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The Lilydale Lions “Stuffing Santa in December” has run for 2 years – the wife of one of our Lions saw a segment on Morning Television about a Community in the Wine area of South Australia that gave out Santa Suits for members of the Community to Stuff and place outside their home or business – she mentioned it to him saying perhaps it would be good for a small town like Lilydale.

In 2017 Lilydale Lions gave out around 30 suits to local families and business – initially advertising in the local monthly Newspaper and on the Community Facebook Page for Expressions of Interest. A small Judges Choice Prize and a People’s Choice Prize would be awarded – each a Voucher of \$50 that could only be spent in a local Lilydale Business.

The Stuffed Santa Event proved to be somewhat newsworthy and was mentioned in some local media. Even with only 30 odd participants in 2017 the club received considerable accolades from the Community.

As it seemed to be a Community Event everyone had enjoyed Lions pre ordered over 60 suits for 2018 Christmas – again asking in September for people interested to put their name down for a Free Suit – we were overwhelmed with those wanting to take part .

Luckily we were able to increase our Order because we ended up with over 90 families or businesses wanting a Suit – even up until the evening before the Judges were driving around we had people wanting to be included because they had purchased a suit of their own and had prepared a display.



Out of the 90 or so suits given out about 10 failed to put up a display which was a reasonable result - taking into account those who supplied their own suit we ended up with around 90 on Display. 51 within Lilydale itself. The focal and promotional site was an empty paddock in Main Street Lilydale where 3 of our Members built a **very impressive Lion out of hay bales being supported by 3 Stuffed Santa’s depicting the “Lion Tamer” – “Greeter” and “Tail Twister”**. The display received a lot of attention from the passing Tourists along with the Local Townspeople.

The Club’s own “Santa Co-ordinator” has promoted the Event through the Local Media on a much larger scale than in 2017 – with a front page Picture in the Launceston Examiner – ABC Local TV and News 24 ran a story and he had a good chat with Tasmanian Talkback Radio host Brian Carlton. He explained it was a way of Lilydale Lions giving back to the Community – they support us by buying a Sausage or Raffle Ticket etc., which allows the Club to help

where needed including the Lilydale School Breakfast Club & Annual School Bursary. *The Club is hoping “Stuffing Santa” will not only bring our Community together but also cause a lot of people to stop in Lilydale, enjoy our lovely local area and spend a few dollars.*

Amanda Olson
LC Lilydale

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DG Vere's Thoughts - Dec. 2018

Merry Christmas and a happy New Year to Tasmanian Lions and their partners.

Lions clubs are busy making the lead up to Xmas special with Xmas parades, markets, raffles and cake sales. This is the last season that the 1.5 kg cakes in the Gold Centennial Cake tins will be available for sale. Don't miss out on your tin!

Thank you for all the work clubs have done for the community during the year.



The lead up to Christmas and the summer months are busy times for clubs. **Lilydale Lions** have got the Lilydale community into the Christmas spirit with their stuffed **Santa suits** project spirit.

LCI and MD201 Second half year dues will be based on the December MyLCI membership numbers. Club secretaries need to ensure that their **club membership details are up to date** and have been entered **in MyLCI, prior to the end of December.**



During November, Cheryl and I visited New Norfolk (50th Anniversary), Riverside, Legana, City of Devonport, Tasman, Spring Bay (Triabunna) and Forth Valley Clubs. I also visited Ulverstone Club and 2nd Vice District Governor Byron Dilworth visited Burnie Emu Bay Club. 78% of the clubs have now had a visit from either the District Governor or one of the two Vice District Governors.

Devonport Mersey held a very informative and busy convention with assistance from nearby clubs. The convention was addressed by a range of speakers who spoke about membership, club renewal, diabetes, drug education network, the mainland drought (ALF appeal, drought area report, and Ulverstone's Bale to Pad-dock animal feed project). Photos are available on *Facebook page Lions District T1.*

The 2019 Multiple District (MD) 201 Convention is being held in Geelong, Victoria, this year from Saturday 4th to Monday 6th May. This will be the first convention utilising the new three day format.

The 2019 Lions Clubs International Convention is being held in Milan, Italy from Friday 5th to Tuesday 9th July. Please note that this is **one week later** than it is usually held.

*Our next Kings Meadows training day will be **Guiding Lion training on Saturday 17th February.** It is expected that some online course work will be undertaken by participants prior to attending the session. This will be followed by Zone Chair training at Kings Meadows on Saturday 23rd March. We will also be carrying out some localised training for southern members.*

**DG Vere Cooper
ADVANCE CHANGE**



UPCOMING EVENTS

DG Vere's Diary



January 2019

Fri 18th to Sun 20th Council of Governors

Sat 26th - Penguin

February 2019

Sun 3rd - TLF Meeting

Mon 4th - Bridport

Wed. 6th - Port Cygnet

Sun 10th - Cabinet plus GAT meeting (Leadership, Membership & Service)

Tue 12th - Zeehan & Queenstown

Wed 13th - Rosebery

Sat 16th - Guiding Lion

Fri 21st - Tue 26th Flinders Island

Regional Lions Leadership Institute

Dates: 22nd – 24th February 2019

Location: Adelaide, Australia

Application deadline: 11th January 2019

Emerging Lions Leadership Institute

Dates: 12th – 14th April 2019

Location: Sydney, Australia

Application deadline: 28th January 2019

Feb 17th Guiding Lion training

Mar 23rd Zone Chair training

YOTY Club Finals before **March**

30th

YOTY Regional finals before **April**

7th

April 14th YOTY State Final

May 4-6 2019

Geelong MD Convention

May 7 2019

Community New Voices Forum

Four Corners



Progress Report for 2018-19

As of 30 Nov, 11 Clubs have made donations to LCIF totalling US\$4376.

At this time of giving it is relevant to consider making a personal donation to LCIF. Such donations can be made either in your own name through your Club or in the name of your Club. As you will know, 100% of all donations go to the targeted cause.

Our District has a long way to go to reach our 2018-19 target of \$50,700. Together as Clubs and individual Lions we can achieve our target and provide help where it needed around the world and in Australia.

All the best for the New Year.

John Gillham
LCIF District Coordinator

CHRISTMAS CAKE INFORMATION

The cakes and puddings have been selling very well throughout Tasmania and I thank all those Clubs who have participated in our Lions major fund raising project.

It is important to remember even though Clubs have a break over Christmas and New Year the **monies from the sales of our Christmas cakes needs to be banked before the end of January, 2019.** If we don't pay our Christmas cake accounts before that date our District misses out on a full rebate as the outstanding amount will be deducted from our rebate.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

with thanks

Sue Johns
District Chairman
Merchandising T1



Stamps

Firstly I would like to wish all Lions an enjoyable festive season and a special thanks to all who supported the project throughout 2018 - your efforts are most appreciated. *Present indications for this current quarter are that we will exceed the previous 3 months when we raised an amazing \$17 000 for the Lions Mobility Foundation.*

We can improve on this figure...Together we can make a difference to the life of a child with a disability. Please give it a go and know you will pleasantly surprised with the responses received when you ask people to support your request.

**All stamps can be sent to me at
11 Camina Court, Riverside 7250.**

Large parcel of stamps costs can be reimbursed to the Sender from Club Activities Account as the Foundation is a registered project of Lions.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year 2019

Peter Burke Cordinator



MISSING

Hearing Dogs pull up banner

Loaned so not stolen
Love to have it back
Look forward to hearing from find-
er
Likely contact 0408281176

Geoff Clow
geoff49@bigpond.net.au



Australian
Lions Hearing Dogs

Welcome to our Lions Family...

KENTISH LIONS CLUB
MITCHELL ROUGHLEY
Sponsor: ALLAN BOYCE

KINGBOROUGH LIONS CLUB
TRACEY CAMERON
Sponsor: LIZ YONG

LILYDALE LIONS CLUB
JEFFREY J WATSON
Sponsor: BARRY JONES

ROCKY CAPE LIONS CLUB
RUTH LANE
Sponsor: VICTORIA COCHRANE

SORELL LIONS CLUB
GRAHAM GADD
Sponsor: MICHAEL BANKS

ZEEHAN LIONS CLUB
JESSICA COCHRANE
Sponsor: ELEANOR PHELAN



ORDINARY PEOPLE AMAZING THINGS



LC King Island welcomed new member Katey Griffiths into the Club at their Christmas Lunch, December 2nd 2018. Katey was inducted by sponsor & President Sarina Laidler, assisted by Membership Chairman Jennifer Marshall.

Lions Club of Sorell invites you to...

Combined Southern Region
Lions Club's



FEBRUARY DINNER
Wednesday 6th February 2019
6.30pm for 7.00pm
Sorell Memorial Hall
Cole Street Sorell
(enter through RSL)
Cost: \$30.00/pp
[buy own drinks]
Guest Speakers:
Caroline Wilson from
Diabetes Tasmania and
John Klug a Disability Provider...
Funds raised for their Projects.
RSVP: Geoff Clow on 0408 281 176
by Friday 1st February



LC Perth President Carol Jones & *charter members* Graeme Eberhardt, Brian Shephard & Neil Goss, in front of our honour boards which show the history of our past Presidents, Secretaries and Treasurers, along with a portrait of her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. LC Perth held its **43rd Charter Anniversary dinner** back on October and its great to see these 3 gentleman still smiling after 43 years of dedicated service.

Our District Count

30th November 2018

Clubs: 49

Membership: 1149

Same Time Last Year 1193

YTD ADD 39

YTD DROP 51

YTD GROWTH -12 members

Status: **DISTRICT IN TRANSITION**

Snapshot of Convention



David Gough brings a
Welcome to Country



Opening Ceremony



LEFT: Well Fed
(Too well fed) This was just morning tea, as catered by Mersey Devonport.



ABOVE: Inspirational speaker Nicky Abdinoor—born without arms but not without attitude.



BELOW: Feasting and dancing at the Convention Banquet



Remembrance Ceremony

Photos courtesy of
John Tongue
The Lions Bluff
LC Devonport Mersey



Convention Conclusion

2018 District 201TI Convention Devonport Sat/Sun 10/11 Nov Final Report for Newsletter

Two words say it all – **Thank You**

Thank You to all those that attended.
Thank You to all first time conventioners.
Thank You to all our sponsors.
Thank You to the Clubs who did the catering.
Thank You to all the guest speakers.
Thank You to those that travelled long distances.
Thank You to the preparation done by the COC.
Thank You to the volunteers from Mersey Lions.
Thank You to DG Vere and DS Amanda.
Thank You to SaA Robin.

Without all these people YOUR 2018 Convention would not have been a success.

Firstly an apology to one of our valued sponsors, Tassie Forest Waters from Burnie who kindly donated the water, water coolers and water bottles for Convention. Their name was incorrectly listed in the booklet as another Tasmanian water company and for that I am truly sorry.

Floorworld Devonport and Burnie and Halliwells Devonport need to be thanked again for their substantial cash donations to the Convention.

Apart from a sound and screen malfunction during the Flag Ceremony and the popular Spicy Cauliflower soup running out during the banquet on the Saturday evening things went as planned and we the Convention Organising Committee (COC) are extremely pleased with the end result after 12 months of planning.

As Convention Secretary, I am extremely proud of what we the COC, the Mersey-Devonport Lions Club and all our associate clubs (City of Devonport, Latrobe, Port Sorell and Ulverstone) have achieved. The Mersey Devonport Lions Club wanted to support DG Vere in his year as DG and I personally feel we have done him and our Club proud.



Convention committee— photos from Facebook.



During Convention we had 138 Lions, 5 Leos, 40 partners and 25 guests for a total of 208 participants which is up on previous years.

19 first time conventioners came to Convention. We hope you all choose to attend another!

In closing what has been an enjoyable, rewarding yet tiring 12 months, I would very much like to thank the one person that had the courage to stick his hand in the air at the 2016 Convention at Latrobe – Convention Chair Dennis Applebee. His leadership and friendship over this journey has been an inspiration for myself and others – thanks mate! But let's not host another Convention for a while ☐

Hoping you all have a great year in Lions and that I see more faces at the 2019 District 201TI Convention at Glenorchy. I wish the Glenorchy COC all the best.

**2018 Convention Secretary
Christian McGee**



Congratulations to a Champion Citizen

Congratulations to our very own John Hughes for being awarded the 2018 Citizen of the Year award at last months meeting! Here is Lion Mark Self's speech of the night:

John Caradoc Hughes. Born at Anglesey, North Wales in 1935, Johns early schooling was at a small Welsh village, the name of which I can't pronounce. It was where only Welsh was spoken, so when moving onto high school in Holyhead he had to learn English. John's early working life began a Manchester University where he met his future wife Nancy in a mortuary lab of all. A year later they married, honeymooned in Spain and returned to Wales where John worked in marine science but decided soon after to become a teacher and did so in 1965. Qualifying in science/math's.

John and Nancy emigrated to Tassie in 1967 with their two children, David and Jane. John obtained a teaching position at Ulverstone High until the move to St. Brendan Shaw in Devonport 4 years later.

Johns career as a maths/science teacher there spanned the next 40 years, retiring in 1996. And during that time, he became the faculty head of science. He started the Duke of Edinburgh award scheme in 1980 and was the coordinator for 20 years. John was recognised for his outstanding contribution to this scheme with a national certificate in 1995. His involvement saw him become an outdoor instructor to students in bushwalking, abseiling, 1st aid, kayaking and caveneering etc. He was the coordinator of the Helix club for 20 years. John was awarded the science teachers award in 1989 for outstanding commitment to science education. John also became involved in soccer at the college in the early 1970s and was the coach until 1993, also becoming secretary and treasurer in that time for the soccer referee's as-

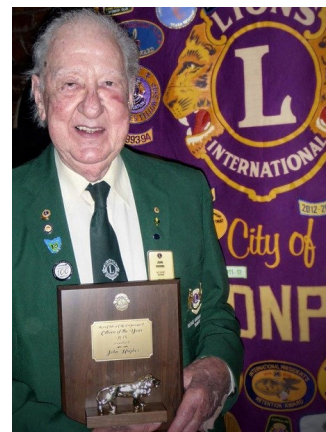


Now, Johns involvement in Lions international. Fifty years ago, a year after arriving in Tasmania John joined the Ulverstone club, a fact that was recognised at a meeting at our club a short time ago. John has held all possible club offices in that time, including Secretary and President twice, has been a member of the district cabinet for 12 years, Zone chairman 1977-78, District Governor 1978-79, and our club Chairman for Youth of the Year for over 35 years. Organising zone region and state finals during that time he also founded the Motor Neurone Disease Foundation (1983) and was their State President for 12 years. He was given life membership of the Foundation and is still involved in collecting on Button Day etc.

John has received 10 District Governor awards for outstanding service, received an International President's commendation and was made a Melvin Jones fellow in 1994 (the highest accolade that can be bestowed upon a Lion). And of course, we all know of John's excellent work regarding the purchase of this bus for the School of Special Education.

This, as with his teaching career has been a very much condensed account of his we involvement with Lions.

John's Scouting past: His 47-year involvement started in 1970 with the Ulverstone group. Becoming Group President, and Group Leader of the 2nd Ulverstone Scout Group from 1975-80, and Leven District Commissioner from 1980-1987. As Secretary of the Leven district and Sec/Treasurer of Rubicon Scouts, John founded the Weindorfer Rouse Crew - Mersey District in 1994. This was a trustee of the Leven District Scout Association and he was awarded Life Membership of Scouts in 2008. John was appointed Scout's Grants Commissioner and over his 10-year tenure helped raise over a million dollars in grants for his beloved Scouts. Again, this has been a shortened version of his dedicated service.



Community service: In 1996 John set up the Neighbourhood Watch organisation in Port Sorrel and was Assistant Coordinator until 2000. He helped set up the PCYC in 1999 and was Deputy Chair there for 6 years. In July 2000 John set up the Rubicon Senior Citizens Club which now has over 140 active members.
Latrobe Council

John was a Councillor at Latrobe Council from September 1996 until October 2005 and served on many committees during that time, also chairing many, for example, the Council Budget Review Committee, the Kentish/Latrobe PCYC Committee, the Natural Resources Management Committee and many more. John became a member of the board of management of the Orana Respite Care Centre in 1996, their Chairman from 2002-2004, later a Director. John was appointed Commissioner for Declaration and a Justice of the Peace in 1996, Bench Justice in 2003 and served as Registrar of the Hon Justice Association from 2007-2011.

In June 2004 Lion John Caradoc Hughes was awarded an order of Australia Medal for his dedicated service to Lions International, to Youth Scouting, Motor Neuron Disease and our Community

Ladies and Gentlemen these are the reasons why PDG Lion John has been deemed a most worthy recipient of our City of Devonport Lions Citizen of the Year Award for 2018.

Activities Awareness

YOTY Regional Coordinators 2018—2019 are

North West – Kae Campbell
 Northern – Jenny Tripptree
 Southern – James Seville & Russell Cairns



State Final has been set for Sunday 14th April 2019. Host region will be North West. Kae Campbell has committed to obtain a Host Club(s) for the Final.

Regional Finals must be held on or before 7th April 2019. City of Launceston or Kings Meadow Clubs will host the Northern YOTY Regional Final. Clarence or Kingborough Clubs will host the Southern YOTY Regional Final. Kae Campbell is working with two clubs to co-host the North West YOTY Regional Final.

Club Finals must be held on or before 31st March 2019. To date 10 clubs have committed to hold a Club YOTY Final in 2018-19.



James Seville
 2011 GLT & YOTY Coordinator

**LC Sorell
 Clubrooms
 Bloom
 with Roses**



ABOVE: Club President Michael Flanagan with Zone Chair PDG Annette Ogilvie and Co-ordinator Dawn Gatehouse

The Sorell Garden Club held a Rose Show for a number of years until 2013. A garden enthusiast asked if the Lions Club would take on the challenge to revive it. On November 17th our Clubrooms became the showcase for many beautiful roses and other flowers from gardens in the area. Our members provided a scrumptious lunch and garden stalls filled the space outside. The winner of the Champion Rose won a Lions Rose bush.

**Dawn Gatehouse,
 Rose Show Co-ordinator.**

Lions Awareness Day—March 2nd



What is your club doing on Lions Awareness Day?
 What do you have planned?
 Start making plans now!
 It can be as simple as adding an information booth at you project on that day. Maybe you could get out all your PR material and set up in a prominent place in your town?
 How about setting up a sausage sizzle and giving away a free snag, and a brochure explaining all about Lions Clubs in Australia?
 It doesn't matter what you do, just do something.
 Remember that free resources will be available from the Multiple District to clubs who want to hold an event on the day.
 Contact your District PR Chairperson or Membership Team for more information,



The Many Faces of Facebook Lions



New Voices

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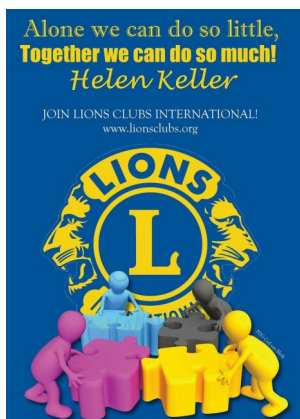
#newvoices



Saluting our New Voices for this month - the men who make women more visible in Lions. These Lions come from Portugal and are happy to support their female Lions in taking on Leadership roles in activities and committees.



ABOVE: Smiling in Service are our friends from across the ditch in New Zealand



ABOVE: Julie Livingstone shared LC Lilydale's Painted Pole project—poles are located on the Village Green at Lilydale.



LC Bridport shared this great photo to their Facebook page. Remember that while you and your Club would know who's in the picture, a short sentence about your activity along with the names of those in the photo will help visitors to your page to better understand your project. Looks like a proud club and a great community project.

Remember to take lots of photos of your summer Lions Activities and forward them to the District Newsletter...



LEFT: Santa struggles with his scarf at Lilydale.

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