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Now we are moving rapidly towards the 'new' Lions year and Clubs have had nominations for their 2018-2019 Club Boards. Have members put up their hand to help or is it going to be 'I have been there done that before'? Remember we need to support our Club in the service that we do for our communities and there is no better way than making the load a little lighter for everyone.

I have heard positive feedback regarding the **Lions Awareness Day activities...**



Clarence and Brighton held the 'Run for an Aussie kid' with the proceeds going to ALCMF. Kingborough and Glenorchy Clubs got together and joined 80 other stall holders at the Wellness Health Expo in Hobart. **(see page 5)** Between our 2 clubs we promoted the many Lions Category Projects, displayed the new Lions PR information and bright blue and yellow balloons. This resulted in attracting possible new members for 2 of our clubs, and had Lions from Canada, England, Germany and India making their way to our booth. Please do not forget to send photos of your Club activity to our District Newsletter editor.



(Despite her busy schedule, DG Hester has found time to stop and smell the roses)

Membership:

International President Dr. Naresh Aggarwal congratulated all Lions on serving 200 million people across the world and thus helping to change lives.



Members 'work' hard for their communities, please remember to complete the Club WMMR and Activities on MyLCI reports.

My Members												
Membership Reporting Status												
Month	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J
Reported	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Membership Summary												
Regular Member												22
Total												22

Currently our District membership stands at 1180 members. So far we have welcomed 75 new members but, unfortunately we dropped 84 members. I know that there are many unavoidable reasons why we lose members, however can we do something about:

- conflict within clubs.
- Activities that do not take into account members interest or abilities.
- The attitude..... 'we have always done it this way'.

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- March—May Membership Drive**
- March—New Board nominations announced to your club's members**
- March 25th—Zone Chair Training, Launceston**
- April—Elect your new Board**
- April 15th—State YOTY Final, Kingston**
- April 22nd—Officer Training/LCI forums, North, NW & South**

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Contrary to popular belief there certainly is an 'I' in team. It is the same 'I' that appears 3 times in 'responsibility'. The way a team plays as a whole determines it's success. You may have the greatest bunch of individual stars in the world, but if they do not play together, the team (club) will not be worth a dime.....
Babe Ruth

Club visits continue and I thank West Tamar President Nigel and Club members for their warm welcome and the opportunity to be part of their meeting. From there my schedule took Cabinet Secretary Kae and I to Flinders Island. I am at a loss for words trying express the welcome we received not only from Club members but the town's people in general. A special thank you to our chauffeurs President Jimmy and club member Alison Johnson. **Kae and I attended the Flinders Island Fishing comp** and was amazed at what was caught....and not a hint of the 'one that got away'.

On our return journey to Launceston the "Sniffer Dog" took a great fancy to my bag of treasures.....shells that we had collected on the island, garlic, chocolate goodies and my small piece orchid. I was allowed to keep everything once the bag was very closely sniffed and inspected.



At Forth Valley Club I was given a tour of areas that the members are either directly or indirectly involved in, next we enjoyed a BBQ at the caravan park with Lions and residents. What a great night hearing from the residents how they appreciated what the Lions do for their small community. Again I feel very privileged to be part of this organization.

Only Glamorgan, Zeehan Rosebery and Queenstown Clubs to visit.

Again a very heartfelt thank you for the warm welcome and sharing your highs and concerns.

Below: DG Hester's adventures on Flinders Island, as captured by Cabinet Secretary Kae



The butcher and the black pudding



Lion Harold fairy flossing

Reminders:

Club Secretaries must complete the Club PU101 and ensure that all relevant information is up to date and therefore correct.

MD Convention, Townsville

- Delegates Names to be forwarded to Cab Secretary Kae.
- Conventioneers registration



Some words of wisdom from John Tongue, editor of The Lions Bluff, LC Mersey-Devonport

Did you know?? That Lions, like domestic cats, have "Retractable" Claws? That is, the claws extend when needed and can then be drawn back into the paw. It's good for us as a service organization to be able to tenaciously hang onto what we need to hang onto, but also to "let go" if things that are not so important!!



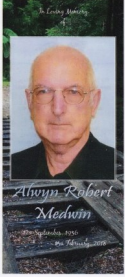
Sherilyn Mahoney, Editor of The Devon Lion, LC City of Devonport advises us that after 3 years their Club presentation of a bus for the School of Special Education students has been finalised. Full report in next month's April edition.



Vale

Past District Governor Alwyn Medwin

Contributed by Toby Crawford



PDG Al joined the Rosebery Lions Club in November 1985 and was a member of Rosebery, Zeehan and Queenstown at different times during his 33 years of service.

He served our District as Governor in 1998/99 and was terrific mentor to anyone who needed assistance or information and his wisdom was appreciated by many who knew him. He was awarded a Melvin Jones Fellowship following his year as DG by the District as a show of appreciation for his hard work and dedication to Tasmanian Lions Clubs and members.

Soon after this he became a member of the Tasmanian Lions Foundation and took on the role as their Chairman for three years.

One of his most notable achievements was in 1993 when then District Governor Elect Bill Dyson, a delegation of Lions from the North West Coast and PDG Al set about rebuilding Roseberys membership. They had slumped to only 5 members and there was talk regarding closing the club down. Both Al and DGE Bill saw the numbers increase to 25 within 3 months and the club still survives with a healthy membership today. If it hadn't been for Al the Rosebery Club probably wouldn't be operating today.

He was instrumental in seeing the Lions Stitt Park rest area in Rosebery developed. His latest effort being the organising of the redevelopment and upgrade of the Rosebery Lions Clubrooms and storage area which will be completed this year as a memorial to Al.

Rest In Peace old friend.

Sadly missed but never to be forgotten.



A BIG Get Well Soon to all our Lions members, partners and families who aren't experiencing the best of health at the moment. Our aging population makes us prime candidates for some of life's nasties. We hope your club is keeping an eye on you and that you put yourself first for once. There is a limit to what we can all manage.



Lion Ian Craig McLaren passed away on Friday 16th February, 2018 loved brother of PDG Michael MacLaren. Ian was a member of the Clarence Lions Club.

Further contribution by John Medwin...

Alwyn's funeral was well attended by past Governors. Bill and Elaine Dyson, Peter and Judy Burke who delivered the Eulogy on behalf of Lions, Annette Ogilvie, Jack Allen accompanied by Beverly Purdon (Tom and Bev were good friends of Alwyn's) Tony and Sally Roney, Leigh Jones, and George Bugeja, Dale and Julie Crawford. Members of the Rosebery Lions Club out in force both at the funeral and the "wake" at the family home afterwards.

His immediate family of two sisters one of which was back in WA and his two children Timothy and Tamara and partners plus their children were also there and delivered their memories. Needless to say, two of his three remaining cousins also attended, the third couldn't make the journey from the mainland in time.

His community involvement was boundless from Lions, the Masonic Lodge, Church, Local government, to being someone who was always available where and when needs arose Could be classified as a "Good Samaritan"

Worldly toil done, Rest in peace.

Sorell Lions Dinner Report

The first Wednesday of February saw the annual Sorell Dinner in the Sorell community hall. The guest speaker this year was Dr Nitin Verma an Eye Specialist from Hobart whom is the Founder of the East Timor Eye Project partly funded by Lions in Australia through Sight First 2. **Over 88 Lions, District Governor Hester, VDG Vere, 2VDG David, friends, community groups and the local Rotary Club made up the guest list.**

A fantastic presentation and eloquent question and answer session was enjoyed by all



.Local guitarist Joseph Gatehouse provided excellent entertainment to connect arrival, dinner, guest speaker and our famous raffle draw.

The night was a great success and we look forward to presenting another event next year on the first Wednesday in February.

Geoff Clow, Secretary



Young Smithton Members Go To RLLI Training



Lions Caaren Young and Megan Thompson attended Regional Lions Leadership training in Brisbane, meeting other Lions and gaining new skills. It's always good to see Lions taking advantage of this training. Caaren and Megan are pictured with facilitators.

Zone Chair Training

Kings Meadows club rooms
Sun 25th March

Open to all Zone chairs and Lions interested in learning more about the role for the future or interested in joining Cabinet now or in the future

Details Lion Leigh
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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

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A Promising Future For Lions Tasmania

Curtis McGee joined the **Lions Club of Perth Tasmania** just over 12 months ago and has brought many great ideas and new energy to the club. Curtis organised a quiz night in Perth with more than 80 people attending including the involvement of other Lions Clubs. This successful event also led to the club receiving expressions of interest from 2 new members who have now been inducted into the club.

Curtis also represented the Perth Lions and Tasmania by attending the recent leadership development course held in Brisbane where he has gained both personal confidence but ideas for club growth which we look forward to putting to use.

*Curtis's biggest achievement for 2017 was being awarded the **Northern Midlands Young Citizen of the Year** for his work raising awareness and fundraising for Cystic Fibrosis a charity close to his heart.*



Curtis has been a great addition and inspiration to our club and we have no doubt that he will become a future leader within the Perth Lions.

Brian Mathieson
Club President

Lions Club of Kingborough Stall Welcomes International Visitors



On Saturday March 3rd, DG Hester and I manned a stall promoting Lions and Lions projects at the **Hobart Wellness Expo, held at Princess Wharf Hobart**, where we had the opportunity to welcome potential new lions members to clubs in the region.

More than 80 stalls sites promoting various products and programmes for wellbeing and good health were present and manned at the Expo.

Our stall, set up by DG Hester, was very visible and attracted interest from a multitude of people from many countries and many walks of life, we were also pleased to welcome visiting lions from Scotland, England, Germany and India to the expo and tell them about our state and what we do to serve the community.

Erik Madsen
201T1 Cabinet Treasurer

NEWS

Individuals, businesses and foundations can now support LCIF with donations over A\$200 and claim tax deductibility.

Lions Australia Fund For LCIF Inc. has gained registration as a charity by the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC)

and been endorsed by the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) for Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status.

There is now an updated Melvin Jones Fellowship application form with a place for "Lions Australia Fund For LCIF Inc." Where a donor requires Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status ticks the box for "Lions Australia Fund For LCIF Inc." and makes out the cheque to **Lions Australia Fund For LCIF Inc.** This new form should also be used for regular Club donations and MJF/PMJF applications. Clubs have been circulated with a copy of the form by Cabinet Secretary Kae and is also available on request from me [LCIF District Coordinator].

John Gillham, LCIF District Coordinator



LC Penguin held a garage sale on February 3rd, 2018, raising in excess of \$1250. Members worked hard over 2 days in extreme heat. (A timely reminder to sign our Project Activity sheets for insurance purposes.)



Lions Club of Glenorchy City News...

President Amanda Elliott and Secretary Jenny Pritchett presented Montrose Bay Yacht Club with a Defibrillator on behalf of Lion John Radcliffe OAM and its members. We hope it doesn't need to be used.



ABOVE: The Lions Club of Glenorchy City alongside Glenorchy City Council sponsored a free BBQ for the residents of Glenorchy in honour of the Queens Baton Relay coming down our main street. It was a really great day to see so many residents out and about enjoying a sausage and cheering on the Relay Torch. **Pictured above** is Lion David Pearce, supporting his club.

LEFT: President Amanda Elliott and Lion Brian Forster presented a cheque to little Chelsea to assist the family with much needed bathroom alteration to assist this amazing gorgeous 7 year old. A big thank you to all members that helped with this project and to the TLF and ALF.

**Jennifer Pritchett
Secretary**

New Member Induction

LC Penguin, February 13th 2018



DG Hester inducts new **Lion Paul Carson** supported by Sponsor Lion Vickie Greig. Watching proceedings is Lion Partner Michelle Carson

LC Glenorchy City

20 Years Service Award



Lion Ray Goss and Lion Dianne Goss were presented with their pin for 20 years service. The Club thanked them for all their hard work over the years.

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

WELCOME

BRIGHTON LIONS CLUB

KATIE DERMODY

Sponsor: CHRISTINE GIMBLETT

RICK REISTEL

Sponsor: CHRISTINE GIMBLETT

TONI SPAULDING

Sponsor: CHRISTINE GIMBLETT

FLINDERS ISLAND LIONS CLUB

KERRY ESSEX-EVANS

Sponsor: KEN STOCKTON

LINDA ESSEX-EVANS

Sponsor: KEN STOCKTON

LATROBE LIONS CLUB

JULIE HOLLOWAY

Sponsor: KAE CAMPBELL

NEW NORFOLK LIONS CLUB

SHAUN M BERRY

Sponsor: FIONA CARDWELL



PENGUIN LIONS CLUB
PAUL CARLSON

Sponsor:
VICKIE GREIG

ROCKY CAPE LIONS CLUB

GAIL C WILSON

Sponsor: KEVIN RADFORD

SORELL LIONS CLUB

LORRAINE GILL

Sponsor: MARGARET HAWKINS



Our District Count

28th February 2018

Clubs: 49

Membership: 1182

Average members per club 24

YTD ADD 84

YTD DROP 91

YTD GROWTH -7 members

Status: **DISTRICT IN TRANSITION**

LC Smithton Charter Member, Tony Hine, was awarded Circular Head Council Australia Day Citizen of the Year....



BE A PART OF THE BIGGEST SERVICE COMMUNITY- JOIN LIONS CLUB



2018 Lions Tasmania District 201T1 Convention

Progress Report – March 2018

When:	Saturday and Sunday November 10 and 11 2018
Where:	Reece High School, 41-43 Middle Road, Devonport
Host Club:	Mersey-Devonport
Supporting Clubs:	Devonport City, Latrobe, Port Sorell and Ulverstone
Banquet:	Saturday November 10 2018 - 6 for 6:30pm Devonport RSL Club, 18 Macfie Street, Devonport
Registrations:	Friday evening November 9 2018 Gateway Hotel, 16 Fenton Street, Devonport - Optional counter meal at own cost OR Saturday morning November 10 2018 Reece High School, 41-43 Middle Road, Devonport
	Times yet to be finalised



With 8 months remaining until the 2018 Convention, the Convention Organising Committee (COC) is starting to ramp up our activities. We are actively looking for sponsors for the Convention with a couple of hopefuls in the pipeline. We have started contacting accommodation providers in the Devonport region for availability and the possibility of special pricing. A draft of the accommodation options in Devonport without any pricing is provided in this edition. We are hopeful that a final version of this document (with some pricing) will be made available in the next edition of the District newsletter.

Convention Chair Dennis Applebee presented our 3rd report to District Cabinet in mid-February with feedback very favourable and a lot of great suggestions from cabinet members. The report included a VERY draft budget prepared by Joint Treasurers John Tongue and Jan Robson. A draft Convention Registration form has been designed by Secretary Christian McGee. The Convention Pin has been designed by John Gillam and has been approved by DGE Vere Cooper for manufacture. The Devonport City Council has agreed to hold a civic reception (for around 40 persons) in honour of the Convention being held in Devonport.

There are lots of other preparations starting to take shape but are too many to list here.

DG Hester was a surprise and last minute (but very welcome) addition to our last COC meeting held in late February. Our next meeting of the COC will be held on the Tuesday 27 March 2018.

In conclusion, preparations are well underway and Convention Chair Dennis is really happy with the progress made to date. However, we can't take the foot off the accelerator as there is still much to do to ensure a smooth and successful Convention.

Please consider attending **YOUR** District Convention in November in Devonport. The Mersey-Devonport Lions Club (including our supporting Clubs) and the Convention Organising Committee look forward to seeing you in our wonderful city Devonport as our most welcome guests.

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2018 Lions Clubs District 201T1 Convention – Devonport

DRAFT Accommodation Options

CARAVAN PARKS / CABINS		
Abel Tasman Caravan Park <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 Wright Street East Devonport TAS 7310 • (03) 6427 8794 • info@abeltasmancaravanpark.com.au • http://www.abeltasmancaravanpark.com.au 	Mersey Bluff Caravan Park <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 41 Bluff Road Devonport TAS 7310 • (03) 6424 8655 • merseybluffpark@internode.on.net 	Bay View Holiday Village <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2-12 North Caroline Street East Devonport TAS 7310 • (03) 6427 0499 • bayviewvillage@outlook.com.au • http://www.goldenchain.com.au/properties/TAS/Devonport/Bay-View-Holiday-Village
Discovery Holiday Park <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 13-19 Tarleton Street Devonport TAS 7310 • 1800 880 201 • devonport@discoveryparks.com.au • https://www.discoveryholidayparks.com.au/tas/north-west-coast/devonport 	 <p>Caravan Parks & Cabins</p>	
HOTELS / MOTELS		
Argosy Motor Inn <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 221 Tarleton Street East Devonport TAS 7310 • (03) 6427 8872 • argosy@foodstone.com.au • http://www.foodstone.com.au/the_argosy 	Elimatta Hotel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15 Victoria Parade Devonport TAS 7310 • (03) 6424 6555 • reception@theeli.com.au • http://theeli.com.au/ 	Sunrise Devonport <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 140 North Fenton Street Devonport TAS 7310 • (03) 6424 8411 • reservations@sunrisedevonport.com.au • https://www.sunrisedevonport.com.au/
Formby Hotel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 82 Formby Road Devonport TAS 7310 • (03) 6424 1601 • formbv@foodstone.com.au • http://www.formbyhoteldevonport.com 	Edgewater Hotel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 Thomas Street East Devonport TAS 7310 • (03) 6427 8441 • info@edgewaterhotel.com.au • https://www.edgewaterhotel.com.au/ 	Quality Hotel Gateway <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 16 Fenton Street Devonport TAS 7310 • (03) 6424 4922 • gatewayinn@alheroup.com.au • https://www.gatewayinn.com.au/
BED & BREAKFASTS		
Dannebrog Lodge <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 18 Victoria Parade Devonport TAS 7310 • (03) 6424 7357 • info@dannebrog.com.au • http://dannebrog.com.au/lodge.html 	The Grand on MacFie <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 44a Macfie Street Devonport TAS 7310 • (03) 6424 2000 • admin@thegrandonmacfie.com.au • http://thegrandonmacfie.com.au/ 	 <p>Bed & Breakfasts</p>
COTTAGES		
Stony Rise Cottages <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 13 Rundle Road Devonport TAS 7310 • (03) 6423 6476 • info@stonyrisecottage.com.au • http://stonyrisecottage.com.au/ 	Cameo Cottages <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 27 Victoria Parade Devonport TAS 7310 • 0439 658 503 • cameo.devonport@bigpond.com • http://www.devonportbedandbreakfast.com/ 	

Please Note – Details of any special pricing will be made available by the COC soon.

Mersey-Devonport Lions Club Partner/Guest Dinner Meeting and Melvin Jones Fellowship Awards

On Thursday 1 March 2018, the Mersey-Devonport Lions Club held a Partner and Guest Dinner Meeting at the Gateway Hotel Devonport. Our guests included George and Therese Bugeja from the Australian Lions Children's Mobility Foundation (or ALCMF) and Andrew Midgely the Zone 4 Chairperson.

Andrew Midgely spoke to the Club about the hardships that Clubs have during this time of year in finding members to nominate for positions for the upcoming Lions year. He thanked all members who had already accepted nominations. Andrew also spoke about the new positions that have been introduced by LCI for the new Lions year. These positions are designed to reduce the workload on the Secretary and act as new conduits into the Club from LCI. The main thing is to do what works for your Club to keep members happy. Andrew will be moving on from Zone Chair to Regional Chair in 2018-19. We wish him all the best!

**PDG George Bugeja and
Trustee of the ALCMF
discussed his role and
work with the Founda-
tion.**



In his 3 years with ALCMF George has raised \$30,000 and assisted 18 kids. Garry Palmer (Past International President) saw the Hart Walkers overseas and brought them to Australia in 1997. Since then, \$12 million has been spent providing walkers to 2,000 kids. There are now 40 different walking frames. ALCMF aims to provide a walker for any child who needs one. ALCMF motto is "walk with pride". The main aim is to get the kid's bodies upright so they can develop and grow normally. At the conclusion of the talk, Noel Bilson presented George with a cheque for \$1,500 for ALCMF.



Melvin Jones Fellowship Awards were presented by President Peter Noble to Lions Bruce Beattie and Noel Bilson. Lion **Bruce Beattie** - Joined Lions in 1978. Life Member of the Club. President in 1993-94.



Lion Noel Bilson - Joined Lions in 1987. Life Member of the Club. President in 1992-93, 2002-03 and 2009-10.



Well done Bruce and Noel!

**Christian McGee - Secretary
Lions Club of Mersey-Devonport Inc**



JAY'S SHORT FUNDRAISING STORY

On the Wednesday 28th February I received a new Grant Application (GA) for a young lad called Jay, he has Cerebral Palsy.

Jay is 4 years old but will be five in April and is in need of a new Body Suit, or some call it a Second Skin. The suit helps Jay in his upright mobility. He has grown out of his current one and as he is now toilet trained he also want to be more independent which the new suit will allow.

The following day, the 1st March I was invited to the Mersey Devonport club to speak on the Children's Mobility Foundation. I was lucky enough to catch up with Fletcher and Spencer who lions had assisted when they were burned very severely a few years back. I did my usual presentation but also mentioned to the club that I had just received a new GA for Jay who came from down south at Risdon Vale the day before.

On finishing my talk I answered quite a few questions then sat down. I was soon approached by the club treasurer Lion Noel Bilson who presented me with a cheque as a thank you donation to the Foundation (I thought).



President Peter Noble presents the donation for Jay

I got up had a quick glance at the cheque and thought "nice another \$150 for the Foundation". As I was handed the cheque I yelled out "hey there are two zeros on that cheque". The club had donated \$1,500 which is to go towards Jays GA for his body suit, I was visibly BLOWN AWAY. Soon after during a break I was approached by one of their members and she wanted to also assist as it brought a tear when seeing the presentation, she gave me \$100 out of her purse. That was followed up by another member who gave me another \$50. That night I covered the cost of Jay's body suit.

I am privileged to belong to such a caring group of people, Lions with great hearts of gold.

THANK YOU, George

Stamps just keep giving.....

Many thanks to all Lions and in some cases Lions Ladies who have forwarded stamps over the recent period. Your efforts are most appreciated and please continue your efforts.

As you are aware every stamp we receive and every cent raised is then donated to the Australian Lions Childrens Mobility Foundation to assist the purchase of walking frames for children born with Cerebral Palsy.

Since handing over a RECORD \$15 500 at the Hobart convention, **we have ALREADY amassed a further \$18 500 with another auction due by the end of the month** and looking to a huge result again in this Lions year.

If you have large packages etc postage costs can be reimbursed from your Clubs Activities Account.

Together We Can



Send your used postage stamps to

Peter Burke

11 Camina Court

Riverside 7250

Till next time,

Peter



Tasmanian Truck Owners and Operators' Association's Picnic at Myrtle Park

Conducted for the benefit of St George's Special School on 4th March 2018

The Lions Club of Launceston Windmill Hill assisted the T.T.O.O.A. by donating their time and facilities to cook a barbeque lunch for the special children and parents of St George's School and participating truck drivers. Each truck carried a special child and their carer from the school in Launceston to the Myrtle Park picnic and camping grounds 30 KM east of Launceston. Entertainment was provided by the St Andrews Caledonian Pipe Band and various Country music performers. Extra funds were raised for the school by auctioning and raffling goods donated to the T.T.O.O.A.



11 Lions Club of Launceston Windmill Hill members along with two assistants helped feed the masses with over 200 Hamburgers and 300 sausages cooked and served from our BBQ trailer and associated marquees. The food and was all donated by various outlets to the T.T.O.O.A. – who were not expecting such a large turnout of participants and spectators. We ran out of hamburgers and almost all the sausages were soon snapped up as lunch time drew to a close.

Promoting Lions at the T.T.O.O.A.'s Trucker's Picnic

A perfect sunny day as the trucks arrived



The queue shortened as lunch time drew to a close



Left: Lions Allison Bassano and Margaret Flynn at the promotional table



Some of the Windmill "Hillbillys" lined up and ready to start cooking.

Whilst at the event we also set up a small "Lions Club information" table to spread the word about us and our activities featuring the recently released promotional material from Multi District.

Right: Lions Peter Crack and Margaret Flynn – Happy to promote Lions



We haven't heard from Lion John Medwin in a while—life has thrown him a few curve balls lately. However, through all his difficulties, Lion John has offered this piece for your amusement.....

Politically Correct Bedtime Stories (1994?)

Extracts from Little Red Riding Hood ...



There once was a young person named Red Riding Hood. One day her mother asked her to take a basket of fresh fruit and mineral water to her grandmother's house—not because this was women's work but because the deed was generous and helped engender a feeling of community.

On her way to Grandma's house, Red Riding Hood was accosted by a wolf, who asked her what was in her basket. She replied, 'Some healthful snacks for my grandmother'. The wolf said, 'You know, my dear, it isn't safe for a little girl to walk through these woods alone.' Red Riding Hood replied, 'I find your sexist remark offensive in the extreme, but I will ignore it because of your traditional status as an outcast from society, the stress of which has caused you to develop your own, entirely valid, worldview. Now, if you'll excuse me, I must be on my way.'

Red Riding Hood walked on along the main path. But, because his status outside society had freed him from slavish adherence to linear, Western-style thought, the wolf knew of a quicker route to Grandma's house. He burst into the house and ate Grandma, an entirely valid course of action for a carnivore such as himself.

Then, unhampered by rigid, traditionalist notions of what was masculine or feminine, he put on grandma's nightclothes and crawled into bed 'Grandma, what big teeth you have!' The wolf said, 'I am happy with who and what I am,' and leaped out of bed, grabbed Red Riding Hood in his claws, intent on devouring her.

Red Riding Hood screamed, not out of alarm at the wolf's apparent tendency towards cross-dressing, but because of his wilful invasion of her personal space.

Her screams were heard by a passing wood chopper person (or log fuel technician, as he preferred to be called). He burst into the cottage and tried to intervene. But as he raised his axe, Red Riding Hood and the wolf both stopped. 'And what do you think you are doing?' demanded Red Riding Hood, 'bursting in here like a Neanderthal, trusting your weapon to do your thinking for you! How dare you assume that women and wolves can't solve their own problems without a man's help!' When she heard Red Riding Hood's speech, Grandma jumped out of the mouth, took the wood chopper person's axe, and cut his head off.

After this ordeal, Red Riding Hood, Grandma, and the Wolf felt a certain commonality of purpose. They decided to set up an alternative household based on mutual respect and cooperation, and they lived together in the woods happily ever after.

(Posted in the Northern Lion Newsletter 201Q2 December 2017)

Travelling Australia and still want to assist Lions?

It's as easy as 1, 2, 3....

1. Australian Motorhoming Lions Club (AMLC)

The AMLC has only been operating for two years and already it has a membership of 84 across Australia. It is for motorhomers who travel Australia but still want to be part of the Lions Club and help communities.

Every summer, Tasmania attracts many visitors, and many of these are AMLC members. They are keen and willing to help Tasmanian communities through Lions activities. I am trying to put together a list of all the big Lions activities that could do with some extra help from people in motorhomes. They are mobile and have their own accommodation so they can go wherever there is a need.

I was the first member of AMLC in Tasmania, but two more have joined me now. We are all newcomers to Tasmania and to Lions, so we are seeking your help. We need to create a list of events for our members, so they can plan their visit to Tasmania and be available to work for Tasmanian communities.

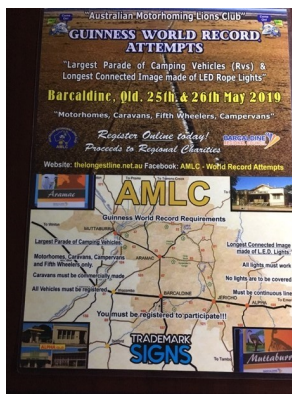
The big fund raising event to be organised by the AMLC in 2019 is our Guinness World Record Attempt in Barcardine (May 25-26). We are going to: "form the Largest Parade of Camping Vehicles (RVs) and the Longest Connected Image made of LED Rope Lights". So any Lions members with an RV (and that means caravans, campervans, fifth-wheelers and motorhomes) and heading north in 2019, please help us to raise money by joining us in Barcardine (Qld) for this exciting fund-raising event for Lions.

Please contact me with any club activities for our calendar –

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Lion Sue Field

AMLC



2. Newly formed Lions Club Australian Online & Travellers Club

January 3rd, 2018
Charter President
Lion Hazel Pickwell
receives the Regalia
Set from President
Paul Nagle of
Kootingal & District
Lions Club. Set up
for Lions who like to
travel, and to provide



an option for Lions who are unable to attend meetings due to health or distance. Meetings are held online via computers and laptops etc.

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Australian Online & Travellers Lions Club

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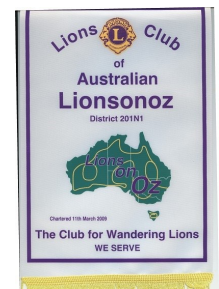
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3. LIONSONOZ continues to serve travelling Lions.

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