



Lions Clubs International

LIONS TASMANIA



Tony Roney - District Governor - 2008-2009

Vol 33

District

No 4

Newsletter Editor: John Salmon - Ph: 62653840
Email: editor@lionstasmania.org

2011

JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	2008	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	2009
-----	-----	-----	------------	-----	-----	-------------	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	------

DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S MUSINGS

By the time you get this Newsletter we will be very close to convention time, with plenty of members attending. There are lots of notices of motions and a great line up of guest speakers to talk to you about all sorts of interesting subjects.

The focal point of Convention on Friday night will be the opening by His Excellency the Governor of Tasmania, The Honourable Peter Underwood AO.

Saturday, we will have plenty of business to get through with some of our guest speakers helping break up the business sessions. One highlight will be **Second International Vice President Sid Scruggs III** speaking to us just before lunch, and followed later in the afternoon by another speaker, most of you will know, **Past National Youth of the Year, Ben Keily**. Saturday evening will see a full house at the Dinner with plenty of entertainment.

Sunday morning will see a very different Remembrance Ceremony that you will remember for a long time to come, a lot of thought and hard work has gone into this observance.

Membership is still coming along nicely in the District, my goal for the first three months of this Lions year was to increase membership by 12, and we did that, actually increasing our membership by 13.

The job is not over though; the goal I have set for the next three months is another 12 new members. I believe we can do that, with us all working together to achieve that goal. Wouldn't it be great if every club in the District could say we had a net increase in our club this year!

Together, we achieved that distinction this year with CSFill, now lets achieve it with membership, with a net

increase of at least one new member in every club.

Congratulations to all clubs who have gained some publicity over the last month for Lions, particularly the clubs along the North West Coast. The *Coast To Coast* regional paper had an article which featured half a page on **Lion Ernie Williams** from the Smithton Circular Head Lions Club, a member who has served for 32 years. I had the privilege of bestowing life membership on Ernie the night I visited the club - a great surprise for Ernie - as all of his family were outside waiting for the moment I made the presentation. They then came in behind him without him knowing!

I also inducted 3 new members that night **Margaret Gray, Lloyd Robinson and Rick Kirkland** what a great occasion it made my night. Well done to Heather and her merry members.

In the same paper there was also a half page on **Dick Mulcaster**, from Wynyard Lions Club, with a picture and details of our *Recycle for Sight* programme, and what glasses are used for and where to drop them off for collection; good job Dick.

Last, but not least, another half page article in the same paper, same day, an interview with our **Immediate Past District Governor Leigh Jones**, on what he had been up to over the last year and what he had achieved as well as what he would be doing now that his term as DG had finished.

Altogether three articles, three photos, and one and a half pages; not bad publicity for Lions!

It's official: the Lions Club of Launceston Riverside have won the Bid to host the Multiple District Convention in Launceston, in 2011. We now have the job in front of us and with this, is a wonderful opportunity to not only showcase Launceston, but the whole of Tasmania to the Lions of Australia.

"Reach for the Stars"
District Governor Tony Roney



LIONS CLUB OF CITY OF LAUNCESTON

Please note that the Club now meets at the **RSL CLUBROOMS**
313 Wellington Street
Launceston
6.15pm
2nd & 4th Mondays of the month

OUR DISTRICT COUNT

30 Aug 2008

Clubs: 50

Membership: 1209

Status: "Established district below 35/1,250 over two years."

30 Sep 2008

Clubs: 50

Membership: 1219

Status: "Established district below 35/1,250 over two years."

Inside this issue:

From the Cabinet Secretary	2
Lions & Parkinson's	2
Zone 8 Report	3
DROUGHT CHALLENGE!	3
New Lions - Welcome	4
Life Memberships	4
Country Music Service Award	5
Christmas Puddings	5
Lions Spinal Cord Fellowship	6

From the Cabinet Secretary

Once again for the Convention we are fortunate enough to have a single District visit of 2nd International Vice President joining us at Port Sorell.



VP Sid Scruggs (pictured) will be arriving on Thursday and leaving at lunchtime on Sunday.

I encourage all Members of the District to make an effort to attend the Convention or a day session and meet our visitor and give him our friendly Tassie greeting.

VP Sid will be inducted as President in Sydney in 2010. I know you will find him good company and his message to us all I feel will be interesting and help us to develop Lionism in the State.

So please come along and enjoy his Company and share some camaraderie with your fellow Lions.

Directory Changes

Burnie-Emu Bay

New Venue
The King of Burnie Hotel
Edward Street, Burnie
Meeting times remain the same

Wynyard

New Venue
Wynyard Club
Goldie Street, Wynyard.
Meeting times remain unchanged



Rosebery Lioness Club

new postal address
PO Box 47
Rosebery, Tas 7470

I look forward to seeing you all at the Convention, and keep up the good work within your communities.

Finally, I would like to congratulate the Lions Club of Huon on the formation of a Leos Club within their area, and a special thanks to all who helped to bring it to fruition. Well done everyone!

Lion Peter Burke PDG

Cabinet Secretary



Anthony Davis on behalf of the Lions Club of Sorell.

An article in the Tasmanian District newsletter (Vol 32, No 6, page 3) gives the advocate report of a presentation by the Ulverstone Club.

If more info is needed Lion David Hopkins from Kingborough can assist you, or I can pursue the matter on your behalf, if you wish.

Lion Geoff Clow
District Chairman/Health Projects

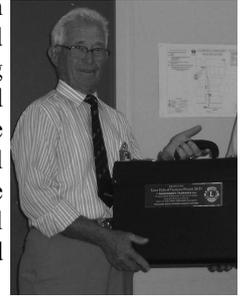
Lions Tasmania & Parkinson's Tasmania



The Lions Club of Kingborough manage a Lions Project (Convention 2006) in collaboration with Parkinson's Tasmania whereby portable Library Kits containing the latest information on Parkinson's is placed in community Health Centres.



These kits contain fact sheets and DVD's helping people understand more about the disease and symptoms. They are for use by medical professionals and sufferers alike.



Funds from many Clubs around Tasmania, as well as grants from the Tasmanian and Australian Lions Foundations, have produced some 32 cases for distribution. Some 12 Clubs in the South were invited to the launch and presentation of the Library Kits to their community Health Centres by Lara Giddings, Minister for Health, and the President of Parkinson's Tasmania Helen Kendray-Connor.



Photos: top (R) Library Kit Plaque; second row (L) Pres Mick Desmond (Spring Bay) & DC Erik Madsen (Kingborough); second row (R) PDG Jack Allen (Glenorchy City); below (R) DC Geoff Clow (Sorell) & Ass Cab Sec Annette Ogilvie (Hobart Town); below (L) Secretary Alan Pretzman (Kingborough) with Health Minister Giddings;

The Clubs included Sorell, Clarence, Lindisfarne, Kingborough, Huon, Hobart Town, Sandy Bay, Glenorchy, New Norfolk, Spring Bay, Tasman and Dodges Ferry Southern Beaches.

The launch and presentation was held at the Clarence Health Centre and representatives from Health Centres were also invited to the presentation. Addresses by Lara Giddings, Helen Kendray-Connor and Lion David Hopkins preceded the presentations. Luncheon was also served. The Sorell Library Kit was presented to me by Lara Giddings and later to the Medical Centre at a Board Meeting, by Lion



Zone 8 Takes Up Challenge

The Lions Club of North-East Tasmania were proud to induct four new members at a recent dinner meeting (*below*).



Left to right:

Lions Christine & Trevor Reedman, ZC John Perks (Sponsor), Lions Sandra & Garry Debnam.

Zone 8 is also accepting the challenge from District Governor Tony to increase membership. Results so far:

July St. Helens 4 new members.
October Lions North East 4 new members.
 Scottsdale 3 prospective members.

Extra Extra Extra

A happy occasion for DG Tony as part of the combined change-over Dinner of the St Helens & St Mary's Clubs at Scamander, was the induction of 6 new and 'old' Lions as seen below!



Left to Right:

"new" Lions Diane & Carl Batten, "old" Lion Raymond Riley, "new" Lion Peter Merriman, "new" Lion Anne Huett & "old" Lion Margaret Tweedie.

Reference to "OLD" Lion is of course not referring to their age. Well, we are told to have fun!

Due to space restriction, we could not include Derek Chapple (Peter's sponsor) in the photograph.

ZC John Perks



"A smile and silence are two powerful tools. A smile can solve so many problems and silence can avoid so many problems."

Author Unknown

DROUGHT

TASMANIAN FARMERS AFFECTED BY THE DROUGHT

NEED HELP!

WILL TASMANIAN LIONS CLUBS RISE TO THE CHALLENGE OF THE LIONS CLUB OF SORELL WHO HAVE DONATED \$1000.00 TO SUPPORT THE C.W.A. TASMANIAN BRANCH DROUGHT RELIEF BY MEETING OR BETTERING THEIR DONATION?

OVER TO YOU!

PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO:

"Lions Club of Sorell Drought Relief"

ALL DONATIONS TO:

Lions Club of Sorell Inc

PO Box 66, SORELL TAS 7172

The Country Women's Association in Tasmania (Inc.) are co-ordinating drought relief and will distribute money sponsored by Lions Clubs to support the immediate living expenses of drought - affected families in rural communities.

ALL MONIES RAISED IN TASMANIA WILL STAY IN TASMANIA.

The C.W.A. have been co-ordinating drought relief nationally for the past three (3) years. The LC of Sorell believes this is another reason to support them in this way, as 100% of all donations given will go to those affected and not into administration and such, exactly as monies donated to Lions projects, goes totally to that undertaking.

For further information  ZC Ken Gatehouse on 6265 2366; DC Geoff Clow 6245 9176 or Lion Graeme Evans on 6265 2385.



Vol 33 No 4

Page 3

New Lions

Name:

Howard Evans
 Garry Debnam
 Sandra Debnam
 Christine Reedman
 Trevor Reedman
 Wayne Stone
 Allie Airs
 Stephen Rush
 John Pixley
 Maree Cole
 John Richie
 Marcus Turfrey
 Mary Adams
 David Jarman

Sponsor:

Douglas Renshaw
 John Perks
 John Perks
 John Perks
 John Perks
 Robin Timms
 Lynn Broomhall
 Chris Peachry
 Doug Beswick
 Kevin Styles
 Peter Cross
 Donald Hazell
 Kae Campbell
 Brian Stewart

Club:

Bicheno
 North East Tasmania
 North East Tasmania
 North East Tasmania
 North East Tasmania
 Smithton-Circular Head
 Zeehan
 Zeehan
 Bridport
 City of Launceston
 Glenorchy City
 Kingborough
 Latrobe
 Latrobe



WELCOME

The Tasmanian Lions Foundation Inc.

REPORT

At the last meeting of the Foundation the following grants were made:

City of Burnie \$4500.

Assist with purchase of a motorized buggy.

Huon Leo Club \$500.

In terms of the motion passed at Convention this amount was paid to this newly chartered Club to assist in establishing themselves within their community. Congratulations and we look forward to watching your progress.

Remember, it is your Foundation please make use of it.

The next meeting of the Tasmanian Lions Foundation Inc will be held on

Sunday 9th November 2008.

Any Club wishing to make a Grant application should do so, by forwarding details to reach the Secretary (address below) **on or before 1st November 2008.**

This also applies to any other matters Clubs may wish to bring to the Foundation's notice.

We look forward to the opportunity to assist you.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Foundation will be held on **Sunday 9th November 2008** at a venue to be advised during the Saturday Session of the Convention.

Regards **Peter Burke** - Secretary

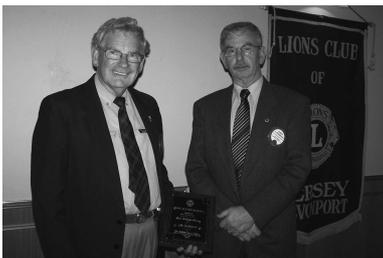
All correspondence to:

Peter Burke
 11 Camina Court,
 RIVERSIDE TAS 7250
 Phone/Fax: 03 6327 2575



LIFE MEMBERSHIP AWARDS LIONS CLUB OF MERSEY DEVONPORT 2008

The Board of Directors, at a Board Meeting decided that the Club would present Awards to members who meet a set criteria, with Life Membership of this Club.



Lions John Ackroyd, Mac Addison, Bruce Beattie, Geoff Gale, Tony Grey, Malcolm Murray, Brendon Smith and Tony Andrews (now deceased) were the first recipients of the Award (pictured left).

The Lions awarded have served Lions International and the Lions Club of Mersey Devonport for a total of 233 Lion Service Years.



Lion Tony Andrews was also to be presented with this award on the night, but due to his illness, his award was forwarded to his residence in Queensland along with a letter of congratulations on behalf of all Club Members, where it was presented to him by family members.

Lion Peter C Noble
 Publicity Officer



PENGUIN PROJECT

In my August report I forgot to mention our donation of heaters to "Coroneagh Park" Aged Care Facility in Penguin.

We donated 2 electric heaters, combined value of \$1500.00 to create "cozy corners" for the residents. They really enjoy socializing around the heaters and watching the artificial "flames!"

We had some publicity in the local newspaper about this and other projects.



Noeleen Stringer
 Secretary

LIONESS REPORT

Congratulations and thank you for inviting me to your dinner meeting and being able to induct three new members.

Welcome to
 Lioness Helen,
 Lioness Betty and
 Lioness Katrina for the
 Lioness Club of Rosebery.

Thank you for the good work Lionesses. May see you at the T1 Convention, Port Sorell in November.

Lioness Lynnette Bell
 MD201 Lioness
 Committee Representative
 for the V&T Districts



CONVENTION

2008

PORT SORELL

NOVEMBER

7TH-9TH

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE SPECIAL?

The Peel Valley Lions Club Inc., Tamworth, is looking for someone special to receive recognition for the work they do for others via Country Music.

The 16th annual Peel Valley Lions Club Australian Country Music Service Award will be presented at the 2009 Tamworth Country Music Festival. The Award honours a Country Music personality – either an entertainer or someone behind the scenes – who has used that involvement to give community service in a voluntary capacity.

You don't have to be a Lions Club member to be nominated, however the submission should be through your local Lions Club with nominations to be made in writing by 19th December, 2008 to The Secretary, Peel Valley Lions Club, PO Box 957, TAMWORTH, NSW 2340.

Peter Scorgie, President of Peel Valley Lions Club, announced that there were no restrictions on the type of community service work a nominated person undertook.

"It could be as simple as entertaining the older members of the community or a major fundraising effort involving Country Music", Peter said.

The next recipient will be named at a major event during next year's Tamworth Country Music Festival in January and he/she will receive a special trophy crafted by well-known artist Fred Hillier and a \$500.00 cash amount to be donated to a charity of the award recipient's choice.

A judging panel of Country Music identities and Peel Valley Lions, under the chairmanship of Country Music broadcaster Nick Erby, will select the winner.

Previous recipients are: - Bruce Moser, Vic (1994); the late Rocky Page, SA (1995); Olive Bice, Vic (1996); Lorraine Pfitzner, NSW (1997); Carol Lockhart, NSW (1998); Desree-Ilona Crawford (1999), Merle & Graeme Gillis, Vic (2000); Shirley Llewellyn, NSW (2001); Bob Gray, NSW (2002); Peter Sheahan Vic, (2003), Peg & Ivan Spann Qld (2004), Johnny Doyle Vic (2005) and Graeme Hugo (2006), Frank Turton (SA) 2007 and Brian Letton 2008.

Enquiries should be directed to:

Terry Hill on (02) 6765 6042 or

President: Peter Scorgie on (02) 6766 4234

TAMWORTH PEEL VALLEY LIONS CLUB INC - District 201N1



LIONS CHRISTMAS PUDDINGS AVAILABLE AGAIN THIS YEAR

Made in Tasmania with Australian products

Club cost 12 puddings per carton @ \$120.00 (\$10 ea)

R.R.P \$13.00 per pudding = (\$3 Club profit)

MINIMUM ORDER 2 CARTONS

PAYMENT WITH ORDERS PLEASE

PLEASE ORDER BEFORE 24th NOVEMBER 2008

One Order Form per club enclosed - photocopy more if required

Please make cheques payable to Launceston Riverside Lions Club
PO Box 370, LAUNCESTON TAS 7250

For more information CONTACT DC ALF COX on 6391 9379



Mink Systems

Computer Solutions

Ph: 6437 2355

www.minksystems.com

(Lion Maurice Jones)

BIGPOND Dealer

On Site Service Available (Burnie - Devonport)

New Computers

Computer Repairs

Networking

Web Design

Broadband Specialist



The ALF Meeting dates for
2008-2009 are as follows:

14th & 16th November 2008

6th & 7th February 2009

28th & 29th April 2009

Applications should be with Grants Chairman, PDG Robin Dixon, 109 Chessell Drive, DUNCRAIG WA 6023, 14 days **prior** to these meeting dates.

The Foundation has a web site at:
www.lionsclubs.org.au/alf

Emergency Grants can be dealt with expeditiously should the need require following immediate contact with the District Governor or myself.

Alan Pretyman

Secretary & Trustee for Tasmania

Home: 6225 2011, Fax 62251859,

Email: apretyma@bigpond.net.au.

The Bathtub Test

During a visit to the mental asylum, a visitor asked the Director how he determined whether or not a patient should be institutionalized.

"Well," said the Director, "we fill up a bathtub, then we offer a teaspoon, a teacup and a bucket to the patient and ask him or her to empty the bathtub."

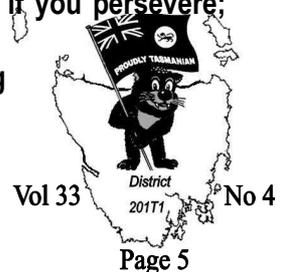
"Oh, I understand," said the visitor. "A normal person would use the bucket because it's bigger than the spoon or the teacup."

"No," said the Director, "A normal person would pull the plug. Do you want a bed near the window?"

ARE YOU GOING TO PASS THIS ON,
OR DO YOU WANT THE BED NEXT
TO MINE? **DC Kae Campbell**

"Be of good cheer. Do not think of today's failures, but of the success that may come tomorrow. You have set yourselves a difficult task, but you will succeed if you persevere; and you will find joy in overcoming obstacles."

Helen Keller



Vol 33 No 4

Page 5

Thought for the Month...

Opportunities are often disguised as hard work, so most people don't recognize them.



Lions Spinal Cord Fellowship / StepAhead Australia

In addition to our last newsletter, there are two projects currently being funded jointly by Lions Clubs and StepAhead Australia.

Research at St. Vincent's Hospital, Melbourne and the University of WA:

\$800,000.00

StepAhead funding is \$600,000

Lions funding is \$200,000

Research at the Australian Stem Cell Centre, Melbourne and the University of Western Australia:

\$500,000.00

StepAhead funding is \$400,000

Lions funding is \$100,000

For every \$1 donated from Lions clubs, StepAhead receives \$3.00 from the Government.

PDG David Oakley

Lions Spinal Cord Fellowship

District Chairman Liaison.

03 9544 1161

oakheat@bigpond.com



Is your Club Email Address correct?

As you may be aware, most T1 District clubs have an email forwarder **yourclubname@lionstasmania.org** - this will be used by district officers to communicate with your club from time to time.

All email sent to this address is immediately forwarded to the email address of your choice. This is usually the email address of the club secretary.

Please check that the email address you have provided in the past is still correct.

If you need updates or more information, please email me at the address below - changes will be done within 24 hours.

Maurice Jones

District Email Manager

emailmanager@lionstasmania.org

Phone 03 6437 2355

MELVIN JONES FELLOWSHIPS

Following a year of substantial contributions to LCIF, predominantly for Campaign SightFirst II, many Clubs in our District have made sufficient contributions to enable them to recognize their members with Melvin Jones Fellowships.

Contributions are sufficient for the granting of 66 fellowships without the need for further donations. Details of individual Club's credit as at 31 August are available on request.

Please remember that a member previously recognized and who has continued to serve can be again recognized with what is called a **Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship.**

VDG John Gillham DC LCIF

YOUR ADVERTISEMENT HERE?

We are providing an opportunity for businesses to advertise in this Newsletter. So, if you have a business/enterprise you would like to let other Lions know about or know someone else who wants very reasonable advertising on either a regular or ad-hoc basis, then please contact the Editor on 6265 3840.

VERY REASONABLE RATES.

FOR SALE BY OWNER

Complete set of Encyclopedia

Britannica.

45 volumes.

Excellent condition.

\$1,000.00 or best offer.

No longer needed.

Got married last

weekend.

Wife knows everything.



RIVERSIDE LIONS CLUB



To enable us to continue our work in helping the **Australian Mobility Foundation** raise funds to keep children walking, we would like to ask all Lions and Lions Partners,

**to collect your
used postage stamps.**

Other sources that could be available to you to collect stamps are through friends or workplaces.

This is a simple request that doesn't take much time or effort. Please consider how marvellous that something as simple as used postage stamps can assist in helping those less fortunate than ourselves.

How many used stamps are just wasted and thrown away every day?

They can be sent to the Club at PO Box 370 Launceston Tas 7250.

On behalf of Riverside Lions Club I would like to thank all Clubs and Members of the Lions Family who have sent stamps over the past 3/4 months - your efforts are greatly appreciated and we look forward to your continued support. All stamps can be sent to the above address.

Thanks once again.



Visit the **LIONS TASMANIA**
Website at <http://www.lionstasmania.org>

District Newsletter 201T1 - Deadline for next issue is: November 10
Copy for 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 otherwise by CD.

Please forward photos and newspaper cuttings with your article.

Scanned images should be of high quality (300dpi).