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**Zonta Club of
Bunbury Inc.**

Member of Zonta International

Dear Zontians,

I was proud to represent Zonta, along with Beth Talbot, at the Wilcox Brown Australia Day Award presentations. The Award was for enhancing community spirit and life and our club was a nominee. Our congratulations to the S.W. Music Guild, who won the award.

ZI Service Recognition Awards

These community service awards are to acknowledge clubs that have performed outstanding community service, benefitting women or girls in the local community and giving *Visibility and Credibility* to Zonta International. The winning D23 club entries are submitted to the ZI Service Committee for final judging. ZI will recognize six (6) of the most outstanding service projects sponsored by clubs throughout the world at the end of the biennium and during the 2014 Convention in Orlando.

Category 1

Our congratulations are extended to the Albury Wodonga Club for winning the Zonta Service Recognition Club Award, for their contribution towards Hilltop Albury Wodonga Patient and Carers' accommodation centre.

PR&C Chairman Jo Wittorff submitted our Women's Non-Traditional Trade Award – thank you Jo. This has been a club project since 1996, and supports women's education in automotive, engineering and metal trades at the SW Institute of Technology.

Category 2 - Service projects to prevent and fight violence against women and girls.

Board member Linda Brown submitted our 'Protective Behaviours and Self Defence' Workshops for this award – thank you Linda.

Our congratulations to the club winners in Category 2:

- ZC of Perth Northern Suburbs for their Zonta Domestic Violence Support for mothers and children who have experienced the trauma of domestic violence and living in a refuge.

Dinner Meeting Apologies & Guests

By Noon of the Friday before the meeting to:

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- ZC Adelaide Hills for their Expect Respect Project and Calendar.

District Recognition Awards

District 23 has submitted the Zonta Birthing Kits for the ZI District Recognition Awards as the project was initiated in District 23. Similarly District 24 has submitted the Breast Cushions.

YWPA Award

Members' assistance is needed to promote the Zonta Young Women in Public Affairs award which recognises young women aged 16-19 who are school or community leaders involved in volunteerism. The application form is on our website.

Music in the Park

Our annual 'Music in the Park' was once again a very successful fund raising function and I thank the Myalup Vines Winery for allowing us to use their beautiful venue. Many thanks also to the fundraising committee for their input in organising such a fun evening.

International Women's Day Breakfast

The 2014 International Women's Day Breakfast will be held this year at the Lighthouse Beach Resort on the 9th March. The guest speaker will be Professor Lyn Beazley, recently retired from the position of West Australian Chief Scientist. I ask that all members promote and sell as many tickets as possible. Besides being a day of celebration, this is also one of our major fundraising events for the year.

February Meeting

Zonta International has protocols and policies in place for communication purposes and I am looking forward to the short presentation at our forthcoming meeting that will bring all members up to date in this area.

Area Workshop

The 2014 Area Workshop is being hosted by the Zonta Club of Perth Northern Suburbs on Saturday 10th May at the Heathcote Complex in Applecross. Please note this date in your diaries.

Take care and have fun.

Rosa Tognela - President.



Sue Footner & Jen Coote share a joke at Myalup



Service, Advocacy & United Nations Committee *Kimberley Robbins, Chairman*

White Ribbon Day *Coordinated by Susanne Vaughan*



Our White Ribbon Day stall at the Forum Shopping Centre on the 23rd November was a great success and 1,000 ribbons were distributed.

Many thanks to Susanne for making all the ribbons - a huge commitment that is greatly appreciated.

Thanks also to members who took a turn on the stall.



Di Tate - ready for the White Ribbon Day march.



Some members also attended the White Ribbon Day march and ceremony on the 25th November which was well supported by the Bunbury community.



Lesley Morgan, Kimberley Robbins, Amanda Whittle & Jo Wittoff distributed white ribbons.

Local radio identities Cliff & Dougie were proud to be White Ribbon Ambassadors



Local Project Funding

Three local projects received funds from our club in round 2 of our 2013 Application for Funding Process:

Enable South West

Granted \$1,000 towards a Mothers' Retreat in 2014.



The project will provide a weekend break for mothers of children with a disability, or a partner with a disability, to enable them to have some respite, share experiences, information, develop networks which are sustainable after the event and hopefully booster the resilience of the

mothers. Other agencies will provide funds for this retreat as well.

Foster Families South West

Granted \$1,500 for welcome packs for children entering into foster care. The pack (backpack) will contain a towel, toiletries, quilt/blanket and a toy or teddy.

Waratah Support Centre

Granted \$1,000 for their 'Helping Hand Project' which supports women to reconnect with themselves and the community where abuse has occurred.



Membership & Program Committee

Chairman - Sue Kerr

November Guest Speaker

Coordinated by Carol Downe



Carol Downe (rt) thanks Teri

Teri O'Toole, Senior Manager, Migration Support Services WA was guest speaker at our November meeting.

Teri explained the Red Cross' role in supporting asylum seekers and dispelled many myths about those seeking asylum. Thanks to Carol for organising Teri as our guest speaker.

Membership Milestone - November

Congratulations to Jo Lewis who actually reached her 5 year membership milestone in October but was not present to receive it then.

Jo was introduced to Zonta by Nan and inducted with Beth Talbot on International Night at Sue Kerr's home on the 21st October 2008. She served on the Service Committee to begin with, but has been a member of the FFR Committee since 2009. Jo joined the Board as a Director in 2011, but had to take leave later that year due family and personal ill-health. Thank you for your service to our club Jo.



Jo Lewis & Nan Martella after Jo's 5 year milestone presentation.

Christmas Dinner



Kerry Kerr thanks Kate

Partners joined us for our December meeting and we enjoyed a delicious 3-course meal. Poet Kate Wilson entertained us with a 'poetry slam' of her own poems. Our appreciation to the Membership Committee for ensuring we had a lovely Christmas dinner, including hand-made bonbons.



Finance & Fundraising Committee

Chairman - Nan Martella

'Sunday in the Park' at Myalup Vines

Coordinated by Nan Martella

Good organisation, teamwork and effort ensured our annual fundraiser at Myalup Vines Winery was successful. We raised \$3,837 for our Zonta projects.

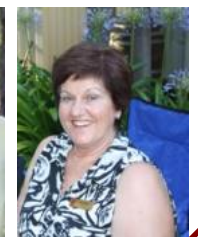
Many thanks to Carmel and Trevor Hutchison of Myalup Vines for continuing to allow us to hold this function at their winery - it's been several years now.

Success in gaining sponsorship kept costs down and we appreciate the support given by:

- Myalup Vines
- Buckingham Meats
- Neville Dowling and his band
- SW Jazz Orchestra
- Brunswick Bakery
- Harvey Fresh
- HaVe Harvey Cheese
- Bunbury Farmers' Market
- Rusticana

Well done and thank you to our hardworking Finance and Fundraising Committee - another great effort! Thanks also to club members who contributed items for the raffle and also to our 'Zonta men' who took a turn to sizzle the sausages for us - most appreciated!

Snapped at Myalup....



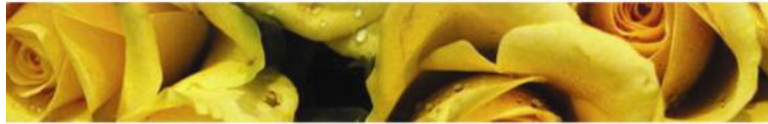
Schedule of Events

- **Tues. 18 Feb:** Club meeting 6.30 for 7.00 pm at Highway Hotel.
- **Tues. 4 March:** Board meeting, 5.30 pm at 47 Alyxia Drive, Vittoria Heights.
- **Sun. 9 March:** International Women's Day Breakfast at Lighthouse Beach Resort, 8.30 am for 9.00 am start.
- **Tues. 18 Mar:** Club meeting 6.30 for 7.00 pm at Highway Hotel.
- **Sat. 10 May:** Area Workshop - Heathcote Complex, Applecross
- **27 June - 1 July:** Zonta International Convention, Orlando, Florida, USA

2014 International Womens Day Breakfast

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Sunday 9th March, 8.30am for 9am start

Lighthouse Beach Resort, Carey Street, Bunbury

Guest Speaker:

Professor Lyn Beazley AO FTSE

Recently retired from the position of Western Australian Chief Scientist

Tickets \$30 per person, available at La Femme @ Bunbury Plaza
For further information contact Dale Gardiner on 9791 8651
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2014 Zonta International Convention

Call to Convention

The following is an excerpt from ZI President Lyn McKenzie's and Convention Chairman Jane Adam's 'Call to Convention':

"Convention is an important time for our organization. It is our time to come together to celebrate our service and advocacy achievements at the international, district and club levels, elect our new international leaders as we look to Zonta's future, and vote on the projects and programs we will support in the coming biennium. It is also a wonderful opportunity to connect with Zontians from around the world and to enjoy the unique fellowship that comes from our shared commitment to improving the lives of women and girls in our local communities and around the world through service and advocacy.

The 2014 Convention Committee has worked tirelessly to provide you with a once in a lifetime experience in Orlando—one that will be memorable, inspiring, and most importantly, enjoyable for all who attend. On behalf of the 2014

Convention Committee and your fellow Zontians in District 11, we look forward to welcoming you to Orlando in June 2014".

Members who intend going to Convention have been advised to book their accommodation now, if you have not already done so.

To access the complete 'Call to Convention', go to -

<http://orlando2014.zonta.org/Portals/0/CalltoConvention2013.pdf>

