



# From the District Governor's Pen...

Fellow Lions

As I visit the clubs of T1 there is one thing that all clubs should be extremely proud of. That there is not one club I wouldn't want to be a part of if I was lucky enough to be a citizen in their township. You are all serving strongly in your respective communities giving selflessly of your time and money to assist the needy.

I only hope that the friendship and enthusiasm afforded me is also shown to prospective and new members. If prospective members are made to feel welcome as if they were a part of your own family, then they will in turn, return the same enthusiasm ten fold.

It is also pleasing to see many of our clubs introducing young members into their clubs. A club with fun, fellowship and a dash of youth leads to vibrant meetings that all members will enjoy.

I hope that all Lions, LEOs and Lioness have given some thought to going to the T1 Convention hosted by Spring Bay Lions at Triabunna in November. Registration forms are available for download on the Tasmanian Lions website.

This is going to be a convention packed with fun and laughter. There is no business session on Saturday afternoon.

This is to give conventioneers a chance to explore the area. The Spring Bay Lions have organised some Maria Island Charter Cruises with the National Parks agreeing to waive the Parks entry fee for visiting Lions, LEOs, Lioness and Guests details are also on the website and these need to be booked separately from your registration.

I had the opportunity to assist my club, Penguin, with the erection of a gazebo at their Coroneagh Park Community Gardens project. It was great to get back to doing some hands on work for our community and assist my club with this wonderful project. The laughter and fellowship that goes with hands on projects are what gives us all a sense of pride and achievement in the knowledge that we are making a difference.

I applaud all Lions who have given freely of their time to assist their respective clubs with these types of projects and urge those who haven't, to give it a go. It usually isn't all that hard and, as I said, the fun and laughter is payment enough to last a lifetime.

Julie and I have just returned from the ANZI Forum held on the Gold Coast. Tasmania had a good representation of Lions and I am sure all attendees departed with more Lions knowledge than they had before they arrived and I hope they will impart this knowledge onto their respective clubs on their return.

The Forum was held over three days with our International President, Wing-Kun Tam in attendance as well as many other International dignitaries. I hope that these forums remain viable and urge all Lions to look at attending next years forum to be held in Queenstown, New Zealand on  $31^{st}$  August to  $2^{nd}$  September.

If you are thinking of holidaying in New Zealand next year then work around these dates and enjoy a great weekend



whilst learning more about our wonderful organisation, Lions International.

LIONS and YOUTH MAKING A DIFFERENCE TOGETHER



Regards, DG Toby



Believe that one person can make a difference. Believe that the entire world can be changed when we come together as Lions. Believe that changing a life – or the world – starts with each one of us



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# Around the Clubs

### Leo's Annual Pilgrimage

Penguin LEOs made their annual Pilgrimage to Cradle Mt on the weekend of 3rd September. A slightly smaller group than some years, but LOTS of enthusiasm and laughter. The weather was glorious, beautiful reflections in Dove Lake.

In the group pictured, at least five had never made the summit before. Youngest of the crew was (potential LEO) Mitchell Cohen (12) who bounded up the mountain like it was just a small hill, closely followed by LEOs Brandon and Thomas.

Saturday night included birthday celebrations for Lion/LEO Sarah Mundy. We also had a visiting LEO from Canberra, Reece Colman - it is rumoured he may have had some influence regarding Lion/LEO Megan's decision to move to Queanbeyan next year to further her career in nursing..... Hmmmmm.....

Sunday was a recovery day some of the older ones (Lions in particular) were creaking around the place wishing they were forty years younger. Thank you to the LEOs who were patient enough to wait for an "old fart" that joined them for part of the trip to the summit (Maurice).

An excellent weekend - good fun and recommended to all.



Above: Nice view of Barn Bluff from Cradle Mt summit. L-R Kara, Thomas, Megan, Mitchell, Brandon, Reece, Jonno, Sarah, Nic, Rachael.

Lion Maurice Jones OOF

# Lions Club of Port Sorell **Triple 5 Project** Launched 5<sup>th</sup> September

### \$5,000 - 5 months - 5c!!!!

What do you do with your 5 cent pieces? How many 5 cent pieces are hiding in your home or wallet? According to recent reports the humble 5 cent piece is possibly on the way to becoming a part of the history of Australian currency!

Before the 5 cent piece reaches this status the Lions Club of Port Sorell is challenging the community of Port Sorell to raise \$5,000 over the next 5 months by donating 5 cent pieces to support two worthy kid's projects in the community.

All the funds raised will be donated equally to 2 worthy causes:

Surf Lifesaving Club of Port Sorell - Monies raised will assist the club to continue with education and training programs of members

### and

### Children's Ward of the Mersey Community Hospital.

Shearwater IGA Supermarket has joined in to support the cause with collection containers being placed at the checkouts.

### Additional collection containers will be placed in business locations throughout the Port Sorell area as well as at the Kiosk of the Mersey Community Hospital.

The community is being encouraged to donate their 5 cent pieces wherever they shop over the next 5 months. The appeal will conclude on January 5<sup>th</sup> 2012.

The Club is mindful of the difficult financial times businesses and the community face at present and being a smaller community, members came up with a fundraising idea that is not going to place additional pressure on anyone and it provides and opportunity for to be able to contribute.

A progress gauge has been placed in the shopping area where each month the amount raised will be able to be viewed by all.

Lion Jeanette Manson Publicity Officer





Port Sorell Lions members Jeanette and Lou Manson hand out collection containers to Tracey – Port Sorell Surf Lifesaving Club, Tanya – IGA Supermarket Jeannette and Mandy – Mersey Comm Hosp



to all of the Lions Clubs in the District, and all those individual Lions that sent flowers and cards of condolence to Sally and I and the Family, after the loss of our eldest Grandson Matthew Roney on the 25th of August.

It was overwhelming to not only see the Lions that travelled to Launceston for the funeral but to receive so many cards well in access of a hundred with loving messages of support.

Tony Roney

# From the Cab Treasurer

#### Dear Club Treasurer's

You could be forgiven for thinking that I have 'gone off my rocker' for complaining about to much money.

However, there seems to be a little confusion in some areas of the Lions Community regarding International Dues Invoices.

#### Let me explain the procedure.

International issue invoices at the beginning of each month, unfortunately they don't seem to arrive in Oz until about third week of the same month.

In order for the club account to be cleared before the next monthly invoice is being issued, I need to bank the money and advise USA by the 28th of that month.

So, if you pay the July invoice in August, you will receive another reminder invoice, but not necessarily to the same Australian dollar value, as this will vary slightly with the monthly adjustment of the exchange rate.

# I congratulate the club treasurer's who pay their club's dues promptly, but, please check your records before making a duplicate payment.

And one more thing! Applications for Lions Life membership should be sent to me together with a cheque in Australian currency to the value of US\$500.00. I then list the transaction on my weekly International banking slip, the life membership application form is scanned and is then emailed together with the banking slip to USA for action.

Any deviation from this process will only delay the procedure.

Lion Erik Madsen - Cabinet Treasurer

## Fairy tale for girls

Once upon a time, in a land far away A beautiful, independent, self-assured princess Happened upon a frog as she sat, Contemplating ecological issues on the shores Of an unpolluted pond in a verdant meadow near her castle.

The frog hopped into the princess's lap and said, "Elegant lady, I was once a handsome prince Until an evil witch cast a spell on me.

One kiss from you, however, and I will turn back Into the dapper young prince that I am And then, my sweet, we can marry And set up housekeeping in your castle With my mother Where you can prepare my meals, Clean my clothes, bear my children And forever feel grateful and happy doing so."

That night, as the princess dined sumptuously On lightly sautéed frog legs Seasoned in a white wine and onion cream sauce, She chuckled and thought to herself, "I don't think so...."



### Lions, LCIF Providing Famine Relief in Africa



Right now, famine is threatening the lives of millions of people in Africa. As always, Lions are bringing aid to the people affected by this disaster. **LCIF has approved a US\$15,000 grant to support famine relief.** Lions in Kenya also collected US\$10,000. And our members around the world are rallying to help. Lions in Sweden are donating US\$77,000. A Lions club in Germany has pledged to collect US\$7,100. Lions from Ethiopia are taking part in relief efforts as well.

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By now everyone has received advertising material and order forms from TFM Foods Melbourne.

I cannot point out strongly enough that TFM is <u>NOT</u> the multiple district supplier. The approved supplier is TOP TASTE.

The benefits are:

- 1. Top Taste supplies us with a competitively priced product.
- 2. Top Taste gives our Districts and all other Districts on the mainland a rebate system which helps keep our dues to District and multiple District lower.

PRODUCT	COST	SELL	PROFIT	%
Lion Mints	0.28c	0.50c	0.264c	52
Lions Peppermint Drops	0.017c	0.30c	0.283c	93
Special Christmas Mints	1.25c	2.00c	0.75c	37
Christmas Cake 1.5kg	10.37	14.00	2.31	26
Christmas Cake 1kg	7.69	10.00	2.31	23
Christmas Plum Pudding 900gm	7.65	11.00	3.35	30

**FUDGE**: A quality product with good profit margins and very saleable, and good old fashioned service from all our suppliers.

This year to date Mints sales are slightly down on the previous year - they need a bit of a BOOST!

Happy Selling!

Yours in Lions Viv Cardwell DC (Product Sales 201T1) Ph 6286 1311 or 0428 136 223



# LIONS YOUTH PROJECTS

### YOUTH of the YEAR

Many thanks to the clubs who are taking part in this programme this year. I have held meetings throughout the state with interested clubs and I feel confident that once again this will be a successful Lions Programme.

While love is usually blind, marriage can be quite an eye opener!

Many thanks to Jenny Tripptree (North) and Richard Forcey (South) for assisting me this year. I also wish to thank the club Youth of the Year chairmen fore taking on these positions.

Dates to remember and time frame to work to:

CLUB FINAL by 18<sup>th</sup> March, REGION FINAL by 1<sup>st</sup> APRIL, STATE FINAL to be held on 15<sup>th</sup> APRIL and NATIONAL FINAL to be held on 4<sup>th</sup> MAY, Perth WA

# Australian Lions Foundation Helping Lions, Help Their Communities



Last month every Lions, Lioness and Leos Club in our District should have received a new brochure and information sheet on the history and workings of the Foundation, Grant Application form and procedures in place for processing Grants and the Awards available to Clubs. If any Club did not receive this information then please contact me.

The purchase of Awards is a main source of fundraising for the Foundation and many Clubs pay for Awards in advance and also take advantage of paying for Awards by installment with an accumulation period of three years. The limit of three years is in place as Clubs tend forget they have set aside funds for the purchase of Awards.

I would like to remind Clubs of the Foundations ability to assist promptly with Emergency Grants, particularly house fires which are very prevalent in Tasmania. Only last month I received a request from an East Coast Club to assist a resident whose home was completely destroyed by fire and within 24hours an Emergency Grant of \$2500 was approved. Emergency Grants do not require \$ for \$ contribution from the Club but the Club is responsible for accountability.

At the Meeting of Trustees held last month a grant of \$1554.00 was approved for the Spring Bay Club to assist with their ongoing program of providing "CareAlert Smart Diallers" for the elderly and housebound residents of the Spring Bay/Orford area.

### The next meetings of Trustees will be held

### 5th-6th November 2011

5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> February 2012 and 2<sup>nd</sup> May 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* or phone 62252011.



### DONATIONS TO THE FOUNDATION'S GENERAL OR EMERGENCY FUND ARE ALSO CREATLY APPRECIATED.

Alan Pretyman - Secretary and Trustee for Tasmania

### YOUTH EXCHANGE

*IF your club is interested in hosting a Youth from overseas during 2012 please contact me.* 

### PEACE POSTER

I believe that we will have more clubs involved in this project than we have had for the last few years. The deadline for ordering Peace Poster Kits is 1<sup>st</sup> October.

Lion Wendy Brady DC Youth Projects T1



### The World's Smartest Dog?

As a butcher is shooing a dog from his shop, he sees £10 and a note in his mouth, reading: "10 lamb chops, please."

Amazed, he takes the money, puts a bag of chops in the dog's mouth, and quickly closes the shop. He follows the dog and watches him wait for a green light, look both ways, and trot across the road to a bus stop. The dog checks the timetable and sits on the bench. When a bus arrives, he walks around to the front and looks at the number, then boards the bus. The butcher follows, dumbstruck.

As the bus travels out into the suburbs, the dog takes in the scenery. After awhile he stands on his back paws to push the "stop" button, then the butcher follows him off.

The dog runs up to a house and drops his bag on the step. He goes back down the path, takes a big run, and throws himself -Whap!- against the door. He does this again and again. No answer. So he jumps on a wall, walks around the garden, beats his head against a window, jumps off, and waits at the front door. A big guy opens it and yells at the dog.

The butcher runs up screams at the guy: "What in the world are you doing? This dog's a genius!" The owner responds, "Genius? I don't think so. It's the second time this week he's forgotten his key!"

# From the Cabinet Secretary

## District Convention at Triabunna 11-13 November

I hope every club will be represented at this convention - it will be a good one!

Clubs will receive forms in the next couple of weeks for:

 \* Delegate registration - each club is entitled to one delegate for each 10 members.
\* Remembrance Ceremony - please advise me of the names of any Lions or Lions Partners who have passed away since the Convention in November last year.

Please make sure you return these forms to me by the due date.

Maurice Jones - Cabinet Secretary



## SPRING BAY 2011

11th-13th November

MENUS FOR CONVENTION WEEKEND FRIDAY NIGHT BBQ Drinks available hot or cold SATURDAY BREAKFAST Egg & Bacon Roll, Juice and tea and coffee

SATURDAY LUNCH Fish Fry (or grilled) Salad & sweets, hot or cold drinks SATURDAY NIGHT BANQUET

SUNDAY BREAKFAST Egg & Bacon Roll, Juice and tea and coffee SUNDAY LUNCH Cold Meat & Salad & Sweets, hot or cold drinks Alcohol available at bar prices.

### **DON'T FORGET FRIDAY OPENING!!!**

Meet & Greet will be finger food supplied by students from Triabunna District High School DON'T FORGET DRESS CODE FOR SATURDAY NIGHT!!! BACK TO SCHOOL OR KID'S WEAR!! NO SUITS OR STILLETTO'S ALLOWED!! WAIT 'TIL YOU SEE YOUR DG IN HIS SHORTS!! Can't wait to see the girls in their TUNICS!!

N.B. Saturday afternoon is free of convention hence the opportunity to go to Maria Island or Sea Fest or play golf or whatever.

Maria Island Ferry trips are available Saturday 12th November as follows:

### EAST COAST CRUISES SEATING FOR 30

Saturday am 9-2.30 \$30 must take own lunch Saturday PM 2.30-5.30 \$45 free tea & coffee There may be a fee to Parks & Wildlife .We are in the process of having that waived. Other times can be arranged with ferry operator for Sunday if required.

Phone 0362571300 or 0408313904 or east coast cruises.com.au

### MARIA ISLAND FERRY SEATING FOR 50

Saturday leaves 2.15 PM remain on Island for approx 1 hour and ferry will return with another group and sail back to Triabunna. Other times can be arranged with ferry operator for Sunday if required. Phone: 0419746668 or *mariaislandferry.com.au* 

PLEASE STATE WHEN BOOKING, "SPRING BAY CONVENTION" & first in best dressed!!

REMEMBER!!!!!

"<u>WHEN YOU CAN MAKE IT - WE'LL MAKE YOU WELCOME"</u>

### **GET YOUR REGISTRATIONS IN NOW!!!**

Phone Robyn Desmond on 62573416 for further details or information.



## MARCHING TO "FIGHT DEMENTIA"

THERE ARE CURRENTLY 269,000 AUSTRALIANS LIVING WITH DEMENTIA AND THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WITH DEMENTIA IS SET TO INCREASE BY ALMOST 50% OVER THE NEXT 10 YEARS. BY 2050 THERE WILL BE ALMOST ONE MILLION AUSTRALIAN'S WITH DEMENTIA.

DOES SOMEONE IN YOUR FAMILY HAVE DEMENTIA? IF SO, YOU CAN HELP THEM BY VISITING WWW.FIGHTDEMENTIA.ORG.AU AND SIGNING UP AS A DEMENTIA

> Alzheimer's Australia Living with dementia

CHAMPION AND JOINING THE FIGHT DEMENTIA MARCH ON 13 OCTOBER 2011 AT 10.30AM AT PARLIAMENT HOUSE.

BY DOING THIS YOU WILL BE SUPPORTING ALZHEIMER'S AUSTRALIA'S 'FIGHT DEMENTIA' CAMPAIGN. THE CAMPAIGN WILL SEEK FEDERAL GOVERNMENT RECOGNITION OF DEMENTIA AS A HEALTH PRIORITY AND TO TAKE ACTION NOW TO TACKLE DEMENTIA IN THE 2012/13 FEDERAL BUDGET.

FOR FUR THER INFORMATION CONTACT TERRI RICHARDSON ALZHEIMER'S AUSTRALIA 02 6254 4233

A procrastinator is one who puts off until tomorrow the things he's already put off until today !



# Tasmanian Lions Foundation

The Annual General Meeting

of the Tasmanian Lions Foundation Inc will be held on Sunday

12th November 2011 prior to commencement of the Day

proceedings. Venue will be advised in the next newsletter (October's) and time of commencement. An invitation is extended to any Lion who may wish to attend.

Any Club who may wish to lodge a Grant Application please lodge with the

### Secretary on or before the **31st October 2011**

to 11 Camina Court, Riverside Tas 7250

### **REMEMBER.**

It is your foundation and we are here to assist you. - so please use it.

Until next month Regards Peter Burke Secretary



### **DISTRICT STAMP** COLLECTING

Many thanks who have forwarded stamps to me direct or have lodged them through your Zone Chairman. He will take them to the Cabinet meeting and Lion Phil Robinson will collect and get them to me.

Your efforts in participating in this project is really appreciated and we look forward to your continued support. For those who would like to send them direct to me at:

#### 11 Camina Crt Riverside 7250

Keep up the good work and I am sure that the Mobility Foundation is also appreciative of your time and efforts.

Regards Peter Burke Riverside Lions Club

My Fellow Lions

to others, and to believe that together we could accomplish anything we set out to accomplish. That included planting 1 million trees. I told you if we can plant a million trees, it will reinforce the limitless potential we all know we have to make a difference as Lions. When I asked "do you believe it" the Lions present that day responded with a resounding "yes."

Planting A Million Trees N

Just two short months ago, I stood on a stage in

Seattle, Washington as your new international

president, and I asked you to believe in

yourselves - to believe in our mission of service

Lions - I am proud to announce that in just the first 60 days, we have surpassed our ambitious goal of planting 1 million trees. As of September 7th, the Lions of the world have planted over 1.3 million trees!!

But we aren't done yet! I believe we can continue the momentum we have already put in motion. Any of us can plant a tree. It's a very visible and hands-on way for each and every Lion to make a difference. It's also a great project to invite your community at-large to join your local Lions club in a collaborative effort. So make tree-planting part of your club or district activities this year, and invite your neighbors, friends and members of the community to join you. What better way to be reminded of our gift of service than to watch the trees you have planted grow year-by-year? We will continue to report the number of trees being planted on this Web site. Tree planting and the care and nurturing of our environment remains a cornerstone of my presidential theme.

There is so much more to accomplish. With care, the trees we have already planted, and will continue to plant throughout the year, will grow and benefit generations to come. New and current Lions members, nurtured in a family friendly club atmosphere, will benefit the world immeasurably.

Again - thank you and congratulations on surpassing our first goal of planting 1 million trees.

For more on this and other stories, visit Success Stories. For a list of helpful resources in your area, visit the contacts page in the Million Tree Planting section.

Remember that district governors who achieve at least 50 percent participation in the tree planting campaign qualify for the Believers Award. The top 100 clubs in each constitutional area which plant the most trees will also receive a Believers Award.

believe we can Т attain each and every goal outlined in my presidential theme brochure. Lions - do vou believe it?

Sincerely, Wing-Kun Tam International President







**BICHENO LIONS CLUB** Lyn Mansfield **MICK FISHER** BRIDPORT LIONS CLUB **Annette Collinson** LAWRENCE ARCHER CITY OF DEVONPORT LIONS CLUB **Brian Ralston GEOFF PHILLIPS** DELORAINE LIONS CLUB Ian Horton **COLIN ELMER Brian Wooller BERNARD LEE** GEORGE TOWN LIONS CLUB **Janet Parsell** PETER PARSELL KENTISH LIONS CLUB **Anthony H Hennekam** JAN CROSSWELL NEW NORFOLK LIONS CLUB **Tashina Wolff Changed Membership Type** SPRING BAY LIONS CLUB **Kevin Jury** PETER MCKENZIE **Elaine Read ROBYN DESMOND** WYNYARD LIONS CLUB Kenneth John Bugg **RICK WALKER** ZEEHAN LIONS CLUB **Eleanor Phelan BETTY CLARK** Michael Phelan BETTY CLARK

When a rather shy, retiring man decided to take his wife on a safari holiday to Africa his domineering mother-in-law insisted on going too. While making camp the first night the fearsome old lady was found to be missing. After searching for some time the couple discovered her in a small clearing scowling at a ferocious lion which was crouching in the dust not far away. The younger woman was immediately filled with alarm and hissed at her husband, "Don't just stand there . . . Do something!" "Why should I do anything?" he said meekly, "The lion got himself into this mess, he can get himself out of it!"

# THIS MONTH IN HISTORY ...

• SEPT 1, 1974: **RADIO** and **TV LICENCES** were abolished in Australia.

- SEPT 2, 2001: **DR CHRISTIAAN BARNARD**, heart surgeon pioneer, died aged 78 after an asthma attack.
- SEPT 3, 1992: **KERRY PACKER** ordered the Channel 9 program *Naughtiest Home Video Show hosted* by Doug Mulray to be taken off the air halfway through the program.
- SEPT 5, 1880: First meeting of the **SALVATION ARMY** in Australia was held in Adelaide at the Botanic Gardens.
- SEPT 6, 1989: A **COMPUTER ERROR** resulted in 41,000 Paris citizens receiving letters charging them with murder, extortion and organized prostitution instead of traffic fines.
- SEPT 7, 1936: Last **TASMANIAN TIGER** died in the Hobart Zoo.
- SEPT 8, 1978: JOHNNY O'KEEFE performed his last concert at the Bathurst RSL.
- SEPT 9, 1984: Regular Sunday VFL Games commenced in Melbourne.
- SEPT 10, 1906: Australia's first **DRIVING LICENCE** and **CAR NUMBER PLATES** were issued to Dr. W.A. Hargreaves (SA).
- SEPT 11, 1993: **SPORTS TONIGHT** debuted on Network Ten.
- SEPT 14, 2001: **ANSETT AIRLINES** was placed into voluntary administration. It eventually ceased operations permanently on March 4, 2002.
- SEPT 15, 1992: QANTAS combined with AUSTRALIAN AIRLINES.
- SEPT 16, 1956: **TCN 9** in Sydney became the first commercial TV station to broadcast in Oz.
- SEPT 18, 1965: ST GEORGE and SOUTH SYDNEY played in the rugby league grand final attracting a then record crowd of 78,056 to the SCG.
- SEPT 19, 1972: **THE GRAHAM KENNEDY SHOW** began on Australian television.
- SEPT 21, 1897: ENVELOPE SEAL was patented by F. W. Leslie.
- SEPT 23, 1965: **DAME ROMA MITCHELL** became the first woman judge in Australia. She was appointed to the Supreme Court of S.A.
- SEPT 26, 1983: AUSTRALIA II won the America's Cup.
- SEPT 27, 2000: LAUREN BURNS, daughter of Ronnie Burns, won Australia's 1st tae kwondo gold medal at the Sydney Olympic Games.
- SEPT 28, 1745: GOD SAVE THE QUEEN/ KING had its first public performance at the Drury Lane Theatre in London.
- SEPT 29, 1961: JULIA GILLARD born in Wales. She was appointed PM when Kevin Rudd stood down in June 2010 after losing Party support. She is the first female Australian Prime Minister, the first unmarried and first (since Billy Hughes 1915-1923) to be born overseas.
- SEPT 30, 1976: **BLUE HILLS** went to air for the final time after 27 years on ABC radio.

VISION 2020 13th OCTOBER 2011 VERY IMPORTANT DATE (see below)





VISION 2020: Working together to eliminate avoidable blindness

### Did you know.....

- 284 million people are visually impaired
- Of these, 39 million are blind, and 245 million have moderate or severe visual impairment
- YET 80% of blindness is avoidable
- 90% of people with visual impairments live in developing countries
- In Australia, approximately 518,500 people are vision impaired in both eyes
- Almost 65% of visually impaired people are over 50 years of age

Thursday 13th October 2011 is World Sight Day.

The Lions Eye Health Program (LEHP) needs you to spread the word that vision loss and blindness can be prevented if detected and treated early.

Encourage your family and friends to have their eyes tested during the month of October.

For more information on avoidable vision loss visit the LEHP website <u>www.lehp.org.au.</u>

Source: www.vision2020.org



The statistics on sanity is that one

out of every four persons are

suffering from some sort of mental ill-

ness. Think of your three best

friends - if they're okay, then it's you.

### LEHP- Australia Lions Eye Health Program Empowering communities to save sight



Do the Alphabet song and Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star have the same tune?

Why did you just try singing the two songs above?



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# District Newsletter 20171

### Deadline for next issue is: OCTOBER 10th

Copy for the newsletter is required
<u>on or before the tenth (10th) of the month of publication</u>.
No 3 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.



### Congratulations to Roger Groom....

On the 7th September Lion Roger celebrated his

#### 48th year

as a member of the City of Burnie Lions Club. <u>That really is a great</u> <u>effort</u>. Lion Roger has the distinct privilege of being the First District Governor of District 201T1 which was formed in 1980.

He is a Melvin Jones Fellow, Life Member and the recipient of 'Groobing' Award, which he and the 1st Cabinet Secretary of 201 T1 Reg Bingham, first established in 1983. Roger was a District Officer seven times, Immediate Past President, Zone Chairman, Extension Chairman (twice), Youth Exchange Chairman, Christmas Cake Chairman, He has been President of the Club four times -1967-68, 1975-76, 1989-90, & 1997-98.

He is very dedicated to this club when you consider he travels some 130kms from Greens Beach to attend our dinner meetings.

Roger was a very successful and influential politician being an elected member from 1976 until his eventual retirement in 1997. In the course of a couple of elections, Roger was given a record number of approval votes second only to those gained by the then Premier Robin Gray.

In his time he was The Minister for Health, Minister for Police, Minister for Transport and was involved in commissioning of new ferries for Tasmania on the Devonport -Melbourne

Sorry Roger... anyone that is a member that long has to look THAT way!



Taken from City of Burnie Lions Club Inc Newsletter Vol 1 No2 September 2011

The Last Word... "There's nothing like a fire in your heart to melt the lead in your feet!"