



LIONS TASMANIA

Lions Clubs International District 201T1

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DG George calls for support for MND funding



My special guests at the District Convention in Wynyard in November will be Kerry and Sharon Upchurch from Ulverstone.

Kerry is a Motor Neurone Patient and, with help from his wife Sharon, will address Convention on what it's like pre Motor Neurone Disease and the struggles of how he and Sharon are coping now. Kerry is a 17 year sufferer of this horrible illness.

My mother passed away 17 years ago of MND and it still affects me now.

I have been mentioning at each Club visit my wish to make Motor Neurone Disease known by as many as possible and to raise funds to assist in finding a cure. If you have come into contact with someone close who had contracted this horrible disease you would fully understand why it is my passion to assist this organisation.

I have asked our Cabinet Treasurer Phil to set up an account especially to receive any donations that Clubs may wish to make. If your Club is kind enough to donate the cheque needs to be made out to "Lions Tasmania MND account" so that it get allocated into the right account.

It is hoped that in Motor Neurone Disease Week in May next year Tasmanian Lions a cheque representing all money raised, can be presented.

Our convention is getting closer so if you are thinking of going you need to register and you need to book your accommodation so please get in quick.

Registrations are something we tend to leave till closer to the time; well the time to fill them in is now....please, we need to sort out numbers for the caterers.

We have some good guest speakers, some from overseas and some local. We will have Past International Director and a Kiwi Cliff Heywood, local entrepreneur Dale Elphinstone,

Lion Bob Korotcoff will also grace us with his presence and talk to us about insurance and in particular the problem of insuring the over 70's, we have a few in that age bracket.

Thirty Clubs down and twenty more to go - the majority of these before Christmas.

The diversity of our Clubs and members from the North to the South and East to West - we are all different in how we run meetings, respond to our community and the various projects we undertake, BUT, we all have the same goals. When it comes down to it, we all want to better our communities. We are all Lions working as one.

A number of our Lions have passed on and are at peace this past month; I have offered our condolences from all Lions in our District.

We also have a few members who are having serious health issues and I ask that we keep them in our thoughts for a speedy recovery.

I flew to Port Douglas (yeh tough) to our Council of Governor's meeting in early October.

Normally this would have been held in Sydney but seeing we now have an International President in Barry Palmer he requested we combine with his International Directors meeting. It is normal for the International President to invite his directors to his country of birth.

Please don't forget ...PLUS ONE, help us to remain a District in our own by bringing a friend, neighbour or workmate into our organisation.

DG George

**34th District 201T1
Convention
8th – 10th November 2013
WYNYARD**

PLEASE NOTE!!!

NO Nomination has been received for the position of 2nd Vice District Governor 2014-15 nor from a Club to host the 2015 District Convention.

Nominations for the position of 2VDG may be lodged from the floor of the Convention as can a nomination to host the 2015 District Convention

All relevant information can be obtained from:
Cabinet Secretary
cabsec@lionstasmania.org
Mob 0418 544 836

DG George on the move

District Governor George will have visited all but two clubs before the end of the year and reckons that the hustle and bustle of a busy itinerary is making him feel younger than ever.

Just to prove a point, the photo below was taken at a "recent" club visit.



The DGs itinerary

October

- 14 Scottsdale
- 15 Burnie Emu Bay
- 21 Bridport
- 22 Bicheno
- 28 Rocky Cape
- 29 Ulvestone
- 30 Port Sorell

November

- 4 Brighton
- 5 Wynyard
- 6 Smithton & Smithton Leos
- 8>10 District Convention - Wynyard
- 12 Hobart Town
- 13 Sandy Bay
- 14 Dodges Ferry Sth Beaches
- 18 St Helens
- 20 St Marys
- 22 Glamorgan
- 25 Tasman
- 26 Huon
- 28 Launceston Windmill Hill

December

- 4 Bothwell and Districts
- 18 Clarence



Port Cygnet on DGs visit list

District Governor George spent an enjoyable evening with the members of the Port Cygnet Lions Club and after being welcomed by Club President Ron Gregory



... presented a Melvin Jones Fellowship to long-standing member and former President (on a number of occasions) Lion Colin Glanville



The Port Cygnet Club recently held an information night at the local RSL Clubrooms where the guest speaker was Ian Henderson, a Prostate Cancer Special Nurse at the Royal Hobart Hospital.

Ian provide a slide show and a few interesting statistical facts to a group of Lions, some of whom are pictured below with Ian Henderson on the right.



Conventioneers - please dress the part

District conventions have had many themes over the years and the convention theme has often been reflected in the Convention Dinner.

While many of our dinners have been formal affairs with dinner suits and after-five wear the norm, others like that at the Spring Bay convention have had more of a fun theme where they encouraged back-to-school wear.

Convention Chairman, Lion Derek Putt says "This year is no exception with "Busrangers and Sheilas" being the theme for the night and all conventioneers encouraged to dress appropriately.

"While this will be more informal than some dinners it promises to provide an immense amount of fun and entertainment.

"We look forward to a Ned Kelly, a Martin Cash or whatever, and the gate is wide open for ladies to venture into the "sheila"; mode of address.

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*ask your Club
Secretary for a
Registration Form or
download it from the
Lions Tasmania
website*

Diabetes Appeal comes to an end ...

A project which began in 1991 came to an end in late-September with the presentation of a cheque for \$15,000 to Diabetes Tasmania.

The funds were the residue of donations made by the Lions Clubs in District 201T1 following an appeal which commenced in 1991.



Lion Alan Holland, Chairman of the Tasmanian Lions Foundation said "The original appeal was for Tasmanian Lions to join with Diabetes Tasmania to provide funds to support educational and recreational camps in Tasmania for children and young adults having diabetes and other related activities.

Lion Alan said "As Diabetes Tasmania no longer operates their funding under the agreement with the TLF it was agreed, after discussion with them, to terminate the agreement and the TLF fund and make payment to them for the support of activities compatible with the spirit of the agreement.

The presentation was made at the Diabetes Tasmania office in Hobart by the Southern TLF members.

Get Ready for Diabetes Month and World Diabetes Day

Perhaps you know someone living with diabetes. The International Diabetes Federation states that 1 out of 2 people with diabetes don't know they have it. The service Lions provide through diabetes projects is so important! Take the opportunity during November's Diabetes Awareness Month to raise awareness, encourage early diagnosis, and promote healthy behaviors such as a dilated eye exam, improved nutrition, and increased physical activity.

Welcome to the Lions Family

Kentish

PHILIP DANIELL

sponsored by Robin bBRICKNELL

Launceston Windmill Hill

CHERYL SIMMONDS

sponsored by Linda Dilworth

Riverside

BRIAN KERR

sponsored by Leonard Healey

Ulverstone

LACHLAN NIXON

sponsored by Peter Redman

BRIAN PETERS

sponsored by Michael Smith

COLIN ROLES

sponsored by Garry Hamilton

Zeehan

MARGARET BUTTERWOOD

sponsored by Shirley Garwood

MICK BUTTERWOOD

sponsored by Shirley Garwood

BRIAN HAROOD

sponsored by Philip Clark

**of District 201T1
as at 10 October**

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**i have
learnt...**

**Volunteers aren't
paid - because
they are priceless**

... we absolutely loved working with some of the locals and making heaps of new friends and can't wait to get a chance to do it again



Penguin Leos James and Nic have returned home after participating in a Rotahomes project in Fiji.

The major project of the Rotary Club of Lautoka, helps construct housing on mainland Fiji for the disadvantaged.

In eight days, seven people constructed a cyclone proof home complete with kitchen, toilet and shower that is now part of the township of Korolpita which is about a ten minute drive north of Lautoka.

Starting with a pile of treated pine posts and a small slab for the toilet block, the group started the construction with a main requisite being cyclone proof strapping on everything they did.

Finishing the house within the eight days enabled James and Nic to spend a day finishing off other houses with a touch-up here and there and the enjoy the final day of their excursion just enjoying the experience.



Tasmanian Lions Foundation

Peter Burke
Secretary

The Annual General meeting of the Foundation will be held during the forthcoming Convention at Wynyard.

The time and venue will be announced at the Convention and all Lions are most welcome to attend the AGM of your Foundation.

Prior to the Convention all Clubs will have received a copy our Financial Report.

Following the Annual General Meeting, a general meeting will be held and any Club wishing to submit a Grant Application please ensure it is in the hands of the Secretary by the end of October.

If anyone has a matter they would like to discuss about the Foundation please approach a Member of the Foundation at the Convention and hope that we can give you a satisfactory answer to your query.

Look forward to seeing you at the Convention.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

***The Annual General Meeting
of the
Tasmanian Lions Foundation
will be held during the
forthcoming District
Convention to be held
at Wynyard in November***

Abbreviation Corner..

How many times have you asked the question "What do those letters stand for?"

Here's some of the most-often used -
LCI - Lions Clubs International
LCIF - Lions Clubs International
Foundation

TLF - Tasmanian Lions Foundation
ALF - Australian Lions Foundation
GLT - Global Leadership Team
GMT - Global Membership Team

a thankyou letter

Hi Lion's Volunteer Club,

I wish to extend a big thankyou to your association for donating the golf buggy to Emu Valley Rhododendron farm (Cascade Road, Romaine; near Burnie).

My husband (Ian) and myself toured my parents (Bev & Wally) around Tassie recently. We are from Perth, Western Australia.

This will probably be my Mum's last adventure as her condition is deteriorating. My Mum has Parkinson's quite bad and she needs a wheelchair often.

Upon turning up at the above destination we noticed the steep hillside it is located on and thought well we will give it a shot with the wheelchair, but knew we could not show Mum all the gardens.

As my hubby was getting the wheelchair out of the car some very kind volunteers can racing out of the building informing us that we could use the golf buggy which had been donated by the Lion's Club. We were all touched by their keenness to help us.

My Mum, Dad and us could enjoy this whole beautiful garden setting in comfort only because of your Club kindly donating that precious golf buggy.

The tour guide -buggy driver was fantastic too. He kindly pointed out all the various plants as well as inform us of the history and future developments of this magnificent place.

We finished our visit with a Devonshire tea-overlooking the garden valley-magical indeed. We will be forever grateful for this kind service- thanks for allowing my Mum and Dad to enjoy Emu Valley Rhododendron farm to the full.

Kind regards
Colleen Kirk

Don't ditch the bowel cancer screening kit - *because early detection saves lives ...*

Around 453 Tasmanians are diagnosed with bowel cancer yearly, with more than three Tasmanians losing their battle with the disease each week (1).

Yet 90% of bowel cancers can be cured if found early.

One of your best protections against bowel cancer is to take part in the government's free National Bowel Cancer Screening Program (NBCSP). In the year you turn 50, 55, 60 and 65 you'll receive a free bowel cancer screening kit in the mail. Cancer Council Tasmania urges you to complete this simple kit - it could help save your life.

If you're over 50 and currently ineligible for the NBCSP, ask your doctor about appropriate bowel cancer screening for you.

Regardless of your age, if you have a family history of bowel cancer, you should speak with your doctor today.

For more information about the NBCSP, visit www.cancerscreening.gov.au or call 1800 118 868.

(1) Dalton M, Venn A, Albion T, Otahal P, Cancer in Tasmania: Incident and Mortality 2009. Menzies Research Institute, Hobart, 2012

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**"Our World
Our Future"**



Did your Club participate this year?

Entries will be on display at the Convention at Wynyard.

Have a look at them then think about sponsoring an entry from a school near you next year!!!

Rocky Cape serves up a party!!!!

Some of the activities took us all back to our childhood years and if we could have left our cooking duties, we would have been hill sliding on cardboard too!

On 10 October the Lions Club of Rocky Cape did BBQ duty at an Anglicare school holiday event for kids. We all had a great time and believe me there were some BIG kids amongst the gathering and no shortage of food.



The Three Musketeers are Paul Stanley, Pam Prior and Craig Williams



... we would have been hill sliding on cardboard too!



Paul Stanley and President Tony West made friends with the unnamed pooch

Lions Help Tall Ships Festival

Lions from all Clubs in Southern Tasmania contributed their services to assist in the running of events associated with the most successful and spectacular Tall Ships Festival in Hobart in early October.

Lions provided the entire team of marshalls for the Street parade and were able to proudly display the Lions emblem on their event-required safety vests and in doing so, ensured that the image of Lions was out there in the community.

Club groups and individual Lions were also involved in the many other volunteering requirements throughout the festival including the Port Cygnet Lions cleaning team - pictured below



"TWO HANDS" come in very handy on the day...

Penguin Lions Club hosted and catered for the annual 70's & Over Lunch in Penguin on the first Sunday in October.

The annual lunch, provided free has, for

the past twenty plus years been organised by community members who are now toooo old, so Penguin Lions took it over this year catering for 175 very happy senior members of the Penguin community with a free roast meal lunch.

At the end of the day, 175 contented senior members of the community headed home and Penguin Lions and Leos put up their feet and raised their "two hands" in recognition of a job well done.



"You Just Can't Lose" is this year's motto for Youth of the Year

District Chairman Jenny Triptree reminds us that "time is approaching to contact schools for contestants and to set plans in place for club finals of Youth of the Year to begin".

Jenny says "I would like to see more clubs take the time this year and be involved in this great Lions Youth Project as an activity within clubs, it is not too late and not too hard. The important part is to make a contact within the schools and I am sure there are students out there that would be interested in entering and knowing about the Quest"

The Quest is open to students aged over 15 and under 19 years

as of 30 June of the year of the National final with great prizes awarded.

Southern Coordinator, Lion Annette Ogilvie, North West Coordinator Jay McLagan and North Region Coordinator Jenny Triptree are there to assist with information and all the details about running of Youth of the Year finals,

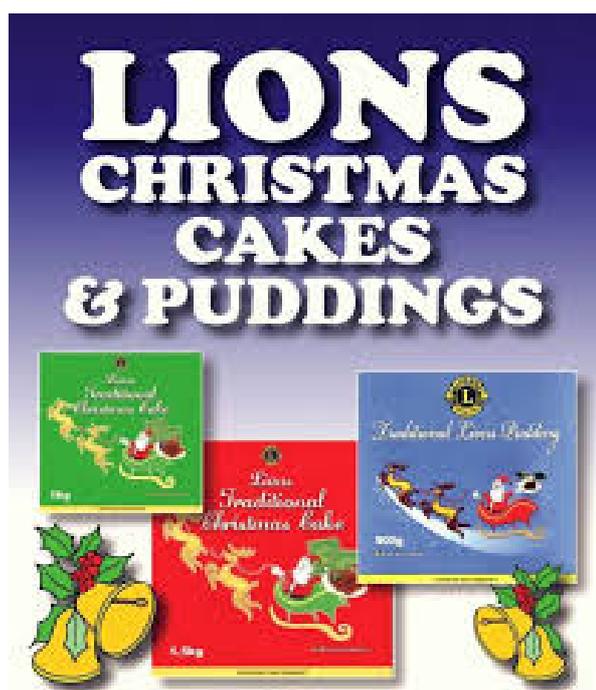
Clubs that have not received Stationery for this year's Youth of the Year Quest please contact your Coordinator.

This year club finals must be completed by 23 March 2014, Regional finals by 30 March 2014 and the State final to be held on

13 April 2014 in the Southern Tasmania.

As part of the 50 year celebration of Youth of the Year. details and photos of previous State winners and National Winners are being sought for display at the Multiply District Convention in Tamworth in May.

Lion Jenny says "Thanks to Riverside and Kingborough for their photo's and I now have photo's from 2004 to 2012, however, can anybody tell me the name of the club that sponsored Timothy Dyer who was a State Winner in 1977-1978 - I would appreciate a call.



ORDER YOUR CHRISTMAS CAKES AND PUDDINGS TODAY!

Lions Traditional Christmas Cakes are packed with 50% fruit containing mixed fruit, sultanas and raisins

Lions Traditional Puddings are made with 45% real fruit and contain no artificial colours or flavours

