

# The Zontapreneur



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**2011** - 11 years have passed since the iconic 2000! What have we achieved in these last 11 years?? A good time to reflect and then project to what we want to achieve by the year 2020, which seems another landmark year.

**T**oo much to think that far ahead? Well one year will be a start, *so please make sure you are able to come to our February meeting to participate in the Club's planning for the next twelve months.* We need the help of each



member—your input, feedback and bright ideas—to steer us in the best direction. *Don't forget, this is YOUR club—you've paid to be a member and there-*

*fore, you should have a say in its management!*

**B**etween now and our meeting on 2 February, it would be appreciated if you would give some serious thought to how you can contribute to this planning discussion. Make some notes and come prepared with your views and any proposals that you think might assist in our future success. As the old adage says: *"Two heads are better than one"* although in our case, 32 heads will be 16 times better!

This month's meeting will be preceded by a special presentation to **Holly Ransom**, our **Jane M Klausman Scholarship winner**. Area 3 Director and Club member Leanne Sultan will present this prestigious award and Karen Groves, District JMK Co-ordinator, will attend. I'm looking forward, as no doubt we all will, to hearing about Holly's achievements and plans.



Jane M. Klausman

It has been upsetting to see our fellow Australians coping with the devastating floods but uplifting to see the

community spirit and support in the enormous clean-up operations. I hope any of your families and our Zonta family involved are now all safe. However, the following message from Trish Collins, the Governor of District 22, was posted on the ZI website.

*"We have the potential for members from up to 30 of our 47 clubs to be affected by the floods....The preferred action determined by the D22 Board is for monetary donations. I ask that Zontians who wish to make a donation do so as individuals to the Premier's Relief Fund which is the most reliable mechanism in place to ensure that those who have been affected by the floods are the beneficiaries. Details on how to make donations (both within Australia and internationally) can be located at ...."*

[www.qld.gov.au/floods/donate.html](http://www.qld.gov.au/floods/donate.html)



Picture taken at Dagmar Barnes' brother's property in Gympie where normally no water can be seen!

**M**argaret Field contacted former member—Danielle Gallegos who, a few years ago, returned to Queensland to live. She and family are safe having bought a home on higher ground; however, the University of Queensland where she and Simon work has been affected by the floods. It makes you appreciate your home, and realise what people around the world are dealing with daily.

**O**n that note, have you managed to view the PowerPoints received from Zonta International regarding the new programs for this biennium? These are very inspiring, dealing with the topics -

**Prevention of Burns Violence Against Women and Girls in Cambodia, Nepal and Uganda**

&  
**Security and Empowerment for Women and their families: Ensuring a Gender-Responsive Humanitarianism and Early Recovery Response in Haiti**

**ZI's** programs are supporting these by US\$430,000 and US\$200,000 respectively. These women need our help and so what better time than now to send a donation to HQ whilst our dollar is about par! It's easy to do via the ZI website so give it some thought.



**I** am very proud to announce, because of the enormous work and planning of previous years, our club was nominated for one of the Premier's Australia Day Awards. In this regard Alison and I attended the breakfast on Australia Day when the winners were announced.



**Nominated for providing advocacy to our local community by raising funds for a variety of projects and awards which assist women to improve their legal, economic, educational, health and professional status since 1981.**

## Awards

**U**nfortunately, we were not successful, but I would like to congratulate you all anyway. I'm now looking forward to another successful year for our club.

**S**ee you next week, brains tuned up for a lively planning segment!

Jean Wyder, President

Please let June Fowler know if you can't attend or have guests by Friday 28 January on 9424 5755 (B) or Email—[jfowler@accruer.com.au](mailto:jfowler@accruer.com.au)

**AROUND THE CLUB**

There's been quite a lot of activity going on behind the scenes during the break, no doubt some of which we will never get to hear about!



**Di Bryant** has been on yet another cruise with her family, this time on the 'Athena'. No sooner had the ship docked in Fremantle than **Anita and Philip Sutton** were readying themselves to board for a 4-day experience off the WA coast. They will return on 27th January after calling into Bunbury to watch that town's Australia Day fire-works display.

**Kerry Coyle** has closed the curtain on Curtin University and semi-retired (*does this mean she will be full-time on Zonta?!*). Her Managing Editor contract finished in December. She is now going to set up '**Kerry Coyle Editorial Services**' working from home. This will entail editing manuscripts (books, booklets and brochures) to help make them more reader-friendly.

**Kerry** said she already has two government department clients and possibly a mining company. She said she '*still hopes not to work more than half days!* Yippee! *I'm a new woman already. More time for Geoff and the 'boys' (Nick 24 and Rob 22), one just left Uni and the other still a student at UWA*'. Good luck with your new venture **Kerry**.

**Marion and John**, as reported in the November 'Zontapreneur', were flying off to see Lake Eyre in flood. I promised you some photos of their trip, so here they are—what an experience, although I'm not sure about the 'road-kill' platter at the Parachilna Hotel! It looks fine. How was it **Marion**?



Lake Eyre Yacht Club, Marree



The house that 'A' built is going well as you can see from the following.



Sept 2010  
The roof went on ....



January 2011  
Not many changes to the outside, but lots happening inside...



Just a little taste of the inside—can't give away too many details before the house warming!!



We can't wait **Anastasia!**

Another member into house building right now is **Palma Phipps**. She and David are building their 'dream home' in Augusta, an area they love. So you can see why **Palma** missed a number of club meetings last year, remembering that they also sailed their catamaran from the east coast. (*Don't know how you do it **Palma!***" Ed.)



Not to be left out of the house moves is '**Yours Truly**', your editor, who has her unit on the market at present. Yes, family circumstances and the suitability of their current homes into the future goaded **Elaine and Dawn** into making moves closer to their older sister. The new homes are in an eco friendly development in Mandurah and 500 m apart. And, yes, once built and settled, you're all invited. Perhaps we can resurrect our WWWs (wild women weekends)!

**Hilda Malanczak** and family moved before Christmas from Balcatta to Mt Hawthorn. Her new contact details will be emailed to members shortly.

**Dagmar Barnes** hasn't been letting any grass grow under her feet. She's been gallivanting all over the place. Here are some of her jottings.

*"In October, I went on a parish pilgrimage to Rome, Egypt, Israel and Jordan. A highlight of the trip was seeing the Sea of Galilee, and the ruins of the town of Capernaum, where St Peter lived. One can still see the ruins of Peter's house, and of the synagogue where Jesus taught. Another amazing site was the summit of Mt Nebo in Jordan, where Moses viewed the Promised Land for the first time. It was like looking at Google Earth!*

*Touring Jerusalem is marred by the multitudes of tourists, their buses and the noisy guides in the churches, the hideous wall that separates the Israeli West of the city from the Palestinian East and the check points, where the Israeli soldiers (mostly beautiful young men and women 19 to 21 years of age undergoing national service}, with guns very conspicuous, board the buses to check—on what exactly?*

Olive trees in the Garden of Gethsemane



Also not to be forgotten was the 'Rose Red City of Petra' in Jordan. From 200 BC to 200 AD it was on the big trading routes, until the Romans built the ten cities of the Decapolis, taking all the trade away. This wonderful city carved out of rock is one of the Wonders of the World.

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Dagmar's story cont'd

When it was deserted by the Nabateans, the Bedouins moved in, and lived there until around 1970. Since then it has been a tourist site, run by the Bedouins who moved away into the neighbouring town. *Queen Nur, the last wife of King*



Hussein, wanting to raise the Bedouins from their poverty, formed the 'Queen Nur Foundation', which makes beautiful jewellery to sell. In Petra, the Bedouins are so dignified, they do not harass you, mainly because they have such quality products—the jewellery sells itself!

Jordan is most like how one imagines the Holy Land in ancient times. There is a lot of desert and Bedouin camps, with animals. The procession order of a herd of goats or sheep goes like this—donkey in front, then shepherd, then the sheep, followed by another shepherd, and a dog bringing up the rear. It was so interesting. The sheep do really follow the shepherd, as in the Scriptures—different from Australia!

Dagmar spent December/January visiting relatives in Newcastle, Gympie and Launceston. Her brother in Gympie lives high up with a pastoral view of the Mary River. The residents are fairly 'ho hum' about how the river rises after heavy rainfall because it goes down equally quickly. However, this time even they were amazed with all the river crossings flooded, completely isolating them. A different story in Tassie, where surprisingly, Dagmar acquired a suntan when visiting the beautiful seaside hamlet of Falmouth!

Dagmar loved catching up with her brothers and getting to know all the nephews and nieces after so many years. However, she was happy to return home. "Do I want to live over there? Emphatically 'no'. Perth is the place for me, not only because our drier heat is easier to bear than the heat and the humidity of the east, but because I have so many wonderful friends—Zonta friends included."



If you haven't joined us on Film Club night—you are missing out on a treat! It is a great opportunity to relax and unwind from the stresses of the week. Because we mostly meet at the Luna in Leederville, you also have the chance to grab a bite to eat beforehand!

December's film at Luna Outdoor was hilarious! We laughed out aloud—something I haven't done at a movie for a long time. It was a real treat!

January's movie has been given 5 stars and has had some terrific reviews. So don't miss 'Black Swan' at Luna Leederville Friday 28 January. At the moment the session time is 6:30 pm; however, I will confirm this.

Bronwyn and the Fun(d)raising Committee



## CHRISTMAS— A time for giving

Zonta Refuge Manager, Annette Chivers, was overwhelmed and thrilled with our basket of Christmas goodies for the residents presented to her at our windup on 2nd December. The club also gave Annette a cheque which will help in the funding of this much needed community house.

### Stand-in Board Member

As you probably know, Robbie Hearse sits on the Refuge Board and has asked if someone would stand in for her between May and October whilst she and Phil sail 'Anteater Blues' offshore during this period. Meetings are on the 3rd Monday of the month at 5.15 pm.

## AE FELLOW in our midst!

Did you know that ZC of Swan Hills' member **Carolina Fasano** is a former Amelia Earhart Fellow? She is shown here with **Carole Theobald**, D23 Amelia Earhart Fellowship Co-ordinator who provided an excellent display on the famous aviatrix at our AE function on Sunday. **Thanks again to Marion Brown** for organising this event at the Jandakot Aero Club. It was so nice to meet with fellow members in a relaxing way, to share a drink and a meal to kick off our Zonta year.



Carolina was granted her first Amelia Earhart Fellowship when she was about 25 years of age whilst living in Geneva (Switzerland) and working on her postgraduate degree in Astrophysics, having obtained her initial degree in Physics in Italy. Zonta was kind enough to renew her Amelia Earhart Fellowship three times, allowing her to complete her Astrophysics Doctorate.

In 1994 she was invited by ZI to join their Amelia Earhart committee which judged the performance of Fellowship candidates and she remained on that committee for some time.

Some years later Carolina enrolled in a postgraduate degree focused on people (Social Psychology) run by the London School of Economics. This degree allowed her to branch out into social sciences. Ten years of professional work followed, working at the OECD, the international organization based in Paris, focused on a number of issues.

1985 saw her accept a professorship at the University of Wollongong where she spent 15 years.

Along the way she managed to marry and have a daughter who appears to have inherited the globe-trotting "bug". Having subsequently divorced, Carolina is focused on sustaining a more peaceful lifestyle and is enjoying her membership at Swan Hills.

Belatedly we congratulate Carolina on her achievements and are proud that we have a real live Amelia Earhart Fellow in our midst!

**AE Raffle**—Marion will bring the raffle to our meeting so that members who were not able to attend the Aero Club have an opportunity to buy tickets.

## "JUST A MEMBER"

(adapted from a talk by Dianne Leggo at an Area Workshop, March 1987)

It is your responsibility to ensure that your committee is working towards achieving its goals.

It is your responsibility to see that the club is growing.

It is your responsibility to contribute to that wonderful feeling of friendship that is possible within the Zonta network.

It is your responsibility to ensure that the lines of communication within the club are working smoothly and not being a burden to just a few.

So take the initiative and make sure that **YOU** are fulfilling your role as

**A MEMBER OF YOUR CLUB!**

## MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

“Do you realize that the most important role within the Zonta International hierarchy is that of being a member? Without members, there is no organization. It is clear and it is the truth”, so said Ragna Karlsdóttir, ZI Chairman of the Organization, Membership and Classification Committee.

Dianne Curtis, our International President said: “Membership is vital to our ability to influence the status of women in the future.”

To encourage each and everyone of us to recruit new members, a Membership Incentive Program has been set up. Zontians who recruit two or more new members between 1 June 2010 and 31 May 2012 will receive a special pin and be recognized at the Torino, Italy Convention in July 2012. Now there’s a challenge for PNS’ members. We have another 16 months to achieve this goal, **but we need to START NOW!!!**

### Let’s make MARCH MEMBERSHIP MONTH

As current Chairman of our club’s membership committee I am going to become a ‘Member Monster’ and keep motivating you to muster up more members monthly!

There are so many benefits in having more members -

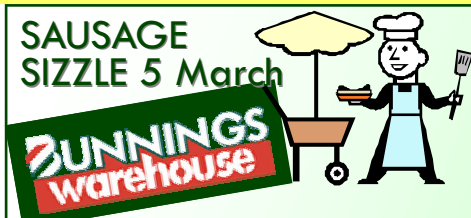
- Firstly, we can spread the workload much more equitably.
- It will bring diversity into the club (in more ways than one).
- We will have a lot more skills on which to draw.
- We will be enriched through new experiences.
- New life-long friends will be made.
- We will have more clout in the community.
- The more members the more supporters.
- Monthly meetings will be more interesting, attract good speakers and entice people to join us.
- Our fundraising ventures should make more money which in turn will help more women.

Want to be part of this exciting chapter in our club’s life? If everyone brought in one new member, we’d double our membership by 2012. Think about that!

Dawn

## IMPORTANT DATES & EVENTS

(make sure you put these in your diary and plan to attend)  
NOTE: Some of these fliers have already been emailed to members.



**SAUSAGE SIZZLE 5 March**

This has come around so quickly and, don’t worry, I can hear all your groans from where I’m sitting! We may need to get lots of rest between now and Saturday 5 March!

We made \$2 000 last year—let’s aim for \$3 000, \$4 000...! It’s the start of the long weekend and hopefully it will be warm enough so everyone wants to buy a drink, but not too hot, so people will still want to eat a sausage!

The fundraising committee is again asking for your help with finding the equipment we need and also coming onto the roster. So what do you want to do? Cook, serve, take the money, clean, spruik, or give out information about the club... Get in quick with you preferences!

We will need equipment to be brought to the March meeting and as this is very close to the actual day, we may need you to confirm what stuff you have a bit earlier. More on this later.

Some of the items we will need to borrow are—very large eskies, cooking utensils, portable fridges, power boards, extension cords, freezer bricks, fold up chairs, trestle tables, Zonta aprons, old tea towels and possibly, a card table. This is just a first list; more details will be available after our planning meeting, which is at Gitta’s home on Thursday 10 February.

Thanks,  
*Bronwyn*

**11 March—IWD**  
**Celebrating 100 Years!**  
(a definite for your diary)

1911-2011  
Celebrating 100 years  
International Women’s Day

**International Women’s Day  
Centenary Breakfast**

FRIDAY, 11 MARCH 2011  
7.00 AM TO 9.00 AM  
PERTH CONVENTION & EXHIBITION CENTRE  
TICKETS \$55 INC GST

Thank you for supporting UNIFEM’s self-out event last year that raised over \$16,000 to empower women migrant workers in Indonesia.

- In 2011 we are moving to a larger, more central venue.
- Please leave the date so we can save you a seat.
- Book now via [www.internationalwomensday.org.au](http://www.internationalwomensday.org.au)
- Corporate sponsors welcome—please contact [perth@unifem.org.au](mailto:perth@unifem.org.au) today!

This UNIFEM (part of UN Women) event is proudly supported by:



**CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF  
INTERNATIONAL WOMEN’S DAY  
BY SAVING 100 LIVES!**

**Saturday, 12 March 2011—9 am to 12.30 pm**

**BIRTHING KIT ASSEMBLY WORKSHOP**

Did you know over 585,500 women die annually in childbirth around the world?

We’re planning to make 2000 kits to send to women overseas.

Come along to the WestCoast Institute of Training 35 Kendrew Avenue, Joondalup, by 8.30 am

It’s great fun and you will go home with a nice alarm feeling knowing that you’ve contributed to a clean birthing environment for many women less privileged than yourself!

Women in international dress would be most welcomed!

This project is supported by the Department for Communities. The Department for Communities builds strong, vibrant communities by supporting and advocating on behalf of children, parents and their families, young people, women, seniors, voters, volunteers and non-government organisations.

Morning tea will be funded by the Department for Communities.

A good one  
to have to go to  
the birthing kit  
workshop—  
cover the lot of  
moments would  
be most  
appreciated.



RSVP by 2 MARCH to Jean Wyder—Tel. 6467 7967 or Email—[wyderjvision@gmail.com](mailto:wyderjvision@gmail.com)




**ZC of SWAN HILLS’ FUNDRAISER**  
A great night not to be missed!  
Door prizes, raffle, auction—6pm onwards

*Hot February Night  
Feb 26<sup>th</sup>*



*Rock’n Night  
on the Swan*

with

*Inside Cover*

**ZC of Swan Hills  
BYO Picnic/Chairs**

**\$18 pp**  
**\$35 couple**  
**\$50 family**

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**AREA 3 WORKSHOP**  
26 March 2011

*Fellowship to Membership*




2011 Area 3 Workshop  
Mallard Duck Retirement

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