



Lions International Australia

District 201V3

Newsletter



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We are into September already and I'm still trying to work out what happened to July and August. Apart from having the best time of my life visiting clubs all over the district I don't seem to remember much else. It almost reads like the song I've Been Everywhere Man.

I am yet to smell the mountain air but it won't be long now as we roll in to September I will begin to see a little of the high country.

But enough of this, I had a fantastic time at all the clubs I've visited and done some remarkable presentations.

I have been to a Ride For Sight meeting and visited Koo Wee Rup Lions.

I've been to the Lakes Entrance Lions for Convention meetings smelt sea air at Inverloch and San Remo New Haven, (Great Afternoon Tea) then to Sale to induct the new member for Stratford, Neville Gutteridge, (welcome Neville).

Then on to Yinnar for a great night and the biggest feast of pizza I have ever had, then Pakenham where I ate the most delightful sweet cupcakes. Balnarring for a three course Roast dinner and the absolute pleasure of giving Noel Hicklin his Official Life Membership Certificate, also had the pleasure of springing a Life Membership on PDG David Barnes as he passed through on his way from England to his new post in Western Australia.



Then the week was capped off with a visit to Heyfield, another meal and dessert was my favourite Pavlova with ice cream and berries my favourite.

So I have let my trousers out and ordered bigger shirts, they may be a little too big but I figure I will fill them by October.

Talking about October, I hope that you have all registered or are about to for the Lakes Entrance Convention 23, 24 & 25th October. Get in quick for accommodation as they tell me that it is filling fast. The Official Party will be staying at the Central Motel a mere 50 metre walk to the Convention Centre. Going back to the Ride For Sight, if you are intending to indulge yourself in this ride early 2016, now is the time to get your bike out of the shed and limber up those muscles. I will be at the Ride next year and will certainly ride off into the wild blue yonder with the rest of the team enjoying the ride. Also if you are at Loch Sport, Yarram, Rye or Trafalgar, I will see you in the next week and I will be selling One Shot One Life Measles Rubella Badges, doing my bit to raise 60 million Dollars for a worldwide cure for Rubella and I will certainly ask you to do your bit to help me meet my target. Ask me where I have set my target when I visit your club

And please don't forget my motto, "Lions Providing Incentives, Assistance And Infrastructure To Create Excellent Communities".

United In Friendship and Service D G Ian

CABINET SECRETARY'S REPORT

We have a new Branch Club - Our new Club Branch of Berwick-Beaconsfield has been approved by LCI as a branch of Endeavour Hills. Mail Address is PO Box 39, Beaconsfield 3807, President is Lesley Farrell (Stephen) (M)0408 536 203. Secretary Alan Hardie (M)0413 814 606. Club email address

berwickbeaconsfieldlions@gmail.com

Other Important Directory Changes

- i) Amend Red Hill & District Club email address to rossenellie@westnet.com.au
- ii) Amend Longford Club email address to laustin48@hotmail.com
- iii) Add Email address for Mallacoota Lions – realestate@mallacoota.com
- iv) Ken Blay, Drugs in the Community and Lion Sheryl Blay, Historian, have a new home telephone number (03) 5915 3613.
- v) Bruthen Lions Club email address is now – bruthenlions@gmail.com.

MMR's and RETURN No. 1

15 Clubs did not access the MyLCI site to update their officeholders for 2015-2016, just under 25% of our Clubs. This was a very poor effort but probably caused by some Secretaries being unsure of how it is done. Please contact me if you have a problem.

Some Clubs have had to be chased up for their updates of MMR's online and also their Activities reporting and remember if you are having trouble with the Activities reporting, don't hesitate to ring IPDG Joyce who will be only too willing to assist. Extremely disappointing to have to chase Clubs for their Return No 1 – membership as at 30/6/15, thought we would have had a much better response to our first deadline. **Remember to read the deadline dates on the list provided to all Club Secretaries which was distributed at the Information Day.**

DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S CLUB VISIT PROGRAM

IMPORTANT. It is extremely important to advise me ASAP of the suitability of the date projected for a DG team visit to your Club as we try to finalise the District Governor Team's visit schedule as I am still resolving some change requests from Clubs but almost there. The **questionnaires** from all Clubs help to ensure that the DG Team (DG Ian and his VDG's) have the most updated information available for them when one of the Team members visits your Club. **It is extremely important to advise me of any changes to the meeting venue and time etc.**

D.G. Team's commitments & visits for September are:

MD Council Meeting – Sydney	Sept. 1-3
Lions Club of Loch Sport	8
Lions Club of Pakenham (40 th)	12
Lions Club of Phillip Island (AC)	13
Lions Club of Yarram	14
Lions Club of Rye	15
Lions Club of Trafalgar	16
Lions Club of Mt. Erica	20
Lions Club of Rosebud (AC)	20
Lions Club of Rosedale	22
Lions Club of Warragul	23
Licola Board	27

N.B. - (AC) defines 1ST VDG Anita Culpitt, (AM) defines 2nd VDG Andrew McMahon, all others are DG Ian Gratton.

DISTRICT CONVENTION

A further reminder that we have a number of closing dates for Nominations this month. Please note that these dates will be strictly adhered to.

These dates are:

- **Nominations for the Licola Board of Management positions** to close on **23rd September 2015**
- **Nominations for the Victorian Lions Foundation position** to close on **23rd September 2015**

Please remember that all of these nominations must be sent to

PDG Lion Peter McShane
Cabinet Secretary
40 Quigley Crescent
Churchill Vic 3842

petergmcshane@yahoo.com.au

NEW MEMBERS

Congratulations are extended to the following new members

New Member	Club	Sponsor
Ron House	Flinders Dist	Keith Hando
Dawn Tisdale	Korumburra	Ian Wilson
Chloe Royle	Lakes Entrance	Timothy Rogerson
Valerie Lindsay	Morwell	Julie Ryan
Michael Bold	Mount Martha	Richard Johnson
Kate Sanders	Sale	Steve Boyce
Neville Gutteridge	Stratford	Ben Davies
Shirley McConville	Toora	John Spooner
Benjamin Spooner	Toora	Heather Spooner
Peter Hammond	Warragul	Tom Nunan

Lois Geary	Yarram	Anthony Mitchinson
Annette Mitchinson	Yarram	Anthony Mitchinson

DEPARTED MEMBERS

A reminder to all Clubs that all members of our Lions family who have passed away in the past twelve months prior to our Lakes Entrance District Convention, will be honoured at the Lakes Entrance Convention, please be sure to send me details on **Return No. 3** with a short write up and a photo. If you have no bereavements, still send me your return no 3 with "Nil" written on it.

HELP!

We need your assistance to locate the DG's best Club award known as the May & Norm McPherson trophy. If you have any information, please contact me – no names, no packdrill, I would just like to find it. We have already spoken to Trafalgar & Traralgon with unfortunately no new leads.

MY THOUGHT FOR THIS EDITION

Thought for this month - Never ask Google for medical advice. I have gone from having a 'mild headache' to 'clinically dead' in 3 clicks!"

Please contact me by telephone, mail or e-mail if I can assist you in any way at all. I will do my best to assist all of our Clubs and District Officers throughout the coming year.

Lion Peter McShane
Cabinet Secretary

YOUTH EXCHANGE

District Lions. The time is fast approaching when applications will close for youth going overseas on a youth exchange experience. The exchange begins in early December and ends in mid January. There are 23 countries for youth to choose from. Interested youth need to approach their nearby Lions Club for nomination and sponsoring. The required contacts and forms are all on the website at www.lionsclubs.org.au/ye and once filled in need to be sent to me at 104 Wentworth Road, Wonthaggi 3995. The youth require a medical check, passport and approval from parents or guardians. Any questions can be forwarded to me on

neil-barnes@bigpond.com

or on 03 5672 2559 at any time. The closing date for applications is 30th September every year. Costs for the exchange are mentioned on the website and are all inclusive. The age bracket is from 16-21 years. Please get your applications in ASAP.

Lion Neil Barnes
DC of YE 201V3

Lions Hearing Dogs says THANK YOU for the support from your Clubs during the 2014/2015 year and we trust we can look forward to your support in the future. Listed below are the donations for the 2014/2015 Lions year. This includes, dog sponsorship, purchase of merchandise and donations.

Lions Club	Bairnsdale Inc.	\$1,000
Lions Club	Berwick Inc.	\$200
Lions Club	Churchill & District Inc.	\$200
Lions Club	Cranbourne Inc.	\$200
Lioness Club	Dromana	\$1,000
Lions Club	Drouin Inc.	\$250
Lioness Club	Endeavour Hills	\$100
Lions Club	Endeavour Hills Inc.	\$100
Lions Club	Flinders District Inc.	\$750
Lions Club	Frankston Inc.	\$1,000
Lions Club	Heyfield Inc.	\$500
Lions Club	Inverloch & District Inc.	\$500
Lions Club	Karingal Inc.	\$150
Lions Club	Koo Wee Rup & Dist	\$100
Lions Club	Korumburra Inc.	\$1,000
Lions Club	Lakes Entrance	\$100
Lions Club	Lindenow Inc.	\$1,000
Lions Club	Loch Sport Inc.	\$200
Lions Club	MacAlister Valley-Newry Inc.	\$200
Lions Club	McCrae & District Inc.	\$250
Lions Club	Metung Inc.	\$200
Lions Club	Moe Inc.	\$300
Lions Club	Mount Eliza Inc.	\$2,000
Lions Club	Mt Erica Inc.	\$100
Lions Club	Mt Martha Inc.	\$1,000
Lions Club	Omeo Inc.	\$200
Lions Club	Sale Inc.	\$200

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Lioness Club	Trafalgar Inc	\$300
Lions Club	Traralgon Inc	\$500
Lioness Club	Vermont	\$1,000
Lioness Club	Warragul	\$400
Lions Club	Warragul Inc.	\$1,000
Lions Club	Willow Grove & District Inc.	\$300
Lions Club	Yarragon Inc.	\$500
Lions Club	Yarram Inc	\$200
Lions Club	Yinnar & District Inc.	\$300
	TOTAL	\$17,300

Lion Peter Harrison
Chairman, Lions Hearing Dogs

Moe was the sponsoring club and host...ing clubs were Lions Village Licola, Heyfield, Sale, Loch Sport, Toora, Rosedale, Maffra, Longford, Yarram, Churchill, Traralgon and Moe. We thank these clubs for a great job in making the ride a success.

Many thanks also must go to our fantastic volunteers and the Committee, for their sterling efforts. It's no easy task to organise and manage an event such as this. Much work goes into the planning and execution of the ride to ensure it runs smoothly and safely.

The total amount raised from the ride is in excess of \$52,000. We have passed on \$50,000 to CERA to assist them in their fight against eye disease. So please advise your sponsors of this and tell them you're looking forward to their support again in 2016.

Lions Club Ride for Sight



This year we rode 370 km from Licola to Moe via Sale, Yarram, and Rosedale. It was a fantastic ride with perfect weather for cycling - no rain and mostly tail winds.

There were many highlights, some of which were the stunning morning on day 1 at Licola, magnificent hill climbs, beautiful rain forests, great meals and morning and afternoon teas and plenty of camaraderie. Many new friendships were struck up and old acquaintances renewed.

Engaging Our Youth

Mount Eliza Lions is continuing its support for youth in the local community. One of the International Challenges for Clubs is a focus on "Engaging Our Youth", to be empowered at every opportunity; with this in mind, the Mt Eliza Club has supported the Mt Eliza Primary School Grade 6 students as they take on the role of First Tears Mediators to handle playground friendship issues at their school.

Lion Dennis Cleary recently presented a donation from the Mt Eliza Club to provide vests and badges for the First Tear Mediators. "This is a highly worthwhile activity for these young students, giving them the opportunity for personal growth and responsibility", said Dennis "The Lions Club will continue to support this project in years to come".

In a further "Engaging Our Youth" opportunity, the Mt Eliza Lions Club is pleased to announce that Emma Wiggins who represented their Club in the National Finals of Lions Youth of the Year, has completed her Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award. We congratulate Emma on this achievement and are even more pleased to be able to recommend Emma for the ADF Long Tan Youth Leadership and Teamwork Award. We hope she is successful.

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Easy does it: Mt Eliza Lion Dennis Cleary presents Mt Eliza pupils with their First Tear Mediation vests.

Emma gets gold Duke

MT ELIZA Lions Club members have praised Mt Eliza's Emma Wiggins for completing her gold Duke of Edinburgh Award. The Toorak College student represented them in the national finals of the Lions Youth of the Year quest.

"This is the highest level of the award which is outstanding and we congratulate Emma on her achievement," treasurer Ian Davey said.

"We are even more pleased to be able to recommend Emma for the ADF Long Tan Youth Leadership and Teamwork Award. We hope she is successful."

This leadership and teamwork award recognises youth who are able to maintain top school marks while demonstrating leadership and teamwork in their school life and community. It was named after a bat-

tle between Viet Cong soldiers and a vastly outnumbered Australian force during the Vietnam conflict.

Emma – who also won the public speaking section of the Youth of the Year quest – was selected as part of the Lions International's "Engaging Our Youth" policy as it heads towards its centenary celebrations in 2017.

In another Lions' youth engagement last week, Mt Eliza charter member Dennis Cleary presented a cheque to pay for vests and badges worn by Mt Eliza Primary School's grade 6 First Tear Mediators when handling playground friendship issues at their school.

"This is a highly worthwhile activity for these young students, giving them the opportunity for personal growth and responsibility", Mr Cleary said. "The Lions club will continue to support this project in years to come."

MEMBERSHIP WELFARE

District Governor Ian Gratton and the Lions family of District 201 V3 pass on their sincere condolences to the families of the following members, also to the Lions family who have had a bereavement in their family.

District Members passed away

Lion Brian Ahearne (M Jones)
Lion Lynette Bell
Lion Paul Flood
Lion Phil Grinter
Lion Noel (Bev) Thompson

Lions Club

Mlrboo North
Mornington
Rye
Rye
Trafalgar

Member's Family passed away

Lion Kevin Burns – Father
Lioness Helen Burns – Father In Law

Lions Club

Paynesville
Paynesville

Our caring thoughts and get well wishes are extended to the following members of the Lions family, whether it is they are recovering from major surgery or a minor cold. We wish you all a speedy recovery.

Also members' names that I have not received on the sick list,

We wish you good health and a full recovery.

Members on the Sick List

Lion Mary Hailes
Lioness President Lila Ayling
Lion John Watson
Lions Lady Norrie Little
PDG Lion Patrick Carolan
Lion David Chester
Lion Grant Cowley
Lion John Kerr
Lion Marilyn Kerr
Lion John Stevenson
Lion Jock Ure
Lion Jean Ure
Lion Mike Coady
Lion Russell Cooks
Lion Tom Newell
Lion Neil Grimshaw
Lion Max Erbs
Lion John Burton

Lions Club

Balla Balla
Dromana
Korumburra
Korumburra
Moe
Moe
Moe
Moe
Moe
Moe
Moe
Moe
Mt Martha
Trafalgar
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Lion Kay Freeburn

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LAKES ENTRANCE 2015

39th District 201V3 Convention

23rd, 24th & 25th October



SUN, SURF & SAND

Join us in the delightful lakeside fishing village of Lakes Entrance for the District 201v3 39th Annual

Convention! This is an experience not to be missed, with our theme being “Sun, Sand and Surf”, and will kick-off with a free welcoming BBQ on Friday afternoon.

Convention speakers include:
Adam Wake, CEO at Licola, sharing his extensive experience developing projects to assist youth-at-risk,
Ron Iddles OAM, a former member of the Victoria Police for 37 years, 25 years as a Senior Homicide Investigator and our Lions “Operation Friendship” guest from Canada!

You’ll witness the amazing Junior Public Speaking final, enjoy the company of like-minded Lions members for fellowship and share ideas to help your community.

And we need your all-important vote to elect District Leaders for the coming year.

Be prepared (and suitably attired!) for our Saturday night “Beach Party” dinner dance for loads of fun!

And if you stay through to Melbourne Cup weekend, you can experience all our region has to offer, including wine and food trails, lake tours, fishing, and plenty more! Register now for the District 201v3 Annual Convention, Lakes Entrance, October 23rd to 25th.

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