



2023 - 2024
**ANNUAL
REPORT**



**BUILD A BETTER WORLD
FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS**

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OUR MISSION

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

OUR VISION

We envision 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.

ACHIEVING GENDER EQUALITY

Through Zonta's mission to build a better world for women and girls, we are also addressing Sustainable Development Goal 5, Achieving Gender Equality.

Together, through our own programs and through projects with our partners and other like-minded organizations, we will see a better future where women's and girls' dreams and aspirations are realized without having to face gender-based discrimination.

All international service projects and education awards are made possible by generous contributions to the Zonta Foundation for Women from Zontians, Zonta clubs such as Zonta Club of Brisbane and friends of Zonta International.

Without these contributions, we would not be able to build a better world for women and girls



There are two significant threats to women achieving their full potential: violence and climate change. Climate change magnifies gender inequality. Around the world, millions of people have already lost their homes and livelihoods due to extreme weather events caused by climate change. Most of them are women. Zonta Says Now shows how women are agents of change for intergenerational gender-equal climate justice and recommends a human-rights-based approach to solve the climate crisis and achieve greener, cleaner, and equal societies.

OUR SUPPORT

In 2023-2024 Zonta Club of Brisbane worked to support the missions and objectives of Zonta International (ZI) through its education awards that touch the lives of women in girls at high school through to university and donations to organisations.

**6 High School
awards**

3 ZI awards

**3 University
awards**

**1 TAFE
award**

**Advancement
of Women
Award**

**Together
we empower
women**

Community Projects

Sharing With Friends Foundation

**Refugee and Immigration Legal
Service**

Footprints Community

Zephyr Australia

Women of the World Australia

Bangle Foundation



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Fellow Zontians

I am delighted to share with you the *2023-2024 Zonta Club of Brisbane Annual Report for 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024*. While this is an important financial record, it is also a reflection of the past year in our Club when we have worked together to build a better world for women and girls.

It has been a wonderful year for the Zonta Club of Brisbane and reading the reports from our Committee Chairs it is hard to believe that we actually did everything that is documented - but we did! I can't fully describe the spirit, energy and nature of this club that for the past 53 years has been a force for equality through advocacy, action and service. It is an extraordinary club that is part of a truly unique global organisation.

This year we raised over \$26 000, provided \$12 750 in education and achievement awards to 13 women and girls including the 2024 Advancement of Women Award winner. The Club also committed more than \$33 950 to Community Fund projects to support six organisations and raised our voice through advocacy on key issues such as homelessness in older women, safer cities for women and girls and ending child marriage. There were also the many hours of service through volunteering time across all activities from fundraising to advocacy to the care that is taken with new members. I have been glad to see the club continue its passion and commitment to key issues that continue to impact on women and girls such as domestic and family violence while stepping up on other critical issues such as homelessness. We are the embodiment of the six themes in our Zonta logo - inspiration, loyalty, carry together, shelter, honesty and group.

As the outgoing Club President, I have thoroughly enjoyed the shared Zonta journey with my fellow club members and look forward to seeing our new board in action as they build on a legacy while looking over the horizon to the future.

Yours in Zonta

President Zonta Club of Brisbane

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Receiving the JMK Award reflects Zonta's belief in me as a woman in business on a global scale. This reassurance has provided me with more confidence to continue pursuing my studies to the highest achievement possible, as well as my business idea that focuses on empowering and elevating young people via education and improving health outcomes.

I am inspired by the impactful work Zonta is doing locally and globally, and hope I too can break barriers for women and be part of meaningful initiatives.

Thank you for believing in my potential and for investing in the future of women in Business.

Tara McCarthy Jane M Klausman Women in Business Award ZCB Winner and Zonta International winner.



BUILD A BETTER WORLD FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS



I was very proud to be awarded the 2024 Advancement of Women Award. I found the process from nomination to interview and joining the Zonta Club of Brisbane's monthly dinner meeting, was incredibly enriching. Before being nominated I was going about my life and not really thinking about how much of a difference I was making to women and girls. Now I see clearly that something I do well is inspire others by being a leader of initiatives that empower women. I feel incredibly humbled to be among the talented, intelligent, loving and courageous women who are the Zonta Club of Brisbane. I am excited to share what difference we make in PNG and other areas with the \$5000 to inspire and advance women and girls.

Advancement of Women Award winner Britt Furlanis



Your sponsorship of the Zonta Educational Award was highly valued by the school community and we were able to acknowledge a very deserving student, Shirley Mokoe. I am sure this sponsorship will make a big difference in Shirley's life. Shirley is a passionate Year 10 student who strives to do her very best. She is determined, passionate and hardworking.

*Timothy Barraud Principal
Yeronga State High School*



Zonta Club of Brisbane member Judith Anderson OAM with Shirley Mokoe.

BUILD A BETTER WORLD FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS



I was deeply honoured to be awarded the 2023 Women in STEM Scholarship. As a Mechatronics Engineering student at the Queensland University of Technology, I have always been passionate about the world of robotics. I have especially enjoyed sharing this passion in Australia and Internationally with the RoboCup Federation and RoboCup Junior.

Particularly rewarding has been teaching and mentoring young girls in RoboCup competitions. Witnessing younger girls to embark on their own journeys ultimately leads to more diverse opportunities for the next generation, who in turn will contribute to advancing autonomous systems and artificial intelligence.

The award I received from Zonta has been an extremely valuable contribution to support my student exchange at the Technical University of Munich (TUM). I have just commenced my dream internship in Bremen in Northern Germany.

I sincerely thank the Zonta Club of Brisbane for this Award. Such support and belief in my endeavours, in Australia and across other continents, will always be appreciated and will inspire me to encourage the next generation of women STEM enthusiasts.

Margaux Edwards, 2023 Women in STEM Award winner



Zonta Club of Brisbane member Gwen Jull AO and Margaux Edwards.



ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN AWARD

The 2024 \$5000 Advancement of Women Award - our key International Women's Day event - was won by Britt Furlanis. We thank members whose generous donations support this award: Susan Davies, Susan Hocking, the late Dr Joan Godfrey OBE and Anne Landsberg.

This year's finalists are pictured above (l-r) Kym O'Connell, Catherine O'Kane, Britt Furlanis (winner) and Carly Whelan.

Britt demonstrated leadership and a passion for working to advance women and girls in multiple ways. She does this in her workplace as a gas trading and commercial manager, she also has a podcast Women Unleashed and is co-founder of Laikim PNG where she is working to educate women and girls to create their own income streams.

The Advancement of Women Award continues the club's rich history of identifying and acknowledging those who work to advance women - a legacy that began in 1983 with the Zonta Women of Achievement Award which awarded a prize to 14 women until 2009.



Advancement of Women alumni Cathy Hunt AM, club president Sandra McLean and Kathy McLeish 2022 winner.

ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN AWARD



As part of her Advancement of Women Award (AWA) project, in 2023 journalist and broadcaster Kathy McLeish used the \$5000 from her award to support women journalists in the Pacific to take part in a workshop to help them develop the same skills that Kathy has as a successful journalist.

The project is a great example of how the Advancement of Women Award can further advance women through the skills and experience of other women.

Kathy's work on her AWA project gave her the confidence and platform to successfully apply for a Churchill Fellowship which will take her to more countries to further develop her important work in giving more women a voice in the media.

GOVERNANCE

Elected board of the Zonta Club of Brisbane 2023-24

Position	Name	Attendance
President	Sandra McLean	11
Vice President	Jane Keating	9
2nd Vice President	Lesley Chenoweth AO	10
Treasurer	Lisa Worner	10
Secretary	Kate Rose	10
Director	Grace Corcoran	9
Director	Susan Scott	8
Director	Louise Ryan	8

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Zonta Club of Brisbane's committees are the driving force behind all of our activities to build a better world for women and girls. Their work is greatly appreciated and never taken for granted.

Advocacy

Chair: Grace Corcoran; Co-Chair Miyuki Lotz. Members: Adrienne Irvine, Janet Prowse, Kate Rose, Susan Davies, Sandra McLean, Lucy Markovich, Dzenita Balic, Kathie Sadler, Fiona Whitaker, Kate Rose, Jade Cronan-Thompson, Elizabeth Drumm, Megan Elliott, Fiona Headrick, Katrina Swanston, Sophy Edmonds.

Membership

Chair: Meryl McKenzie. Members: Patrice Grealy-Ridley, Fernanda Zelaya de Doolan, Jane Murphy, Linda Cho, Alyce Carpin, Kirsty Lindsay.

Service

Chair: Lesley Chenoweth AO: Members: Anne Landsberg, Genevieve Gray, Amber Buckland, Ann Bonner, Judith Anderson OAM, Robyn Taylor, Penny Blackwell, Leonie Briggs, Jenny Crome, Anne Landsberg.

Fundraising

Chair: Cathy Muir. Members: Susan Scott, Erin Longbottom, Jan Logan, Lesley Chenoweth, Dzenita Balic, Susan McGinley, Laura Lyall-Wilson, Ruth Chowdhury, Kandis Gowans and Linda Cho.

Fellowship

Chair: Nadeyn Barbieri/Julie Mannion

Members: Judith Anderson OAM, Merryl Ducat, Leneen Forde AC, Rhonda Davidson-Irwin, Miyuki Lotz, Sue Richmond.

Communications

Chair: Louise Ryan

Members: Sandra McLean, Lucy Markovich, Adrienne Irvine, Sian Fullerton, Hannah Kneubuhler, Kirsten McKerrell.

Committee Reports on the following pages are compiled and written by the Chairs in collaboration with their respective committees.



FELLOWSHIP

Chairs: Nadeyn Barbieri/Julie Mannion

The Spirit of Zonta has been promoted through a variety of fellowship activities, some of which also raise funds for the Club's activities while others focus on service or the alumni.



Iris Scott and Sally Watson.

Alumni Lunches

Alumni lunches are a fellowship activity to keep the Club connected to former members and for members to stay in touch with each other. These lunches are typically attended by 8 to 12 people and hosted by Fellowship Committee members. It is always good to see alumni who have not been able to attend Club dinner meetings at these lunches. Lunches are co-ordinated by Julie Mannion and held on the last Monday of every second month. Five lunches were held this year.



Leneen Forde AC and Coralie Van Straaten.



Wine Tastings

For over a decade our Zonta Club of Brisbane has been able to conduct wine tastings with the sponsorship of Premium Wines through Phil Manser (right) in his capacity as Sales Manager.

The wine tastings in addition to providing a fellowship activity raise funds for the Club's service projects as \$50 is donated for each case of wine sold. Members, alumni and guests attended two wine tastings in 2023-2024, both held at club member Jane Keating's home.

The first was on Wednesday 14 June 2023 and the second on Monday 13 November. Lucky door prizes were provided by Jill Ryder, and Jan Goakes owner of Savida who generously provided vouchers for discounts at her shoe and accessory store.

Fellowship at Dinner Meetings

Members are encouraged to come early to dinner meetings to enjoy pre-dinner fellowship drinks. Clubs members were encouraged to mix up their seating at the June dinner meeting so members could get to know each other better. A fun activity *I've Got a Secret* to find something unsuspected about members was coordinated by Judith Anderson OAM.





Theatre events associated with the Babette Stephens Memorial Award

The Babette Stephens Memorial Award, named after the Zonta Club of Brisbane's inaugural President, who was also one of Queensland's leading actors, is made possible through a long term partnership with QUT Creative Industries. This association enables club members to attend student productions at QUT.

Big Hair in America was the final year production of the QUT Bachelor of Fine Art (Acting) students and was attended by Zonta Club of Brisbane members and guests on Thursday 25 May 2023 at the Loft, QUT Kelvin Grove. Rebecca Zanetti, the 2022 Babette Stephens Award winner, gave an outstanding performance in the production.

Club members and guests attended the preview of *Shakespeare in a Suitcase* performed by the QUT 2nd year Bachelor of Fine Art (Acting) students on Wednesday 25 October 2023 at QUT Kelvin Grove campus.

The production, written for high school students, also provided members with the opportunity to see the winner of the 2023 Zonta Club of Brisbane's Babette Stephens Award, Madeleine Wilson, perform.

The 2023 Babette Stephens Memorial Award was presented at this event which is always a terrific opportunity to see new talent and enjoy a night out with club members, keeping alive the thespian connection to our Charter President Babette Stephens.

Photo: Jude Singleton (l tor), Madeleine Wilson, Miyuki Lotz and Julie Mannion.

ADVOCACY



Chair: Grace Corcoran

Women often describe a sense of unease when moving around their city, especially at night. Whether it be the result of safety, comfort or accessibility issues, women and girls are disproportionately held back from participating in their city. Mindful that infrastructure and planning would be an area receiving much attention ahead of the 2032 Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games, the committee was inspired to advocate for a safer city and to further the issues raised at the Area 1 meeting in 2023. Finding a scarcity of data around the experiences of women and girls in Brisbane, the committee partnered with the University of Queensland and Queensland Walks to conduct the Safe Cities Night Walk at South Bank on 10 August 2023.

The event saw about 40 women split into several groups walking two planned routes through South Bank in the early evening. Participants stopped at key points on the route and, using an app based survey created for the purpose, recorded their experiences of safety within their surroundings.

The data collected found that up to 36% rarely walk outside at night; 40% feel safe; 30% feel unsafe using public transport alone at night; 45% felt Brisbane not safe, healthy, active for women girls at night; and that more lighting and lots of people would make walking at night safer. The data collection tool was developed with a view to being able to replicate the project in other parts of the city and to provide the tool to other Zonta clubs and organisations. This will allow them to use the data relevant to their areas to advocate for change.

Two further walks are planned for 2024 and a workshop on this topic will be presented to a sell out audience at the Zonta International Convention in Brisbane. The workshop will be presented with partners: Dr Laurel Johnson, University of Queensland; Stephanie Wyeth, University of Queensland; Anna Campbell, Queensland Walks; along with Sandra McLean and Grace Corcoran, Zonta Club of Brisbane. The engagement we have had with this project reflects the importance of the issue. Women want to be out and about and they want to feel safe so they fully experience life in their own community.

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Effective advocacy through collaboration

The Safe Cities project enabled the club to have further engagement with other organisations to advocate on the issue of safe cities for women. This included a special presentation by Chrysalis Projects as part of 16 Days of Activism, with key note speaker Penny Miles the Night Mayor of Melbourne who spoke about steps being taken to make that city safer for all. Zonta Club of Brisbane President Sandra McLean joined a panel to discuss the Safe Cities Night Walks project and how it aligns to Zonta International's mission to build a better world for women and girls.

Sharing with Friends Partnership

The committee has maintained its commitment to advocacy around homelessness for women, especially older women. Several committee members have kept the Club updated with regular reports of the inspiring work done by Sharing With Friends Foundation (SWF) which is working to build their first home for five older women, in Darra, Brisbane. SWF was started by a group of Zonta Club of Brisbane members. In January, SWF approached the club, seeking to establish an advocacy partnership with the first initiative a fundraising lunch with special guest, author Trent Dalton, on 8 May 2024.

Through the partnership, Zonta Club of Brisbane is seeking to work with an organisation with like-minded goals in relation to solving the housing crisis for older women, which will provide a platform for the Club to advocate to a wider audience.

Advocacy to end child marriage and reform town planning

At the District 22 Area 1 and 3 area meeting on 16 March 2024, several clubs indicated their support to write to the Queensland Government Housing Minister urging changes to planning regulations. The proposed changes are consistent with the concept of 'gentle density' and facilitate the establishment of housing solutions for older women at risk of homelessness. The committee and the club supported the letter which was then sent by the District 22 Housing Working Group and also Zonta Club of Brisbane.

Following a dinner meeting presentation by lawyer Stephen Page on child marriage, the Club also wrote to Attorney-General Mark Dreyfus KC outlining steps that should be taken to improve data collection to better identify the number of child marriages in Australia. It was great to have members of the Caboolture Zonta club, who have long advocated against child marriage, to attend the dinner meeting in November 2023 to hear Stephen Page speak on this issue.



16 Days of Activism

Each year Zonta Club of Brisbane joins hands with other Brisbane clubs to do the 16 Days of Activism Walk through the streets of Brisbane's CBD.

This year's walk on 22 November was attended by a large group of Zontians. It formed part of a range of activities to mark the UN Women initiative 16 Days of Activism which is supported by Zonta clubs around the world.



In Case You Missed It

A big thank you to Janet Prowse who has continued to inform, inspire and entertain through her bimonthly presentation at the Club dinner meeting. Her presentations keep us up to date with changes and news impacting on women and girls in Australia and around the globe.



Sam Hollingworth and Janet Prowse.

FUNDRAISING



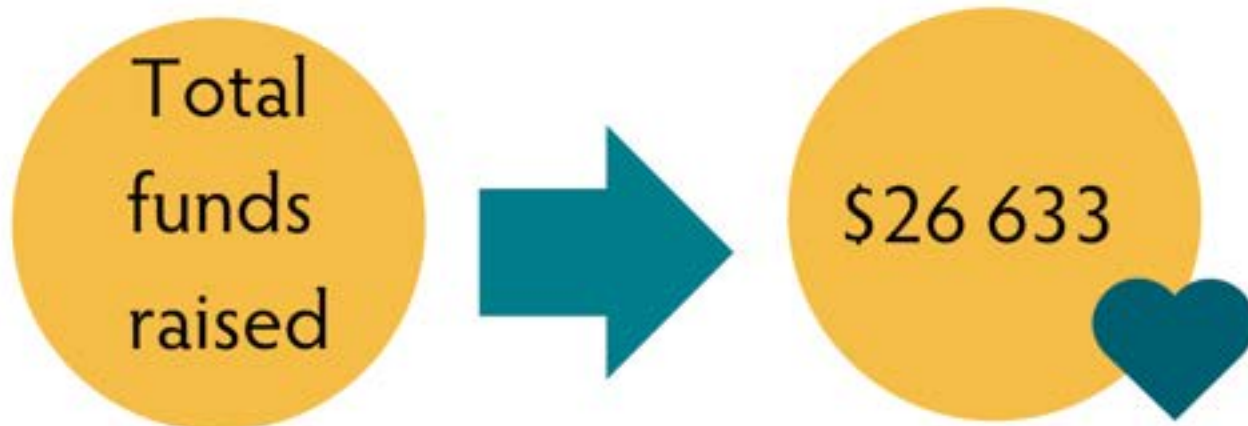
Chair: Cathy Muir

This year has resulted in another bumper harvest for the Club through the hard work of the Fundraising Committee. With the assistance of other Club members, friends and family and a number of very generous donors, the Committee has rallied together and has been able to raise a considerable amount of money whilst dressing in pink and being serenaded by operatic tunes along the way.

Fundraising "fatigue" is a real thing. Long-term committee members Barbara Kent and Susan Hocking were an integral part of our team this year, but after more than 20 years combined service on this Committee, both of these amazing women are now keen to try their hand with one of the other committee groups.

We are indebted to Barbara and Susan for their tireless efforts, extraordinary generosity, hard work and commitment over the past year and all the years they have worked tirelessly on this committee. We wish them both all the very best in their involvement on other committees and we look forward to their continued support.

So this is also a time for rejuvenation, as we welcome with open arms a number of new Club members to the Fundraising fold, and we look forward to another year of fellowship in fundraising with all club members.





FUNDRAISING

Barbie Movie night

On 20 July 2023 the Zonta Club of Brisbane hosted a premiere of *Barbie* at the Village Twin Cinema in New Farm. Members and friends donned their finest pink outfits and accessories to watch what turned out to be a very enjoyable take on the whole Barbie and Ken phenomenon. It was a vibrant evening where over 180 attendees gathered to watch the movie, while enjoying popcorn, ice cream and a glass of bubbles. Thank you to all those who donated items for the two raffles, particularly Jan Goakes from Savida who kindly organised a \$750 shopping spree on Racecourse Road, Brisbane.

Funds raised: \$6720



Above: Fund raising champions Susan Hocking and Committee Chair Cathy Muir.





FUNDRAISING



Sounds of Spring

Our main event this year was a gala garden party – the Sounds of Spring. This event was held on Sunday afternoon 15 October in the historic homestead garden of a non-club member, Rebecca Treston, who is a great friend of the Committee. Thanks to the amazing talents of Club member, Rhonda Davidson-Irwin, who arranged and conducted the music event and donated her own precious talent and time. Over 120 people gathered on a beautiful Spring afternoon to enjoy free-flowing bubbles and scrumptious home-made nibbles whilst being serenaded with live music by the renowned Viva La Musica, featuring talented soloists and musicians who presented opera, classical and music theatre. Thank you to the many Club members who contributed to the food and donated to the costs of the alcohol.



Thank you, also to Susan Hocking for her unbelievable generosity in donating the raffle prize – a double pass to the Paul McCartney concert at Suncorp Stadium. I also extend my thanks to the Fundraising Committee members who worked tirelessly behind the scenes in the lead-up and on the day – it was a great team effort that led to a hugely enjoyable and successful event. It really was a glorious afternoon of fellowship and entertainment.

Amount raised: \$13 581



Sizzling

A zizzling shout out to Lisa Worner to leading our sizzling team Gwen Jull AO and Jude Singleton and the great logistical organisation of this important event. Thank you to the many dedicated volunteers for their relentlessly enduring hard work and enthusiasm to keep the sausage zizzling at Bunnings continuing. These days are both a profit making exercise and an important exposure and advocacy platform for our Club and its ideals, and a fine fellowship opportunity.

Funds raised: \$1683.

Raffles, wreaths and ballet tickets

Thanks to the generous donations of raffle prizes from members we were able to have a number of raffles for events during the year, including the June Club dinner meeting and the Advancement of Women Award dinner. The donations included Christmas wreaths and ballet tickets donated by Susan Hocking – thank you (again) Susan. We are proposing to continue with raffles at events and the occasional dinner meetings during the year. We thank all of those who have donated prizes and welcome all donations of prizes for raffles - it all adds up! **Funds raised: \$2760**

Wine Sale:

A huge thank you to Julie Mannion for continuing to organise the fabulous wine tastings with Phil Manser of Wine Direct, and to Jane Keating for opening her lovely home to host these events. The fundraising committee has helped drive these events this year so Julie can have a bit of a break, although the reality is that Julie is still actively involved. And thank you Phil, who donates \$50 per carton purchased by a Club member back to the Club. These evenings are fun. **Funds raised: \$1140**

Moving forward

We have a number of ideas in the pipeline but for now focus is on the International Zonta Convention. Thanks to the generous offering and talents of new member Kandis Gowan the Zonta Club of Brisbane will sell candles, diffusers and soaps handmade by Kandis. For visiting Zontians, they can buy a bespoke product that reflects the spirit of the Zonta rose and remind them of Convention.

With 1200 attendees we hope to raise almost \$12 000, with the stall a fantastic opportunity for members to volunteer, while enjoying a fellowship moment as we join together to deliver another great project for the club. Funds will support the Zonta Community Fund for signature projects for the club. Thank you again to my fabulous committee, past and present, and to all club members for their ongoing enthusiasm and support.

ZONTA CLUB OF BRISBANE FUND

In February 2023, Zonta Club of Brisbane (ZCB) approved the establishment of a tax deductible sub-fund, the Queensland Gives Zonta Club of Brisbane fund.

The fund was established with proceeds from the sale of an emerald ring, which had been donated to the Club by Margaret McMurdo AC, after she won it through the Club's fundraising raffle. An anonymous buyer bought the ring and the proceeds from the sale were used as seed funding to establish the fund.

Distributions from the Zonta Club of Brisbane fund are to be used by charities chosen by the Club to improve the lives of women and girls, enhance gender equity and develop future women leaders. The Club intends that the fund will grow over time. In 2024 Windana women's refuge was chosen as the charity to receive a payment through the Fund.

Queensland Gives is a leading charitable trust fund providing an enduring income stream to charities operating throughout Queensland.

By promoting philanthropy, investing donations, and making distributions and grants, Queensland Gives supports charities to deliver sustainable services.

Uniquely, a gift to Queensland Gives is enduring. Donations and bequests are pooled and invested, with the income earned distributed to charities.

In 2024 the Club approved for the first realisation of interest from the Queensland Gives Zonta fund to be donated to Windana women's shelter.

The fund can be found at queenslandgives.org.au.



SERVICE



Chair: Lesley Chenoweth AO

Service is a key plank of Zonta Club of Brisbane and the Service Committee again delivered education awards and other key projects to advance the status of women and girls. Through its work, the committee supports the Zonta Club of Brisbane's 2022-24 Strategic Plan.

The Advancement of Women Award has become the Club's signature award and again attracted a strong group of nominations and an outstanding winner in Britt Furlanis. This award has really advanced the club's profile and attracts high calibre nominations. This year we shifted the award ceremony to March 2024 to align with International Women's Day to give greater prominence during this important week.

We were also fortunate to be in a position to fund several other community projects this year through the brilliant efforts of our Fundraising committee. We appreciate the efforts of this Committee which ran successful activities to fund our education awards and other activities, including sizzling and a wonderful Sounds of Spring garden party.

Many thanks to all those Club members who helped with service activities in so many ways. Service is the heartbeat of Zonta and we thank you all.

The Service Plan 2022-24 reflects our commitment to the education of women and girls, and to supporting women and children who are experiencing domestic and family violence or disadvantage. The plan has three key focus areas: the Advancement of Women Award, education awards and community projects.

We are particularly proud of the work we do to support women and girls to have an education. Every additional year of primary school increases a girl's future wages by 10 to 20%.

This is why access to education for women and girls is a key tenet for Zonta International and for our club and why the Zonta Club of Brisbane supports awards for students in high school through to university. It was terrific to see 12 women and girls received support totalling \$14 500 in 2023-24. This is a wonderful legacy for the Club.

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2023-2024 Education Award Winners

Award	Winner
\$1000 Babette Stephens Memorial Award	Madeleine Wilson
\$3000 Dr Helen Row - Zonta Rural Health Scholarship in Medicine	Chance Mayne
\$2000 Leneen Forde Zonta Scholarship	Riley Marshall
\$2000 Zonta Education Award - Kingston Learning College Scholarship	Lelara Beyer
\$1000 Jane M.Klausman Women in Business Award	Tara McCarthy (ZCB award winner and Zonta International Award winner)
\$1000 Women in STEM Award	Margaux Edwards
\$750 High School Awards Aviation High Bundamba State Secondary College Glenala State High School Mabel Park State High School Marsden State High School Yeronga State High School	Lilliana Zardari Letylha Crichton Jessica Nguyen Tiara-Rose Lawson Josephine Ten Shirley Mokoe

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University Awards

Babette Stephens Memorial Award - Madeleine Wilson

The \$1000 Babette Stephens Memorial Award commemorates ZCB Charter President Babette Stephens' legacy to the performing arts and furthers the objectives she was committed to during her lifetime. Babette was a doyenne of theatre in Brisbane until her death in 2000 at the age of 90. The Award acknowledges and rewards a talented, second-year acting student at the Queensland University of Technology (QUT) and is made possible through donations by Club members and has grown with other donations. The investment fund is managed by QUT. Selection is done by the creative industries university staff in consultation with representatives from the Club.

Leneen Forde Zonta Scholarship - Riley Marshall

The Zonta Club of Brisbane has offered a \$2000 bursary at Griffith University, Logan Campus, since 2013. This became the Leneen Forde Zonta Scholarship in 2020 and is awarded to a female student who has completed at least three semesters of a degree program, demonstrated academic merit and has significant financial hardship. In 2023 the Scholarship was awarded to Riley Marshall.

Dr Helen Row Zonta Rural Health Scholarship in Medicine - Chance Mayne

The new format of this Scholarship was offered for the first time in 2023. The Award was previously offered from 1997 following the establishment of a memorial fund in 1992 by the Zonta Club of Brisbane in conjunction with the University of Queensland to commemorate Club member Dr Helen Row's contribution to child psychiatry. The new Award encourages and supports female medical students in financial need, who are undertaking studies in rural areas and wish to pursue a career in rural medicine.

This new format of the Award commemorates the contribution of Dr Helen Maude Row to rural medicine. Dr Row was a member of the Zonta Club of Brisbane who inspired the formation of multiple Zonta clubs across Queensland and was a true pioneer as the first female General Practitioner to go 'out bush'.

The Club supports equality of representation in rural practitioners and to encourage women on this pathway, especially given the shortage of general practitioners in rural areas nationally.



Chance Mayne - Dr Helen Row award winner.

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Zonta Education Awards

Kingston Learning College - Leira Beyer

Kingston College is a multi-pathway campus or "second chance" school that attracts older students who have returned to complete their secondary school education. The Award aims to assist a female student move into tertiary education. The \$2000 award is paid in two instalments within a 12-month period. The first \$1000 is paid with evidence of enrolment into a tertiary education program and the second on successful completion of Semester 1 and enrolment in Semester 2. Staff at Kingston Learning College shortlist students for the award, with interviews conducted by Club members. This year interviews were conducted by Lesley Chenoweth and Anne Landsberg. The 2023 winner Leira Beyer plans to study business at Griffith University.

High School Awards

The Zonta Education Awards provide support to financially disadvantaged young women in high school to support them to complete their secondary education.

The Club has been providing these awards since 2000 and they are popular item for club members and friends to support.

This year the awards were increased to \$750 to acknowledge the increasing cost of living impacts on families and students.

The funds are split over two years and given to schools to administer to a Year 10 student for their Year 11 and 12 studies.

In 2023-2024 Club member Penny Blackwell superbly administered these awards and established improved procedures with new personnel in the high schools.

Club members have made it a tradition to attend award presentations at the schools which are always rewarding experiences for all.



Leonie Briggs and Anne Landsberg with Letylha Crichton, Bundamba State Secondary College.

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Zonta International Awards

Jane M. Klausman Award – Tara McCarthy.

Applications are sought from suitable university students and the Club funds a local prize of \$1000.

Tara McCarthy, the Club's 2023 winner, was also nominated at District and International level and was successful at the international level, winning \$US5000.

Tara attended the Club's September dinner and was presented with her certificate at a later gathering in February 2024 by Lesley Chenoweth AO with JMK convenor Robyn Taylor, Penny Blackwell, Ann Bonner and previous winner Clare Isaac. Robyn is standing down as convenor and Penny Blackwell will convene the award in 2024.



Tara McCarthy and Robyn Taylor.

Women in STEM Award - Margaux Edwards

In line with steps taken by Zonta International, Zonta Club of Brisbane awarded a \$1000 Women in STEM Award for the first time in 2023-2024. The award is open to women of any age, pursuing a science, technology, engineering or mathematics (STEM) degree program at an accredited university/college/institute, who demonstrates outstanding potential in the field and are living or studying in a Zonta district/region.

Margaux Edwards was our inaugural club winner in this award. Margaux studied mechatronics engineering at QUT and went on to do a student exchange at the Technical University of Munich in Germany.

She is passionate about robotics and has been involved in the RoboCup competitions as a participant and mentor for girls. Many thanks to Gwen Jull AO who coordinated this award with an excellent committee. The Club voted to present its own STEM Award in 2024.



Margaux Edwards, Women in STEM Award winner.

Young Women in Public Affairs Award (YWPA)

Charlotte Gillies, who won the 2023 YWPA Award, was also an international winner of this award last year. The club did not award this prize in 2024.

SERVICE

Community Fund programs

In 2023-24 the Club was able to fund several community projects from reserve funds. This really supported our service outreach and impact. Expressions of Interest were sought from members against criteria in accordance with ZI goals and the club's strategic plan.

Proposals were evaluated by a sub-committee and several projects were able to be funded. A total of \$22 000 was provided to five organisations as part of this EOI process:

Bangle Foundation: \$2315 Supporting women from South East Asia who may be experiencing family domestic violence.

Zephyr Education: \$5000 to support children of single mothers with education expenses.

Griffith University Leneen Forde scholarship fund: \$4000 to support this award to be delivered for a further two years.

Refugee and Immigration Legal Service: \$3000 Support for women Afghan judges to obtain visas to gain residency in Australia.

Sharing with Friends Foundation: \$8000 to supply appliances to the kitchen communal area in new housing for older women.



New housing for women

The "first five" survey plans for their new home to be built by the Sharing with Friends Foundation to enable older women to live with dignity in a place of their own - with friends!

SERVICE

Women of the World

Zonta Club of Brisbane provided \$10 000 to bring women from regional areas to the Women of the World Voices Shaping the Future event Thursday 19 and Friday 20 October 2023 which was presented by Of One Mind, with producing partners the Global Institute for Women's Leadership, the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice team at the Australian Human Rights Commission and event partner, Griffith University.

The Zonta support of \$10 000 enabled WOW to leverage an additional \$10 000 towards the event. The partnership facilitated the engagement of young First Nations women from across the country through the provision of support for travel and accommodation as well as costs to enable their participation in the program program included conversations, performances and workshops by and for young women and those interested in their views on gender inequality.

This included over 70 South East Queensland school girls in the Schools Day event on the Friday, featuring a conversation, workshops, WOW speed mentoring on the Wheel of Brisbane, a further 107 young women from across the country, including 32 young First Nations women. The Zonta support also ensured all young women could attend the public conversation series which featured 25 speakers.



Women of the World event - Reshaping the Future - in Brisbane 2023.

SERVICE

Community Fund

Footprints Community: Zonta Club of Brisbane is aware that women over 55 are the fastest growing demographic in the homeless population and that action needs to be taken now to stem this disturbing tide. Footprints was approached by Lady Musgrave Trust in regard to the Handy Guide for Women firstly as the point of contact for distribution of the Guide and then to create a new 2023-2024 edition. To realise this, Footprints approached Zonta Club of Brisbane for assistance to fund this new iteration. The approach stemmed from the Club's previous association with the Handy Guide as part of a joint collective of Zonta Clubs in Area 1 which worked together to deliver the Handy Guide to community organisations.

Zonta Club of Brisbane members approved \$10 000 be provided to Footprints Community as a contribution to the production costs. As part of the agreement Footprints Community will provide the club with a bi-Annual update report on the distribution of the Handy Guide and involve the Club in their Community Engagement that complements that distribution of the Handy Guide. The Guide is due to be printed by mid-2024.

Domestic Violence (DV) Safety cards

The Club has funded these cards since 2001 to provide relevant, safe, emergency numbers and useful information to women and children living with domestic violence. We continue to work with the Northside Alliance Against Domestic Violence (Nundah Community Support Group Inc) in collaboration with Queensland Police Service to fund the printing of cards and posters. Safety cards are a wallet-sized ready-reference list of contacts for accommodation, legal and other assistance services. The Club provides funds every two years.



Footprints Community CEO Cherylee Treolar and Sandra McLean.

Windana

Zonta Club of Brisbane has had a long association with Windana refuge for women dating back to the 1970s. This relationship continues each year with a tradition for the club to donate gifts to the women and their children who are at Windana during this time.

With so many club members, last year's collection of gifts was an administrative juggle however the outcome was a few rather large bags with lots of gifts for the Windana residents.

The first realisation of our interest from the Zonta Community Fund/Queensland Gives was also provided to Windana.

Club member Anne Landsberg also nominated Windana manager Betty O'Byrne for a national Elsie Award - which she went on to win in recognition of her service to women's refuges.



MEMBERSHIP

Chair: Meryl McKenzie

Considering last year's outstanding membership growth, this year continued to show strong membership numbers and once again in the 25–55-year age group. We enjoyed the participation of 75 members with 19 new members inducted during the year. Our sincere thanks to Gwen Jull AO for officiating at all these inductions. Whilst referrals from current members is still a significant avenue for membership, there has been an increase in online applications. To ensure that new members have a friendly and supportive introduction to the Club, there is now an EOI form only on the Club website and we then follow up with an initial personal inquiry and subsequent tailored responses. Potential members are encouraged to attend at least two Club dinner meetings prior to their induction, providing them with the opportunity to greater understand the charter of the organisation and confirm their commitment decision. Inductions are now held quarterly.

It was also wonderful to see new members in the year, stepping up to mentor and welcome other new members.

New portfolios

We established two new portfolios within the Membership Committee structure, New Member and Diversity. Primarily the new member portfolio is to ensure new members are welcomed, offered a seat at a dinner meeting, and introduced to current members. This complements the Mentor role. We thank Jane Murphy for her leadership and enthusiasm in undertaking this role.

Recognising the importance of diversity to our Club, Linda Cho has offered to lead this and is drafting the diversity strategy which will underpin our membership endeavours.

Our thanks and appreciation to Patrice Grealy-Ridley for her assistance with the mentor program. This is an outstanding initiative. We admire Patrice for her unfailing commitment to ensure its success and the members who continue to support our new members.

New members in 2023-24

Above: Jane Murphy with Farah Sobhanian; Membership Committee Chair Meryl McKenzie; Katrina Swanston and Jane Keating.

MEMBERSHIP

New members inducted

There were 19 new members: Melissa Brauman, Linda Cho, Ruth Chowdhury, Sophy Edmonds, Megan Elliott, Kandis Gowans, Fiona Headrick, Laura Lyall-Wilson, Jane Murphy, Katherine Sadler, Martina Semrau, Farah Sobhanian, Peta Stanley, Katrina Swanston, Fiona Whitaker, Judy Williams, Laura Voller, Sian Fullerton, Jenny Crome.

New member night

An extension of the dinner meeting welcomes and mentoring, Jane Keating offered her home to host a new member welcome night. The night was well attended and from all accounts, exceptionally well received with members having the opportunity to hear more about Zonta International and meet key members critical to the history and future of the Club.

Golden Z and Z Clubs

One of the Club's action plans in its Strategic Plan is to grow membership with the formation of Golden Z and Z Clubs. Whilst we are still pursuing this, with our current membership numbers this is not regarded as a primary focus. However, thanks to Kirsty Lindsay, Alyce Carpin and Fernanda Zelaya de Doolan as we continue to investigate this avenue.

Conclusion

Zonta Club of Brisbane continues to forge a strong membership base, due to the strength of our charter, programs and projects. My personal thanks to my very patient Membership Committee for their perseverance. Our sincere thanks and congratulations to the Board for their dedication and commitment to the leadership and professionalism of Zonta Club of Brisbane.



New member night was a great addition to the membership calendar with updates on Zonta International and a chance to meet the Board.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership inductions

Clockwise below: Jan Logan and Laura Lyall-Watson; Meryl McKenzie and Peta Stanley; Julie Mannion and Ruth Chowdhury; Roslyn Elliott-Gee and Judith Anderson OAM; Laura Voller and Alyce Carpin; Sandra McLean and Jane Murphy.



MEMBERSHIP

New members in 2023-24



Barb Kent and Jennifer Crome (left); Jude Singleton and Megan Elliott (right).



Left: Amber Buckland with Melissa Brauman, Meryl McKenzie, Louise Ryan, Sophy Edmonds, Jane Keating and Katherine Sadler.

MEMBERSHIP



Left: Lisa Cho, Kandis Gowans and Fiona Headrick.



Martina Semrau and mentor Lucy Markovich.



Jane Murphy and new member Fiona Whitaker.



New member Sian Fullerton and Katrina Swanston.

MEMBERSHIP

2023-2024 Zonta Club of Brisbane members

Member

Judith Anderson OAM
Sallyanne Atkinson AO
Dzenita Balic
Nadeyn Barbieri
Penny Blackwell
Ann Bonner
Melissa Brauman*
Leonie Briggs
Amber Buckland
Alyce Carpin
Lesley Chenoweth AO
Linda Cho*
Ruth Chowdhury*
Grace Corcoran
Jenny Crome*
Elizabeth Drumm
Jade Cronan-Thompson
Rhonda Davidson-Irwin
Susan Davies
Merryl Ducat
Olivia Dyer
Sophy Edmonds*
Megan Elliott*
Roslyn Elliott-Gee**
Leneen Forde AC
Sian Fullerton*
Margie Fraser
Genevieve Gray
Patrice Grealy-Ridley
Kandis Gowans*
Fiona Headrick*
Susan Hocking
Samantha Hollingworth
Adrienne Irvine
Gwendolen Jull AO
Jane Keating
Barbara Kent
Hannah Kneubuhler
Anne Landsberg

Member

Kirsty Lindsay
Jan Logan
Erin Longbottom
Miyuki Lotz
Laura Lyall-Wilson*
Julie Mannion
Lucy Markovich
Susan McGinley
Kelly McIntyre
Meryl McKenzie
Kirsten McKerrell
Sandra McLean (President)
Margaret McMurdo AC
Catherine Muir
Jane Murphy*
Janet Prowse
Dee Rennie
Susan Richmond
Gail Rienstra
Kate Rose
Louise Ryan
Katherine Sadler*
Susan Scott
Martina Semrau*
Judith Singleton
Philippa Sjoquist
Farah Sobhanian *
Peta Stanley*
Katrina Swanston*
Robyn Taylor
Cecily Tucker
Laura Voller*
Fiona Whitaker*
Judy Williams*
Lisa Worner
Fernanda Zelaya de Doolan

**new member*

***part year member*

MEMBERSHIP

20 years and more service to Zonta International

In 2023 the Club recognised seven Zonta Club of Brisbane members who each have given more than 20 years of service to the Club. They were acknowledged at the December dinner meeting and presented with a certificate by Club President Sandra McLean: Leneen Forde AC; Merryl Ducat; Judith Anderson OAM; Susan Davies; Rhonda Davidson-Irwin; Sally Anne Atkinson AO and Amber Buckland.



Above: Rhonda Davidson-Irwin, Janet Anderson OAM, Susan Davies, Merryl Ducat, Leneen Forde AC and Sallyanne Atkinson AO with their 20 years or more service to Zonta International.

COMMUNICATIONS

Chair: Louise Ryan

The continued focus for the Communications Committee has been strategically placing the Club in the public sphere in the lead up to the 2024 Zonta International Convention in Brisbane. This includes:

- refining our approach to social media to better reflect our target audience on each platform
- undertaking a comprehensive review of the Club's website
- considering investment in professional services and equipment to maximise our public image, and
- reviewing how to best improve communicating with existing and prospective Club members at various stages of their membership journey.

To deliver on this a new Club website has been developed with a huge thank you to Committee member Hannah Kneubuhler who drove this initiative. A big thank you also to Adrienne Irvine for driving social media for the club this year and also to Communications support Katie Johnston who has worked alongside the Committee on key campaigns including 16 Days of Activism.



Coercive control is when a person with whom you are personally connected, repeatedly behaves in a way that makes you feel controlled, dependent, isolated or scared.

#endDFV #endcoercivecontrol
#DFVPM2023 #zontabrisbane

DISTRICT 22

District 22 Conference Mackay

Nine representatives from Zonta Club of Brisbane attended the District 22 conference on 9-10 September in Mackay along with other club members in the District.

It was a strongly attended event with the focus on the Zonta Says Now agenda in relation to climate change and its impact on women.

The guest speaker ABC journalist Pip Courtney spoke on Australian women and climate change and there were workshop sessions on Diversity in Zonta, Develop our Housing Strategy, and the Zonta Australia Committee.

There was voting on motions put to the Conference across a range of issues including child marriage, homelessness in older women and birthing kits.

Out of the conference a new group was formed to focus on how District 22 can work to advocate for change to reduce homelessness in older women - Jade Cronan-Thompson from Zonta Club of Brisbane joined this committee.

Club member Adrienne Irvine was nominated for a Dianne Leggo Award and received a special commendation.



Club members at the Mackay conference (above); Susan Davies with Adrienne Irvine's Dianne Leggo commendation; and members get ready to vote on notions on the Conference.



DINNER SPEAKERS

Speaker	Month
Sadia Azizi, Refugee and Immigration Legal Service	June 2023
Dr Bianca Beetson	July 2023
Anna Campbell Queensland Walks/Dr Laurel Johnson University of Queensland	August 2023
Meredith Staib, CEO, Royal Flying Doctor Service Queensland	September 2023
Monica Bradley	October 2022
Stephen Page	November 2023
Sister Odete Moreira	December 2023
Tara McCarthy JMK Winner	February 2024
Kathy McLeish Advancement of Women Award winner	March 2024
Dr Wendy Scaife	April 2024

DINNER MEETINGS



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Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 March 2024

Zonta Club of Brisbane Inc

ABN: 47 885 713 610

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Committee's Report

31 March 2024

The committee members submit the financial report of the Association for the financial year ended 31 March 2024.

1. General information

Committee members

The names of committee members throughout the year and at the date of this report are:

- | | |
|------------------|-----------|
| Sandra McLean | President |
| Lisa Womer | Treasurer |
| Kate Rose | Secretary |
| Lesley Chenoweth | |
| Grace Corcoran | |
| Jane Keating | |
| Louise Ryan | |
| Susan Scott | |

Principal activities

The principal activities of the Association during the financial year was to empower women and improve the state of the community and world at large.

Significant changes

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

2. Operating results and review of operations for the year

Operating result

The profit of the Association for the financial year amounted to \$ (12,483)(2023: \$ 15,957).

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Committee:


 President
 Sandra McLean


 Treasurer
 Lisa Womer

Dated this 22 day of April 2024

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Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income For the Year Ended 31 March 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
Revenue and other Income	4	80,590	100,253
Finance income	5	13,102	5,579
AWA Award		5,750	5,750
Sundry Income	4	682	4,983
16 Days of activism		(44)	(11,549)
Area 1 Meeting Expense		-	(3,566)
Awards expense		(12,750)	(750)
AWA winner		(5,750)	(5,000)
Dinner expenses		(30,700)	(32,180)
Donation expense		(32,315)	(7,757)
Dues & levies		(12,265)	(9,262)
Finance expenses	5	-	(6,926)
Fundraising function expense		(1,082)	(2,900)
Other awards		-	(10,000)
Other expenses		(17,701)	(10,718)
Profit before income tax		(12,483)	15,957
Income tax expense		-	-
Profit from continuing operations		(12,483)	15,957
Profit for the year		(12,483)	15,957
Other comprehensive income, net of income tax			
Total comprehensive income for the year		(12,483)	15,957

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Financial Position

As At 31 March 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	6	52,569	88,386
Other financial assets	7	-	933
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		52,569	89,319
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Other financial assets	7	112,208	86,106
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		112,208	86,106
TOTAL ASSETS		164,777	175,425
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	8	2,875	1,040
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		2,875	1,040
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
TOTAL LIABILITIES		2,875	1,040
NET ASSETS		161,902	174,385
EQUITY			
Retained earnings		161,902	174,385
TOTAL EQUITY		161,902	174,385

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Changes in Equity For the Year Ended 31 March 2024

2024

	Retained Earnings	Total
Note	\$	\$
Balance at 1 April 2023	174,385	174,385
Loss for the year	(12,483)	(12,483)
Balance at 31 March 2024	<u>161,902</u>	<u>161,902</u>

2023

	Retained Earnings	Total
Note	\$	\$
Balance at 1 April 2022	158,428	158,428
Profit for the year	15,957	15,957
Balance at 31 March 2023	<u>174,385</u>	<u>174,385</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Cash Flows For the Year Ended 31 March 2024

	2024	2023
Note	\$	\$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Receipts from customers	86,089	108,924
Payments to suppliers and employees	(108,267)	(90,839)
Interest received	1,521	327
Interest paid	(555)	(549)
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	<u>(21,212)</u>	<u>17,863</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Proceeds from sale of investment	27,579	23,774
Dividends received	3,877	4,319
Payment for investments	(46,062)	(20,822)
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities	<u>(14,606)</u>	<u>7,271</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Net cash provided by/(used in) financing activities	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents held	(35,818)	25,134
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	88,387	63,252
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	6 <u>52,569</u>	<u>88,386</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 March 2024

The financial statements cover Zonta Club of Brisbane Inc as an individual entity. Zonta Club of Brisbane Inc is a not-for-profit Association incorporated in Queensland under the *Associations Incorporation Act (QLD) 1981 (as amended by the Associations Incorporation and Other Legislation Amendment Act (QLD) 2007)* (the Act).

The principal activities of the Association for the year ended 31 March 2024 was to empower women and improve the state of the community and world at large.

The functional and presentation currency of Zonta Club of Brisbane Inc is Australian dollars.

Comparatives are consistent with prior years, unless otherwise stated.

1 Basis of Preparation

The financial statements are general purpose financial statements that have been prepared in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures and the Act.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historical costs modified, where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets and financial liabilities.

Significant accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are presented below and are consistent with prior reporting periods unless otherwise stated.

2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(a) Revenue and other income

Revenue from contracts with customers

The core principle of AASB 15 is that revenue is recognised on a basis that reflects the transfer of promised goods or services to customers at an amount that reflects the consideration the Association expects to receive in exchange for those goods or services.

Generally the timing of the payment for sale of goods and rendering of services corresponds closely to the timing of satisfaction of the performance obligations, however where there is a difference, it will result in the recognition of a receivable, contract asset or contract liability.

None of the revenue streams of the Association have any significant financing terms as there is less than 12 months between receipt of funds and satisfaction of performance obligations.

Other income

Other income is recognised on an accruals basis when the Association is entitled to it.

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 March 2024

2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(b) Income Tax

The Association is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*.

(c) Goods and services tax (GST)

The Association is not currently registered for goods and services tax (GST).

All amounts are recognised inclusive of GST.

(d) Volunteer services

No amounts are included in the financial statements for services donated by volunteers.

(e) Financial instruments

Financial instruments are recognised initially on the date that the Association becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

On initial recognition, all financial instruments are measured at fair value plus transaction costs (except for instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss where transaction costs are expensed as incurred).

Financial assets

All recognised financial assets are subsequently measured in their entirety at either amortised cost or fair value, depending on the classification of the financial assets.

Classification

On initial recognition, the Association classifies its financial assets into the following categories, those measured at:

- amortised cost
- fair value through profit or loss - FVTPL
- fair value through other comprehensive income - equity instrument (FVOCI - equity)
- fair value through other comprehensive income - debt investments (FVOCI - debt)

Financial assets are not reclassified subsequent to their initial recognition unless the Association changes its business model for managing financial assets.

Amortised cost

The Association's financial assets measured at amortised cost comprise trade and other receivables and cash and cash equivalents in the statement of financial position.

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 March 2024

2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(e) Financial instruments

Financial assets

Subsequent to initial recognition, these assets are carried at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method less provision for impairment.

Interest income, foreign exchange gains or losses and impairment are recognised in profit or loss. Gain or loss on derecognition is recognised in profit or loss.

Fair value through other comprehensive income

Equity instruments

The Association has a number of strategic investments in listed securities and managed portfolios over which are they do not have significant influence nor control. The Association has made an irrevocable election to classify these equity investments as fair value through profit or loss as they are held for trading purposes.

Financial assets through profit or loss

All financial assets not classified as measured at amortised cost or fair value through other comprehensive income as described above are measured at FVTPL.

Net gains or losses, including any interest or dividend income are recognised in profit or loss.

Impairment of financial assets

Impairment of financial assets is recognised on an expected credit loss (ECL) basis for the following assets:

- financial assets measured at amortised cost
- debt investments measured at FVOCI

When determining whether the credit risk of a financial assets has increased significant since initial recognition and when estimating ECL, the Association considers reasonable and supportable information that is relevant and available without undue cost or effort. This includes both quantitative and qualitative information and analysis based on the Association's historical experience and informed credit assessment and including forward looking information.

The Association uses the presumption that an asset which is more than 30 days past due has seen a significant increase in credit risk.

The Association uses the presumption that a financial asset is in default when:

- the other party is unlikely to pay its credit obligations to the Association in full, without recourse to the Association to actions such as realising security (if any is held); or
- the financial assets is more than 90 days past due.

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 March 2024

2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(e) Financial instruments

Financial assets

Credit losses are measured as the present value of the difference between the cash flows due to the Association in accordance with the contract and the cash flows expected to be received. This is applied using a probability weighted approach.

Other financial assets measured at amortised cost

Impairment of other financial assets measured at amortised cost are determined using the expected credit loss model in AASB 9. On initial recognition of the asset, an estimate of the expected credit losses for the next 12 months is recognised. Where the asset has experienced significant increase in credit risk then the lifetime losses are estimated and recognised.

Financial liabilities

The Association measures all financial liabilities initially at fair value less transaction costs, subsequently financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

The financial liabilities of the Association comprise of trade payables.

(f) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprises cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term investments which are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

3 Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgments

The committee make estimates and judgements during the preparation of these financial statements regarding assumptions about current and future events affecting transactions and balances.

These estimates and judgements are based on the best information available at the time of preparing the financial statements, however as additional information is known then the actual results may differ from the estimates.

The significant estimates and judgements made have been described below.

Key estimates - fair value of financial instruments

The Association has certain financial assets and liabilities which are measured at fair value. Where fair value has not able to be determined based on quoted price, a valuation model has been used. The inputs to these models are observable, where possible, however these techniques involve significant estimates and therefore fair value of the instruments could be affected by changes in these assumptions and inputs.

Key estimates - receivables

The receivables at reporting date have been reviewed to determine whether there is any objective evidence that any of the receivables are impaired. An impairment provision is included for any receivable where the entire balance is not considered collectible. The impairment provision is based on the best information at the reporting date.

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4 Revenue and Other Income

Revenue from continuing operations

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Revenue recognised on receipt (not enforceable or no sufficiently specific performance obligations - AASB 1058)		
- Donation	600	20,000
- member subscriptions	17,191	13,018
- fundraising and dinner	62,799	67,235
Total Revenue	80,590	100,253

5 Finance Income and Expenses

Finance income

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Interest income		
- bank	1,521	327
- franking credit	-	933
Dividend income		
- Other dividends	3,877	4,319
Net gain on financial assets at FVTPL	7,704	-
Total finance income	13,102	5,579

Finance expenses

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Net loss on financial assets at FVTPL	-	6,926
Total finance expenses	-	6,926

6 Cash and Cash Equivalents

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Cash at bank and in hand	48,311	33,498
Short-term deposits	-	30,903
Other cash and cash equivalents	4,258	23,985
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	52,569	88,386

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Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 March 2024

7 Other Financial Assets

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Other financial assets	-	933
	<u>-</u>	<u>933</u>
NON-CURRENT		
Other financial assets	112,208	86,106
	<u>112,208</u>	<u>86,106</u>
Total	<u>112,208</u>	<u>87,039</u>

8 Trade and Other Payables

	2024	2023
Note	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Trade payables	1,375	1,040
Income Paid in Advance	1,500	-
	<u>2,875</u>	<u>1,040</u>

Trade and other payables are unsecured, non-interest bearing and are normally settled within 30 days. The carrying value of trade and other payables is considered a reasonable approximation of fair value due to the short-term nature of the balances.

9 Contingencies

In the opinion of the Committee of Management, the Association did not have any contingencies at 31 March 2024 (31 March 2023: None).

10 Events after the end of the Reporting Period

No matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Association, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the Association in future financial years.

11 Statutory Information

The association does not have a physical office for principal place of business. Contacting the association can be done by visiting the website, zontabrisbane.org.au or by email to info@zontabrisbane.org.au.

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Statement by Members of the Committee

In our opinion:

- 1. the accompanying financial report as set out on pages 2 to 11, being a general purpose - simplified disclosure financial statement, is drawn up so as to present fairly the state of affairs of the Association as at 31 March 2024 and the results of the Association for the year ended on that date;
- 2. the accounts of the Association have been properly prepared and are in accordance with the books of account of the Association.
- 3. there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Association will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the committee and is signed for and on behalf of the committee by:


President


Treasurer

Dated **22 April 2024**

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

We have audited the financial report of Zonta Club of Brisbane Inc. ("the Association"), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 March 2024, and the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity and the statement of cash flows for the year then ended and the notes to the financial statements including a summary of significant accounting policies and the statement by members of the committee.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Association as at 31 March 2024, and of its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures and the *Associations Incorporations Act 1981 (Qld)*.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Association in accordance with the Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other Information

The Management Committee is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Association's annual report for the year ended 31 March 2024, but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information; we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of the Management Committee and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Report

The management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with:

- a) the Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures;
- b) the financial reporting requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Act 1981 (QLD)*; and
- c) for such internal control as management determine is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, management is responsible for assessing the Association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the management either intends to liquidate the Association or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatements, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users on the basis of this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

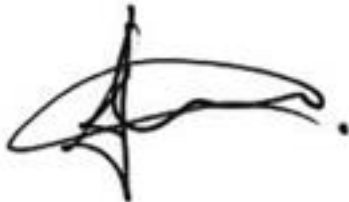
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Association's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the management committee.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management committees' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt of the Association's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report.

However, future events or conditions may cause the Association to cease to continue as a going concern.

- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the management committee regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide the management with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.



Johann Swanepoel CA

Director

Registered Audit Company (No. 342 577)

Registered Auditor (No. 549613)

Fortitude Valley, 23 April 2024