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From the President...

Dear GWQ Members,

Happy New Year !

The Graduate Women Queensland Inc Committee has met for the first time in 2023. We are hoping to have a busy and productive year and have selected these issues as our main focus for the year - a united, all - Branch Membership Drive, the streamlining of administrative processes for record - keeping and communication, reintroducing the President's Lunch as a special occasion for all GWQ members to attend plus the redesign and updating of our official Website.

Our first event for GWQ members and guests is the Annual Dr Del Doherty Lecture and bursary presentation to be held in late May. We are hoping to have as our Guest Speaker one of our past FFI fellowship/ scholarship holders to speak to us about their research and how the FFI assistance supported their study. The Dr Del Doherty Bursary recipient herself is always someone who stirs our emotions as they relate the often dreadful and difficult circumstances they have survived to make the journey to Australia, to education and a better future. As such, they always remind us of the transformative power of education and the work of GWQ.

In August GWQ is organising a President's Lunch. Get your finery out for this one and be ready when details are announced. We are hoping that each Branch will be able to attend - perhaps a whole table of members and their guests for this special occasion?

Our last event for 2023 will be the AGM in October. GWQ is always looking for new Committee members to continue our work in supporting young women and girls to access education and enable them to be empowered and independent. Please consider nominating to assist with this important aim. The GWQ Executive Committee for 2023 is Mary Crawford [President]; Carole Crowther [Vice President]; Margaret Hamilton [Hon. Secretary]; Carol Little [Hon. Treasurer]. Others are Levon Blue, Diane Cecil, Pip Coore [Membership], Del Doherty, Bev Hinz, Dalma Jacobs, Taisoo Kim Watson, Fiona Rohde/ Dreisener], Wendy Ashley - Cooper, and Narelle Tolmie.

At the moment, the GWQ Committee is working on modernising our Website to ensure that those who are seeking us out can easily find us, find out who we are and what we do. We hope that this will help to attract new members for all Branches.

Finally, in 2023 I hope I can catch up with most of you throughout the course of the year. Kind regards and heartfelt thanks for all the wonderful work you are doing in supporting GWQ's aims,

Mary
Dr. Mary Crawford AM
President
Graduate Women Qld Inc.
February, 2023

DARLING DOWNS NEWS

The GWQ Darling Downs Branch held the first meeting for 2023 on 28 January. Members attending the meeting, held at the home of Jacky Cribb, acknowledged the generous ongoing support of the seven Brisbane members who also remain members of the Darling Downs Branch. The members also confirmed the Darling Down Branch Meeting Schedule for 2023, however recognise future dates may need to be adjusted due to unforeseen events.



Robust discussion occurred regarding the 2023 scholarship with members arriving at the decision to again support a female intending to or undertaking studies to better their opportunities in life. An application form is to be designed and circulated to appropriate local groups with application due by 18 May 2023.

Following the meeting, members shared lunch and Narelle Tolmie gave an informative presentation on her experience as a volunteer within international health teams in India, Uganda, Fiji and Vanuatu, as well with a domestic health team in Thursday Island. Narelle volunteered in her capacity as an optometrist, providing spectacles and referring patients for a range of complaints including glaucoma and cataracts.



Photos: Narelle at work in [top] Thursday Island, [left] Uganda and [above] India.

Our Executive Committee for 2023 is Narelle Tolmie [President]; Taisoo Kim Watson [Vice President]; Margaret Compton [Hon. Secretary]; Jacky Cribb [Hon. Treasurer].

We always have a warm welcome for visitors from other Branches and would love to have you join us at some future function - excellent and interesting cuisine always guaranteed!

Jacky Cribb
Hon. Treasurer
GWQ Darling Downs

FELLOWSHIPS FUND INC. NEWS

Welcome to the New Year!

For each GWQ Newsletter, a particular aspect of the FFI Branch will be focussed on to raise general awareness among GWQ members of how it contributes to, and fits into, our overall Queensland organisation. As we start this New Year, FFI is preparing to showcase its 2023 Fellowship holders and, at the same time, preparing to open applications for the next round of Fellowships for 2024.

FFI's Annual Fellowships Awards Lunch will be held at The Women's College, University of Queensland, on Wednesday 12 April, 2023. This event is open to all members of GWQ and friends. A light lunch will be available from 12 noon and formalities will commence at 12.30pm. As part of the formalities, Fellowship Awardees will give a short presentation on their research and Certificates will be presented to those Fellowship holders able to be present. The cost of the lunch is \$25 and RSVP details and other details will be circulated closed to the date. For the time being, please mark this in your calendar as a highlight if you are available!

FYI, below is a summary of the study and research being undertaken by the 2023 Fellowship Awardees, illustrating the wide variety of disciplines FFI is currently funding for research and advanced study this year:

JANE HALL- Barbara Williams Award

Jane has been working in the legal profession and is looking to widen and deepen her legal knowledge by undertaking an LLM at Cambridge. She is currently working in the area of commercial law but wants to expand her knowledge in various areas of law and in particular aspects of international human rights and law reform. Longer term she is hoping to combine private practice with significant input into areas of law reform.

NARELLE HALL- Agnes Whiten Award

Narelle is currently completing her PhD investigating injuries to military personnel during basic training with a goal to develop predict the likelihood of injury prior to the commencement of training. Her work has potential impact for other careers such as police as recruits are also put through demanding physical basic training.

VANESSA HILL- Audrey Harrison Award

Vanessa is currently completing her PhD investigating the determinants and experience of bedtime procrastination in new career starters (new graduates actively transitioning from education to the workplace). The objective of her study is to develop an intervention targeting bedtime procrastination in new career starters, with the aim of reducing procrastination and improving healthy sleep habits.

ZOE BRERETON - Freeda Freeman Award

Zoe is currently a Barrister and has been accepted into an LLM at Cambridge. She is passionate about human rights and advocacy especially as it relates to criminal law. She is studying in these areas to extend her knowledge and thus able to research and prepare legal arguments during advocacy.

KIRSTEN SLEMINT- Del Doherty Award

Kirsten is enrolled in an MA Film & Television course specialising in Science and Natural History at the National Film and Television School in Buckinghamshire, UK. She sees film as a transformatory tool promoting scientific literacy and passionate as to how grass roots documentary making can influence social change.

ELINOR BUYS - Freda Bage

Elinor is completing her DPhil at Oxford. Elinor completed her masters at Oxford where she has pursued her interest in human rights in supply chains. She is now extending this researching global challenges with respect to modern slavery and human trafficking in business and government supply chains.

Our next round of fellowship applications opens early April and close at the end of June. We will again be publicising them via the University Network and if you know of anyone eligible, please encourage them to visit our website to see the application process and forms.

As part of the next update in the GWQ newsletter we'll include photos from the 2023 Awards Luncheon and focus on some of our previous Fellowship awardees with a ***Where are they now?*** update.

The FFI Inc. Executive Committee for 2023 is Fiona Rohde/ Dreisener [President]; Robyn McKenzie [Hon Secretary]; Mary Rose Cooney [Hon.Treasurer]. Others are Ellie Chapple; Pip Coore [Alumni]; Carole Crowther [Membership].

Fiona Rohde

President, GWQ FFI Inc.



GOLD COAST NEWS

Currently our Membership stands at 33 which we are very happy about. Last year we recruited a few new members but unfortunately some of our older members have resigned due to ill health.

Our Annual Christmas Party was a hit with an excellent attendance as people came out of lockdown and were happy for an occasion to socialise with others. We were entertained by the glamorous and professional Cadence A Capella Quartet, the room was beautifully festive and our chosen charity for this year, St. John's Refuge, was presented with gift cards to the value of \$630. Thank you, Moira and Naomi, for your generously donated Raffle prizes. Thank you, Marion, for your hotly contended Christmas Quiz which went down to the wire. Not many would have known that the first recorded Royal Christmas speech was broadcast by King George V in 1932!

Here are some other photos from the Christmas celebraton:



The 2023 Executive Committee is Carole Little [President]; Diane Chetham [Hon. Treasurer]; Carole Little [Acting Secretary]. Others are Margaret Hamilton [BIG Convenor]; Jacqueline Marchant; Patricia Ruzzene; Aileen Pidgeon; Karen McMichael Cross. We have had our initial meeting for the year and developed a calendar of events, first of which is the International Women's Day Breakfast on the actual day with a traditional 7am start.

Our Guest Speaker on this occasion is Associate Professor Nadine O'Connell from Griffith University's Gender Equity Research Network and Deputy Head in the School of Criminology and Criminal Justice. Her research focuses on juvenile delinquency, specifically in the domain of school and community safety - most topical considering current issues of concern right across Queensland.

The Book Interest Group has another year of challenging reading planned with its first meeting in February discussing Kazuo Ishiguro's *Klara and the Sun*. The pleasant meeting place this year is still *Bumbles Cafe* at Budd's Beach.

Carol Little
President, GWQ Gold Coast

SUNSHINE COAST NEWS

Tropicana Trivia was very successful. Around 70 - 80 people attended, comprised of members, their friends and family and residents of the village (IRT the Palms). As a village resident, I had access to use the hall (a great facility). With the raffle and the entry (only \$10), we raised in excess of \$1300. The raffle and prize items were all donated by members.

Wendy was the MC and used questions she had developed for her own church community events. Being able to project the questions and answers onto a screen was a benefit. Well worth the effort.

Planning is underway for the **IWD breakfast on Saturday March 11, at Headland Golf Club**. Our guest speaker is member **Dr/Aunty Judy Wickes** (*Kalkadoon/Wakka Wakka nations*), a respected community Elder, researcher, author, social worker, historian, and educator. Judi presents locally, nationally and internationally on topics of *Stolen Generation and the Certificate of Exemption and its impacts on generations of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders*.

This will be of particular interest in this year particularly.

Additionally, this breakfast is the **annual pantry collection for the STEMM program** (Supporting teenage mother to reengage with education, with the added program of raising and caring for a baby etc). This collection provides the coordinators with the means to assist the girls practically with food, baby items etc.

Long-time member **Kayla Szumer** (now living in Brisbane) has been nominated for a *Volunteering Queensland award*, particularly for her work with *Courage to Care* and her support of Refugees (Buddies and GWQ ScRefugee SC education program) Kayla is in her 80s and is still very active. Kayla is a remarkable woman, who sees the good in everyone. I am not sure when the awards are being announced.

Interest in membership continues. The IWD breakfast often picks up some prospective members, who are then followed up.



SC President Wendy Ashley – Cooper with fellow GWQ committee member Margaret Hamilton at the GWQ AGM

Congratulations to the incoming Executive Committee elected at the SC Branch 2022 AGM as follows:

- **President:** Wendy Ashley – Cooper
- **Hon. Treasurer:** Pam Wighton
- **Hon. Secretary:** Joan Cassidy
- **Committee:** Gerrie Boyen [Bursary Chair]; Janet Sweatman

[REP Chair]; Bernice Anderson [Newsletter Editor/ Book Group Co – ordinator]; Jenny Hughes [Membership Fellowship]; Pam Vagg; Lena Robinson; Barbara Campbell; Bev Hinz [Immediate Past President/ Archivist/ Membership Fellowship].

Bev Hinz

Archivist and Immediate Past President
GWQ Sunshine Coast

GWQ - Member News and Recent Updates

A very positive start to the year for everyone is indicated by the News from all Branches.

The most recent GWQ Branch membership numbers recorded in February 2023 are as follows: Darling Downs 16; FFI 50; Gold Coast 36; Sunshine Coast 77; GWQ [including FFI only] 9 ; Multiple Memberships 7.

Because of multiple memberships, individual Branch numbers do not add up to the GWQ state membership total of 124. One of our central aims this year is to organise a membership drive involving [and benefiting] all branches.

Please note and use [where applicable for your needs] the updated GWQ Membership Application/ Renewal Form 2022/23 included as the last page in this Newsletter. It's designed for those who require multiple memberships or who have/ are applying for or renewing GWQ membership only.

Included in this Newsletter is a **2023 Calendar of Branch Events** planned for the remainder of 2023. If you happen to be in the right vicinity at the right time, you might enjoy attending another Branch's function as a special guest!

The **GWQ Website** is currently being redesigned and updated, so please be patient with any lingering inconsistencies. Please note that it is now a secured site again and will soon be fully functional. It will contain information about Graduate Women Queensland Inc. in general plus links to all GWQ Branches and AGW [Australian Graduate Women].

Our association with **eS4W [Economic Security4Women]** and membership of the **NCWQ [the National Council of Women Qld]** continues in 2023. These are strong organisations for women who lobby on issues relevant to our membership at parliamentary level. The latest reports on their activities this year are immediately following, FYI:

eS4W Update:

- No Meetings of eS4W have been held since the AGM's of both eS4W and GWQ.
- In future, eS4W will hold 2 virtual meetings annually.
- Currently there is a vacancy on eS4W's Management Group and it is likely that AGW's other member representative on the eS4W Council (Shirley Randell) will be endorsed to fill this vacancy at the next Meeting.
- This is the latest communication I have received from the eS4W Public Officer, Sharen Page:

eS4W Council Members and Partners, hi

I hope everyone has had a great start to 2023. Cannot believe we are almost at the end of February.

*With the invaluable assistance of Terese Edwards[eS4W's Deputy Chair]and Jess at Senator Larissa Waters' office, we have confirmed our next **Women & Work Parliamentary Friendship Group** event at **Parliament House in Canberra** on Wednesday, 22nd March, 7:00 - 8:30 am followed by a drop-in session from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. Below is the line up of speakers, for your reference. If you are interested in attending please let me know by Monday 27th March. Unfortunately, due to the organisation currently not being funded, this would be a self-funded event should you decide to attend. The invitation is also open to a member of your organisation if that is more cost effective for your organisation to be represented.*

Presenting are:

Anne Summers AO** - with a focus upon a critical recommendation for the **federal budget resulting from the research: The Choice Violence & Poverty.

***Sam Mostyn AO**, Chair Women Economic Equality Taskforce. At the Jobs & Skills Summit, Sam raised the importance of restoring access to the Parenting Payment Single to 16 years. Since that time, Sam has chaired the Women Economic Equality Taskforce.*

***Professor Kay Cook:** Economic Inclusion Advisory Committee and co-author of 'Financial Abuse - The Australian Child Support Scheme (February 2023). Kay will share a takeaway message from the new research.*

***Terese Edwards:** eS4W's Deputy Chair, the CEO of the National Council of Single Mothers and their Children and a Women's Economic Equality Taskforce Member.*

Kind regards,

Sharen Page
Public Officer

Security4Women Incorporated

Dalma Jacobs eS4W Liaison (AGW member representative) on behalf of Miranda Mortlock, GWQ member representative

NCWQ Update:

The NCWQ monthly Bulletins continue to be forwarded to all GWQ members. The latest one, the first for 2023, contains a welcome to their incoming Committee, a 2022 Environment Report plus latest news and local events for 2023. GWQ members can interact on their own initiative if they wish to attend.

Crawford/Crowther **NCWQ Liaison**

Australian Graduate Women [AGW] has requested, through our mutual member Dalma Jacobs, that GWQ publicise details of its AGW Annual Fellowships Program. We are very happy to do so as another source of valuable funding for Queensland scholarship applicants.

In 2023 the following Fellowships are being awarded as follows:

- Two (2) 2022 [Barbara Hale Fellowships](#): Value \$8,000 each.
These Fellowships are open to students who, being Australian citizens or permanent residents, are enrolled in a research doctorate in any discipline at any Australian university.
- One (1) 2023 [Georgina Sweet Fellowship](#) in the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering, Maths and Medicine: Value \$7,000

This Fellowship is open to students who, being Australian citizens or permanent residents, are enrolled in a research doctorate in a STEMM discipline at any Australian university.

Unfortunately for us, applications have already closed for this year's round of awards, but in anticipation of the 2024 awards on offer, guidelines for application can be viewed under [2023 Guidelines](#) in the AGW Website link: <https://www.australiangradwomen.org.au/fellowships/>. The closing date for applications is usually the end of February in the current year. Thank you, Dalma, for increasing our awareness of these very worthwhile Fellowships on offer.

On a sad note, our support and sincere sympathy are with members Lyn Peacock [GWQ SC] and Judy Gadaloff [GWQ GC] who have recently suffered the loss of husbands Tony and Peter. Our thoughts and warm wishes are with them and their families at this time.

Recently relocated member is Rosemary Power, GWQ Gold Coast Immediate Past President, now living in Brisbane to be closer to family. Rosemary is still heavily committed to volunteer work on the Coast so will be a frequent visitor and still attending GC functions in 2023.



Far left: Inaugural meeting of incoming GWQ Committee in late '22 with President Mary.
Left: Mary and Bev at the 2022 GWQ AGM.

Right: GWQ Committee Meeting, February 2023.
[Clockwise from left]:
Bev Hinz [SC]; Taisoo Kim Watson [DD]; Levon Blue[FFI];Dianne Cecil [GC]; Fiona Rhode[FFI]; Mary Crawford; Carole Crowther[GC]; Margaret Hamilton[GC]; Del Doherty[FFI].

Apologies: Wendy Ashley-Cooper; Pip Coore;Dalma Jacobs;Carol Little;Narelle Tolmie



AGMs and Christmas Functions



Presenting the Dr Del Doherty Bursary at the GWQ AGM
Lto R: Mary Crawford; Del Doherty; Rebecca Teem and Jeannie Mok.



Mary with GWQ AGM Guest Speaker



Mary and



Pip Coore and Mary Rose Cooney Zooming at the FFI AGM



Guests Agnes Whiten and Marion A. Jones at the FFI AGM



Carole Crowther, Mary Rose Cooney, Margaret Hamilton and Mary at the FFI AGM



Lesley Bryant, Joan Jennings and Elaine Ellis



Sandi Fueleop, Rosemary Power and Dianne Cecil



GC AGM Guest Speaker Amy Degenhart and Carol Little



Karen McMichael Cross and Guest



Ann Dean, Margaret Hamilton and Jacquie Marchant



Judy Gadloff; Rosemary Power Cadence a Capella



Graduate Women Queensland Inc. 2023 Calendar of Branch Events

BRANCH	JAN. FEB.	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
GWQ Inc.	<u>Saturday 18th</u> Qld Committee Meeting			<u>Saturday, 27th</u> Dr Del Doherty Lecture and Bursary Pres. Buffet Lunc	
Darling Downs	<u>Saturday Jan 28th</u> Lunch and Meeting	<u>Sunday 19th</u> Lunch and Meeting		<u>Saturday 20th</u> Lunch and Meeting	
FFI [Fellowships Fund Inc]			<u>Wednesday, 12th</u> FFI 2023 Awards Presentation and Lunch		
Gold Coast	<u>Thursday 23/2</u> Book Interest Group [BIG] <u>Bumbles</u> 1.30 pm	<u>Wednesday, 8th</u> IWD Breakfast 7am for 7.30am <u>Thursday 23rd</u> BIG 1.30pm	<u>Thursday, 20th</u> High Tea <u>Bumbles</u> 10.30am <u>Thursday 27th</u> BIG 1.30pm	<u>Thursday 25th</u> BIG 1.30pm	<u>Tuesday, 6th</u> World Environment Day <u>Cocktails/High Tea</u> - Details TBA <u>Thursday 22nd</u> BIG 1.30-pm
Sunshine Coast	<u>Saturday Jan 21st</u> <i>Tropicana</i> Trivia Lunch	<u>Saturday 11th</u> IWD Breakfast		<u>Saturday 13th</u> May Breakfast	
ADFAS Gold Coast Branch Inc. GWQ Gold Coast Members' availability limited on these dates		<u>Saturday 18th</u> Lecture 9.30 am	<u>Saturday 15th</u> Lecture and Morning Tea 9.30am	<u>Saturday 20th</u> Lecture and Morning Tea 9.30am	<u>Saturday 10th</u> Lecture and Morning Tea 9.30am



Graduate Women Queensland Inc. 2023 Calendar of Branch Events

BRANCH	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.
GWQ Inc.		<u>Saturday, 12th</u> The GWQ President's Lunch		<u>Saturday 28th</u> AGM and Buffet Lunch		Qld Committee Christmas Lunch TBA
Darling Downs	<u>Saturday 29th</u> AGM, Lunch & GWQ Darling Downs Bursary Presentation		<u>Saturday 30th</u> Lunch and Meeting		Saturday 18 th TBA	
FFI [Fellowships Fund Inc]			<u>Wednesday 27th</u> AGM and Lunch			
Gold Coast	<u>Thursday 6th</u> BIG 1.30 pm	<u>Thursday 24th</u> BIG 1.30 pm	<u>Sunday 24th</u> AGM 2.30pm <u>Thursday 28th</u> BIG 1.30pm	<u>Thursday 26th</u> BIG 1.30 pm	<u>Thursday 23rd</u> BIG Christmas Lunch	<u>Thursday, 7th</u> Christmas Function 5.30 for 6pm
Sunshine Coast	<u>Saturday 15th</u> Bursary Presentation Brunch [UG USC]	<u>Saturday 26th</u> Morning Tea and Welcome to new members	<u>Saturday 23rd</u> AGM		<u>Saturday 11th</u> Breakfast and presentation of Refugee and Indigenous Bursaries	
ADFAS Gold Coast Branch Inc. GWQ Gold Coast Members' availability limited on these dates	<u>Saturday 15th</u> Lecture and Morning Tea 9.30am	<u>Saturday 19th</u> Lecture and Morning Tea 9.30am	<u>Saturday 23rd</u> Lecture and Morning Tea 9.30am	<u>Saturday 21st</u> Lecture and Morning Tea 9.30am	AGM and Christmas Function Details TBA	

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Membership

Renewal and Application Form 2022/23



PERSONAL DETAILS

(NAME ONLY REQUIRED IF NOTHING ELSE HAS CHANGED IN THE PAST YEAR)

Title:	Given Name/s:	Surname:
		Former Surname
Home Address:		
Suburb:	State:	Postcode:
Mailing Address: (if different from above)		
Suburb:	State:	Postcode:
Home Phone: ()	Mobile:	
Preferred email:		

HIGHEST QUALIFICATION (ONLY REQUIRED IF CHANGED IN THE PAST YEAR)

Qualification:	Institution:	Surname:	Year:

CIVIL HONOURS (ONLY REQUIRED IF CHANGED IN THE PAST YEAR)

Honour:	Details:	Year:

MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTION for financial year 1July 2022 to 30 June2023

Graduate Women Qld. Inc	\$25
Donation to Graduate Women Qld Inc Scholarship Fund (optional)	
Darling Downs Branch \$20	\$
Donation to Graduate Women Darling Downs Scholarship Fund (optional)	
Fellowships Fund Inc (FFI) \$5	\$
Gold Coast Branch \$30	\$
Donation to Graduate Women Qld Gold Coast Scholarship Fund (optional)	
Sunshine Coast Branch \$30	\$
Donation to Graduate Women Sunshine Coast Scholarship Fund (optional)	
Total Payment	\$

PAYMENT METHOD

Direct Debit: If paying by Direct Debit please record your name on electronic payment slip and send confirmation number and/or scan of your Bank's confirmation to the Treasurer: carolalittle@bigpond.com

Account Name: Graduate Women Qld Inc. **Bank:** nab **BSB No:**084-462 **Account No:** 929424531

Cheque: Please mail this form and payment to: **GWQ Treasurer, PO Box 146, CHEVRON ISLAND Q4217**

DECLARATION: I, the undersigned, hereby apply for renewal of Membership of Graduate Women Qld Inc (GWQ Inc) and other branches as noted above.

SIGNATURE OF Member Date: / / (name only required, if sending electronically)

Privacy Statement: GWQ Inc. maintains a database of names, addresses and other information relevant to membership of the Association and for the purpose of mailing information, publications, notification of events etc and providing services and benefits to members. A member may request a copy of personal information held by the Association.