



1978 – 2018 and the years in between

Welcome to the story of the Zonta Club of Ballarat,
from inception in 1978 to 2018 and the years in between,
celebrating 40 years of friendships forged,
community partnerships created,
and delivery of service and advocacy locally and internationally



As a member club of Zonta International, we are joining almost 30,000 Zontians in 63 countries worldwide planning celebrations for the centennial anniversary of Zonta International, 1919 - 2019

It's amazing to think that this Organisation grew from a casual conversation between 5 women at a Christmas Party in 1918....

illustrating how true it is that mighty oaks from tiny acorns grow!



Marian de Forest,
a journalist and
playwright, was the
force behind the
establishment of Zonta,
in Buffalo,
upstate New York....





... and now Zonta flourishes in countries large and small, rich and poor, with one Mission at heart...

Our Mission

Zonta International is a leading global organisation of professionals empowering women worldwide through service and advocacy.

Our Vision

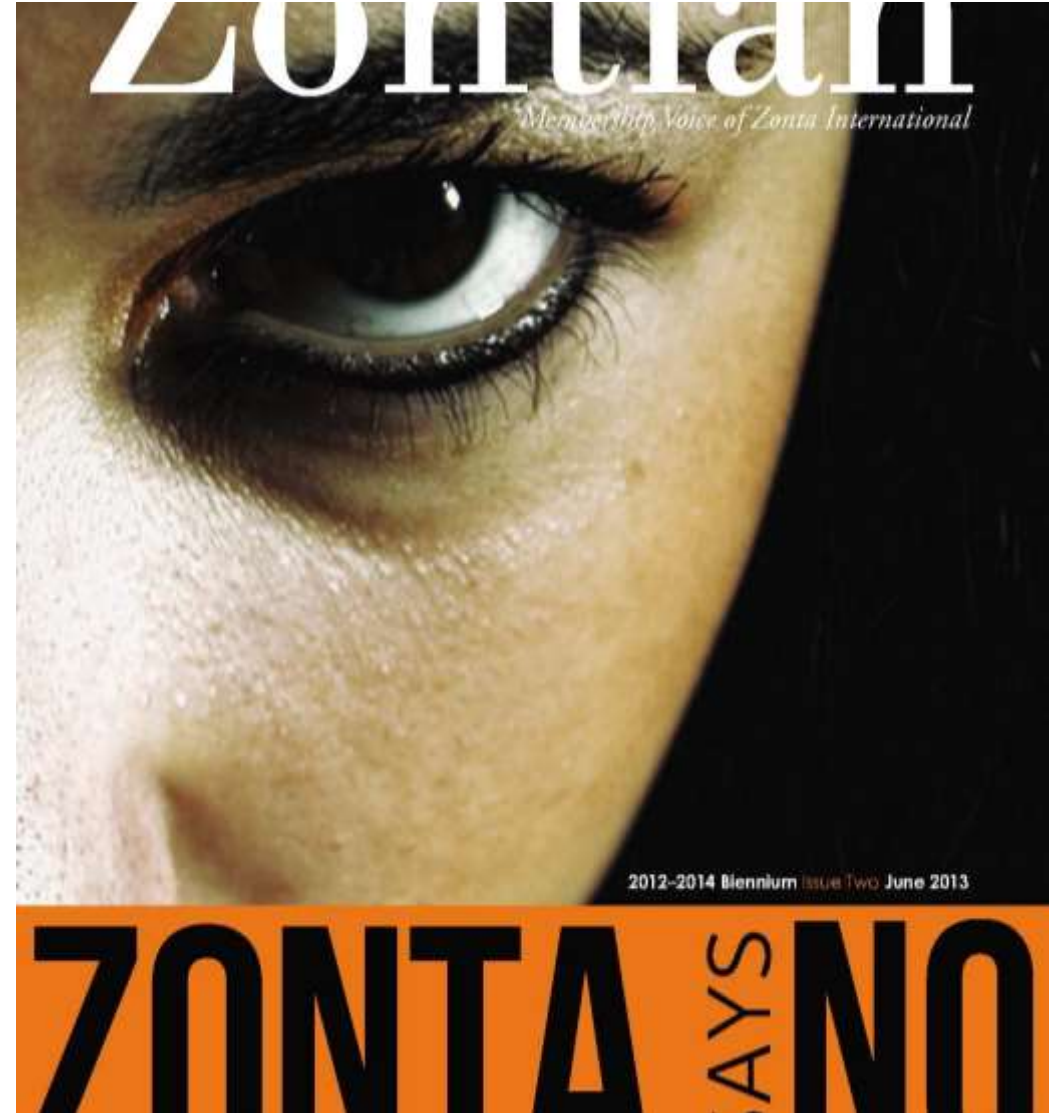
Zonta International envisions a world in which women's rights are recognised as human rights and every woman is able to achieve her full potential.



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



Every Club starts with a 'mother club' – an organising team from an established Club. In our case, the organiser was Elizabeth Lucas from the 'mother club' of Melbourne.



Our Charter Dinner
was held at
Craig's Royal Hotel on the
3rd April 1979.

The Charter was
presented by International
President-Elect

Dr Shirley Schneider
from the USA

to

Charter President
Val Sarah.

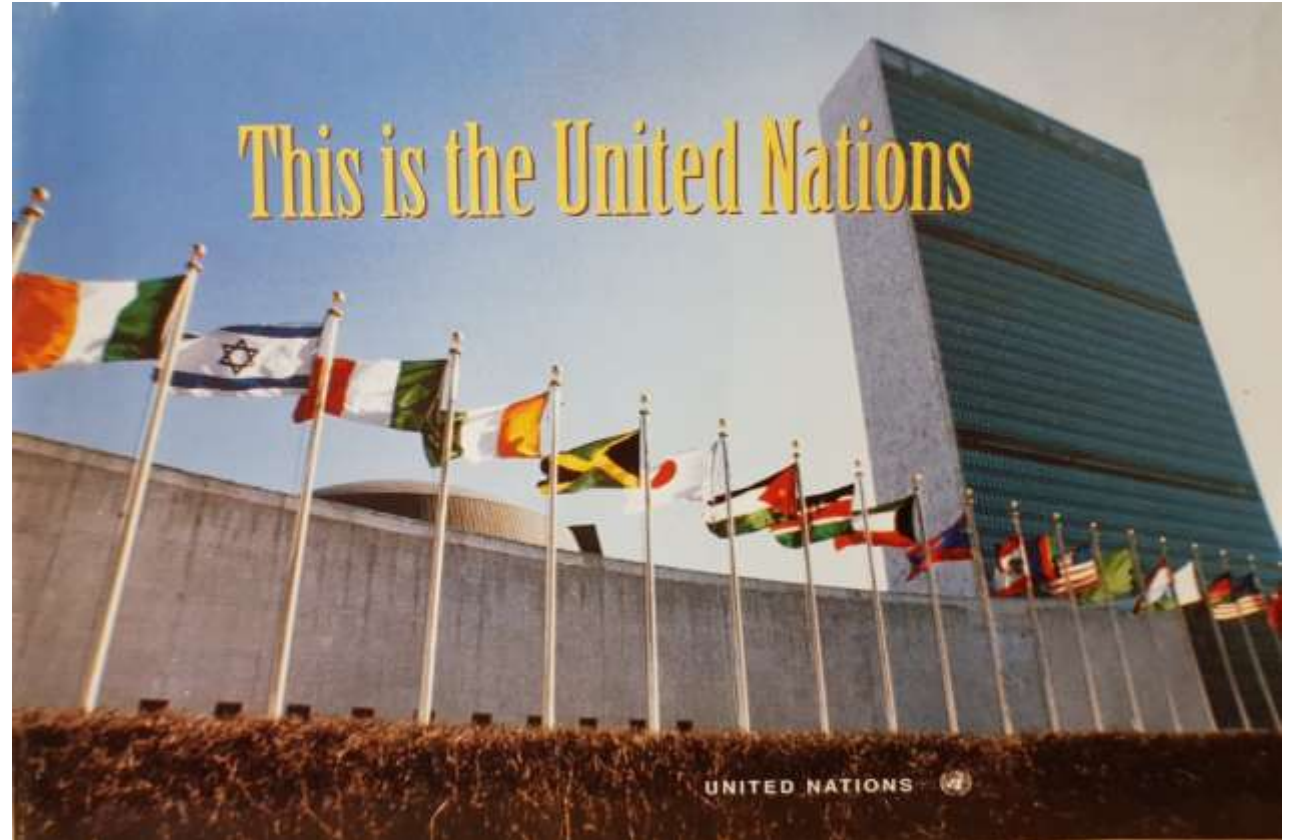


37 Charter Members
were privileged to
count among the
distinguished guests
from all over Australia
and New Zealand,
Dorothy Thompson
from the Zonta Club of
Toronto 1 in Canada,
who founded the first
12 clubs 'Down Under'.



Equally exciting for us
was our official Charter
date held earlier in
1978

on the 24th October,
United Nations Day.
Perhaps for this reason,
we have always taken a
keen interest in
developments at the
UN.



We owe the longevity of our Club to its Presidents, each of whom has brought her individual expertise and life experience to the exacting task of leading the club.

Our Club Presidents Over 40 Years

1978-1980 Val Sarah
1980-1982 Anne Smail
1982-1984 Kay McFarlane
1984-1986 Mary Campbell
1986-1987 Bonnie McDonald
1987-1989 Pam Davies
1989-1991 Donna Campbell
1991-1993 Di Gibney
1993-1995 Anne Boag
1995-1996 Mary Chappell
1996-1997 Barbara Spring
1997-1998 Margaret Russell/Albert

1998-2000 Stella Coffey
2000-2001 Anne Smail
2001-2002 Maria Bamford/Langford
2002-2003 Yvonne Watson
2003-2004 Michelle Jorgensen
2004-2005 Kate Peplinkhouse/Owen
2005-2006 Judy Snowden
2006-2009 Hilary Pope
2009-2011 Lee Belcher
2011-2013 Stella Coffey
2013-2016 Donna Campbell
2016-2018 Catherine Taylor
2018- Donna Campbell

We have enjoyed working with many members from different walks of life throughout the forty years, and we acknowledge the richness of their friendship and their contribution to Zonta and to our City.

Members 1978 – 2018

Margaret ALBERT/RUSSELL Vicki ALLAN Eileen ANDERSON Lille BAKER Pauline BAKER Pauline BALL Marie BAMFORD/
LANGFORD Sue BARTELL Esther BARTRAM Shona BECHER/GIBBS Jenny BECK Lee BELCHER Raelene BENSON Phyll
BERRY Margaret BLAKELEY Linda BLAND Anne BOAG Claire BOLSTER Carol-Lynn BOND Alison BOOTHROYD
Beverley BORLEY Marie BOXHALL Elizabeth BREN Gwynne BRENNAN Alison BROOKMAN Phyllis BROWNLEY Julie
BURT Jane BUTSON Marie BUTSON Yvonne BUTSON Adela BYRNE Janine BYRNE/ROSBERGEN Pam BYRNE Cynthia
CALDWELL Donna CAMPBELL Linda CAMPBELL Mary CAMPBELL Gillian CANAVAN Fiona CARLAND Joan CHAMBERS
Mary CHAPPELL Wanda CHAPMAN Greta CHRISTIE Maureen CHRISTIE Dorothy CLEMENCE Stella COFFEY Janis
COOK Marisa COPPERWAITE Judith COULL Rosemary COUSINS Carol CRAWFORD Anne-Marie CULLINAN Kathryn
CUMMINS Robyn CUNNINGHAM Jo-Anne DARBYSHIRE Debbe DAVEY Pam DAVIES Maria DE VAN DER SCHEUREN
Colleen DEAN Lillian DETHRIDGE Helen DOUGLAS Deidre DOWNIE Mary EELES Kathryn EGAN Joan ENNIS Helen
EYRES Christina FAY Ros FAHEY Maureen FOLEY Marjory FOO Eileen FORBES Marlene FOX Pat FRASER Trish
GALLIVAN Di GIBNEY Margaret GILBERT Robyn GILLIS Anita GODFREY Sally GORDON Sharon GOVAN Dianne
GOW Sue HANLIN Sandy HARBISON Robyn HARCOURT Pat HART Marie HELSBY Glenys HENRICKSON

Narelle HIBBERD Glenyce HILL Wilma HOPPEN Lynette HERRIGAN Ruth IZARD Hyemi Jacka Val JAMIESON
Jennifer JELLEFF Sue JOHN Laurel JOHNSON Grace JOHNSTON Megan JONES Michelle JORGENSEN Penny
KAYE Kate KELLY Jennifer KEOGH Sandra KENNEDY Ann KERR Jeong-ah KIM Joan KIMBERLEY Gayle KING
Margaret KNEZ Alice KNIGHT Sharelle KNIGHT Susan LA PIRA Sue LABBETT Olive LAMONT Alison LANIGAN
Verónica LAWSON Sarah LIA Nola LISTER Sheila LOUREY Kay MACAULEY Joan MAHNIG Olivia MALICIVIC
Libby MALKIN/MORRISH Margaret MARTIN Nan MARTIN Pauline MARTIN Pearl MAY Jan McCLELLAN Bonnie
McDONALD Kaye McFARLANE Cheryl McGRATH Helene McKENZIE Suzanne McKENZIE Lynne McLENNAN
Cath McLENEHAN Carolyn McMICKAN Gillian McOMISH Barbara McPHERSON Irene McVEY Jenny MEE
Maureen MENHENNET Alexa MENZIES Jacki METCALFE Edwina MILGATE Glenda MILLER Betty MONTGOMERY
Samantha MOORE Jan MORGAN Marilyn MORLEY Anne MORRISH Margaret MORRISH Kaye MURRAY Leesa
MYERS Pearl MYERS Bernadette NAGLE Ellen NEIL Anne NELSON Caroline NOLAN Carole NORTON Rachael
NUTTALL Rosamond O'BRIEN Susan O'REILLY Kate OWEN/PEPPLINKHOUSE Rebecca PEEL Barbara PERRY
Belinda PLAYSTED/KEATING Dorothy PLUNKETT Marny POOLE Carolyn POPE Hilary POPE Jennifer PRESTON
Dorothy PUNSHON Catherine QUIRK Ruth RICE-JONES Simone RICKETTS Marion RIMMER Elsy
ROBBERECHTS Karen ROBINSON Alison Round Thelma RUNGKAT Janelle RYAN Olivia SARAH Val SARAH
Carmel SCARFF Trish SCHOCROFT Jan SEARY Alexa SEIDEL Lea SENIOR Kaaren SEPHTON Bren SHAW
FRANCIS Lindy SHAW/CHAPMAN Vicki SHEFFIELD Val SHEIL Anne SMAIL Judy SNOWDEN Maria SOZANSKI
Joan SPENCER Barbara SPRING Elizabeth STAYT Julie STEPHENS Jayne STINTON Barbara STREET
Meredith SUTHERLAND Catherine TAYLOR Sandra TAYLOR Debra THOMSON Cindy TILLBROOK Joyce
URQUHART Nicola VAN BERKEL Adri VAN DER KNYFF Iris VERSO Desma WANNENMACHER Jennifer WARNER
Deborah WALKER Gabriele WALLER/BOEHLE Jo WATSON Yvonne WATSON Helen WEADON Trudi WEBB
Orietta WHEATLEY Margaret WHIBLEY Miriam WHITEHEAD Janet WHITHAM Voi WILLIAMS

Honorary Member (1978-1979) Nina Valentine, OAM

As you can see, we have provided funds and hands-on service to an infinite variety of local and international causes, and although our Club is small in membership today, we always hope to *"punch well above our weight"*.

Service Directory of Donation Recipients 1978 – 2018

3BA Christmas and Christmas in July Appeal Aging through the Lens Amelia Earhart Foundation Apex
Asthma Foundation Austin McCallum Centre Australia Day Committee Australian Elizabethan Theatre Trust
Ballarat Arts Foundation Ballarat & District Aids Working Party Ballarat Association for Disabled Ballarat Base
Hospital Ballarat Branch of Asthma Foundation Ballarat Childrens Home Ballarat Childrens Homes and
Family Services Ballarat Fine Art Gallery Ballarat Foundation Ballarat Performing Arts Foundation Ballarat
Regional Women's Festival Ballarat South Senior Citizens Ballarat Winter Relief Appeal Ballarat Writing Council
BCFS Young Mothers BCSCC Begonia Park Special Development School Berry Street Refuges Bone
Marrow Donor Register Bosnia Parcel BRADDA Breastscreen Camp Quality Catherine Maher Central
Highlands Family Aid Program Central Highlands Hearing Impairment Group Central Highlands Regional Library
Child & Family Services Children's Protection Society Comm. Road Safety Council Courier Winter Relief
Appeal Creswick Light Horse Crop a Cop CYSS Dragons Abreast East Timor Association Eureka
Project Capital Appeal Fred Hollows Foundation Gandarra Palliative Care Haemophilia Foundation
Headway Heart Foundation Hurricane Andrew Hyperactive Association Jacinta Gruer Joanne Saunders
Leanne Johnson Life Education Victoria Lifeline/Youthline Lighthouse Foundation Linton Fire Appeal Lisa
Lodge McCallum House Mission of St James & St John Motor Neurone Disease Association Mount Clear

Primary School Breakfast Club NESB Links Newcastle Earthquake Appeal Nicholle McNeice Foundation
 Osteogenesis Imperfects Association Oxometer – Geelong Paralympics Peer Support Scheme – Mt Clear Sec.
 College Pennyweight Park Peplow House Pinarc Toy Library Plan International Playhouse Police
 Youth Club Project Five O Project Orca Queen Elizabeth Geriatric Centre Red Cross Riding for the
 Disabled Rotary Club Wendouree Rotary House Royal Flying Doctor Service Royal South Street Society
 Ryder Cheshire Foundation Ryder Cheshire Support Group S.C. Play Group Salvation Army Sensory Garden –
 Botanical Gardens School of Mines Ballarat SOFUY Solace Somalia Relief Fund Soroptimist Cselenyi Appeal
 Sovereign Hill (Chernobyl Children) Sovereign Hill Dancers St John of God Hospital St Vincent de Paul
 Society Stroke Support UNIFEM Australia / UN Women Australia Uniting Church Outreach Centre Uniting
 Church Family Housing Program Uniting Church Family Refuge University of Ballarat Victims of Chernobyl
 Victorian Women’s Trust Vision Australia WDTC WellComing Women Health Service Wendouree Childrens’
 Centre Wheels for Ghana White Ribbon Foundation and Ballarat Committee Winter Relief Appeal
 Women Living Alone Women’s Archive Project Women’s Emergency Accommodation Womens Health
 Grampians Workskill Australia World Women’s Congress for a Health Planet WRISC Family Violence Support
 YMCA School Holiday Program Young Mothers Group (Uniting Care) Zonta Club of Geelong – Amelia Earhart
 Airshow Zonta International – Amelia Earhart Fellowship Fund Zonta International – Colombian Urban Slum
 Project Zonta International – Wells for Sri Lanka Zonta Brick Zonta International Zonta International –
 Endowment Fund Zonta International Foundation Zontian Fire Relief Appeal Ballarat Retirement Village

Community *support* includes the creation of breast cushions for cancer patients in post-operative care.....



...toiletry bags for
women in local refuges,
and.....



birthing kits, saving the lives of women and their newborn babies in remote communities in 19 countries worldwide with a growing focus on East Africa and South Asia



In addition, we provide non-perishable food, clothing, and toys for the Winter Relief and 3BA Christmas Appeals,



and have participated
in planning
White Ribbon Day
each November



Our community
engagement
includes the creation of
the Zonta Art Collection
of works by Australian
women artists at the
Art Gallery of Ballarat,
and adoption of
artworks for
restoration



We initiated
the Zonta Sensory
Garden in the Ballarat
Botanical Gardens with
funding from the
Pinkerton Bequest,



and an exhibition celebrating Zonta locally and internationally at the Gold Museum in 2008 over a period of 5 months, which was viewed by 50,000 visitors from 49 countries worldwide.



Since 1983, we have funded Encouragement Awards for young women competing in the Royal South Street Eisteddfod



After the introduction of the Young Women in Public Affairs Award by International President Leneen Forde in the biennium 1990-1992, we have recognised the potential of senior student leaders in our community,



and future women
business leaders
through the
Jane M. Klausman
Women in Business
Scholarship,



Jane Klausman
Zonta Club of Syracuse, New York, USA
Business/Profession: Owner JMK
Parliamentary Services

also, since 2008,
we have acknowledged
the outstanding
contribution of local
women nominated by
their peers in the
Honour Roll of
Ballarat's Great Women



We are privileged to have supported the organisation of other Zonta Clubs in our area
Footscray in 1982,
Kyneton in 1994,
Melton in 1997, and the
Zonta Club of Central
Goldfields in 2012



As part of an international
organisation, we support
the broad range of
international service
programs;

The Amelia Earhart
Fellowships,

Young Women in

Public Affairs Awards,

Jane M. Klausman Women
in Business Scholarships,

and the ZONTA says NO to
Violence Against Women
Campaign



We support the International Service Projects

focussing on issues
such as

Health, Education,
Equality and human
rights, Economic
Empowerment
Gender-based Violence,
Child Marriage and
Human Trafficking



"Zonta aims at contributing a lot more than funding: to raise the voice of opinion leaders in order to secure the human rights of millions of vulnerable girls throughout the world."

Zonta International President
Susanne von Bassewitz



One of our most recent programs is
“Women in Technology”
to acknowledge our young professional leaders in the field





Our Club was one of the first in Zonta to contribute to the Centennial Anniversary Endowment Campaign, recognising that **'Giving NOW for the Future'** will ensure that Zonta can continue and enhance its support for women and girls and their communities worldwide, into the future

This has been a
snapshot of the History
of the Zonta Club of
Ballarat,

Thank you for sharing
this journey with us!

Val Sarah and Catherine Taylor
on behalf of our members

