





Patron of Lions Club International District 201T1,







HER EXCELLENCY THE HONOURABLE BARBARA BAKER AC GOVERNOR OF TASMANIA Merry Christmas Lions.

As we start December and find that another year has gone quicker than ever, once again T1 Lions are out in full force delivering help to their community wherever they can. All I can do is say thank you for helping our fellow Tasmanians and others throughout the world. This year it appears that a lot of

people are doing it tough, and when you call and have a chat with someone (which may be a retired Lion) it is nice to know someone cares.

One thing I would like all members to do, is give some thought to the coming Lions Awareness Day on March 2nd. Some Clubs have an opportunity to set-up at Bunnings, which is absolutely great, as the amount of passing foot traffic will be high. This is another great way we can get the Lions name out there and show people what we do. For Clubs that don't have a Bunnings outlet, please look at all your members suggestions. You will never know if you don't give it a go. Tell them how great we are!!

Leadership is part of what Lions do, and if you wish to take on a Club Position or District Position next year, now is the time to ask how you can make that happen. There is training available next year, and going forward, it will increase your skills and allow you to understand in more detail

how Lions work. Apart from the normal annual training, there are Modules in the "Lions Learn

System" that you can undertake, which will not only give you skill, but they're also recorded on your member Profile. If you have any questions, contact one of your Cabinet team.

This month sees the release on Win TV of our first lot of information/advertisements. The four Pillars being highlighted are - Childhood Cancer, Disaster Relief, Vision, and Humanitarian Efforts. These are short 15 or 30-second advertisements based on what we do as Tasmanian Lions. While the first set of adverts are funded from members funds, hopefully ongoing advertising can be funded through sponsorship. The purpose of these adverts is three-fold - Community Awareness, Funding through Donations, and Membership.

The Good News at Multiple District Level is that Australia has 14 of the 19 Districts with positive growth of +327, and 4 new Clubs. Tasmania (T1) is in positive growth +14 and 1 club. This is an amazing result when Volunteering Tasmania are expecting to lose 42% of their members over the next three years. Maybe a bit of the old saying – "When the going gets tough, the tough get going". Please keep up the good work and make every opportunity count.

I hope all Lions and partners enjoyed attending this year's Convention. I would like to thank the

members of Riverside, Kings Meadows, Kingsborough for their help in setting-up and removing all the equipment at the convention center and all the clubs that attended the Convention, making it a

memorable event. Thanks also to the Guest Speakers for their quality contribution. Thanks also to all the Cabinet members, and PCC David for his keeping the program on track. Finally, a special thanks to all our sponsors and my Committee.

Getting back to where I started, I would like to thank the Club members and my Cabinet members for their support of the Tasmanian community.

Jill and I wish you all a Happy Christmas, and a Safe and rewarding New Year.

Rob Batchelor







201T1 Leo Club Figures December 1st 2023 1 Alpha Club 2 Omega Clubs

22 members

1 new Alpha club being formed at Kentish

City of Launceston Omega Club to change to an Alpha next year

We have started to move forward with Leos in our District.

Please continue to consider your own family members and friends between 12 and 30 years old and point them in the direction of remote membership with KING ISLAND (12-18YO) or on-line with PENGUIN (18-30yo).

Where are our past Leos? They could become Leo-Lions....ASK ME HOW

If you think you can rally 6 or so young people together in the same town or area, consider starting a new club......AGAIN, ASK ME HOW.

Pictured are King Island Alpha Leos after they have wrapped their book

purchases ready to give to the Kindergarten class at the end of their school year for the "Leos For Literacy" project.

Happy holiday season everyone

Linda Payne

Leo Chair





Morning Tea on intervening meeting weeks

An issue that has concerned me for some time is that some Lions Club members may only catch up with other members at dinner meetings, service activities and the occasional social function. Social interaction often becomes more infrequent as the average age of club members increases.

A proposal from Devonport Mersey First Vice President Tony Sutton for members, partners, and friends to attend morning tea (M/T) social gatherings on intervening meeting weeks, has been accepted by our club. The clubs meets on the first and third Thursdays for either a dinner meeting or a dinner & board meeting. Our first morning tea (M/T) was on the second Thursday of November 2023, followed by M/ Ts on the fourth and fifth Thursday mornings.

We now have a daytime social interaction activity that can happen with minimal

organisational involvement. Prospective new members can also come along and get to know members. This is an activity that other clubs might like to consider adopting. Below is a photo of attendees at our first M/T meeting on 9th November 2023.



In mid August this year Lion Phil Crowden contacted the Exeter Primary School re the Children's Vision Screening Program. The staff at Exeter Primary were very enthusiastic to have this program in their school and wanted to give the opportunity to all students from Kindergarten to Grade 6. Rob Mantach met with the school's business manager and provided the school with the parent consent forms and brochures about the program. The school issued these to the 363 students.

The program culminated on November 28th when 118 students were tested for visual acuity, colour perception, depth perception and with the spot vision camera. It was recommended that 26 of the students should be referred to an optometrist for further examination, i.e. 22% of those screened.

This program is a great example of clubs helping each other as we had Lions members from 4 other clubs assisting with the screening. I want to thank Astrid Lewis and Brian Fitzgerald from the West Tamar Lions, Barb McQueen from Launceston Windmill Hill Lions, June Pearton from Kings Meadows Lions, Kay Farmer and Sue Mebbrey from George Town Lions as well as Bob Harkness and Wanda Mantach from the Riverside Lions Club. The team completed the screening by 2:30 PM.

The team received a number of congratulations from other Lions,

Thank you for the great report and interesting observations from your recent screening Rob. - Rob Winter, LEHP

I have just put your group data into my spreadsheet. It is telling me that across T1, we have now screened 1001 children this year, and referred 217.

Please pass on my congratulations to all your team. Fantastic job !!!

I was holding my breath, that we might screen 1000 this year.



Regards

Stephen Smith – 201T1 Vision Coordinator
Congratulations Rob - great and interesting results/stats. I do love this program!
Regards
Anne Fagg – Rocky Cape
Great Job Team, The 217 Children that have been referred will have a better chance going forward. It also may make a difference to their future.
Thanks, I am proud of all of you.
Rob Batchelor DG 201T1
Brian and Astrid from West Tamar Lions Club and Bob Harkness from Riverside conducting screening operations.

Be the difference in your community. Be a Lion ! Ask me how ?

Lions Club of Penguin

Nov 17th saw the 4th annual International Men's Day breakfast at the Penguin Sports and Services Club. With 72 guests and a number of Lions attending, the chef was kept busy cooking eggs, bacon, sausages, hash browns baked beans and lots of toast, served up by Penguin Lions members. Suitably fed, those present settled back to be entertained by 2 guest speakers, a "stand-up comedian" followed by Greg Smith, part of the "Men Care Too" organisation, a local, not for profit group of men meeting regularly sharing news and information mainly aimed at men in unpaid informal caring roles.

Following the guest speakers, the inaugural "Kevin Townsend Quiet Achiever Award" was presented. The award was created in honour of the late Lion Kevin Townsend who imitated the 1st IMD in Penguin The award was presented by Lion Kevin's wife, Lion Kathy and their family to Mr Dudley Corbett, a worthy recipient.

At our November dinner meeting, Penguin Lions had the pleasure of listening to LT CMD Kelly Wilson as she spoke of her life experiences in the Royal Australian Navy as a Combat Systems Operator and a Maritime Logistics Officer. Kelly was deployed 3 times to the Middle East, performed border protection operations and peace keeping missions.

Kelly is a mental health advocate and through her "Choose to live, Love Your Life" actively fundraises and speaks in the community about her own personal issues.

Friday Dec 1st saw the 1st Christmas Parade for the Coast with the well-attended, popular "Penguin Lions Club Christmas Parade" The estimated 4000 people attending were entertained with many local market stalls, food vans, including the Lions Club van and children's rides. There were an estimated 49 floats, many with local children participating and of course the necessary visit from the Man in Red who distributed packets of sweets to the younger members of the community present. Carols by Candlelight Sunday evening was well attended, loads of local talent, Santa visited again and was well received by the children, food, ice creams, coffee and a beautiful sunset to finish off the evening.









As 2023 swiftly draws to a close, we find ourselves on the brink of a new year, 2024. This past year has been a whirlwind, and as we enter the final stretch, we're proud of our progress. Thanks to our expanded team and innovative methods, we're on target to place a total of 35 Assistance Dogs by December's end. This includes 31 Hearing Assistance Dogs and 4 Medical Alert Dogs, showcasing the remarkable growth of our Medical Alert Program since its inception in 2021. By the end of 2023, we will have also accredited a total of 15 dogs. Our Puppy Program and Breeding Program have flourished, with various strategies enhancing their success. With this growth, the need for both puppies and volunteers to guide them during this crucial phase has risen. To meet this demand, our team has explored and tested new approaches, such as recruiting volunteers in the South-East of SA. These volunteers care for some of our puppies with fortnightly video calls and monthly visits from our Puppy Socialisation team. Presently, 5 puppies are in the South East being a part of this trial. Our volunteer program is thriving, with familiar and new faces dedicating their time to enriching the lives of our dogs. Their support ensures our dogs receive the love and care essential for their happiness and well-being.

Our heartfelt gratitude extends to the incredible sponsors from Lions Clubs and individual supporters who have played an invaluable role in our journey. After all, it is your support that has also been instrumental in our organisation's achievements.

As we bid adieu to spring and embrace the upcoming summer, along with the festive season of Christmas and New Year's, please note that our Training Centre will be closed during the holidays. However, our dedicated staff will be on-site, ensuring our dogs are well cared for. Our office will close from the end of business on Friday, December 22nd, reopening on Tuesday, January 2nd. During this period, our emergency phone line will remain active for urgent matters that require immediate attention. We want to express our heartfelt gratitude for your unwavering support and interest in ALHD throughout 2023. Wishing you all a joyful and safe holiday season and we can't wait to see you in 2024. LIONS CLUB OF BRIDPORT

CHRISTMAS CAROLS BY THE SEA SUNDAY 17 DECEMBER 4.30 PM CAROLS START AT 6.00PM

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Lions Club of Bridport Show and Shine Car/ Bike Show



LIONS CLUB OF BRIDPORT SHOW AND SHINE CAR/BIKE SHOW

Lions Club of Bridport are organizing a Show and Shine Car/Bike Show on Sunday, 14^{th} January, 2024 on the Village Green Bridport from 10.00 a.m. – 3.00 p.m.

A great opportunity for car enthusiasts to share their cars/bikes. Entry is \$5.00 – Drivers of Show Cars and Children under 16 years of age free.

Please contact Leonie Johnston (0438 281352) for more information.



Bunnings - Lions Awareness Day

November 2023

Have you booked your space?



On **Saturday March 2**, thousands of Australia's most dedicated and hard-working volunteers are taking the opportunity to tell our story for **Lions Awareness Day 2024.**

After 75 years of helping others in Australia, we know our role as a service club organisation is becoming increasingly important.

We want the rest of Australia to know more about what we do and the causes we support.

And Bunnings want to help!

They have offered their support and their stores to host local Lions Awareness Day events around the country.

So if your Lions Club is interested in promoting the wonderful work that we do at a Bunnings near you, **contact your local store to book a space in their foyer on Saturday 2 March.**

Note:

- Lions volunteers can set up an awareness table, sell their merchandise, or run a BBQ at their local Bunnings store only if dates are available.
- · Lions to provide Public Liability certificate.

BUNNINGS & LIONS; LIKE SAUCE ON A SAUSAGE.

New Members 10th November 2023 – 10th December 2023.

<u>Clarence</u>

DAVID BRIGHTMORE – Sponsor Peter Goldstone – James

King Island

LEADA BLACKIE – Sponsor Linda Payne PETER CONSTABLE – Sponsor Linda Payne WENDY CONSTABLE - Sponsor Linda Payne DARELLE THOMSON – Sponsor Sarina Landler

Kingborough

KEITH MCCAFFERTY – Sponsor Julie Hansson

<u>West Tamar</u> ROBERT HILL – Sponsor Lexie Hill

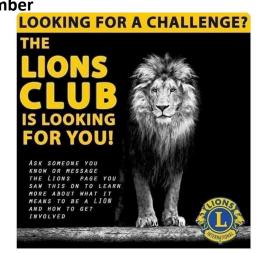
<u>Westbury</u> RODNEY L GELSTON – Paul McMahon

Wynyard

KATHERINE FRASER – Sponsor Colin Newman KELLI HOLNESS – Sponsor Brian John Wilcox NANETTE WEEDING – Heather Johns Total 11 New Members 10th November – 10 December

Clubs 49

Member Count as at December 2022 = 929 Member Count as at December 2023 = 957





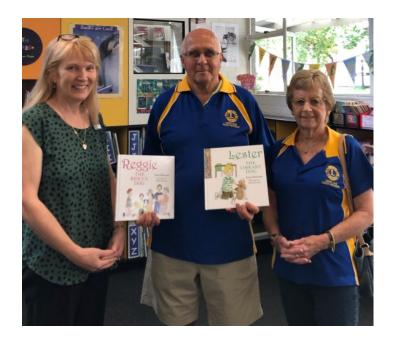


The 45th Tasmanian Lions District Convention will be held at the Smithton Community Centre on the 8th, 9th and 10th November 2024. The theme of the convention is Uhmasking the Heroes in our Communities. DGE Victoria Cochrane and her husband Lion Richy live at Rocky Cape and are very keen to share the beautiful area of Circular Head with conventioneers. Hgh lighting fresh local produce, a range of inspiring guest speakers and local musical talent, this convention will focus on district grassroots Lions Clubs and their projects through displays, posters and even short presentations. With free camping for self-contained vehicles and corporate accommodation rates at Tall Timbers at the Bridge Hotel, this convention will be an experience! Make a weekend of it!

View the video shown at the 44th convention in Launceston with this link: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1w-EDd5TlOv5gZMb3l6vDl_ogmT-rfPuE/ view?usp=sharing

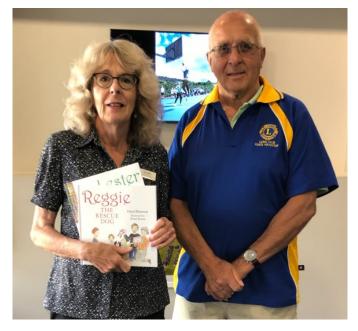
Victoria Cochrane Membership Chairperson Rocky Cape Lions Club District Governor Elect Tl Guiding Lion Burnie City Lions











1 Rebbeca, St Thomas Mores, lions Dennis Mann & June Pearton

- 2 Jenny, St Leonards Primary
- 3 ass principal Anita, Waverley Primary
- 4 Librarian Anne, Glen Dhu Primary.

Christmas may have come that little bit earlier for four Primary schools around Launceston.

King's Meadows Lions took up the offer to purchase Gina Dawson's "Reggie the Rescue Dog" and "Lester the Library Dog" with Lion Dennis Mann and Lion June Pearton delivering copies to St Thoms Mores, Waverley Primary, St Leonards Primary, and Glen Dhu Primary Schools. They were enthusiastically accepted by staff at each school.

The warm welcome also created opportunity to introduce " children's vision screening" another project that King's Meadows strongly support

Darrell Atkinson

King's Meadows Lion Club

Here are the 3 entries in " Dare to Dream" 2023-24 Peace Poster.

3 state entries this year.

No 1 Glenorchy Lions - Rosetta Primary School

No 2 Queenstown Lions - Mountain Heights School

No 3 - Rocky Cape Lions - Boat Harbour Primary School.

Congratulations to the

State winner is No 1 - Glenorchy Lions.

Rosetta Primary had 6 entries.

Queenstown Lions

Mountain Heights School had 7 entries.

Rocky Cape Lions

Boat Harbour Primary had 50 entries.

State winner will go on to be judged at National Final.

Lions look forward to getting more clubs on board for the next contest in 2024.

Cheers Lion Julie Crawford

Peace Poster Chair







FRIDAY FORUM

Every Friday morning we'll post a question. During the week that follows, share your thoughts and ideas with other members and clubs in our district by commenting below



Have you seen our weekly Friday Forum on the Lions Tasmania FB Page? Every Friday, one of our admins posts up a discussion question to help members to learn more about latest events and to share their knowledge. <u>To get involved go to</u> www.facebook.com/Lions 201T1

> Victoria Cochrane 0417581107 <u>https://victoriacochrane.com.au</u>

PROMOTING CLUBS THROUGH THE DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

Does your Club have an UPCOMING EVENT?

HAVE YOU HAD A RECENT EVENT, PRESENTATION OR ANY OTHER ACTIVITY THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE?

> THE BEST PLACE TO PROMOTE, SHARE AND INFORM IS IN THIS NEWSLETTER!!

ZONE CHAIRS AND CABINET MEMBERS PLEASE REMIND CLUBS TO SUBMIT ARTICLES ETC.

Are you, or do you know a young person aged 12 to 24, who is passionate about Tasmania's future?

If so, consider applying for a place on the Premier's Youth Advisory Council for 2024!

This is an opportunity for young Tasmanians to meet with the Premier and Minister for Education, Children and Youth three times a year to discuss ideas and issues that are important to them. Expressions of Interest open on Saturday 2 December 2023 and close at 11:59pm on Sunday 14 January 2024.

For more information, visit <u>www.dpac.tas.gov.au/pyac</u>





Current Award Application forms can be found on our Website <u>www.alf.org.au</u> or contact Awards Chairperson PDG Lesley Lyons PO Box 303 Wynnum, QLD 4178 Phone M: 0419 796 022 : Email: alf.awards@tions.org.au

PLEASE ALLOW 4 WEEKS FOR DELIVERY OF AWARDS



Position Vacant

With the retirement of our Cabinet Treasurer, Erik Madsen, at the end of this Lions' year, the District Governor's team is seeking applications for the position of Cabinet Treasurer for the 24-25 year under the governance of Victoria Cochrane. Prior experience in the role of Club Treasurer would be extremely beneficial. Please email or phone Victoria at <u>vdg1@lionstasmania.org</u> or 0417581107

What Does the Cabinet Treasurer Role Entail?

According to the Lions Clubs International District 201T1Inc

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS, the Cabinet Treasurer must:

- (1) Make reports to the cabinet as the district governor or cabinet may require.
- (2) Collect and receipt for all dues and taxes levied on members and clubs in the sub-district, deposit the same in such bank or banks as the district governor shall determine and disburse the same by order of the district governor.
- (3) Remit and pay over to the multiple district council treasurer the multiple district dues and taxes, if any, collected in the sub-district, and secure a proper receipt.
- (4) Keep accurate books and records of account, and minutes of all cabinet and sub-district meetings, and permit inspection of the same by the district governor, any cabinet member and any club (or any authorized agent of any of them) at any reasonable time for any proper purpose. Upon direction of the district governor or the cabinet, he/she shall furnish any such books and records as requested to any auditor appointed by the district governor.
- (5) Secure bond for the faithful performance of his/her duties in such sum and with such sureties as may be required by the district governor.
- (6) Deliver, in a timely manner, at the conclusion of his/her term in office, the general and/or financial accounts, funds and records of the district to his/her successor in office.
- (7) Perform such other functions and acts as may be required of each by directives of the International Board of Directors.



LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL District 201 T1 District Governor ROBERT BATCHELOR 2023-2024 Lions Club of Kingborough

2nd December 2023

POTENTIAL NEW MEMBERS THROUGH TV ADVERTISING

Your District is in the process of producing a series of Television adverts with a view to attracting new members. This campaign will show Ads in each area of Tasmania via the WIN network, starting around the 9th December. At this stage, this is wholly funded by the District.

This campaign is going to begin with a Media Release which will direct any interested public to a specific Website - made up of 3 pages. Page 1 will be a Landing Page; Page 2 – Membership Page, and Page 3 – Donation Page.

Membership enquiries will be directed to a District representative within 48hrs. The potential member will be interviewed and the best Club option will be discussed, taking into account what they're interested in supporting. The appropriate Clubs' membership Chair and President will be notified, and Clubs are requested to make contact with that potential member within 48hrs.

If you're lucky enough to receive a new member out of this process, please LISTEN to them, HEAR what they want in Lions, SPONSOR them through their early membership days, and ACTIVELY sort out your members so that CONFLICT is minimised both within the club and especially in the public eye. Most new members nowadays are well educated, have their own views, do not want to be micro-managed, have certain interests, and will not put up with Club CONFLICT.

Historically, many recruits in the past have resigned from Lions within around 2 years – for a variety of reasons. While conflict has been the cause in some cases, in many cases, it's because Clubs have not been willing to listen to their members.

Please take the time to understand your new members needs and strongly support them.

Rob Batchelor



2023/24 District Governor

Home Address: 75 Woodcutters Rd. Tolmans Hill TASMANIA. 7007 Phone Mobile: 0419 383 932 E Mail: rob@batchelorconstructiongroup.com.au

Register now and save

For our 106th Lions International Convention, we're headed to Australia's cultural capital, the dazzling city of Melbourne. Secure your spot and save US\$75 when you register for LionsCon by January 12.

Register now 🗆

Accommodation without conditions.

New for international convention this year, all Lions and Leos are free to book their stay at any of our available participating hotels. Plan your stay with fellow Lions and Leos, enjoy free shuttles and still get the lowest room rates available—all while choosing from any of our conveniently located hotel partners.

Learn more 🗆

Start your visa process early.

In addition to a valid passport, travelers will also need the appropriate visa to enter Australia. There are different types of Australian visas available depending on the length of your stay, your current passport status and other qualifying conditions of your visit.

Learn more 🗆

We can't wait to see you!

Everyone benefits by attending the biggest Lion event of the year. So secure your spot at LionsCon in Melbourne now as the best options and biggest savings are available to Lions and Leos who register before January 12, 2024.

Register now 🗆

MORE CONVENTION PHOTOS







SEE YOU ALL IN SMITHTON NEXT YEAR !!!!





Christmas is only a few weeks away - has your Club placed an order for their Lions Christmas Cakes and puddings yet?

Just in case you haven't placed an order yet a few things you need to know.

Order Discount Period finishes on 31 October 2023.

Orders must be delivered and paid for in order to receive the discount. The last date that you can place an order is **16 October 2023** to allow order processing and delivery before **31 October 2023**. There are no exceptions to this rule!

How do I get an Order Form?

Order forms are two sided. Please read the instructions on the form carefully. Orders should not be handwritten.

Log onto the Lions Australia Website – <u>www.lionsclubs.org.au</u> use the password <u>westons2020</u> and complete the order form. Save the form to your computer. Then email to Traditional Foods and they will send a return email confirming receipt of your order.

Remember! Password: westons2020

Orders on Account – finishes 31 December 2023

Orders that are placed without payment must be paid in full by **25 January 2024**. There are no exceptions to the rule. Clubs will receive an invoice via <u>email approximately three weeks after or-</u><u>der placement</u>. Invoices are sent to the email address as listed on the order form at the time of order placement.

Order cut-off date for pre- Christmas delivery is Friday 8 December 2023.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any problems or concerns.

Linda Dilworth

T1 Merchandising Chair



We NEED YOUR SUPPORT

Worldwide as an Organization with over 1.4 Million members, all committed to serving their LOCAL Community, there is a need to expand our membership in being able to continue our service work to those in NEED.

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"Together we can Change the World"

World President, Dr. Patti Hill, Lions Clubs International.



CONTACT your local CLUB _____ Phone _____ E mail: cabsec@lionstasmania.org Facebook: Clubs Tasmania

Make a Difference in your COMMUNITY

HAVE YOU OR YOUR CLUB PURCHASED CALENDARS YET, GREAT GIFTS AND MONEY GOING TO A VERY WORTH WHILE CAUSE?

PARKINSON'S Disease is now more PREVALENT as our population AGES!

PARKINSON'S Research project



EVERY PURCHASE of the 2024 Gift Calendar

Of which proceeds will go towards providing additional research funds for study into Parkinson's Disease at the

UNIVERSITY of TASMANIA



- Institute for Medical Research

This high quality calendar at \$29.95 plus \$12.50 postage in an **auspost** bubble pack Australia-wide is great value A rate for overseas postage at 490 grams bubble packed will need to be made online,

auspost.com.au/customsform for clearance details as it varies with theCountry of destination and customs charges, when verified to us we can then despatch bearing in mind travelling times.



LIONS PARKINSON'S RESEARCH PROJECT

A Project colaboration of Lions Clubs International District 201T...Tasmania in association with Parkinson'sTasmania Inc., The University of Tasmania Menzies Institute of Medical Research. Artist David Hopkins and Printer- Publisher PERIGRINE a Division of Focal Print.

Website: www.lionsparkinsonsresearchproject.com.au MAIL: P O Box 12 Margate, Tasmania. 7054 Direct Deposit : Bendigo Bank, BSB 633 000 A/c No 205 359 649 with payee Name please.

2024 Calendar \$29.95

28 pages in full colour reproduction of iconic Tasmanian scenes painted in watercolour by David Hopkins, along with descriptions and a clear date section for notes, spiral bound.



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

It is preferred that articles be typed and then submitted for publication by e-mail. Please forward (where possible) photos and newspaper cuttings with your article.

> <u>Scanned images should be of high quality (300dpi)</u>. Deadline for next issue is 10th JANUARY 2024

Merry Christmas L. Happy new year! Stay safe, healthy and enjoy your Christmas with family and friends!!