



December 2016 Newsletter Editor: Linda Payne 0488 566 448 Email: editor@lionstasmania.org





DG Michael's Musings

We are fast approaching the end of the year and are now also half way through this Lions year. How time flies. It only seems a few weeks ago that Roslyn and I were at the International Convention in Japan. The only other Tasmanian was a Lion from Queenstown who I am looking forward to meeting again when I visit his I have received a letter of apology club next year.

To date I have visited 33 clubs and I take this opportunity of thanking them all for their hospitality and friendship.

Making new members welcome and introducing them to what we as Lions do and why we are so focussed on service, is a vital part of a new Lions first few years in our Association.

I am very impressed at the high level of service, community activities and projects that clubs are involved in. Many of the clubs with a relatively low membership are performing much better than their numbers would suggest. These clubs also demonstrate a high level of membership interaction and good fellowship.

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As Lions we serve our communities and my club visits have shown that we all serve our communities but we do so in many different ways.

Interclub visits and individual member visits are a good way to see how other Lions Clubs operate. Who knows what good ideas you may find. What works well in one community may very well work in yours.

Why not visit other clubs in your area. To check on meeting dates all you have to do is google Lions 201T1 and then follow the prompts.

from the State Secretary of the A.L.P. regarding their use of a lectern displaying a Lions logo so that matter is concluded.

I take this opportunity of wishing all Lions and their families my best wishes for Christmas and the festive season. I hope we all have a safe, healthy and prosperous new year.

In Líonísm.

DG Michael



CLUB LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT DAY

The dates for Club Leadership Development (incoming officers) 2017 have been selected. Would you please make a note of the date relating to your area in your club diary.

If you are a prospective or continuing Club Officer, I recommend you make every effort to attend the sessions available to you.

NORTH - 20 MAY

SOUTH - 27 MAY

NORTH WEST - 27 MAY (Wynyard) & 28 May (Latrobe).

Further information regarding venues and times will be advised at a later date.

Anne Fagg GLT Co-ordinator Lions District 201T1

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Welcome to the Lions Family

November 2016

Brighton	Aaron De La Torre		
Clarence	Susan Baldock Sponsor: Cheryl Brown		
Deloraine	Kerrie Howe Sponsor: Bryan Watson		
New Norfolk	Vivienne Huntsman		
	Sponsor: Sandra Carmichael		
North East Tasmania Neil Doyle Sponsor: Douglas Styles			
	Darryl Shatte Sponsor: John Wardlaw		
Port Sorell	Sharron Martin Sponsor: Craig Martin		
Riverside	Maurice Deegan Sponsor: David Vautin		
Rocky Cape	Debbie Brown Sponsor: Victoria Cochrane		
	Dennis Robson Sponsor: Richard Cochrane		
	Eddy Gorniak Sponsor: Victoria Cochrane		



Our District Count 31 October 2016

Clubs:50

Membership: 1226 30 November 2016

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Membership: 1226 YTD ADD 66 YTD DROP 51 <u>YTD GROWTH % 1.24%</u>

Status: DISTRICT IN TRANSITION

Each year Lions have a National March-May Membership Campaign across Australia to help raise awareness of Lions and increase membership.

In Tasmania we are asking clubs to have activities from February – May to capitalise on the good weather when most of the public are out and about.

This year District is asking if each club could purchase 50 balloons (1 balloon for each club in our district) to fly when they have their activity, to attract the attention of the passing public.

These balloons can be purchased from myself at a cost of *\$12.87 for 50*. They are gold with the Lions logo on them.

Suggested activities could be sausage sizzle, family fun day in a park with games for children and running races for adults and children, or any other activity that is social and would attract people. Clubs can also seize the opportunity at an already planned community activity which they are holding to fly our balloons, and show the public we are having fun.

If all clubs could fly 50 balloons at a nominated activity across Tasmania it will be very eye catching, will raise awareness of Lions, leave a lasting impression on people, and hopefully gain some new members.

Could you please think about an activity you may be able to have to involve the community to fly the Lions balloons. If you would like to have more than one activity and fly more balloons you can order extra.

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Amanda Olson - 0419357190 Email: <u>amandaolson@bigpond.com</u>



If your club would like balloons could you please send your order and cheque made out to

Lions Club International District 201T1

to

Amanda Olson

478 Brown Mountain Rd,

Karoola TAS 7267

Remember...Just

\$12.87



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On the last day of November 2016 two Lions clubs got together and had some fun.

Sorell Club was well represented and had the idea in mind that the day was theirs.

Then the Clarence Club fronted up and had more representatives than Sorell. The challenge was on. The game was Mini Golf at Barilla Caravan Park.

After teams were established the fun began. Some had previous knowledge of how to play this game and others had no idea at all. You could tell the ones who knew what to do by the loud yells that came from the undergrowth as the ball slipped past the regulation hole. The choice of hole was made easier by having three to choose from Beginners, Moderate and Professional Of course we chose the easy one which turned out to be not so easy. Our meal was to be ready at 7.45pm as this would make it reasonably easy for the kitchen staff to cater for all 27 of us.

At about 7.15 some of the players had had enough of this frustrating game and after nine holes called it guits. The kitchen staff went into turmoil and thought that feeding time had been brought forward but they did not check with the players who still had several holes to go.

President Peter was coaxed into hurrying the stragglers but his calls as per usual fell on deaf ears. It was more important to finish the golf than to eat. A second call moved them when their meals were on the table.

So in the end we all had a very nice meal and the golf will be concluded on another occasion.

To celebrate the achievements of the fanatics, Past President David did some sums and came to the conclusion that Clarence came out as the winning club. Zone Chairwoman Dawn surprisingly won the NAGA prize (not a golfers a******).

Congratulations to all that participated and to Christine who organised the night.

So in the wash up we concluded that a rematch on the 30th of March 2017 was to be scheduled. **President Peter Goldstone-James Lions Club of Clarence**

Emu Bay Lions Club make NWRH rehab dreams come true!

The new NWRH rehabilitation space now has all the equipment it needs, after \$2000 was donated by the Emu Bay Lions Club. This donation has allowed the purchase of an amputee-friendly wheelchair with stump supports, as well as a bunch of other smaller items.

Rehab unit NUM Nellie Cole said the team were "absolutely stoked" to receive the donation, after also receiving a \$5 000 donation from a North West Benevolent Society earlier this year which allowed them to set up a gym on the Rehabilitation



with some of the wonderful Rehabilitation Dept staff.

ward. The additional donation from the Emu Bay Lions Club has allowed the gym to be fully fitted out. The Rehab. gym here in Burnie is the only one in the state thanks to the hard work and dedication of the staff and much needed community funding.

Emu Bay Lions Club secretary, Carmel Williams works at the hospital and after seeing the story in the staff newsletter she contacted the Rehabilitation Ward to ask what equipment was still needed to complete the gym.

The Nurse Unit manager made a 'wish' list and said they would have been thrilled with anything...the Club decided to buy the whole lot! Secretary Carmel Williams Lions Club of Burnie Emu Bay



Smithton-Circular Head Lions Club



Pat Joyce receiving an award from PDG Toby Crawford for her 25 years of service to the Sunshine Association. Well done Pat.



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Deaf and Hearing Impaired Service 'Deaf Camp' Project

Late last year the Lions Club of Hadspen South Esk and Past District Governor Annette Ogilvie decided to support a project being run by the Deaf and Hearing Impaired Service. The project was aimed at providing children with deaf and hearing impairments an opportunity to get together on a camp at Hagley Farm Primary School.

Nearly a year later we were invited out to the school to meet the students attending the 'Deaf Camp'. It was an inspiring, heartwarming and fulfilling visit. On our arrival we were greeted by the most cheerful students you could imagine. Everyone seemed to be having the time of their life. They were running around, playing cricket and trying to fly kites.



After a short while the students were rounded up and we had the pleasure of chatting with some of them. Some students were learning to sign for the very first time, others had interpreters with them and some just had a good crack at chatting to us as best they could. All of them agreed that the camp had been the best thing they had ever done. All of them agreed that they really wanted to do it again. All of them agreed that they didn't know there were so many other kids who had hearing impairments too. All of them were very excited about making new friends.





Past District Governor Annette and I were pleased to be able to hand over a cheque for \$4800. This covered the cost of the camp for every student and staff member that wanted to attend, a total of 36 students and 6 staff members.

It was a very rewarding experience seeing the students truly engaged and grateful for the opportunity to meet and share time with people with similar difficulties; an experience only been made possible with the support of Lions clubs from around the state.

Thank you to the following clubs who all contributed financially towards making this camp happen.

West Tamar, Kings Meadows, George Town, New Norfolk, Wynyard, Smithton, Clarence, Sorell, Westbury, Windmill Hill, Kentish Lions Club, Hobart Town, Latrobe, Port Sorell, Burnie Emu-Bay and Glenorchy City.



Regards,

President Christopher Weare

Lions Club of Hadspen South Esk

As we age I know some clubs have hearing impaired members. Did you know sound systems may be purchased for Clubs through Hearing Dogs? Contact me for details....

Geoff Clow

District Chairman



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Many clubs have a Facebook Page or a Website where they are posting great photos and announcements about club happenings. Why not take a look into how fellow members serve their community and engage in fellowship...

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Deloraine Lions Club Food Van



Lions Club of Hadspen South Esk held a Free sausage sizzle to welcome public questions about Lions activities within their club.



Lions Club of New Norfolk has some new signs making it easier for people to find them.





Are you looking for a guest speaker for your meeting?

Do you enjoy seeing a child smile?

Do you want to make a difference to a child's life?

Does your Club need a good cause to donate to?

If you can say yes to any of these questions I am ready to make your wishes come true......

I have the latest DVD promoting our Lion's Australia Children's Mobility Foundation to give away **FREE** to any Club who wants to feel good about helping a child with the gift of a better life.

> Please contact me on 0407 877 460 or Email <u>george.bugeja@bigpond.com</u> and I will put a smile on **YOUR** face.



PDG George Bugeja Tasmanian Trustee Australian Lions Children's Mobility Foundation

Stuff you didn't know, with thanks to

Editor Robin Pulford @ The Clarence Clarion

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Month	#
July	1
August	1
September	1
October	5
November	8

We are making progress, so by the end of this, our Centenary Lions Year, it is hoped that every club in 201T1 will have made a contribution to LCIF.



WHERE DO YOUR LCIF DONATIONS GO ?

Being the official charitable organisation of Lions Clubs International, LCIF undertakes through Lions Clubs charitable work worldwide. Since its inception over US\$972 million has been distributed in grants. An indication of the areas of Lions activities where grants are provided is given on the donation / MJF application form - Measles, Disaster, Humanitarian Needs, Sight, Youth and Area of Greatest Need. These cover the four areas of service provided by the grants programme.-Preserving Sight, Serving Youth, Providing Disaster Relief and Supporting Humanitarian Efforts.

While we think of other countries as being in the greatest need of LCIF support, Australia has been a significant recipient of grants for a range of needs. Total grants received for amount Australian projects to US\$10,206,604 since 1976. In the last 5 years grants have considerably exceeded donations made by Australian Clubs -

YEAR	US \$ Donated	US \$ Grants
2011-12	437,882.60	951,605
2012-13	469,869.94	282,299
2013-14	676,010.96	416,663
2014-15	839,171.92	653,863
2015-16	571,465.56	2,262,227
TOTAL	2,994,400.98	4,567,857

Numerous \$10,000 grants have been made as a result of natural disasters, bush fires, floods and cyclones with in many cases follow-up community recovery grants. usually in excess of the initial \$10,000. There are, in addition, many other causes in Australia for which grants have been made. Many of these are for medical facilities including diagnostic and other medical equipment.

Some LCIF activities such as the measles programme receive corporate co-funding.

To fund the grant programmes donations are essential from Clubs and also individual Lions. Remember that donation for the categories detailed above are eligible for MJF credits. An MJF or a Progressive MJF is a significant way to honour Lion or even a member of your community. All Clubs are encouraged in our Centenary year to make it a year of 100% participation in our international foundation, LCIF.

John Gillham District 201T1 Coordinator

LIONS CAKES: An Australian Lions project since 1965, \$56 million has been raised to benefit the disabled, disadvantaged and displaced persons of the world. Great to keep in the pantry or to give as gifts.....



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BOARD POSITIONS - ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES

You may be considering nominating or are being nominated for, a Club Officer/Board position in your Club.



Sometimes a Lion doesn't have access to necessary or current information prior to being nominated— accepting the nomination without a full understanding of the role and responsibilities attached to a position.

Beginning this month, over the next three months, a brief outline of each position will appear in the District newsletter. It is only brief because there are many other clubs who would like to have material published in the newsletter and GLT doesn't want to take up too much of the available space. Therefore, every position has a link so that a prospective nominee can access more information, should he/she wish to do so.

If you are considering or taking up a position, please take the time to inform yourself of the roles and responsibilities.

President

- Is a club's chief executive officer.
- Issues the call for regular and special meetings of the Board of Directors and the club.
- Appoints standing and special committees of the club.
- Ensures that officers are elected in accordance with the constitution and by-laws.
- Is an active member of the District Governor's Advisory Committee of the zone in which the club is located

To access a comprehensive description of a Club President's role and responsibilities:

http://www.lionsclubs.org/ resources/EN/pdfs/la15.pdf and http://lionsclubs.org.au/wp-content/ uploads/2014/05/Club-Administration-Manual-Chapter-5-The-Club-President1.pdf



A leader is one who knows the way, goes the way, and shows the way. John C. Maxwell

Anne Fagg GLT Co-ordinator Lions District 201T1



Immediate Past President

- Officially greet members and their guests at club meetings.
- Represents the club in welcoming all new serviceminded people served by the club.
- Assists and gives guidance to the current club President <u>if requested to do so</u>.

To access a description of the Immediate Past President's role and responsibilities:

http://www.lionsclubs.org/ resources/EN/pdfs/la15.pdf

Vice President(s)

- Perform the duties of the President, with the same authority, should the President be unable to perform those duties for any reason.
- Under the direction of the President, oversee the functioning of club committee(s) as designated by the President.

To access a description of a Club Vice President's role and responsibilities:

http://www.lionsclubs.org/ resources/EN/pdfs/la15.pdf

International President's Message

Dear Lion,

For 100 years, Lions have served like no one else. Our Centennial is an exciting op-



portunity to celebrate our legacy of local and global service. And I want you to feel just as excited about our future.

We have set a goal of serving 200 million people per year by 2021 tripling our current humanitarian impact—so we can meet the emerging needs of our next century of service. It's ambitious. It's life-changing. It's what we do as Lions.

To reach our goal, we developed a strategic plan called LCI Forward. We built this roadmap for the future based on feedback from thousands of Lions just like you. LCI Forward embraces new ways to serve, new cutting-edge technologies and new ways to engage youth in Lions. It will offer more tools for training leaders, more global marketing to raise our visibility, and more ways to experience the pride of being a Lion.

Learn more about our strategic plan by exploring the <u>LCI Forward page</u>. Then share the special <u>LCI Forward</u> <u>video</u> with your club. We will share new updates and resources throughout the year, and I look forward to working with your club to achieve our ambitious goals and ensure we remain the global leader in service.

Very truly yours, Chancellor Bob Corlew



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A True Story contributed by

Lion George Russell – Lions Club of City of Devonport.

Quite some years ago I had a phone call from Lion Max Dazeley, an original of the Penguin Lions Club. He related the story of his sister Shirley who cared for her husband George Charlesworth, an ex Naval man (WWII) suffering Multiple Sclerosis and using a motorised vehicle (gopher) to get about. Being an ex Naval man myself George Charlesworth was a friend while his wife Shirley was greatly admired.

George and Shirley had grown children including George Junior, who worked at the Rosebery mine on the West Coast. Several times each week including the weekend, George Jnr. would come home to help his mother with her husband to get him to bed and enjoy their company. On one trip home, George Jnr. suffered an accident, injuring his spine, keeping him in bed in constant pain so Shirley had two men to care for (husband and son). Lion Max Dazeley asked if the Devonport Lions Club could get a "gopher" for the younger George to use to give him a better quality of life.

I went to Meercroft Aged Home, where a senior lady resided to whom our Lions Club had provided a vehicle when she lost a leg. She indicated being bed ridden and could not use it so the vehicle would be better used by George Jnr. It was a policy of our Club to have them returned to the club when no longer needed. Lion Ian Wild and I picked up the gopher with the blessing of the elderly lady and took it to Shirley and George *Jnr. George Senior had passed away.*

George Jnr asked if he could try it out down the ramp his father had used. We smiled and said "Go for it mate. It's yours as long as you want it." With a happy smile he drove it all the way to the Four Ways & back (about 2 kms). A smile of happiness and a comment "That's the first time I've been out in the fresh air for weeks". Shirley shone with happiness that her son had something to enjoy.

We took the gopher to the Battery Store for new batteries and an overhaul. Occasionally I drop in to see how George Jnr. is doing and he lovingly shows me how his vehicle is still in A1 condition. Both mother and son express appreciation for what the Lions Club did and do. Simple for us, but meaningful to George Jnr. and his mother. The real hero of the Charlesworth family is the mother Shirley, now a War Widow, who has devoted her life to nursing her husband and then her ailing son. Shirley is a worthy person for the future Lions Senior Citizen of the Year award. It is people like Shirley and Lions Clubs that make the community a better place in which to live.

Nice to have good memories.



Above: George Jnr's SMILE OF HAPPINESS....(With all due respect to the safe driving of GOPHERS)

Fundraising Dinner

The next Southern Lions Clubs Annual Dinner hosted by the **Lions Club of Sorell** will be held in Sorell on:

> WEDNESDAY 1st February 2017 6.30pm for 7.00pm

@Sorell Memorial Hall Cost: \$25 per head Drinks: RSL @Bar prices

For further details & to

RSVP 29th January 2017

Please contact Geoff Clow 03 6245 9176 0408 281 176 or

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The following is a summary of the work reported in the December-January issue of the Australian Lion, where members...

- Launched Lions McDonald Hill House respite accommodation
- **Purchased** a cow to donate to a family in Cambodia
- **Raffled** a car proceeds to NSW Save Sight & Public Health Care
- Staged an annual Bali Memorial Service
- **Donated** a paediatric mannequin to the Monash Childrens Hospital
- Watched Lion John Olsen walk across Australia to raise money for Leukodystrophy Australia
- **Exhibited** "THE JOURNEY" quilt raising money to support disadvantaged women and children
- **Continued planning** the MD201 65th National Convention set for Hobart in 2017
- **Dedicated** a Lions Park to charter member David John Fenson
- **Presented** over \$2000 worth of uniforms to an Under 14 Basketball team
- Gave a mobility scooter to a Year 11 High School Student
- **Participated** in a Suicide Awareness walk
- Held a car boot sale in the company of 5 sponsored Hearing dogs
- Bought sporting equipment for Homeless Youth
- **Rode** pushbikes 1000kms in the Westpac Helicopter Rescue Service Ride

- Supported the Lara Community Garden & Art Precinct
- **Donated** food to assist residents in the *Aaron Lodge* Retirement Facility
- **Erected** new local club advertising on the Bruce Highway
- **Celebrated** every member of one club donating \$250 to LCIF
- Donated Cots For Tots to St Kilda Mums
- Launched Walk for An Aussie Kid Australian Lions Childrens Mobility Foundation
- **Continued** the mission to *plant 10 000 trees* by the Centenary year
- Sponsored an Australian Country Music Service Award
- **Compiled** a book *Letters For Legends* honouring WA firefighters
- **Installed** a new double BBQ at Wooli, in honour of the birthplace of *LIONSONOZ*
- Ran Volunteers For Isolated Students Education in the Northern Territory
- And INTERNATIONALLY, built a centre for young people with disabilities in Vietnam
- Held an annual rememberance service in Uwajima Japan for atomic bomb victims
- AND **taught** women and children to read while they waited in line at waterholes.

We do indeed SERVE





MD201 National Office & Club Supplies closes 21 December—ReOpens 3rd January 2017 There **will** be a January issue of the District Newsletter. Send me a photo of your fantastic Christmas activities. Ed.

District Newsletter 201T1

Copy for the newsletter is required <u>on or before the tenth (10th) of the month of publication.</u>

It is preferred that articles be typed and submitted for publication by email.

Where possible please forward photos or scanned images of high quality (300dpi)

Deadline for next issue is **January 10th.**

Thank you for your contributions so far. Keep sending your club news so your Lions Family can see what is happening StateWide. Happy 🕿 & safe holidays... Ed



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