



*Lions International Australia*

# *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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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               |
| <b>Youth of the Year Dist Final</b>  | <b>20</b>             |
| <b>Licola Board</b>                  | <b>20</b>             |
| <b>Ride for Sight</b>                | <b>Mar 31 – Apr 3</b> |
| <b>Youth of the Year State Final</b> | <b>April 23</b>       |
| Lions Club of Korumburra<br>Deb Ball | 30                    |
| <b>Cabinet Meeting – Trafalgar</b>   | <b>May 1</b>          |
| <b>MD Council Meeting – Echuca</b>   | <b>9-11</b>           |
| <b>MD Convention – Echuca</b>        | <b>12-16</b>          |

(DG's Program Continued)

|                     |              |
|---------------------|--------------|
| <b>VLF Meeting</b>  | <b>May29</b> |
| <b>Licola Board</b> | <b>29</b>    |
| Strzelecki C/O      | June 8       |
| <b>Licola AGM</b>   | <b>26</b>    |

### 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](mailto:sue7745@gmail.com)

### RETURN Nos 5 & 6

These are required by 30<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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<br>Charter Member | LC Trafalgar                |
| Lion Sam Bergheor                      | LC Toora                    |
| Lion Jenny Saunders                    | LC Wellington –<br>La Trobe |

All Welfare matters are to be submitted to Lion Kay Freeburn before the 12<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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 29<sup>th</sup> 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 10<sup>th</sup> May, please

Bookings must be made by contacting Neil Wingrave on

\* 0428362755, or \* [nwingrave@optusnet.com.au](mailto:nwingrave@optusnet.com.au)

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