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Mike and I enjoyed our time with family and friends, hope that 'Easter Bunny' brought not only chocolate eggs but fun and relaxation for all.

Most Clubs should by now have elected and appointed their new Board for 2018-2019. PU101 to be forwarded to Cabinet Secretary Kae.

I take the liberty to quote PDG Michael Walsh re the **Club's Public Officer** Duties and Responsibilities. An important role and often overlooked.

** All Lions Clubs in District 201T1 (Tasmania) are incorporated under the provisions of the Associations Incorporation Act 1964 (Tas).

** All clubs must appoint a Public Officer who acts as the Club contact person for all of its legal activities and who should also be the custodian of the Club's seal.

** The Public Officer must advise Corporate Affairs (CA) of any changes to the Club's constitution which must be registered with C.A. within one month to have legal effect.

** The Public Officer must ensure that the Club's financial affairs are audited as soon as practical after the end of the Club's financial year and then facilitate the filing of the Club's annual return. This must be done within six months of the Club's Annual General Meeting.



** The Public Officer can remain in the position indefinitely. The new Public Officer must notify C.A. of the new appointment within 14 days.

** Club Board and Club members must be made aware of who the Public Officer is.

** It needs to be noted that there are penalties for breaches of the Act.



A reminder that the **Club Leadership De**velopment **Day** is being held Sunday 22nd April, 2018. It is essential that we update our knowledge, and therefore, I encourage all Incoming Officers and those Club members that have an interest in 'what Board members do' to come and join us. It is also a great way to network and chat to other Lions.

District Youth of the Year is in full swing. Congratulations to Clubs and contestants who have taken part and I am amazed at what these young people pack into their day. Listening to their informative speeches I have no doubt that our future is in great hands. (see report page 11)

As I write Membership remains down so I ask all Clubs to use the **March – May membership months** to actively invite others to join our clubs. Let us be proactive, 'Just Ask' and remember to promote your Club and your activities in a positive way using technology.

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March—May Membership Drive

April—Elect your new Board

April 22nd—Officer Training/LCI forums, North, NW & South

May 4th—7th: MD Convention Townsville, Qld

May 13th—Tas Lions Foundation

May 20th—District Cabinet Mtg

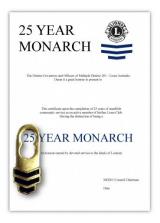
June 29th—July 3rd International Convention, Las Vegas, USA

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Facebook is not a medium to criticise members or other clubs. There is a more positive way to deal with club/ membership issues, **talk directly** to Zone Chairpersons, Club President or another Lion.....once on Facebook, it is there for all to see and remember there is such a thing as Social Media Defamation.

Congratulations to Lions who received a Monarch Chevron Award honouring them for their dedication to community service as a Lion. 10 - 50 year Chevrons given to 110 Lions for a total of 2350 hours of service.......who says we do not make a difference?



I have completed my Club visits bar 1.

Glamorgan Lions Club members provided a good night of fun and fellowship.....and an excellent home prepared meal. I met LEO Tameka Pyke and look forward to catching up again at the District Convention in November.

My visits took PDG Annette Ogilvie and I to **Zeehan**. Whilst having the dinner meeting a lady approached us asking if we were Lions, she was a Lion from Western Australia visiting our State. It did not take long and we were exchanging activity ideas and it was comforting that her District was also trying to find new members as their numbers were down. Thanks to President Mathew and Secretary June for making Annette and I most welcome and sharing how a small club was supporting their local community following a fire in the town.



Rumour has it that DG Hester is ready to swap 4 wheels for 2 after this enjoyable afternoon spent with Psychs on Bikes.

On to **Rosebery** the following day and had a guided tour around the town by President Nancy. Again here is a club with limited members but who work so hard to support each other and their community. It is not the number of members that is important, rather how they support their community and this is something we in Cabinet and M.D. should remember.

Annette and I had the opportunity to have a visit to the Queenstown Museum and did we find some treasures and displays that took us back to when we were 'young' and doing our training as nurses. Thank goodness there has been huge steps forward in the way patients are being treated!!

Prior to my visit to the Lions Club of Queenstown I met up with Lion Bryon who will be our Incoming 2VDG. Lion Bryon offered to 'take me to dinner', this resulted in finding a pizza shop and Bryon offering me a slice of his pizza......however we soon joined other Queenstown Club members for a great night of fellowship. Good luck with your club project of 'renovating and revitalising' your proposed DEN.



In closing I would like to recognise Lions in T1 for the SERVICE to their communities since July 2017.

49 Clubs gave: Number of Activities: 2384 Lions Hours: 60,756 People Served: 117,706

Number of Lions participating: 5100

Every entry made on MyLCI monthly reporting adds to this valuable information. Thanks to all Club Secretaries who undertake these tasks. <u>Remember</u> to report Club MMR and Service Activities on MyLCI. Cabinet Secretary Kae is willing and able to assist if you are having difficulties.

"I volunteer because I can. It is a simple as that. If you could do something to help another, why wouldn't you".











Braddons Lookout at Forth after restoration by **Forth Valley Lions Club.** Just awaiting planting of extra ground covers, then finally the construction of a wheelchair accessible viewing platform to the North of the existing platform. **Lion Pete Thompson**

SOSE BUS HANDOVER 23rd FEBRUARY 2018

FINALLY, after nearly 3 years and 3 presidents – John Winter, Mark Self and currently myself, the **School of Special Education Bus Project** has come to fruition. On Friday February 23rd at 11am a gathering of Club members from sponsor Clubs, other donors, members of the public, parents and children from the school, eagerly watched as I handed the key to Principal Grace Brown. We can all be very proud of our efforts to make this project a success. Special thanks to PDG Secretary John Hughes who has worked persistently to negotiate his way through several grant applications etc in order to obtain extra money. PDG John has recently retired from his position as Club Secretary due to ill-health and was very disappointed to miss the hand-over ceremony after putting so much effort into ensuring the success of this project.



It was encouraging to see so many Lions' representatives and sponsors at the ceremony. We're certain that the staff and students of SOSE will be extremely appreciative of our hard-earned donation of this very special bus. It gave me great pleasure to hand over the keys to this 'Brand Spanking New' Toyota Bus.

President Nancy Hughes

Thanks must also go to the following sponsors:-

Lions Clubs of Mersey Devonport, Port Sorell, Latrobe, Ulverstone, Forth Valley and Penguin.

Australian Lions Foundation

Tasmanian Lions Foundation

Soroptimists Int.,

Grace Brown Principal donation from of the Devonport School of Special Education

Brixhibition

Bill Flowers –donation of his paintings which were sold at auction

R & J Signs

Tasmanian Community Fund Grant of \$50,000, a very generous gesture.

Gowans Motor Group



LC City of Devonport

A GOOD TIME WAS HAD BY ALL.

On 28th Feb the **Forth Valley Lions** along with the District Governor, Hester Van Nerkiek, put on a BBQ for the Residents of the OC LING CARAVAN PARK in Turners Beach NW TAS. The BBQ was to celebrate the completion of some Refurbishments that we did at the Park. The Park is owned by the Council, but is Leased by the Forth Valley Lions Club. There was a good turn out, good food and drinks were supplied. Overall, it was a good PR event for the Club. A group of the Permanent Residents have since sent a 'Thankyou' card to our Club. **Robyn Martin LC Forth Valley**



NEW BUS SHELTER IN WILMOT RD, HUONVILLE

Following representations by residents at McMullen Abbeyfield House to the **Lions Club of Huon** & also by the then Housekeeper at the house the late Lee Jennings to Robert Armstrong MLC some 30 months ago a Bus Shelter opposite the School in Wilmot Rd has been erected.

The need was identified by residents at McMullen Abbeyfield House who from time to time use the Bus Stop to catch Services to Kingston & Hobart. The Bus Stop was in a very cold & open spot subject to wind and rain & the completion of the project has been appreciated by students from the Huon Valley Trade Training Centre & Huonville High School in addition to the residents of McMullen Abbeyfield House.

The Lions Club of Huon agreed to fund the cost of materials for the Bus Shelter and approached the Huon Valley Trade Training Centre to arrange for the Students to undertake the construction. Huon Valley Trade Training Centre Coordinator Judi Cawthorne was able to make the necessary arrangements & it was completed late last year.



Huon MLC Robert Armstrong & the Lions Club of Huon project manager, Kent Wells approached the Huon Valley Council to seek approval & their assistance with the project. Council Asset Manager, Sue McCarter managed the project including providing design, all required approvals and finally installation which was completed during February this year.

Huonville High School year 12 Student Kahu Rupene worked on the project at the Huon Valley Trade Training Centre last year and has already used the Bus Shelter on several occasions. This community asset has been made possible through people and organisations working together to achieve a positive result.

Lions Clubs International celebrated 100 years during 2017 and this project along with installation of a defibrillator at the Caltex Service Station were designated as Centennial Projects by the Club. The Lions Club would like to thank The following for their assistance : Huon Valley Council, Huon Valley Trade Training Centre & Robert Armstrong MLC.

Submitted by Kent Wells

Pictured in order left to right are:

Kent Wells : Lions Club Of Huon Project Leader

Libby Gillham : Lions Club of Huon President

Sue McCarter: Huon Valley Council Asset Manager

Kahu Rupene : Trade Training Centre Student 2017 & Huonville High Year 12 Student 2018

Judi Cawthorne : Huon Valley Trade Training Centre Co-ordinator

Adriana Taylor : Huon Valley Council Commissioner

LC St Helens Centennial Project Completed

St Helens Lions Club have finally had the official opening of the **Historic Traction Engine** that they have been restoring for the last twelve months as a Centennial Project. It has taken many man (and woman) hours and as you can see the end result a fantastic job has been done.



On Friday the 16th of March Mayor of St Helens Michael Tucker cut the ribbon and uncovered the plaque that has been put in place. The Engine sits outside the local History Room and Information Centre which is a very appropriate position for it. Already thousands of photos have been taken of

it. Lion Jenny Cecil



Club Development

Officer training and new LCI Forward forum Sun April 22nd South – Moonah Community Centre North – Brooks High School North West – Penguin District School -Secondary School Campus

Open to Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers and all members wanting more information on LCI Forward and the new structures – a good chance to put your mind at rest, it's easier than it sounds

Any member who may want to be a club officer in the future is welcome to attend as well

> Details <u>GLT@lionstasmania.org</u> and <u>GMT@lionstasmania.org</u>

Leigh Johnstone Lions Tasmania Lions Clubs International District 20171 GLT co-ordinator 0418 138 035

Tasmanian Lions Foundation

The next meeting of the Foundation will be held on Sunday

13th May 2018

Any Club wishing to submit a grant application feel free to do so and have the application to the Secretary

by 20th April 2018

Along with details of any other business you may like discussed.

Grant applications are available on the web site. Should your Club wish to know more about the Foundation, Directors will be available to speak at

your Club.

Remember the TLF would like all Clubs to consider the Foundation when dispersing their funds.

> Yours in Lionism Paul Cairnduff Secretary







Boat Harbour Life Savers patrolled the water and young Simon caught a blue wahoo to win the prize

On Saturday March 17th **the Rocky Cape Lions Club held a Family Fishing Day in** Stanley to raise funds for the Black Dog Institute. People could register to fish in the wider Stanley area by boat or off the wharf or boat ramp at Stanley, with many categories to enter for both junior and senior competitors. The committee secured over \$2000 in prizes which was enough to hold a bumper raffle as well.

There were over 100 eager participants for our first attempt and there was some great fish caught, including some impressive snapper by a young couple on a boat and three King George Whiting by a nine-year old off the boat ramp. The Boat Harbour Life Saving Club were out on the water all day and Fishcare helped young fishermen with their rods and handed out prizes.

All up we will be donating **\$2500 to the Black Dog Foun**dation and at our last dinner meeting we donated **\$400** to the Boat Harbour Lifesaving Club for their time and effort in helping our event be safe and successful.

Victoria Cochrane

President Rocky Cape Lions Club



Sari & Luke win the best snapper and FishCare (watching the wei-in) are onhand to teach people the rules

A Very Busy couple of weeks!

On Sunday 4th March as part of the 3rd of March Lions Day **the Clarence Lions Club** did their first *Bendigo Bank "Run the Beaches" fun run/expo.*

The event a **"Walk For An Aussie Kid"** project for the Australian Lions Children's Mobility Foundation, had over 300 people run or walk our 5km, 2.5km and 50m for youngsters. All funds raised are going to help children with mobility problems. A very good first effort by all Lions who worked very hard preparing and running the project. Sunday 5th March 2019 is locked in for our next Run The Beaches.



On Monday 12th March **the fourth annual Clarence Car Show** attracted over 200 cars including a vintage caravan and a stretched limo. An eclectic variety of cars included hot rods, a couple of Ferraris, and a couple of vintage cars. Another great day despite the threatening weather.

Clarence Lions would like to thank all the runners, walkers, sponsors, car owners and the public for their ongoing support. Without their support Clarence Lions could not help the disadvantaged in our community and support communities struck by disasters.

Stephen Smith LC Clarence





VALE

Lion Brian Hopkins

Brian passed away on 11th March 2018. He joined the Lions Club of Forth Valley as a Charter Member in March 1982 and was President in 1993-1994 and 2014-2015. He held various Board positions for 21 years and was a Melvin Jones Fellow. Brian was well respected by all members of the Lions Club of Forth Valley and will be sadly missed.



GEORGE TOWN LIONS CLUB LISA JANE SCHREUDER Sponsor: RAYMOND MCCOLL

KINGS MEADOWS LIONS CLUB

JUNE PEARTON Sponsor: STEPHEN MORRISON

NORTH-EAST LIONS CLUB VICTOR THOMAS BURTT Sponsor: BRUCE MUIRHEAD



WANTED

Do you have Lion contacts in America (USA)?

In particular, friends who play golf?

LC King Island is looking for email addresses of American Lions Clubs or people who might be able to help us advertise our fundraising tournament – GREAT SOUTHERN LINKS – ready for April 2019.

Please send to <u>editor@lionstasmania.org</u> or <u>linda.payne890@hotmail.com</u> Help us unite the clubs in the bonds of friendship while raising money for an Australian Lions project.



Our District Count31st March 2018Clubs: 49Membership: 1172Average members per club 24YTD ADD87YTD DROP104

YTD GROWTH -17 members

Status: DISTRICT IN TRANSITION



March—May is membership drive time. Time to promote ourselves in our respective communities. I

still have some gold balloons for sale. The Lions Trailer is available. Contact me for more information and send photos and stories of your promotional activities to newsletter editor Linda.



DJ (Toby) Crawford

2018 Lions Tasmania District 201T1 Convention

BED & BREAKFASTS		
Dannebrog Lodge 18 Victoria Parade Devonport TAS 7310 (03) 6424 7357 \$155 per night – 2 adults info@dannebrog.com.au http://dannebrog.com.au/lodge.html COTTAGES Stony Rise Cottages 13 Rundle Road Devonport TAS 7310 (03) 6423 6476 \$120 - \$165 per night – 2 adults info@stonvrisecottage.com.au	The Grand on MacFie 44a Macfie Street Devonport TAS 7310 (03) 6424 2000 \$225 - \$245 per night – 2 adults admin@thegrandonmacfie.com.au http://thegrandonmacfie.com.au/ Cameo Cottages 27 Victoria Parade Devonport TAS 7310 0439 658 503 \$170 per night – 2 adults cameo.devonport@bigpond.com 	Boar & Breakfasts
http://stonyrisecottage.com.au/	http://www.devonportbedandbreakfast .com/	
APARTMENTS AND HOLIDAY UNITS	I	
Alice Beside the Sea 1 Wright Street East Devonport TAS 7310 03 6427 8605 SC – 1,2 & 4-bedroom units \$155 to \$180 per night alice@alicebesidethesea.com http://www.alicebesidethesea.com/	 Birchwood on the River 31 Victoria Parade Devonport TAS 7310 0418 106 192 SC – Apartment - \$180 per night 2 adults mail@birchwoodontheriver.com.au http://www.birchwoodontheriver.com.au/ 	Apartments & Holiday Units
Lavender Spires	Ocean Beach Villa	Waterfront Apartments
 351 Tugrah Road Devonport TAS 7310 (03) 6424 5376 SC - 2-bedroom apartment Sleeps 4 or 5 - \$180 per night 2 adults - \$30 extra per person <u>info@lavenderspires.com.au</u> <u>http://www.lavenderspires.com.au/</u> 	 7 Wright Street East Devonport TAS 7310 0415 415 384 Deluxe 2-bedroom units \$250 per night – 2 adults \$50 extra per guest http://www.oceanbeachvilla.com.au/ 	 17 Devonport Road Miandetta TAS 7310 0498 966 464 1 and 2-bedroom units for 2 or 4 adults \$220 per night 1-bedroom unit \$320 per night 2-bedroom unit enquiries@waterfrontdevonport.com http://waterfrontcomplex.com.au/ apartments/
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White House Apartments	Oceans on Parker	The Port Masters Lodgings
 14 Formby Road Devonport TAS 7310 0427 466 472 SC - \$140 per night – 2 adults info@whitehousebandb.com.au 	 6 Parker Street Devonport TAS 7310 0418 660 003 SC - \$220 per night – 2 adults <u>http://oceansonparker.com.au</u> 	 32 Thomas Street East Devonport TAS 7310 0424 782 379 SC - \$131 per night - 2 adults <u>http://theportmasterslodgings.com.au/</u>

Please Note – Book early as accommodation within Devonport in November is sought after. Prices listed are indicative only and are subject to change.

2018 Lions Tasmania District 201T1 Convention

Abel Tasman Caravan Park	Mersey Bluff Caravan Park	Bay View Holiday Village
6 Wright Street	41 Bluff Road	2-12 North Caroline Street
East Devonport TAS 7310	Devonport TAS 7310	East Devonport TAS 7310
 (03) 6427 8794 	 (03) 6424 8655 	• (03) 6427 0499
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https://www.discoveryholidayparks.com.au/		of Mersey-Devonport Inc.
tas/north west coast/devonport		
HOTELS / MOTELS		
Argosy Motor Inn	Elimatta Hotel	Sunrise Devonport
221 Tarleton Street	15 Victoria Parade	140 North Fenton Street
East Devonport TAS 7310	Devonport TAS 7310	Devonport TAS 7310
• (03) 6427 8872	• (03) 6424 6555	• (03) 6424 8411
Prices range from \$110 to \$160	Prices range from \$89 to \$110	Prices range from \$126 to \$170
per night for 2 adults	per night for 3-4 adults.	per night for 2 adults
 argosy@goodstone.com.au 	Call for bookings and availability	2-bedroom units available
http://www.goodstone.com.au/the_argosy	 reception@theeli.com.au 	including a disabled unit
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		https://www.sunrisedevonport.com.au/
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Accommodation Options

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2018 DISTRICT 201T1 CONVENTION CONTACT DETAILS:

CARAVAN PARKS / CABINS

Chair:	Dennis Applebee
Email:	dpapplebee@gmail.com
Mobile:	0419 895 029
Secretary:	Christian McGee
Email:	christianmcgee68@gmail.com
Mobile:	0467 244 881
Web Page:	http://devonportmersey.tas.lions.org.au/convention2018



MINT MANUFACTURER INFORMATION

- Dollar Sweets Co P/L is the manufacturer of all Lions Mints
- Freecall 1800815787
- Email <u>mints@lionmints.com.au</u>

ORDERS

- Ordering online is the preferred method [faster/ more direct/no chance of the order being "lost in the mail "]
- <u>mints@lionmints.com.au</u>
- Order Forms can be posted if preferred Contact : Sue Johns
- Please read the order form & provide ALL the required information
- PLEASE INCLUDE THE CLUB NAME & LCI NUMBER
- Each & Every Club is responsible for their own orders

PAYMENTS

- Payment to DOLLAR SWEETS NOT LIONS
- Information that MUST BE INCLUDED WITH THE PAYMENT-
- Club Name & LCI Number/ Dollar Sweets Customer Code or Invoice Number
- If the relevant payment information is not provided ie. [cheque with Lions only as the addressee/ EFT with no name or Lions Club of LA only provided] - a Bank trace fee of \$35 will be applied



DELIVERIES

- Unable to deliver to a P.O. Box
- ALL DELIVERY ISSUES ARE to be reported to Dollar Sweets and to Sue Johns (District Chairman) ASAP

SERVICING CLUB OUTLETS

 All Clubs need to keep the information on the header cards up to date/provide the Club LCI Number on each card and provide regular service to their outlets

PROMOTIONAL INCENTIVES & POINT OF SALE MATERIALS

- Dollar Sweets is running a incentive award scheme until 30-6-18
- Promotional Material banners / flyers & pamphlets are available
- Suggestion new Clubs & Clubs returning to the program be provided with a free starter pack
- Dollar Sweets have updated the Order Form please note 2 assorted mixes have been deleted [lack of orders]

Contact Sue Johns for more information

Sue.johns1@bigpond.com (m 0409 442 593)

Stamps

I hope you all had an enjoyable Easter break with not too much chocolate. I would like to say to you all that age is no barrier to participate in this project and very little effort is required and is equally rewarding to you knowing your efforts are giving someone a better way of life.

At the forthcoming MD Convention in Townsville a cheque for \$15000 plus will be presented to the Australian Lions Mobility Foundation. Well done to all Lions who have supported it during the past year. Keep up the good work.



Every stamp we receive and every cent raised is donated to Mobility Foundation to assist with purchase of walking frames for children born with Cerebral Palsy. As an example last auction we sold a total of 27.5 kilos of the 50 cent and received \$3750 for these .One box of 8 kilos sold for \$1600 alone.

I look forward to your continued support and eagerly await new participants.

PS. Stamps if in big quantities can be given to your Zone Chairman or Cabinet Member who will get them to me.

Send your used postage stamps to

Peter Burke

Peter

11 Camina Court Riverside 7250 Till next time,



Youth of the Year Finals

State Final Sunday April 15th



LEFT: Tom Rockliff hosted by **Kentish Club** on the North West Coast took out the Public Speaking and Overall Winner of the Lions Youth of the Year State Final.

Tom will represent our District at the National Final in Townsville in May.

The successful and fierce competition between all finalists was hosted by Kingborough Lions.

The 2 Impromtu Questions asked were:

1 How important is renewable enery to the country?

2 Driver-less vehicles are becoming a reality. How do you perceive their future?

Tom's prepared speech of his own choice was based on *Growing Up* – the challenges of growing up (Buying a first car, choosing a career.)

We wish Tom all the best at the National Final.

RIGHT: Pictured next to Tom is Northern finalist, **Jessica Faulkner.** Jessica attends Newstead College and was hosted by **Riverside.** The 3rd finalist pictured is **Isabella Jackson** from Friends School. Isabella was hosted by Hobart Town.



North, North West and Southern Youth of the Year club finals were held in previous months.

North West Coast Regional **Winner Tom Rockliff from Kentish Lions Club** took out the Overall section, and **Erin Galbraith Burnie Emu Bay Lions** the Public Speaking winner. In the North **Jessica Faulkner** took out both the Public Speaking and Overall Sections. Tom and Jessica progressed to the State Final held on 15th April at Kingston Senior Citizen's Club.

All students displayed fierce competition within club and regional levels, an interesting variety of topics were heard in their 5 minute prepared speeches of their own choice.



North's Regional Final: Finnian Colley, (Hadspen South Esk) Anna Roberts, (Windmill Hill) Jessica Faulkner Public Speaking/Overall winner, (Riverside) with President of Westbury Lions Don Carlisle, and VDG elect Vere Cooper.

Engaging our YOUTH Serving 25 Million People



Phil Crowden with club final and Regional winner Jessica Faulkner.





North West Coast Regional Final, Overall Winner Tom Rockliff, Ashtyn Dennison, Erin Galbraith Public Speaking Winner with George Bugeja.

Jenny Tripptree District Chairman YOTY

April 2018 – Celebrating Women in Mersey-Devonport Lions

In appreciation of our female members, please read the following passage from the Wikipedia Page for Lions Clubs International in regards to women membership into LCI.

"In 1987 the constitution of Lions Clubs International was amended to allow for women to become members. Since then many clubs have admitted women, but some all-male clubs still exist. In 2003, 8 out of 17 members at the Lions Club in Worcester, England, resigned when a woman joined the club. Despite this setback the club has managed to rebuild and now has 19 members, 7 of whom are women. Women's membership numbers continue to grow throughout the association."



The Mersey-Devonport Club (being 42-years strong) was in a very similar situation in 2014-15 when then President Peter Noble admitted the first female members into our Club. As a result, many male members resigned. Significantly reducing our membership and momentarily affecting Club moral and cohesion. As of April 2018, we now have 21 active members out 26 total members. 6 of these 21 active members are females. Significantly, there are no current inactive female members.

Female members include Lions Julie Ansell, Christine Holden, Margaret Fay, Jane Clancy, Noelene Maxwell and last but not least Jan "Robbo" Robson.



Photo: From left President Elect Jan Robson, Treasurer Elect Margaret Fay and 1st Year Director Elect Jane Clancy participating in the Easter Saturday BBQ at Harris Scarfe Devonport 31 March 2018.

With the addition of females, our Club continues to progress and improve. As indicated by Gael "Pappy" Gault at our last meeting, the enthusiasm of our members is noticeably at high levels with all active members participating or contributing to Club activities and projects.

In July, we proudly induct our first female President Jan Robson who, in the space of just a few years, has become a well-respected and integral member of the Club's management team. Well done Jan!! Other female members are taking Jan's lead and starting to take on leadership roles in the Club. The future of our Club is bright thanks to the forward thinking of Peter Noble.

Christian McGee

LC Mersey-Devonport Inc

District Newsletter

Newsletter Editor: Linda Payne 0488 566 448 Email: editor@lionstasmania.org

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

Articles can be typed and submitted for publication by email in WORD format

PDFs are okay for posters, but it's difficult to copy words and pictures from them.

Deadline for next issue is May 10th 2018





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