

President Message

Greetings and a very warm welcome to our Zonta Club of Mana 2020 year. As this is my first report as President, I thought I would introduce myself, particularly for our newer members.

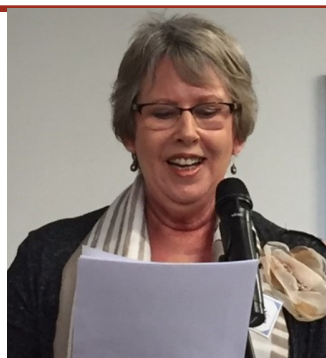
My Dad was born and grew up in New Plymouth. When he was in the Airforce based at Woodbourne, he met my Mum who had grown up in Blenheim. They married and moved to Wellington, where my sister and I were born, when I was almost 2 we moved to Christchurch, and Dad became Manager of Griffins for the South island. My youngest sister was born 3 years later, and we attended Mairehau primary school, followed by Avonside Girls High. In my fifth form year, our Dad died suddenly of heart failure - this was devastating as you can imagine.

I left school and attended Kindergarten Teachers College (KTC), and began going out with Tony 2 months later. (I had known him for a number of years as we both attended the same Church and were part of the youth group). After graduating from KTC, I was posted to a kindergarten in Patea until we married and moved to Wellington later that year. We have lived here all our married life, have two daughters Emma and Rachael and now have four gorgeous grandchildren- Cam & Josh (twins) and Alice and Clara.

Like a lot of mothers in the 70's and 80's, I was involved in the community with kindergarten and school committees, taught brownies for a while etc. I trained as a Marriage Guidance counsellor and was part of the Porirua team, was also involved with Arohata when it was a borstal by visiting specific girls weekly, as part of WBA (Womens Borstal Assn) You will see why I was attracted to Mana Zonta.

I joined Zonta in 2013 after making contact via the website and then meeting Barb who cemented the deal! I had been employed in the Ministry of Justice for more than 20 years at that time, was Family Court Co-ordinator at Porirua Court, then moved into the domestic violence team in National office. I was attracted to Zonta because of its' vision matching those areas I worked in, and saw this as something I could stay involved in after I retired from the Ministry, and would still be involved in an organisation that was set up to improve the lives of women and girls. What I didn't realise at the time was that I would make such wonderful friends!

I have served on the Board as membership convenor, vice-president and acting secretary, and am honoured to be appointed President. I have gained such a lot of knowledge working closely with Pat and the previous board members and hope with the help of each of you build on the solid foundations that are in place in our club.



OUR VISION

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

NEXT CLUB

MEETING:

Please send apologies for the next Club meeting to Jan Win by no later than Saturday noon 1st Feb email JanWin-win-jan27@gmail.com or text 021 765 876



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I am so very proud of our club and what we stand for and achieve, and felt this again at the end of last year, when we had the concerts at Arohata, the lunch and Christmas celebration with HHT, then we are out in North city mall wrapping presents. What we do as a team is making a difference when we all get in behind and add our support. We are all part of Zonta Mana because we have chosen to be, and I'd like you all to feel this is where you belong and where you want to invest your energy. The relationships we have with each other empowers us to work to make a difference to those we seek to serve." Thank you all. May we all thrive in 2020. Nga mihi nui Pam Johnson

Christmas Club Meeting 2019

In the club Christmas meeting, our new member Mary Jarmulski and the new 2020 Board was inducted. We also saluted our Women of Achievement Dr Judy Whitcombe, and WELLfed founders Kim Murray and Rebecca Morahan. Instead of secret Santa presents the club members donated items towards a local Food Bank . The new board members for 2020 (Photo below) are

President = Pam Johnson
 Vice- President = Jan Win
 Minute Secretary = Jan Win
 Treasurer = Joan Mardon
 PR/Newsletter = Deidre Florance and Alison Lloyd-Davies
 Scholarships = Michelle Robinson and Maureen Gillon (TBC)
 Fundraising = Liz Gray and Diane Scott
 Membership = Alison Lloyd-Davies
 Programme = Liz Gray and Veronica Allum
 Service = Barbara Thompson
 Advocacy= Linda Hall-Thorpe



Christmas Club Meeting Entertainment

In the enclosed photo on the right is Ngawai's band who played some great tunes for us before xmas dinner.



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Zonta Says NO to Violence Against Women and Girls

Campaign report from Linda Hall Thorpe Oranging Porirua City



Honouring a promise to Porirua Zonta, orange flowers have been planted by the Porirua City Council (PPC) to support the group's commitment to promote the human rights of women and end violence against women and girls. The Spring flowers were planted in three of Porirua's roundabouts and elsewhere around the city, with an orange theme in some places.

Linda organised a drone to take a photo shot of the three roundabouts in Porirua. When the sun comes out the three roundabouts along Titahi Bay Road look fabulous.



(In the attached photo on the left the club members with their orange scarves are standing with the club's banner next to the orange flowers planted by PPC near the Bridge Espresso cafe)

2019 HTT scholarship winner

On the right is a photo of our HHT scholarship winner.

Anai Ngaronga-Pound.

She has been away in Australia on holiday . Anais will be studying Business Administration and Technology at Whitieria.



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February Club Meeting 2020

Venue: Plimmerton Boating Club

5.30pm for 6pm start.

Programme:

6pm: Drinks and nibbles

6.15pm Presentation to YWPA Mana and Wellington winners

Guest Speaker - Maisey Bently past winner Mana YWPA

7pm Dinner - **\$28**



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Please don't forget to wear your Zonta Name badge to the club meeting as this helps new people (and old) to learn the names of the others in the room.



Notice from Gayle about an Increase in the meal price

You will have noticed that in the last year the price of meat has increased substantially and there have also been increases in staff wages. We have held our prices for your meals for a number of years. We have done a thorough review of our pricing schedule and have had to make the tough decision to **increase the cost your meals to \$28. This increase will take effect from the February meeting .**



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Service Convener December report Barbara Thompson

Inside -out Arohata Christmas Concert in association with Zonta Club of Mana Wednesday 4th and Thursday 5th December.

This year's concert was different from previous years and saw Home Ground and Batucada appear for the first time. Hopefully they will stay for next years concert (assuming there will be one). Final costings are still coming through, but it will certainly enable us to continue supporting Women's Refuge, Arohata magazines and our other local projects.

Many thanks to the suppliers of the staging, seating, lighting, sound and printing who gave us very competitive rates: - Hiremaster Event & Party Ltd, MJF Lighting, Sound Services and Southern Plumbing & Gasfitting Ltd.

He Huarahi Tamariki (HHT) Celebration Lunch at Plimmerton Boat Club Thursday 5th December 2019.

Once again, we had a fabulous lunch last Thursday with the students and teachers of HHT. The students and teachers sung their school song, and then the students performed a couple of items from their prize-giving last Friday. It was a great start to the proceedings. Anita Grafton (Time To Talk) was our guest speaker and she captured her audience well, which was confirmed by the student's comments below.

Many thanks to our sponsor's who made the lunch so spectacular for the students: -

Trust House Foundation (sponsored lunch & flowers for our guests Zonta Mana (Children's Gifts), L'Oréal Cosmetics, Salon Savoy, New World Tawa, Whitby Pharmacy, Simon's Pharmacies Tawa, The Warehouse Porirua, Wild Ferns

Some of the Feedback from the HHT students about the luncheon

Thank you so much for lunch. The conversations with the Women from the Zonta Club were invigorating and the guest speaker was inspiring. - Michael

Thank you for the lunch and presents for my baby and myself! The guest speaker was phenomenal. I loved it. Thank you



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Happy Birthday for February 2020

Maureen Gillon 5th February



Our congratulations to Barb Thompson has been awarded a QSM in the NY Honours. This is super news and caps off a brilliant year in 2019 for Zonta Mana.

Photos from Christmas Wrapping fundraiser at North City Mall



(Photo on the Left is of Philippa's family. There were three generations involved in the Christmas wrapping this year)



The enclosed photos on the left and right have been provided as an example of how skilful the club members are in the art of Christmas wrapping.



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Club information and contact details

Don't forget about our informal coffee mornings on Saturdays at The Bridge Espresso 11am. If you've got an hour or so to spare it's also a great way to get to know your fellow Mana Zontians.

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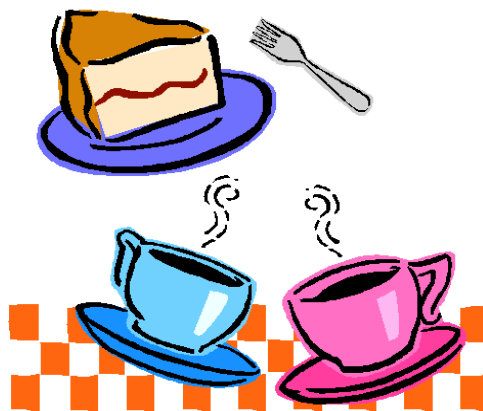
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Zonta is



Women Empower Women
Strength in numbers
Doing good in the Community

Inclusive

All encompassing
Diverse Women with the same goal
*Acting Globally *Borderless*

Compassionate

A lot of work * Hardworking

Networking

Chance to grow in leadership
Awareness * Advocates
Encouraging younger women

Generous

Team Oriented * Collaborative
FUN * Friendly * Positive

Making a difference

Relationships * Family * Friends

Sisterhood

Connecting with different cultures

Action oriented

Caring * Supportive

Inspiring

Visionary * Groundbreaking

Leaders

Solving problems

Impactful * Credible

Service

Dedicated * Tenacious

Powerful * Committed to action

AMAZING!



New Members

The Zonta Club of Mana is keen to grow.
If you know anyone who may be interested in
becoming a member of the Zonta Club of Mana,
Email Zonta@mana.org.nz



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