



ZONTA
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MEMBER OF ZONTA INTERNATIONAL
EMPOWERING WOMEN
THROUGH SERVICE & ADVOCACY

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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:

June	Wed 28 th	Dinner meeting. Guest speaker: Sharmayne Power. Topic: A few favourite female authors.
July	Fri 28 th	Winter Conversations at Government House. 1.30 pm. Topic: Mental Health.
	Sat 29 th	Area 2 Advocacy Forum. A roof over my head: Actions not words. Payneham Library Meeting Room.
	Sun 30 th	Christmas in July. Guess Who's Coming to Lunch. \$50. Secret location!
August	Fri 25 th	Winter Conversations at Government House. 1.30 pm. Topic: Women's Advancement.
Sept	1 st to 3 rd	District 23 Conference to be held in Bunbury, WA.
Nov	Sat 18 th	Women's Expo – details to come,
	Mon 27 th	Expect Respect Community Event. 10 am-11 am at Sturt Lions Football Club, Shepherds Hill Road, Bellevue Heights.
2024 June	27 th to 1 st July	Zonta International Convention to be held at the Brisbane Convention Centre.

YOUR IMPACT ON EDUCATION

248

Awards, Scholarships and Fellowships Distributed



More than US\$1.2 M

Total Amount Given



SERVICE PROJECTS

16

Countries where women and girls have benefited from Zonta International's partnerships with UNFPA and UNICEF USA



**Dinner meeting:
Wednesday
28th June 2023**

Venue:

Belair Hotel

6:30 for 7:00 start

All Welcome

Speaker: Sharmayne Power. Topic: A few favourite women authors.

Objects: George

Intro: Pam

VOT: Marilyn

Next Board meeting:
12th July 2023

REMEMBER: If unable to attend the meeting please contact Doone by the Monday before the meeting. Ph: 0422024240.

Happy Birthday

Margaret P – 11th June

Joy – 16th June

Jane – 18th July



HOLD UKRAINE

IN YOUR THOUGHTS

President's message

As I sit and write this on a very chilly evening, we have just experienced the wettest and coldest start to June in 40 years. I feel for all those who are struggling to find a home or a safe warm place to sleep. It puts even more importance and relevance on the Area 2 Advocacy Forum with the theme is "A Roof over my Head: Actions not Words" in July. The forum is aiming to focus on opportunities to advocate for action. I hope you have booked your place.

Congratulations to Jenny Weaver and Susanna Harris for their well-deserved acknowledgment in the recent King's Birthday honours list! It's wonderful to see their contributions to the Birthing Kit Foundation and Days for Girls, respectively, being recognised with the Order of Australia Medal (OAM).

Earlier this month, packing 1200 birthing kits with the help of 40 volunteers and 17 Club members was a rewarding and fulfilling experience. The positive energy and camaraderie in the room made the entire process even more enjoyable. The combination of hard work, lively chatter, and the enjoyment of an afternoon tea created a fantastic atmosphere of collaboration and satisfaction.

Thank you to all the volunteers and club members for your time, effort, and willingness to contribute to such a meaningful project.

It was a pleasure to recently attend Government House with Pam Mayer, Lesley Sweetman and other Zontians when Her Excellency the Governor welcomed members of the National Council of Women South Australia. The evening was to acknowledge the Council's volunteers, and their work in representing the voice of women in South Australia. Fiona Dorman, President, NCWSA amongst others, was acknowledged for her ongoing commitment to advocating for women's issues. As was mentioned, we have come a long way, but we still have a long way to go.

Within the Club, we now look forward to preparation for 16 Days of Activism including the Vigil, while also planning for the Women's Expo. A busy year ahead.

I look forward to seeing you all at our June dinner meeting.

Yours in fellowship

Julie Hallifax ★



Christmas in July guess
who's

Coming to Lunch

Sunday July 30th

Time, place and Host to be confirmed

\$50 per head- Fundraiser/Social

**Be prepared for fun and
fellowship**



**If you would like to
be involved, please
contact:**

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Biennial Dinner held Wednesday 24th May 2023

Our guest speaker, Dr Rachel Swift, enlightened us on her experience working as a doctor overseas, the epidemic control and emergency crisis response, during the Ebola outbreak in Africa.



Guest speaker, Dr Rachel Swift with Lynda & Ted A'Bear



Merilyn King & Bev Hocking



Julie Monis-Ivett with the Orange Lady display



President Julie and Dr Rachel Swift



Coraine Sopru & Margaret Elmer



Margaret Parsons & Joy O'Hazy being acknowledged as Birthing Kit Foundation Champions by A2 Director Lesley Sieglhoff



Bev Hocking and her husband John



Merilyn King being inducted as a new Board member by A2 Director Lesley Sieglhoff

BIRTHING KIT ASSEMBLY DAY 3rd JUNE 2023

On Saturday 3rd June on a beautiful sunny Winter's Day, we held our Birthing Kit Assembly Day.

We had 60 registered volunteers with 56 attending on the day, 17 of which were Zonta members. Louise Miller-Frost, Member for Boothby was a special guest who joined us in assembling the kits. We had 10 tables set up for assembly in the hall and one packing station set up in the church, this later grew to two packing stations as the day progressed. Here is the recipe of the day:

Recipe for the Birthing Kit Assembly Day held Saturday 3rd June 2023

Ingredients

- 1200 pieces of soap
- 2400 glove
- 1200 green 1m x
- 1m plastic sheets
- 6000 gauze squares
- 3600 24cm lengths of string
- 1200 sterile blades
- 1200 Birthing Kit Bags

Method

1. Starting at 12 noon, have some marvellous Zontians set up the hall with a welcome area, 10 assembly stations and 1 packing area.
2. Welcome awesome volunteers as they arrive.
3. Around 1pm demonstrate plastic folding for generous volunteers.
4. When all plastic is folded show some informative photos and a sprinkle of Joy O'Hazy wisdom to inspire incredible volunteers.
5. Furnish assembly stations with remaining ingredients and replenish as required.
6. By 3:15 pm lavish selfless volunteers with delectable sandwiches, sumptuous homemade cakes and slices, yummy biscuits both chocolate and plain. Hydrate same selfless volunteers with water, coffee and an assortment of tea.
7. Wave goodbye and thank the most amazing group of volunteers.
8. Have some awesome Zontians pack everything up.

Result

1200 assembled clean birthing kits proudly baked by a marvellous assortment of incredible volunteers and members of Zonta Club of Adelaide Hills.

Birthing Kit Assembly Day continued...

Some great comments from the day:

§ "I felt welcome when I arrived."

§ "Food was great, especially the home-made food."

§ "I met some new people."

§ "I had lots of laughs, it was a great afternoon."

§ "The lady that gave the talk in the break was really interesting."

§ "I had a great afternoon and felt good helping such a worthwhile cause."

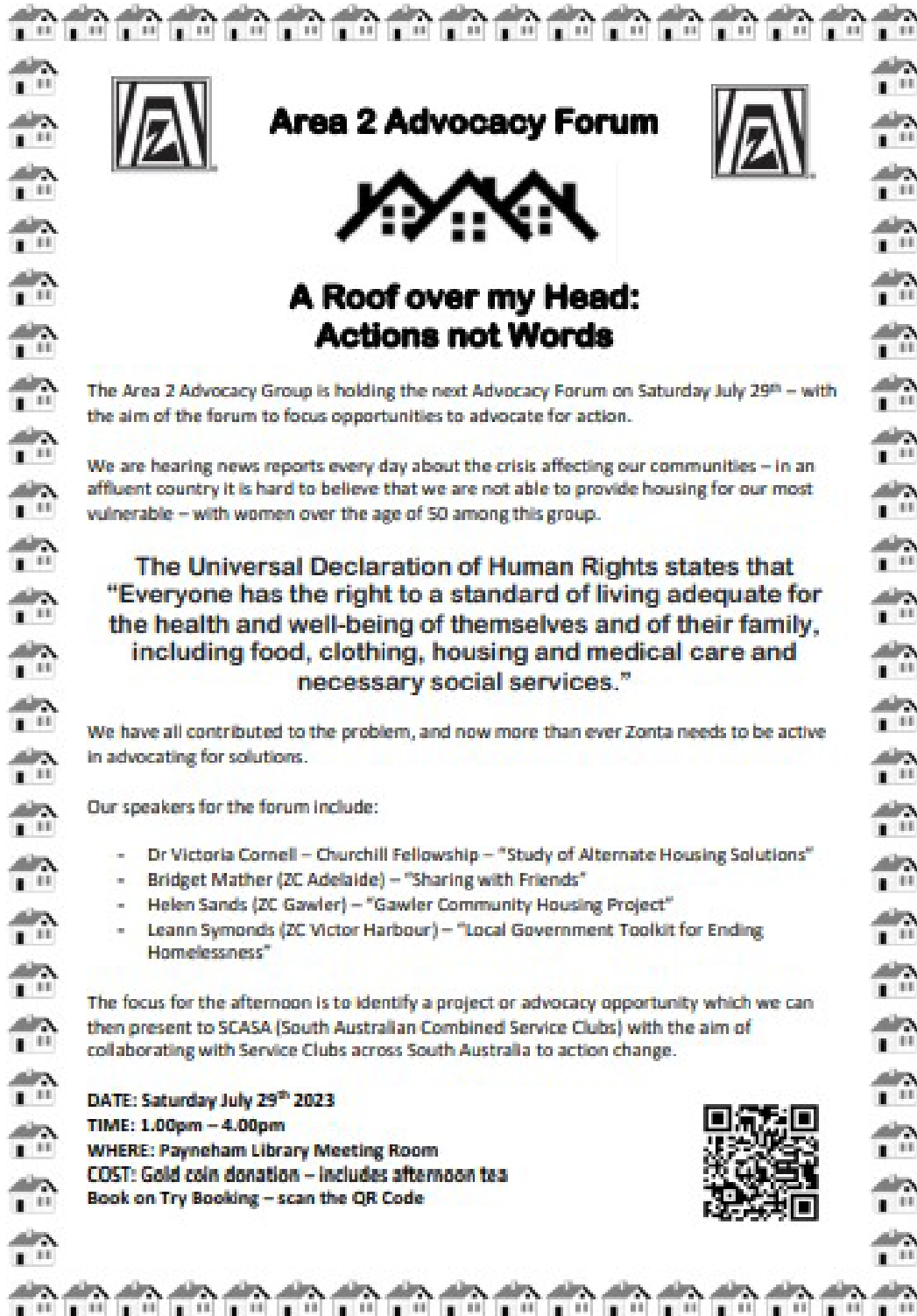
★ **Merilyn King**, *Birthing Kit Coordinator*




Joy O'Hazy ensured we knew how the kits were used and where they were distributed




Louise Miller-Frost, Member for Boothby spent the afternoon helping





Area 2 Advocacy Forum



A Roof over my Head: Actions not Words

The Area 2 Advocacy Group is holding the next Advocacy Forum on Saturday July 29th – with the aim of the forum to focus opportunities to advocate for action.

We are hearing news reports every day about the crisis affecting our communities – in an affluent country it is hard to believe that we are not able to provide housing for our most vulnerable – with women over the age of 50 among this group.

**The Universal Declaration of Human Rights states that
“Everyone has the right to a standard of living adequate for
the health and well-being of themselves and of their family,
including food, clothing, housing and medical care and
necessary social services.”**


We have all contributed to the problem, and now more than ever Zonta needs to be active in advocating for solutions.

Our speakers for the forum include:

- Dr Victoria Cornell – Churchill Fellowship – “Study of Alternate Housing Solutions”
- Bridget Mather (ZC Adelaide) – “Sharing with Friends”
- Helen Sands (ZC Gawler) – “Gawler Community Housing Project”
- Leann Symonds (ZC Victor Harbour) – “Local Government Toolkit for Ending Homelessness”

The focus for the afternoon is to identify a project or advocacy opportunity which we can then present to SCASA (South Australian Combined Service Clubs) with the aim of collaborating with Service Clubs across South Australia to action change.

DATE: Saturday July 29th 2023
TIME: 1.00pm – 4.00pm
WHERE: Payneham Library Meeting Room
COST: Gold coin donation – includes afternoon tea
Book on Try Booking – scan the QR Code





I am so very pleased to announce that our Expect Respect Project is up and running again.

The Bellevue Heights Primary school year three class will be involved this year. It will be our first project in the Blackwood area and we look forward to seeing what the students come up with. We have a small committee of 4 managing the programme, but of course we will be asking the whole club to support it too by attending the Community Event on Monday, November 27th and a few other bits and pieces as they arise. Our committee is Sue Dobie, Pam Mayer, Karen Lorimer, Bev Hocking.

We have a very switched-on Acting Principal and teacher on board who have embraced the idea and thanks to their cooperation we have the whole timeline in place for the school activities.

The committee is now working on planning the community event, calendar printing and community engagement. Significant dates are:

- Project commencement in school Friday July 28th
- Student calendars on display throughout the local community from October 16th – November 24th
- Community Event November 27th at Sturt Lions Soccer Club, Shepherds Hill Road 10 am – 11 am.

In class activities: Sergeant Sophie Hobbs of the Southern District Community Engagement Section will deliver the Police education component and Derrick McManus will be giving 2 workshops in school. The teacher will use the 'Filling Your Bucket' theme and resources in class to teach respect, consideration, and strategies to help others whilst staying safe.

We are very excited to see the project going again and look forward to reporting on progress over the next five months.

Bev Hocking, coordinator,
Expect Respect Project

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The poster features a light grey background with several large, overlapping circles in blue, green, yellow, orange, and red. A circular inset image shows the Government House in Adelaide. The text is arranged in a clean, modern layout.

winter conversations

at Government House

Her Excellency the Honourable Frances Adamson AC, Governor of South Australia, will be hosting a series of conversations with prominent speakers in the Ballroom.



Scan the QR code for more information and to secure your spot.

governor.sa.gov.au

Friday 23 June 12.30pm-1.30pm Order of Australia	Friday 28 July 12.30pm-1.30pm Mental Health	Friday 25 August 12.30pm-1.30pm Women's Advancement
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The second session - Mental Health and body image - will be held on Friday, 28 July, and will feature Breakthrough Mental Health Foundation Chief Executive Officer John Mannion, and 2023 Australia of the Year Taryn Brumfitt.

The third session - Women's Advancement - will be held on Friday, 25 August, with former Prime Minister Julia Gillard.

Order of Australia Medal



Congratulations to Susanne Harris our amazing Days for Girls and SA State Coordinator and past board director. She was listed on the King's Birthday 2023 Honours List. Suzanne was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia.



Zonta Adelaide Torrens

Ms Jennifer Robyn WEAVER OAM

For services to women in a range of organisations.

Congratulations to Jenny for achieving this wonderful honour in recognition of her tireless work on behalf of women – especially with Birthing Kit Foundation Australia and Zonta Club of Adelaide Torrens.



District Conference 2023



**17th Biennial Conference
Bunbury 2023**



ZONTA DISTRICT 23 CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Registration for the upcoming D23 Conference in Bunbury from 1st – 3rd September 2023 will be online from **June 2023**.

Please watch out for this information to come to your inbox. We had planned to open registration in May; however, we are awaiting the outcome of some sponsorship offers that, if successful, will result in lower registration fees for you all.

Please go ahead and book flights and accommodation. See previous Conference Newsletters for information. www.zontadistrict23.org.au

Sandra Burns and the Conference Committee.

Enquiries: zontad23conf@gmail.com

International Convention - 27 June – 1 July 2024
Brisbane Convention Centre QLD



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 PAINTS

BELAIR
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Zonta South Australian Clubs meeting nights

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

Our club meets on the fourth Wednesday of the month
 6.30 for 7.00 pm start.

Zonta Club of Adelaide Hills
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