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FROM THE DESK OF
DG MICHAEL

Reading the words opposite, reminds us how appropriate, as we all look towards tomorrow, like in Lions, we all are thinking of tomorrow - what has to be done, what projects are we going to work on, or it is a social night or get together - as we are always planning ahead.

A new year brings with it a lot of planning in all areas of Lions from training, organising Officer Bearers, selecting Committees and the list goes on.

What a great pleasure it is for me to be working with all Clubs as well as Cabinet. A year of preparation and now the time has come to put all the planning into place and meet with all Lions in T1 District.

This year there has been a change as the District Governor's Team will be working very closely together starting with sharing visits to Clubs.

This is working well in other Districts as one can imagine the distances involved for some Governors. Our District is small in comparison to some, but sharing the visits with the other two Governors will assist them, as well as being part of a working team.

Should Clubs require a visit from the District Governor this will not be a problem, as this can be arranged after the official visits take place.

Our new Lions Year will be celebrated on Sunday 27th July, 2014 after the Changeover on 26th July, 2014. The Tasmanian Lions Year is to be celebrated on Sunday 27th July, 2014 at 9.30am at the Burnie Uniting Church (a celebration service) including the Hellyer Choir and conclude with morning tea and then move into the first Cabinet Meeting.

The Cabinet this coming year will have some new members who, will look forward in working together, along with all members, whether Cabinet or non Cabinet members. Regional Chairs have been reintroduced and this will make it easier for Zone Chairs and GLT/GMT members.

It will be continued - if any member knows of a member of the Lions Family who may be unwell or requires visits or any other assistance that we can render, please advise and the Cabinet Secretary will pass the information on to me, as we must always be aware of our fellow Lions and family members.

We must all sincerely thank our outgoing Newsletter Editor, Robin Pulford, for his sterling work in compiling our newsletters, thank you Robin.

Please give your assistance and articles to our new incoming Newsletter Editor, John Salmon. We all look forward in working together with John and wish him well.

In closing, this year we the District Governor's Team and all Lions in T1, wish to work very hard in making our District stronger, achieving this goal as we all enjoy each others company and work effectively together.

DG Michael MacLaren

"Together Towards Tomorrow"

*We look to tomorrow
Because it hurts too much today
Tomorrow will be better
For it will be no longer today
Tomorrow the sun will rise
And chase the dark clouds away
There will be hope for tomorrow
But it's crushed today
Tomorrow life will be different
If we can just make it through today
Tomorrow we will see clearer
We will cry all our tears today
Tomorrow we will have strength
Once we get past the weakness of today
Tomorrow there will be victory
When we forget the failure of today
So we will hang on to tomorrow
And close our eyes against today
For tomorrow will be better
It will no longer be today*



“READING, WRITING AND RIDING”... How it works!

“Reading, Writing and Riding” is a program, operating at True Trails which aims to assist children with learning difficulties in literacy.

The uniqueness of this program lies, not only in the individual tuition, but also in the coupling of participation in horsemanship activities with literacy. The practical, hands-on nature of this program makes it very suitable to a kinaesthetic style of learner. Horsemanship requires many character traits, abilities and learning aptitudes essential for learning and the attainment of knowledge.

Horsemanship activities require:

- Focused concentration
- The ability to persevere through difficulties
- The need to listen, focus and comprehend instruction
- Processing and learning a number of tasks and combining these
- The ability to undertake repetitive tasks and see the possible outcomes
- Positive communication (verbal and non-verbal)
- Care and respect
- Willingness in participation, firm direction from the rider
- Processing thought into action, and the desirable outcomes of doing so.

These character traits, learning aptitudes and abilities are easily identified in the horsemanship arena and are essential to horsemanship. The inspirational nature of horse riding and care is often highly motivational for children. Once motivated to develop the essential abilities/aptitudes for horsemanship and see the outcomes, the participants are then able to understand the need to develop these in other spheres of learning.



Basic Session Outline

After full inductions the participant is involved in supervised hands on activity with the care and preparation of the horse before and after riding, encouraging a sense of responsibility, relationship, and personal care with the horse/pony.

The participant engages with supervised and instructed horsemanship and riding instruction in an arena. During this instruction, personal aptitudes and abilities are identified. These identified aptitudes and abilities are then transposed into activities in literacy.

Literacy activities are incorporated into the arena riding instruction and during hands on horse care activities. Learning difficulties/barriers are identified during these activities. Strategies to assist with these are then undertaken and developed during further “in arena” riding instruction according to the participant’s need.

Desk tutoring time is then undertaken for 30 to 40 minutes in each session. During this time aptitudes, abilities and strategies are further developed and implemented in a more formal learning environment with activities tailored to encourage the participant’s willingness to learn, read and write.

Literacy based tasks are set to undertake at home and be returned at the following session. These tasks include; handwriting, phonetic flashcard activities, reader books, and literacy initiatives based on horse care and knowledge.

The participant completes his/her own personal learning journal. This allows the participant to personally identify and clarify his/her progress.

Liaison with parents and the school is undertaken also.

The underlying focus of this program is to make learning a fun-filled and exciting journey!!

This is a new, innovative and developing program. The Individual assessments determine the level and type of literacy based activities and horsemanship activities undertaken in each session.

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**LEHP-Australia
Lions Eye Health Program**



Come along to the Lions Eye Health Program

Information Day

**Launceston: Saturday 16th August 2014
Kings Meadow Lions Club
18 Merino St - Kings Meadow**

**Hobart: Sunday 17th August 2014
Barossa Park Lodge
17a Clydesdale Avenue - Glenorchy**

Time: 10am - 2pm

Over 575,000 Australians are vision impaired. Three quarters of vision impairment is either avoidable or treatable. This problem is not going away! We need more Lions to get involved and help stop Australians unnecessarily living with vision loss and blindness. The simple act of handing out a brochure could save someone’s sight!

Invitation

LEHP Information Day

To register please contact:

National Program Manager:

Ms Leah Evans

T: 1800 010 234

E: enquiries@lehp.org.au

LEHP-Australia Lions Eye Health Program

Provided on the day

- Morning tea and lunch
- Mileage reimbursement

RSVP:

Friday 8th August 2014

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Each session is for a duration of two hours, undertaken by a certified instructor, qualified teacher, and covered under relevant insurances and codes of practice.

The Lions Club of Sorell were asked for funding support to continue for either six or eight weeks. Having deemed this a very worthwhile community programme and were unanimous in agreeing to fund the activities for the full eight (8) weeks and buy a kids western second hand saddle (pictured) which will greatly aid this programme, as the stirrups length of the current saddle are inappropriate and inadequate for safety standards. The total cost was just over \$1300, but money very well spent!

If you require further information please contact:

Mrs Cheri Allanby

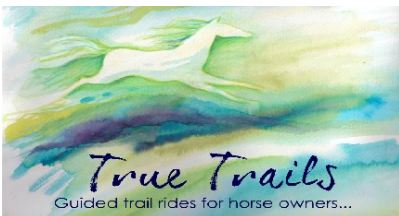
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Sorell Lions at True Trails



In the June issue of Lions Tasmania, DG George's Club reports read: *Ulverstone* – a club that turned around and is no fun to attend again.

It should have read of course: *Ulverstone* - a Club that has turned around and is NOW fun to attend again!

Apologies to DG George and the LC of Ulverstone for any embarrassment caused by this 'typo.'

- Editor

PARADE - TORONTO CONVENTION



TO ALL PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS!!

A reminder to all PDG's that the confirmation for our Social week end **MUST** be on my desk **BEFORE** the 20th August 2014.

Because our weekend coincides with a busy week end on the Island the Cabin Park managers require confirmed bookings.

As of this moment I still have available 4 X two bed roomed Cabins. After that, I will have to make bookings at other venues.

Make a booking now and secure your place for a fantastic week of fun.

Past District Governor

Jack Allen

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“From Little Things Big Things Grow”

A chance discussion on a breakfast show in Gosford in the late 1990s led to the establishment of a unique community-based fundraiser. **An initiative which has changed the lives of thousands of Australian children and their families throughout regional Australia.**

After a parking station refused to accept five (5) cent pieces as payment the question was asked, “what are five (5) cent pieces good for?” A listener phoned in and suggested “why don’t we collect all of those useless five (5) cent pieces – then donate the money to the Children’s ward at the hospital?” So they did!!!

This simple coin drive has now developed into a national fundraiser known as *“Give Me Five For Kids”*.

The name *“Give Me Five For Kids”* has a two-fold meaning. The original - simple act of give “five (5) cent pieces”, - has been overtaken these days by the symbolism of “giving a hand” to sick children.

Thousands of dollars are raised in the name of *“Give Me Five For Kids”* in Tasmania each year and one fundraising project in southern Tasmania this year is the auction of a newly-constructed house at Glebe Hill.

New Norfolk Lions played their part in preparing the house for auction when they turned up to construct some garden paths, garden beds and do the planting.



Photos: Lions hard at work???? Note President Denis Carmichael at least has the broom in his hands BUT ... does he know how to use it?



WELCOME TO THE LIONS FAMILY

City of Devonport
WALTER VAN PRAAG

Sponsor: John Hughes

Dodges Ferry

CATHERINE L PENE

Sponsor: Mary Jean Iles-Haigh

JAMES I PENE

Sponsor: Mary Jean Iles-Haigh

Georgetown

MARK GREGORY

Sponsor: Susan Holme

King Island

JEANNETTE A DENNISON

Sponsor: Jennifer Marshall

Rocky Cape

KEVIN MUNDAY

Sponsor: Kevin Radford



MEET JOE PRESTON

“No Ordinary Joe” 2014-2015 International President

You’ve met him, or at least a Lion like him. **Certainly, you don’t become an international president by being an ordinary Joe.** But the contours of his life are routine and familiar. He’s fleet manager for the largest Ford dealer in Arizona. He and his wife, Joni, have three grown children, all of whom fondly recall idyllic family times growing up. They have seven grandchildren under the age of 7, all boys.

Lions in Arizona first met Joe Preston in 1974 when he joined the Mesa Host Lions. He was 21. A work colleague invited him to the meeting. He never left. As a young Lion, Joe found himself working with youth. He did eye screenings and promoted reading. His growth as a person and at his job was tied to his increasing role as a Lion.



Joe Preston believes every Lion can make an impact and every Lion can be impacted by being a member. “One of the important things about Lions is you don’t have to be rich. **You can be successful by bringing your leadership to the table or by building relationships within our association,**” he says.

DISTRICT STAMP COLLECTING

Well another year has just passed and would like to thank all Lions who have supported this project. **Congratulations and I look forward to your continued support.**

Although our numbers were down a little last year, I am confident with more Lions coming on Board this year will see us build up the numbers. *Stamps can be posted direct to me at:*

**11 Camina Court,
Riverside, TAS 7250**

or given to a Cabinet Officer and I will arrange to pick up.

The project is simple takes little work and I encourage all Lions to approach family and friends and businesses in their area to save their stamps. We all receive stamps after all, so collect them up and the proceeds will go to the **Lions Mobility Foundation.**

It is only with your generosity of time and effort that we can make life a little easier less fortunate than ourselves.

Keep up the good work!

Peter Burke
Riverside Lions Club



PORT CYGNET GETTING OUT AND KNOWN!

By Karin Bluemmel

Pictured left are Lions Marie Duggan and Ron Murray

For the last 12 years the Lions of the Port Cygnet Lions Club has been selling tickets at the local football oval whenever there is a home game on.

It is a good fundraiser, a great way of introducing the new Lions to the locals, and be seen.

Also a good opportunity to get the winter woollies out, although the volunteers are well looked after with hot drinks and even a campfire to keep them warm.



Pictured right is Treasurer Jill Gregory, Secretary Karin Bluemmel and outgoing President Ron Gregory

Our District Count

June 2014 = 1236

TO: ALL LIONS MEMBERS

Information and a letter about Lions Education Day should have been circulated to all club members by your respective club Secretaries in June. If not, please ask your secretary for the information.

If you would like to attend please notify your club secretary who has the registration form. The secretary will then notify me of who is attending from your club.

Alternatively, if there is difficulty with this arrangement, or you have any questions, please contact me direct, I am happy to talk to you about it. My details are below.

Thank you for your anticipated support - it is essential to ensure a successful event.

Anne Fagg
GLT Co-ordinator
Lions District 201T1



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DISTRICT NEWSLETTER 2014

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.

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

Deadline for next issue is: AUGUST 10th

Lions Club of Kingborough Change over



President Hester van Niekerk presenting Grant Hildyard with an International President, Barry W Palmer, Fellowship plaque in memory of his mother, Gayle Hildyard, recognizing her contribution to the Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation through the Lions Club of Kingborough.

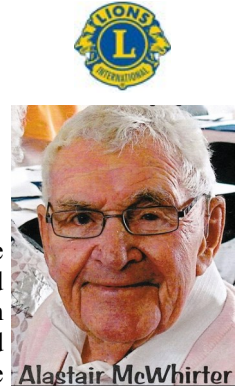
Faithful Servants to the End

The past month has seen the sad passing of two long time members of the Lions Club of George Town.

Vale

Alastair McWhirter
17/11/1921 - 15/06/2014
who served as a Lion
for 40 years.

Alastair was a very active member within the club and served as a vice president on many occasions. He also served on many committees within the club.

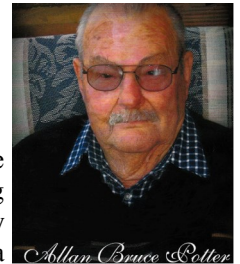


Alastair McWhirter

Allan Potter
06/08/1927 - 16/06/2014
who served as a Lion
for 37 years.

Allan held many positions on the board over his years including Secretary for 10 years. He rarely missed a meeting and followed a missed meeting with a meeting at another town or convention or an event. He was a loyal Lion and was always there to lend a helping hand with whatever was happening in the club. This included taking on new members and helping them with assimilating into the club.

Allan was awarded the Melvin Jones award in 2008 and became a life member of the George Town club in 2013.



Allan Bruce Potter

On a lighter note George Town held a very successful change over dinner at the RSL club in George Town with many guests attending.

The evening was made all the sweeter with the induction of our newest Lion Mark Gregory on the night.

A great night was had by all with the swearing in of some new and many returning officers, we wish them all the best for the coming year of service.

Sue Holme
Lions Club of George Town



Incoming President Kevin Brown presenting outgoing President Hester van Niekerk with a Melvin Jones Fellowship plaque.

This fellowship is in recognition of outstanding service to Lions Clubs International.

Erik Madsen, Lions Club of Kingborough



TASMANIAN LIONS FOUNDATION

The next meeting of the Foundation will be held on **Sunday 14th September, 2014.** Any Club with an Application for a grant, please forward it to reach the Secretary by the **31st August.**

We would like to thank all Clubs who have made donations or purchased TLF Fellow Awards. Your efforts are most appreciated and look forward to your continued support. We would like to encourage those Clubs who haven't supported the Foundation for some considerable time to try and support us this year.

We are still looking for your support to supply us with information from Clubs who have had a previous grant from the Foundation for photos, paper cuttings etc in relation to that project/s for which a grant was given, as we are in the process of making a history record of the Foundation. I know you will assist me ASAP!

Thanking you. **Peter Burke** Secretary



The Last Word...

The trick is not let anyone know how really weird you are until it's too late to back out!