



Lions International - Australia

District 201 V3 Newsletter



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December 2011

Thank you to all who came to Wonthaggi for the Convention and AGM. A special thank you must go to International Director PCC Eddy Widjanarko, from Indonesia, for his attendance over the three days. Friday nights opening by The Hon. Ken Smith MLA set the feeling for the next two days. The Flag Ceremony, comments by The Hon. Russell Broadbent MP and those by the Mayor of Bass Coast Shire, Cr Veronica Dowman were an inspiration to all present. The presentation by Bob Falconer APM was very well received as he gave it in a professional, impressive and in a manner that all present could understand clearly how to assist to make their communities a better place in which to live.

Saturday saw the delegates get down to business with elections and various motions to be considered during the first business session. The result of each of these is detailed elsewhere in this newsletter. Congratulations must go to all Lions elected to positions for the coming years in particular to Lions Donald Cameron (District Governor Elect), David Barnes (1st Vice District Governor) and Joyce Radford (2nd Vice District Governor).

PDG Ron Skeen OAM gave an informative presentation regarding Leo Clubs which should make some members think more in regard to the formation of a Leos Club in their area.

International Director PCC Eddy Widjanarko gave an important Key Note Address on Saturday afternoon and was very gracious in the awarding of International Presidents Appreciation Certificates to Lion Rev Phillips (Convention Secretary), Lion Glenda Paragreen and Lion Noelene Birnie. These presentations must be considered one of the highlights of the convention, as was the induction into Lionism of Professor Peter Blamey of the Bionics Institute of Australia.

At Saturday night's "Celebration Ball" Wonthaggi Lions President John Fleming JP was presented with a certificate for his fifty years of continuous Lions service to the community and the club presented with a Certificate from Lions Multiple District 201 for their fifty years of service.

The very impressive Remembrance Ceremony on Sunday proved to be a moving and highly emotional element of the convention. I wonder if the Korumburra Lions have reached their hometown yet after the receipt of the flags during the closing ceremony. The Barbeque lunch at the State Coal Mine also proved to be a great event, as did the breakfasts and various breaks in proceedings each day, where all Lions attending enjoyed fellowship and harmony.

Again thank you to the Lions Club of Wonthaggi for holding this convention and to all who participated in any way, whether it was as a speaker, a behind the scenes person or an exhibitor. It would be remiss of me if I did not pass the greatest thanks

possible to Lion Brendan McGreal, from Frankston Bay-side Club, for his excellent use of authority and his control of all sessions in his role as Sergeant at Arms.



Sheryl is making up a shadow box of pins from conventions since I became a Lions member. I have all pins, both District and Multiple District, except the **Moe 2001 district convention pin**. If any member has a spare pin from this convention please let me know and we should be able to come to some arrangement.



Sheryl and I both wish all members, their families and their friends Seasons Greetings and best wishes for a safe, prosperous and successful New Year.

Who was the first person to look at a cow and say "I think I'll squeeze those pink dangly things and drink whatever comes out" or to say "See that chicken there. I'm going to eat the next thing that comes out of it's bum"

Till next year
Ken

Kenneth H Blay
District Governor



From the Cabinet Secretary's Desk

How time flies when you are having fun. Can you believe that nearly six months of this Lions year is nearing an end. Please help me by having your WMMR's done before the end of December 2011. The number of members you record at the end of this month is the total that you will receive your account for from International, Multiple District and District. Remember when paying any of your Club dues they are sent to our Cabinet Treasurer Lion Peter Glanz – P.O. Box 23, Cranbourne 3977

The clubs that will be receiving a visit from your District Governor Ken and Lion Sheryl during December are –

- 6th. Lions Club of Bass Valley
- 7th. Lions Club of Mcalister Valley & District
- 8th. Lions Club of Narre Warren
- 12th. Lions Club of Willow Grove & District
- 13th. Lions Club of Rosebud
- 14th. Lions Club of Metung

It is my pleasure to introduce to District 201V3 our newest members from the Lions Clubs of -

Balla Balla – Prof. Peter Blamey sponsored by PDG Norma Barnard
Balla Balla – Lion Sharon Bruynen sponsored by Lion Darryl Sutcliffe
Koo Wee Rup & District – Lion Audrey Wong sponsored by Lion Geoffrey Gee
Orbost – Lion Barbara Anderson sponsored by Lion Adrian Woodman
Red Hill & District – Lion Barbara Wilson sponsored by Lion Lyn Connor
Rye – Lion Helen Turner sponsored by Lion Paul Flood
Wonthaggi – Lion Claire Stribbles sponsored by Lion Michelle Turner

There are a couple of changes that you may wish to note –
Lions Club of Bruthen are now meeting on the 2nd and 4th. Tuesday of the month.
Lions Club of Mt. Eliza has a new Secretary – Lion Neil Wingrave –
Phone (H)(03) 9579 1089 (M) 0428 362 755 nwin-grave@optusnet.com.au
Lions Club of Paynesville – Secretary Lion Roger Wilson – rleewilson@bigpond.com
Lions Club of Paynesville – Secretary Lion Lee Thomas – pen-insulathomas@mac.com
Lions Club of Narre Warren – email – narrewar-renlions@gmail.com

PDG George and I wish you all a very happy and safe Christmas. We hope that when the busy festive season is over you will be able to relax for a few weeks with family and friends and if you are travelling please take care.

Until 2012 my good wishes.

Norma Barnard
Cabinet Secretary

MEMBERSHIP WELFARE

District Governor Ken Blay and the Lions family of District 201 V3 pass on their sincere condolences to the following members who have had a bereavement in their family.

Member's family passed away Lions Club

Lion Chris Munro	Mother	Trafalgar
Lion Norman Lyons	Father	Rosedale
Lion Eva Wait	Sister-in-Law	Wellington-Latrobe
Lion's/L Dot Bryant	Father	Metung

Our caring thoughts and get well wishes are extended to the following members of the Lions family, whether it be 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 Lions Club

Lion Allan Loader	(Hospital)	Bairnsdale
Lion Kerrie McMahon	(Surgery)	Cranbourne
Lion Tom Shillito		Frankston
Lioness Cheryl McDougall	(Surgery)	Lakes Entrance
Lion Lynn Polson	(Surgery)	Mt Eliza
Lion Brian Parker	Broken Arm	Somerville
Lion Nola Clark	(Hospital)	Trafalgar
Lion Bev Godard	(Hospital)	Wellington-Latrobe
Lion Joy McLoughlin	(Surgery)	Wellington-Latrobe
Lion Kevin Morgan	(Hospital)	Wellington-Latrobe
Lion Eva Wait	Accident	Wellington-Latrobe
Lion's/L Eileen Gill		Frankston
Lion's/L Edna Jeffrey		Wonthaggi
Lioness Christine McLaren	(Surgery)	Dromana
Lioness Maureen Murray	(Surgery)	Dromana

All Welfare matters are to be submitted to Lion Joyce Radford 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. Please don't wait till the 12th of the month to notify me of a card that needs to be sent – It gets forgotten.

Lion Joyce Radford
District Member Welfare Chairman
Phone: 5155 1991 Mobile: 0412 018 617
Email: gamjradford@hotmail.com

LOST

The Charter Certificate of the Lions Club of Korumburra. Last seen at their changeover night.

If anyone knows the whereabouts of this important piece of Lions equipment please contact the Secretary of the Lions Club of Korumburra - Lion Jean Worthy -(03) 5655 1091 or email: aworthy@tpg.com.au

It is of interest that a Charter replacement cannot be obtained from International.



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AGM & Convention Report**

Results of Election Ballots

District Governor 2012-2013	Lion Don Cameron	Lions Club of Phillip Island
1st Vice District Governor 2012-2013	Lion David Barnes	Lions Club of Balnarring
2nd Vice District Governor 2012-2013	Lion Joyce Radford	Lions Club of Metung
District Representative to the Board of Lions Village Licola 2012-2014	Lion Graham Birrell	Lions Club of Karingal

Councillor – Victorian Lions Foundation 2012-2015
Lion Rod Jackson Lions Club of Mirboo North

Councillor – Victorian Lions Foundation present to June 30 2013
PDG Norma Barnard Lions Club of Balla Balla

Results of Voting for Notices of Motion

Notice of Motion 1 Carried Submitted by the Victorian Lions Foundation
Increases the number of Districts required to adopt a project from two to three to become a project under the umbrella of the VLF.

Adopts the Rheumatism & Arthritis Medical Research Foundation as a project under the umbrella of the VLF
Drops LEHP as a project under the umbrella of the VLF

Project Notice of Motion 1 Carried Submitted by the Lions Club of Wellington Latrobe
Continues Lions Club of Wellington Latrobe management of the Lions Australia Spinal Cord Fellowship for a further three years.

Project Notice of Motion 2 Carried Submitted by the Victorian Lions Foundation
Adopts the Lions Neurobionics Research Fund as a District Project. The fund is being established to support a Lions Neurobionics Research Fellow to follow up the work already done using the information gained in developing the Bionic Ear.

Constitutional Notice of Motion 1 Carried Submitted by District Cabinet
Corrects an anomaly in the Rules & Bylaws

Constitutional Notice of Motion 2 Carried Submitted by District Cabinet
Corrects an anomaly in the Rules & Bylaws

Constitutional Notice of Motion 3 Carried Submitted by Lions Club of Metung
Allows candidates for District office to distribute electioneering material by email.

Constitutional Notice of Motion 4 Carried (as amended) Submitted by Lions Club of Mt Eliza
Restores District funding to Hearing Dogs Program. The 25% share of the Districts Christmas cake rebate from MD201 is now restored. Additionally places a restriction on Clubs wishing to apply for funds from the Cake Allocation Fund. Clubs must now participate in selling Christmas Cakes in year of application to qualify for funding.

Constitutional Notice of Motion 5 Withdrawn Submitted by Lions Club of Cranbourne

Constitutional Notice of Motion 6 Withdrawn Submitted by Lions Club of Karingal

Constitutional Notice of Motion 7 Carried Submitted by District Cabinet
Changes the name of the District from “District 201V3 of the International Association of Lions Clubs Inc.” to “District 201V3 of Lions Clubs International Inc.”



The Inverloch & District Lions have had a busy few weeks with events and fundraising taking place that involved all members of the Club. Guests included visiting Lions from San Remo-Newhaven, Toora, Wonthaggi, Mirboo North and Leongatha together with members from the Inverloch Bowling Club. The profit of \$1,500 will be given to the YAMS Foundation.

The big event for the Club was the staging of the “Inverloch Family Fun Festival” (formerly the Inverloch Billy Cart Derby) on Sunday November 13th. The festival attracted a large crowd to Inverloch to watch the Billy Cart racing down the hill in Inverloch’s main Street and was preceded by a 1.5km, 5km and 10km fun run starting at 9.am.

Continual live country and western music was provided by local band “Buffalo Boys”, which included Inverloch Lions member Ken O’Neill and was enjoyed by all.



District Convention Wonthaggi 2011



The Lions Club of Rosedale with assistance from the Willow Grove Trail Riding Club, will host a trail ride to raise funds for the Leukemia Foundation. Altogether so far they have raised \$25,000 and are hoping more Lions will become involved.



The 2012 Heritage Packhorse Ride will be from Port Albert to Rosedale during the long weekend in March 2012.

For more information you can contact zone three chairman Peter Feenstra.

Pictured is Pam Mercer, lucky winner of the Grocery Grab raffle organised by the Lions Club of Mirboo North. Pam had just spent three minutes cramming goodies into her trolley. The time went quickly for Pam who almost missed out on the chockie aisle.

Final total of the groceries grabbed was \$248.

A final, well appreciated gesture on the part of IGA's Chris Bettles was to split the account and donate a bottle of bubbly. This amounted to a further donation to us as well as more positive publicity for this successful local business. The club was able to forward a cheque for \$638 to the Cord Blood Foundation.



Presentation to students of Paynesville Primary school for their efforts and participation in the Lions peace poster competition. This was the first time that students had taken part, forty one entries were submitted.



Welcome to our new Lioness club pictured above members the Paynesville Lioness club.

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Thank you for the survey feedback

To all Clubs in our District that have completed the Lions Development Survey - a big thank you. The data will be presented to the District Executive as soon as I get information from the last two Clubs.

Part of the survey questionnaires was centred on course attendance, and an option that I'm investigating for Lions development is self-paced learning online. To this end I have a number of Leadership-type courses available; these are not Lions courses, but are based around business awareness which is in line with Club management.

Now I'm looking for some candidates to pilot them and provide feedback.

If you are interested in enrolling in an online course in:

- Managing Priorities [Time Management]
- How to Develop Business Plans and Budgets
- How to Manage Stress
- How to Manage Workplace Conflict
- Introduction to Performance Management
- How to Communicate Effectively in the Workplace
- Business Writing Skills

You will need a computer [fairly up-to-date], access to the internet and an email address. If you don't have all of these things and are still keen to do the training we can look at some options [access through local library, etc..].

Each course's time varies between 1 to 2 hours; however as a trainee you can bookmark your place and pick-up where you left off at a later time.

If you are interested in this pilot, please send me an email, with your full details to nwingrave@aae.com.au ,

Neil Wingrave
District Global Leadership Co-ordinator

A civic reception was held on Thursday 27th October at the Safety Beach Community Centre and Yacht Club. Members of the lions club of Mt. Eliza were invited by Councilor Leigh Eustace to send a representation on behalf of lions, Past President Jim Dunlop and Lions lady Caroline attended. The event was well attended by approximately 100 representatives from many Peninsula organisations. His Excellency, the Governor of Victoria Alex Chernov. AO QC spoke glowingly of the work being undertaken by local volunteer agencies and congratulated the mayoral party on the comprehensive nature of his tour of local historical and scenic attractions. (Left to right: lion's lady Caroline, Zone chairman / President Lance Rechsteiner Zone Chairman Mornington LC, His Excellency and PP Lion Jim Dunlop). He commented on the wonderful community activities being carried out by Lions, and encouraged us to "keep up the good work".



IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

MELVIN JONES FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

Following the recent Board meeting in Hong Kong, LCIF has an important announcement to share with you regarding the MJF program.

Below are details regarding the expansion of the MJF program to include donations to five special program areas. Donors will now be able to receive MJF and PMJF credit when directing their support to:

- Disaster
- Humanitarian Needs (includes donations to the Measles Initiative)
- Sight
- Youth
- Area of Greatest Need

Restrictions beyond these five special areas will be honored by LCIF, but will not be eligible for MJF or PMJF credit. For example, a donation that is restricted to a specific disaster, such as an earthquake or tornado in a particular region, will not be eligible for credit toward an MJF or PMJF.

The MFJ program was established by LCIF in 1971 to recognize unrestricted donations of US\$1,000. Today, more than 75% of the funding received by the foundation annually is given through the MJF program. By expanding the recognition program, LCIF is able to recognize more individuals while continuing to support its many programs. The expanded program will also offer additional benefits, including:

- Donors will now have the opportunity to direct support to a desired special area
- LCIF will be able to immediately provide funds for large-scale disaster relief, rather than collecting and distributing funds over a period of weeks or months

Funding directed to "Area of Greatest Need" provides LCIF with the ability to financially support any program within the four general areas. Donors are encouraged to consider this opportunity when making a gift.

For further information please contact the undersigned.

PDG George H Barnard OAM
District Coordinator

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year
From the editor

