



November Newsletter 2020

President Message

Tena koutou katoa

Greetings everyone

November is a very important month in our Zonta calendar - it's our AGM meeting when we get to choose who will lead us for another year. I'm sure the nominating committee has thought long and hard and will come up with another great Board for 2021.

It's also the meeting when we string up hundreds of bras and knickers which have been donated and collected from our friends and colleagues - we'll be handing them over to the Arohata staff after dinner who will then speak to us about the highlights of this very different year for Arohata.

The lead-up to the end of year is filled with Zonta activities. If you have never attended the HHT celebration lunch, I urge you to do so if at all possible. This event gives a real insight into the value of what our club does with and for these students. It will help us all to realise that by investing in this event, we are really investing in their children, with the gifts provided by our members and by enhancing the self-esteem of their parent who has completed the HHT year.

The present wrapping at North City Plaza is always a special highlight for me, a great way to spread Christmas cheer and at the same time we can have conversations about ZM and what we do. A number of women in our club have first "met" a zontian as their gifts have been wrapped.

See you at the AGM on Monday and don't forget those bras!

I Haere ra, Arohanui, Pam x



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 note apologies for next Club meeting to Jan Win by no later than Saturday noon 31st Oct please on

Please email winjan27@gmail.com or text 021 765 876

(Please advise if you are bringing guests.)

October Club Meeting White Ribbon Speaker

Brian Saipe -Child Rescue New Zealand

Brian is the National manager of Child Rescue NZ a Christian anti-trafficking organisation operating in the fight against human slavery . Child Rescue partners with Destiny Rescue

International in rescuing children and young people from the sex trade across eight over-sea countries.

Child rescue is an interventionalist organisations funding the work of highly trained agents who physically remove girls and boys from abusive situations and that of community care workers who help set young people on a path to freedom and keep them free.

The organisations numbers around 200 staff and volunteers including fund raising colleagues in USA and Australia.

Brian has previously worked for the Salvation Army and Rhema Media in New Zealand. His travels to Cambodia and Thailand have left him deeply impacted by the plight of young people caught in this horrible industry. Likes his colleagues he has a strong heart for Justice , a passion to help set children free and to impact the global fight against trafficking.



The following is Advocacy Convener Linda' Hall-Thorpe's feedback to Child Rescue to support their important mahi that the organization is involved in:

Kia Ora Veronica Allum (Programme Convenor)

Thank you so much for such a wonderful informative speaker at the Monday night Zonta meeting. Brian Saipe presented so well, he held dignity of families and women in particular the young prospective child to be trafficked.

I thought he was extremely skilled in the way he presented a delicate subject. He perfectly aligned with the Zonta Says NO Campaign to Stopping Violence against Women and Girls.

I've been reading information for Advocacy of course, on young girls proposed for child marriages. The stats are incredible. Brian's talk highlighted the ongoing aims of Zonta that Women and Girl's Rights are Human rights

Thank you again Veronica and a very special thank you to Brian for his time, his dedication to Child Rescue and more so to being available to share with Zonta Mana

Kia Kaha, kia manawanui Nga mihi mahana

Linda Hall-Thorpe

ChildRescue Response to the email from Linda Hall-Thorpe:

Brian Saipe <brian.saipe@childrescue.org.nz> wrote to Veronica,

Our office has been buzzing with the news of Zonta Mana's reception and we would love to come back some time! Thank you so much for taking the trouble to forward Linda's message to us. It's very encouraging and kind.

I'm wondering if we might be able to use it as a quote on our coming new website? We could remove Linda's name if she would prefer that. We'd love to hear what you think.

God bless you and your friends,

Service Project - He Huarahi Tamariki (HHT)

The background around the service project Mana Club of Zonta He Huarahi Tamariki HHT Scholarship and celebratory lunch was presented at the October club meeting to the club members by a panel which consisted of Service Convenor Barbara Thompson and committee members Maureen Gillion and Philippa Gibbons (see picture attached)



He Huarahi Tamariki School (A Chance for Children), was established in 1994 for teenage parents in the greater Wellington area. He Huarahi Tamariki provides a second chance education for students unable to complete their formal education through pregnancy or the birth of a child.

Zonta club of Mana involvement with HHT began in 1998 with the HHT Scholarship Foundation. Currently (2020) the scholarship is \$1000 and can be spent on anything that helps the recipient to go on and attend a tertiary qualification.

It is awarded at "HHT end-of-year prize giving ceremony" for the following academic year. Usually presented by our president at this event.

Our annual End-Of-Year academic celebratory lunch tradition began in 2006 after reading the school's 2005 Student story book. We found the personal stories very moving, and they showed how important HHT was in their daily lives. HHT is important to Zonta Mana as well, and we value the family association.

He Huarahi Tamariki End of Year Academic Lunch Celebration:- 12pm 4th December 2020 Plimmerton Boating Club

The club celebrates the young women's achievements in finishing their high school studies. We also hand over one of our scholarships. We ask members, (on a voluntary basis) to purchase a child's gift for between \$20-\$25. We have the following detail for purchase guidance: The child's first name, sex and age and the mother's name

The presents are pre-labelled and collected at our December club meeting ready for distribution at the lunch. Sadly, for some this is their only Christmas present, which makes it even more special. Lots of thought goes into these purchases, and are appreciated by the students. mums also receive a small token.

It is a lovely event and all members are encourage to try and attend.

Zonta Says NO Violence Against Women Campaign:

Zonta Says No is a International campaign

A recent report in the Guardian Weekly links well to the ZI project to End Child Marriage. In Nepal with schools closed during lockdown girls were under pressure to do housework or agricultural labour. Of responses from 152 girls, 11 had been married since schools had closed. 7% of girls are already anticipating not returning to school. The pandemic's gender bias according to the Guardian; 743 million girls are estimated to be out of school with 13 million extra child marriages anticipated over the next ten years due to Covid-19. Read more here; <https://www.girlsnotbrides.org/>. ZI is a member as are 105 countries plus the White Ribbon Alliance, Shakti, Save the Children, Red Cross, etc.



Mana Advocacy /Zonta says No Committee

The following are the planned club activities for **16 Days of Activism** from

**STAND UP.
SPEAK OUT AND
ACT TO PREVENT
MEN'S VIOLENCE
TOWARDS WOMEN.**

25 November - 10 December:

- White ribbon speaker presentation at the October club meeting.
- The Hamilton Club's Zonta says No number plate surrounds make available if individual members want to purchase them.
- Zonta says No and White Ribbon information will be handed out at the two Movie Fundraising nights in November.
- Clubs members to wear their orange scarves to the club meetings in November and Saturday coffee during the white ribbon week.
- On 25th November, a promotional literature awareness table will be set up New World, Porirua, and club members will be handing out White Ribbon information - and orange balloons, roster for 4 hours.
- Club members to encourage others in your family/whanau, community, street or workplace to wear a white ribbon during White ribbon week,



ZONTA CLUB OF MANA ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIPS

YWPA - Young Women in Public Affairs - Criteria: - recognises commitment to community service and achievement in voluntary leadership in senior pupils at secondary schools who have the potential to become tomorrow's leaders.

Mana Zonta Whitireia Award -criteria: awarded to women who are either Technology or Health students.

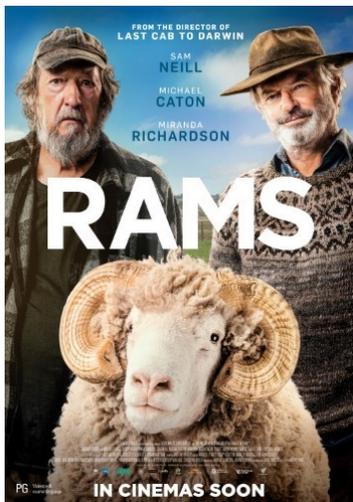
He Huarahi Tamariki Graduate (school for teenage parents) - Criteria: - awarded to a final year student proceeding on with tertiary study

Jane M Klausman Women in Business Scholarship - Criteria: -

a National and International Scholarship - open to women studying business at the undergraduate level who have demonstrated outstanding potential in their field, acknowledging their excellence. and who is enrolled in at least the second year of an undergraduate programme, through to the final year of a Masters programme at the time the application is submitted. Each year clubs can put forward candidates to our National Board, and then NZ submits 1 candidate to Zonta International; who annually offers 12 scholarships of US\$5000 each.

Zonta Club of Mana Move fundraisers The Lighthouse

8th November: Sunday 5 pm



Rams Preview: The funds raised at this movie will go to Grandparents raising Grandkids project.

15th November Sunday 5 pm

Helen Ready, I am Woman. The funds raised at this movie will go to Woman's Refuge.

The tickets are \$25/ person includes \$5.00 for raffles.



Payment

Please make Direct Payments to: Zonta Account: 03-0547-0071451-00

Quote: 'Surname and WOMAN as reference

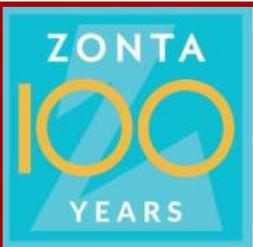
The \$.00 amount will indicate number of people you are paying for

Seats will be allocated on a first come basis

Mix and mingle and pick up your tickets at theatre from 4.15pm onwards

Contacts Liz Gray, Ph: 021 165 1690 or Email: lizgray1944@gmail.com

More information: <https://www.lighthousecinema.co.nz/schedule/film/i-am-woman>



Club Upcoming Events

Zonta Club of Mana Monthly Meeting

Monday 2nd November

AGM & Bras and Knickers Night for Arohata:

Venue: Plimmerton Boating Club

Meet and Greeters (Mary C and Pat)

6pm -Business Meeting before dinner

Annual General Meeting

7pm -Buffet Dinner

After dinner



This popular evening is part of a series of activities and fundraisers that have won Zonta Mana several awards and accolades in the past years. Please **collect good quality second-hand and new bras and new knickers for us** to hand over to Arohata Prison staff on the evening of our Club meeting. Arohata staff will be at this meeting to update us on our projects and concert. This underwear makes a huge difference to the women on the inside. IF you have any spare magazines in good condition, that are less than 3 months old. Can you please bring them too.

It's a great fun event as well! Bring your collections to the meeting and help set up prior to our usual start at 6 PM.

Can club members please wear their orange scarves for a group photo.

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

The fund raising committee have asked if Members could please bring lollies and small bags of chippies and snacks to November meeting for the movie fundraiser



Barbara Thompson, QSM, for services to the community and women. (see Zonta Mana facebook page for the post from the Governor -General of New Zealand about the work that Barbara has done for Zonta and the community.



Zonta Mana would like to wish

Happy birthday for November 2020

Michelle Robinson 13 November

Jenny Brash 29th November

- November 2nd - Arohata and AGM
- November 8th Rams Move Fun-raiser
- November 15th Move Fun-raiser I am Woman
- November 16- Combined 2010/2021 Boards
- November 25th -White Ribbon Day.
- November 25th-10th December : Start of Zonta says no to stopping violence against Women 16 days activism.
- December 4th He Huarahi Tamariki (HHT) /Celebration Lunch
- December 7th-Christmas Meeting and Induction of 2021 Board. The Theme: **Unwrapping a parcel** - surprise Christmas evening
- March 202 1IWD Breakfast meeting

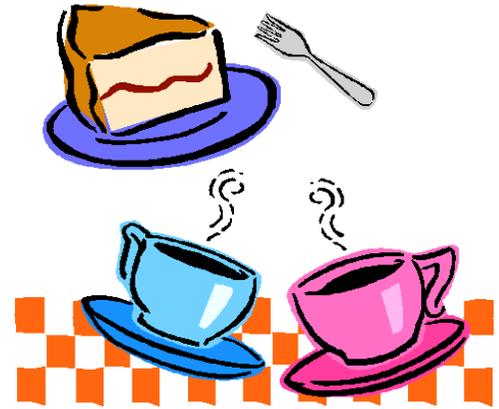




Coffee at the Marina Espresso in Mana

If you have an hour to spare on a Saturday morning at 11am, you would be very welcome to join members for coffee at the Marina Espresso in Mana, just left over the bridge. This is purely social and great fun, and a lovely way to get to know club members more informally.

We're usually upstairs where the owner kindly reserves us the big table by the window. The company is amazing and the coffee is great too!



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Zonta club of Mana officers for 2020

- 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
- Fundraising = Liz Gray and Diane Scott
- Membership = Alison Lloyd Davies
- Programme = Liz Gray and Veronica Allum
- Service = Barbara Thompson
- Advocacy= Linda Hall-Thorpe

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




2018 Regional
Community
Awards
Porirua
Supreme Winner