

# **Lions Clubs International**

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#### Hi evervone

The last couple of months have been quite hectic and we are now able to settle down to some solid work in providing service to our communities. The Multiple District Convention was held in Canberra during May and then the International Convention, scheduled for Montreal, had to be conducted online at the end of June. It was planned that the incoming Australian District Governors would gather in Adelaide to be inducted together, however, lockdowns in various states due to the pandemic prevented that from happening so the induction as District Governor was conducted at home, similar to Byron's induction last year. We were able to Zoom into the other states as they participated in their own inductions.

The International President this year is Douglas X Alexander, a Lion of 37 years in the Brooklyn Bedford Stuyvesant Lions Club in New York. He has held many offices within the association and has received numerous awards in recognition of service to the association. Douglas is a retired vice president for J P Morgan Chase Bank and is also active in numerous professional and community organisations. President Douglas X Alexander's theme for this year is *Service from the Heart*.



The Global Priorities for this year are; Membership growth and engagement, Support our foundation Compassionate service, and Communication.

Through the magic of technology the technical personnel at the Lions Clubs International headquarters have been able to provide each District Governor with a photo of Douglas X Alexander with the respective District Governor.



The District Appreciation and Changeover Dinner was held on the 10<sup>th</sup> of July where outgoing District Governor Byron Dilworth was able to express his appreciation to those that provided service to the District during the 2020/21 year and present some awards. Byron also handed on the District gong and gavel as seen below.



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District Governor Robert

Immediate Past Council Chair, David Triffett, was the Master of Ceremonies for the evening and PDG Ann Eldridge, the Global Membership Team National Coordinator was able to perform the installation of the 2021/22 District Cabinet. Senator Wendy Askew and Minister Sarah Courtney were also in attendance





Immediately after the District Appreciation and Changeover Dinner I contracted a virus that caused me to lose my voice for about three weeks, hence I had to defer my first three club visits to Rocky Cape, Smithton and Wynyard. I apologise to those clubs and we will have to re-schedule another time at a later date.





However, I have now visited Bothwell and Districts and Hadspen South Esk so far and I have a further 7 club visits this month.

At Bothwell and Districts they were able to tell me of a recent episode where a truckload of potatoes were donated to the club for distribution. So the club hastily got together, bagged the potatoes and delivered them to those in need within the community. Well done Bothwell and Districts. Their president, Tony Johnston, and I were able to exchange bannerettes.

The other club visited was Hadspen South Esk where I was able to induct their president, Jenny Tripptree, as she had been unwell during their regular Changeover Dinner. The Hadspen members were able to update me on their activity such as a regular car boot sale and car parking for a local event. Jenny and I were also able to exchange bannerettes





In these days of uncertainty, take care of each other and stay safe

Robert Mantach 2021/22 District Governor

Change a Life - Today!

# Our District Count

31July 2021

Clubs: 48 Membership: 983

Membership 30 June 20: 1098

YTD ADD 116 YTD DROP 16 YTD NET GROWTH -5 YTD NET GROWTH % -0.51

Status: "Transitional" (24 mths)





# The TASMANIAN LIONS FOUNDATION Incorporated.

Address all correspondence to: The Secretary Tasmanian Lions Foundation 9 Queens Parade KINGSTON, Tas 7050

May 2021

To - The Lions Club President

## ELECTION OF DIRECTORS FOR THE TASMANIAN LIONS FOUNDATION INC

The Tasmanian Lions Foundation was set-up in the late 1970's as a result of the Hobart fires, where Tasmanian Lions wanted to help, but didn't have the necessary finances. It was from this scenario, that Clubs (and the newly formed District) banded together to donate to a disaster relief fund. To ensure continued funding, Tasmanian Lions Fellowships were able to be purchased (\$500) to ensure the fund continued to increase to a level where it could be of substantial assistance should it be needed.

The Foundation members are the District Governor or his nominee and the First Vice District Governor together with elected members, made up of 3 Lions from each area (62, 63 and 64 Area Codes), with each member serving for a 3-year term. One Lion from each of these areas is up for election each year, and to nominate, Lions must be in good standing of any Tasmanian Lions Club (within that area), and only one Director from each Club is allowed.

The current TLF members are:-

	District Governor - Byron D	ilworth	
	District Governor elect - Ro	bert Mantach	
62 Area	63 Area	64 Area Stuart Ritchie	
Paul Cairnduff (not re nominating)	Geoff Tripptree		
Peter Goldstone- James Phil Robinson		Phil Viney	
Sue Johns	Deryll Hill	Dee Dawkins	

The election process is about to commence (in line with the District Rules), such that the 3 members (shaded) are due to retire (but are eligible to re-nominate).

This note is to formally advise you that nominations are being sought to fill these positions.

In compliance with the Rules of the Tasmanian Lions Foundation Inc., "...<u>nominations shall be made in writing by a Tasmanian Lions Club in good standing in the Area concerned and shall be delivered to the Cabinet Secretary at least sixty (60) days prior to the date fixed for the opening of the District Convention together with the written consent of the member nominated".</u>

While there are other clauses concerning the election process, <u>the most important issue is that nominations should be made by the Club in compliance with the above</u>. If you have a member in your Club that is interested in nominating, please follow the above procedure <u>NOW</u>.

Paul Cairnduff

Secretary - Tasmanian Lions Foundation



I am the newly appointed LCIF District T1 Co Coordinator PDG Annette Ogilvie, I have taken over the position from PDG John Gillham who has been coordinator since 2002 and is now guiding me through the information that is forwarded from LCIF every month and my responsibilities in carrying out the duties of this position, of which I am very grateful.

I know with COVD19 it has been very difficult for Clubs to continue to fund raise and we are more focused on helping our Local Communities. The Donations worldwide to LCIF have diminished and T1 donations were 50% less in 20/21 than 19/20 and I can understand the reasons why. But remember all money raised in Australia stays in Australia and the last 12 months money has been used for fire floods and drought.

As Campaign 100 program in the final phase and making history with LCIF,s largest fundraising initiative to date. Lions Australia is looking for 201 Heroes. Would you like to recognise an outstanding Lion in your Club with national recognition, acknowledgement at Convention and the presentation of a Melvin Jones Fellowship, make your donation of US\$1,000 in the usual way and complete the 201 Heroes For LCIF Application form.

Another fund raiser has been initiated by LCIF, each District coordinator has been given 25 blue shopping bags with the LCIF in signature to be sold to clubs for \$14.00 each which will go into to LCIF funds and then the clubs can use them any way they like to assist the needy in the community as part of the Hunger Campaign. e.g. food parcels.

PCC Lou Onley MD 201 Co Ordinator in recent correspondence has discussed that some Clubs in Australia may want to support the COVID 19 relief efforts in Indonesia and Sri Lanka. Clubs should direct their donations to the LCIF Disaster Relief Fund and make a notation that the donation is for Covid relief.

I notice that many clubs have enough credits that could be used for a MJF, remember it does not have to be used only for a Lions Member, Clubs may have a member of the community that has been of worthy assistance to your Lions Club to which it may be awarded.

PDG Annette Ogilvie LCIF District Co Ordinator

## D.G Robert's Club Visits September 1/2 Council of Governors

September 14 Perth September 15 Lilydale September 16 West Tamar September 21 Burnie Emu Bay September 22 Forth Valley September 23 Launceston Windmill Hill September 27 Tasman September 28 Spring Bay October 4 Kingborough October 5 Kings Meadows October 7 George Town October 11 Scottsdale October 12 Bicheno October 13 Dodges Ferry Southern

Hello District 201T1 Lions Members,

As we await the new Container Refund Scheme Legislation to hit the Lower House for its first reading.

I thought maybe you would like to read about a journey of a refunded plastic bottle in NSW.

Please take a look at the Link below.

Every day in Australia we consume 9,600 tons of plastic, and globally we produce 1 million bottles every minute. Now we're getting better at recycling and attitudes are changing, but the question still lingers - are plastic bottles actually being recycled?

Copy and paste into your search window. It's worth a look.

https://www.cleanaway.com.au/sustainable-future/journey-of-a-plastic-bottle/

Kind Regards

Environmental Chair for Lions District 201T1

#### HONOURS AT THE GLENORCHY CHANGEOVER LUNCH



Lion Jennifer Pritchett with her James D Richardson award in the centre is John Radcliffe [Two Way Taxi trucks] and on the right is Lion Korrena Wall with the P.D.G Jack Allen award.. Also in the photo is the Honourable Craig Farrell



Newly inducted Lions Peter Jacobson. and Mirza Istiaqueah-

### KMSA (Kindness Matters Service Award)

Applications are now open for Lions and Leo Clubs to apply for a Kindness Matters Service Award in respect of an outstanding service project, undertaken by your club or your Leo Club in 2020/21. The service project may be for any one of the eight LCIF (Lions Clubs International Fund) causes, which are Diabetes, Vision, Environment, Childhood Cancer, Hunger, Humanitarian, Youth and Disaster Relief. An application form has been forwarded to each club secretary.

Completed applications must be received by District Service Coordinator P. Vere Cooper, by 15<sup>th</sup> August. One application has been received at this time.

### Club Service Project Planning and Reporting

By now clubs should have completed their planning for the service projects that they expect to undertake this Lions year. There may have been a need for some adjustments to take into account recent MyLion reporting guidance that Service projects must be hands on activities, for which no payment is received. If a completed club activity report and photos are already in Facebook, it is often quite possible to copy the information across into the applicable sections of the MyLion application. The attached table shows the reporting information expected:

		Metrics collected					
		Number of activities	Number of people served	Number of volunteers	Number of volunteer hours	Funds raised	Funds donated
Type of activity	Service activities	Required  (this does not need to be entered, as each activity reported   counts as one activity)	Required	Required	Required	Optional	Optional
	Fundraisers		Optional	Optional	Optional	Required	Optional
	Donations		Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional	Reguired
	Meetings		Optional	Required	Required	Optional	Optional

For a service activity, it is required that Lions report the number of people served, the number of volunteers and the number of volunteer hours. Lions can optionally report funds raised or donated, if fundraising or donating take place during the activity.

P. Vere Cooper, District Service Coordinator (gst@lionstasmania.org)



## Guess who is 60 this year!

The Lions Club of Windmill Hill was chartered in September 1961 and this year our club will celebrate their 60<sup>th</sup> year of charter. It has been 60 wonderful years for the club serving the community of Launceston.

Now known as the Lions Club of Launceston Windmill Hill, We were the second club to be chartered in Launceston. Last year our club was very proud to host the District Convention on behalf of then District Governor Byron Dilworth at the Launceston Tramsheds.

Next month we will celebrate this milestone with a Celebratory Dinner to be held at the Launceston Tramsheds on Saturday 18 September 2021. Timed to commence 6.30pm for a 7pm start. It will be a three course meal - if you have any dietary requirements please let us know.

Come along and help us to celebrate this wonderful milestone. If you are interested in attending, please RSVP to Linda and Byron Dilworth either via email <a href="mailto:byrlind@bigpond.com">byrlind@bigpond.com</a> or on mobile 0419 764 636.

Linda and Byron Dilworth - LAUNCESTON WINDMILL HILL LIONS CLUB

## Missing in Action!

PDG Byron Dilworth cannot locate the small Huon Pine ship's steering wheel that was loaned to him as a part of the use of Huon Pine as his symbolic Tasmanian Plant as used on the 2020-2021 District Pin. I believe that the wheel was taken to a Cabinet meeting where it was to be handed over to then DG Byron – However I do not recall collecting it. It had been seen at the Kings Meadows Rooms (Where Cabinet meetings were held) but is no longer there

If anyone knows where it is or is hanging on to it for safe keeping, please return it to PDG Byron or DG Robert so it can be returned to it's rightful owner.

NEW Members LIONS CLUB OF GLENORCHY

Lion Peter Jacobson. Sponsor President James Fisher,

Lion Mirza Istiaqueahmed Sponsor David Pearce O.A.M .

Welcome to the Lions Family

## Thank you to Lions Clubs across Australia



In 2020 when the COVID-19 pandemic hit, we saw a dramatic decrease in financial support from Lions Clubs as restrictions enforced barriers for Clubs to fundraise effectively for causes close to their heart. After a challenging 18 months in the pandemic, Australian Lions Hearing Dogs experienced financial support from Lions Clubs all across the country that was not unlike the support we received prior to COVID.

We would like to sincerely thank each and every Lion and Lions Club that has supported us within their capacity through the pandemic.

In 2020, despite the challenging environment, we changed the lives of a record 31 people through our provision of Hearing Assistance Dogs; in 2021 so far we have delivered 15 Hearing Assistance Dogs to the Australian community. This is entirely thanks to you.

Pictured at a joint meeting of both the Deloraine and Westbury Lions Clubs on Wednesday night are, Deloraine President Terry Pickett, Westbury President Phil Steers, Tania Rattray MLA. Tasmanian Trustee Lions Children Mobility Foundation George Bugeja and his wife Therese from the Forth Valley Lions Club.

George Bugeja reported to the members on the successes of the Foundation in assisting families who had children with Mobility issues. George who had been the Tasmanian coordinator was stepping down from the role after 6 years and highlighted the difference mobility had made to children previously unable to enjoy independent movement.

Funds for the project are donate from Lions Clubs and from the collection of used postage stamps which are processed and sold in a dedicated Stamp auction in Sydney.





## End of the line for City of Devonport Lions

BY LIBBY BINGHAM

AFTER 62 years of serving the community, the City of Devonport Lions Club has made the tough decision to disband due to dwindling numbers and ageing membership.

The club's public officer Philip Gleeson, a 28-year member, said that it was time to call it a day with no young blood coming through the ranks.

"It's a sad occasion, but the club has found it difficult to continue operating due to an ageing membership base. Some have health issues, and the younger generation is not able to find the time in busy lives to volunteer," Mr Gleeson said.

"It was a difficult decision because there's a lot of history at the club.

"With 12 members, about half are elderly or not well, and it makes it a challenge to keep the club running.

We tried to bring in new people, but most clubs are finding it difficult. People now don't have time to commit to these things."

Mr Gleeson said it was "very worthwhile and rewarding" to belong to any volunteer organisation serving the community.

People seem focused more on work, and I think with employment not as permanent as it was that's a factor, as well as family, sport and self-interest. We can't blame people."

He said some members might join the Lions Club of Mersey-Devonport.

Money from the sale of the club's shed at Maidstone Park to the Devonport North Rotary Club will be held in trust at the Devonport City Council for a legacy project on the new-look foreshore once completed. It would be there to acknowledge the significant contribution the club has made permanently.

"For me, the highlights have been meeting people who became lifelong friends and fundraising and supporting projects such as the Devonport and East Devonport skate parks, doing Carols by Candlelight with the Soroptimists, and Taste the Harvest. The club fundraised for nursing homes to build wings and many other projects," Mr Gleeson said.

He said if service clubs fold, he did not know who would fill the gap.

"It will leave a hole, but only time will tell. The community will be poorer without clubs bringing through a generation that understand the need out in the community. It seems to be getting greater every year based on the demand we see at service clubs," he said.

The club recently made donations to nine different organisations before disbanding.





President Jenny and members with Devonport Mayor Annette Rockliff

### THE DAY JOE WENT DOWN ON US

Ken and Joe and I at Coles last Saturday Set up our BBQ to get underway.

We needed Joe of course because he's pretty good at

But Ken and I got worried bout the way that he was looking.

He said he was OK but didn't look too good Next thing Joe was laying there like a piece of old driftwood.

Well ladies came from Coles and others passing by they fussed around old Joe as if he was goin' to die.

They fed him drinks & things that might help the lad While Joe enjoyed it all, most attention he ever had.

But the BBQ must go ahead, there can be no delay so Geoff then Bruce jumped in and really saved the day

The ambulance lady was there too, making sure everything was done

For Joe who didn't give a stuff how we were getting

For mouth to mouth Joe was hoping, from the women all around

But when Bruce Beattie offered he jumped up off the ground.

His recovery was amazing and the next thing he was

being driven off in splendour in the presidential limousine.

Gael Gault Club Poet, Mersey Lions Club

# District Newsletter 20171

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

It is preferred that articles are typed and submitted for publication in word format by email

Please forward where possible photos and newspaper cuttings with your article.

THESAURUS DICTIONARY

Scanned images should be of high quality (300pdi)

Deadline for the next issue September 10th 2021

### NEW DISTRICT WEBSITE

Our Lions District T1 has a new website – <u>lionstasmania.org</u> All the resources from the previous website are still available plus an improved archive of District Newsletters dating from today back to 2007.

The change was needed because the technology behind our website had become outdated.

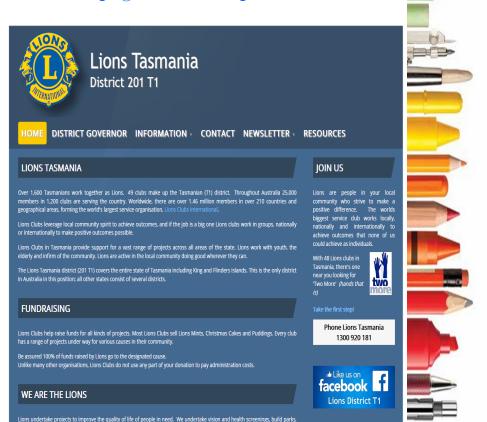
The new website is "mobile-friendly". People have many different devices and computer screen sizes nowadays, so the site had to be changed to make it more flexible and fluid in structure. It also has much easier to remember web address!

Our old website is no longer being updated and access to it will be removed after a suitable transition period so please remember to bookmark the new site - lionstasmania.org

We can now more readily promote District activities, projects, and events such as our upcoming Convention.

The update of the website was conducted internally by our Lions so there has been no additional expenditure by District to make this improvement possible.

Please send any feedback you have about the new website to <a href="mailto:emailmanager@lionstasmania.org">emailmanager@lionstasmania.org</a>



# **Lions International Peace Poster Contest 2020-2021**

"We are all Connected"

## **IMAGINE**

600,000 children sharing theirvisions of peace

## **INSPIRE**

Young people to showcasetheir talent

## CREATE

Memories that will last a lifetime

Give children in your community, ages 11, 12 and 13, a creative way to express their visions of peacethrough the Lions International PeacePoster Contest. One grand prize winner and 23 merit winners are chosen each year. Lions clubs proudly sponsor this contest in local schools and youth groups around the world. Why not get involved?. Create closer bonds with your local schools and students?

Kits are available from Lions Australia club supplies.

Life is short. Smile while you still have teeth