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District 23 Area 4

**Our Dinner Meetings  
 are held the fourth Thursday of the month  
 6.30 pm for 7.00 pm at  
 Barkly's Restaurant, Corner Barkly Street  
 & Main Road, Bakery Hill.  
 Our next meeting will be 26<sup>th</sup> October 2017  
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**PRESIDENT Catherine Taylor**



Dear Zontians,

What a great month it has been!

First, there was the District 23 Conference, with Val Sarah, Donna Campbell, Hilary Pope, Maureen Menhennet, Stella Coffey and myself attending. Conference was excellent, the program was well thought out with all speakers being well prepared and I thought there was a real buzz about proceedings. I learned a lot more about the workings of Zonta International and District 23 and how we all fit in. I enjoyed participating in Conference as our Club delegate and thank you all for placing your faith and trust in me to act in this capacity.

After Conference officially finished, the incoming District 23 Board 2018 – 2020, joined the current Board 2016 – 2018 for lunch and a Board meeting, which was very interesting.



*Hilary Pope, Val Sarah, Donna Campbell and Maureen Menhennet during a break in proceedings*

Hilary Pope and I attended the Zonta Club of Central Goldfields 5<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebrations, which was a great afternoon. The venue was the old Maryborough High School, which is now a retirement village. As you would expect, the food was glorious as was the celebration cake. Many of their charter members were present or returned for the afternoon and many members travelled from Zonta Clubs in Geelong, Kyneton, Bendigo, Melbourne on Yarra and Ballarat to participate in the celebration. The Ballarat, Bendigo and Kyneton Clubs played a huge role in chartering the Central Goldfields Club.

**Yours in Zonta  
 Catherine**

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# District 23, 14<sup>th</sup> District Conference, Geelong

Conference began with Val Sarah, Maureen Menhennet, Donna Campbell, Hilary Pope, Stella Coffey and myself arriving at Rydges Hotel in Geelong on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017.

Registration for Delegates was open from 4 to 6 p.m. and as I was given the honour of being our Club Delegate, I duly registered and presented my credentials, receiving my set of red and green voting cards. Many other delegates from District 23 also registered.

The City of Greater Geelong held a civic reception at their Art Gallery for special members, which included Governor Judy Gorton, Zonta's International Representative, Ute Scholz, our own Past International President Val Sarah, and invited guests.



*Left is Naomi Reschke and Val Sarah at the Geelong Art Gallery*

The Ballarat contingent then had dinner at Rydges, where Donna brought us all up to date on any last-minute information about our Club's part in the Elections. The Restaurant was full and many members were getting re-acquainted with friends from past conferences.

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September, the first day of the 14<sup>th</sup> District Conference, began with a briefing for Delegates and First Timers. Delegates are always placed in the second and third rows, with guest speakers and presenters in the first row. Hilary Pope, who is the District 23 photographer, had prime position in the first row and was kept busy taking hundreds of photos throughout Conference. The remaining Zontians sat at tables behind the first three rows. Val, Donna and

Maureen sat right behind me.



*Governor Judy Gorton welcoming everyone to Conference*

The opening ceremony commenced at 9.30 a.m. with a welcome from Governor Judy Gorton, explaining what we could expect over the next two and a half days and the theme of Conference – *Leading the Way*. A very moving Acknowledgement to Country took place, then there was a lovely flag bearing ceremony with many flags being represented. Dr Kathy Alexander, Administrator Chair for the City of Great Geelong, spoke about Geelong's history and its prosperous future. Federal Member of Corangamite, Sarah Henderson MP, spoke about domestic violence and how the government is quietly going about breaking down the barriers. There were messages from International President Sonja Honig Schough, International Director and Liaison Ute Scholz and a welcome from Conference Chairman, Beryl McMillan. There was the Ceremony of Remembrance, where we took time to remember those Zontians who have passed in the last two years.

Leading the Way Towards Gender Equality: thoughts, challenges and solutions, was speaker Amanda Ewbank's topic. She spoke about the difference women are making in the rural sector. In many cases women are the decision makers in families and males are slowly waking up to this fact when buying decisions are being made. Women are also making the most of employment opportunities and progressing through the ranks.

After lunch, Ute Scholz and Val Sarah spoke about the Centennial Anniversary Endowment Campaign,

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(CAEC), we will hear about this at a future dinner meeting.



*Val Sarah presenting the Centennial Anniversary Endowment Campaign*

Then it was time for Business Session #1. Standing rules of Conference were explained, Registration and Credentials Reports were tabled, as was the Conference Chairman's report. On Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September, there were total registrations of 189 and of these 55 were first-timers; on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> September, total registrations were 180 and 49 were first-timers. Total registrations from all areas was 188.

Advocacy is Not an Add-on was presented by Naomi Reschke.



*Zonta International President Sonja Honig Schough speaking via Skype with Ute Scholz and Governor Judy Gorton*

There was a live message from International President, Sonja Honig Schough via Skype, which everyone enjoyed. Then the Nominating Committee Report was presented. It was then time for the

Candidates speeches, the slate of candidates who are standing for various Board positions for District 23 Office 2018 – 2020. I stood for Area 4 Director and Hilary stood as a member of the Nominating Committee. The official part of day 1 concluded with Meet the Candidates, where Zontians were given the opportunity to speak to the candidate who would be representing them. This turned out to be the candidates finding out about each other, which was lovely.

For Hilary and me, it was off to the President's Cocktail Party, Hilary to take photos and me to enjoy myself. It was a delightful meeting Governor Judy Gorton, Ute Scholz and all the other presidents enjoying a drink and some food. Judy told us how Ute became Australia's international representative and everyone had a great time.



*Some of the Area 4 Presidents with Judy, Ute, Jane and Lyn*

Hilary and I had a lovely dinner in Rydges restaurant, while others went to various restaurants around Geelong.

Day 2 began with the Elections taking place between 7.45 and 8.45 a.m. and me exercising some of the responsibility given to me as Club delegate and that was voting for the incoming District Board 2018 – 2020.

Business session #2 commenced with the Governor's Report, The Heide Taylor Roll, the Strategic Plan and the Treasurer's Report and Proposals all being discussed. The Bylaws and Resolutions Committee Report was presented by Ronda Walker. All

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proposed amendments to ZI Bylaws, District 23 Rules of Procedure and proposed District Resolutions which were moved by Governor Judy Gorton were passed.

The keynote speaker, the Honourable Dr Luc Mulimbalimba Masururu MP, who is heavily involved in the Birthing Kit Foundation, showed us how difficult it is to deliver these kits. Mostly by motor bike as there aren't any roads, simply eye-opening! Dr Luc deserves a feature on his own, so make sure you read the October edition of BAZ.

The Election results were given to those candidates who stood for the District 23 Board 2018 – 2020 privately before lunch. It was then off to lunch and an Area 4 Presidents Meeting. A lot was discussed in the short time we had.

The Election results were then announced by Donna Campbell, her report follows the Delegate's Report.



*Donna Campbell reading her election report*

Business session #2 continued with discussion about the proposed new District 23 Project 2018 – 2020, The Women's Safety Project. There was a presentation on the Centennial Anniversary with Val Sarah and Margaret Rowland. The PR Report and Awards were presented, unfortunately, our Club didn't win a gong! Concurrent workshops took place, topics were – Building Your Club with Jane Adornetto; Z and Golden Z Clubs with Judy Rothe and Margaret Bird; PR & Communications – Jane Smith, Carole Theobald and Tricia Summerfield and the Centennial Anniversary with Margaret Rowland, Naomi Reschke, Julie

Newman and Dawn Newman. Donna Campbell has been elected to this committee.

It was then time for the Conference Gala Dinner! Everyone was dressed in their finery and a great night was had by all. Geelong Women in History was performed by Drop of a Hat Productions, which was really interesting and memorable. The food was great and so was the company!

Sunday morning was a bit more relaxed and we watched a video titled, Let Us Learn Madagascar, which is one of ZI's Biennium projects. Establishing a Z or Golden Z Club was presented by Judy Rothe and Margaret Bird. Then we heard from the 2017 District 23 YWPA recipient, Ishka de Silva and the 2016 International and District YWPA recipient, Nandini Karthikeyan. Empowering Women to be Safe Online was presented by Greg Gebhart, this information was excellent and something we all should know more about.

It was then time for the Conference Summary by Governor Elect Jane Adornetto. An invitation was extended to everyone to attend Convention in Yokohama at the end of June next year. The flags were retired and conference closed.

There was a marketplace just off the restaurant in Rydges, where you could purchase jewellery, handbags, sweets, Zonta cards, and a myriad of other goods, and of course, it wouldn't be a Zonta event without a raffle.

Past Governor Erica Majba, fined anyone \$10 if they left their mobile phones on during any of the sessions, this money was a donation to the Zonta International Foundation. A couple of members paid up, however, many others donated to a very worthy cause and a total of \$2,500 was raised.

A huge thank you to Beryl McMillan and her committee for all their hard work in organising our 14<sup>th</sup> Conference, all the speakers were excellent, it was a great event and ran very smoothly. Rydges did a pretty good job too! It was wonderful to see members from all over District 23 and I am sure everyone returned home with fond memories of this Conference!

**Catherine Taylor**

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## Election Report

The Ballarat Zonta Club had the responsibility of organising the elections of the incoming District Board, Area Directors and Nominating Committee for the next biennium.

The results were as follows -  
Governor – Jane Adornetto – Victoria  
Lt. Governor – Sandra Burns – Western Australia  
Treasurer – Lyn Symons – Victoria.

Area 1 Director – Di Hillman  
Area 2 Director – Eronwy Edwards  
Vice-Area 2 Director – Lynda A’Bear  
Area 3 Director – Faith O’Brien  
Area 4 Director – Catherine Taylor  
Area 5 Director – Georgie Hutchinson



*The District Board Elect for 2018 – 2020  
Starting far right and working across to the left is  
Governor Judy Gorton, Governor Elect Jane Adornetto,  
Lieutenant Governor Sandra Burns, Treasurer Lyn Symons, Area  
1 Director Di Hillman, Area 2 Director Eronwy Edwards, Area 3  
Director Faith O’Brien, Area 4 Director Catherine Taylor, Area 5  
Director Georgie Hutchinson and Vice-Area 2 Director Lynda  
A’bear were not present*

I wish to point out that the role of Secretary is by appointment by the Governor and at the time of this report is not known.

Congratulations to all who stood for positions and to those who were successful well done.

As Chairman for this Committee, I would like to thank President Catherine for all she did prior to Conference. A big thank you to Maureen and Val for your assistance at voting time and when counting the votes.

**Donna Campbell**  
**Elections Committee Chairman.**  
**Zonta District 23 Conference 2017.**

## Conference from a First Timer’s Perspective

Zonta International District 23 14<sup>th</sup> District Conference in Geelong September 1-3 2017 – my first conference. I arrived on Thursday afternoon in time to register for the conference and collected my conference bag, which included an informative hand book and details on how I could receive a complimentary scarf from one of the sponsors, Liz Davenport. I met fellow Ballarat Club members Catherine Taylor, Donna Campbell, Val Sarah and Hilary Pope for dinner later that night.

Friday morning, we were welcomed to conference by Governor Judy Gorton. There was a flag parade which included the Australian, German, (for our international representative Ute Scholz) Aboriginal and Zonta flags as well as our state flags. Speeches followed from Geelong Administrator Peter Dorling, Federal Member for Corangamite Sarah Henderson MP and a message from International President Sonja Honig Schough. There was a moving ceremony of remembrance for those Zonta members that had died in the past two years.

Our first business session was held on Friday afternoon. Naomi Reschke gave a speech entitled Advocacy is Not an Add on. Later that afternoon, the candidates also gave a short speech prior to voting on the Saturday morning.

Our second business session was held on Saturday morning but the Ballarat Club members were involved in counting the votes at this time. Dr Luc Mulimbalimba Masururu MP, of the Democratic Republic of Congo was our keynote speaker and he

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talked about life in his country and how much the Zonta birthing kits have improved the lives of women in the DR of Congo. Dr Luc screened a short video that showed the lengths he went to, to deliver the birthing kits. Some of the villages were virtually inaccessible except by foot. Later that afternoon the results of the election were announced with our very own president, Catherine Taylor, elected Area 4 Director.

The conference dinner was held on Saturday night. The theme for the night was the Geelong bollards which can be seen around the waterfront. Zonta members even dressed as some of the famous bollards. Drop of a Hat Productions entertained us with stories about Mrs John Batman, Anne Drysdale and Caroline Newcomb who at one stage owned land from Moolap to Portarlington, and Elizabeth Austin after whom the Austin Hospital in Melbourne is named, not to mention her husband who brought the first rabbits into Australia. Musical entertainment was also provided for those who wished to dance through the night (not mentioning any names but included Ballarat club members).



*Maureen enjoying herself at the Gala Dinner, The bollards were front and centre and here is one as the table centre piece*

The Sunday session was a little more relaxed. Topics discussed were Let Us Learn Madagascar, establishing a Z or Golden Z Club, and our 2017 District 23 YWPA recipient Ishka De Silva and our 2016 International and District YWPA recipient Nandini Karthikeyan spoke to us. The conference then closed but not before inviting us to the Zonta International Convention in Yokohama Japan in 2018.



*Catherine Taylor and Maureen Menhennet deep in discussion*

I listened to some inspirational speakers and learnt a little bit about conference rules, bylaws and the work of the delegates during the business sessions. During the morning, afternoon and lunch time breaks I met so many lovely Zontians, from new members to those who have been members for many years, from Western Australia to Tasmania, all with the same objective of empowering women and enjoying life while learning more about Zonta. I think we all left the conference feeling energized in the knowledge that Zonta International's vision of a world where women's rights are recognized as human rights and every woman can achieve her full potential is definitely a goal that is attainable.

**Maureen Menhennet**

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## Length of Service

One of the lovely events that occurred at Conference was everyone with twenty years or more of service to Zonta, receiving a service pin. The ceremony started with those members with the most longevity and that honour went to Kay Stewart with forty-six years of Zonta service.

Several of our own Club members received service pins –

Val Sarah 35 years

Stella Coffey 25 years

Hilary Pope 20 years

Donna Campbell 25 years

As Members were called up on to the stage, their names were displayed on a PowerPoint presentation, which was really lovely. As a Club, we are very fortunate that we have so many members with so many years of Zonta knowledge and service.

### Catherine Taylor



*Val Sarah receiving her Service Pin from Governor Judy with Hilary Pope on the right, camera in hand*



*Stella Coffey receiving her Service Pin*



*A slide showing some of the names of those members giving twenty years or more to Zonta service*



*Donna Campbell receiving her Service Pin*



*Hilary Pope receiving her Service Pin*



*Some of the recipients of twenty years or more of Zonta Service*

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*A slide from the very moving Acknowledgment of Country by Carole Theobald*



*Area 4 Director Lyn Symons*



*Ute Scholz, International Representative and District 23 Liaison welcoming all Zontians and speakers to Conference*



*Left is Stella Coffey and friends*



*Christine Fitzherbert conducting the Ceremony of Remembrance*



*Keynote Speaker Dr Luc Mulimbalimba Masururu MP*

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*Conference Chairman Beryl McMillan, portraying bollard Nancy Nattyknickers and Naomi Reschke*



*Beryl McMillan and Governor-Elect Jane Adornetto, do they know something the rest of us don't?*



*The organising committee for the Gala Dinner, who were all dressed as bollards*



*Members from the Zonta Club of Central Goldfields*



*Hilary Pope with Marilyn from Liz Davenport enjoying themselves*



*Val Sarah and Ann Horrocks*

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*One of the morning teas*



*Jane Adornetto and Ute Scholz drawing the raffles*



*An invitation was issued to all Zontians to attend the 6<sup>4</sup><sup>th</sup> International Convention in Yokohama, Japan, from the 29<sup>th</sup> June to 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2018 and also to the Inter District Conference – Districts 16, 22, 23 and 24 in Brisbane 2019*



*Catherine Taylor, Val Sarah, Donna Campbell and Maureen Menhennet*



*One of the Marketplace stalls*



*Conference closed with the retirement of the flags*

## Every Conference Has A Different Flavour

After enjoying our District 23 Conference in Geelong, I had the pleasure of attending the District 22 Conference in Brisbane and the District 24 Conference in Newcastle, and, as always, learned something *new*.

### District 22

The venue was the Royal on the Park opposite the botanical gardens, and the impressive Opening Ceremony was held in the Parliamentary Annexe. Highlights of the program included panel discussions on the Birthing Kit phenomenon and marketing not-for-profit organisations. Our ZI Representative Ute Scholz gave us a perfect example of how to market Zonta as "a Human Rights Organisation focused on women and girls" – perfect for our elevator speech!

A vital fundraiser to cap off their event at the Conference Dinner is a Silent Auction, and this year it was an outstanding success, raising over \$6000 for the ZI Foundation.



*At the D22 Dinner, Val with Marilyn Holness, Simone Ricketts and Catherine Govey, members of the Zonta Club of Caloundra City.*

I was delighted to catch up with Dianne Leggo, who will be well-known to many Zontians in District 23; Helen and Judi Hutchison who attended the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations of the Birthing Kit Foundation of Australia last year; Ruthie Adams who is President of the Sandgate Club where our new Member Alison Round was formerly a member; and Simone Ricketts who was a very active member of our Club before

moving up to Queensland and is now a member of the Zonta Club Caloundra City.

### District 24

As my daughter Olivia was MC-ing the Conference, we drove up together from Sydney to Newcastle, calling in to see former President of our Club Yvonne Watson at Lake Munmorah. She recently underwent some serious surgery, but was in great spirits and sends her best wishes.



*En route to the D24 Conference in Newcastle, a delicious lunch with Von Watson at Lake Munmorah.*

This Conference was held at Noahs on the Beach, right on the beachfront, with fabulous views which were a little distracting!

Once again, the program was outstanding. The first day was a knock-out, with one of the founders and Directors of NO FGM Australia Sybil Williams and a Survivor Fatu Sillah. Their presentation, coupled with the powerful BKFA presentation, made an enormous impact on their audience.

The best news? The First Timers were out in force – 44 in D22, 55 in D23, and 26 in D24!

**Val Sarah**

## Young Women in Public Affairs Committee Report 2017

We held our YWPA Awards Dinner on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> August. This year we were delighted to welcome our three finalists who attended the dinner, accompanied by their families and teachers. Our finalists this year were Edwina Blachford from Ballarat Christian College, Kate Lyons from Ballarat Clarendon College and Lucy Stoel from Mount Clear College. Before the announcement of the Award winner, each of the finalists gave a short presentation to introduce themselves and talk about their aspirations and passions. Guest Speaker Dee Micevski from Women's Health Grampians then shared with us her experiences of and insights into working as a young woman in the fields of gender equality, women's health and prevention of violence, both locally and overseas.



*From left is Catherine Taylor, Stella Coffey, Lucy Stoel, Edwina Blachford, Kate Lyons and Sharelle Knight*

Our interview panel of President Catherine Taylor, local business woman and community leader Lisa Hayden, and Women's Health Grampians CEO Marianne Hendron had spent a morning earlier in August interviewing the three finalists, and this year decided to award the Club prize to Kate Lyons from Ballarat Clarendon College. Congratulations to Kate! The next step for Kate is that her application will be submitted early next year to the YWPA Committee for our District, for evaluation with others from the District for a District Award.

Once again, I should like to acknowledge the support and assistance of the YWPA Committee, Caroline Nolan, Sharelle Knight, Donna Campbell and Jenny Debney as well as Director, Hilary Pope, in organising



*President Catherine Taylor with our YWPA 2017 winner, Kate Lyons*

this year's awards and the dinner. Also, my sincere appreciation goes to our panel members Catherine, Marianne and Lisa for your time, talents and dedication to your task and your encouraging support to our finalists.



*Guest speaker, Dee Micevski*

My sincere thanks to all the finalists for your applications, and to your teachers and families for their support and encouragement. On behalf of President Catherine Taylor and the members of the Zonta Club of Ballarat, I send best wishes to Kate, Edwina and Lucy for your end of year exams, and I hope that next year is one of great excitement and promise. Please keep in touch with us!

**Stella Coffey**  
**YWPA Coordinator**

## BALLARAT'S GREAT WOMEN 2018

2018 will be the tenth year we will honour **Ballarat's Great Women**, an honour roll which was originally launched by Women's Health Grampians as Among Ballarat's Finest.

Our quest is to showcase the achievements of local women were born, educated, or have worked in Ballarat; and have made a significant contribution to the local community.



*Ballarat's Great Women Honourees for 2017 are from left – Judith Pickford, Lidia Aitken, Melissa Cunningham, Auntie Marlene Gilson and Gorgi Coghlan*

*Also honoured was Janet Dore, who wasn't available on the night*

If you know a local woman who meets these criteria in the fields of health, education, law, finance, business, trade, the arts, sport, or the volunteer sector, to suggest a few, please suggest their nomination to a person or organisation with which they are connected and pass on the nomination form, or refer them to our website. A full list of honourees is on our website.

Nominations for the 2018 Honourees closes on 1 December 2017, with an announcement of the Finalists in February.

A celebratory presentation function, when nominators will be invited to support their Honouree is being planned for March 2018.

**Hilary Pope**  
Convener, BGW

## ROTARY COMMUNITY RAFFLE

I now have the raffle tickets for this year – great prizes (Ford cars as first and second prizes, and a \$5000 travel voucher as third prize). We have 750 tickets; books will be available at this week's dinner so please take a book (or two) to sell to your friends and contacts. As usual we sell the tickets for \$2 each and retain 80% (\$1.60 per ticket) with the remainder going back to Rotary. There are 10 tickets to a book, so each book you sell/buy raises \$16 for Zonta projects. That's \$1200 if we sell our 750!! The raffle will be drawn in February.



*Caroline Nolan and Stella Coffey selling tickets earlier this year*

I am applying for 3 selling days with the display car – all Saturdays as that seems to suit most of us best. I hope that we will be able to reserve days and locations to suit us.

As soon as I know the dates and locations I'll circulate rosters by e-mail.

Thanks everyone

Stella Coffey  
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**If it's to be  
Then  
It is up to me!**

## 39<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration

Our Club, will celebrate its 39<sup>th</sup> Birthday at our next Dinner Meeting on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October. And what a magnificent achievement!



To assist in our celebration, we have two guest speakers – Kay Stewart, who is Zonta International's District 23 United Nations Chairman. Kay will speak to us about Zonta's relationship with the United Nations. And our second guest speaker is Michelle Smith, who is senior curator at the Gold Museum. Michelle will tell us about her role at the Gold Museum and their 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebrations in 2018.

So, come and enjoy the celebration!

**Catherine Taylor**

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### DATES TO REMEMBER

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|--------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| September 28 | Dinner meeting                                                                       |
| October 1    | ZC Melbourne on Yarra – Fran Quinn Concert                                           |
| October 2    | Bunnings – Non-Violence Day                                                          |
| October 5    | Ballarat White Ribbon Day Information Session                                        |
| October 7    | Past Presidents Group meeting                                                        |
| October 12   | Board meeting                                                                        |
| October 26   | Dinner meeting – 39 <sup>th</sup> birthday                                           |
| November 8   | Zonta's 98 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Founders' Day                                 |
| November 9   | Board meeting                                                                        |
| November 11  | Breast Cushion Assembly afternoon                                                    |
| November 23  | Dinner meeting (Christmas 3BA appeal)                                                |
| November 24  | Ballarat White Ribbon Day Breakfast                                                  |
| November 24  | ZC Mornington WRD Breakfast                                                          |
| November 25  | International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women and White Ribbon Day |

## Breast Cushion Stuffing Day

Our next Breast Cushion Stuffing Day is on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November at Mount Clear Primary School from 1.30 p.m. to 4 p.m.



We have ninety-seven unstuffed cushions to stuff and need as many hands on deck as possible. You don't need any sewing skills to participate.

It would be wonderful to see as many Zonta members as possible to help this worthy cause and if everyone could bring a plate to enjoy afternoon tea together it would be appreciated. Looking forward to seeing you all there!

**Catherine Taylor**

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**WE SHALL NOT REST**  
until the world is free  
from violence against women

 **ZONTA SAYS NO**  
TO VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

## Zonta Club of Central Goldfields Celebrates its 5<sup>th</sup> Birthday



*Area 4 Director and Charter President Lyn Symons with current President Leanne Johnston*



*Leanne and Lyn cutting the beautiful cake, which was in the shape of a Z*



*The Walk in Their Shoes Project on display*



*Some of the Club's Charter members*



*Food, glorious food*



*Guests came from various Clubs around Victoria to celebrate*

## ZONTA Says NO



### Quote from the President

*Violence against women is a worldwide pandemic - it crosses every social and economic class, every religion, race and ethnicity. At least one out of every three women worldwide have experienced violence during their lifetime. We in Zonta International cannot accept this - we need to use all our energy to eradicate violence against women locally and internationally through service and advocacy.*

Sonja Hönig Schough  
Zonta International President