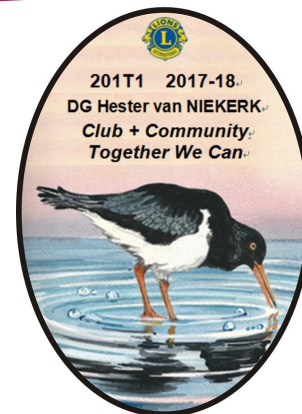


# Lions Tasmania

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Message from DG Hester.....

Lion Magazine October – November 2017 indicated that our organization is now 1,449,987 members strong. Tasmania (T1) only needs 159 members to move us out of transition.....

### Can you help??

Although our District is down on a couple of members I believe that we work tirelessly for our community and when there is a humanitarian need, our clubs are as generous as any found in other districts. The September MyLCI Club Health Report however indicates that out of the 49 Tasmanian Clubs, 21 clubs failed to put in a Club Activities report.



I know that Club Secretaries are busy people but it is essential that clubs complete and enter the hours that hard working club members give. Would it not be great if all clubs can have their hours entered by 28<sup>th</sup> of each month. This will ensure that no club misses the deadline.

### Club visits so far:

September started with a visit to my own Club, **Kingborough** and the members undertook an evaluation of what they want/do not want, change or drop altogether. A very informative night and feedback will be given to members shortly.

### Zeehan and Roseberry:

What do they say about our weather—beautiful one minute? Then down came the snow, rain and the wind. PDG Annette who was going to be my navigator and I decided that it would probably not be a good look being rescued from the snow ditch! Will do the visit later in the year.



### Windmill Hill:

Before departing for the meeting I referred to the Club Web page for location BUT.....decided to give Lion Allison a member of the club a lift to the meeting. After all Lion Allison would know how to get to the meeting?? Just as well as the Directory and their web page differed with the directory being correct! President Linda was away visiting an overseas club but a good night was had by all.

### Westbury:

Enjoyed fabulous hospitality from Lion Phil, Nannette and the 2 'fur babies'. This Club still has 6 Charter Members actively involved in the club activities. Congratulations.

Left early to go via Gravelly Beach on my way to George Town. No problem, stopped at the recommended café for breakfast and took the turn off indicating Gravelly Beach.



### Cake sales urged over coming months

Oct 14th & 28th Book Fair—Emu Bay Lions

Oct 13th-14th Queenstown Lions Club 50th Anniversary

Oct 22nd District Cabinet Mtg Kings Meadows 9.30am

Nov 5th Peace Poster Entries due

Nov Saturday 11– Sunday 12 District Convention, St Helens

### BOOK YOUR ACCOMODATION

Remember to register

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An extremely loud bang, car shaking, a very quick stop and heart racing I got out to see what had happened. 1 totally flat tyre thanks to a metal strip used in a nail gun complete with 8x80mm nails deeply embedded in the tyre. Good looking and other males whizzed past, then just as my faith in RACT and my fellow males was about to fade....a small extremely mature lady pulled over and offered help, she apologised as she was not able to get out of her car!



RACT was going to take about 30 minutes to 'find' me so decided I may as well look at the lovely gardens and my day just improved 10 fold from that moment on.

**With 2 new tyres and a bill for \$460.00 I was on my way to George Town.**

### George Town:

A special thank you for the accommodation that was arranged for me. Lion Luigi Gaetani a Lion who has received a 45 Year Chevron was going to join us for fellowship. Luigi is a resident of the Southern Cross Care Nursing Home at Low Head but, unfortunately due to the Home being in 'lockdown' was not able to join us. I did wonder what the residents had got up to, however George Town Club President Lion Wayne attributed the 'lock down' to the outbreak of flu.

A reminder from your Cabinet Treasurer, Erik Madsen

### I. Online Payment Options

- In addition to paying by Credit Card, PayPal is now an option for Club Treasurers with a valid MyLCI User ID and password. Club Treasurers can visit MyLCI on the Lions Clubs International website. After logging onto MyLCI, choose **Club, Statement** and select **PayPal or Credit/Debit Card**.

### II. Payments through your District Office

- You may pay by cheque. Payment in Australian dollars covering amounts due on your account may be made at the exchange rate per U.S. dollar printed on the top portion of this statement.

Please mail your cheque made payable to Lions Clubs International along with the top portion of your club's monthly statement of account to your Cabinet Treasurer. Your Cabinet Treasurer will then deposit your cheque in the correct LCI Account and transmit your club's payment information to the International Association for processing.

- Your Cabinet Treasurer will retain a copy of your payment for their records should you have questions and would need to contact them regarding your club's payment. Your payment will be converted and credited at the Lionistic exchange rate in effect the date of deposit. For this reason, it is important that payment of this statement be made promptly.



Again, thank you for the opportunity to visit clubs and be part of their club meeting and fellowship.

***"Imagination is everything...it is the preview of life's forthcoming attractions"***



Tassie Dancers Against Cancer

**A Chance to Dance Day was run by Tassie Dancers Against Cancer on 10<sup>th</sup> September in Hobart.** All artists were invited to perform to help raise awareness and funds for **Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research.** This fun day was supported by the Lions Club of Kingborough by providing small prizes for the performing artists. A special thank you to Encore Director Sharon Shirley, young performing artists, parents and supporters.

Dancers as young as 4 years of aged danced to raise funds for ALCCRF. The girls danced from 10am – 4pm.





# Emu Bay Lions



## Book Fair

Tasmania's Biggest Book Fair !

Saturday October 14th and

Saturday October 28th

Venue : Old Catholic School

Fleming Court, Burnie

8.30am to 4.30pm

Donations of books welcome!  
Books can be left at Wyllie Tiles, Cooe, Burnie Newsagency  
or Burnie Ocean View Caravan Park, Ocean Vista

contact the club –  
[burnieemubay@lionstasmania.org](mailto:burnieemubay@lionstasmania.org)  
or phone Carmel on 0437 731618.



SNIPPETS

### From Your Club Newsletters—The Lions Bluff—Devonport Mersey

Lion Dennis and his committee have swung into action ready for next year's District Convention which they are hosting with the assistance of other local clubs. Also hosting their Community Awards Night, Thursday October 19th.

### LIFE MEMBERSHIP PRESENTATIONS

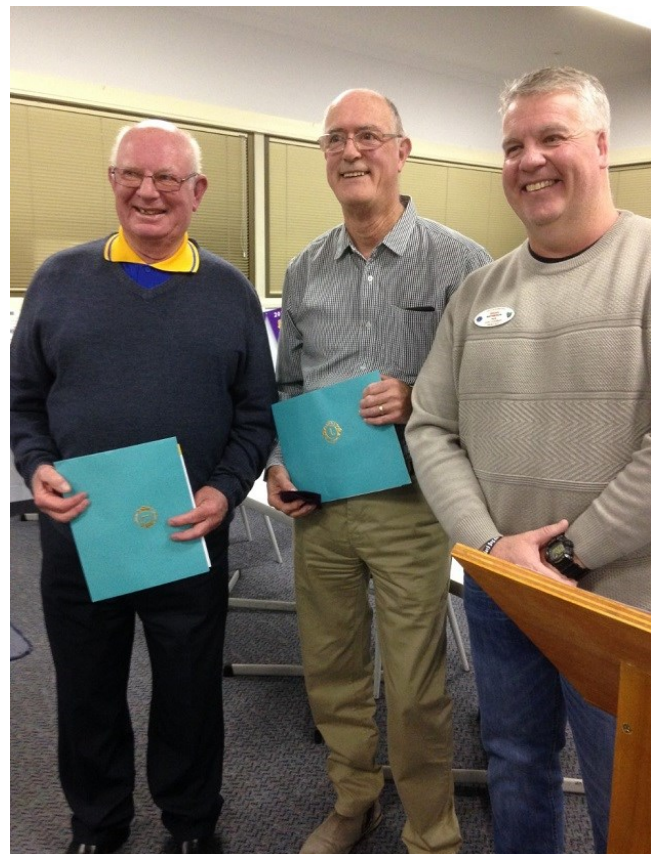
The Lions Club of Kings Meadows proudly awarded Life Membership status to 2 of its long-standing members.

These "surprise" presentations were made to **Darrell Atkinson and Linden Hearps** by Zone Chairman Brian Mathieson at the September Dinner meeting.

Both these members have been stalwarts of the Club with each having around 30 years of very active service. Darrell joined on the 1<sup>st</sup> August 1987 and Linden joined on the 1<sup>st</sup> January 1988. They both join with our other Life Member Brian Smith.

These members both hold Melvin Jones Fellowships, Tasmanian Lions Foundation Fellowships and other individual awards.

*From left:-* Linden Hearps, Darrell Atkinson and Zone Chairman Brian Mathieson





## Lions Membership in the Digital Age

### The next step

Please indicate if you like further assistance with the following for your club – You will receive any how to guides by email and a follow up call to see how we can help

*OZ Clubhouse*

*MyLCI*

*Online apps or storage / backups of club information*

*Facebook*

*Facebook advertising*

*Instagram*

*Youtube*

*Email*

*General issues getting your club*

*IT to work*

*Member education at club level*

*on any of the above*

*Other (please specify)*

Enquiries to Leigh Johnstone on  
0418 138 035 or [glt@lionstasmania.org](mailto:glt@lionstasmania.org)

Regional Chairman Northern Tasmania

Welcome To Our New Members....



**GEORGE TOWN LIONS CLUB**  
MARIA CORTES  
Sponsor: TIMOTHY PARISH

MARIO CORTES  
Sponsor: TIMOTHY PARISH

**LILYDALE LIONS CLUB**  
CATHARINA LANGFIELD  
Sponsor: STEPHEN GRIFFIN

FRANK A LANGFIELD  
Sponsor: STEPHEN GRIFFIN

**RIVERSIDE INC LIONS CLUB**  
ROBERT GILLOW  
Sponsor: COLIN SMITH

**ROCKY CAPE LIONS CLUB**  
NEIL JOHN SMITH  
Sponsor: RICHARD COCHRANE

**SCOTTSDALE LIONS CLUB**  
LOUICE JEAN MOTT  
Sponsor: MARGARET BROWN

PAUL WINIECKI  
Sponsor: MERVYN CHILCOTT

GRACE ELIZABETH WINNIECKI  
Sponsor: MERVYN CHILCOTT

**SMITHTON-CIRCULAR HEAD LIONS CLUB**  
CELIA THOMAS  
Sponsor: SHERYL ROBSON

**SORELL LIONS CLUB**  
MICHAEL BANKS



## Our District Count

30th September 2017

Clubs: 49

Membership: 1196

Average members per club 24

YTD ADD 34

YTD DROP 27

YTD GROWTH 0.59%

Status: **DISTRICT IN TRANSITION**

## Fellow Members



I invite you to share your story with us all under the following headings:

- Date you joined Lions....
- Why you joined....
- Your best Lions Project/ Activity & why.....
- 1 idea how to keep/ attract members....

Send your story to Editor Lion Linda, contact details on the back page.



**Regional Lions Leaders Institute—RLLI—**will be held in **Brisbane 23-25 Feb 2018** and applications close late December. It's aimed at newer Lions who may want to develop their leadership skills and take on additional roles within your club, the costs are mostly covered by LCI. Applications need to come via myself and the DG at least 10 days prior to the deadline.

Leigh Johnstone GLT co-ordinator 0418 138 035

**Why I am a Lion. Dale “Toby” Crawford**

Date Joined: I joined the Penguin LEO Club in January 1977, then the Penguin Lions Club in 1988.

**Why did I Join:** “I was asked”. I worked with a mate who was one year further ahead in his apprenticeship than me. He had talked about LEOs at work for over a year and I never really took any notice of what LEOs were.



**Best project that I have been involved in:** LYNX would definitely have to be number one. When you sit in a room full of teenagers pouring out their heart and soul about the abuse and neglect that they have experienced in a short time brings me to tears. I truly cannot believe that society has “human beings” who would do this to their own children.

I saw him and his mates in the main street of Penguin one night so I stopped to talk to him. I found out they were getting ready to go to a LEO BBQ meeting and was asked if I would like to join them.

The rest is history. It just shows what the power of asking someone if they would like to join can lead to.

**Award most valued:** There are two that I cannot split. I received a Tasmanian Lions Fellowship from the Penguin Lions Club during their 40<sup>th</sup> Charter Anniversary for the work I had done over many years in both Leos and Lions. I was very taken aback because I was only about 42 years old and considered myself a young member of the club.

The other was a Melvin Jones Fellowship awarded to me by our District 201T1 at the 2007 District Changeover for the work I had done on Cabinet including LEOs and the Youth Insearch programme which later became LYNX. This left me totally speechless to think that my peers thought so much of the way that I had worked with the portfolios handed to me.

**Clubs I have been a part of:** As stated above I was in the Penguin LEO Club from 1977 until 1988 when I joined the Penguin Lions Club. I have been with Penguin ever since but I did have the opportunity to Join the Gladstone LEO Club, 201Q4 in 1982 till 1984 when I was transferred there with work. They were some great years and gave a whole new meaning to the “Lions Family”.

I also feel that I am part of every club in our district, having visited each club at least once during my time as District Governor as well as many other visits as a guest speaker of some of my many cabinet portfolios over the years.

I gain enormous satisfaction from the positive outcomes that this programme delivers and am overwhelmed by the change I see from the participants from when they first start coming, some as school dropouts, to where they end up, being nurses, social workers and caring parents etc. to name a few.

All in all I have and still am thoroughly enjoying my time in LEOs and Lions. I have been a member of the Lions family for forty years and a Cabinet member for twenty.

I met my wife, Julie in LEOs and we have four fabulous children who have all been members of the Penguin LEO Club with one now a member of the Penguin Lions. Lions have built my self esteem and showed me the true value of friendship and giving back to those less fortunate. Thank you Lions, 100 years old and still going strong.



*“TOBY”*



**From LC Westbury and submitted by Mary Jolly.....**

- ◆ Fish Feast with singalong Saturday October 14th
- ◆ Bagging sheep poo Wednesday October 18th



# Lions Club of Smithton—Circular Head News



At our recent changeover we honoured 2 well deserving Smithton Lions with the Tasmania Lions Foundation Award

**Lions Eddy Schuurings and John Bergman** have each served 21 years.



Above: Monica Monsoon with Lion Joan Krause as sponsor inducted by Lion Anne Fagg on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2017



Megan Thompson with Lion Joan Krause as sponsor inducted by President Sheryl Robson on 6<sup>th</sup> July 2017



At our Changeover Dinner we dressed to suit 100 years as Lions. New inducted Board by Zone Chairman Nigel Sheahan

## SNIPPETS

**From The Devon Lion—LC City of Devonport, submitted by John Hughes**

Lions continued their regular commitment to serving lunch at the Orana Respite Centre and remind us all of the need for Lions to hold a WORKING WITH VULNERABLE PEOPLE certificate. Unfortunate Red Tape, but a necessity when we attend functions such as these. Also reminders to us all to fill in our PROJECT SIGN ON SHEETS required for Insurance coverage and members Activity hours records.

Below: Celia Thomas with President Sheryl Robson as sponsor inducted by 1st VP Eddy Schuurings on 5<sup>th</sup> Sept 2017



## Lionsonoz in Action.

Australian Lionsonoz members quite often visit Lions Clubs as visitors while travelling this great land of ours.

*Recently Lion Rhonda Courtney of Australian Lionsonoz visited the Lions Club of Coolah in District 201N3 to help her former Club celebrate a significant milestone.*

Lion Eric Fetch, together with his Lions Lady Shirley have served their Lions Club, Coolah for 50 years, a fine and impressive effort.

Lion Eric joined Coolah Lions in September 1967, within two years of the formation of the Club.

**Eric has been and still is an active member of Lions and the only position he has not held is Lion Tamer. His wife Shirley has been there as his support for all these years and continues to assist whenever needed.**

Eric continues to organize and run the local driver reviver at the Coolah Silo Site which is one of the most used Driver Reviver stops in NSW and is well known for its reliable opening times.

A dinner was held at the Local Sporting Club in his honour and in recognition Eric was presented with his 50 years Monarch Award and a special keepsake honouring both his and Shirley's years of service to Lions.

PDG Lion Warren White

**District Chairman ( Lion John Medwin ) of LEHP** visited Rocky Cape Lions Club to give a Presentation and overview of the Lions Eye Health Program.



**Pictured:** Seated in the centre is **Lion Eric Fetch and Lions Lady Shirley**. Middle row is Pru Ward and Lions Lady Shiona Mc Master. Back row Lion Glenn Courtney, Lions Lady Robyn Kuhn, **Lionsonoz member Lion Rhonda Courtney**, Lion Norbet Kuhn, former Lion Mark Scarlet, Lion Bruce Mc Master, Lion Ken Pellow and Coolah Lions President Quinton Hutchinson. A combined total Lions Service of over 200 years.

## NOW IS THE TIME FOR CLUBS TO PLACE THEIR CHRISTMAS CAKE ORDERS.....

With Christmas fast approaching Clubs should now be looking to place their orders. I know that several Clubs are well and truly on track and have already received their cakes. Make contact with your previous customers who have purchased the cakes to see if they would like to place another order. Don't forget to let them know that we have Christmas Puddings as well and they may like to mix and match.

I have stocks of cakes and puddings on hand should Clubs require product whilst waiting for your own stock to arrive either email me [merchandising@lionstasmania.org](mailto:merchandising@lionstasmania.org) or phone 0409 442 593. By working together hopefully we will achieve a good result therefore assisting our District with a great Cake rebate.

Now is the time that I receive numerous calls from all around the State with customers wishing to purchase Christmas cakes or puddings.

**This is a reminder for all of those Clubs who have not sent me an email to let me know one or two of your outlets along with your Club contact Cake Chairman phone or mobile number.** By having a contact or details of an outlet I can then send the customer straight there and we don't miss out on sales. HAPPY SELLING.



**Mints** – as you have been advised the Sydney office is no longer. After many years Tanya has now left the company for full-time employment. At the present time the phone number has been transferred to the Melbourne office and orders will be

handled from there. There should be no difficulties just order the same way. I will keep you informed if there are any changes. **Sue Johns District Chairman – Merchandising (Christmas Cakes, Puddings and Mints)**

### SNIPPETS

**From the Clarence Clarion and submitted by Robin Pulford.....**

Lion Alan M is putting things together for the **Go For Gold Wheel at the Royal Hobart Show**, 25th—28th October

Club will participate in the **Living Well in Clarence event** 4th November

Helped with a promotion and outside broadcast by 7HOFM at **the opening of SuperCheap Auto** at Cambridge Park

Already thinking about **Lions Club Awareness Day 3rd March 2018**. DG Hester is calling for a rep from each club in 201T1 to help come up with ideas and ways to implement them.

And a reminder.....

**JUNK IS THE STUFF WE THROW AWAY....**

**STUFF IS THE JUNK WE SAVE!**

**Australian Lionsonoz members, Lions Jan and Bernie Donchi, spent some valuable time with Manilla Lions during AgQuip 2017 in Gunnedah.** Manilla Lions were very short on numbers to work the Santa Gertrudis BBQ stand for the three days of AgQuip, so Jan and Bernie offered their services. **Another Australian Lionsonoz member, Lion Warren White,** worked during the first day, and Jan and Bernie continued for the following two. Queues during lunchtime extended well down the road from the BBQ stand, indicating that Santa Gertrudis was the steak of the day.





## LC Deloraine

L-R Treasurer Bev, Lestor Jones Director of Nursing , Angela Blackmore, President Eric, Lyndsey and Phil. This is the new bed we have donated to the Deloraine Hospital.

The remote at the end, does everything from taking the bed to nearly floor level, into a chair mode all at a touch of a button, it has so many other options as well. Great for staff and patients.

**Angela Blackmore**

**Secretary LC Deloraine**



On Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> of October, **Clarence Lions** got up early to do a sausage sizzle at the **Dogs Day Out** event, coordinated by the Clarence City Council. Dogs and their families arrived at Rosny Barn to play and compete in various competitions and see some of exhibits on display. *Dogs of many different breeds came along, from the very small to one wearing a onesy that could have been mistaken for a horse.*

Clarence Lions sold sausages and hamburgers with all funds raised going to Hearing Dogs. All in all it was a very successful day with around \$400 being raised for Hearing Dogs.

**Stephen Smith**

**1<sup>st</sup> VP**



**Australian  
Lions Hearing Dogs**

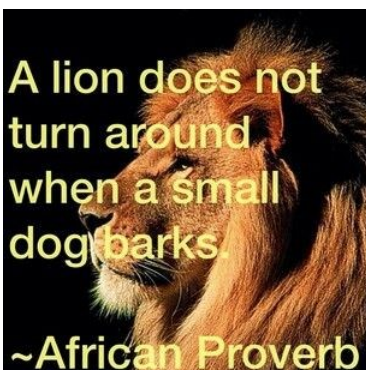


Photo from Clarence City Council  
Webpage

## Catering for Disabled Tourists...How well do we do??

The Lions Club of Luberon Maubec, near Marseilles (<https://www.facebook.com/lionsluberonmaubec/>) in southern France is a sponsor of two young women (one of whom is quadriplegic) who are undertaking an extended journey over the next few months. Their journey, starting in late October, 2017 and continuing until late May, 2018 will see them touring Australia, New Zealand, New Caledonia and French Polynesia. **It includes them visiting Tasmania from 4<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> March, 2018.**

*One objective of what these young women call their "Tetra Trip" is to evaluate how well hotels, visitor venues, airlines and other service/facility providers cater to the needs of disabled travellers. Nathalie, the quadriplegic young woman, has found that many venues and services that purport to cater for disabled people don't actually do so very well. Examples include: paths that are too steep for wheelchairs; steps; doors that are too narrow; unadapted bathrooms; inaccessible toilets; carpets that impede the passage of wheelchairs and many more.*

Nathalie and Karen (Nathalie's able-bodied companion) will be blogging during their journey and, on completion, plan to publish a guide for disabled travellers, detailing the extent to which venues and services fall short of, meet or exceed their claims of catering for disabled people. The blog and guide have the potential to promote tourism.

I know that Tourism Tasmania has some information, Hobart City Council has at least one person with experience in this context, there is the <http://wheeliegoodguide.com.au/> and there is <http://paraquadtas.org.au/contact/>. I have made initial contact with all these. Information about any other relevant organisations or services will be greatly appreciated.

***By the time Nathalie and Karen get to Tasmania, in March, I would like to be able to present them with a suggested itinerary that includes detailed information relating to how well Tasmania caters for disabled tourists. In order to do this properly, I need your help.*** Will you, please, whilst going about your normal activities, try to observe what facilities are provided for disabled people (especially those confined to wheelchairs) and how well they do it? If you can email your findings to me: [russell.p.cairns@bigpond.com](mailto:russell.p.cairns@bigpond.com), I will endeavour to collate the information for Nathalie and Karen. I would, also, appreciate hearing from any Clubs that would be willing to meet with and assist Nathalie and Karen during their visit.

Russell Cairns, President, Lions Club of Hobart Town



## District Newsletter 201T1

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