



# Lions Clubs International District 201T1

## LIONS TASMANIA

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2009-2010**

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### District Governor's Notes

Welcome to another year of Lions activity in Tasmania.

Before discussing the future it is wise to reflect on the past, in this case the immediate past. In 2008-09 under the leadership of IPDG [PCC] Tony Roney the Lions of Tasmania have served their communities with distinction at all levels, be it their local community in a vast array of projects, the community of Tasmania, in particular, the drought relief efforts and support of the various District Projects, to the Australian community. We particularly note the magnificent effort in support of relief for the victims of the Victorian bushfires, and the world community by supporting LCIF. Of particular note is the steady increase in Club membership under Tony's leadership.

Without new members to replace those who leave and encouraging the involvement of existing members, Lions will be unable to service the needs of our communities.

I believe that we have in place, a Cabinet for 2009-10 well prepared to assist the Clubs of the District to serve their communities and manage the affairs of Lions District of 201T1. This is evident from the planning meeting of the District MERLOT team which took place mid June under the leadership of Chairman David Triffett.

By necessity, this is written just before my departure for the International Convention in Minneapolis.

It is expected that I will have a better idea of the direction in which our new International President, Eberhard Wirfs, intends to lead us in the year ahead. His motto 'Move to Grow' gives us some indication of his intentions, particularly considering his promotion of a new

international project – the Global Youth Music Competition. More about that later.

I wish all Lions of the District all the best in achieving

### Satisfaction through Service

in their communities in the year ahead.

DG John Gillham



### **YOUR ADVERTISEMENT HERE ?**

advertising on either a regular or ad-hoc basis, then please contact the Editor on 62653840.

VERY REASONABLE RATES.

### **OUR DISTRICT COUNT**

30 May 2009

Clubs: 50

Membership: 1232

Status: "Established district below 35/1250 over two years."

30 June 2009

Clubs: 50

Membership: 1240

Status: "Established district below 35/1250 over two years."

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### **CLUB SECRETARIES**

A reminder of the reintroduction 2009-2010 of a hard copy of the Membership Reports and Activity Report Form.

Throughout MD201 other Districts are experiencing similar problems and have re introduced hard copies of the MMR and Activity Reports because the LCI Activity site categories especially are not relevant to our Multiple District, and therefore the information of Clubs activities are not being accurately recorded.

After consultation with those Secretaries who attended the incoming officers training, the hard copy has again been updated at the end of June. Sponsor category has been added.

The new version of the reporting form is on the Tasmanian Lions Website and may be downloaded at:

[www.lionstasmania.org](http://www.lionstasmania.org)

Lions Tasmania – Information for Members – Standard Forms – Club Secretary.

It is hoped the reintroduction of a hard copy of a membership and activity report will improved the communication between the Clubs and the District.

The forms are to be completed by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month and sent to your Zone Chairman who will then forwarded them to the Cabinet Secretary.

It is my hope as Secretary's become more familiar with the forms they will email copies to the Zone Chairman and Cabinet Secretary.

Your Zone Chairman email address is zone number e.g. zone1@lionstasmania.org

Cabinet Secretary  
casc@lionstasmania.org

If you require any assistance please contact me.

Lion Annette Ogilvie  
Assistant Cabinet Secretary





**PROSTATE  
PETE'S  
UPDATE**

Dear Lion's members

On the 27th of June the Prostate Pete Committee arranged a small seminar/work-shop at the Forth Hotel. Invitations to attend the Seminar were sent out via email but only Smithton and Wynyard were able to attend. The day was orchestrated by Neil Cameron who is an Events Manager & Consultant.

**The Committee had reached a stage in the program that his expertise was needed to guarantee a good outcome. We were not disappointed, and the results will be mailed to all clubs as soon as we can put the program together in the next few weeks. We believe that what we have to offer will interest all clubs and encourage all members to give the program a go.**

We have started a Polly Undies Line with the help of Bryan Green. So far we have also received Undies from the Premier and the Leader of the Opposition to name a few.

**The Prostate Pete snowball is still rolling along and gaining momentum with donations from other Lions Clubs and from the general public.**

Donations from clubs so far are:

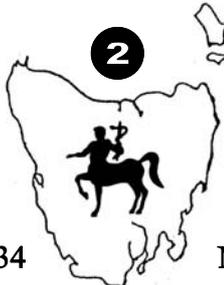
201 T1	\$1000.00
Deloraine	\$200.00
Forth Valley	\$2105.00
George Town	\$2000.00
Glenorchy	\$100.00
Hadspar	\$115.00
Kings Meadows	\$250.00
Lilydale	\$125.00
Queenstown	\$100.00
Smithton	\$400.00
Spring Bay	\$250.00
Tasman	\$200.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$6845.00</b>



Please continue to send your donations to cabinet treasurer or to the Forth Valley Lions Club PO Box 319, Forth, Tas 7310.

For further information please contact

Frank Dark  
(P.P.Secretary)  
6427 7660 or  
Jan Bakker  
(P.P.Project  
Chairman)  
0427 283068



## "Caring and Sharing"

Regional Chairman NW, John Medwin, writes to pass on the news that Lion Dick Strickland the last remaining Charter Member of the King Island Lions club has been struck down with bowel cancer, and is now believed to be suffering secondary cancer of the liver. He will be coming to Burnie for a medical consultation to see what is to be done.

Options aren't that many. Operate and remove cancerous cells. No guarantees. Chemotherapy and radiation, at 80 plus years of age or just quietly allow it to take its course. Evidently six months ago he complained about being always tired and was considered after a blood test to be anemic, and as a consequence, was put on a high iron regime. He did improve only to start slipping again, with another trip to Tasmania indicating that the original prognosis missed the possibility of bowel cancer due to the lack of any pain/s.

Lion Dick has been a regular attendee to District, MD, and International Conventions over the last 40 years and is well know to the elder Lions in this District. We can only hope and pray that what ever happens he will do so with the best wishes of us all.

Another past King Island Lion, Ken Payne who is the only other living Charter member has also been readmitted to hospital on the Island but details at the moment are sketchy as to his problem. Age being one of them and the reason he resigned as a member.

**Lion Dick shares he has seen his Doctor and they are as happy as can be reasonably expected. He will be required to go to the Launceston General Hospital for surgery to remove the Bowel Cancer and then undertake chemotherapy back home to prevent his circulation from spreading the cancer cells elsewhere in his body. It also requires regular injections direct into the blood stream as well.**

He is quite up beat about it all, and is full of praise for the assistance he has received from Lions here in regards to transport to and from the airports. He knows that if he experiences any difficulties, he or Jan have only to give us a call.

Unfortunately, Tasair schedules are less than adequate and are under intense pressure for reverting back to what was a reasonable service from politicians.

*Lion Dick Strickland joined Lions on 28 March 1969 as a Charter Member. This year marks 40 years of distinguished service and Perfect Attendance:- Dick has no intention of stopping yet. He has been President twice, Secretary nine times and Treasurer for five years. Dick has held most positions in the club at some stage and as current Bulletin Editor, he continues to do more than his fair share of work in the King Island Club. Age proves no barrier for Dick and he has embraced the computer age, learning new skills to keep the Bulletin coming out each month. He attends every working bee and puts in a huge physical effort to see our projects completed. He is supported by his community minded wife, Jan, and together they travel to District, Multiple District*



*and International Conventions wherever they are held. Dick is a deserving recipient of Melvin Jones Fellow and the King Island Club would be lost without his guidance and direction.*

**John C Medwin**  
Regional Chairman North West

Photo of the newest member of the Huon LC: MP for Franklin, Daniel Hulme



International President Eberhard Wirfs logo of ginkgo tree leaf and motto for 2009-2010



## Brief History - Enormous Effort!

Flinders Island Lions club held their annual changeover dinner on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June. There were visitors from Victorian Clubs as well as local guests. A contingent of Tasmanian Lions were unable to attend due to adverse weather conditions.

The Club has achieved a lot in its nine year history, this year donating over \$10,000.00 to various causes, including \$5000.00 to the Victorian bushfire appeal, as well as catering for community events and collecting and splitting firewood for those unable to get their own.

Outgoing president Gordon Rorison organizes the annual Tour de Flinders to raise money for Lions Sight First Appeal and this year Kevin Haines started an annual fishing competition with this year's proceeds going to Lions Cord Blood & Childhood Cancer Foundation.

Two members Pauline Dennithorne & Dianne Walsh joined local councilor Michael Grimshaw to Shave for a Cure, raising over \$3000.00 between them. Lions cater for breakfast after the dawn service each Anzac Day and this year also catered for a reunion of Vietnam veterans. Members have supported Friends of Patriarchs with a working bee at the Patriarchs Wildlife Sanctuary, and will be assisting and catering for their next working bee next weekend.

At the dinner treasurer James Levin was presented with a Melvin Jones Award – the third for the Club and the highest honour bestowed on a member of a Lions Club.

*Photo: Outgoing President Gordon Rorison, Treasurer James Levin, and Incoming president Alison Johnson. (all Melvin Jones fellows)*

*Photo by Margaret Wheatley*



## THANK YOU

The Riverside Lions Club would like to thank all those Lions and Clubs for their continued support in our request for used stamps your response for the last 6 months have been wonderful. Keep up the good work.

**This year to 30th June 2009, we have sent off 15kgs of stamps which equates to some 55,000 stamps.**

This is a simple project and I'm sure with your assistance and that of other Lions who have not yet taken up the challenge we will well and truly pass our figure of last year. There are ample opportunities out there among friends and businesses to collect used stamps. There is little work in it as you wonderful lions currently collecting them would know.

**Lions all we ask is for you to collect them and forward them and we will do the rest.**

Proceeds from the sales go to the Mobility Foundation., to assist them make life a little easier for those less fortunate than ourselves. I will report to you again at the end of next six months.

Thank you again.

**Peter Burke**

Launceston Riverside Lions.



# New Lions



Name	Sponsor	Club
Naja Bevan	Diane Geeves	Clarence
Helen Hiller	John Hiller	Clarence
Andrew Tierney	Lyndon Thurlow	City of Devonport
Peter Douglas	David Triffett	Glenorchy City
Margaret Jabour	David Triffett	Glenorchy City
Amanda Stump	David Triffett	Glenorchy City
Daniel Hume	John Gillham	Huon
Anita Blazely	Berberlyn Davis	King Island
Ira Cooke	Berberlyn Davis	King Island
Judi Gorham	Glennis Fox	Kings meadows
Linda Dilworth	Bryon Dilworth	Launceston Windmill Hill
Tanya Carmichael	Sandra Carmichael	New Norfolk
Ross Elliott	Sandra Carmichael	New Norfolk
Sandy Elliott	Sandra Carmichael	New Norfolk
Frank Pearson	Stewart McNear	Penguin
Jeanette Gray	John Krause	Smithton Circular Head
Joanne Griffiths	John Krause	Smithton Circular Head
Marie Heald	John Krause	Smithton Circular Head
Jeffrey Harris	Clifford Stokes	Tasman
David Porter		Wynyard
Justin Gossage	John Hughes	City of Devonport
Jennifer Barwick	Walter van Pragg	City of Devonport

# WELCOME

## Rocky Cape TLF Fellowship Awarded

At our Change Over Dinner for 2009 held at The Tavern Rocky Cape, we had the pleasure of honoring Lion Kevin Radford with a Tasmanian Lions Foundation Fellowship.

**Lion Kevin is a worthy recipient who has done an enormous amount for the club and thus for the community.**

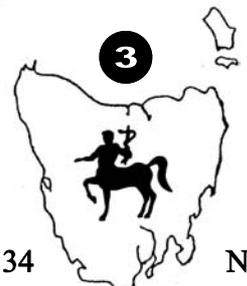
*PDG Leigh Jones made the presentation to Lion Kevin who is pictured below with his wife Tally.*



**Heather Duffy**  
Secretary



**HOLDEN**



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# TASMANIAN LIONS FOUNDATION

At the Foundation's last meeting, held on Sunday 12th July, 2009, it has been resolved that Clubs can now purchase TLF Fellows Awards by two (2) yearly installments of \$250 each, and the name of the recipient to be named on the payment of the second payment.

We hope this assists Clubs to give consideration of making an award.

Secondly, it was also resolved that any Club making a donation of \$500 or more may make a suitable notation that it go towards a TLF Fellow and can be taken up within a three year period.

After the expiration of that time, if no name is submitted, it will be noted as a donation.

We are trying to encourage Clubs to utilize this form of award.

In both cases, funds can be taken from Activities Account.

We look forward to your support in this matter.

Peter Burke, Secretary.



The next meeting of the Foundation is set down for:

**Sunday 20th Sept, 2009**

Any Club wishing to make a Grant Application, note this needs to be in the hands of the Secretary please, by

**28th August, 2009**

along with any other matter you may wish to bring before the Foundation.

## HOBART TOWN LIONS CLUB AND THE LIONS CLUB OF SANDY BAY 'MEMBERSHIP DRIVE'

As we are all acutely aware membership of many clubs is ageing and it is becoming more & more difficult to recruit younger members. Our two clubs are no exception. So we decided to "take it to the streets" to promote Lions and to seek expressions of interest.

Essentially, our stall was an information centre stocked with information on Lions and the involvement we have with the community. We needed a "hook" to encourage people to stop and talk with us. For this we used the opportunity for people to enter a (free) draw for the chance to win petrol or groceries. Those entering the draw were asked if they were interested in learning more about Lions or Leos.

Despite the most inclement weather on both days we are happy with the result so far. We spoke to over three hundred (300) people. Ninety-five (95) people showed interest in learning more about Lions and twenty-one (21) about Leos.

Both our clubs are now engaged in follow up calls to these interested people and we will be holding an information evening in early July.

The programme elicited names from all over Tasmania. Details of those showing interest who live outside our area will be sent to the appropriate Lions Club.

**This programme is ongoing and will be run again at other venues.**



*The above photograph shows a joint effort between our two clubs in a membership drive conducted in "Cat & Fiddle" arcade in Hobart on Thursday 4 and Friday 5 June.*

The idea for this promotion is based on a recruitment drive by Cleveland Bay Lions Club in Townsville.

John Piggin President - Sandy Bay Lions Club



World Sight Day  
4

Gender and  
Eye Health

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup>  
October, 2009



**Lions Clubs International Foundation Awards  
US\$190,000 for Flooding Relief in Taiwan**

More than 83 inches of rain from Typhoon Morakot fell across Taiwan, causing massive flooding and making immediate relief efforts difficult. As of August 17, 300 are feared dead and many remain stranded. Most of the casualties are in hardest-hit Kaohsiung County. Lions are responding, bringing help to those who need it most. Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) has awarded nine emergency grants of US\$10,000 each, totaling US\$90,000 to nine districts for Lions to provide immediate relief and purchase necessary provisions. Additionally, LCIF has awarded a US\$100,000 Major Catastrophe Grant for immediate relief or long-term reconstruction.



## 365 Days to go to Convention!



Volunteer Application packs will be available after August when our Executive Committee has signed them off. They will be emailed or posted to you. Please read the document carefully and complete all sections. Then post them to me at the address on the final page.

**A smile is the universal welcome.**  
Max Eastman



# Smile

We have our first group of Volunteers from the Community and they have very impressive history. Some Events they have volunteered at are - 2000 Olympic and Paralympic Games Royal Easter Show, SteamFest 2008 World Youth Day, Hunter Cruise, Medibank NSW Tennis and Telstra Swimming Championships - to name a few.

*Some Volunteers have asked about accommodation in Sydney. Accommodation is your responsibility. If you have further questions, please email me.*

**Pre Convention: 21-27 June 2010**

**Convention 28 June - 3 July 2010**

Expressions of interest may be lodged online via our Volunteers home page - <http://sites.google.com/site/lions2010volunteers>

### International Parade



The Parade is a Convention highlight and will take place along George Street, Sydney in the CBD. This is a very colourful event with many delegations dressing in national costume and many marching bands adding to the spectacle. I would thoroughly recommend nominating as a Volunteer for this day, as it will probably be one of the most spectacular parades you will ever witness. The parade takes approx 4-5 hours to pass a given point. (Photos - Tony Seitam)

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### Parade Volunteers

We will require approximately 150 Volunteers to assist bands and delegations with staging at the beginning of the parade, be positioned along the parade route and to disperse all participants at the end of the parade.

*Ngiyabonga (thank you) - Zulu*

*Dobre (thank you) - Slovak*

Lion Carole Powell

Editor - [caroleannpowell@ozemail.com.au](mailto:caroleannpowell@ozemail.com.au)

**Volunteers have more FUN and SMILE!**

## Notice of Motions Reminder

The 2009 District Convention will be hosted by the Lions club of Kingborough from the 13-15<sup>th</sup> November 2009, at the Sir Stanley Burbury Theatre, UTAS, Sandy Bay.

Although the convention is some months away, Clubs should take note that to comply with the District Constitution it is necessary to advise of the following:

### NOTICES OF MOTION

Clubs are reminded that "Notices of Motion/s" are to be lodged as follows:

Those Motion's relating to District Projects require 60 days notice prior to the opening of the Convention. Notice to be given to the Cabinet Secretary by the 11<sup>th</sup> September, 2009;

Notices of Motions relating to changes of a Constitutional nature require 60 days notice to the Cabinet Secretary and therefore need to be lodged with the Cabinet Secretary by the 11<sup>th</sup> September, 2009

### DISTRICT GOVERNOR 2010/2011

Nomination for the position of District Governor 2010/2011 should be in the hands of the Cabinet Secretary by the 11<sup>th</sup> September, 2009. Lions standing for this position and that of 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice district Governor should refer to District Officers Manual, Book 1 page 5, "Are you thinking to stand for District Governor?" Please submit nominations with full qualifications after referring to the International Constitution and By Laws revised additions June 2008, Article 1X, pages 35-37 and Article 6 of T1 District Constitution & By Laws.

### 1<sup>ST</sup> VICE-DISTRICT GOVERNOR 2010/2011

Nomination for the position of 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor 2010/2011 should be in the hands of the Cabinet Secretary by the 11<sup>th</sup> September, 2009. Lions considering standing for this position should refer to International Constitution & By laws revised additions June 2008 Article 1X pages 37-39, and Article 6 of T1 District Constitution & By Laws.

### 2<sup>ND</sup> VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR 2011/2012

Nomination for the position of 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor for 2010/2011 should be in the hands of the



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## It's all in the Spelling

A pastor asked if anyone in the congregation would like to express Praise for answered prayers.

A lady stood and walked to the pulpit. She said, "I have a praise point: Two months ago my husband, Jim, had a terrible bicycle accident and his Scrotum was smashed. The pain was excruciating and the doctors didn't know if they could help him."

She continued, "Jim was unable to hold me or the children and every move caused him terrible pain. We prayed as the doctors performed a delicate operation. They were able to piece together the crushed remnants of Jim's scrotum and wrap wire around it to hold it in place."

The men in the congregation squirmed uncomfortably in their seats.

She continued, "Now Jim is out of the hospital and the doctors say that, with time, his scrotum should recover completely."

All the men sighed with relief. The pastor rose and rather tentatively asked if anyone else had anything to say.

A man rose and walked to the pulpit. He said, "Good morning, I'm Jim and I want to tell my wife ONCE AGAIN that the word is STERNUM."

# SUCCESS - PROOF ON INTERNET!

Have you ever wanted something to do on a rainy day?

Well this was planned, but the weather wasn't.

What a roll up, the clubs that were represented were Port Sorell, Devonport-Mersey, Forth Valley, Penguin, City of Burnie, Wynyard, Rocky Cape, and last but not least Smithton-Circular Head.

Our presenter was **Lion Walter Van Praag** [ [walter@devonportlions.info](mailto:walter@devonportlions.info), ] who administers the City of Devonport site and Blog page. Here was a quick and simple way for a Lions club to have a presence on the Internet. Something that can be edited in a few minutes, or have posting done in a little more time. Participants were encouraged to go home and experiment with it till they are happy with what they produce. Some found it hard to grasp what was being passed on, but with patience, they too will become proficient with its use. Others cottoned on quickly and we will see their result virtually as I type this.

**May I say thank you to all those who braved the weather to travel to Burnie from as far away as Port Sorell to the east, and Smithton to the west for the morning. Also the Lions District thanks go to the Coordinator of the Burnie Online Access Centre Sue Hodgetts, for the use of the centre out of hours for training.**

When I last checked to see the results of the days training I saw a 100% result which makes it all worthwhile for both the presenter, and the participants.

For those who read this from the participating clubs, please remember that if you have problems, contact Lion Walter Van Praag by email for assistance or even talk to Lion Maurice Jones [ [info@minksystems.com](mailto:info@minksystems.com), ] or myself [ [jayemonline@yahoo.com.au](mailto:jayemonline@yahoo.com.au) ] and we'll help where we can.

Below is the final product of those who took part in the training. It should be remembered that apart from the three marked with an (\*) all will eventually be more professional as experience and confidence is gained with time.

- <http://michaelslions.blogspot.com/>
- <http://www.devonportlions.blogspot.com/> \*
- <http://www.penguinlions.blogspot.com/> \*
- <http://www.smithtonlions.blogspot.com/>
- <http://www.rockycapelions.blogspot.com/>
- <http://www.wynyardlions.blogspot.com/>
- <http://www.forthvalleylions.blogspot.com/>
- <http://www.lionsdevonportmersey.blogspot.com/>
- <http://www.lionsportsorell.blogspot.com/>
- <http://www.coblionsclub.blogspot.com/> \*



Each Club invites readers to visit each page to see what can be achieved in a few short hours of instruction.

**Lion John Medwin**  
Regional Chairman [NW]

*The images are  
courtesy of  
Lion Maurice Jones*



## BOWEL CANCER REGISTER UPDATE

**There has been a change of name to the Tasmanian Familial Cancer Register. At the moment it is still only for bowel cancer but eventually it will cover other types of familial cancers.**

It is now 18 months since the original Register was handed over and they have now produced their first newsletter which goes to adult registrants, gastroenterologists and surgeons. As of 1/1/08 there were 71 mutation positive individuals. All were invited to join the new register and 46 (65%) took up the offer. Since then, 27 new individuals have joined which brings the total registrants to 73.

The stated aims of the new register are:

- Prevention is better than cure -get it in the early stages
- Looking out for children -they are registered but can't be tested until 18
- Keeping registrants informed about developments
- Statistics to enable provision of services
- Research information from screenings and health outcomes is used in a de-identified manner

**It should be noted that there has been a substantial increase in the number of registrants from the south of the state.**

**Ian Main**  
Riverside Lions Club

## CUP OF TEA

One day my mother was out and my dad was in charge of me. Someone had given me a little tea set 'as a get-well gift and it was one of my favorite toys.

Daddy was in the living room engrossed in the evening news when I brought Daddy a little cup of tea, which was just water. After several cups of tea and lots of praise for such yummy tea, my Mum came home.

My Dad made her wait in the living room to watch me bring him a cup of tea, because it was just the cutest thing! 'My Mum waited, and sure enough, here I come down the hall with a cup of tea for Daddy and she watches him drink it up.

Then she says, (as only a mother would know).....

*"Did it ever occur to you that the only place she can reach to get water is the toilet?"*

# Hay, Hay, Hay continued.....

As mentioned in the June newsletter, 120 round bales of hay collected by the Penguin club arrived by army truck to drought-affected south-eastern Tasmania.



After the hay arrived, so did the best rains for three years. Although all the paddocks are now green, there will be very little growth till the warmer weather. Not much hay has been cut in the district for the last few seasons and a minimum amount has been purchased to maintain diminished flocks and herds of valuable breeding stock through the winter.

Lions  
Drought  
Relief  
Fodder  
Distribution  
June  
2009



Aussie Helpers were engaged to arrange unbiased distribution. They received good publicity from The Mercury and WIN News but the ABC gave Lions good coverage.

Sorell Club members served hot drinks, scones and sausages to farmers and helpers while the weather remained fine until all the hay was collected.

Farmers are optimistic after the rain and all expressed their gratitude for the hay which will improve winter feeding for their animals. It is always good to know there are others who care.

**A reminder of the origins of the Drought Relief Drive.....**

The Lions Club of Penguin instigated a fodder drive and collected 120 bales through the generosity of landholders in the North West; they then arranged transport by the Army as an exercise for Army Reserve members. The Lions Club of Sorell put a challenge to other Lions Clubs in the State to assist farmers suffering financially because of the drought. The club has since passed on more than \$38,000 to be distributed by the CWA. The Sorell Club also sought the help of Aussie Helpers to ensure fair distribution.

LC of Sorell received the following from the CWA TAS, who asked that this message be passed on to all Lions Clubs in T1 who were involved.

"The State President, Mrs. Shirley Morrisby and members of the Country Women's Association in Tasmania (Inc.) wish to acknowledge and sincerely thank Lions Clubs from around Tasmania for their overwhelming support of drought affected families. We know that many members have worked very hard to raise these funds.

While the Association has been distributing relief for over four years now the support from Tasmanian Lions Clubs over the past year has enabled us to continue providing relief to those still struggling to regain financial stability.

Thank you again."

Sincerely

Keren McCallum - State Secretary



# Men's Health Week

Its that time of the year again when we men should give some serious thought to our health, now we all know how hesitant we are about that area below the belt, but what's more important?

A little bit of embarrassment, or being there for our loved ones.

The Prostate is one of those areas that we never seem to give thought to that is until it starts to give us trouble, a regular visit to our local Doctor can monitor this and possible prevent major problems in the future.

**The Lions Prostate Cancer Research and Treatment Project together with the Mater Medical Research Institute (MMRI) would like to sincerely thank all Lions and their delegates at the Multiple District Conference in Melbourne for accepting the motion in support of the project. We look forward to working with all Lions, Lioness and Leo clubs over the next three years to help continue the ground breaking research into a treatment for prostate cancer being undertaken at the MMRI.**

We would also like to thank all members of the Lions family for the support they have given the project to date, there's still a lot of work to do and that means we will need to obtain further equipment for this specific laboratory, your financial support will help to ensure the success of this important work of developing this most promising treatment for Prostate Cancer.

**Donations towards the project: Cheques need to be made payable to:**

**Lions Prostate Cancer research project and mailed to PO Box 437 Nundah Qld 4012.**

**Lion John Grimstone**

Project Manager

email address:

**[presenter@acenet.net.au](mailto:presenter@acenet.net.au)**



## Thought for the Month...

**"Our aim is not to be great, but to do something which will change people's lives for the better."**

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Cabinet Secretary by the 11<sup>th</sup> September, 2009. Lions considering standing for this position should refer to International Constitution By Laws revised additions June 2008 Article 1X, pages 37-39 and article 6 of T1 District Constitution.

### ELECTION OF TRUSTEES – TASMANIAN LIONS FOUNDATION INC

Nominations are invited for election of **ONE** Trustee from each telephone region in Tasmania to serve for a period of 3 years. Nominations must be made in writing by the Lions Club nominating a Lion together with a written consent of Lion nominated. Nominations must be received by the Cabinet Secretary by 11<sup>th</sup> September, 2009.

#### Retiring Trustees are as follows:

- 62 area** Lion Alan Holland
- 63 area** Lion Phil Connor
- 64 area** 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice D.G.

**Lion Annette Ogilvie**  
Cabinet Secretary

## Australian Lions Foundation (ALF)

The Foundation would welcome any donations from Clubs or individual Lions Members to the Emergency Fund to enable your Foundation to continue assisting our Clubs in need throughout our Multiple District.

Should an individual Lion wish to make a donation to the Emergency Fund then for his or her Tax Benefit, cheques should be sent to the Foundation Treasurer as per the MD Directory for a receipt.

The next meetings of the Foundation are scheduled for:

**10th & 11th October 2009**



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### Geese.... Gardens... and Mousse

The things we do. Eight Lions and partners headed off to Appin hall to do a bit of wood stacking and blackberry clearing a couple of weeks ago. Now bear in mind, Appin Hall is at Erriba, well on the way to Cradle Mountain and one of the coldest places in Tassie, and.... it's Winter, and.... There was mud, mountains of mud, greenish smelly mud, created by thirty five blasted geese puddling around the area where we had to stack the wood. (See



*photo below left*). Any way away we went and wheeled and stacked lots and lots of wood while a couple of us grubbed out blackberries and cleared up another area. Lunch, a cuppa and..... back to it again. And when we thought we were nearly done along came the clincher. "Would a couple of you like to finish off the wood while we take the geese about a kilometre up the road?" No worries of course, except we had to herd the wretched things up the road, and, let me tell you

herding geese along the highway is an experience!!!! Three flew off some distance onto a dam in a nearby property, two went home, one sat down and refused to move and a couple headed for the blackberries, eventually after a bit of a struggle, being wacked in the face by a very strong wing and hissed at, the three recalcitrant birds settled into the back of the Burns Ute and sat there looking as if they were some sort of royalty. (See *photo above right*)

I guess the most important thing was the fun and camaraderie on the day we achieved a lot worked hard and enjoyed the day!

The garden project at the Latrobe Primary School, courtesy of the editor of our club magazine, the Valley Lion, I 'gotta' share this one with you. Our family are not profane types and forty plus year old children who still look sideways when they let fly in our presence, sets the scene for this story. I was working with a group of kids at the sustainable garden helping organise a worm farm. The job was to make the worm bed with some blocks of coconut fibre by soaking them in water, then pulling them apart. Of course the job was messy and the more mess the happier they were especially with comments like, "my mum will kill me - look how dirty I am" and "I've got more on me"! (making no effort to keep out of it!) and "arrgh - I've got some in my mouth!" But the 'piece de resistance' was when one of the boys was trying to wash himself and had the hose pointed the wrong way with a considerable pressure showered the lot of us and one of the wet ones said very loudly, "J..... C.....t, he soaked the lot of us!" "Do you laugh or cry??"

It's interesting to work with kids, their candour and questions and comments never fail to amaze and interest me. We seem nearly always have one to ask "how old are you?" And the reply, "how old are you? I'm nearly nine," was the reply; mine was "what if I say that I'm nearly sixty years older, how old would that be?" A couple of calculations between themselves, and then, "nearly sixty nine?!!" Mouths open, then, "gee that's old!" Does the ego good!

On with the worms. One of the teachers and her father converted an old bath tub (plastic) into a worm farm and we were to set it up. There is a small one there already but it hadn't been cared for very well with lots of eucalyptus and black wood leaves for food. We had garnered some veggie scraps from a local cafe and from home which really got them going. There's now lots of worm eggs so they all are going to be transferred to the new farm together with some of the worms from here for extra seed stock. When it came knock off time, the young teacher came back and begged me with fluttering eyes and hands clasped to her front. "Would I, could I, please come back some time in the next week or so? The kids were so rapt in what they had been doing, and couldn't/wouldn't stop talking about it." How could I not go and check on them, (the worms too)?

**This week it's the CHOCOLATE Mousse madness competition at Latrobe Chocolate Winterfest - but that's another story!**

**DC Kae Campbell**

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