



## NEWS LETTER

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### Altrusa International of Cambridge Leading to a better Community BRANCHING OUT

Altrusa is an International non-profit organisation making our local communities better through leadership, partnership and service. We are civic minded people who strive to create better communities worldwide.

#### PRESIDENTS REPORT

While my calendar has me flying out on Friday to visit my Brisbane family the calendar for our club is looking rather busy. I'm home again April 8<sup>th</sup>.

Ali will be hosting our visiting guest for the evening Denys Astin

This clip from her email explains her present role on the Board.

My name is Denys Astin. I am a member of Altrusa in Levin, where I have been President for the last 2 years. I am a Director on the District Fifteen Board and the representative for your club on the District Fifteen Board.

Please remember to wear your name badge.

Lyn's presentation about her work will be fascinating and I am sorry to miss it.

Preparations for our Fashion parade are well underway. Jenny and her committee have met and Jenny will update everyone at the meeting .

Janet will have the tickets ready to distribute for you to sell to friends and family. We have kept the ticket price at \$30.

We did offer to support Hamilton with Conference and have been asked to look after one of the workshops -Toiletry bags for Woman's refuge. Janet has the supply of pre-cut lining material and those of us with spare fabric will make basic bags in advance. If you can help with this please see Janet for the lining material.

If you are going to Conference any thoughts on something we could do as a group for **Paint the town Red** theme. My only thought was plastic red flowers as head circle or pinned to dress. Clearly I'm not keen to do too much!

Keep warm

Glenda

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### House Keeping

**President:**     **Glenda Little** – Please refer to your Year Book for Glenda’s Phone, email and address.

**Secretary:**    **De-ane Busby** - Please refer to your Year Book for De-ane’s phone, email and address.

**Editor:**         **Janet McComb** - Please refer to your Year Book for Janet’s phone, email and address

**Business Meeting:**    **Thursday March 28th**

**Board Meeting:**    **3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday April venue to be advised**

**Taylor Made (Formerly Community Centre Taylor Street)**

**Meet from 5.45 onwards**

**Dinner will be at 6.30 onwards.**

**Please bring your own dinner plate and cutlery**

**Glass and drink of choice .**

**Cost will still be the same \$20.00 for dinner which will include the room hire and \$5.00 for the raffle.**

**I need to have apologies by Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup>. Joanne will be ordering the Pizza on Wednesday for Thursday pickup.**

Joanne’s phone number is in your Year book

### REMINDERS

**We are collecting toiletries for the Salvation Army again.**



Janet McComb 26th

### Membership/Social/Service Committee Report

We had a meeting during the week and have organised the meeting for next Thursday evening. Our speaker this month is Lyn a Member who is going to speak about her job. We also have a visitor from District 15, please try to remember to wear your badge.

### Fashion Show

The venue, Fashion Houses and tickets are all organised. Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April, 7.00pm Lyceum House.

We have sorted the bubbly and the flutes and are hoping to have some music during the interval. Food still needs to be finalized. We are having small savouries which Glenda is going to do and Bellini’s with cream cheese and salmon which I will probably do. We also thought that small sandwiches with cream cheese and date filling and maybe cheese and crackers. Please think about anything else you think maybe suitable and if you are available during the afternoon to help.

### Friday Lunches

Five members had a very enjoyable lunch at Clementine’s early this month. Our next lunch is on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April and we are going to Onyx. They have given us vouchers for spot prizes at our Fashion Parade so I think we should support them. I will send an email early that week to remind you and also let you know the time.

Jenny

## Communications/Literacy

Very little to report this month.

But a very big thank you to Janet McComb and Glenda Little for the amazing effort they put into an entry to the Mamie L. Bass Service award with our project - "*Be a Santa to a Senior*".

To me it is a "winner" but we will have to see if the judges agree.



Alison, Joanne, Jenny, Janet, Maureen and Helen were all presented with service badges. The years of service between them totalled 110 years

A wonderful achievement.

Ali and Glenda cutting the Birthday cake at our February meeting.



