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ZONTA CLUB OF PERTH, NORTHERN SUBURBS

PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT 1986-87

It is my pleasure to present the Annual Report for 1986-87 for the Zonta Club of Perth, Northern Suburbs.

As I reflect on the year's programme I believe that we, as a club, can be justifiably proud of our achievements. I sincerely thank all members for their support in promoting the objects and goals of Zonta International.

I particularly thank the Committee Chairmen for their untiring efforts. The excellent work achieved by the various committees is recorded in the reports. I truly appreciate their dedication in developing the ideals of Zonta.

The Service Committee, under the able leadership of Hilary Lane, has worked with enthusiasm to raise revenue for our Fund Raising account. The Swap-meet at Karrinyup, the Quiz night at Gleneagles and the Art and Craft exhibition at the Karrinyup Community Hall were the major functions. Service-in-kind was not overlooked and many members were involved in the Senior Citizens luncheon for over 350 "oldies" held at Observation City. Thankyou Hilary and your Service committee.

The Fellowship and Attendance committee led by Dawn Newman has made every effort to ensure that new members and guests have felt welcome. Dawn has been a most reliable 'contact person' and dinner meetings have been very well organized, with fine attention given to seating details.

Pam Hatt has managed the International Relations committee single-handed and in a most competent way. The success of the Special Guests Youth Night has ensured a regular place in our annual programme for this event. Guest speakers representing International agencies have presented information which has been valuable in giving members a greater insight into the ideals of Zonta International.

The Membership and Classification committee deserves a special mention. The work of this committee is demanding and Gillian Cuss and her committee have been diligent in their efforts. The current membership stands at 29. Seven new members were inducted during the year.

Maria Cuscuna chairs the Status of Women committee. In Maria's report you will read of our club's commitment to the development of the Padbury Child Care Centre. Not only has this become a modern centre for the care of young children, but it has also provided a means by which young mothers can be temporarily released from the immediate demands of child care - surely an important function in today's society. Dellas Clements has represented Zonta as Chairman of the Steering committee of this centre and we are proud of her involvement.

The Amelia Earhart committee is under Kay Haig's careful control. Kay organized a very successful fund-raising evening which enabled us to fulfil our commitment to the Amelia Earhart Fellowship Fund. Thankyou sincerely Kay, for your contribution to the club.

Mary Deschamp, Chairman of Public Relations, delighted us all with the first edition of our very own newsletter "Club Capers". The second edition was most impressive. Copies of the newsletter are sent to Headquarters in Chicago, the District Governor Val Sarah, the Area Director Elizabeth Harris and the Vice Area Director Bobbie Porter, the Presidents of the other Perth clubs and of course our founding mother Yvonne Roberts. So you see news of our activities travels far and wide. Copies given to prospective members assist them in understanding the objectives of our club. Thankyou Mary, you are fulfilling a valuable role.

The Intra-city committee chaired by Lucy Bohan has played a valuable role in providing closer relations between the four Perth clubs. Lucy has completed a full report which I will leave for your perusal. Thankyou Lucy for your commitment and also for your witty contributions to Waz Buzz on behalf of Zonta Club of Perth, Northern Suburbs.

I have chosen to highlight the work of the committees but perhaps the most rewarding aspect of Zontian membership is fellowship. There have been many occasions when this has been enjoyed - informally at fund-raising projects, before and during dinner meetings, and at specially arranged fellowship functions. The America's Cup evening arranged by Kay and Trevor Poustie at the Fremantle Port Authority was a first-rate example of Zontian fellowship at its best. The 1986 Christmas party, was memorable and the standard of the 'entertainment' outstanding. It will be some time before we forget that Spontaneous Melodrama!

The Club achievement for the 1986-87 year would not have been so high without the untiring efforts of the Board who gave of their time and expertise so generously. Their brain-storming sessions produced many a brilliant suggestion which was later adopted by our members. We certainly owe them a vote of gratitude.

Kaye Metaxas has shown herself to be a secretary 'extraordinaire' and together with my personal thanks I am sure all club members would like to add their own for a job well done. Kaye's other major contribution has been seen in the publication of the Club handbook - a valuable tool used by every member. Thankyou sincerely, Kaye.

Alma Dempsey has completed two years as Club Treasurer - an onerous task which she has undertaken in a most conscientious manner. Alma, thankyou for all those long hours, totalling club finances. Your efforts were very much appreciated.

Many individuals have made a great contribution to our club. I thank you all, for in doing so, you have made my office as President, a most happy experience.

MARGARET FIELD PRESIDENT

AMELIA EARHART COMMITTEE

Our fund-raising function for the Amelia Earhart fund in 1986 was a very successful evening held at Kay Poustie's home in September. Each member brought a casserole or sweets and we all paid the normal dinner fee. Our guest speaker was Jenny Houghton who told us about her trip to China with the young people from her aeronautics class. She spoke very entertainingly and showed us many interesting slides of the sights they had seen. This function raised \$266 for the fund.

On March 15, 1987, an interesting and informative Intra-club function was held at the new Perth International airport, as the celebration planned for Amelia Earhart Day (6th January) was cancelled. At the airport we had a champagne breakfast and were then shown over the Qantas catering facilities. All members who attended were impressed by the fact that during a busy week 26,000 meals can be prepared in the kitchens. It was an enjoyable way to spend a morning.

Kay Haig (Chairman)

FELLOWSHIP AND ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE

According to my calculations our membership averaged 26.5 over the twelve months March 1986 to February 1987. Not quite the 30 we had hoped for.

Ten official meetings were held, i.e. excluding December and January, and a total of 177 members attended out of 261 giving a figure of 67.82%. Over this period 96 guests attended pushing the total attendances to 273. However, guests were boosted by the marvellous November meeting when we entertained 34 young people and others at our special youth night. Guests accounted for 35% of attendances over the year.

Whilst I am unable to compare meaningfully attendance figures with those of 1985, it appears we have more members this year but less attending meetings and about the same number of guests. Perhaps it would be worthwhile carrying out a survey of members to see if we can identify the reasons for the fall away. This could assist with future direction and planning and the types of members we should foster.

As far as communication for non-acceptances is concerned, on the whole this was quite good but there are still some problems with people not attending at the last minute, especially guests. Perhaps this could be addressed, once more, by the new committee. I still believe an RSVP with money before the meeting is worthwhile pursuing – a tear-off slip on the minutes is all that is required or in the case of guests, a form attached to an invitation/letter to attend. Perhaps also flexibility with the meal could avoid last minute cancellations becoming an expense for the club if the pre-payment solution is not adopted.

Dawn Newman (Chairman) June Fowler

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS - ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNT AS AT 31 MARCH 1987 (INCLUDING SERVICE FUNDS TO 31 OCTOBER 1986)

Opening balance as at 1 June 1986				2172.69
Receipts				
Membership dues			1200.00	
Meetings (dinner revenue)			4693.77	ſ ^{''}
Sundry				
Membership of Zonta House	51.00			· ·
America's Cup night	202.30			-
Blithe Spirit	612.50			
Art/craft stall	692.55			
Quiz night	924.40			
Miscellaneous fund-raising	380.80			
Expenses Club publications	316.00			
Bank interest	167.00 82.73		21.00 00	
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TOTAL AS AT 31 MARCH 1987				11495.74
Less disbursements				
International dues	1510.90			
District dues	222.50		1722 10	
Meeting (dinner expenses)	222.50		1733.40 3912.10	
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Sundry				
Zonta House membership	51.00			
Zonta Brick	230.00			
Founders Award - S Byers	50.00			
Convention Registration fee - M Cuscuna	250.00			
Insurance	150.00	731.00		
Club expenses: secretarial/postage/photocopies	502.98			
Misc. expenses	206.23			
Bank fees	23.64	732.85		
Fund-raising expenses: Blithe Spirit	737.50			
Art/craft stall	288.36			
Handbooks	74.80			
Misc. fund-raising	299.70	1400.36		· -
Expenses	316.00	316.00		
Transfer to Service account				
Profit Quiz night	924,00			
Amelia Earhart	226.02			
America's Cup night	274.10			
Art/craft stall	378.19	1802.31	4982.52	10628.02
BALANCE AS AT 31 MARCH 1987				\$ 867.72

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS - SERVICE ACCOUNT OPENED 1 NOVEMBER 1986 TO 31 MARCH 1987

Receipts

Profit Quiz night Amelia Earhart America's Cup Art/craft stall Interest on Investment Share Certificate	924.00 226.02 274.10 378.19	1424.12 378.19	1802.31 105.30	1907.61
Less disbursements				
Zonta House (china, cutlery) Padbury Childcare Centre UNIFEM US\$300.00 A\$439.00 Eva Mowbray US\$ 25.00 A\$ 36.55 Amelia Earhart US\$162.50 A\$237.27 US\$487.50 A\$712.82	100.00 530.00	630.00	1342.82	
Sundry charges Padbury Childcare: Quadro Activity Unit			13.00 350.00	1705.82
BALANCE AS AT 31 MAY 1987				\$201.79

NOTE:

THESE BALANCE SHEETS ARE INTERIM ONLY AS ZONTA FISCAL YEAR FINISHES ON 31 MAY 1987. WHEN APRIL AND MAY FIGURES ARE INCLUDED THE BOOKS WILL BE SUBMITTED TO MR R STAPLEDON FOR AUDIT.

A. DEMPSEY TREASURER

INTRA-CITY COMMITTEE

The Intra-city committee is comprised of representatives (2) from each of the four Zonta International clubs in Western Australia - Darling Range, Perth, South Perth and Northern Suburbs. Members this year have included Vice Area 6 Director Bobbie Porter, former Area Director Sue Jarvis, Bev Scott the flying member from Darling Range, Anna Woerlee (SP), Barbara Hale, Ginnie Bristow (P), Kaye Poustie and Lucy Bohan (NS).

The objectives of this committee briefly are to promote liaison and closer relations between these clubs, by arranging appropriate functions, and by producing and distributing a quarterly newsletter "Waz Buzz".

- Meetings have been held monthly (except in January) in the Alexander Library coffee shop.
- Functions which have been arranged and presented for participation by members of all clubs:
 - 2.1 Theatre night 19/9/86, "Blithe Spirit" at the Hole-in-the-Wall theatre. The proceeds of this successful evening were presented at the Zonta Foundation Anniversary dinner 8/11/86 to Mr and Mrs G. Parleuliet who conduct the "Windmill Farm" at Bridgetown for intellectually handicapped adults.
 - 2.2 Workshop with the theme 'International Relationships" was held in the Alexander Library on 23 October 1986. The guest-speaker, visiting American Professor Jane Kahle contributed significantly to an enjoyable and stimulating evening. Unfortunately, attendance was below expectation.
 - 2.3 Zonta Foundation Anniversary dinner at Lombardo's Restaurant Fremantle on 8 November 1986, was our only appearance, albeit notable, into the America's Cup race territory. The guest-speaker Mrs Hazel Hawke was both charming and entertaining. Another notable guest was Mrs Pamela Catallini, Lady Mayoress Fremantle. 116 Zontians and friends enjoyed the evening, during which there were several presentations, and there was an induction of new Zontians.
 - 2.4 Community Achievement Award: Each year clubs are invited to nominate for this award, women who have been outstanding in community service. This year, the winner was Mrs Sylvia Byers, and the presentation to her was made during the Foundation Anniversary dinner on 8 November 1986. The cost of the award (\$200.00) was borne equally by each of the four clubs.
 - 2.5 Area 6 Director Elizabeth Harris visited Perth during November 1986, and to meet her Bobbie Porter invited Zontians from all clubs to her home in Attadale.
- 3. For the ensuing year there are already some proposals for joint activity on the back-burner, including a Jazz-1950s dancing night, and a workshop in June 1987 with the Governor Val Sarah and Area 6 Director Elizabeth Harris, present and there will be other welding operations.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS - U.N. COMMITTEE

Contact has been made with four overseas clubs with the aim of establishing friendship clubs. To date we have not received any response to our invitations.

At our November meeting we hosted a 'special guests youth night' and two exchange students were our guest speakers along with fourteen other young ladies as our guests.

Through the 'open house' programme we played host to international visitors from Europe and North America.

Our club has also become a member of the United Nations Association of Australia during the year.

Guest speakers from the United Nations Association and the Overseas Service Bureau have presented informative and interesting details on their organizations' functions.

In October an International evening was organized by the Intra-city committee and our club participated in this most successful evening at the Alexander Library.

Maria Cuscuna, our Vice-President travelled to the International Convention in Toronto, Canada and upon her return presented an interesting and enjoyable report to our meeting.

The International Relations committee will continue
"BUILDING PEACE THROUGH SERVICE AND SHARING"

Pam Hatt (Chairman)

MEMBERSHIP AND CLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE

Membership numbered 26 when we started the year, and fell to 22 following the resignations of four members: Carolyn Blom, Judy Campbell, Else Kikiros, Val Carnevale.

Else and Val were long-standing members and both moved out of our area. Judy and Carolyn had been in the club for less than a year.

Our current membership of 29, was achieved by the induction of seven new members: Beth Snowdon, Maggie McComb, Maureen Gibbs, Jan Jones, Nerrida Porteous, Rosemary Keenan and Sue Bullen.

These inductions took place in our new meeting room at Observation City, with the exception of Maureen Gibbs who was inducted at the Birthday Dinner at Lombardo's in Fremantle.

Lucy Bohan, our Charter President, has retired and been awarded the "Past Classified" designation.

Our membership goal is for 35 members, and members have been approached by the committee for suggestions for prospective members.

Quite a number of members are in the process of being re-classified, and several have had a change of address.

Our committee has streamlined the processing of guest invitations, and new member inductions and look forward to a busy and rewarding Zonta year. I would like to sincerely thank Maureen and Barbara for their untiring efforts and excellent ideas.

Gillian Cuss (Chairman) Maureen Felton Barbara Hayes

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Whilst Zontians are always conscious of taking every opportunity to promote Zonta, a more specific effort has been made this year to "spread the word". This has taken the form of our very own club magazine entitled "Club Capers".

The magazine not only can be used to advertise what we do as Zontians but can also help promote club unity and enthusiasm.

We look forward to many more editions in the next year.

Mary Deschamp (Chairman)

SERVICE COMMITTEE

Swap-meeting at Karrinyup in undercroft parking in aid of Appealathon. This annual event was very successful and a lot of fun for everyone.

America's Cup night at Viv Morris' home - members and friends enjoyed an evening with a video and talk and bought regalia. Proceeds went towards club service funds.

Cinema tickets: we bought tickets in bulk and sold them to members and friends at a profit.

Quiz night: Magnificent evening held at Gleneagles. Very well run by Dorothy Blacklock.

Arts and Crafts exhibition was held at Karrinyup Community Hall. This was a good public relations exercise and fund-raiser.

Luncheon for senior citizens held at Observation City: at short notice we organized a luncheon for 350 or so senior citizens. The meal was excellent and a good time was had by all. We are very grateful to Observation City for allowing us to hold this function.

We still support the Sunshine Singers - a group of children who perform at local old-age homes and hospitals.

Some of our members sort books for Books-on-Wheels. Other members visit elderly or disabled in the name of Zonta.

Hilary Lane (Chairman)
Maggie McComb
Dorothy Blacklock
Chris Rushworth
Dellas Clements
Nancy Pilkington
Beth Snowdon
Viv Morris

STATUS OF WOMEN COMMITTEE

1986-87 has seen Zonta Club of Perth, Northern Suburbs cement their commitment to improving the status of women in our area. The direction of our commitment has been in supporting the establishment of the Padbury Child Care Centre.

The Centre was still in the building stages when club representatives Judy Campbell and Maureen Felton attended their first meeting in July. Representation was then taken over by Dellas Clements who became actively involved in formulating the goals aims and overall policy of the centre. In December she became chairman of the steering committee as it sought an operating licence and staff selection was imminent. The Director of the Centre is Patricia Hassett supported by three trained and untrained staff. The Centre provides 43 full-time places for children in varying kinds of care. Our club has financially contributed to the centre \$500 for sandpits and promised additional donations for equipment.

Thankyou Dellas for your commitment and hard work on behalf of Zonta. The members look forward to visiting the Centre and perhaps we may be able to help in other ways.

The Zonta International Convention held in Toronto, June 14-19 was the highlight of the year for me. I was proud to be a delegate representing Perth Northern Suburbs. I sincerely thank the club for the donation of \$250 towards the registration fee. Meeting fellow Zontians from around the world from all walks of life was a memorable and broadening experience. My only regret was that the planned workshops for different committees never eventuated due to lack of time, as I have found that it is through sharing of experiences and ideas that we look further and wider in our goals and aims. Maybe the 7th Biennial District Conference to be held later this year will provide such valuable workshops.

The intra-city workshop held on 23 October 1986 was most informative as the guest-speaker Professor Jane Kahle gave all who attended food for thought with her data, knowledge and comments on women and how they perceive themselves, their abilities, roles and financial rewards for their efforts, in western societies.

The November meeting was a refreshing look at the young women of today with three female Rotary Exchange students addressing our meeting and over fifteen others attending as our guests. The Zonta members appreciated our young guests and we hope the feeling was mutual.

Finally, Zonta Club of Perth, Northern Suburbs has begun the year with a \$300 U.S. commitment to the Women's Development Project (the Zonta International service project for the 1986-1988 Biennium) - to train 2000 women over the next two years.