



**ZONTA**  
 CLUB OF  
 ADELAIDE HILLS INC  
 MEMBER OF ZONTA INTERNATIONAL  
 EMPOWERING WOMEN  
 THROUGH SERVICE & ADVOCACY

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Honour & Empower



**ZAH News**  
**November**  
**2020**

## Zonta International

- ★ **Mission** Zonta International is a leading global service organisation of professionals empowering women worldwide through service and advocacy.
- ★ **Vision** Zonta International envisions a world in which women's rights are recognised as human rights and every woman is able to achieve her full potential. In such a world, women have access to all resources and are represented in decision making positions on an equal basis with men. In such a world, no woman lives in fear of violence.
- ★ **Theme** Empowering Women through Service and Advocacy.

### Save the date:

2021 Jan	Sun 10 <sup>th</sup>	Amelia Earhart Brunch. Details to come.
Jan	Wed 27 <sup>th</sup>	ZCAH Dinner Meeting, Belair Hotel. 6.30 am for 7.00 pm start.
April	Sat 17 <sup>th</sup>	Area 2 Workshop. Details to come.
Sept	10 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup>	16 <sup>th</sup> District 23 Conference to be held at Bendigo, Vic.

### OBJECTS OF ZONTA:

- To improve the legal, political, economic, educational, health and professional status of women at the global and local level through service and advocacy.
- To work for the advancement of understanding, goodwill and peace through a world fellowship of executives in business and professions.
- To promote justice and universal respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms.
- To be united internationally to foster high ethical standards, to implement service programs and to provide mutual support and fellowship for members who serve their communities, their nations and the world.



### Next Meeting:

**Wed 25<sup>th</sup> Nov 2020**  
**To be held via**  
**Zoom, 6.30 pm**  
**for 7 pm start.**

### A thought for the day:

*“When one door of happiness closes, another opens; but often we look so long at the closed door that we do not see the one which has been opened for us.”*  
 Helen Keller.

### Birthdays:

Di – 8<sup>th</sup> November  
 Irene – 13<sup>th</sup> November  
 Coraïne – 16<sup>th</sup> Nov



**I Walk Around**  
**Acting like**  
**Everything is Ok..**  
**But Deep Down**  
**Inside**  
**I want to put up**  
**My Christmas Tree**

## President's Report



Dear Zontians and friends,

When I started thinking about what I was going to write about for this final Presidents report, we were planning a Quiz Night and a Christmas meeting. In the space of 48 hours, that changed. Boy, did that change dramatically. We have now cancelled our Quiz Night and South Australia has gone into the strictest lockdown the country has seen. I am sure we all have our collective fingers and toes crossed that this 'circuit-breaker' will ensure that this current outbreak of COVID-19 is controlled and contained.

Although this a challenging time for us all, our thoughts are with those women and children whose home isn't a safe haven. As a club of passionate women, together we are looking forward to 2021 as a year to continue our work to improve the existence of as many women and children as we can.

Our Quiz Night will be rescheduled for 2021. The date will be determined in the New Year and we will let everyone know the particulars. As for our final dinner meeting, we can always fall back on holding our meetings virtually. Over the course of this year, we have become very familiar and competent with Zoom. If you had asked most of us 12 months ago if we used Zoom, I am sure you would have been met with many a confused face. Now, it has become a part of our regular manner of interaction.

I wish you all very Merry Christmas and a bright, happy and healthy New Year. May the incoming year allow us all to move forward from the challenging year that 2020 has been.

Yours in fellowship,

*Amanda Waldock*



## Induction of our newest member Merilyn King

At our dinner meeting held Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2020 we were honoured to have Merilyn King join our club as our newest member. Merilyn is interested in the service projects, birthing kits, breast cushions, Days for Girls and Expect Respect. She is an outgoing, friendly person who would like to make a difference to the lives of women.



President Amanda & Merilyn



Doone, Julie and Sharon enjoying the evening





## Joy O'Hazy's Australian of the Year nomination

At the October dinner meeting Joy O'Hazy was presented with a beautiful bouquet of flowers to acknowledge her Australian of the Year submission and show appreciation for all her work, not only for her involvement in Zonta, but everything else she has done in many other organisations over the years.

Joy has spent her life working tirelessly to improve the lives of women.

## Days for Girls



We have been busy sewing 63 shields, 100 large drawstring bags and 100 small Transport bags. I spoke to Suzanne the SA Coordinator and the sizes of both of the bags are changing early next year, for ease of packing. The good news is we can use up all the PUL and fabric already cut out, even if it's the older size, to avoid wastage.

We have plenty of flannelette in stock given to us from Cheryl, but I need a volunteer to cut it into strips for overlocking and sewing into Liners. If you are able to help us please ring me as we won't be having a Sewing Day until next year. My stock of donated fabric has gone down, so any donations of cotton fabric would be welcome. Bright fabric is preferred but there are a few restrictions in patterns, so contact me if you have anything suitable. Packing Days run by the SA Coordinator have been on a smaller scale lately due to COVID restrictions.

Thank you everyone for your support with this Project.

*Margaret Parsons*  
Co-ordinator

## Service Committee Report

Nine ICare Kits of Happy Pants have been assembled for women in need. Lorna has co-ordinated a representative from Eastern Domestic Violence Centre to collect them from her home.

Ten Getting Started Buckets as well as four T-shirts packs have been delivered to Nunga Mi - Minar Inc (Northern Regional Aboriginal Domestic Violence Service). Tina sincerely expressed thanks for our continued support.

*Irene Kiroff*



## Report from PR and Membership

We met at Doone's on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November at 11.00 am and were so pleased that Marilyn could join us. Doone also provided a lovely lunch.

The Amelia Earhart Brunch will be held on Sunday the 10<sup>th</sup> of January. It would be great to have a drive for new members at the Amelia Brunch. Julie H and Susie were guests at past Amelia brunches, and we are so pleased that they have joined the club. I will send out the flyer in the near future.

It was most unfortunate that our Quiz Night was cancelled due to Covid, however the quick response of SA Health and the government has limited the lockdown for which we are grateful. We will reschedule the fundraiser for next year.

Thank you to members who attended and provided brain-storming ideas for the new year.

Sharon Geue

## Natasha Stott-Despoja

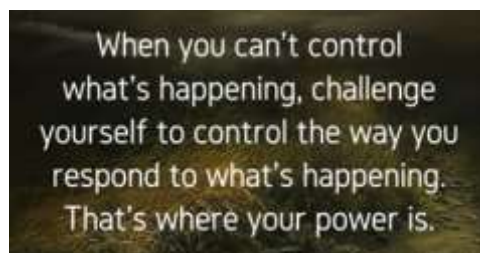
Many of you will remember seeing former SA Senator and Leader of the Australian Democrats Natasha Stott-Despoja at our Centenary Gala Dinner last November, where we presented her with the Zonta District 23 Distinction Award for her work with domestic violence prevention and Our Watch. It was wonderful to hear that she now represents Australia on the UN CEDAW (Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women).

We wish her all the best in her future work against discrimination and violence against women and children.

Lynda A'Bear



Natasha Stott-Despoja with Lynda A'Bear.



**AFGHANISTAN ALLOWS MOTHERS' NAMES ON BIRTH CERTIFICATES IN 'SIGNIFICANT' MILESTONE FOR WOMEN'S RIGHTS**

Afghan President Ashraf Ghani has signed an amendment allowing mothers' names to be included on their children's birth certificates, after a three-year campaign by women's rights activists.

Through a poster widely circulated on social media, Afghan women urge, 'Call me by my name'.



Using the hashtag #WhereIsMyName, campaigners pushed for the right of women to be named on official documents including children's birth certificates, which previously named only the father.

They are fighting an ingrained Afghan tradition that states using a woman's name in public brings shame on the family. Instead, women are publicly referred to by the name of their closest male relatives. Their own names are generally not present on documents, on their wedding invitations or even on their own gravestones.

The Afghan cabinet's legal affairs committee said the move was a significant achievement.

"The decision to include the mother's name in the ID card is a big step towards gender equality and the realisation of women's rights," the committee said in a statement.

Heather Barr, of Human Rights Watch, stated "But it's really significant, because as long as women's names don't appear on identification cards, don't appear in public records, their identities really don't exist, and a lot of their legal rights don't exist."

Ms Barr said until now, basic things — like school registration, obtaining health care or a passport for their children or travelling with them — have been impossible for Afghan mothers to do without the father present.



#WhereIsMyName founder Laleh Osmany has been supported by Herat Governor Wahid Qattali. (ABC News: Omid Sobhani)



Herat Governor Wahid Qattali praised the activists who led the campaign to reclaim the identities of Afghan women (Photo: Omid Sobhani)

**More photos from the VTC English and Computing Classes**



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Have you considered purchasing a digital Entertainment Book? The advantage is, it now remains valid for 12 months from the date of purchase, no longer expiring at the end of May. The other great advantage is, you can share it on up to **five** different devices with members of your household, but only one member can actively redeem offers at any one time.

We need to sell at least 10 digital memberships to qualify for the fundraising rebate & at this stage, with Covid-19 striking at the normal launch time, I need to sell a few more. Please consider supporting our club, you will be way ahead considering 12 months still remain to use it.

Its easily downloaded with excellent instructions on the website or I'm happy to help. Digital is a very convenient way to have it available whenever out and about.

**Click on the following link and it will take you to our club page where you can purchase and download your digital copy:**

<https://www.entertainment.com.au/orderbooks/9t34486>

**Zonta South Australian Clubs meeting nights**

Adelaide 1st Wednesday	Adelaide Flinders 3rd Wednesday
Adelaide Hills 4th Wednesday	Adelaide Torrens 2nd Tuesday
Para District 1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday	Fleurieu Peninsula 4th Tuesday
Gawler 2nd Wednesday	Noarlunga S.Vales 4th Wednesday
Mt Barker 3rd Tuesday	Port Lincoln 4th Tuesday
Riverland 1st Tuesday	Lower Eyre 3rd Tuesday

Our Club meets on the fourth Wednesday of the month, 6:30pm for 7:00pm start at the Belair Hotel, 141 Main Road, Blackwood SA

**Zonta Club of Adelaide Hills  
Leadership Team 2020 – 2022**

President: Amanda Waldock  
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