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FROM THE DG'S DESK...

"Willing hands for V6 Progress"

Hello V6 Lions family

I thought up the theme "Willing hands for V6 Progress" because I wanted to encourage those Lions with drive to advance our district in service and membership.

Hopefully, with 4 months to go in this Lions year, we will see an all-out effort to re build our Clubs and reinvigorate our contribution to our communities. Our Clubs cannot fail and we cannot fail our communities.

I would like to pass on my congratulations to District Leo of the Year winner, Fi Fi White and wish her well on the State Leo of the year competition

Visits are continuing and we look forward to catching up with as many Lions as possible.

Your friend in Lions DG Steve Kazenwadel



WHAT A TREASURER NEEDS TO KNOW...

As the training days are coming up soon, and I have been asked to put something together for Treasurer training, I thought it would be good to ask Club Treasurers what they wished they had known before taking on the job and what incoming Treasurers think they might need to know, with the intention of focusing on these for the training days.

So, if you have any suggestions for the training days, please contact me on 0477 143 336 or email at cabtreas.v6@lions.org.

The following list of topics may prompt some ideas:

- What records need to be kept?
- Lions Cashbook.
- Payment methods.

- Approval of expenditure.
- What needs to be reported at Club meetings?
- End of year report to Club.
- Administration Activities, what's the difference?
- Do we need to be audited, if so, by who?
- Fundraising authority/registration annual reporting.
- Incorporation annual reporting.
- Tyro.

I have had a few Members contacting me for help in relation to the Club Treasurer role, and I strongly encourage this, in most cases I was able to help straight away and others I was able to find the answer, so, please keep it up.

> Ollie Tufvesson District 201V6 Treasurer



Tungamah Leos and Lions hosted the District Final of Leo of the Year at Tungamah on Sunday.

Leos represent the younger section of Lions and gives the youth the chance to demonstrate their skills and celebrate their contribution to not only Leos, but to their communities.

Public Speaking forms a large part of the quest, something which scares even older people. An interview also forms part of the challenge. Judges were John Tyrrell, Tungamah's Citizen of the Year representing the community, Victor Smith, president of the Lions Club and Robyn Harrison, secretary. Ron Simon from Cobram did time keeping duties.

This year we had two contestants, Fifi White from Cohuna and Lliam Hall from Cobram on the Murray.

Lliam is 18 and attends the Cobram and District Specialist School. He has had 11 years in the scouting movement, and is currently in Venturers. He is heavily involved in environmental matters and is studying horticulture. He leads the recycling challenge at the Specialist School and is an inspirational to others.

Fifi attends Cohuna Secondary College and is in year 12. She is 17, and is very involved in her Leo Club. She was one of a group who went to Walwa after the bushfires to help those affected. She has helped start a Leo Club program in Cohuna. She is devoted to community service and organizes catering at markets and Little Athletics. Fifi is currently president of her club,

having previously filled the roles of secretary and treasurer.

Lliam gave an outstanding address on the pop group, Queen. He was able to give everybody an in depth insight into the history and ups and downs of this group.

Fifi spoke on the problem of homelessness and had some strong ideas of how this could be addressed. She obviously has a deep understanding of the trials people go through.

At the end of the session, the judges had a most difficult decision to make. Robyn Harrison made the announcement that Fifi had one the overall award, plus the Public Speaking Award. Lliam finished a close runner up. Both contestants can be proud of their achievements and showed great courage and poise to take part. Fifi goes on to the state final at Forest Hill on the 27th February.

The running of the day was a huge team effort, with a lavish spread being supplied by some of the Leos' families, as well as hot food prepared by Lions. Our thanks to those wonderful people. Also, Cohuna brough slices across for variety. Importantly, Tony Figgins from Diamond Valley Sound donated the use of his PA equipment to make the day a success. This was vital so the contestants could be heard.

All up, it was a great day with District Leo Coordinator, Les Harrison being very proud of his district.







SAFETY ADVICE

Safety in many organisations does not get the level of importance that is required and that is also in many Lions Club.

Even today we did not run through a typical safety briefing as some of us have never been here before and for others, has the premises changed since you were here last time.

Topic should include:

- Locations of toilets
- Evacuation procedure in event of fire or any other event which may put us in danger
- Any special conditions which may be a requirement of the Club

The saying we have done that for many years does not wash as things change and you should continually be reviewing how events are performed. Why?

Age of members may require changes.

Government Regulations are continually changing and non-compliance does not wash with the authorities.

Aging Equipment may need to be replaced or repaired.

New Equipment may require changes to suit the application.

Be aware that regulations in Victoria and NSW may not the same so you cannot look at what another club does, particularly if they are in the other state.

SAFETY TOPIC needs to be first subject of any meeting. This is where you get to discuss issues which I touched on previously and come up with actions which may be required. Note we are dealing with the public for most of our events which people ages ranging from young children to elderly adults.

In Industry when buying a new piece of equipment, we have a "Design Review" to make sure what is being proposed meets their requirements. A similar procedure should be introduced by the Lions Club particularly with any item over \$10,000.00.

Then before delivery a "Factory Acceptance Test" is performed which includes:

- Visual Inspection to check it meets what you ordered.
- Electrical Compliance check and test make sure you get the appropriate compliance certificate
- Plumbing Compliance check and test make sure you get the appropriate compliance certificate

Functionality perform test

If it is trailer or vehicle make sure it is registered to your Lions Club and the address is correct – having it registered in another state can create many issues when you go to change registration. If in the same state make sure you have the appropriate documents for transfer so you do not have to get any inspections.

A similar procedure should be introduced by the Lions Club particularly with any item over \$10,000.00.

Note many Clubs may not have the expertise, but this when you ask for assistance from someone from another club if available. That is one of the reasons why Districts exist so as to help each other. Asking for help is not a sign of weakness but just plain common sense.

An example is when Wangaratta Lions bought their catering trailer several years ago the electrical installation was not compliant. Believe that the recently purchased Lions Club of Benalla catering truck has issues which need to be rectified before it can be safely used.

When running an event make sure everyone signs onto to an attendance form for that event. This then should be given to the Secretary as soon as possible for storage for the next 7 years. Thus, in the advent someone gets sick later, which can be traced back to that event, it makes it easier to complete the documents for any insurance claim.

Remember insurance companies are there for their shareholders and offer a service and without proof it makes getting a claim approved that much more difficult or may even have the claim rejected.

In each "Lions Roar" I try and have a different topic each month which is usually relevant at the time.

Final note Compliance and Safety have always been important and should be never be relegated to anything other than "Top Priority".

John Walker

V6 Safety Officer - Ph: 0417 391 044 Email: rivinst@bigpond.com



DROPPING MEMBERS

In the past month it has been really encouraging to see the number of clubs that are actively recruiting and putting on new members. This is the only way that we will be able to grow and in turn, do more for our communities.

At the same time, what has been really disturbing has been the number of members that have been dropped by clubs for non-attendance or nonpayment of dues. In many of these cases, this has been done without any consultation with the members themselves, and no notification to me or the district.

This sort of thing must NEVER happen.

While sometimes it is necessary to let members go, it should absolutely never happen without prior consultation with the District GMT or District Governor, and under no circumstances whatsoever should it happen without discussing it with the member themselves.

In several of the recent cases that have been dropped, the members were shocked to discover they had been dropped. Several of them were good, long-standing Lions who had been unwell and unable to attend. Several had been unaware that they were behind in dues. In a majority of cases, a simple phone call to the member would have sorted it out! And in the other cases, discussion with District representatives would have resulted in an intervention that solved the issues.

We have lost around 20 Lions unnecessarily through these actions in the past 2 months. Without those losses we would have shown considerable growth in membership.

In the interests of good management and proper process, if any club is having issues with members not paying dues or not attending, please talk to the member first, and if there is no resolution at that time then please inform the GMT so that other actions can proceed.

Please never drop a member without following these steps first.

Geoff Turnbull

District Membership Coordinator

MEMBERSHIP SATISFACTION

To ensure your Lions club remains healthy and active, you need to consider the experience and expectations of the members belonging to your club. If you went to a restaurant and it did not meet your expectations, would you go back?

The same goes for a Lions club!

Along with welcoming new members, it is important to engage them in club activities as soon as possible. If your club members feel welcome, comfortable and involved in community service, they will remain part of your club.

Research has been conducted on new members with less than three years of experience as well as members with longer tenure as a Lion. The research shows that regardless of the length of tenure as a Lion, there are some key needs, listed in order, that most members want to have met to remain a part of your club:

1) Being able to "take pride" in service activities

2) Being confident that they are "making a difference"

3) Being informed of club goals.

In addition, new members require some special attention their sponsor should provide in order to be highly satisfied with their experience:

1) Be able to develop friendships

2) Feel like they have a sense of belonging.

How can your club provide the experiences your members are seeking?

Keeping your club efficient, productive and meaningful to your members results in many benefits:

• A club that is a vital and respected part of your community

• The ability to provide and support both local and global service

• The ability to offer personal and professional growth opportunities to your members

A club that provides enjoyable fellowship

Be sure your club has a mission statement, objectives and defined goals. Communicate these to your members clearly and openly and ensure that your communication methods work for all members in the club.

The Membership Satisfaction Guide will help you www.lionsclubs.org/membershipchair which has a in three easy steps: variety of resources to attract and engage

1) Define membership satisfaction for your club

2) Create your club's membership satisfaction plan.

3) Implement and review your plan

Lions International has many additional resources available to support your club. Contact the Membership Division at membership@lionsclubs.org or go to the website www.lionsclubs.org. A good place to start is the club membership chairpersons page,

www.lionsclubs.org/membershipchair which has a variety of resources to attract and engage members. You should also connect with your zone and region chairpersons as well as your district's Global Action Team (GAT) and encourage members to enrol in Lions Learning Centre for Leadership Development.

If your club is not thriving, it cannot serve as effectively as possible.

PDG Carol Kennedy

GAT

PDG THANKS CABINET MEMBERS

Today, February 27, at the district cabinet meeting I was presented with this beautiful clock weather station from 2021V6. Thank you for allowing me to be your district governor during 2020-2021. I thoroughly enjoyed my year. It was fantastic to visit all the clubs and meet the members.

During the cabinet meeting I was able to make some presentations that I would have made at the Cabinet changeover dinner last July or the Convention in October/February. But as we know cancellations and postponements put a stop to a lot of things.

Finally, I was able to present CBL Chairman PCC David Skinner with a District Governor Appreciation Award for his help and support during my year.

presented a District Chairperson Award to Junior Public Speaking Chair Margaret Poels for her commitment and dedication to her portfolio.

presented PDG Barry and Lions Lady Barbara Higgins with certificates of appreciation. PDG Barry stepped into the role of Sergeant at Arms for the quickly organised district convention at Barooga in February 2021. His knowledge and experience made for smooth-running event. Lions Lady Barbara gave us a beautiful and moving remembrance ceremony.

Once again thank you V6 for your support and friendship during a difficult 2020-2021.

PDG Carol Kennedy



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JUNIOR PUBLIC SPEAKING

By now all Clubs should have received the Topics for the 2022 Junior Public Speaking program and hopefully forwarded them on to the schools.

Due to the District Final being cancelled last year, some Clubs agreed to have last years Registration Fees held over for this year, so could all Clubs and new Clubs participating in this years program please register again for this year.

If the Club Members are not permitted to enter the school premises, the Student Entry forms must still be signed and returned to the host Club.

The judges and timekeepers forms can be given to the schools so that the teachers can judge this section of the competition, and then return all forms and the winners names who are to go on to the Club Final, back to the host Club.

All forms and information are on the V6 website for downloading, click on programs and then Junior Public Speaking and it will open up to all the information required to organise the program.

Please ensure that all Club Members participating in the Junior Public Speaking events, have their "Working with Children Certificates" up to date and recorded as well as the judges, timekeepers and supervisors.

The Junior Public Speaking project is an amazing program which allows the young people in your communities to gain confidence to speak in front of an audience other than their peers.

It has helped many students with high anxiety and speech defects, a student who was a previous winner of our JPS competition, transferred to another school and gained respect from teachers and fellow students after he spoke to the whole school assembly after a very sad incident involving his friend in year 7.

If your Club hasn't participated in the program previously, PLEASE consider it as you will be amazed to hear and see what these young people can achieve.

Margaret Poels

District V6 Junior Public Speaking Chairperson.

INTRODUCING



This project has been made possible with the help and generosity of friends and family, our "Lions Helpers", supporting us with pots and sharing their plants to help aid Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation.

The blooms will be well established in 6-8 inch pots and they are for sale all year around. We plan to sell at markets and other various events throughout the year.

"COLOUR YOUR WORLD"

and support Childhood Cancer Research.



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Funded by the Victorian Government's Managing Fruit Fly Regional Grants Program



Thank You to those Clubs who have committed to support Haymes Paint and their Store Openings across 56 sites Australia Wide, with a resultant "Haymes Charity Donation" of \$500 per Store (\$28,000) to Australian Lions the Foundation Disaster Relief Fund.

REVISITING THE SIGHT PROJECTS

With the lifting of some Covid -19 restrictions by state aovernments recently. this provides an opportunity for clubs and /or Zones to



consider revisiting the Vision Screening service projects in schools.

Just a reminder that if club members or club volunteers want to be involved in this project, they will need to complete the Vision Screening online training through this link

https://www.lehp.org.au/online-training -course.html.

It is a very short session and needs to be done before the practical screening of children in a school is done. Let us remember that I in 5 children in that school in your locality has a vision impairment. It is our humane responsibility to assist that child.

Some clubs are continuing to collect glasses for recycling. During this period of the relief from the pandemic lockdown, how can clubs increase their eyeglass collections? In addition to your collection points, clubs can contact local organizations, schools or businesses to support and assist with your eyeglass collection drive.

The District Sight Projects Chair would like to keep a record of the number of glasses collected and sent away by our clubs. In that regard could club sight projects coordinators provide such data to him.

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MILESTONES FOR NUMURKAH



L-R: Howard Lowe, Jenny McKeown, Don Rosie, Keith Nicoll

At the recent Numurkah club's dinner meeting, the following members were presented with a Milestone Chevron in recognition of their years of service to their community.

Howard Lowe: 45 years. Past President. Past Club Membership Chairman over seven years.

Jenny McKeown: 10 years. Together with husband and sponsor Doug, has organised Junior Public Speaking, Youth of the Year and Broken Creek Market.

Don Rosie: 10 years. Past President. Past Treasurer. Current Zone Chairperson

Keith Nicoll: 10 years Past President. Sponsored eight members. Father Rae was a charter member.



A Certificate of appreciation was presented to Lindsay Mitchell for 15 outstanding years as Secretary. Lindsay has been a member for 41 years, and has also served as President, Treasurer and is a Melvin Jones Fellow. Barry Miller has served 40 years, but was absent.

Numurkah Lions were fortunate to able to host with their annual "Carols by Candlelight," in Newman Square. A very happy community occasion after lockdown. A great community event that they have been running for more than twenty five years.

Numurkah Lions have a busy month ahead, assisting with

*A school fun run, and barbeque.

*A community barbeque in conjunction with Bendigo Bank and Numurkah's "Love Our Lifestyle,"

promoting "Why Leave Town Cards," which encourage the community to stay and shop locally

*The Rex Wellington Memorial Bowls Day.

HOPE LIONS - GROWING FOR A HEALTHIER AND MORE SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

This is the second season of our TreeProject – volunteer growing of seedlings.

We have 7 Grower's and during the month of December we have planted a total of 2, 352 tubes of various native trees, shrubs and grasses.

Our seedlings are part of 141,600 being grown through TreeProject Victoria and we are 7 of the 371 volunteer growers they have this 2022 season.

Each grower has a kit of 7 boxes with 48 tubes in each box totalling 336 tubes.

We are growing for 4 different Landholders who are all situated in northern Victoria. All seedlings grown are locally indigenous to the area they will be planted and will be part of a long- term revegetation project.

TREE PROJECT aims to only grow locally indigenous species as these are genetically adapted to the climate and geology of the area, will not become weeds, and provide food and shelter for local wildlife.

Last year we grew very healthy and happy seedlings for the Upper Murray Landcare Group and they were for fire recovery. We had to hold on



to the seedlings for an extra couple of months due to lockdowns and we were unable to help plant them out for the same reason.

Some species this season are doing extremely well and have already been transplanted, especially the Eucalyptus species.

It is exciting to see the first sign of growth when it appears in the tubes but there is also some concern when nothing appears after several weeks!!

Some varieties can take up to 8 - 14 weeks to germinate. Some species don't germinate at all, which is disappointing to the growers, but it is usually because of poor seed. It is interesting to see how the seedling's change as they develop.

When the seedlings have grown to a height of 3 inches they are transplanted so there is one seedling per tube. The grasses will only be divided if there are empty tubes in the box. Amphibromus nervosus – commonly called Veined Swamp Wallaby grass, grew to 30cm tall in 6 weeks and has been trimmed back to 10cm for easier management.

Seedlings are watered twice a day until transplanted and then only once per day or every second day. They are placed out in the elements to harden up prior to planting in the autumn.

We are also coordinators for TreeProject this year which means we have a total of 10 growers, all in northern Victoria. At the end of each month we have to submit a rough estimate of the numbers of seedling's in each box that each grower has.

We are hoping for another successful growing season with healthy and happy seedlings to pass on to our Landholders.

WALWA JINGELLIC LIONS AUSTRALIA DAY RECOGNITION

Once again we celebrated Australia Day with a Breakfast at the Walwa Hall Lawn area due to Covid 19 restrictions.

On this occasion PDG Omeni Ndlovu visited to present our Club with a Community award from 201 V6 for the Black Summer Bush fires of a Glass embossed memento. Our Club wishes to thank all those Lions who helped and provided food for Blazeaid, Lions International for the Tank and Water, Leo Club of Cohuna for the wonderful gifts

for the Walwa School children, Wodonga Lions for the Beautiful Quilts which were distributed to our District Children, 201V6 for the donation for a Family, Wodonga Food share which was incredible.

Due to the Covid 19 Pandemic it has brought on a lot of isolation but our community is truly thankful for all the assistance we have received and now with all the regrowth and a green summer we look forward to the future.



DG VISITS COBRAM

Cobram Lions Club had the pleasure to host the District Governor and Zone chairman last night at their meeting. Stephen presented the club with his bannerette.







And presented Janet Austin a 30 membership vear milestone chevron award.

LIONS DAY OUT

Echuca Lions Club mixed excursion to Rochester Lions Museum & Colbinabin Silo Art.



HAYMES PAINTING THE TOWN

Official opening of the Haymes Paint Store In

As our Benalla Lions Club was Lucky enough to have a Haymes Paint Store in our Community, our Club was able to take up the offer made by our Lions Global Action Team & Global Service Team

Bridge Street Benalla on 17th February 2022

National Coordinator PDG John Muller OAM.

OF BENALLA

YOUTH OF YEAR THE AT COBRAM

Cobram Lions club held the club level of the National Youth Of the Year Program recently -What a fantastic evening of Public Speaking.

Congratulations to all 3 student who entered. Grace Hall, Rory Brooker and Isaac Crawford.

It was wonderful to see the local Secondary schools represented.

Congratulations to Rory Brooker who was the overall winner Rory will represent Cobram Lions at the Zone final on March 4th. Rory attends the Cobram Anglican Grammar School.

Congratulations to Isaac Crawford who was the Public Speaking winner. Isaac attends the Cobram Secondary College.

Grace Hall attends St Mary of the Angels.

All 3 students were brilliant. Thank you to our Judges, Brianna Tedesco, Christine Osborne, and Clancy Tucker they certainly had a hard job to Decide on the winners. All three students gave outstanding speeches.









For the opening we were requested to provide "Bacon & Egg Rolls" for the customers and also give them a bottle of water or a can of soft drink, which they received free of charge, and 60 egg & bacon rolls were handed out. It was a great morning which started at 7.00 am and finished at 11.00 am, and the owner Terry Mack was very happy with the result.

The happy workers in the photo are from left to Chris Vaughan, Garry Clues, Lock right, David Lowing, Lidgerwood, Denise Brown, Margaret & Peter Poels. The Photo was taken by Sandra lacobucci who owns a Coffee Van and she provided free fantastic coffees (any type) and donuts for the customers, and the Lions Club workers, these were greatly received.

This was a great morning for our Benalla lions Club and the Haymes Paint Store owner and his staff.

LIONS & ROTARY GO FOR A ROLL...



Benalla Lions Clubs annual "bowls night" against the Rotary Club.

On the 17th February 2022, we again played bowls against the Benalla Rotary Club, at the Moira Bowls Club. This was the ninth year that this game has taken place, and unfortunately Lions lost this year making

it five to four in Rotaries favour. The Moira Bowls Club, provide us with barbequed sausages and burgers together with salads, which is then followed up with a bowl of sweets, this is enjoyed by the players as well as the members that are unable to play.

This is a special night for both of our Clubs, and is played in a great sporting spirit, of course we let them know that when we obtain some more Member's we may be harder to beat. In the photo is the Rotary Club President Janise Crothers and our Benalla Lions Club President Denise Brown, with the plaque made for this Bowls competition.

Our Benalla Lions Club together with the Rotary Club jointly run the Benalla Farmers and Craft Market every Month, so we have a good working relationship.

LIONS GO OUT FOR BREAKFAST

During her time as our first Benalla Lions Club Lady President, Lion Maddie Roff suggested that when we have a fifth Thursday in a month, that we have a "social get-together" on that day (or at the end of that week).

Although the Covid Pademic has not allowed us to do this every time when that occasion has arisen. However, we have had 2 of those occasions when we have had a "Saturday Morning Breakfast" at the restaurant of our Benalla Art Centre in the Benalla Botannical Gardents.

The photo show some of our club members and their wives, having breakfast on the "deck" of the Benalla Arts Centre restaurant, overlooking the lake and as you can see from the "happy faces" we are in no hurry to leave this fantastic area.

We thank Lion Maddie for the great idea of hers and we look forward to our next "get together" where ever it may be.







GUNBOWER COOK UP A STORM

Gunbower lions club on Thursday 24th February catered for the Massive Murray Paddle.

This is an annual event for our club, but for the first time we were overwhelmed with the generosity of the support crews, who donated monies to our club which totalled over \$200.00.

BEECHWORTH LIONS

Lions Awareness Day - Beechworth Lions Club will hold a Sausage Sizzle in March (a date to be fixed) outside Bendigo Bank for Lions Awareness Month and will be supported by Beechworth Bendigo Bank staff.

Beechworth Indian Langar - Lions Asra and Lion Shabbir again is inviting the community and visitors to the free Community Buffet on Sunday 13th March for the Indian Langar. Thank you Lions Asra and Shabbir.

The Gang Plate Layers Cottage - Beechworth Lions Club held a working bee on 29th January, was able to complete before the first showers, and had the trailers emptied at the Transfer station in 15mins.

Thank you Lions John, Lyn, Andrew, Sven, Ian and Beechworth Boomerang Bag member Howard Morton for all your hard work.

Indigo Shire Council awarded grants to 5 organisations across the shire which will see a range of initiatives that will reduce energy costs to community facilities and work towards a zero emissions future. Included was Beechworth Lions Club with a grant of \$3937 to install a 3.3kw solar system and inverter at the Gang Plate Layers Cottage

IGA Sausage Sizzle - Things seem to be getting back to a little normality when Beechworth Lions Club Members Sven, Iris, Asra and Shabbir held their monthly Sausage Sizzle on the morning of the 19th February outside IGA.

Zone 9 Meeting – 30th January – 10am -Membership Forum. President John chaired as Zone Chairman and Secretary Iris attended. A lot of great ideas come out of this Zone 9 meeting to encourage new membership.

Golden Horseshoe Easter egg Hunt - Beechworth Lions agree to run 2022 Golden Horseshoe Easter Egg Hunt. Further details to come

Catering for 2022 - We have received two inquiries for catering from car clubs – Dodge Car Club and Chrysler Car Club. Catering Officer Lion Christine has sent quotes. Awaiting reply.



Y A R R A W O N G A HAPPENINGS...

President Joan and District Treasurer Ollie Tufvesson attended a ceremony at Yarrawonga Sacred Heart where they presented the school with a cheque for their end of year ceremony. School Spirt Awards were presented to students in each year level with Hayley Webster the recipient of the Year 11 award pictured.





On the 9th December our Club had the privilege to have been invited to participate in a fantastic community event. Bunnings Yarrawonga hosted a Christmas Night Market to celebrate Christmas where they provided free fun and craft for kids and adults. With an abundance of popcorn, fairy floss, snow cones and the Bunnings famous sausage sizzle everyone had an plenty to eat. There were pedal carts, camels, basketball dunk, temporary tattoos, and plenty of stalls to keep everyone entertained. There were elves dancing and of course everyone's favourite Santa who arrived on the traditional red fire truck giving out gifts to the children. Once again Bunnings was generous donating any left overs to our Club.



Lion Ollie, Jock, Deb, Jo from Bunnings Lions Laurie and Nora

Bunnings donated an amazing raffle prize to the club, so we made the most of every opportunity to sell tickets, which proved to be a fantastic fund raiser. We also made the most of the evening by setting up a Cake, Turban, Fruit Fly, Buddy Bench and Membership tables.



Well done Jo and her fabulous Bunnings crew for all their efforts, Christmas cheer, help and assistance was given to anyone and everyone who attended this amazing evening.

On Sunday the 12th December members, partners and guests

celebrated Christmas t in our Clubrooms. Members contributed to the amazing meal, and we even had a visit from Santa checking if we had been naughty or nice. We played a game of Christmas Trivia, did a Kris Kringle, talked, and laughed a lot. We had the privilege of having our Life Member Bill Monahan present who was presented with our new bannerette. Bill has been a Lion for over 55 years, and it was lovely to have him attend. At the end of the night everyone pitched in to turn our clubrooms to be ready for our next event.



President Joan presenting Life Member Bill with our new bannerette



Lions Jock, Denis, Gus and Arch with supporting Turban Angle Gerda.

Raffle 1st prize, 2nd \$100 Bunnings Voucher, 3rd \$50 Bunnings Voucher

Lion Deb (naughty or nice?) and Santa Arch



Lion Russell and Lions Lady Fay, Lion Gus and Lions Lady Peg

Our Christmas cakes were slow to arrive, but Lion Denis worked tirelessly to ensure stock was placed in local outlets, arranged sales at Bunnings and at our monthly market. A huge job well done under difficult circumstances.

Our weekly KHub BBQ have continued and this month we have had the assistance of the local Guides. We have also managed to help with 2 Bunnings BBQ, so members have been very busy and involved in many areas.

The annual Pay it Forward Christmas appeal was again run by Yarrawonga Health and once again we offered the use of our Clubrooms to collect, collate and distribute the food hampers, presents, vouchers, and financial donations to 100 residents in Yarrawonga and surrounds,



Lions Joan and John Ellis assisting staff from Yarrawonga Health

So, over all a very busy month so we will see what 2022 will bring. We wish you all a very Happy New Year, keep safe and continue to serve.

The annual 3 day Tennis Tournament was the first catering job for Yarrawonga Lions. What a wonderful event, with pristine courts, professional organisation, and happy and friendly competitors. A job we all enjoy being involved with.



At a recent meeting we handed over a cheque in the sum of \$2,000 being the proceeds of our annual wool show last November, This year the cheque was presented to Secretary Leon Porter and Treasurer Ro Cilla from Yarrawonga Friends



in Common. Yarrawonga Friends In Common, is a locally based charity supporting cancer patients within the Yarrawonga Mulwala district communities. Key members of the Wool Show Committee Andrew Toms, John Ellis and Rob Glover who organise this event during the year were there to make the presentation. The wool show is our Inaugural Project being run annually since the club was chartered in 1964. Local wool growers have been donating fleeces every year no matter what circumstances are in play.



The newly formed Lake Mulwala

Lions Club also visited us to entrust us with their Lioness Club banner. The Lioness organisation was wound

up last year and our ladies from the Lioness Club formed the new Lake Mulwala Lions Club to enable them to continue to serve the community. This banner will now hang in our clubrooms next to their Charter.

A special visitor to our clubrooms was local photographer extortioner Les Garbett. Last year we were fortunate that Les gave us permission to use one of his photos new on our bannerette. We took the opportunity to present one to him to hang on his wall.







Congratulations to our Tufvesson on 25 years of Service. Presenting his monarch was his Club sponsor Max Austin. A trip down lane memory commemorating Ollie's service to

this Community. An extremely rare 55 year Monarch was also awarded to our Life Member Bill Monahan who was unable to attend. Congratulations to both very worthy gentleman.

What an honour for President Joan inducting 2 new members into our club and acknowledging Debbie's recruitment ability. George Plumb and Di Richardson were the 11th and 12th members Deb had introduced to our club. WELCOME George and Di you will be a huge asset to Yarrawonga Lions.



TUNGAMAH LIONS NOTES

Tungamah Lions continue to work hard at doing the things they do best, and that's helping their community. We can often be seen working at Bunnings in Yarrawonga, and this money raised finds its way to people in need and also to community projects.

We recently made the decision to donate \$200 to the Lions Clubs International Foundation to assist the people of Tonga in their adversity. At the same time, we decided to donate \$200 to the Australian Lions Foundation for flood relief in Queensland, plus \$100 to the V6 Foundation to help those displaced from their homes in Bundalong.

We have had a couple of Bunnings Sausage Sizzle, one which raised a lot of money and one

ons on a hot sultry day which didn't raise a lot. It is Ollie most gratifying to see the members volunteer, n 25 sometimes with little warning. Well done Lions.

> Plans are now under way to run our Lap the Map event. This will take place at the St James Golf Course. If you wish to belt a few golf balls around, keep your score and we can measure the distance walked to go to the national effort of walking around Australia. Entry is by donation and there will be a raffle. Proceeds go to Diabetes Awareness, a very important Lions project across the globe. Green fees must be paid by those who are not members of the St James Golf Club. (Only 5 bucks!) Caddies can be hired by a donation to the cause. Maybe a stroll around the course is more your style. Date is Wednesday, 23rd March.

> Our Convention for the District was cancelled due to doubts regarding Covid, which was a real shame. Several members were heading to the Convention at Wangaratta.

> Hopefully we are now well under way to some normality. We had a visit from the District Governor this week, and inducted a new member, Mark O'Rafferty. Welcome Mark to the club. Les Harrison also received a 30 year monarch award to recognize his 30 years in Lions.

That's it for the month of February. ROARER.



TUNGAMAH LEO CLUB

Tungamah Leos recently met, and were thrilled to see the Dickens boys, Ty and Nate come along for the night. Seems like there is a lot of fun coming up, with a Colours and Water Fun day coming up early April. There will also be a car wash in the short term, with a new refreshment this year, Milk Shakes!!!

The most important event will be the fountain in the creek, which the Leos have been raising money for. We have the quotes for a solar pump, and the Lions Club is applying for a grant to boost the funds. This will brighten up the creek.

Sadly, the Carp Muster has been pushed back due to the black water in the creek. This killed several fish, including a couple of large yellow bellies.

We are always on the lookout for new members as several of the older ones have moved away to uni and work. We welcome anyone of 11 as a cub and 12 and over as members. Leos learn the skills of leadership and helping their own community as well as others. We intend running an information night soon for prospective new members.

We did host the District Leo of the Year, won by Fifi White from Cohuna. Thanks to Victor Smith, Robyn Harrison and John Tyrrell for being the judges, Les Harrison for being MC. Jo Ford made some great sandwiches, while Caz Barry cooked up the hot food. Thanks also to the Cohuna adults for the help in the kitchen.

That's it for the month. See you in March on the 22nd.

LITTLE ROARER.



YOUTH OF THE YEAR AT EAST LODDON

This year our Youth of the Year was a little different to normal. A much smaller crowd, and only 2 students, but our judged still had their work cut out for them.

Congratulations to both students for participating and well done to Brodie for being our overall winner.



CALL FOR VOLUNTEER DERMOSCOPISTS

Lions V Districts Cancer Foundation is making a call for interested people to undertake training as Dermoscopists.

The Course, delivered by Health Cert International, is a fully online training course collectively known as Certificate 3, Dermoscopy.

For more information, go to the website...

https://lionsvdcf.org.au/dermoscopists/

POSITION VACANT FOR 2022-2023

District Chairperson

Lions V Districts Cancer Foundation Skin Check and Aw.areness Unit

ROLE DESCRIPTION

Attend Cabinet Meetings (where required) and provide a report prior to Cabinet Meetings according to cabinet expectations.

Develop a broad understanding of the running of the Lions V Districts Mobile Skin Check and Awareness Unit.

Promote the amazing Lions Project to Lions Clubs and make yourself available for visitations to clubs.

Provide information to cabinet, clubs and, indeed, individuals:

- The role of Dermoscopists and how to volunteer to become a Dermoscopist
- How to volunteer as Unit Driver and the role they undertake
- How to apply for an expression of interest to host a Skin Check and Awareness Unit visit
- Details relating to contacting the Foundation:
 - ⇒ Web site and related web forms: https://lionsvdcf.org.au/
 - \Rightarrow Email: viclionscf@gmail.com

Encourage Clubs within your District to be involved in the project:

- Participate in visits within the area by booking an appointment
- Contribute financially as a club and as individuals
- Consider volunteering as a driver or a Dermoscopist
- Distribution of promotional material

Provide a display at the District Convention.

Be available, where possible, to assist with administration on the day of hosting when the Mobile Unit is in your District. This will help to reduce the workload for the Professional Dermoscopists and Administration Team, and in turn enable a connectiveness to the project

For more information or express your interest, please contact:

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POSITION VACANT FOR 2022-2023

District Child Safe Officer

The District Child Safe Officer is responsible for ensuring the District Cabinet and Clubs are aware of, and following, the MD Child Safe Policy and the relevant State legislation. Your duties shall include:

Informing themselves to increase their understanding and awareness of Child safety.

Ensuring members of Cabinet have an understanding of Lions Australia Child Safe Policy.

Keeping up-to-date with any changes to the requirements of the "Working with Children Checks" system.

Keeping Cabinet Officers informed of any relevant State legislative requirements for our organisation in relation to Child Safety practices and policies

Providing advice and assistance to Club Child Safe Officers within the District

Liaising with the MD Child Safe Officer

Ensuring all Cabinet Officers hold a valid WWCC or at least those Cabinet Officers who have responsibilities for any District Youth Projects

Maintaining a register of all District Officers with valid Working with Children Check or its state or territory equivalent. This register will allow the CSO to remind members of any expiry date.

Maintain a record of all cabinet officers who do not have a current Working with Children Check or its state or territory equivalent.

Reviewing Child Safe Incident Reports and recommend appropriate responses to the Club President or District Governor and MD Child Safe Officer.

For more information or express your interest, please contact:

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Rex Wellington Memorial Bowls Day Sunday 20th March 2022 Numurkah Bowls Club

• 2 Bowl Triples (any combination)

3 Games of 10 ends

Cost \$45/Team
10am Start/Casual Dress
Lunch Supplied
All proceeds to Lions charities





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DIABETES AWARENESS.

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TUNGAMAH LIONS CLUB IS HOLDING AN AFTERNOON AND EVENING AT ST JAMES GOLF CLUB TO PLAY GOLF OR JUST WALK.

> HIT OFF FROM 5 P.M. WEDNESDAY, 23 MARCH \$5 GREEN FEES:

BBQ AND DRINKS AT BAR PRICES. This Photo by Unknown Author is licensed under CC.BY-ND DIABETES FRIENDLY FOOD ALSO

AVAILABLE.

ENTRY BY DONATION.

INQUIRIES ROBYN HARRISON 0408485682.



This event has been successfully running for over 30+ years. Rex Wellington, a Charter member of our club, was the key organiser of the bowls day. A few years ago we renamed the Lions fundraising event in his honour.

Rex was a wonderful Lion and not only organised the bowls day but was also an organiser of the Lions wool fleeces competition held at the annual Numurkah Agricultural Show. Rex was presented with the MJF at our 2017/18 changeover dinner.

We are greatly supported by the bowlers from across the district who enter the event and sponsorship & raffle prizes from local businesses. There would be a lot of these bowlers who have, year after year, supported the event.

Pictured from our 50 year celebration 2019 dinner: Rex Wellington & PDG Omen who presented Rex with the plaque & jewel recognising his 50 years as a Lion member.





District Convention 2022 Saturday 8th October Sunday 9th October

201 V6

Hosted by the Lions Club of Numurkah

The 44th 201 V6 District Convention at the Numurkah Town Hall, Knox St Numurkah

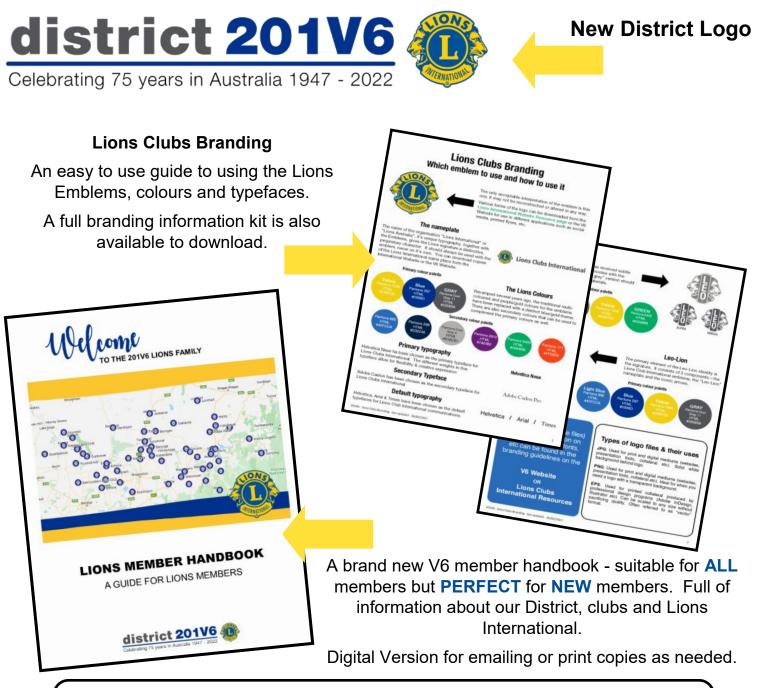
Key note speaker: Sue Dight CEO Mission to Seafarers Victoria Inc.

> Remembrance Ceremony Sunday Morning Convention Chairman Lion Keith Nicoll 0408 646 300

COMING SOON...

A new look District 201V6 - in the coming days these items will be available via email or download from the V6 Website. And more items will become available for members to download and adapt to suit their own clubs including advertising brochures.

Don't know how to do all this? No problem, just contact Jo Guthrie for help and we will be running some training sessions soon (hoping to coordinate with incoming officers information days, online or in smaller groups around the district). Until the training session are up and running - Jo is more than happy to help individuals where possible.



NEW MEMBER ONLY FACEBOOK PAGE - is being developed and will be available soon. Designed for district V6 members only, where we can share relevant information relating to our clubs and district.

NATIONAL HEARING DOG DAY

Tuesday April 19th, 2022

Celebrating 40 years of Hearing Assistance Dogs in Australia



National Hearing Dog Day will be held for the very first time on Tuesday April 19th, 2022. This date marks 40 years since the first Hearing Assistance Dog in Australia was delivered in 1982 by Australian Lions Hearing Dogs. NHDD is a celebration of the way in which a Hearing Assistance Dog enhances the life of a person who is deaf or hard of hearing, and how Lions across Australia have helped us achieve this amazing milestone.

What makes a Hearing Dog special is the life it changes. That's why, we have chosen to celebrate by telling the stories of the people whose lives have been made better, safer, richer, with a Hearing Dog by their side.

How you can get involved as Lions:



Sell shoelaces on behalf of ALHD. To help us build brand awareness and raise funds, we are selling orange shoelaces with paw prints, that come in a branded, recyclable box. Also available are display boxes of 20, which can be purchased to resell at community events, shopping centres, within your Lions Club, or any other activities you see fit.



Share your story. We want to hear your own stories of involvement with ALHD, as a recipient, Lions Club sponsor, a donor yourself, volunteer; share how Hearing Dogs has impacted your life. Post on social media or share directly with us (contacts below!)

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/australianlionshearingdogs

Instagram: aus_lions_hearing_dogs

Always use the hashtag **#NHDD2022**

Shoelaces can be preordered here: https://lionshearingdogs.com.au/shop/nhdd-shoelaces/

Thank you for your support, we look forward to celebrating 40 years of Hearing Dogs made possible thanks to Lions across Australia.



For *consignment and merchandise*, contact: Belinda Henschke, Office Manager info@lionshearingdogs.com.au For *National Hearing Dog Day events, media, or fundraising*, contact: Alix Katala, Development Director alix@lionshearingdogs.com.au

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DISTRICT WEBSITE - www.201v6.lions.org.au

PROMOTING CLUBS THROUGH THE DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

Do you have an UPCOMING EVENT? Have you had an event you'd like to tell us about?

Best place to promote it is through the Roar!

Cut off date is the 28th of each month (items arriving after that date may not make it in but will be held over till the next one.

Please send articles in a Word file (not a PDF)

EMAIL - v6roar@gmail.com