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District 201V3 Newsletter



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Well it's that time of the month again. It would be so much easier if I didn't do anything, but then again only easier for me.

The month of February must be the month that the gremlins come out and attack Lions Clubs, or at least get into the Secretary's pocket.

I seem to have spent half my time doing revisits, answering calls or catching up with Clubs that have not yet been visited. Every time I see light at the end of the tunnel somebody seems to blow it out. But all in all it has been another fantastic fun filled month, well it was until I hit the wombat at Poowong East.

I've got to tell you about a couple of February visits. First to Lakes Entrance, where I stayed with the Ardleys, (Cynthia and Bruce), better hosts you would be battling to find and of course Lakes was my Convention Club so it was like old home week.

I inducted 4 new members had a great time handing out Service Chevrons and basically having a great time.

The following week I was at Poowong East for Strzelecki's visit. Well this is my charter club so it is safe to say that it was old home week, catching up with the Members and awarding, John Hutch with a Service Chevron, induct a New Member and have a great time. It's a little difficult when you visit your charter Club, the Zonie doesn't know what to say because the members know the DG better than the Zonie does.

The DG can't embellish the truth to make the story better as these are the blokes that watched you in those early days and worked alongside of you at Club Projects, but believe me the guys at Strzelecki still know how to

cook a great bar-b-que and their Lady folk sure know how to make a great dessert. It was fantastic to catch up with the Olsens, as Kelvin has been so unwell over the last few months.

Well that's about it from me for this month I hope that your year is as good as mine and I wish you and your Cub all the best for the rest of the Lions year

DG Ian

STOP PRESS

District Changeover will be held on 3rd July 2016. More details will be published when they are finalised.

CABINET SECRETARY'S REPORT

IMPORTANT CHANGE

I have just been advised that the date for the Korumburra Lions Deb Ball has been changed from March 18 to Saturday April 30 as per the amended schedule below.

DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S CLUB VISIT PROGRAM

It is extremely important to advise me of any changes to the meeting venue and time etc.

D.G.'s commitments & visits for March/April/May/June are:

Lions Club of Leongatha	March 9
Youth of the Year Dist Final	20
Licola Board	20
Ride for Sight	Mar 31 – Apr 3
Youth of the Year State Final	April 23
Lions Club of Korumburra Deb Ball	30
Cabinet Meeting – Trafalgar	May 1
MD Council Meeting – Echuca	9-11
MD Convention – Echuca	12-16

(DG's Program Continued)

VLF Meeting	May29
Licola Board	29
Strzelecki C/O	June 8
Licola AGM	26

NEW MEMBERS

Congratulations are extended to the following new members:

New Member	Club	Sponsor
Gail Mason	Cranbourne	Kerrie McMahon
Hilton Campbell	Lakes Entrance	Wendy Brady
Hayden Evans	Lakes Entrance	Wendy Brady
Larry Whelan	Lakes Entrance	Wayne Eldridge
Leonard Prettejohn	Lakes Entrance	Bruce Ardley
Rosemarie Feher	Longford	Laurel Austin
Roslyn Ferres	McCrae & District	John Parrent
David Barker	Paynesville	Roger Wilson
Patricia Barker	Paynesville	Roger Wilson
Larni Karehana-Koruarua	Paynesville	Marguerite Byrne
Neil Sach	Paynesville	Ken Ford
Geoff Poulton	Rye	Raymond Wilson
Lynn Poulton	Rye	Raymond Wilson
Michael Marten	Warragul	Tom Nunan

PHOTOS & ARTICLES

If you have any photos and/or articles pertaining to DG Ian's visit to your Club, could you please send them to Sue Gratton email sue7745@gmail.com

RETURN Nos 5 & 6

These are required by 30th March for MD Convention Delegates and also the names of Lions, Lions Partners, Lionesses, & Leos from your Club who have passed away since the previous MD Convention for the Remembrance Ceremony. These forms can be downloaded from our V3 Website under "Club Resources". Please note the change of due date (previously 10 April!).

MY THOUGHT FOR THIS EDITION

Life isn't about how you survived the storm... it's about how you danced in the rain!

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 Lions throughout the coming year.

Lion Peter McShane
Cabinet Secretary

Lions Insurance Queries?

Go to the District Website
<http://201v3.lions.org.au/>

Left click on "**CLUB RESOURCES**", then left click on "Insurance" and finally left click on the text or picture.

This will take you to the Australian Lions Website, Insurance Section.

There you will find Claim Forms, Certificate of Currency and anything else you may need concerning Lions Insurance

Multiple District Convention Echuca

"V" District's & "T" District's Dinner
Saturday 14 May 2016,
6.00 pm for 6.30 pm
Moama Sports Club,
Perricoota Road,
Moama

Bookings - PDG Norm McPherson
03 5655 2361
Cost: \$20 head
Always a good night, book early
Don't miss out



LIONS HOUR
Thursdays 5.00pm - 6.00pm

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Australian Lions Drug
Awareness
Foundation

Available from Australian Lions Drug Awareness Foundation Incorporated (ALDAF) are various resources to assist all clubs with Alcohol & Drug Awareness projects. There is a cost associated with these resources but it is very reasonable and assists ALDAF with their ongoing projects. The resources deal with the following :-

- Alcohol posters
- Cannabis & Standard Drinks poster
- Drugs & Depression, Alcohol & Ice DVD's
- 10 steps brochures "no to drugs" "getting along" "smoke free"
- Safe Partying brochure
- Drug Education Network brochures
- "Try Hugs not Drugs" badges & stickers
- Kids & Drug – a parents guide package
- Big Book on Drugs
- Big Book on Cannabis
- Big Book on Party Drugs
- Mind your Head book - mental illness which led to drugs or from drugs
- Boswell's Dilemma - CD Rom dealing with prescription medicines.

For more information please browse the ALDAF web site www.aldaf.org.au

Ken Blay

Drugs in the Community Co-ordinator.

Collectors Corner

Your DG is a collector of all things Lions that's right badges, Lions memorabilia etc, etc. If you have it and don't want it anymore give me a call and I will make arrangements to call and pick it up

Fruit Stickers

You have all seen them when you buy fruit, well I had a sister in law who collected them for several years, sadly she has passed away and my brother would like to pass them on to another collector. There are several photo albums of them as each grower has a different code for his farm and each fruit has a different code as well as they are printed with the name of the fruit, very colourful and inexpensive to collect the fruit sticker collection is simply looking for

a good home, a great way to start a child on the way to a great hobby, once again if you want them phone DG Ian 0419 894 974

LIONS BIGGEST BBQ 2016



Lions Biggest BBQ is an annual fundraising event undertaken by many of the 1,400 Clubs across the country. This year the BBQ can take place at any time during March/April/May, when it best suits your Club. Funds raised will be used to help achieve ALCCRF's mission to prevent kids with cancer dying by raising funds nationally and donating these funds to the best scientific and clinical childhood cancer research conducted right across Australia.

"It never ceases to amaze me what Aussies can do when they work together" said Peter Lamb, Trustee of ALCCRF. Who would have thought the good old Aussie Barbie could have been used to help Lions raise over \$5 million for childhood cancer research. Well that's what we have done but the job's not over. More than 700 Australian kids are diagnosed every year with various forms of childhood cancer and unfortunately we are still seeing around three kids dying every week.

Many of the 1,300 Lions Australia clubs will hold barbecues during April to raise funds for medical research into the causes and prevention of, and to find a cure for, childhood cancer. Why Lions have been passionately supporting childhood cancer research since 1996 is very simple. "We believe every child deserves the chance at a healthy life" said Peter Lamb.

This annual event gives Clubs across the country the opportunity to support their own Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation's vision of 100% Survival for kids with

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The Lions Biggest BBQ is a great way to promote Lions Australia and to raise awareness in your community

Contact Lion Jessie Walker - 0427 455 203 for more information.

Lion Jessie is prepared to attend your BBQs and assist in any way she can.

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

Member	Club
Lion Sam Mall	Mt Eliza
Lion Jean Uri	Moe

Member's Family passed away

Lion Kevin Byrne's Mother	LC Trafalgar
Lion Rod Jackson's Mother	LC Mirboo Nth
Lion Len Collier's Brother	LC Sale
Lion Neil Cook's Son In Law	LC Cranbourne
Lion Heather Campbell's Mother	LC Taralgon

Our caring thoughts and get well wishes are extended to the following members of the Lions family, whether 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 Kevin Morgan	LC Wellington Latrobe
Lion John Hogan	LC Mirboo North
Lion Graham McKenzie Charter Member	LC Trafalgar
Lion Sam Bergheor	LC Toora
Lion Jenny Saunders	LC Wellington – La Trobe

All Welfare matters are to be submitted to Lion Kay Freeburn before the 12th of the month please. If I am required to send a card, please supply the name and Mailing address that the card is to be sent to.

Lion Kay Freeburn
District 201 V3 Member Welfare Chairperson
Mobile 0410 052 988
kay.freeburn5@bigpond.com

Lions District 201 V3 Club Members Information Day

This annual event is a great opportunity for all Lions to:

- help plan for a successful 2016/17 year for your Club
- network with other Club members and District Officers
- develop skills for undertaking Club roles
- obtain information and ask questions about Lions
- take away ideas for you to get more from being a Lion

All Club members are welcome, particularly Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers and Membership Chairmen

Sunday 29th May, 2016

at **Federation University, Churchill campus**

- * Enter via Northways Road, then turn left at McDonald Way. Carpark is then the first turn on your right.

The day will commence at 9.00am sharp and conclude at approx. 3.00pm – tea and coffee will be provided from 8.30.

Light lunch provided; please advise of special dietary needs.

The cost for each attendee will be \$5.00.

RSVP by 10th May, please

Bookings must be made by contacting Neil Wingrave on

* 0428362755, or * nwingrave@optusnet.com.au



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