnew is keen to follow up Expressions of Interest from Volunteers who completed the Survey Monkey Questionnaire re Convention 2024. I will bring along my copy to our next General Meeting. Zonta International are also keen to hear from any prospective Mentors who are interested in the Great Girls Meet Great Women Mentoring Program. I will also bring this to our June Meeting. I will be circulating a roster for the 16/7/23 Jetty2Jetty waterstop at our June Meeting. I would like all members to decide which Committee they wish to join for the next year. I will circulate a list of all committees at our June Meeting. As we already know, this commitment relates to attending the relevant Committee Meeting. All members know that we are first and foremost

Redcliffe Zontians and will all assist with functions/events, where possible.

Thank-you ladies for a great year from 2022-2023. We look forward to an even better year to come.

Regards

Jenny Osborne

President 2022 -2024

### Report from CADA – (Thanks June)

About 30 guests attended a Morning Tea Thank You at the CADA offices in Caboolture in May. Marie and I represented Redcliffe; Zonta Clubs of Caboolture and Pine Rivers also were present. Key points presented by the CEO, Holly Brennan OAM.

- 1 in 5 households in Moreton area estimated to be affected by DFV
- 2 CADA has 18,000 to 20,000 cases each year from the Moreton Bay area
- ☑ Federal Government funding was dropped from the budget in 2022. Not renewed in the 2023 budget either.
- ☑ They provide emergency kits to victims containing basic clothing and essential food items for a night at a hotel, sometimes also a \$50 grocery card
- 2 Engage locksmith to change many household locks, budgeting \$4000 per month.
- ② CADA has a tech support program whereby security systems can be installed on the home, or cameras in cars of DV cases
- ☑ Have partnered with DV Safe Phone: CADA supplies the SIM/data packs.

## News from Domestic and Family Violence Prevention on Elder Abuse- Elder Abuse Day -June 15

It is acknowledged that domestic and family violence impacts all age groups. However, the unique characteristics and social structures at play for our older demographic means that there are often stressors associated with ageing that expose this population to additional hardship when seeking help, accessing services and safely separating from an abusive relationship.

The World Health Organisation describes elder abuse as a violation of human rights and a significant cause of illness, loss of productivity, isolation and despair (<u>WHO</u> <u>2002 Active Ageing Policy Framework</u>). As such, it is an issue that affects not only the person who is impacted directly but also the broader community.

Older people, like people of all ages, have the right to feel safe in their homes and their communities, be connected to the services that can help them, and have economic and financial security.

The people affected by elder abuse are our grandparents, parents, uncles, aunts,

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neighbours and friends, so it is important that we are able to recognise when abuse might be happening and know where to get help.

In 2011 the United Nations General Assembly designated 15 June as World Elder Abuse Awareness Day.

On behalf of the DFV Prevention Council we hope you enjoy this special edition of our newsletter, learn more about Elder Abuse, how to recognise it, and the role you can play in raising its awareness and ultimately its prevention.

Vanessa Fowler OAM and Bob Atkinson AO APM

# **Elder Abuse in Queensland**

Elder abuse is a single or repeated act — or lack of appropriate action — that occurs within any relationship where there's an expectation of trust, which causes harm or distress to an older person.

Elder abuse can take various forms, including psychological, financial, physical and sexual abuse. Neglect is also a form of abuse.

In 2021-22, there were 2338 notifications to the Queensland Government-funded Elder Abuse Prevention Unit. This is 15.6% higher than the previous year. The Elder Abuse Prevention Unit's <u>Year in Review 2021-22</u> indicates that most cases of elder abuse occur within family relationships. Psychological abuse (76.6%) and financial abuse (62.1%) were the most frequently recorded types.

The <u>National Elder Abuse Prevalence Study</u> (released by the Australian Institute of Family Studies in December 2021) estimated that one in six older Australians experience some form of elder abuse.

## District 22 Conference – September 8 -10

The theme for the 2023 District 22 Ltd Conference is 'Build a Better World", and will focus on the effects of climate change on women and girls and gender equality. It has been shown in a number of research papers that climate driven disasters have a greater negative impact on women and girl children, and have reduced any advances in gender equality achieved prior to the disaster. The Conference will have a keynote speaker discussing the challenges of climate change and potential responses to foster advancing gender equity. More news to come!

The 2023 District 22 Conference will be held in Mackay at the Mackay Entertainment and Conference Centre from 8-10 September 2023. Initial planning has commenced so it is time to get out your diaries and mark off these dates. President Ute has asked that time be reserved in the Conference agenda for a presentation and

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workshops regarding the new Zonta International Strategic Plan. Zonta International Board liaison Annika Bramstrom will join us from Sweden. Conference is also the time when we elect our Board for the 2024-2026 Biennium and plan for the future of our District.

# EARLYBIRD REGISTRATION IS NOW AVAILABLE GO TO STICKY TICKETS

### **Social Dates**

### July 20 Thursday at 10am

Venue: Over There Cafe

110 Ashmole Road, Shop 7 Dolphin Centre Redcliffe

### **Quote of the Month**

You're braver than you believe, and stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think. Keep your face to the sunshine and you will never see a shadow. In every day there are 1440 minutes. That means we have 1440 opportunities to make a positive impact.

### **Future Dates**

26 June	General Meeting
10 July	Board Meeting
16 July	Jetty2Jetty
Aug/Sept	Fashion Parade
8-10 September	District Conference - Mackay
20 October	Moreton Bay says No to Violence March
21 November	DV Breakfast - Komo
9 December	Flag Raising Ceremony

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

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