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### Looking out for family

LAWYERS have a reputation for looking after themselves but it is amazing the amount of unrecognised charity work firms do.

The Brisbane Family Law Centre recently held a pantomime and auction night to raise money for SANDBAG, which campaigns against domestic violence.

BFLC partner Clarissa Rayward (pictured) said family lawyers were very aware of the major problems caused by domestic violence in the community. On average SANDBAG, which operates in Brisbane's north, deals with 30 calls a month.

Ms Rayward handed a cheque for nearly \$9000 to founder Heather Oakes.



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THE travel plans of thousands of passengers have been thrown into chaos after Qantas last night grounded its fleet of A380 aircraft in response to yesterday's dramatic engine explosion over Indonesia.

As Australian air safety investigators arrive in Singapore to start their inquiries, Qantas is scrambling to bring home the 440

passengers who were aboard flight QF32 to Sydney and to reschedule flights from the US and Sydney.

It warned of disruptions across its network as it grounded all six of its flagship airliners, the world's biggest passenger planes.

Yesterday's flight was forced back to Singapore soon after take-off when a port engine exploded,

raining debris on Batam Island. Passengers reportedly were surprisingly calm through their ordeal. But the drama was underscored by Victorian mother Sue Wooster, who wrote on Facebook: "Very scary - was on wing seat and saw explosion and damage to wing. Had a harrowing 2 hours in air."

While no one was injured in the

plane or on Batam, the grounding of the fleet has triggered serious safety concerns about aircraft maintenance. Qantas immediately came under attack from the Australian Licensed Aircraft Engineers Association, which linked mechanical problems to the outsourcing of maintenance work. Qantas said it stood by its safety record.

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29° Cairns Shower

27° Townsville Shower

28° Rockhampton Shower or two

23° Gold Coast Showers

23° Sunshine Coast Showers

20° Toowoomba Showers