

ZONTA CLUB SOUTHERN GOLD COAST TWEED INC. DISTRICT 22 NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2013



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DINNER MEETING
SECRET GARDEN
SOUTH TWEED SPORTS CLUB
Monday September 16th ,6-30 pm
Apologies Lesley Sunday 7pm
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DIARYDATES

September 15 Birthing Kits Assembly Day Dinner Meeting, September 16th, 6-30 Speaker- Mandy Browning JFK Winner District Conference 25th 29th September Dinner Meeting October 21st New members night Car Boot Sale



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President's Report September, 2013.

I hope that all the Dad's had a pleasant Father's Day. We spent the day at Assist a Sista's 1st Birthday celebrations. The work that these ladies have done in providing a home environment for women relocating from the Women's Refuge is truly remarkable. Every relocation is labelled a "haven" and over 30 have been beautifully furnished with both practical items and enormous volumes of sisterly love. The philosophy of the Sista's is very much aligned with Zonta, particularly...



Repair.Rebuild.Restore

Founded by Nicolle and Manuela, both working mums with a passion to make a difference in the lives of others, Assist A Sista is a community-based volunteer organization that works to help survivors (women and men) of domestic violence to rebuild and repair by bringing hope and restoring faith.

We have built up our contact base to now be in a position to help support most of South East Queensland.

Our vision: To see Assist A Sista become a household name and be present and active in every city and region across Australia.

Our goal: Assist A Sista Australia will bring awareness to the growing epidemic that is Domestic Violence through education and action.

To Domestic Violence we stand united as a community to say Assista's Unite to Break the Cycle!

A reminder to all that our birthing kit assembly day is this Sunday Sept. 15th, at South Tweed Sport's Club. Members are requested to arrive at 10am to help set-up and the assembly begins at 12midday. It will be exactly 1yr since Susie did her epic 24hr walk to raise the funds for both last years and this year's birthing kits. Our club will follow-up with a "new members" night with the date to be announced on Sunday.



The Jane M Klausman candidate for District 22 has been decided; please see an excerpt from Judith's e-mail. Mandy Browning our club applicant will be guest speaker at next Monday night's dinner meeting. I very much look forward to hearing Mandy's future plan, she was an inspiring candidate. The process is explained below and I am sure that Teegan will do very well at International level.

Many thanks to the clubs which supported the Jane M. Klausman Women in Business Scholarship program this year by offering the scholarship at club level.

As you know, the winners at club level go forward for consideration for the district award. I was very pleased this year that my requests to act as a judge were accepted by experienced business women and academics who worked independently to select the overall district winner, using standard assessment procedures and criteria. In addition, the credibility of the award is protected by ensuring that the judges do not know any of the candidates, with particular attention given to ensuring that academic judges are not employed at a university where a finalist is enrolled as a student.

As a result of that rigorous process, a district winner for 2013 has now been selected and I am delighted to advise that <u>Teegan Green</u>, the nominee of the Zonta Club of Brisbane North, has been selected as the District winner of the Jane M. Klausman Scholarship for 2013.

Teegan is a truly outstanding candidate and was unanimously selected by the judges as the winner.

As a measure of her standard and achievements, she has completed four undergraduate degrees in eight years and has just been accepted directly into a PhD program at The University of Queensland in Business Management. As well as her business management degree (with first class honours and the University Medal), she has two BAs with majors in English, Chinese and Japanese, and a BEd which makes her a qualified teacher. In each of her 16 semesters of study, she received the Dean's Commendation for academic excellence and she was also chosen as overall winner of the University's inaugural Three Minute Thesis Competition for honours theses across all disciplines. Moreover, she was Valedictorian at her Graduation Ceremony in July.

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But that's not all! She has worked part-time to support herself throughout her studies, plays in a chamber ensemble, and has worked as a volunteer with Indigenous students and as a note-taker for students with disabilities.

Teegan has clear and realistic goals to be a serious leader in both the corporate world and academia and is already striding out on the path towards making an impressive contribution to improving the status of women.

Sarah's "Books for Sierra Leone" project has been advertised on the QLD Health bulletin board. I have had responses both locally and also from Redcliffe & Caboolture. If anyone can suggest a way to get these donations from the Sunshine Coast to the Gold Coast please contact Sarah or myself, via e-mail, our facebook or webpage. Thank you.



Nominations for the Tweed Shire Women's Service Woman of the Year 2014 are open. See their new facebook page for details. Many women you know will be eligible give it some thought. Susie was this year's recipient 2013 & I received the award in 2011, maybe another Zontian will join us in 2014. Yours in fellowship, President Kaye.

CAR BOOT SALE

Would all members bring any spare coat hangers and give to me please KERI

