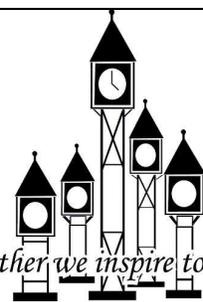




# Lions International - Australia

## District 201 V3 Newsletter



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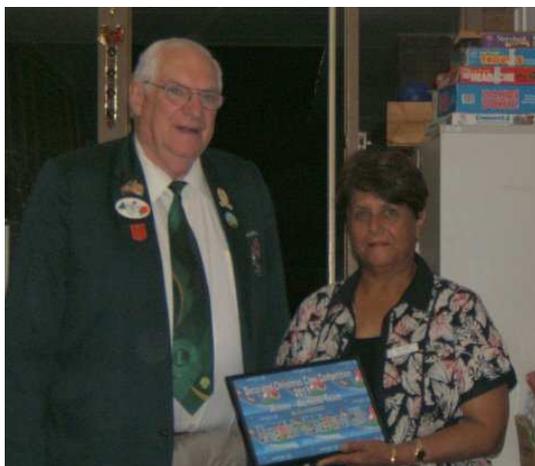
January 2012

Well another year over. The years certainly do go by faster and faster the older you get.

I hope that everyone received what they desired from Santa and that the 2012 year holds all that you wish for yourself and loved ones. The lead up to Christmas and the New year is usually a very busy time for Lions and this month things are a little bit quieter, I suppose, except for those clubs that rely on the influx of holiday makers to assist in their various fund raising activities. I hope that all members and their families had time to sit, relax and reflect on their life over the past 12 month. Sheryl and I certainly did and we came to the conclusion that the last half of this Lions year had better be a little slower than the first half.

Sheryl volunteered for "Grandma Duties" for three of the grandchildren who moved to Queensland over the holiday break so we will be away most of the month what with Grandma Duties and a Lions Council Meeting in Sydney over the weekend of 20 to 23 January not much left of the month – does not appear to be slowing down at all.

District Governor Ken presents Lion Dina Mariette with District Decorated Christmas Cake certificate for the women's team.



Now is the time to plan for attending the Multiple District Convention in Perth from 4<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> May. If you are attending please drop me an email as it would be nice to know how many from the district are planning to attend. If there is interest it may be possible to arrange a V3 or a V district's get together on the evening of Sunday the 6<sup>th</sup> May. Clubs have also been circulated, by a Lioness from Geelong, re possible coach tours to and around Western Australia. If you have not visited Western Australia previously I am sure you will be pleasantly surprised by the wonderful tourist things to see and do. Please give thought now as venues, coaches and accommodation needs to be booked to make a successful trip.

Elsewhere in this Newsletter you will find details regarding a trip to Alice Springs in July to assist the Lions Club of Alice Springs with the conduct of their Camel Cup Races. Give this

trip thought also. Both the event and the convention highlight how Lions can get to see this great country at the same time as enhancing their Lions experience.



Lions Clubs International has recently established the position of Multiple District Hearing Chairperson to facilitate greater teamwork between district representatives and the multiple district. This district does not have a specific representative for hearing and maybe we should. If you are interested in taking on this position for the upcoming year please let District Governor Elect Don Cameron know now - I have no objection to that person commencing their duties during the remainder of this year.

Why do people point to their wrist when asking for the time, but don't point to their bum when they ask where to toilet is ? and ladies - why does the Obstetrician, Gynaecologist leave the room while you get undressed if they are going to look up there anyway ?



Welcome: Endeavour Hills newest lion— Lion Kerrie Adams sponsored by Lion Linda Jones

*Ken*

Kenneth H Blay  
District Governor



*From the Cabinet Secretary's Desk*  
**HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

I hope you have all had a wonderful Christmas and looking forward to what your Club has planned for the remainder of this Lions year.

I'm hoping that the Club secretaries have made a new year's resolution to do their WMMR's early each month, District Governor Ken also wants Clubs to enter in their activities. Please remember that you can make changes during the month to your WMMR if you do it on the first of the month.

I've made a few new year resolutions myself so you won't be alone, I'm going to try really hard not to break mine.

There are a few things that need to be addressed during January – that is the filling out of Return No. 4 which lists each of your Club members. This form is due to me by the 15<sup>th</sup>. January 2012. Can you please distribute or show this list to your members to make sure that their current address is correct. I have found in recent months that some members haven't lived at the address shown on this form for three years or more. This makes a difference in the delivery of the Lions Magazine to mention just one use of the correct address.

District Governor Ken is having a little break from visits in January, not to say that he isn't busy as he has a Council meeting to attend over the weekend of the 20-22<sup>nd</sup> January 2012 in Sydney. I'm going to make sure that he keeps on track as I will also be going to Sydney to do the incoming Cabinet Secretary training.

Enclosed with this newsletter are the minutes of the Annual General Meeting & Convention held at Wonthaggi in October 2011.

Within the next couple of months there are things that the Clubs need to be aware of.

Cake allocation application – District Representative Lion Rob Stone has a separate article in this newsletter. Application forms are enclosed with this mail-out.

By 30<sup>th</sup>. March – Delegates and alternates for the Multiple District Convention in Perth

By 30<sup>th</sup>. March – Deceased members for Multiple District Convention in Perth

By 30<sup>th</sup>. March - PU101 – Club officers for 2012-2013. Complete immediately after elections.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS FROM THE LIONS CLUBS OF –

Endeavour Hills – Lion Kerrie Adams sponsored by Lion Linda Jones

Leongatha – Lion Don Barrett sponsored by Lion Adam Gordon

Loch Sport – Lion Jessica Brown sponsored by Lion Ralph Brown

Maffra – Lion Adrian Brown sponsored by Lion Richard Moulton

Maffra – Lion Richard Langshaw sponsored by Lion Wayne Marshall

Moe – Lion Joshua Stevenson sponsored by Lion Stuart Firth

Mornington – Lion Patricia Clingan sponsored by Lion Malcolm Baker

Morwell – Lion Laurence Lavery sponsored by Lion Max Williamson

Mt.Eliza – Lion Deidre King

Wonthaggi – Lion Claire Stribbles sponsored by Lion Michelle Turner

Changes – Lions Club of Bruthen please contact Lion Ray Amos – 5157 5338

Until next month, take care.

*Norma Barnard*  
*Cabinet Secretary*



**CHRISTMAS CAKE ACCOUNTS**

Just a gentle reminder to all Clubs that accounts for Lions Christmas Cakes and Puddings are to be paid to Top Taste by the end of January 2012. (Does not apply to TFM products)

Delays in paying the accounts may have a detrimental affect for the District Cake Allocation funds.

All previous applications made by Clubs from the Cake Application Funds have lapsed. Only monies held in our current Cake Fund will be disbursed.

Further info please contact Lion Rob Stone, District Representative Cakes, Puddings, Mints and Fudge.\

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## "Children Know Peace"

This was the theme for the 2011-12 Peace Poster Contest. Council Chairman, Peter Clarke ably assisted by Multiple District Chairman Helen Campbell, was involved in the national judging of the Peace Poster Contest held on Saturday, 3 December, 2011. The winning posters will be on the Lions Australia website shortly for all to view.

Congratulations to David Zhu, who represented the Hornsby Lions Club, District N5. David was judged the national winner, whilst two only 'highly commendable' awards will be presented to Salvador Stephenson representing the Stansbury Dalrymple Lions Club (District C1) and our own V3 District winner Abby Taylor representing the Briagolong and District Lions Club. Congratulations to David, Abby and Salvador on their achievement. David's poster now proceeds to the worldwide contest incorporating 75 countries. Since its inception in 1988 more than 3.6 million children have participated in the Peace Poster Contest.

Congratulations also to all the Clubs in V3 who participated for the first time this year and, of course, to those Clubs who have it down to a fine art. It was a pleasure liaising with you all, and hopefully more Clubs will come on board next year. Speaking of which I will notify you approximately early February 2012 with the Peace Poster theme and the infamous rules for 2012-13, in an endeavour to enable Clubs to approach all Schools to at least give them a chance to participate. Clubs in District 201V3 who participated this year were:



Yinnar, Warragul, Narre Warren, Endeavour Hills, Briagolong and District, Boneo, Paynesville, Frankston Bayside, Wellington-Latrobe and Toora.

Congratulations to all the Clubs' Peace Poster Chairpersons. It only takes one interested member in your Club to take it on board and it is a very affordable worthwhile project engaging our youth, encouraging them to depict their interpretation of the theme of peace in a short written vision, and allowing them to be creative in their artistic talents.

Next year it is hoped to encourage Clubs to provide the correct size paper which proves to be a "nightmare" for some schools. I am looking into a bulk purchase which could be distributed to the Clubs who want to be involved at the Training Day in approximately May next year.

The Peace Poster Contest has proved to be a great success in those Schools who have been invited to participate by their local Lions Clubs. Some Lions Clubs had up to five Schools participating. On the other hand, some schools were hesitant to participate due to varying reasons.

Through the contest students are encouraged to visually depict their interpretation of the contest's theme. Each year a different theme incorporating Peace is chosen.

Wishing you all the compliments of the season. Have a safe and happy "break".

Glenda Paragreen

Peace Poster and Lions Quest Chairman

## Are there any members interested in traveling to Alice Springs for the annual Camel Cup – 14 July, 2011?

What are you doing early July in 2012 not forgetting the grey nomads who vanish from Club meetings during this time?



Are there any interested members in V3 who

are interested in traveling to Alice Springs for the annual Show and Camel Cup, either by wheels or plane? The Camel Cup day is 14 July, 2012. There is a catch, one might say, it is self funded.



The Lions Club of Alice Springs (District C2) comprises approximately 19 members at last count, which to date runs the Camel Cup. The Club finds that it

needs more members willing to assist in the running of the day. The day raises in the vicinity of some \$40,000 to \$45,000 and those funds support many Lions projects and also local community, a list which can be provided if requested. I believe there will be a lot of "fellowship" in between.

Elaine, a fellow Lion said there is "*..heaps to see around town and the surrounding areas as well*" which includes its Annual Show the weekend prior to the Camel Cup.



Accommodation is mainly caravan parks but if there is any Lion interested please let me know and I will investigate further.

Lion Elaine White can be contacted for more information on 0434 358 982.

It would no doubt be a fun week or so and, at the same time, a learning curve in assisting the Lions in Alice Springs.

This proposed "outing" has the backing of Zone 7.

Please contact Glenda on **0438 044 346** or email: [glenfern99@yahoo.com.au](mailto:glenfern99@yahoo.com.au)

Lion Glenda Paragreen.

## 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.

### District Members passed away      Lions Club

Lions Lady Glenys on the passing of  
Lion Trevor Ralls                      Trafalgar  
Lion Bruce Read                        Maffra

### Member's family passed away      Lions Club

Lioness Edie Fennell    Husband      Warragul

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*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 Wayne Bath      Wellington-Latrobe  
Lion Peter Feenstra    Wellington-Latrobe  
Lion/Lioness Heather Wood      Endeavour Hills

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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.

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

A man owned a small farm in Australia .  
The Tax Office claimed he was not paying proper wages to his staff  
and sent a representative out to interview him.

'I need a list of your employees and how much you pay them,' demanded the rep.

'Well,' replied the farmer,  
"there's my farm hand who's been with me for 3 years.  
I pay him \$500 a week plus free room and board.  
He also gets triple time for working on a Sunday and a slab of beer for a Happy Hour every Friday"

'The cook has been here for 18 months, and I pay her \$400 per week plus free room and board. She doesn't work on Sundays and I provide paid satellite television for free in her room.

'Then there's the half-wit.  
He works about 18 hours every day and does about 90% of all the work around here.  
He makes about \$20 per week,  
Pays his own room and board,  
and I buy him a bottle of whiskey every Saturday night.  
He also sleeps with my wife occasionally.'

'That's the guy I want to talk to...the half-wit,' says the agent.

'That would be me,' replied the farmer.

## PR News



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Lions

Potential Lions

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**Twitter:** 100 million users,  
45% male, 18% users between 45 and 54

For more information or assistance contact:

Tracey Matthies on 0448543861



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Victoria, Australia

## Hats off to Practical PR Workshop for Lions

Licola Wilderness Village  
3-5 February 2011  
All District 201V3 Lions,  
Lionesses, Leos & Partners welcome  
BBQ Friday Night  
Workshop Saturday  
Fun Dinner Dance Saturday Night



\$90 per person (includes catering, accommodation & workshop)

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