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2003—2004 Club Officers

President	Karen Groves
Vice President 1	Marilyn Piper
Vice President 2	Lyn McArthur
Secretary	Joy Treasure
Treasurer	Miriell Reid
Directors	Barbara-Dene Jones Lori Grech Deborah Hegarty Isobel Wilson
Parliamentarian & Club Archivist	Margaret Medcalf

Committee Chairs

Membership, Fellowship & Programme	Marilyn Piper
Finance and Fundraising	Linley Buchanan
Public Relations	Lori Grech
Status of Women, Service	Deborah Hegarty

District Office Bearers

Chair of Status of Women/Service	Judy Tennant
Archivist	Margaret Medcalf
Legislative Awareness and Advocacy	Marilyn Piper

Our speakers included:

- Professor Louis Evans, Head, Aquatic Science Research Unit, Curtin University who spoke on her 'Plants for People' project;
- Lea Anderson from the Legal Women's Centre;
- Robyn Paton an inspiring young environmental engineer from UWA who enlightened us on water conservation;
- Caroline Wood from Amnesty International who spoke on the issue of Domestic Violence from a global perspective;
- Georgina Costello's videoed speech from conference 'Don't Look Away, Australia Can do Better for Sex Slaves';
- Dr Maria Franchina UWA Centre for Breast Cancer Research and
- Sue Boyd, retired High Commissioner to Fiji and representative from UNIFEM who was our special guest for International Women's Day Meeting.

We held a 'Have your Say' session at the commencement of 2004. Members had the opportunity to express their views about future directions of our club. Many thanks to Lori Grech for her facilitation of the evening.

Our Christmas Meeting was held at the Brighton Beach Restaurant in Scarborough.

Membership and Support Committee

has made a commitment to reinvigorate the membership and mentoring processes of our club with the view to induct new members more thoroughly, maintain existing membership and encourage members to introduce possible new members.

Many thanks to the members of our committee for their commitment to the club and their guidance and support through the year.

Membership and Support

Committee:

*Penny Flett
Margaret Giles
Karen Groves
Freda Jacobs
Suzanne Leavesley
Wendy MacGibbon
Jean Oldham
Marlene O'Meara
Marilyn Piper—Chair
Linley Turner*

PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2003-2004

Karen Groves

Looking back over the past year, I am conscious that this has been a year of consolidation for the Club. I am very aware of the efforts of the Club to support me in reviewing and rejuvenating the Club and I am most appreciative of the expertise, patience and enthusiasm which the Members have contributed towards that end. Having put in the hard yards, I am anticipating that both I and the Club will now enjoy the rewards over the coming year.

In addressing Club matters, of member satisfaction, communications, smartness of operations, relevance and sustainability of our projects and fundraising, we have at the same time been concerned to focus on the Zonta International goals of the 2002-2004 Biennium:

- Focus on our Mission
- Combine Service and Advocacy
- Recruit, Retain and Rejuvenate
- Support Zonta International Foundation and Zonta International Service Projects

My Presidency began on a very steep learning curve in the area of computer skills. Through the patient and incisive tutoring of Carole Theobald, I have managed to keep in touch with everyone! I am forever grateful to Carole. The expectation by Zonta International that all Clubs will have websites and

email addresses by mid 2005 is an indication of the extent to which that form of communication has been adopted and is expected.

I wish to thank Secretary Joy Treasure for being so helpful and willing to adopt procedures to put into effect the reporting and communicating functions of the Club.

I wish to make mention of the high degree of commitment of professional expertise and time in regular attendance of all members of the Board. There was a healthy blend of youth and age in terms of Zonta experience on the Board. This contributed to challenging discussions wherein traditional practices were questioned and resolutions reflected a balance between the need to move with the times but also to retain or respect the reasons behind the way things have been.

The special half-day session with external facilitator Mary Power was worthwhile in that it highlighted the range of attitudes towards, and expectations of, Zonta membership, and propelled the Board towards a total Club appraisal of member satisfaction. I believe this "naval-gazing" has made each member more consciously aware of this organization, their fellow members and their own involvement.

Steering the Survey of Members through its various stages was most time-consuming and Lori Grech, Barbara-Dene Jones and Marilyn Piper have my earnest appreciation for their roles in that process.

Three members of the Board, Marilyn Piper, Deborah Hegarty and Lori Grech, were also Chairs of Committees, so I must fully acknowledge the amount of time they were prepared to give to the Club.

Judy Tennant and Marilyn Piper have also held leadership positions in District 23 and were major contributors to the District 23 Conference program, so their time commitment is highly commendable.

Treasurer Miriel Reid is relinquishing her role after five years and I pay tribute to her for that faithful and stalwart contribution.

I have enjoyed special support and mentoring from Senior Vice President Marilyn Piper, which was always timely and reassuring.

It would be true to say that the District 23 Conference in September 2003, in Bunbury, hosted by Area 3, was a highlight of the past year. It was a most successful conference, attended by a third of the Members of the Club over the four days. Past President Tricia Summerfield played a major role as Chair of the Credentials and

Protocol Committee for the conference.

Committee Chairs will give detail in their reports but some general comments need to be made:

Club Membership has remained steady at 35 Members. Over the year, there were five resignations, but that situation has been balanced out with three new Members joining, a Member transferring from another Club and a former Member rejoining, to be inducted at the AGM. Three Members took Leave of Absence during the year but will all be returned for the start of the next Zonta year.

Lin Turner's attention to detail in staging the monthly dinner meetings is greatly appreciated. While the cost of the meal has increased over this year, the Victoria League Club venue still offers congenial facilities, affording both dining and lounge rooms for the social and business aspects of the meetings.

The format and content of the meetings is under constant scrutiny as we attempt to source relevant speakers, balance fellowship with business and provide information and stimulation to Members. The celebration of Zonta Rose Day and International Women's Day at the March meeting attracted more guests than mem-

news. Resulting from this session, changes will be made in forthcoming editions of Inzert to incorporate reports and articles generated by other Committee Chairs. The Club's web site will also be used more to post current information.

The PR Committee assisted in promoting the Perth Club at the recent International Women's Day event held at the Hyatt Hotel. The event was part of the Lunch Box series of presentations for young women in business and featured our sponsorship of two door prizes valued at \$200.

In addition, the committee produced the Club's Members' List, Annual Report, entry forms for awards, name badges and table cards.

Finally, in April a stand focussing on the Amelia Earhart Fellowship Award was displayed at the Perth AstroFest to highlight the work of Zonta.

Thank you to the committee for their support during 2003-4.

Public Relations Committee:

*Jo Beer
Lori Grech—Chair
Mary Gurgone
Yvonne Roberts
Carole Theobald
Joy Treasure
Isobel Wilson*

Membership and Support Report
Marilyn Piper

Meetings were held each month and Minute taking was shared by committee members.

Our membership remains fairly stable with the induction of Val Aberly, Sciona Browne, Maria Franchina, Mary Gurgone and Carol Warren. We also welcomed back Leonie Collison-Bryant.

Sadly work commitments and transfers resulted in our fare-welling Wendy Alford, Suzanne Leavesley, Anna Ciffolilli, Kaye Maskiell and Yvonne Rate. Kay Martin and Isobel Wilson were granted leave of absence for part of the year.

The major issues addressed by the committee for this year were a request by members to change the format and pace of meetings as well as a request for dinner speakers who would focus on a broader range of issues which relate to the status of women worldwide.

This led to the adoption of a range of speakers who related to current topics in the community and allowed them to showcase their expertise, as well as some speakers who heightened member's awareness of various issues.

**ZONTA - PERTH
TOTAL FUNDS STATEMENT
AS AT 31 MARCH 2004**

Actual to 31/3/03	FUND BALANCES	Actual to 31/3/04	Budget 03/04
2,618	Administration	4,042	3,357
21,991	Fundraising	20,864	19,316
<u>24,609</u>	TOTAL	<u>24,906</u>	<u>22,673</u>
REPRESENTED BY:			
2,445	Challenge Society Account	2,534	
8,686	ANZ V2 Plus	9,021	
15,000	ESANDA Debenture	15,000	
<u>26,131</u>	Total of bank accounts	<u>26,555</u>	
0	ZI dues credit held by District	315	
Less:			
-1,522	ZIF contribution	-1964	
<u>24,609</u>	TOTAL FUNDS	<u>24,906</u>	

Public Relations Report

Lori Grech

This year has been one of consolidation for the PR Committee, building on the success and hard work of the previous year.

In particular the Club was recognized for the promotional material that the Committee had developed by being awarded Winner – Public Relations Award for Excellence for the District 23 PR Awards for 2002 – 2004.

Our Club was Winner of Category 1 for our Flier, Poster, Banner and Non-Member Information Brochure and also Winner of Category 3 for

our Club Newsletter. It was a great effort by the team!

In addition the Club was acknowledged for the CD of materials that we had developed and made available to all Clubs at the District 23 Conference, which provided samples of our PR materials that clubs could modify to suit their own needs.

The Committee has also continued to explore ways to improve communications with members and was actively involved in our Club's recent "Have a Say" session, which highlighted ways that would keep members better informed on club

bers, with the 70+ attendees creating an enthusiastic audience for guest speaker, Dr. Sue Boyd, international advisor to UNIFEM Australia. It was a great atmosphere.

In a departure from the practice of previous years, the Club's Christmas function was planned as a relaxing and informal restaurant night for members and some past members. I felt the President's "Summer Soiree" at my home in February at the end of the summer break was an opportunity for members and partners to enjoy each other's company and for members to acknowledge the support of partners.

My thanks to the Membership and Support Committee for their thoughtful management of club members and operations.

The calibre and results of the Club fundraising functions have to be commended and appreciation is extended to the Finance and Fundraising Committee for their huge efforts in orchestrating these events.

The outstanding achievement of the Club in the District 23 PR Awards – overall winner! – is due to the expertise of Carole Theobald and Isobel Wilson. It was so wonderful that their work was recognised at the Conference in Bunbury. This year, they have been developing the Club web-

site. My thanks to the Public Relations Committee for the expert and varied ways in which they keep Members informed.

While maintaining existing awards and service projects, the Status of Women Service Committee has been stimulated by the input of new ideas from newer members. Participation in "The West Australian" newspaper's LunchBox Lunch Event on International Women's Day was a significant opportunity for the Club to raise awareness of Zonta and profile the Club. The possibility of the development of a rapport with the women of the Ngarinyin community in the Kimberley, the anticipation of producing Birthing Kits (a District 23 2004-2006 Project) and the prospect of improving our advocacy efforts are all positive initiatives to look forward to. Thankyou to the committee.

Sadly, I will not be attending the Zonta International Convention in New York in July 2004!! but I have attended the quarterly Area 3 Presidents' Meetings and represented the Club on other occasions. Our Club is hosting the 2004 Founders' Day Dinner on November 6 and I'm delighted to report that plans are now in place for a splendid evening.

Thankyou to all members for their commitment to the Club and to Zonta Service.

Status of Women Service Committee
Deborah Hegarty

The members of the Status of Women and Service Committee have been active during 2003 and into 2004 particularly in the development and shaping of new projects and in the maintenance of existing projects and endeavours. All activities continue to support international, district and local goals.

Committee members during 2004 will be taking on specific responsibilities to maintain the energy and progress of the work undertaken by previous committees.

Zonta Holiday Trust

Since April 2003 the Committee member responsible for the Zonta Holiday Program, Lennie McCall has processed 8 applications for Zonta holidays. Of the 8, 4 holidays have been taken and enjoyed by the recipients, 2 have been cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances and a further 2 are yet to be taken.

Accommodation for the holidays is at the Rotary Friendship House in Albany. The assistance and cooperation of the Rotary Club of East Albany has been much appreciated and the Zonta Club of Perth is con-

tinuing in partnership with the Rotary club of East Albany to continue providing the holiday program.

Zonta Awards

The *Education Award for 2004* was presented to Ms Tracy Hanratty at the March Club Meeting. The selection of Tracy as the successful applicant was unanimous by the selection panel. Tracy is studying education at Edith Cowan University. Maria, Val, Geraldine and Deborah were involved in the selection and processing of the award.

The *Jane M. Klausman Award* is to be promoted and coordinated by Judy Tennant for 2004; no applications were received for 2003.

Young Women in Public Affairs Award to be promoted and coordinated by Maria Franchina for 2004; no applications were received for 2003.

On behalf of the committee, Lennie McCall is to continue coordination of the *Central TAFE Community Services Awards* and the *Guides WA Zonta Award for Leadership*. The Guides WA Zonta Award for Leadership 2003 was presented to the recipient by President Karen Groves in August 2003. Discussions are currently underway with Guides WA in furthering and redesigning the award to encourage and promote Leadership for

ZONTA - PERTH FUNDRAISING INCOME & EXPENDITURE 1/4/03 - 31/3/04

Actual to 31/3/03	INCOME	Actual to 31/3/04	Budget 03/04
4,567	Net proceeds from fundraising		6,000
	Functions:		
	Pericles Studio Visit 10/8/03	2,674	
	Mini Art Show 9/11/03	1,742	
	Film Night 14/3/04	1,327	
	Cards, stationery, etc.	149	
4,567	Total Fundraising	5,892	6,000
1,039	Interest on investments	1,000	1,000
<u>5,606</u>	TOTAL INCOME	<u>6,892</u>	<u>7,000</u>
	EXPENDITURE		
408	Awards promotion breakfast	0	0
	Service:		
1,075	Zonta Holidays	1,066	1,300
1,000	Zonta House Refuge Association	1,050	1,000
0	Gwyn Lamb Award	0	0
500	New Projects	0	0
100	District 23 Breast Cancer Cushions	220	100
	Status of Woman:		
2,094	Education Award - tertiary	2,056	2,150
0	Education Award - TAFE	1,000	1,150
0	Emerging Artists Award	0	500
175	Founders Day Dinner Levy	153	175
0	Guides WA	200	700
100	Woman of Achievement	0	200
0	Young Woman in Public Affairs	0	0
0	Jane Klausman Women in Business	0	0
0	Amelia Earhart Fellowship	0	0
400	STWS discretionary funds	310	400
1,022	ZIF Service	1,964	2,000
500	Amelia Earhart	0	0
<u>7,374</u>	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	<u>8,019</u>	<u>9,675</u>
	EXCESS (DEFICIT) INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE		
-1768 0		-1127	-2675
	ACCUMULATED FUNDS		
23,759	Funds balance 31/3/03	21,991	21,991
<u>21,991</u>	BALANCE END OF PERIOD	<u>20,864</u>	<u>19,316</u>

**ZONTA - PERTH
ADMINISTRATION
INCOME & EXPENDITURE 1/4/03 - 31/3/04**

Actual to 31/3/03		Actual to 31/3/04	Budget 03/04
KEY STATISTICS			
35	Financial members	33	35
160	Annual subscription \$	160	160
25	Meal charge \$	28	25
INCOME			
5,520	Membership fees	5,280	5,600
180	ZI registration fees	180	150
<u>5,700</u>		<u>5,460</u>	<u>5,750</u>
335	Net income from meals	104	0
1,198	Raffles, donation & other income	885	750
<u>7,233</u>	TOTAL INCOME	<u>6,449</u>	<u>6,500</u>
EXPENDITURE			
3,818	International dues	2,851	3,146
950	District 23 dues	813	875
<u>4,768</u>	TOTAL DUES	<u>3,664</u>	<u>4,021</u>
ADMINISTRATION COSTS			
347	Postage, telephone & stationery	220	200
125	Printing	0	250
482	District 23 Bali Appeal	0	0
0	Area Workshop	22	0
0	District 23 Conference	240	240
95	Bank charges	55	100
591	Membership expenses	112	150
Committees:			
125	Membership	336	300
1,940	Public Relations	176	300
200	President's annuity	200	200
<u>3,905</u>	TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	<u>1,361</u>	<u>1,740</u>
<u>8,673</u>	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	<u>5,025</u>	<u>5,761</u>
-1,440	EXCESS (DEFICIT) INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE	1,424	739
ACCUMULATED FUNDS			
4,058	Funds balance 31/3/03	2,618	2,618
<u>2,618</u>	BALANCE END OF PERIOD	<u>4,042</u>	<u>3,357</u>

the young women of Guides WA.

Women of Achievement Award 2003:

The Club' winner of the Award was Mayree Hill who was nominated for the Area Award. Mayree Hill an extraordinary woman was instrumental in the establishment of Riding for the Disabled. Mayree, however was not the final choice for recipient of the award at the District Area level. Our congratulations go to Mayree as our club winner and nominee for the award.

Zonta Refuge: A donation of \$1,000 was presented to the Board of the Refuge at the 2003 Annual General Meeting by Karen Groves. For 2004, Val Aberly has agreed to take on the role of Zonta Refuge Liaison on behalf of the club.

Club Service and Advocacy Report 2002-2004 was submitted to the Zonta International in March 2004 highlighting the Zonta Club of Perth Holiday Trust as a project the club is able to demonstrate significant recognition for women in the role of carer.

An evolving project for 2004 – 2005 is the *Ngariniyin Project*, which was introduced to the Committee by Sciona Browne, and has been strongly supported and is being progressed for 2004. The Ngariniyin Project is forming a partnership with the indigenous women of the Ngariniyin Tribe in the

Kimberley region of Western Australia.

Another project the committee has been progressing since late 2003 for 2004 is the *district project for the production of Birthing Kits* for developing countries, specifically Papua New Guinea. The committee is keen to cooperate with other clubs in WA to achieve outcome, and many components of the birthing kits have already been sourced in anticipation of a workshop in July/August 2004. The objective of the project is to produce 20,000 birthing kits within a period of 2 years, by members of Zonta International District 23. The Adelaide Hills Club have committed to providing 10,000. It is anticipated the additional 10,000 will be provided by other clubs within District 23.

International General Assembly Women Conference: A home hospitality dinner for delegates to the International General Assembly Women's Conference was hosted by Club President, Karen Grove's, home in May 2003.

The committee has met on many occasions and also communicates via email over the past twelve months and all members are enthusiastic and committed participating in all projects on behalf of the club.

I am grateful and have appreciated the support and encouragement given by all members of the committee and would like to thank all of the members for a great year.

Status of Women Service Committee:

Val Abery
Sciona Browne
Geraldine Dennis
Maria Franchina
Mary Gurgone (part of the year)
Deborah Hegarty—Chair
Lennie McCall
Margaret Medcalf
Judy Tennant

Finance and Fundraising Report
Linley Buchanan

The Finance and Fundraising Committee had an interesting and successful year. Whilst we only had three fundraising events we provided the opportunity for Zontians and their friends to have fun whilst assisting us to raise valuable dollars for our various service projects.

Through our fundraising efforts we succeeded in raising \$5993 plus interest on investments making our total income \$6338. This is about \$1500 more than the previous year. Our expenditure on service projects for the same period was \$7983 with approximately \$1700 being used from the Club's accumulated funds.

On a very wet and windy Sunday afternoon in August we were fortunate to be hosted by *Leon and Moira Pericles in their cosy studio*. This is the second time the Pericles' have allowed us to use their beautiful venue and members and their friends were shown how Leon creates his masterpieces. This enjoyable afternoon managed to raise \$2674 thanks to the members who attended and those of you who purchased pieces of art.

Our second fundraiser was a *mini art show* at Impact Communications in November which raised \$1742. The committee introduced some new artists to the Zonta world these included Dean Alston, Frances Andrijich, Rachel Coad, Emma Griffiths and Pamela Walter. Long time supporters of our art shows Jenny Sanderson, Tricia Hines and Rebecca Cool once again provided interesting pieces of art for us to display. This day long event gave members and their friends an opportunity to view some magnificent art and enjoy each others company over a glass of champagne and, of course, a traditional chicken sandwich.

The other fundraiser was a film evening, *Plots with a View*, held at the Astor, Mount Lawley which raised \$1427.

Small amounts of funds were raised from the sale of Zonta cards and other stationery, club raffles and entertainment books.

This year's fundraising efforts will continue to support our ongoing service projects including the TAFE Education Award, Tertiary Education Award, Zonta Holiday Relief Project, Zonta House Refuge Association, District 23 Breast Cancer Cushions, Guides WA as well as our commitment to International Service Projects and the Amelia Earhart Fellowship.

Club members have been very supportive of the work of our committee and we thank everyone for their efforts to sell tickets.

Sincere thanks to the members of the committee and their partners, Richard, Geoff, Rob, Rod and Les for their support, enthusiasm and efforts throughout the year.

Finance and Fundraising Committee:
Linley Buchanan—Chair
Leonie Collison-Bryant
Barbara-Dene Jones
Lyn McArthur
Tricia Summerfield
Miriel Reid
Carol Warren

TREASURER'S REPORT
Miriel Reid

Administration

The club's membership fee remained at \$160 for this financial year. The US/AUS dollar rate was to our advantage. The District Treasurer holds \$315 on account for the 2004/05 ZI dues. The Victoria League increased the meal cost in January, so the dinner charge was raised from \$25 to \$28 (meal plus one drink). The Area has sent \$374 towards the costs of the next Founders' Day Dinner to be run by Perth in November, 2004.

Fundraising

Three fundraising events plus the interest on our investments nearly achieved the budgeted income of \$7,000. The club budgeted for a deficit in spending over income. A further \$1,127 of the surplus in the fundraising account has been spent.

One third of the proceeds of the fundraising (\$1,964) will be forwarded to the Zonta International Foundation. The distribution has yet to be decided.