



LIONS TASMANIA

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I stuffed up on the Fairy Floss!

Therese and I have made many friends over this past year whilst visiting our Clubs and we intend to revisit as many as possible again in the future (without the green coat)

Our membership currently stands at PLUS 30 which is a vast improvement from where we were just a couple of months ago. For this I am very pleased, and, THANK YOU!

We have commenced our project to set up a new club at Legana.

We did a letter drop to 1000 letterboxes, this was done by PCC Tony Roney. He organised the flyers and envelopes, then had a working bee with his grandchildren to slip the information into envelopes.. He wore out a pair of runners hand-delivering them in the town on his own. Thank you Tony for such a great effort.

Our first meeting drew only a small number of residents but it was a start and now, through the GMT/GLT team, we will continue to visit the town to gain their confidence in use and hopefully a new club can eventually be established.

April began with me working for the Latrobe club at a school fair assisting on the fairy floss stand. **I was asked to have a go at putting the candy on the stick by Lion Mark, had a go once and stuffed it up so went back to handling the money side.** It was an enjoyable afternoon, thanks to both Lions Kae and Mark Campbell.

I was not able to attend the induction of five new members at

Rocky Cape as I had the Legana meeting on the same night. Zone Chairman Michael Walsh had the honour which went off well. Welcome to the five new members also inducted recently on King Island, I hope you all get a lot of fun and satisfaction from being a Lion.

On 20 April Therese and I were invited to attend the 20th Charter Anniversary dinner for Westbury Club and a great night was had. Thank you President Anthony.

Easter gave us a few days with our family enjoying our grandchildren before heading to Tamworth for the Council of Governors meeting before the Multiple District Convention.

I must say it certainly was a great Convention, great speakers and the flag ceremony was really different. They had the flags brought into the venue on horseback and it brought a real Aussie theme, even with the smell of horse poo wafting through the venue as well.



The first speaker was Sam Bailey, a quadriplegic from the age of nineteen, who turned his life in a wheelchair around to a very positive one. He told us that if he was to find a genie in a bottle that



Barry J Palmer

- Your Lions Clubs International President

This year I have urged Lions to Follow Your Dream.

We can do so much more than we realise. *We can serve much more remarkably and wonderfully than we do.* I've seen it myself in my travels.

On an incredible scale and in creative ways, Lions are enabling the blind, feeding the hungry and attending to victims of disasters.

Anne and I have been given a great gift this year: we've seen with our own eyes the scope and each of Lions.

I know that nearly every Lion serves admirably, giving of his or her time and talents. I appreciate and respect all you do. But perhaps you are climbing a hill and you can actually scale a mountain or two.

Go for the summit! Follow Your Dream into the clouds and beyond where the sun shines with goodness and light and Lions are turning around lives forever.



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was able to give him legs back and get out of his chair he would tell her to “bugger off”.



Sam Bailey was inspirational in opening the Tamworth Convention

Our International President, Barry Palmer, attended throughout the weekend and gave us a very inspirational speech with a lot to think about.



International President Barry Palmer was inspirational too

The Remembrance service was also a very moving experience with a large cross lit up with the Districts listed as they were called.



The Remembrance Cross at Tamworth Convention



I have heard some stories recently of Clubs not living up to our Family values and it has disturbed me. Please, do not forget your deceased Lions partners when you organise a function, invite them to continue as part of your Family.

Likewise if you know of an old retired Lion who passes on to eternal life to recognise their contribution to Lions in a some way, eg, bereavement notice, sympathy card to partner, flowers, etc. The little things can mean so much to others.

Till next month, stay safe and look after each other.

DG George



DG George is dressed by CabSec David during the “DG Roast” at Convention



International President Barry Palmer didn't escape being included in the “Roast” He was presented, among other things, with his T-shirt that featured a wombat. IP Barry's nickname is “Wombat”



International President Barry Palmer presenting PDG David Daniels with the Lion Recognition Medal



International President Barry Palmer presenting PDG Robin Pulford with a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship



Council Chairman Gary Parker presenting Cabinet Secretary David Triffett with his “Without Us They Fail” Cabinet Secretary Award



Leo Alexandra Fuller representing Tasmania in the “Leo of the Year”



Dates for your Diary!!!

July 2014

District Changeover Dinner

The District Governor's Appreciation Dinner and the Induction of the District Cabinet for 2014/15 will be held at the Burnie Arts Centre on Saturday, 26 July

August 2014

ANZI Forum in Adelaide, South Australia on 29/30/31 August

September 2014

Lions Education Day

Launceston, 13 September
an opportunity to learn more about Lions

Latrobe will host the national launch of **Walk for an Aussie Kid** following the meeting of Trustees of the Australian Lions Childrens Mobility Foundation in Latrobe on the weekend of 20/21 September

November 2014

District Convention 2014 will be held at Scottsdale on 21/22/23 November

Dates for your Diary!!!

The Incoming Club Officers training programme is underway with some sessions already completed and other schedule in the near future.

Just to remind those who have been elected to hold office in Clubs in the coming year, the training schedule is:

North West:

Saturday, 24 May - 9.30am start
Wynyard - St Bridget's Catholic School
Sunday, 25 May - 9.30am start
Latrobe - Latrobe Primary School
Sunday, 1 June - 10.00am start
Zeehan - Zeehan Fire Station

North:

10 May - start 10.00am
Scottsdale - at Polytechnic Centre
23 May - start 10.00am
Launceston - at Brooks High School
31 May - start 10.00am
East Coast - Beachfront Motel, Bicheno

South:

Sunday, 25 May - 9.30am
Glenorchy - at West Moonah Community Centre, 130 Springfield Avenue, West Moonah

Welcome to the Lions Family

The induction of twenty-one new Lions into clubs in the past month has lifted District membership to **1245** Lions.

Rocky Cape led the way with five new members



Brighton

KIM MILLAR

sponsored by Janet Fedczyszyn

Deloraine

DUGALD BEST

sponsored by Robert Wise

JOHN PARK

sponsored by John Canterford

Flinders Island

CAROLE CRUTE

sponsored by Helene Levin

Kingborough

MATTHEW PAYNTER

sponsored by Erik Madsen

Latrobe

KEVIN MOULDER

sponsored by Mark Campbell

YVONNE MOULDEN

sponsored by Kae Campbell

North East Tasmania

GARY OLIVER

sponsored by Craig Steel

Port Cygnet

ANN CROCOMBE

sponsored by Karin Bluemmel

Riverside

JEFFREY REID

sponsored by Stuart Craddock

Rocky Cape

MALCOLM BOYS

sponsored by Ronald Prior

RICHARD COCHRANE

sponsored by Ronald Prior

SEAN COHEN

sponsored by Anita Cohen

EUNICE COATES

sponsored by Kevin Radford

VICTORIA COCHRANE

sponsored by Ronald Prior

Rosebery

MARRY McLEAN

Scottsdale

STEPHEN KIERNAN

sponsored by Wayne Harper

St Helens

WAYNE HENDERSON

sponsored by Terry Taylor

Ulverstone

RICK MUTIMER

sponsored by Noel Viney

West Tamar

CATHERINE BYERS

sponsored by Nigel Barwick

Wynyard

KATRINA MOLTOW

sponsored by Colin Newman



VALE

Lion Marie Ferrar

Lions Club of Clarence
26 April 2014



VALE

Lion Noel Appleby

Lions Club of Queenstown
1 May 2014

"I think if you're the type of person who wants to join the Lions it's because you're the type of person who wants to do it. Either you're a Lion or you're not. There is no in-between."

- Faye Mirr, zone chairperson and member of the Wauwatasa Lions in Wisconsin in the *Wauwatasa Now*

Westbury celebrates with a 20th Charter Anniversary Dinner

The Lions Club of Westbury celebrated two decades of service to their community at a 20th Charter Anniversary Dinner held on 20 April.

District Governor George is pictured with Club President Anthony Harris at the function.



Georgetown Club donates to the Holman Clinic

The Lions Club of George Town has made a donation of \$2000 to the WP Holman Clinic North from monies raised at a Country Music Festival.

Pictured at the presentation are (l to r) Club President Margaret Gibbons, Country Music Coordinator Lion Dorothy Swett, Mr Grant Smith from the WP Holman Clinic and Club Secretary Doreen Cook



A willing band of helpers

The multitude at the Country Music Festival run by the George Town Lions recently had to be fed and there was a willing band of members and friends who manned the kitchen and provided the goodies. Funds raised at the Festival were donated to the WP Holman Clinic.



Spreading the Word ..

The Lions Club of Kingborough was certainly spreading the word when they parked their van, complete with advertising sign in Salamanca Place in Hobart.

The sign was advertising the Club's Art Prize and Exhibition and proved a novel way to "spread the word"



27th Annual Lions International Peace Poster Contest

"Peace, Love and Understanding" is the theme for the 27th Annual Lions International Peace Poster Contest.

Lions Clubs throughout the world are asked to encourage the youth in your community to express their feeling of peace, while gaining exposure for your club. Participate in this year's poster contest. Peace Poster kits are available now from the Lions Shop at a cost of \$20.00 per school.

"Peace, Love and Understanding"





Has your club considered a project that might attract a grant from the Lions Club International Foundation for humanitarian needs?

LCIF District Coordinator, PDG John Gillham says "The last (and first) such grant made in District 201T1 was for the Eye Centre in Hobart in 1984."

"The grants for humanitarian needs projects are usually in the range of \$20000 to \$70000 and matched by local funding to an equal amount"

"These Standard Matching LCIF Grant applications cannot be made by a single Club, only by two or more Clubs, a Zone, a Region or a District"



**Australian
Lions
Foundation**

The ALF Compassionate Grant Scheme, initiated by a \$1M donation from the Dick and Pip Smith Foundation in 2013 has seen three Tasmanian families benefit in the past twelve months.

Tasmanian Trustee, David Triffett has reported that families at Wynyard, Glamorgan and Zeehan have been assisted.

David has also advised that the Foundation has benefitted from a \$573,000 bequest from the Estate of Caraol Garrad who, with husband Gary, was an very keen and active member of Lions.



**Tasmanian
Lions
Foundation**

**The next meeting of the
Foundation is to be held on
Sunday, 1 June 2014.**

Host families needed

The Lions Youth Exchange Programme attracts an ever-growing list of young people from many countries of the world to Australian shores.

Likewise, many young Australians benefit from the programme, travelling overseas to widen their horizons.

Youth Exchange gives you an opportunity for your club to actively participate in the first of the Lions Clubs purposes – To create and foster a spirit of understanding among the peoples of the world.

This year there is a record number of exchangees looking for host homes in Australia and in Tasmania, Ulverstone and Penguin Lions Clubs are already planning to host a young person.

District Chairman Wendy Brady would like to hear from any Club in Tasmania that might like to be involved in this programme.

Wendy's email address is:
aldaf@lionstasmania.org

Hobart 2017 endorsed

Hobart has been endorsed at the Host city for the 2017 Multiple District Convention that will celebrate 100 years of Lions.

While the nomination of Hobart as the convention host was the only one submitted, it still had to be endorsed by the delegates at the Tamworth Convention.

This means that the interim Convention Organising Committee can now proceed with the task of ensuring a memorable event

The 2015 National Convention will be held in Newcastle, NSW and the 2016 Convention in Echuca.

LYNX dates set

The Lions Youth Network eXpress programme will continue as a District Project in 2014 and dates have been set for the LYNX Forums.

LYNX days have been programmed to be held on
14 June
16 July
6 September
4 October.

All details of the programme can be obtained from the Project Chairman,
PDG Toby Crawford at
lynx@lionstasmania.org

Asthma Project

A further injection of funds to the Asthma project from Lions Clubs in Tasmania has enabled the Project hosts, the Lions Club of Kingborough, to contemplate completing the project within the two-year life of the project.

The aim of the project is to provide all schools in Tasmania with Asthma kits.

So far forty-four clubs have provided funds towards the project, donating \$10,123 that has enabled the distribution of kits to 261 schools.

Donations from those clubs that have not contributed to date will enable the delivery of asthma kits to the remaining twenty-seven schools

Crime Stoppers



Youth of the Year a winner

Celebrating fifty years since its inception, the Lions Youth of the Year again proved to be a most successful Lions Project throughout Australia and the final was a highlight of the National Convention in Tamworth in May.

Jordan Green, representing Western Australia and sponsored by the Lions Club of Fremantle was the overall winner while Ashleigh Rogers representing Victoria and sponsored by the Lions Club of Cohuna was successful in the Public Speaking section of the Youth of the Year.

Tasmania's representative was Laura Wood sponsored by the Lions Club of Ulverstone.



Laura is introduced on stage at the National Convention in Tamworth

Laura was successful in the State finals held in Launceston and hosted by the Lions Club of Riverside. Laura won both the overall award and the public speaking award.



The State finalists pictured at the State Finals held in Launceston

Ten Clubs participated in the State Youth of the Year Quest in 2014 - five from the North and five from the North West.

For the Record

As of 28 February, Lions Clubs International had 1,368,987 members in 46,281 clubs in 757 districts in 208 countries and geographic areas

Nepalese boy wins contest

Ashish Karki, 12, of Nepal is the grand prize winner of the 2013-14 Lions International Essay Contest for visually impaired youths.

Ashish, who will receive \$5000, will be honored in July in Toronto at the international convention. The contest's theme was "Our World, Our Future."

Ashish's essay includes: "What will be in the future? I always ask myself this question. Nobody is responsible for us. The modern era is deeply rooted in self-centeredness, violence, crime and lack of certitude. To eradicate these tendencies we have to bring the light of peace, justice brotherhood, responsibility and rational human behaviour through education."

The Kathmandu Ramechhap Lions Club sponsored Ashish.

The award was announced in New York at Lions Day with the United Nations

Convention adopts Project

The National Convention has adopted "Beyond Blue - Joining Hands Project" and a Category C Project.

Beyond Blue is high-profile Australian not-for-profit organisation whose work is aimed at achieving an Australian community that understands depression and anxiety, empowering all Australians, at any life-stage, to seek help. Their programmes are tailored to specific population groups, and they work in a range of settings in order to be accessible to as many people as possible. However, delivering programmes to some of the population - and in particular to remote communities - has been less successful

Lions Clubs Australia is ideally situated to address this shortcoming by Beyond Blue with increased community access through their Clubs.

In broad terms, the Association would focus attention on the issue of Mental Health and Depression over a 12 month period.

The campaign has two over-arching goals: An increase awareness of Lions under one national project; and an increase in discussion and awareness of depression and anxiety.

To achieve these goals the campaign will need to be built around the objectives of securing wide-spread, positive coverage in targeted media; and establishing each Lion, Liness and Leo Club as a "pop-up" community hub for the discussion and awareness of depression and anxiety.