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2015—2016 Club Officers

President	Sandra Burns
Vice President 1	Jill Anderson
Secretary	Karen Groves
Treasurer	Val Gandossini
Directors	Ronette Druskovich/Linda Higgie Lyn McArthur Vera Riley
Archivist and correspondence*	Margaret Medcalf OAM [#]
Parliamentarian*	Karen Groves
Golden Z Club liaison*	Vera Riley

**Non Board positions*

Team Coordinators

Membership and Program	Roslyn Budd and Karen Groves
Awards and Holidays	Jill Anderson
Service and Advocacy	Linda Higgie
Public Relations and Archives	Carole Theobald
Nominating Committee	Wendy Atherden, Ross Budd, 'Tricia Summerfield

District Office Bearers

D23 Lt Governor	Judy Gorton (formerly Tennant)
D23 Nominating Committee	Sandra Burns, Chairman
D23 History and Archives Committee	'Tricia Summerfield, Chairman Lennie McCall AM [#] Margaret Medcalf OAM [#]
D23 Webmaster	Carole Theobald
Area 3 Jane M Klausman Coordinator	Donella Caspersz

[#] Charter members



1. President's Report

Sandra Burns



It is with great pleasure and honour that I lead the Zonta Club of Perth and I thank all the members for their support over the past year. Having been a President many years ago in Bendigo, I appreciate the way the members of this club have embraced

my membership and given me friendship, encouragement and backing to undertake the role.

The club has completed another very successful year and the Board and Team leaders have worked tirelessly to ensure smooth running of meetings and events.

I wish to thank the outgoing Board for their support and unwavering service to the club and in particular those retiring at the AGM: Lyn McArthur and Vera Riley. Special thanks to Val Gandossini for three years work as club Treasurer

Jill Anderson	Vice President and Team Leader of Awards and Holidays
Val Gandossini	Treasurer
Karen Groves	Secretary, Team Leader Membership and Program, Parliamentarian
Ronette Druskovich (6 months) replaced by Linda Higgle	Director. Team Leaders of Service and Advocacy Team
Lyn McArthur	Director
Vera Riley	Director and Golden Z Club Liaison
Margaret Medcalf	Archivist and Correspondence Secretary

During the year Ronette Druskovich took leave of absence to work in Dubai and we welcomed new member Linda Higgle onto the Board. Linda took over the leadership of the Service and Advocacy Team and also generously put her name forward for the Zonta House Board position vacated by

Ronette. She was duly elected to that Board and I thank her for taking on this challenging role.

The Zonta Club of Perth has four Committees led by:

- Linda Higgle -Service and Advocacy;
- Jill Anderson- Awards and Holidays;
- Karen Groves-Membership and Program; and
- Carole Theobald-PR and Archives.

As each team has detailed their activities in this report, I will highlight just a few events.

- During the year it was my pleasure to join other members of the club to attend and support numerous events held by our sister clubs here in Western Australia. Fashion shows, meetings, award evenings, musical events and even a Melbourne Cup Luncheon in Dunsborough.
- Club member, Donella Caspersz, continued the Area 3 Coordination of the JMK Award and we were all delighted to learn that the Area 3 Winner, Gabrielle Walker, was also selected as the District 23 JMK Awardee. A number of club members attended a special event at the Zonta Club of Swan Hills for the presentation.
- In June the Service and Advocacy Team held another very successful quiz night supporting, Zonta House, Positive Pathways/Starting Over Support (SOS) and Birthing Kits.



Sandra Burns with Sam Goerling, President of the St Catherine's College Golden Z Club



- The PR & Archives team held a very successful Spring Luncheon & Fashion Launch of Leah Helean's new range of hand painted silk outfits and matching millinery. This was held at the beautiful Royal Perth Yacht Club.
- After attending a number of events for 100 Women, the Zonta Club of Perth voted to join the organization to support the projects which align very closely with the work of Zonta.
- Wendy Atherden and Donella Caspersz have been pursuing an issue around Domestic Violence and temporary visa holders and our club is working closely with a group of women in the Mirrabooka area, in partnership with Ishaar the Multicultural Women's Group.
- Carole Theobald and I have been working on the Collaborate WA Feasibility Study along with representatives of other women's organizations in WA. This group also oversees the WA Women's Hall of Fame annual event, so our club is well represented in the planning and execution of the very public acknowledgement of women's contribution to Western Australia.
- Our Membership and Program team has done a wonderful job in encouraging four new members, with an extra two new members to be inducted at our AGM. The change to having speakers at all our meetings has ensured that our meetings are always interesting.
- Vera Riley has taken charge of the Golden Z Club and they are off to a flying start for 2016 with continued involvement and increasing numbers.
- I was touched by the commitment of members to ensure that our friends on the Gibb River were adequately clothed for last winter. Unfortunately this coincided with the tragic death of Yvonne Burgu – dearly loved by so many in our club. I thank Carole and David Theobald and Sciona Browne for making the journey to the Kimberley for Yvonne's funeral. As a result the club will be launching a new scholarship in 2016/17 in Yvonne's name.
- The club has enthusiastically engaged with the running of the 2016 Area 3 Workshop



Area 3 Workshop 2016: L-R: Sandra Burns, Jane Moulden (A3 Director), Erica Majba (D23 Governor 2014-2016) and Judy Gorton (D23 Governor Elect 2016-2018)



October 2015, District 23 Conference, Adelaide. Club members congratulate Judy Gorton on being elected the 2016-2018 District 23 Governor. L-R standing: Vicky Nazer, Tricia Summerfield, Judy Gorton, Sandra Burns and Lennie McCall.

and thanks to all members (17) who attended for their generous time commitment to ensuring the event ran smoothly. The Golden Z Club was represented and we also had 3 potential members attend.

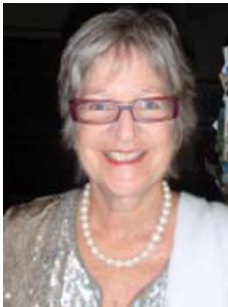
- In October 2015 five members of the club attended the District 23 Conference in Adelaide where club member Judy Gorton was elected District 23 Governor for 2016-18. New member Vicky Nazer attended as club alternate for the business sessions. Three members of the club will attend the Zonta International Convention in Nice, France in July 2016: Judy Gorton (who will be installed as District 23 Governor), Sandra Burns and Carole Theobald.
- A highlight is always to spend time in fellowship with members and this was certainly brought out by the very relaxing and enjoyable Christmas Cocktails held at Karen Groves' home.

I wish to thank you all for what you have achieved to improve the lives of women and girls, not just in Perth or Western Australia, but worldwide.



2. Awards and Holidays

Jill Anderson



This year our team has comprised six members. During the year we had to say goodbye to Lois Joll who left the Club due to her extensive workload. We wish her well and thank her for her generous contributions to the Club.

We have not had any meetings apart from pre Club dinner meetings as needed. Most communications are by email.

The Young Woman in Public Affairs Award

This is an International Award presented at Club, District and Zonta International levels. Information was circulated to 38 schools in our region in February, with emails following up with reminders. We were disappointed to receive only three applications this year, but all were outstanding young women who were contributing at their schools and to their individual communities.

Selections were made by Wendy MacGibbon, Donella Caspersz and Cath Spitteler a former Perth Zontian.

The winner was Claire Burwood from Kelmscott Senior High School. A presentation of a cheque and certificate will be made at the 2016 AGM and dinner.

The University Education Award

This is awarded each year to a woman over 25 years who has satisfactorily completed one year of a degree course and who demonstrates financial need. All universities have the information on this award on their websites. The closing date is early May 2016. Kate Ellson manages this award.

In 2015 Club members agreed to present two awards as the selection committee had difficulty in deciding a clear winner. Rosalie Jane Lorenzi and Lara Allen were both worthy recipients and received their cheques for \$2,000 each at the July meeting when they made presentations to the club.

The Jane M Klausman Woman in Business Scholarship

This International Award is for women pursuing an Undergraduate or Masters Degree in Business Management. Donella Caspersz manages this award for Area 3. During the year we were pleased that the Area 3 award went to Gabrielle Walker, a student at Murdoch University. She was presented with her Area 3 Award at the Swan Hills Club in November 2015.

Gabrielle, an outstanding candidate with a strong academic record, displayed evidence of leadership in her research and voluntary work, and we were delighted when she went on to win the District 23 scholarship. Her professional goals are to set up a business empowering women to live with integrity while reaching their full potential.



Education Award winners 2015 Lara Allen (left) and Rosalie Lorenzi (centre) being presented with their certificates by President Sandra Burns and Award Coordinator, Kate Ellson at the July meeting. Photo Right: Gabrielle Walker 2015 Area 3 and District 23 Jane M Klausman Woman in Business Scholarship winner



Nominations have now been called for the 2016 award. These will close on May 16th.

The Yvonne Burgu Scholarship

This new scholarship was proposed by Karen Groves and adopted at the March club meeting. This scholarship recognises the special connection between the Club and the indigenous communities along the Gibb River Road in the Kimberley.

It honours the late Yvonne Burgu a senior law-woman who passed away after a vehicle accident in 2015.

Yvonne was a key person in the Gibb River community who empathised with the concept of women helping women. She saw education of the young people as a key to intercepting the cycle of dysfunction in her communities.

The aim of the scholarship is to grant an indigenous woman, preferably from the Kimberley or another remote area of WA, who is in her second year of tertiary education in Perth or in a regional centre, an amount of \$1,000 for one year only to support continuing study.

The scholarship honours a key woman in the Gibb River community, meets the needs of Zonta to provide educational opportunities for women who need support, and continues the relationship with women from the Kimberley. This team will be administering the scholarship process.

Zonta Holidays

The Zonta Holiday Trust was established in the 1980s when the Club had a major fundraising drive and invested funds to be able to provide holidays for disadvantaged families in need. The Club has a good relationship with the Rotary Club of Albany City which has two properties with disabled access available at Emu Point.

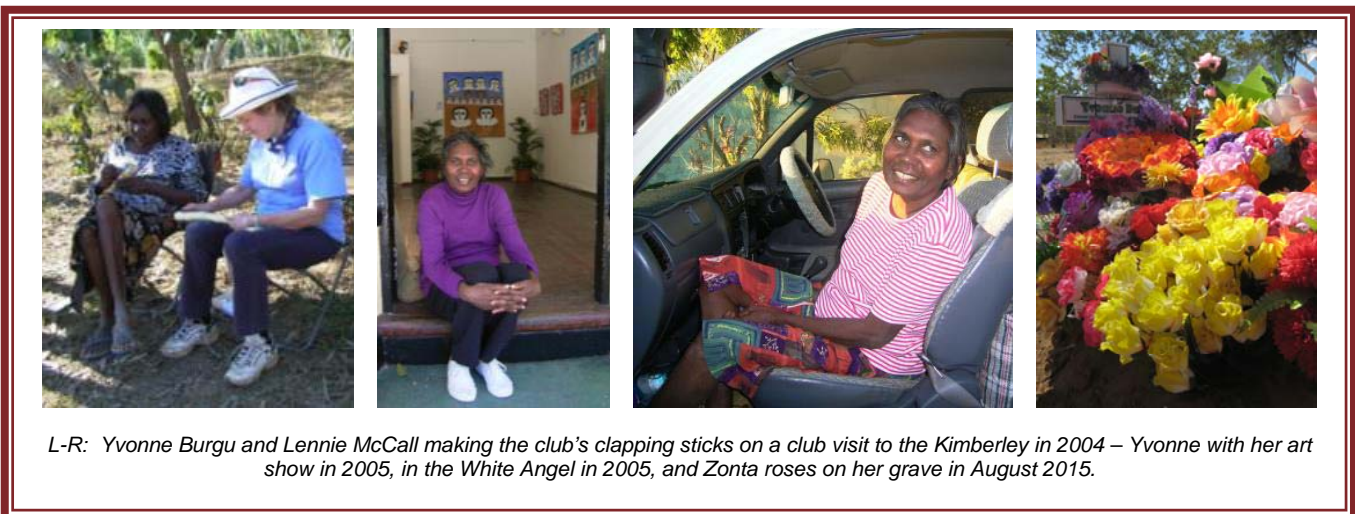
In 2015 we provided holidays to two families which were greatly appreciated. Unfortunately a third family was unable to travel to Albany after the holiday start date because of a car breakdown and some relationship issues. The Rotary Club generously refunded the week's rent. The Holidays have been managed by Jill Anderson after a handover from Wendy MacGibbon early in the year.

Area 3 Workshop

Our club hosted the Area 3 Workshop this year. The team has been well represented by Jill Anderson and Donella Caspersz in the organising of the event.

Awards and Holidays Team 2014 – 2015

- Jill Anderson (Coordinator)*
- Donella Caspersz*
- Kate Ellson*
- Wendy MacGibbon*
- Agnes Vacca*



L-R: Yvonne Burgu and Lennie McCall making the club's clapping sticks on a club visit to the Kimberley in 2004 – Yvonne with her art show in 2005, in the White Angel in 2005, and Zonta roses on her grave in August 2015.



3. Membership and Program

Karen Groves



MEMBERSHIP

At the time of writing, the club has 28 members and two of those members are on Leave of Absence – Ronette Druskovich and Tamara Findlay.

Four new members have joined the club during the year – Tamara Findlay, Linda Higgle, Vicky Nazer and Liz Terracini.

Two prospective members are completing their membership documents and it is hoped they will be inducted at the 12 May 2016 Annual General Meeting – Nicky Grobler and Rebecca Thompson.

Four members have resigned from the club over the past year – Helen Margaria after 24 years of service (due to work and family commitments), Lois Joll (due to work commitments), Gillian Palmer (due to retirement), Deanna Byers (due to health).

New member Liz Terracini joined the M & P Team and as she has been a member of Zonta in the past, she quickly settled in and has taken responsibility for encouraging prospective members and processing new members.

Longtime member of the M & P Team, Roslyn Budd, has tutored us all in the detail of the work of our team and has been most attentive to liaising with members and looking after

their health and welfare with encouraging notes and cards.

The team is ever mindful of the need to mentor new members, add value to the experience of members in our club and attract prospective members to join our club.

PROGRAM

The club continues to meet at St. Catherine’s College at UWA. This venue is most convenient and offers appropriate facilities for our needs. The club values the support of the Principal Fiona Crowe in enabling us to meet without incurring a venue hire fee. We have also negotiated a good meal rate with the catering staff, with no overall increase in the cost of the meals from last year. Our dinner meetings enjoy a pleasant ambiance with lovely wait staff.

The programs at our meetings have been most varied over the past year. Guest speakers have been:

April: YWPA Award winner Jessica Townrow accepting her award and CEO of Zonta House Refuge Steve Parry detailing his new position

June: A reflection on the life of Yvonne Burgu after her untimely death and Executive Officer of the McCusker Centre on Alcohol and Youth Julia Stafford speaking on the work of the organization

July: Education Award winners Rosalie Lorenzo and Lara Allen accepting their awards and CEO of Conscious Business Cath Sutherland speaking on her business.



L-R: Welcome to new members: Tamara Findlay, Liz Terracini, Vicky Nazer and Linda Higgle. Thank you and farewell to Lois Joll and Gillian Palmer



August: Honorary Zontian Prof. Shirley Randall speaking of her life and work in Rwanda and Bangladesh

September: Kath Mazzella speaking on International Gynaecological Awareness Day, Jane M Klausman Women in Business Scholarship winner Gabrielle Walker accepting her award and Founder of 100 Women Alicia Curtis speaking on the work of the organization

October: Vera Riley giving a Birthing Kit Workshop report, Deb Mason reporting on the delivery of Atma bicycles to India and Val Gandossini reporting on her latest trip to the Nakuru Hope Project in Kenya

November: A celebration of the election of Judy Gorton as the incoming District 23 Governor for the 2016-2018 Biennium and of WA Volunteer Service Awards being awarded to Freda Jacob, Margaret Medcalf, Lennie McCall, Tricia Summerfield, Judy Gorton and Wendy MacGibbon. Golden Z Club member and Roses for Nauru Campaign member Samantha Goerling spoke about her organization.

February: Area 3 Director Jane Moulden addressing the topic “Where does the money go?”

March: Dr. Carol Kaplanian speaking on “Understanding the complexity of domestic violence in the CaLD (Culturally and Linguistically Diverse) community”

April: ZHR Board member and club member Linda Higgin speaking on “The Big Issue: the Women’s Subscription Enterprise”

The M & P Team has spent some time reviewing its tasks and practices to enhance its performance in making the meetings professional and enjoyable.

Gillian Palmer has attended to liaison with St. Catherine’s College with regard to attendance numbers, dietary requirements, special arrangements for dinners and her attention to detail has been a great asset to the team. Roslyn Budd, Liz Terracini and Lyn McArthur have welcomed guests and prospective members to our meetings, making them feel comfortable and informing them about Zonta.

Members and guests enjoyed a relaxed pre-Christmas cocktail party at the home of Karen and Bill Groves, prompting the team to think of planning more informal gatherings of members outside the meeting schedule.

Membership and Program Team 2015-16

Karen Groves (Coordinator)

Roslyn Budd

Lyn McArthur

Gillian Palmer

Liz Terracini



L-R: Guest speakers included Alicia Curtis from 100 Women, inspirational members Val Gandossini (Nakuru Hope) and Deb Mason (SOS/Atma bicycles) and Kath Mazzella (gynaecological awareness being given a helping hand by Sandra Burns.



4. Public Relations and Archives

Carole Theobald



The PR and Archive Team had another busy year supporting the club, District 23 and the WA International Women's Day Collaboration.

Club activities

Club fundraising activities included the team organising a successful Fashion Show and Luncheon event with local fashion designer, Leah Helean (Judy Gorton's talented daughter) at the Royal Perth Yacht Club. In particular, Judy Gorton and Chrissie Hodges did a great job and the event attracted over 140 attendees and raised over \$8,000.

On the service front Sciona Browne organized a clothing drive for the Gibb River community and it was with sadness a few weeks later that we heard of the death of our friend Yvonne Burgu in a car accident.

Yvonne was the leader of the Gibb River Community and in August, Carole Theobald and Sciona Browne attended the funeral of this inspirational woman who was buried in the small cemetery at Gibb River. Her grave is near that of her (and our) friend, Kathy Charlesworth who had introduced our club to this remote Ngarinyin community in 2004.

Administratively, the team has worked behind the scenes to produce the Members List,

Annual Report, brochures, certificates, new member packs, website and newsletters. Vicky Nazer has been building a relationship with the local newspapers and the Little Aussie Directories have given us free advertising.

Deanna Byers shared the role of Inzert editor with Carole Theobald and captured the history of the club in e-friendly newsletters that included a special edition to celebrate the life of Yvonne Burgu.

Our thanks go to FoodStars P/L who had freely hosted our website for over ten years, but could no longer do so when they changed their server mid-year. Flexihostings now hosts our website for free as part of their community service program and we appreciate their support.

At the District 23 Conference all clubs were given new club banners sporting the new Zonta logo and these looked very impressive when displayed at the Area 3 Workshop that our club hosted in April. The team produced the Acknowledgement of Country PowerPoint presentation for this event that featured the Wanjoo song, sung by Gina Williams in the local Noongar language.

District activities

Lennie McCall and Tricia Summerfield joined our team for a few meetings so that we could help out with some district history and archive activities. These included photographing all of the club photographic displays from the last five district conferences and putting the images on DVD for the D23 centenary



L-R: Fashion show, packing boxes of clothes for the Kimberley, Special Inzert for Yvonne Burgu, Golden Z club President Sam Goerling with the new club and district banners at the Area 3 Workshop



celebration team. In addition, members provided input to the wording for new member induction ceremonies.

Carole Theobald has also been providing input to the new District web site currently being designed by a company in Adelaide.

IWD WA Collaboration activities

The International Women’s Day Collaboration has had an active year and Carole Theobald, Judy Gorton and Sandra Burns have all provided contribution to a feasibility study on setting up an entity for gender equality in WA, liaised with a consultant investigating an enduring memorial for the WA Women’s Hall of Fame and participated in the selection process for the 2016 WA Women’s Hall of Fame inductees. At the Hall of Fame induction ceremony, Carole was privileged to host the Governor, Kerrie Sanderson, for the evening.

The Collaboration joined with Heritage WA to produce an event that celebrated the women parliamentarians in the Hall of Fame. This event was held in the Upper Chamber of the WA Parliament and involved members of the Collaboration dressing up in period costume as early WA suffragists with Carole Theobald playing the role of the ghost of Edith Cowan. Later, Carole’s photograph appeared in every local community newspaper in the state as part of the advertising for nominations for the WA Women’s Hall of Fame.

Team members

It was with regret that we learned of the resignation of Deanna Byers due to ill health mid-year and we thank her for her marvelous contribution to the club. Helen Margaria had

been on a leave of absence, but also recently resigned due to increasing work commitments and we appreciate her 24 years of valued service to Zonta. We will miss them both.

Chrissie Hodges was unable to attend our Area 3 workshop, but attended an area workshop in Canada instead – emphasizing the international opportunities that we may all embrace through Zonta!

I’d like to congratulate Margaret Medcalf on her recent ‘special birthday’ and thank her for hosting our enjoyable monthly team meetings. This year, I have appreciated everyone’s help as I have been quite time poor due to a major project at work and also undertaking the illuminating Leadership WA Signature Program. Through Leadership WA, I was fortunate to meet Nicky Grobler who I am pleased to note will be inducted as a member at the AGM.

Finally, our team was very proud when Judy Gorton was elected as the District 23 Governor-Elect at the District Conference in Adelaide. Judy will start her term as District Governor when she is installed in the role at a special ceremony at the Zonta International Convention in Nice in July. We wish her well and look forward to the next biennium under her leadership.

Public Relations & Archives Team 2015-2016

- Carole Theobald (Coordinator)*
- Deanna Byers*
- Judy Gorton*
- Chrissie Hodges*
- Helen Margaria (LOA)*
- Margaret Medcalf, OAM**
- Vicky Nazer*



Carole plays Edith Cowan in Heritage WA event in Parliament House, promoting the WA Women’s Hall of Fame and Margaret Medcalf’s special birthday celebrations!



5. Service and Advocacy

Linda Higgle



This year the Service and Advocacy Team have continued to develop, lead and support a number of service and advocacy projects. During the first six months the team was led by Ronette Druskovich, who then handed the baton onto

Linda Higgle over the Christmas Break, when Ronette undertook an exciting employment opportunity overseas. The commitment and support of committee members is greatly appreciated and has enabled projects to continue without delay.

Multi-cultural Awareness

We are pleased to be working closely with Ishar Multicultural Women's Health Centre to support the work they are doing to support women from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds (CALD) who experience domestic violence.

Club member Wendy Atherden has provided outstanding leadership and initiative providing advocacy and working with the women to identify how club members can best support them. Our club has supported Ishar to apply for a grant to fund their program into the future and plans to host some picnic events during the year so that members may get to meet some of these courageous women.

The club is also currently advocating to include reference to gender violence in the

visa conditions for people working in Australia on 457 visas.

Zonta House Refuge, Positive Pathways and Starting Over Support - \$2,000 donated

The club continues its strong commitment to supporting local women experiencing homelessness as a result of family and domestic violence. We have provided service, advocacy and fundraising activities to benefit the Zonta House Women's Refuge, the continuation of the Positive Pathways Program and the growth of the Starting Over Support (SOS) initiative. These services have demonstrated effective programs to assist women to recover from trauma and gain sustainable positive changes in their lives.

Committee member Mary Gurgone has been an active Board member of the Zonta House Refuge for a number of years, some as Chair, and Linda Higgle recently joined the Board.

Club member Deb Mason continues to lead the work of the Starting Over Support Service to provide household furniture and goods to women and families moving into their own accommodation. This success of this service has grown so much that it soon will operate as a stand-alone service provide

Quiz Night

A very successful Quiz Night was held on 7 August at the Cambridge Bowling Club, to raise funds to support Zonta House Refuge, Positive Pathways and Starting Over Support.



Service and advocacy team members Donella Caspersz, Linda Higgle, guest speaker Dr Carol Kaplanian and Wendy Atherden. Some of Deb Mason's volunteers 'working the truck' to collect furniture for SOS



It was a great way to meet other supporters of Zonta House and raised much needed funds to support women in our community experiencing homelessness through family and domestic violence. Over \$4,000 was raised.

City to Surf for Zonta House Refuge

Some members from the Club took part in the City to Surf in August, walking to raise funds for Zonta House Women’s Refuge. Participating members joined other supporters of Zonta House and wore T-shirt with logos and the words “working together to stop family and domestic violence” on the back. This provided a great opportunity to do some advocacy, fundraising and promote the great work of Zonta within the community.

White Ribbon Day

On Friday 27 November a number of members joined representatives from the Zonta House Refuge at a stall promoting the work Zonta does to support women experiencing homelessness through family and domestic violence. The event was attended by a large crowd that heard inspirational speakers talk of their experiences, motivating change and action. The crowd peacefully participated in the Silent March from Supreme Court Gardens through central Perth at midday. This was very moving and a powerful demonstration of the power of quiet commitment and determination.

100 Women

Our club became the first service organisation in Perth to join the local philanthropic group 100 Women. 100 Women raised \$99,950 in

2015. These funds have been distributed via three grants to projects that aim to support women and girls.

The club’s membership of 100 Women has enabled club members to attend 100 women events and meet with other like-minded people and learn what others are doing to enhance the lives of women.

Birthing Kits

The Birthing Kit project was adopted by District 23 in 2003 and the Zonta Club of Perth held its first assembly workshop in 2004. The Golden Z Club has been involved with the Birthing Kit project since its charter in 2013.

In 2015 the Zonta Club of Perth once again supported the Birthing Kits Foundation Australia through fundraising and hosting a Birthing Kit Assembly Day. A number of members helped out on the Birthing Kit Foundation stand at the Pregnancy, Babies and Children Expo at Claremont Showgrounds from 31 July to 2 August. It was an opportunity to work alongside members from other Zonta Clubs in WA and promote the great work of the Foundation, by educating the public and at the same time collecting donations.

On Sunday 20th September the Zonta Club of Perth and the Golden Z Club held a Birthing Kit Assembly Day at St Catherine’s College in Nedlands. The day was a great success and really showcased team work on many levels and a great sense of community. The outcome was 1,000 birthing kits assembled and sent to the Birthing Kit Foundation warehouse.



Left: Volunteers at the Birthing Kit Assembly Day 2015. Right: Ronette Druskovich, Linda Higgie, Tricia Summerfield and Alison Martin (Perth Northern Suburbs Club) at the White Ribbon Day Silent March.



These birthing kits have now been distributed to Kampala Uganda. A special thank you must go to the Golden Z Club, in particular Lauren Rosher (President) and Emma Saunders (Vice President) for all their help in organising the event and being our hosts at St Catherine’s College.

On the day we had a total of 55 volunteers, 9 members of Zonta Club of Perth plus 6 family and friends of the Zonta members, 3 Curtin students who are training to be midwives, one bringing her primary school aged daughter, one person volunteering via the Birthing Kit Foundation and 35 volunteers from St Catherine’s College, a substantial number being Golden Z Club members.

By funding and assembling 1,000 birthing kits, the Zonta Club of Perth and Golden Z Club have again supported the Birthing Kit Foundation in their mission of a world in which all women have access to clean and safe birthing practices. There is a commitment from both the Zonta Club of Perth and Golden Z Club in 2016 to fund and assemble another 1,000 birthing kits.

Golden Z Club of St Catherine’s College, UWA

The Golden Z Club of St Catherine’s College – University of Western Australia has gone from strength to strength in this, its third year. We are very proud to support this club, and note that it is the only university based Golden Z Club in Australia.

Lauren Rosher was the President of the Golden Z Club in 2014-15. In 2015 the Golden Z Club members contributed \$500 towards funding of the birthing kits and were the hosts of the Birthing Kit Assembly Day. Their efforts included recruiting 35 fellow students to help on the day. In 2016 the club has also committed to raising another \$500. The Golden Z club finished the year with \$260 of funds still banked.

On 22 March 2016 the new executive committee was elected:

President:	Samantha Goering
Vice President:	Muguntha Mezhiselvam
Secretary:	Tessa Freeman
Treasurer:	Meng Dunmow

The club has also formed a new executive and sub-committees namely an Activities Committee to assist with planning and organising educational and fund raising events. Membership is still strong and there is a passion to contribute to empowering women and girls. There is also a focus on member development.

Zonta Club of Perth members delight in meeting with members of the Golden Z Club, who regularly have attended club dinners. It has been interesting and inspiring to hear of their academic and personal plans and passions.

Service and Advocacy Team 2015-16

Linda Higgie (Coordinator)
 Wendy Atherton
 Sciona Browne
 Fiona Crowe
 Deb Mason
 Vera Riley
 Tricia Summerfield
 Mary Gurgone
 Lenny McCall

6. Nominating Committee



Many thanks to the Nominating Committee for 2015/2016 that consisted of (left to right): *Wendy Atherden, Roslyn Budd and Tricia Summerfield.*



7. Treasurer's Report

Val Gandossini



Our club has had another very successful year thanks to the passion, hard work and contribution of all club members.

The administration account more than

sufficiently met the budget requirements. In addition to the \$35.00 contribution from membership dues, most of the money for administration purposes comes from dinner meetings. This year dinner monies netted a surplus of \$1390.00.

This year the Club set itself the challenge of raising sufficient funds to cover service and advocacy projects and various awards.

In total, nearly \$13,400.00 was raised through the fundraising account. These funds came primarily from a quiz night and fashion parade and met the target of \$12,655.00; small amounts were also raised from individual donations, a dinner raffle and interest on investments.

The quiz night was enthusiastically supported by Zonta House and the Fashion Parade was a runaway success.

Most of the money was allocated to Service & Advocacy (\$8235.00) with donations to Zonta House Refuge, Positive Pathways and the Birthing Kits Foundation as well as various awards.

As with last year, members agreed that a second education award be awarded and so two worthy recipients benefitted from our Club's generosity. In total, \$4750.00 was awarded through the Education Awards, YWPA and JMK scholarship.

In addition, the club took up corporate membership of 100 Women.

Due to the success of the fundraising events, a generous amount of \$4245.00 was donated to the Zonta Foundation, continuing the practice of allocating a third of fundraising net income to this fund. In addition, \$100 was donated to ZIF in lieu of giving a gift to guest speakers. All the members of the club gave an individual donation (\$10 per member) to ZIF which totalled \$300.

This is my last term as Treasurer and after three years it is time to pass the baton. I have learned a great deal about Zonta – and Zonta finances – and in particular wish to thank Presidents 'Tricia Summerfield and Sandra Burns for their support and knowledge which was invaluable.

ZONTA CLUB OF PERTH INC.

STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

The Committee has determined that the Association is not a reporting entity.

The Committee has determined that this special financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies in Note 1 to the accounts.

In the opinion of the Committee the financial statements as attached: -

1. Present fairly the financial position of the Zonta Club of Perth Inc. as at 31 March 2016 and the results of the Association for the year ending on that date, and
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Zonta Club of Perth Inc. 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:


 Sandra Burns
 President

Date: 6/5/2016



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**INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
ZONTA CLUB OF PERTH INC.**

Scope

We have audited the attached financial statements, being a special purpose financial report of Zonta Club of Perth Inc. for the year ended 31 March 2016. The Association is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the financial statements and the information contained therein, and has determined that the accounting policies used and described in Note 1 to the financial statements are appropriate to meet the requirements of the constitution and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. We have conducted an independent audit of the financial statements in order to express an opinion on Zonta Club of Perth Inc. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used and described in Note 1 are appropriate to the needs of the members.

The financial statements have been prepared for distribution to members for the purpose of fulfilling the financial reporting requirements of the Constitution. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial report and the evaluation of significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether, in all material respects, the financial report is presented fairly in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements. These policies do not require the application of Accounting Standards. The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

Qualification

Given the nature of cash receipts, it is not practicable to establish control over income until their initial entry in the accounting records. Therefore, our audit testing of income was limited to the amounts recorded.

Qualified Audit Opinion

In our opinion, except for the effects on the financial statements of the matters referred to in the qualification paragraph above, the financial statements of Zonta Club of Perth Inc. are properly drawn up in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements:

- (a) so as to give a true and fair view of the balance sheet as at 31 March 2016 and the income and expenditure statement for the year ended 31 March 2016.
- (b) in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution of the Association.



Basis of Accounting

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describe the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the members' financial reporting responsibilities. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.

Dated this 6th day of May 2016

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ANDERSON MUNRO & WYLLIE

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Chartered Accountants

BILLY-JOE THOMAS
Director



Zonta Club of Perth Inc.
Income and Expenditure Statement
For the year ended 31 March 2016

	Note	2016 \$
Income		
Membership Fees		5,217
White Ribbon Day		346
Golden Z Club		404
Dinner Money		10,350
Christmas Dinner Payments		880
Donations		442
Book Bring and Buy		5
Fundraising Income	2	21,880
Interest on Investments		355
Area 3 workshop registrations		495
Total Income		40,374
Expenditure		
Auditor's fee/gift		101
International Dues		4,125
Bank Charges		1
Postage and Stationery		72
PO Box rental		126
White ribbon day		408
Membership committee expense		372
PR expense		57
ZI Foundation		7,049
Dinner meetings meals		8,960
Fundraising expense		400
Sundry expense		109
Fashion Parade		8,659
Zonta Holiday		2,200
Birthing Kits		3,060
Project expense		100
Status of Women- Club		4,500
Status of Women- Area		250
Conference delegate fee		220
Zonta house donation		2,000
100 Women		1,235
Total expenditure		44,004
Operating Loss		(3,630)



Zonta Club of Perth Inc.

Balance Sheet

As At 31 March 2016

	Note	2016 \$
Assets		
Cash at bank	3	25,292
Total Assets		<u>25,292</u>
Total Liabilities		<u>-</u>
Net Assets		<u>25,292</u>
Members' Funds		
Retained Earnings		28,922
Profit/(Loss) for the Year		(3,630)
Total Members' Funds	4	<u>25,292</u>



Zonta Club of Perth Inc.

Notes to and forming part of the Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 March 2016

1. Statement of Accounting Policies

These financial statements are a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Constitution. The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity and therefore there is no requirement to apply Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements in the preparation and presentation of these statements.

The statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Constitutions, and the following Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements:

AASB 1031 Materiality

No other Australian Accounting Standards or other mandatory professional reporting requirements have been intentionally applied.

The statements are also prepared on a cash basis from the records of the Association.

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2. Fundraising Income

Quiz night fundraiser	4,810
Dinner meeting fundraiser	165
Fashion show fundraiser	16,905
	<u>21,880</u>

3. Cash at Bank

Westpac Solutions Cheque account	4,571
Westpac Community solutions cash reserve	10,363
Westpac Term deposit	10,358
	<u>25,292</u>

4. Total Member's Funds

Administration	9,494
Fundraising	12,631
Golden Z Club	162
Zonta Holidays	3,005
Total Member's Balance	<u>25,292</u>



Club members 2015-2016

Noted that Sue Schafers, Lorraine McLean and Jeri Sein resigned after the last Annual Report was prepared

First name	Surname	District, Area and Club positions held
Jill	ANDERSON	Vice President Awards and Holidays coordinator
Wendy	ATHERDEN	Service and Advocacy Nominating Committee
Sciona	BROWNE	Service and Advocacy
Roslyn	BUDD	Membership and Program Nominating Committee
Sandra	BURNS	President D23 Chair of Nominating Committee
Deanna	BYERS	Membership and Program (resigned mid-year)
Donella	CASPERSZ	Area 3 JMK Coordinator Awards and Holidays
Fiona	CROWE	Service and Advocacy
Ronette	DRUSKOVICH	Zonta House Refuge Board Service and Advocacy (leave of absence from December 2015)
Kate	ELLSON	Awards and Holidays
Tamara	FINDLAY	Service and Advocacy
Val	GANDOSSINI	Treasurer
Karen	GROVES	Secretary Parliamentarian Membership and Program coordinator
Mary	GURGONE	Zonta House Refuge Service and Advocacy
Linda	HIGGIE	Service and Advocacy coordinator Zonta House Refuge Board
Chrissie	HODGES	Public Relations and Archives
Lois	JOLL	Membership and Program (resigned mid-year)
Wendy	MACGIBBON	Awards and Holidays
Helen	MARGARIA	Service and Advocacy (resigned mid-year)
Deb	MASON	Starting Over Support (Zonta House Refuge program) Service and Advocacy
Lyn	MCARTHUR	Director Program and Membership
Lennie	MCCALL, AM	Service and Advocacy D23 History Committee member
Margaret	MEDCALF, OAM	Archivist and correspondence secretary PR and Archives D23 History Committee member
Vicky	NAZER	Public Relations and Archives
Gillian	PALMER	Membership and Program (resigned end of year)
Vera	RILEY	Service and Advocacy Golden Z Club liaison
Tricia	SUMMERFIELD	Nominating Committee D23 History and Archives Chair
Judy	GORTON (nee Tennant)	Public Relations and Archives D23 Governor Elect (from July 2015) D23 Membership Committee Chair
Liz	TERRACINI	Program and Membership
Carole	THEOBALD	Public Relations and Archives coordinator D23 Webmaster and club webmaster
Agnes	VACCA	Awards and Holidays





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