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## From the District Governor's Pen...

Fellow Lions

Once again we are seeing devastation caused by excess rainfall to our Northern counterparts. We have, so far, been saved this year from flooding but we now need to assist our fellow Lions in the other Eastern states to help with the clean up, provision of food and clothing and emergency housing for those in need. I thank those clubs that have already donated to the St. George crisis but urge you all to give whatever you can to these disasters. **(SEE REPORT PAGE 7)**

All monies are to be sent to our Cabinet Treasurer, Erik, who will divide the total up amongst those Districts that have been affected. If your club would prefer their money to go to a specific area, then please attach a note to this effect and Erik will ensure it happens.

There have been many of our fellow Lions, as well as the broader community, who are suffering from these floods so let's do what we do best and assist them to get their lives back in order.

I recently attended the Charter celebrations of the Brighton Lions Club and what a wonderful, relaxed celebration it was. Congratulations and well done to all Charter members on seeing the need for service within your community and taking up the challenge to assist the Brighton area.

I must also congratulate PDG John Gillham and his extension committee for the many hours of work and assistance that they have put into seeing this club come to fruition. PDG John and GMT Chairman David Triffett were rewarded on the night with LCI Extension Certificates.

Also Annette Ogilvy and Sue Johns have taken on the task of Guiding Lions for the new club and will spend the next couple of years assisting Brighton with the many questions and training that will no doubt be required by the new members.

It was also rewarding to present Guiding Lion Certificates to Annette, Sue and PDG John with Cabinet Treasurer Eric Madsen to be presented with his at a later date. These four completed a questionnaire and online course to enable them to assist new clubs through their first years of service. This course is available to any Lions member and I urge anyone who is interested to contact their Zone chairmen for information on this training opportunity.

We are currently setting up extension committees in the North and North West and are seeking Lions from these areas who would like to see Lions grow in their area. If you are interested in helping out please contact 1st VDGE George Bugeja in the North West or Zone Chairman Byron Dilworth in the North. I am sure that they will be happy to gain some support.

As reported in my last newsletter, the Smithton Leo club has now formed with elections having taken place and their charter expected in late May, early June.

Some of the Smithton Lions bought 10 of their LEOs to a Penguin LEO meeting to get an idea of how the LEOs run a meeting. It was a great night with all present gaining some experience into the running of a LEO club. *(see report page 8 of this issue)*

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## Lion David Morris

*David passed away on 30th December 2011. He joined the Lions Club of Forth Valley in March 1998 and quickly established himself as a practical joker and was well respected by all members.*

*David was a willing worker and his tireless efforts with the woodcutting projects and the fun afterwards will be long remembered.*

**Apologies to Secretary Bill Lander and all members of the Lions Club of Forth Valley Inc for the omission of this notice in last months newsletter. Editor**

### Our District Count

31 Jan 2012

Clubs: 50

Membership: 1281

Status:

"Established district"

29 Feb 2012

Clubs: 50

Membership: 1268

Status:

"Established district"

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## From the International President

## THIS MONTH IN HISTORY...

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By the time you get the opportunity to read this, some Lions members will have attended the CEP training that was run in Launceston on Sunday the 11<sup>th</sup> March.

These trainers are now ready, willing and able to deliver this programme into any club that feels that they could do with an assessment on their communities needs as well as how their members feel their club is going. This should, in turn, see clubs become better equipped when facing the challenge of change that is needed for us all to remain viable in our respective communities.

All that you need to do is contact your Region Chairman who will be only too willing to assist you in setting up a workshop for your members.

In closing I would like to thank Flinders Island President, Alan (Jim) Wheatley and his wife Margaret for their hospitality during the four days that we visited their island. Julie and I had a terrific time, the crayfish were delicious, and we have started a friendship that will last a lifetime.

That is one of the best parts of being a LION, the friendship and fellowship that we get from meeting other Lions, LEOs and Lioness all over our District, Multiple District and the world.

**LIONS and YOUTH  
MAKING A  
DIFFERENCE  
TOGETHER**



Regards, DG Toby



Dear Lion,

You know that keeping your Lions family strong depends a great deal on inviting new members to join. But it may be even more important for clubs to hold onto those members after they become Lions.

Retaining members, new and old, takes effort but it is not complicated or difficult. Mostly, it requires paying attention to three common-sense ideas:

**Welcome  
Involve  
Nurture**

(It's no coincidence that, in English, these initials spell-out "WIN." They can make your club a winner!)

"Welcome" means making new members feel welcome and a part of the group. This begins with something as simple as saying "hello" and learning new members' names quickly. It also means listening respectfully to their ideas and needs. Ask yourself the questions and follow the tips in the My Club, My Family Pocket Guide. "I Believe" these simple steps can endure long-term success.

"Involve" means giving new members meaningful responsibilities from the very beginning. People become Lions because they want to take action. Members who feel that they are making a significant contribution are likely to stay. I encourage you to ask all members what they want to be involved with. Find out how your club's projects can match their skills and meet their needs.

"Nurture" includes leading by example but also means giving new members an effective orientation and involving them in the Lions Clubs International Mentoring Program. Support and encouragement from the Lions family is key during the development of new Lions members. Long term care and support keeps members involved and service ongoing. View the My Club, My Family brochure for program ideas for your Lions family.

I believe that you can use your final three months of leadership to finish with strong membership results. I believe you can do it!

Thank you for all you do for your fellow Lions, your community and the world.

Sincerely,

**Wing-Kun Tam**  
International President



- February 1, 1992: **1 and 2 CENT** pieces ceased to become available in Australia.
- March 1, 1937 Australian Aboriginal singing legend, **Jimmy Little** was born
- March 2, 1986: **The Australia Act** became law, cutting Australia's legal ties with Britain.
- March 3, 1967: **Peter Allen** married Liza Minnelli and it ended in divorce in 1972.
- March 4, 1966: The London Evening Standard published an article in which **John Lennon** stated that the Beatles were "more popular than Jesus right now". The comment caused outrage in the United States where anti-Beatles campaigns followed.
- March 6, 1983: **Bob Hawke** became the new Prime Minister of Australia
- March 7, 1947: Australian cinematographer, **Peter James** was born.
- March 8, 1982: **The XPT** (Express Passenger Train) service began in NSW.
- March 10, 1959: Australia's population reached 10 million.
- March 11, 1931: Australian media magnate, **Rupert Murdoch** was born.
- March 14, 1984: **Michael Jackson's** Thriller album became the biggest selling record ever.
- March 15, 2006: **The XVIIIth Commonwealth Games** opened in Melbourne.
- March 16, 1961: **Monash University** opened in Melbourne, Australia.
- March 17, 1992: **Prime Minister Paul Keating** repeated his call for a new flag
- March 18, 1959: **E.M.I.** stopped making 78 rpm singles.
- March 19, 1932: **The Sydney Harbour Bridge** was opened.
- March 20, 1969: **John Lennon** married Yoko Ono in Gibraltar.
- March 21, 1987: **Dean Martin's** 35yo son, Dean Paul Martin was killed in a plane crash.
- March 22, 1995: Russian cosmonaut **Valeri Polyakov** returned to Earth after setting a record for 438 days in space.
- March 23, 1983: **President Reagan** unveiled plans to combat nuclear war in space. Known as "Star Wars", it was abandoned in 1993.
- March 24, 1997: **Geoffrey Rush** won the Oscar for Best Actor for his portrayal of pianist David Helfgott in *Shine*.
- March 25, 1988: **EFTPOS** machines began operating at over 8,000 retail outlets across Australia.
- March 26, 2001: **Russell Crowe** won the Best Actor Oscar for his role in *Gladiator*.
- March 27, 1940: Melbourne, **amateur and open golf championships** were cancelled for the duration of the war.
- March 28, 1900: **British Royal family** received its first motor car, a Daimler Mail Phaeton.
- March 30, 1962: **Australian Aborigines** won the right to vote in federal elections.
- March 31, 1909: **Victoria** gave women the right to vote. It was the last Australian state to do so.

# Australian Lions Foundation

## Helping Lions, Help Their Communities

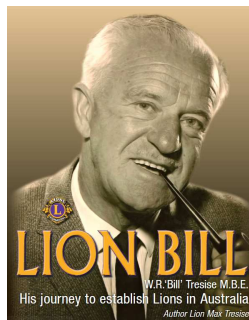
With the Floods persisting in NSW and Victoria the Council Chairman has launched a National Appeal to all Clubs in our Multiple District for donations and Clubs are requested to send donations to Cabinet Treasurer Erik for on forwarding to the Foundation.

In the meantime the Foundation will provide immediate financial assistance from our Disaster Emergency Fund when requested to the relevant District Governors to enable them to assist families affected. So your Clubs donations would be greatly appreciated.

At the February Meeting of Trustees a further 21 Grants were approved totalling \$113,016 and only one Club in TI received a Grant. An Emergency Grant was ratified for \$3500 to the Lions Club of Kingborough to assist a Blackmans Bay family who lost all their possessions when their home was partially destroyed by fire whilst they were away visiting family on the mainland.

It may be of interest to note for our Leo Clubs that an application was received from a School based Leo Club to assist with the purchase of Medical Equipment for a First Aid Station. This would be the first application received by the Foundation to assist a Leo Club. So Leo Clubs in Tasmania you too can apply to the Foundation for assistance with your projects.

The Trustees have also agreed to continue recognition of Lions who achieve 50 years service with the presentation of the 50yr Medallion and a copy of the autobiography of W.R. "Bill" Tresise MBE, the Lion responsible for establishing Lions Clubs International in Australia. This information is extracted from the International Data Base. Copies of the book are available from me at the cost of \$35.00. The Books would make an ideal gift to Youth of the Year Judges, High School libraries or local Municipal Libraries. Profit from the sale of the autobiography will be presented to ALF.



All Clubs in our District have recently been circulated with information relating to the Foundation's Awards and the AGM which will be held during the Multiple District Convention in Perth WA in May. Should Clubs be contemplating presenting Awards then now is the time to order to avoid the usual rush at the end of the Lions year.

**Trustees meet four times a year to assess grants and the next meetings of Trustees will be held**

**2<sup>nd</sup> May 2012**

**at MD Convention in Perth WA**

The first meeting for the next Lions Year will be held 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> August 2012

Please note that any pending Grant Applications by Clubs must be signed by the District Governor/Vice District Governor or Cabinet Secretary

prior to sending direct to me or to the Grants Chairman

PCC Ian Kelly,  
PO Box 5522, FALCON, WA 6210.

Applications need to be received at least seven (7) days prior to the above dates.

Should any Club require assistance with a Grant Application or Awards please contact me either by email [apretyman@bigpond.com](mailto:apretyman@bigpond.com) or phone 62252011



Alan Pretyman - Sec. and Trustee for Tasmania



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### DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S APPRECIATION DINNER AND INSTALATION OF INCOMING OFFICERS

**SATURDAY  
21ST JUNE 2012**

AT  
**THE OLD WOOL STORE  
"Merino Room"  
1 Macquarie Street  
Hobart**

TIME  
**6.30 for 7.00 pm**

DRESS  
**Black tie for Gents  
After Five for Ladies**

**Awards to be worn**

COST  
**\$45.00 per head**

**FULL COST  
to be paid with booking  
BEFORE 18th July 2012**

TO  
**David Triffett  
2 Victor Place  
Glenorchy TAS 7010**

**The Woolstore has  
Accommodation package  
deals. . .**

**Just quote Lions State Dinner**





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# Crime Stoppers Week

20th-24th FEBRUARY 2012

Crime Stoppers Week is a campaign to encourage and empower Tasmanians to join Crime Stoppers Tasmania in its mission to assist and support crime solving.

This year's campaign focused on use of the Crime Stoppers Freecall 1800 333 000 number, providing information about how and when to use the 1800 333 000 number.



*See Something,  
Hear Something,  
Do Something,  
ANONYMOUSLY  
1800 333 000*

Crime Stoppers Week 2012 also highlighted three current priority crime categories:

Motor Vehicle Theft,  
Home Burglaries and the Manufacture  
of Illicit Drugs.

Crime Stoppers Week 2012 was launched on Monday 20th February at Waterside Pavilion and proudly supported by our Key Event Sponsor **Lions Clubs of Tasmania**, Key Media Partner Southern Cross, Event Supporter Hobart City Council and Tasmania Police.



Above: DGE David Daniels & DG Toby Crawford

Taken from **CRIME STOPPERS TASMANIA** website.

# 33rd District 201T1 Convention

## Lions Club of Ulverstone

"Welcomes you to the home of the Clock!"

**November 9th - 11th 2012**

### Venues for Convention

- Opening Ceremony:** Civic Centre Theatre
- Informal Reception:** Civic Centre Gawler Room
- Business Sessions:** Civic Centre Theatre
- Saturday Dinner:** Ulverstone Rowing Club

For further information:

Email: [convention@lionstasmania.org](mailto:convention@lionstasmania.org)  
<http://lionstasmania.org/convention/>



*Remember to.... "Clock on for a Good Time!"*

### DISTRICT STAMP COLLECTING

Thanks to all who support this simple and easy project. We invite new supporters as many avenues still exist to collect stamps from business and colleagues. As I said in my TLF report, your efforts will make a difference to someone's quality of life. Thanks for your continued support.

Stamps may be given to your Zone/Regional Chair who will give them to Lion Phil Robinson at Cabinet, who will get them to me.

Alternatively, you can send them direct to me at:

11 Camina Crt Riverside 7250  
and we will do the rest.

Regards Peter Burke  
Riverside Lions Club



Okay, Ralph .... let me 'splain it you again. You're big, I'm little; BUT!!! you're dog, I'm cat ..... that makes me the boss. Got it ??



### VALE



It was with sadness that the District Was made aware of the passing of

**PDG Barrie  
Bremner**

on Monday Feb 13, 2012.

At the family's request, the funeral was private.

PDG Barrie was a long time member of the New Norfolk club and served on Cabinet over a number of years.



*Inventive these Lions!*

# Tasman Festival 2012

# Beautifully simple appeal...

The Lions Club of Tasman hosts this event each year, and the Festival includes the Tasman Arts & Craft Exhibition, the Tasman Regatta and the Peninsula Feast. The festival is held over the weekend closest to Australia Day, with each activity showcasing the beautiful Tasman Municipality while giving locals and visitors the chance to enjoy local food, wine, music and activities.

The Tasman Council utilize the Peninsula Feast to announce their Australia Day awards, this year the Lions Club of



Tasman was named the Volunteer Organisation for 2011 (yippy) when President Lion Ted Evans was called to receive the award, he was taken by surprise!! (as you will see above!)

Also, Lion Beverly Cooper (photo below) was named as the Tasman Council Citizen of the year for 2011. Beverly received the award for her tireless contribution to the community both with the Lions and other volunteer organisations. The awards were presented to them by the Mayor of Tasman, Jan Barwick.



**Mary Andrews**  
Publicity Officer/LC of Tasman Inc

**The Lions Club of Port Sorell's Triple 5 appeal had thousands of 5 cent pieces handed in by the Port Sorell community and raised the huge amount of \$3,000 over 16 weeks.**

People donated to the various collection bins placed around businesses in Shearwater, Port Sorell and at the Mersey Community Hospital.

The beauty of the appeal was that even though people may only be donating a 5c piece, they felt that no matter what their income they were an integral part of fundraising for worthwhile projects in their local community. **Although the majority of the donations came in 5 cents pieces, \$5 and \$10 notes were also given, such was the support not only for the Lions Club of Port Sorell, but for the two organisations who were each presented with a cheque of \$1500.** The Surf Life Saving Club of Port Sorell and the Mersey Community Hospital Children's Ward were thrilled with the result and will put the donation to excellent use in assisting to provide programs and equipment.

During the fundraising period members of the Lions Club of Port Sorell attending an interclub dinner meeting with Kentish Lions who generously donated their nights takings to the cause. Now that is what Lions Clubs are about! **Given the success of the appeal the Club will consider running it again next year and will identify two other worthy causes to donate funds to.**

*Your Club may just want to consider this project too.*

**Jeanette Manson**  
Publicity Officer/Lions Club of Port Sorell



Surf Club members - Ellie Coates & Aiden Matthewson & Lion Kris Crawford



Photo at left: left - right Lion Jeanette Manson

## Leo Lion Summit

*As part of International President Wing-Kun Tam's 2011-12 Presidential Program, a Leo Lion Summit is being organized in lieu of the annual Global Leo Conference.* President Tam is committed to elevating the significance of Leos within our family of service given that, in many ways, Leos are the future of our Lions' family. Like any family, all members have a special role to play.

We look to Leos for inspiration, energy and a fresh perspective that will help improve our quality of service to our communities and the world.

*Part of Lions Clubs International's commitment to youth is to ensure that Leos have a voice in our organization.*

To help us toward that goal, the first ever Leo Lion Summit will take place at the 2012 Lions Clubs International Convention in Busan, Korea. **The summit will help lead to more dialogue between Lions and Leos and allow Lions to better understand those who will one day lead our association.**

This special event will bring Leos and Lions together from around the world for a productive day, including traditional opening and closing ceremonies, a formal luncheon, breakout sessions and a town hall meeting.

**For more information on how to register for the Leo Lion Summit, please email [leo@lionsclubs.org](mailto:leo@lionsclubs.org)**



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# AUTISM ASSISTANCE DOG FOR DANIEL

As some extraordinary issues have occurred within Daniel's family, there has been a longer period of time in placing Daniel's dog anticipated. His mother who is his prime carer (the together) has had poor and is in need of surgery and recuperation.



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This has meant the family's relocation to be with her elderly parents in Canberra. To prevent any further delay in Daniel receiving his dog our Board agreed to proceed to place the dog with the family while they were still with their extended family and before their anticipated return to Tasmania.

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Daniel is to commence his training with Righteous Pups in Bendigo on March 20. Representatives from our Club will attend Daniel's graduation which will be celebrated with great relief. Following is a copy of a letter of thanks we received for publication within the district which supported our fundraising efforts.

## To the Lions Club of Rocky Cape

On behalf of Daniel, our family wishes to very sincerely thank your amazing club, your generous sponsors and supporters for your assistance in raising funds in Daniel's name to purchase a Service Dog for him from Righteous Pups Australia.

We are also very grateful to the people of Burnie, Wynyard & district, some of whom knew Daniel personally and many who didn't, who kindly donated funds so as to help improve the overall quality of his life and help him overcome social barriers with the opportunity to develop a sense of connection to others and the world around him.

We hope you can appreciate that living with a child with autism & high levels of anxiety means that our family can be complex to manage and maintain.

A recent situation has arisen for us involving a significant medical concern affecting Daniel's primary carer - a major operation & stay in hospital is highly likely to be required and as Daniel suffers from severe separate anxiety, based on past experiences, the effect on him is likely to be detrimental. Therefore, we have taken steps to reduce this risk which has resulted in significant upheaval to our lives. This is due to the need for Daniel to be distracted by close family members during his carer's hospital stay.

As these family members reside outside of Tasmania and are too elderly to travel, we have found it necessary to relocate to be near them.

We are presently undergoing a waiting process that could be anywhere between 6-12 months, minimum. So, as to not disrupt the continuity of Daniel's education, he will remain homeschooled through distant education interstate.

As Daniel has recently undergone some major changes and finds these experiences very stressful, we feel it's in his best interests not to introduce any further ones this year.

We hope you understand that in our situation, we were left with little choice but to proceed in the direction have taken.

With thanks & appreciation,  
Paul & Mary-Anne.



Pam Prior  
Secretary  
LC of Rocky Cape

## Tas Lions Autism Assistance Dogs

# LION SNAPS PLEASE!



Dear Lions Club Secretaries,

In my role as a member of the District 201T1 Global Leadership Team I am developing training presentations for clubs and members that have a unique local character that represents Lions within Tasmania.

Currently, many of these programs are based on Lions Clubs International and depict Lions that are typical of the USA. At a recent meeting of the your district team with CEP facilitator PCC Tony Benbow all agreed that it would have more significance if images were of club members from our district.

What I now ask is for each of you to pick individuals, and groups (with their approval) doing what Lions do best, serving their communities, for use in producing the presentations for the Club Excellence Program (CEP)

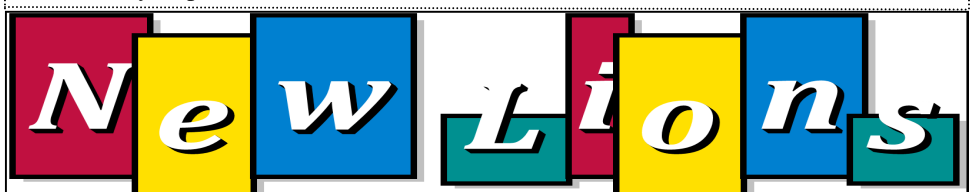
All images to be in JPEG format and attached to my email address:  
[jayemonline@gmail.com](mailto:jayemonline@gmail.com)

Your cooperation would be appreciated.

Lion John Medwin



Get involved - that's what Lionism is all about!



CLUB JOINED  
New Lion  
SPONSOR

BRIGHTON LIONS CLUB  
Eric P McNamara  
CHARTER MEMBER

GLENORCHY LIONS CLUB  
Brent Prins  
TONY PRINS



Tenille R McNamara  
CHARTER MEMBER

Total New Members: 3

# Tasmanian Lions Foundation

Next meeting of Foundation  
is to be held on

**13th May 2012**

Any Club with Grant Applications  
- these are to be in hands of the  
Secretary by:

**6th May 2012**

at 11 Camina Court Riverside Tas 7250,  
or any other matter you would like  
discussed.

During the month of March, I will be  
contacting all Clubs with an invitation  
to award a TLF Fellowship award for  
someone in their community or within  
Club ranks who have done a good job  
throughout the year.

**Presidents please consider when  
you are looking at awards.**

If at this time you have some surplus  
funds, please consider your Foundation.  
Your support will allow us to continue  
to support Clubs for their projects that  
they need assistance to complete.

**Any grants received will be listed for  
our next meeting on May 13th, 2012.**

Keep up the good work within your  
communities. Through your generosity,  
this will help make a difference to  
someone's quality of life. Thanking you.

## REMEMBER AFTER ALL

*It is your Foundation so please  
support it in both areas of receiving  
and giving too.*

*We are here to assist you, so please use it.*

Regards to you all  
**Peter Burke** Secretary



## Register to Attend International Convention in Busan 2012

Make plans to join Lions from around  
the world at our 95th International  
Convention in Busan, Korea,  
**June 22-26, 2012.**

Further info at [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org)



# DISASTER FLOOD RELIEF

*DG Toby writes: The Australian Lions  
Foundation has established an Appeal  
to support Districts impacted by the  
recent flooding throughout NSW and  
Victoria.*

Please note the attached letter to  
all clubs from ALF, part of which  
follows in *italics*. I would like to  
thank those clubs who have  
already donated but I would be  
grateful for extra if clubs are able  
to give more. Also that donations  
already received will be pooled  
together with any other donation  
and split up between all districts  
effected by the floods.

**Clubs are asked to make their cheques  
payable to your District and send it to  
your Cabinet Treasurer with a note that  
it is for the "ALF Disaster Fund". The  
District will accumulate the funds  
received and forward a District cheque  
to our Foundation.**

**If a club has a specific request  
where they would prefer their  
money to go then attach a note  
to their donation and Treasurer  
Erik will ensure it reaches the  
Club/District that they  
have asked for.**

*If your Club collects some donations  
from the public, for example by a  
"bucket collection", most people who  
donate do not request a tax receipt –  
they donate in the true Australian spirit  
of giving, which seeks nothing in return.*

*However if you do receive a request  
from a public or business donor, you  
must record the donor's Name, Address,  
and Amount Donated. When you send  
the Club's cheque to your District  
Treasurer, please also send a "tax  
deduction list" with all those details.  
This will be passed on to our  
Foundation and we will issue the  
appropriate receipts direct to the donor.*

*The funds provided by Lions will  
predominately be used to cover such  
areas as cleaning up, replacement of  
food, clothing, bedding, whitegoods,*

*children's school requisites, toiletries,  
medications, and other specific areas of  
need.*

*When the current bad weather clears and  
the flood waters recede, the District  
Governors will be able to make a better  
assessment as to the needs of their  
affected areas and the Foundation will be  
able to fairly distribute the relief funds to  
the Lions Districts involved.*

*We greatly appreciate the efforts of the  
Clubs and the District Treasurers in  
following the above procedures. We will  
keep you advised as, together, we move  
forward in assisting the victims of these  
terrible disasters.*

**PDG Paul Logue**  
ALF CHAIRMAN



## ONE SHOT ONE LIFE

Lions Measles Initiative

Thanks to your generous support, 10 million  
more children now have the chance at a  
healthy life. Mothers and fathers in Nepal no  
longer have to fear that their child will suffer  
from measles. These children are among those  
in nearly thirty (30) other countries who will  
receive measles vaccinations this year through  
Lions' efforts.

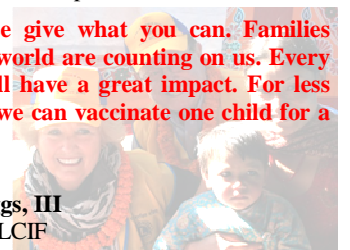
450 children die each day from this disease.  
Even one death is too many. Lions, we have  
the power to ensure no other families suffer  
this fate. That is why we have launched One  
Shot, One Life: Lions Measles Initiative.

By joining with other leading non-  
governmental organizational partners, we are  
giving life to **157 million children this year.**  
The Gates Foundation has issued a  
challenge to us, Lions. I am confident we  
can meet and exceed this challenge. The  
Gates Foundation will match every US\$2 we  
raise with US\$1, to help us meet our goal of  
providing US\$15 million this year.

Thus far we have surpassed US\$1m raised.

**Lions, please give what you can. Families  
around the world are counting on us. Every  
donation will have a great impact. For less  
than US\$1, we can vaccinate one child for a  
lifetime.**

**Sid L. Scruggs, III**  
Chairperson LCIF



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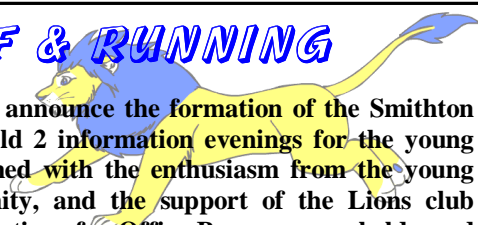
# District Newsletter 2011

**Deadline for next issue is: APRIL 10th**

Copy for the newsletter is required on or before the tenth (10th) of the month of publication.

It is preferred that articles be typed and submitted for publication by e-mail or CD/DVD. Please forward (where possible) photos and newspaper cuttings with your article.

## NEW LEO CLUB OFF & RUNNING



It is with great pleasure and pride that I announce the formation of the Smithton LEOs club. The Smithton Lions Club held 2 information evenings for the young people of Smithton, and were overwhelmed with the enthusiasm from the young people to get involved in their community, and the support of the Lions club members. On Monday 13th February, elections for Office Bearers were held, and the positions were filled as follows (and in picture below):



- (front left-right)
- Treasurer Tom O'Loughlin;
- President Renee Simpson;
- Secretary Shae Collis.
- (back left-right)
- Vice President Jesse Jackson;
- Tail Twister Victoria Wells.

*Many thanks go to Daniel, Louise and the rest of the Penguin Leos for their support and guidance in the formation of this new club.*

The Leos advisors for Smithton are Lion and District Chairperson Heather Johns as Den Mother, and Smithton Lion Neville O'Loughlin is the 'Den Dawg.'

The Leos Club of Smithton have organized their first event, being a Fruit Salad and Fruit Smoothie Bar at the Relay For Life event on the 17th & 18th of March, then disco and movie nights and sausage sizzles in the planning for April.

*These young Leos have really hit the ground running. With currently thirteen (13) members (at time of writing), and another four (4) prospective members, I personally as a Lion, a Parent, and community member, look forward to exciting times ahead!*

As it is still early days, and a lot of paperwork is yet to be done, we are looking at Chartering this new club sometime in June. We will definitely keep you all posted on our happenings!

Proud Lion, Neville O'Loughlin

### BUMPER STICKERS

My karma ran over your dogma.  
 A fool and his money are a girl's best friend.  
 I'm not driving fast - just flying low.  
 I is a college student.  
 If you can read this, I can hit my brakes and sue you.  
 From The Newsletter of the LC of Penguin Feb 2012

## MEMBERSHIP is EVERY member's BUSINESS!

### "SENDING SMILES ACROSS THE MILES"

Susie Gregory-Cook sent the following report on behalf of Dodges Ferry & Sthn Beaches club on a recent project.

Pictured below are some of the young men who received a parcel of cakes, fudge and Christmas presents from the Dodges Ferry & Sthn Beaches Lions.

**Sue's cousin is pictured below at end right (a local lad).**

Pastor Fred Barratt is serving in Kandahar at present, so all boxes were sent direct to him, as he was able to distribute them to the men who were not able to with family over Christmas.

We have received messages of thanks and apparently there was a "cake-eating" competition on Christmas Day—first prize a night in the infirmary! (chuckle!)

