

# District 23

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## District Proud of Convention Success



District 23 PR & C Chairman Nan Martella takes new ZI President 'Livvie' on a tour of the Marketplace.

Wasn't it wonderful! Thank you to all members of the District who contributed to make the 58<sup>th</sup> ZI Convention one of, if not, the best, convention/s ever! Messages of congratulation, and extremely positive evaluation comments, have continued to arrive from ZI and ZIF Board members, headquarters staff, and Zontians from all around the world.

Here is an extract from an email from a past DG in Europe which should make us

feel good:  
*... I am still slowly recovering from the Convention which I know is the BEST ONE I have ever been to, and I have been to over 10 Conventions. All of you in D 23 must have worked so hard and had sleepless nights to make it so successful. THANK YOU, THANK YOU.*

*My daughter enjoyed it so much she is planning to revisit Melbourne in a year's time. I may just tag along!  
Regards to all the hard working Zontians from D 23.*

One of the delights for me has been the comments of Zontians from District 23 who attended their first Convention and whose

horizons have been broadened. I have heard 'Now I know what you mean!' from so many in relation to the need to go beyond the club level, to Area, District and International activities, before the real meaning of Zonta membership is truly evident. Let's ensure that their enthusiasm is maintained, and we have a record attendance at our District Conference in Hobart next September after great numbers at our Area Workshops.

**Beryl McMillan - DG**



Melbourne's wonderful floral tribute to Zonta

## Convention Memories

### Convention Highlights DVD

A highlights DVD of all the video footage that was taken during Convention has been compiled. This is now available for purchase at a cost of AUD \$30.00. The DVD is available for sale to all Zontians regardless of whether they attended the Convention. The order form is available on the Convention web-

site, [www.zonta2006.com](http://www.zonta2006.com)

### Convention Photographs

Apart from the great photos taken by our District photographer, Sally Gordon, those taken by Vicki Jones are available for viewing (and ordering) online at

[www.onlinepix.com.au/zonta/](http://www.onlinepix.com.au/zonta/)

Photos can be ordered and paid for on the website. The website will remain active for



Badge swapping—a great way to meet other Zontians

another couple of months, so ensure you visit the site and order your favourite photographs!

**District Governor  
Beryl McMillan  
ZC of Melbourne CBD**

### District Directory Changes

Like many listings of people and their contacts, there are some changes already! Please amend the relevant pages of your Directory.

- Page 3: Under International Liaisons, add 'ZIF Board Anne Silvester'
- Page 6: Designer Penelope Northcott's email is 'northcott.penelope@cat.hednet.wa.edu.au'
- Page 15: Web address for Geelong - 'zontaclubgeelong@yahoo.com'
- Page 17: Lois Green OAM, President ZC of Storm Bay—new email address: 'el\_green@bigpond.com'

### 2007 District 23 Conference

Our 9th Biennial D23 Conference will be held at Wrest Point Hotel Casino in Hobart from 14 September to 16 September 2007. The first newsletter will soon be circulated to all D23 Zontians.

# Zonta Changes

## Changes to our Mission Statement and Objects

As these were changed at Convention we must now ensure that all of our documents reflect the changes – please check and alter.

**The Mission Statement** now reads:

Zonta International is a global organization of executives and professionals working together to advance the status of women worldwide through service and advocacy.

**Objects** now read:

- To improve the legal, political, economic, educational, health and professional status

of women through service and advocacy

- To work for the advancement of understanding, goodwill and peace through a world fellowship of executives in business and the professions
- To promote justice and universal respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms
- To be united internationally to foster high ethical standards, to implement service programs and to provide mutual support and fellowship for members who serve their communities, their nations and the world.

## Position Papers Coming

With the added emphasis on advocacy, ZI is developing advocacy policy papers to be used by clubs. The first two papers will focus on Zonta priorities: trafficking of women and girls, and improving female access to education.

Around the entire Zonta world, there will be topics in common covered at District Conferences during this biennium. Information from reports of these will be used to produce further position papers, thereby providing more resources for our use.

**Constitution  
brochures  
web site  
PR Material**

....etc

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D.G.

# Report from the First District Board Meeting

## District 23 Goals for the Biennium

At Convention, International President Olivia Ferry presented the ZI Biennial Program Goals. At its first meeting of the biennium, the District Board developed the District goals to reflect the international goals. At each meeting of the Board, there will be an agenda item to determine our progress in achieving those goals.

It is hoped that clubs will have their own goals, and that they will be revisited on

a regular basis to check progress and celebrate achievements.

Please note that the responsibility for acting on the goals often resides at club, as well as district level. Copies of the goals, along with the District Directory, have been sent to all clubs.

## Help is on Hand

Your Zonta manuals are an invaluable source of information and will save you much time and worry. Presidents have their District

President's Manual, and the member resources section of the ZI website has loads of information.

What about an 'Explore the ZI and District websites' session at a meeting? I am sure that most members will be amazed at the wealth of information there for us.

Then we have our super human (yes superhuman at times too!) resources – your Area Directors, who are always ready to provide support.

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# New Club and District Reporting Process

Our ZI leadership wishes to have more accurate, useful and timely information to show us and the world beyond Zonta just how much we contribute to advancing the status of women worldwide.

To assist with this, a new reporting form for completion by clubs has been designed.

This was distributed by Area Directors following the first

meeting of the District Board. Thanks to the clubs whose first reports have been submitted. I hope you will find, as time progresses, that the report is a useful tool for you to track your achievements.

The data from all clubs in District 23 will be collated and I will report back to clubs across the District as well as including it in my regular reports to the ZI Board.

The format has been trialled in District 16 for the past three years and has proven very useful.

Please note the list of dates to the right. The timeframe for your Area Director to collate and send reports to the DG, then for the DG to use this information in her report to ZI, is quite tight. Therefore your co-operation in submitting reports on time will be appreciated.

## Club Reporting Dates

**30 September 2006**  
Club report #1 due

**15 December 2006**  
Club report #2

**31 March 2007**  
Club report #3

**30 June 2007**  
Club report #4

**30 September 2007**  
Club report #5

# Zonta International District 23 Leadership Team 2006-2008

By now you will have received your District Directory, with District positions and contact details listed. I am often asked for information which our Secretary Ann Horrocks has made available to us all, so my request is that you familiarise yourself with the information in it.

One change has been made by the District Board. Jenny Weaver has been appointed as Vice Area 2 Director. With Area 2 having the largest number of clubs, and clubs geographically spread from Darwin to

Port Lincoln, a second person in the Area to ensure the best possible service for clubs seemed a sensible decision. As Jane and Jenny already had a good working relationship, this arrangement is an obvious one.

The District budget does not extend to enable Jenny to attend District Board meetings, but Jane will certainly keep Jenny informed. Jenny's assistance to Jane in the Area with the greatest number of clubs is greatly appreciated.



*District Governor, Beryl McMillan*

## DISTRICT BOARD

<i>Office Bearers</i>	<i>Name</i>
Governor	Beryl McMillan
Lieutenant Governor	Pauline Glover
Secretary	Ann Horrocks
Treasurer	Jasmine Koch
Area 1 Director	Glenda Peck
Area 2 Director	Jane Smith
Area 3 Director	Karen Groves
Area 4 Director	Sandra Burns
Area 5 Director	Odile Glenn

## COMMITTEES AND APPOINTMENTS

<i>Committee</i>	<i>Name, role</i>
NOMINATING COMMITTEE	<b>Judy Tennant, Chairman</b>
	Stella Coffey
	Christine Fitzherbert, Leadership Development Liaison
BYLAWS & RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE	<b>Alison Martin, Chairman</b>
	Margaret Rowland
	Alison Russell, Parliamentarian
STATUS OF WOMEN, SERVICE & ADVOCACY COMMITTEE	<b>Kay Stewart, Chairman</b>
	Kay Poustie, Advocacy & Legislative Awareness Coordinator
	Di Bryant, ZISVAW Coordinator
	Louise Van Keulen, UN Coordinator
	Elizabeth Davis, Amelia Earhart Coordinator
	Judy Rothe, YWPA Coordinator
	Rosalie Lake, Jane M Klausman Award Coordinator
	Fiona MacDowall, Z Clubs & Golden Z Clubs Coordinator
	Lyn McDonald, Clubs' Service, Advocacy & Awards Coordinator

## COMMITTEES AND APPOINTMENTS - Continued

<i>Committee</i>	<i>Name, role</i>
ZIF AMBASSADOR	<b>Ronda Walker</b>
PUBLIC RELATIONS & COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE	<b>Nan Martella, Chairman</b>
	Jo Wittorff, Newsletter Editor
	Penelope Northcott, Designer
	Melinda Young, Website Coordinator
HISTORY & ARCHIVES COMMITTEE	<b>Lennie McCall, Chairman</b>
	Margaret Medcalf, Archivist
	Ronda Walker
	Jean Hagger
	Val Sarah, PIP, Consultant
ORGANISATION, MEMBERSHIP & CLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE	<b>Kay Poustie, Consultant</b>
	<b>Pauline Glover, LG, Chairman</b>
	Liz Woodgate, Centurion
	Mary Pocock
DISTRICT CONFERENCE COMMITTEE	Fiona MacDowall
	<b>Jill Taylor, Chairman</b>
	Judy Little, Committee Secretary
	Helen Freeman, Committee Treasurer
DISTRICT MERCHANDISE	Odile Glenn, Area Director
	Margaret Rowland
DISTRICT PROJECTS	Joy O'Hazy & Julie Monis-Ivett, Birthing kits
	Sarah Cunningham & Mary Colvill, Breast cushions

### Dates to Remember

When?	When?	What?	Who?
2006	1 Sep	Email address notified to ZI	All clubs
2006	30 Sep	Club report #1 due to AD	Club presidents
2006	23 Oct	Club survey on violence against women	Dist UN Coordinator, clubs
2006	24 Oct	United Nations Day	Dist UN Coord, clubs
2006	8 Nov	Zonta International Day (Zonta's 87 <sup>th</sup> birthday)	All members
2006	15 Nov	Amelia Earhart Fellowship applications due to DG & ZI	Dist AE Coordinator
2006	25 Nov	International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women, White Ribbon Day	Dist UN Coordinator, clubs
2006	25 Nov -10 Dec	16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence	All members
2006	1 Dec	World AIDS Day	
2006	15 Dec	Club report #2 due to AD	Club presidents
2007	11 Jan	Amelia Earhart Day	Dist AE Coordinator, clubs
2007	8 March	Zonta Rose Day; International Women's Day	All members
2007	3, 4 March	Area 2 workshop	Area 2 members
2007	31 March, 1 April	Area 3 workshop	Area 3 members
2007	21, 22 April	Areas 1 & 4 workshop (incorp PPG Training Day)	Area 1& 4 members
2007	5, 6 May	Area 5 workshop	Area 5 members
2007	14 - 16 Sep	District Conference, Hobart	All members