November 2018 Newsletter

President Message

Hello and Kia Ora everyone!

As we head towards the end of the year our Zonta activities are picking up pace. Coming up over the next couple of months we have:

Bras and Knickers Night for Arohata: 5 November Club meeting. This popular evening is part of a series of activities and fundraisers that have won Zonta Mana several awards and accolades in the past two years. Please collect good quality second-hand and new bras and new knickers for us to hand over to Arohata Prison staff on the evening of our Club meeting. It's a great fun event as well! Bring your collections to the meeting and help set up prior to our usual start at 6 PM.

At our November meeting we will also have a short AGM plus the election of the new Board.

Zonta Says NO Campaign: The 16 days of activism go from **25 November to 10 December**. The focus for this year is *Ending Child Marriage* and there are several activities planned by our Club for this event, please keep an eye out for

details (in this newsletter); if you would like to know more, and how to get involved, please talk to Linda Hall-Thorpe.

Arohata Christmas Concert: Tuesday 4 and Wednesday 5 December.

This popular event and major fundraiser for us sells out quickly. Details to come but start promoting it to your friends and families. **Contact Barbara Thompson**.

He Huarahi Tamariki (HHT) Celebration Lunch Friday 7th December. This is when we celebrate these young women's achievements in finishing their high school studies. We also hand over one of our scholarships. Members are encouraged to purchase a small Christmas gift for a child; their mums also receive a small token. It is a lovely event and I encourage all members to try and attend. Look out for more information. Contact Barbara Thompson.

Eat Drink and Be Crafty fair at Battle Hill Reserve, Pauatahanui, 26 January 2019. This event is being organised by the Lions Club and we have been invited to have a stand there. Great opportunity to attract new members! If you'd like to help, contact Pat Liddell.

Christmas Club meeting 3 December: Before having our Christmas function, there will be the induction of the new 2019 Board.

The theme for the Christmas function is Mana's Memories, moments, merriment and mementos. Contact Julie Ainsworth.

Finally, a huge **THANK YOU** to the Fundraising Committee led by Teresa Parai and Julie Ainsworth for the very successful Pop-Up Shop in October; well done everyone and thank you for all of the donations.

My quote for this month is our Club's bi-line Zonta Mana: Socialising with a Purpose





OUR VISION

Zonta International envisions a world in which women's rights are recognized as human rights and every women is able to achieve her full potential. In such world, women a have access to all resources and are represented in decision making positions on equal basis with men. In such a world, no woman lives in fear of violence.

NEXT CLUB MEETING:

November 5th 2018

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(mob 0272101699 or email julieainsworth@gmail.com

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Recent Club News & Events

Zonta Club of Mana's Octobers speaker : Conor Twyford,

Chief Executive/ Kaiwhakahaere

Wellington Sexual Abuse HELP

Conor presented a very insightful and thought provoking account of the invaluable work carried out by HELP, and the huge support the organisation provides to an alarmingly high percentage of the population who are affected. She inspired us all with her recount of some very effective fundraising where the money came through @almost the final hour!





Pop-Up Shop - 24-29th September

Whilst the pop-up shop was a great success financially and from a Zonta fellowship point of view, an additional service component came at the end. We offered unsold clothing, free of charge, to our associate community groups that we support.

The leftover clothing items were given to: WellFed, The Forensic Units, Whitireia Students, Child Cancer, House of Grace, Books to Rotary Inner

Wheel and Arohata :- All groups were very grateful for the opportunity and goodies they received.

The Feedback received from groups was; Arohata pre-release unit managed to kit out 3 ladies about to be released, including 1 who has been inside for 13 years. WELLfed had some of their families come down (one had 9 children that included some teenagers). They also got some "church" clothes. HHT students were also offered the opportunity to go. The women in the Forensic units were grateful to receive clothes as some of them had only two sets of clothes to their names.



Zonta Says NO to Violence Against Women

History of the 25 November Day (White Ribbon Day)

Since 1981 Women's Activists have marked 25 November, as a day against violence.

This date came from the brutal assassination in 1960, of the three Mirabal sisters, political activists in the Dominican Republic, on orders of Dominican ruler Rafael Trujillo (1930-1961). On 20 December 1993 the General Assembly, by <u>resolution 48/104</u>, adopted the Declaration on the Elimination of Violence against Women.

In this context, in 1999 the United Nations General Assembly <u>designated 25 November</u> as the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, and invited governments, international organizations and NGOs to organize on that day activities designed to raise public awareness of the problem

The current focus for Zonta International and District 16, is the **16 Days of** Activism and Zonta Says NO.



The new Law to prevent forced early marriages and relationships in NZ is being supported by Zonta. D16 will work to ensure awareness of the new legislation.

This is in line with Zonta International which is raising funds to support programmes to end Child Marriage in 12 countries.

Mana Zonta says no" / advocacy committee

The Zonta club of Mana "Zonta says no" / advocacy committee are working on activism plan for the month of November. Linda Hall-Thorpe is the convernor

The following are the proposed activities:

- Planning continues with scarves for all Zonta Says No women to wear in a group photo on the night of the AGM to emphasise commitment to this project.
- New World Porirua, literature awareness table, also handing out White Ribbon information - to seek permission from New World, and orange balloons, roster for 4 hours
- Bill Boards display waiting on costings
- White Ribbon support network are working on proposal for a family day at Aotea Lagoon
- Lions Day at Battle Hill we would support this and promote Zonta Says No







Convenors' corner

ADVOCACY – Dr Judy Whitcombe Zonta D16 will be looking at a submission on the Equal Pay Amendment Bill – introduced on 19 September.

Zonta Christmas Dinner/ Evening : Julie Ainsworth The theme for this year's xmas dinner evening is

"Mana's Memories, moments, merriment and mementos"

The host for the evening are Jan Win and Julie . So just a heads up, we will be asking members to bring one \$5 dollar gift. You might like to scout around for a bargain before the silly seasons begins. The only hint I can give you is: it is not the same as last year.

Scholarships

The Awards/ scholarship convenor is now Jenny Brash

Young Women in Public Affairs award has opened.

The Zonta Club of Mana (in conjunction with Zonta Wellington) is seeking applications for the Young Women in Public Affairs award for 2018/19. Posters are to be circulated to local schools etc.



Zonta Club of Mana Community Award

Zonta Community Award has been circulated to community organisations and social media. There was error in the email address of the person for contact around the awards. This has been corrected. Criteria for award to be circulated to members. Notice is on Zonta Mana Facebook page.



Members' corner

Next Club Meeting

Monday November 5th 2018

- Venue: Plimmerton Boating Club
- 6pm Meeting

7pm Dinner

After dinner speaker: Arohata and AGM Arohata Bras & Knickers - Collection



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Zonta Mana would like to wish the following members Happy birthday for November : Michelle Robinson 13th Leina Isno 28th Jenny Brash 29th Diary 2018

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- November 19th: Joint dinner meeting with new Board 2019 members, Top Taste Porirua 6.30pm.
- December 3rd Christmas and Induction of 2019 Board. Carolina as the Area Director will induct.
- December 4 & 5th (Tuesday & Wednesday) Arohata Christmas Concerts -
- December friday 7th He Huarahi Tamariki (HHT) Celebration Lunch -
- January 26 Eat Drink and Be Crafty fair at Battle Hill Reserve, Pauatahanui..
- March 10 2019 IWD Breakfast 2019 Speaker is Tusha Penny
- September 6-8th 2019 Australia/ New Zealand Conference in Brisbane - 100 years of



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Saturday Coffee Mornings 11am

Upstairs @ Marina Espresso, Paremata Bridge

This get together is for members and their friends. It's informal , drop in regular event. The group meet upstairs.



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