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The Jobs not done until the chequered flag drops

Hi All

Much of the training for the position of District Governor has come in handy in a variety of areas, such as Leadership Skills and reviewing the responsibilities of the Governors role. Answering questions about the forms and different reports that we have to use certainly keeps one on their toes.

The extensive preparation certainly came into play once my role commenced on July 1. The preparation has been thorough and is especially critical in a long challenge in the year ahead of us. Early preparation is also important in the planning of our convention. The team is well on track to deliver what I believe will be the most affordable, entertaining, hardworking and exciting convention for some years. As I have been on my visits around the clubs you hear the same old story that it's too expensive to go to convention. Please Lions, have a look at the costs for Ulverstone, they are very reasonable and you will be assured of a great time. (Refer to convention report in the Newsletter).

By the time you receive this newsletter 3 months will have passed in my role as DG. I know from my visits so far around our District that you and your club are working hard to help your community. Just as your hard work and efforts are crucial to success, it is also important to reflect on your clubs goals and plan. It is important that you take the time to review your

progress and determine if you are on track to meet your goals.

Pit Stop number one will be at the end of September, so by the time you receive this newsletter I will have conducted a team check to make sure we are on track to deliver on our goals and plan for 2012- 2013. Sadly, I don't have to call a Pit Stop to know that we are still in **a negative position** with **membership** and to that end we will be conducting another Global Leadership Team meeting prior to our Cabinet Meeting on 7 October. Membership and extension teams are working very hard, but we still need to fast track our plans **to make it happen** in our year.

On my visits I have been discussing new members. I have also been focusing on the point – **we must close the back door**. In the several inductions that I have been involved with so far, I have strongly pointed out that the sponsors have a major role to play by ensuring we **Look After Them**.

My District Governors **Excellence Awards** have been well received and the recipients have been very worthy indeed. It is pleasing to see the look on their face when describing how they have attained the award – **for going that extra mile for the Club and Community**.

Just to finish on the **Convention**, this is where we conduct our **AGM** and it is very important, as in any organisation, that it is well planned,



the rest is up to us. A number of submissions have been made for discussion at Convention including proposals for new projects and the continuation of others and some on constitutional and operational matters, all of which should attract healthy debate.

Unfortunately, no nomination has been received for the position of Second Vice District Governor. It is vitally important to our organisation and to our District that succession is ensured and I would encourage any Lion who has considered putting up their hand to take on a major leadership role to take the opportunity to discuss what is involved with any of our Past District Governors to get a better idea of what the job entails. Nominations will be accepted from the floor of the Convention.

My thanks go to the great Convention Organising Committee as well as Cabinet Members who have been involved. Let's all work towards a **great convention**.

See you all in Ulverstone.
DG David

It's Time to Clock On for the District Convention

How time flies!! By the time most read this newsletter it will be only six weeks or so until our District Convention in Ulverstone.

All preparations are on schedule and we are now calling on all Lions and partners, Lioness and our young Leos to urgently register for the various Convention activities

Registrations must be received by last mail on 15 October.

We have a very full programme organised and you will have no time to become bored.

As mentioned in earlier newsletters District Governor David has arranged a number of high profile speakers throughout Convention. These include our own revered Australian Lions Icon Past International Director Dr. Bob Coulthard; former high-profile Tasmanian business man, Warren von Bibra; Marketing guru and Past Council Chair David McKenzie OAM, and a number of other very well known speakers involved with Lions projects such as drugs and depression, sight and hearing. In addition our Leo Clubs, who are increasing in number each year, will again have a high profile session on Sunday morning which will entertain and inform you about their activities.

The business sessions are packed with interesting motions with a number of debatable and controversial topics to be dealt with.

One of the highlights of Convention will be the "Banquet" on Saturday night. You will be entertained, wined and dined all night. We have been able to secure several high profile local artists to perform on the night with the ultimate being our own Slipstream Circus fire show, an unbelievable act on it's own. Don't miss the banquet!! Dress code for the evening be dress or lounge suit for gentlemen, evening gown or after-five wear for ladies.

Also don't forget the partners programme which includes a guided bus tour of the Ulverstone and Penguin areas, famous Wings Wildlife Park and Kaydale Lodge gardens in the morning and a fashion parade at the Bass and Flinders Motor Inn in the afternoon

Another emphasis of the organising committee has been the Opening, Flag, Remembrance and Closing ceremonies. These will be spectacular and moving. This year the Remembrance Service will be held on Remembrance Day at our town Cenotaph "The Clock"

We are mindful that one of the major costs associated with attendance at any Convention is accommodation. If that is an issue for you we have been able to secure billets for 25 couples attending our Convention. If this will help you decide to attend this Convention, please call Convention Chairman Tony on 6428 6651 or Secretary Don on 6425 1478 to arrange a billet.

**33rd District 201T1 Convention
9 November - 11 November 2012**

*... for all details of venues, programme and costs go to
<http://lionstasmania.org/convention>*

Our VDGs successful at Leadership Institute

Fifty enthusiastic Lions from Constitutional Area VII - Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Indonesia and the Islands of the Pacific, including our District VDGs, George Bugeja and Michael MacLaren participated in the Advanced Lions Leadership Institute for Lions. This institute took place in Queenstown, New Zealand in August

International Director Dave Hajny has advised that both George and Michael successfully completed this institute

VDG George has written "I have just returned from Queenstown, New Zealand where I completed three days of intense subjects at the Advanced Lions Leadership Institute. It was not what I thought it would be like - I expected something that was full on and that I would not, at my "Senior" age absorb much of it. On the contrary, I enjoyed it. We covered many topics such as, Leadership Fundamentals, Teamwork, Building Relationships, Promoting Lionism, and that was only on the first day.

I won't go through every day but I would highly recommend it to any Lion who wants to learn more about our great organisation.

People who attended where "ordinary" Lions and the fellowship between us all was worth it just for that alone.

On the final day we gathered to "graduate" and receive a certificate and badge for completing the course. What I didn't know was that the International President Wayne Madden had made a surprise visit, and did the presentation to each of us.

The photo of me with him told no lies, yes, he is tall (or is it that I am short?). And my assignment team has confirmed what Therese has been telling me for years....I AM A CONTROL FREEK.



New Bus a Bonus for Aldersgate Village Aged Care residents

The generosity of two local Lions Clubs has helped dramatically improve the transport options of Aldersgate Village residents.

The Launceston City and Kings Meadows clubs have each donated \$15,000 towards the purchase of a new \$60,000 wheelchair-capable bus, which will enable Uniting Aged Care to more easily ferry residents from its Newnham facility to appointments and other regular outings.

Up until now residents had been forced to rely on an irregular public transport service, maxi taxis, or friends and family members to meet most of their offsite commitments.

Aldersgate's Housing Manager - Mrs Yvette Castles said the support of the clubs was a godsend.

"The new bus provides residents with the freedom to come and go as required without relying on maxi taxi or an infrequent Metro service which no longer comes into the village, but means residents have to walk up to George Town Rd", Mrs Castles said.

"Because Aldersgate is on the outskirts of the city it is important for us to provide a viable transport option".

The Lions Club of Kings Meadows President, Judi Gorham, said funds to support the village were raised by catering, members manning the admission gates at Launceston Pacing Club meetings, a garage sale and (cooking and selling) lots of sausages.



Lions Club presidents, Judi Gorham and John Dakin, hand over their \$30,000 contribution for the new bus to Aldersgate Village resident Molly Leonard and Lifestyle Co-ordinator Karen Robinson

Ms Gorham said the \$15,000 was one of the club's bigger single donations in recent times.

"We just believed it was a very worthy project," she said.

The Lions Club of City of Launceston President, John Dakin said his club was happy to help out when approached by the village.

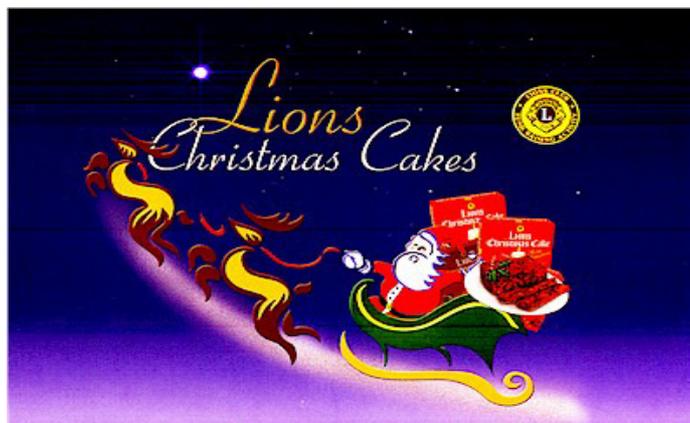
"It's one of the few joint (fundraising) projects we have done (lately) and it is certainly something we probably should consider further, as jointly we can do more," he said.

Mr Dakin said the club liked to divide its funds between projects which supported the less fortunate and young.

Several Independent Living Unit residents and staff make up a volunteer driver roster.

Jingle Bells!! Jingle Bells!! Christmas Time is Nigh

Christmas!! Yes, it's just 14 weeks away, so it's time for us all to get into the serious business of fund raising, and as we all know, Christmas is our peak retail season for Lions Christmas Cakes and Puddings. Remember, you have a top quality Cake and Pudding, a product that is competitively priced with an excellent backup and delivery service with warranty and advertising material available, a product that uses Australian ingredients and, most of all, the complete range of products — Cakes, Puddings, Mints and Fudge - have the Lions Emblem on them. What better selling aid could you wish for, the BIG "L"



Please note Lions Club of Riverside-Launceston now meets at the Launceston Football Club rooms, Windsor Park, Riverside Community Precinct, Riverside on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month

The meeting scheduled for Monday, 15 October has been transferred to a visit to Bridport Club at their meeting venue, Bridport Community Club, Bridport.

Please note District Chairman Lion John Medwin has changed his mobile phone number. It is now

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District Governor at Ulverstone Club Dinner meeting

District Governor David Daniels visited the Ulverstone Lions Club at its dinner meeting on 7 August

During the evening, DG David presented Lion Michael Bourke, with his Excellence award for Michael's services to his Club and Community.

Lion Michael is a Past President and in 2011 took over the position of Welfare Committee Chairman, which he is continuing in year 2012/13. He is also the 1st. Vice President of the Club.

DG David also conducted the induction of two new members to the Ulverstone Lions Club - Wayne Monson and Garry Hamilton. They were both sponsored by Lion Michael Bourke



DG David presents Excellence award to Lion Michael Bourke



DG David with new members and their sponsor

District Governor at Port Cygnet Club Dinner meeting

District Governor David Daniels visited Port Cygnet Lions Club at its dinner meeting on 5 September

During the evening, DG David presented Lion Hugo Connor with his Excellence award for Michael's services to his Club and Community much to the delight of Club President, Ron Gregory as seen in the photo on the right

DG David was particularly delighted that three Charter members of the Port Cygnet Club were in present and each continued to contribute to the Club's activities in a practical way. The three, Lions Graeme Gorringer, Colin Glanville and Hugo Connor



DG David presents Excellence award to Lion Hugo Connor



DG David with Charter Members

Calling all Past District Governors

This is the final call for bookings for the Social Weekend Friday and Saturday Night 12 and 13 October at Devonport

If you intend to attend and have not already booked, PLEASE do so now to PDG Jack Allen 62726845 or jajoallen@bigpond.com.au



New Members

Welcome to new members

Kings Meadows

JOHN COOPER

sponsored by Linden Hearps

HELEN MOIR

sponsored by Phil Robinson

JOHN MOIR

sponsored by Judi Gorham

Huon

RUD ADERSON

sponsored by Eric Fernandez

Ulverstone

GARRY HAMILTON

sponsored by Michael Burke

WAYNE MONSON

sponsored by Michael Burke

Just for the Record

As at 30 June, there were 1,347,454 Lions in 46,318 Clubs in 763 District in 208 Countries and geographic areas

Service with a smile

On March 20, 1937 **Joseph Colona Jnr** celebrated a birthday. On April 1 he joined the North Providence, Rhode Island Lions Club, chartered the previous year.

Since then he's celebrated a lot more birthdays - a whole lot of them!!

He's still proudly serving his community 75 years later as one of the world's oldest and longest serving Lions at the age of 104.

"He still attends monthly meetings and is an inspiration in our district due to his enthusiasm and dedication to service," says District 42R1 First Vice Governor Rosa Branco.

Joseph recently told the *Valley Breeze & Observer* "Just the comfort of having somewhere to go and to keep learning new activities in your life as you go along - what more do you want!"



Tasmanian Lions Foundation

Peter Burke
Secretary

The Annual General meeting of the Tasmanian Lions Foundation Inc

will be held on Sunday, 11 November 2012
(the Sunday morning of the convention)
Venue will be advised in October Newsletter.
Meeting will be scheduled to start at 8.00am
All lions are welcome.

We invite all Clubs to utilise the Foundation in making Grant Applications to complete that Club project which may have a shortfall, so please consider us.

Also we would be pleased to receive any funds that you may have from time to time to enable us to continue our work in being able to assist Clubs.

Looking forward to seeing you at the forthcoming Convention.



Thanks for Stamps

Peter Burke
LC Launceston Riverside

Many thanks to the Lions who have forwarded stamps since my last report. Your continued support is appreciated and thank you for the generosity of your time and efforts as this helps to make a difference to someone's quality of life.

We would like to invite more Lions to participate in this easy and rewarding project. We also like to invite all Clubs to set up a "Stamp Box" at each meeting so that Members can bring them along each meeting.

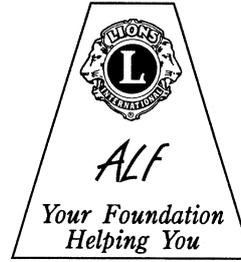
From the report in July you can see we are doing well and helping to make life a little easier for those less fortunate than ourselves.

Keep up the good work and your continued support will be appreciated.

Perhaps the recently formed Leo Clubs may like to take this up as a project by asking businesses' etc to save their stamps and arrange to collect them on a regular basis. Also it may help them to make people in their area aware of some of the work they do in their community.

All stamps can be sent to me direct at 11 Camina Court, Riverside 7250 or handed to a District Officer who will take them to their meeting and give them to PCC Tony Roney who in turn will get them to me.

Thanking you.
Regards
Peter Burke
Riverside Lions Club



Australian Lions Foundation

Alan Pretyman
Secretary &
Trustee for Tasmania

Hopefully all Clubs have taken note from the recent mail out of the change of Officer Bearers and their addresses to expedite communications to the Foundation but in case some Clubs in T1 have not noted then the Trustees roles are as follows:

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| Chairman | PDG Glenn Herbert, 23 Woodforde Drive, North Beach, SA 5556 |
| Secretary | Lion Alan Pretyman, P.O.Box 2001, Sandy Bay, Tas 7005 |
| Treasurer | PCC Ian Kelly P.O.Box 5522, Falcon, WA 6210 |
| Awards | Lion David Constable 49 Pareena Cres, Mansfield, Qld 4122 |
| Grants | PDG Ken Hallam 18 Koree St Cessnock, NSW 2325 |
| Promotions | PCC Tony Benbow 22 Minchinbury Dr, Vermont Sth, Vic 3133 |

The Foundation has also introduced internet Banking for the transfer of funds to the Foundation and the payment of Grants to Clubs direct to their bank accounts should the information be provided.

I would again request all Clubs to dispose of any old Grant Application and Award Application Forms from their filing cabinets and make use of the new forms recently sent to Clubs.

At our last month meeting the Trustees approved 24 Grants totalling \$128,758.00 and discussed 7 further grants totalling \$49,462.00 which were deferred awaiting further funds or information. There were not any Grant applications received from Clubs in T1.

Our Meeting dates for the next nine months are as follows:

26th – 28th October 2012
22nd – 24th February 2013
24th April 2013

Applications for Grants should be lodged with me 7 days prior to these dates or sent direct to the Grants Chairman. Grants may now be approved by Trustees through email consultation.

Should any Club require assistance with Grant Application or Awards please contact me either by email at apretyman@bigpond.com or phone 6225 2011

Lions Youth of the Year Quest 2012-2013

The Quest is designed to encourage student interest in leadership and the qualities required to take an active and constructive role in the community. It does this by selecting an outstanding young person from candidates throughout Australia to travel overseas and act as an ambassador for Lions Clubs International Multiple District 201. The international travel is conducted under the auspices of Lions Clubs International.

We're on the Web! See us at: Lionsclubs.org.au/yoty

Youth of the Year Quest District Chairman/State Coordinator, Lion Jenny Triptree writes

Now is the time for clubs to elect a Club Chairman for the Youth of the Year Quest for 2012 – 2013 if clubs have not already done so.

Stationery has arrived, and I have appointed Lion Annette Olgivie of Hobart Town Lions club to be Coordinator in the South, and President Jay Mclagan of the City of Devonport club to be the North West Coordinator while I will be Coordinator in the North.

A meeting will be held in the North on 14 September to meet with the Club Chairman and distribute Stationery and discuss contacting schools before the end of the year.

Lion Annette will be arranging a meeting in the South shortly and contacting club chairmen of the date, venue and time.

Lion Jay has arranged a meeting on the Coast for 30 September - Jay will be in contact with clubs to advise venue and time.

Dates for Club finals to be completed by 17 or 24 March 2013

Regional finals to be completed by 24 or 31 March 2013 (depending when all clubs finals have been completed)

Regional finals to be held no later than 31 March

State final to be held on 7 April 2013. (this to be offered to the South).

With the introduction of 4 school terms next year, schools will be returning earlier in February giving school staff and students more time to prepare for the start of the Youth of the Year Quest for most clubs.

I will be attending all meetings and looking forward to meeting all Club Chairmen.

A couple of dates for the Diary



Penguin Lions Club

will celebrate its
50th Charter Anniversary
at a

Dinner in December

Where - the Penguin Baptist
Centre, Ironcliffe Road, Penguin

When - Saturday,
8 December 2012

What time - 6.30 for 7.00pm

Cost - to be advised

Sorell Lions Club

Southern region annual dinner
at Sorell Memorial Hall
on 6 February 2013 from 6.30.

All welcome

Menu and cost later.

A suggestion for Entertainment!!!!
Each Club in attendance may like
to perform an item or skit.

Members may play music, sing or
dance. A fun item for all to enjoy.

What do you think?

Imagine Tony Roney singing opera
or dancing Swan Lake????



Hearing Dogs say Thanks

PCC Bill Holmes, CEO of Lions Hearing Dogs writes "On behalf of the deaf and hearing impaired people of Australia we thank you most sincerely for your support."

2011/2012 contributions from District 201T1 totalled \$11,845.75. These included donations, sponsorships and merchandise sales. Contributing clubs were:

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| Bothwell & Districts | 50.00 |
| Bridport | 200.00 |
| City of Devonport | 300.00 |
| Deloraine | 100.00 |
| Forth Valley | 1000.00 |
| Lion Geoff Clow | 560.00 |
| George Town | 250.00 |
| Glenorchy City | 1460.08 |
| Hadspen South Esk | 200.00 |
| Hobart Town | 500.00 |
| Kentish | 1000.00 |
| King Island | 100.00 |
| Kingborough | 200.00 |
| Kings Meadows | 1000.00 |
| Latrobe | 250.00 |
| Launceston-Windmill Hill | .200.00 |
| Lilydale | 150.00 |
| North-East | 100.00 |
| Penguin | 100.00 |
| Port Sorell | 467.00 |
| Scottsdale | 200.00 |
| Spring Bay | 2708.67 |
| Ulverstone | 500.00 |
| Wynyard | 250.00 |



Hearing Dog Fez arrived in Tasmania in late August and is pictured with Clarence Club members Naja, Stephen and Lynda who will assist in his assimilation with new owner, Lavinia