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**BRIAN E. SHEEHAN**

**INTERNATIONAL  
PRESIDENT**

## Together we Can

President Sheehan is the founder and CEO of Rural Computer Consultants, a software development company.

A member of the Bird Island Lions Club since 1991, he has held many offices within the association, including council chairperson, long range planning chairperson, membership chairperson, retention chairperson, women's initiative chairperson, MD convention chairperson, GMT Liaison and GLT area leader. He has also served as the chairperson of the Headquarter Operation & Finance Committee, Lions University coordinator, DGE group leader, and board appointee to several committees including Constitutions and Bylaws, LCIF Executive, LCI Executive, USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum and the Centennial Action committees. He has been a presenter at numerous Lions events, including many of the Global Forums.

In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards.

In addition to his Lions activities, President Sheehan is active in numerous professional and community organizations. He has served as president of Bird Island Civic and Commerce, director of the Learning Funhouse and as a member of various school committees. He also received the 2011 U.S. SBA Minnesota Small Business Person of the Year Award.



President Sheehan and his wife, Lori, also a Lion and Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, have two sons and two daughters. And in their spare time, they have enjoyed raising many types of exotic animals.  
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# INTRODUCING...



## District Governor Neil Stuart

Neil is married to Pauline (and she has put up with him for the last 41 years!) they have two grown up children and 4 granddaughters. They have lived in Numurkah for the last 28 years. Their daughter, Amanda, is also a Lions Member and Pauline is the president of the Numurkah Lions Ladies.

Neil likes a game of cricket, but has swapped his bat for some bowls. He is also a Saints supporter (but we won't hold that against him)



### District Goals

We want positive membership growth, a greater increase in club service reporting, increased participation in club officer and zone chairpersons training, and a greater commitment from clubs and individuals in supporting LCIF.

I want our district to celebrate success and we will have success with your support. At the same time let's have fun, great fellowship, and harmony.

Neil joined the Lions club of Numurkah in 2013, he served on the board of directors, been club President & Zone Chairperson. He is also a guiding Lion.



*Making it Happen*

is Neil's motto this year

**ATTENTION ALL DISTRICT CLUBS**

If you are making any reimbursements to ALCCRF please remember they must be deposited by electronic means – NO CHEQUES.

EFT payments can be made using OSKO or the following bank details:

NAB BSB 085397

Account 942947951 *Please include details of your payment.*

Emails regarding EFT payments should be emailed to the treasurer: [alccrf.treasurer@lions.org.au](mailto:alccrf.treasurer@lions.org.au)

Only 13 clubs to date have made donations to ALCCRF this Lions year. (Included are 4 clubs in Region 2 that made donations through the Observation Car Run fundraiser)

**Treasurer Help Desk**

Good to see everyone at the recent training days, I think we all learned something, I especially learned what great projects Clubs are involved in and how resourceful Club Treasurers are. I see the training as a continuous process and I believe there are manuals available for every Club and that they will be distributed, if anyone wants a copy of the treasurers one, I am happy to email it.

If you still have a Treasurer related enquiry?

Your answer is just a phone call away...



**‘Every time you tear off a calendar, you present a new place for new ideas and progress.’**

Australian Lions Hearing Dogs (ALHD) has just launched our 2023 Calendar! The calendar, like all before, features adorable ‘shoots of our pooch’-es this year. All our dogs in training are hard at work, preparing for the day when they can get out there and do what they do best: support and change the lives of people who are deaf and hard of hearing!

Our pooches have worked hard and deserve the respect and recognition of our popular calendar. Happy and poised on the 2023 calendar cover is our beloved Bear, a Pomeranian mix who's a part of the rescue program. He was adopted from Yorke Peninsula Puppy Rescue and joined our team in February 2022. Under Cadet Hearing Dog Trainer Carly's tutelage, Bear has taken all lessons in his stride and mastered almost all his training where he now is on the final and most important step – what to do when the smoke alarm goes off. ALHD believes Bear will graduate with flying colours as he is a highly-focused and motivated dog, one who rarely takes his eyes off his trainer, and will do almost anything for a treat! With how well things are going, Bear has been scheduled to meet his client in September 2022! If you're keen to see more adorable faces on your wall, or interested in supporting ALHD, check out the array of merchandise on our website shop on [www.lionshearingdogs.com.au/shop](http://www.lionshearingdogs.com.au/shop)

## LEANNE JOHNSON SPEAKS TO MENTAL HEALTH THURGOONA LIONS ABOUT AWARENESS IN COBRAM “CAREVAN”

Recently the Lions Club of Thurgoona and District was pleased to invite Leanne Johnson from the Border Region Carevan Group as a guest and after dinner speaker. Carevan’s immediate aim is to feed and keep warm more than 500 Border families throughout this winter. They are not government funded so rely entirely on community donations of non-perishable food items, blankets, socks and gloves, or to receive cash donations.

Leanne said, “There are a lot of people in our community who are displaced or homeless or are really struggling to make ends meet. Every single donated item counts and makes a difference to the lives of others.”

“Winter is the most difficult time as many cannot stay warm at night and have nothing or very little to eat. We aim to assist all people from the elderly to the young family with small children”, said Leanne.

President of the Thurgoona Lions, Alan Brink said, “Leanne’s talk was rather disturbing to know that a lot of people in our Border community are seriously suffering through this winter. Leanne has graphically informed us of the situation for many of those less well off than us. I am sure that my Lions Club can support the Carevan people in some way at our end of year financial disbursement time”.

Alan thanked Leanne for her excellent presentation and presented her with a small gift pack in appreciation.



Cobram Lions Club members had a wonderful day today, cooking lunch for all the Cobram And Yarrawonga Year 8 students and teachers while they attended the Mental health awareness program organised by the Moira Shire.

Thank you to the Yarrawonga Lions who came along to help. It was a pleasure to do this for the students and the Moira Shire



## WINTER ARTS FESTIVAL JOINS COBRAM MARKET

Cobram Lions held a successful market on Saturday 25th June, despite some of the stall holders cancelling with health issues. A wonderful, relaxing morning was had by all, The sun was out and everyone seemed happy to shop and chat to others around the park.

With an added extra it was a wonderful idea to add the Moira Shire Mid winter art festival to the market line up. They combined with the Lions and ran



their program along side the market. An open art gallery with paintings from all local artists.

Thank you to the Moira Shire for sharing the park on Saturday. Picture attached are just some of the activities in the Middle of the market on Saturday morning

Adults and children all having a go at ceramics, and on the dance floor. The DJ did a wonderful jobs providing music, even taking requests for songs. It was a pleasure to be involved with the Winter Art Festival.



## BEECHWORTH LIONS UPDATE

## ANNUAL CHANGEOVER AT BEECHWORTH -

This was hosted by Kiewa/Tangambalanga Lions Club at The German, Austrian, and Australian Club in Wodonga on 18th June 2022. Lions President John, Secretary Iris and Lion Sven, Lions Lesley and Graeme Smart and Lion Ian Redfern attended on behalf of Beechworth Lions Club and were installed into their Executive positions on the night. It was a great night enjoyed by all.



*Lions Graeme Smart, Lesley Smart and Zone Chairman and Beechworth President John Eldrid*

**MEMBERSHIP CHALLENGES** - Beechworth Lions Club has been working hard with recruitment programs. I wanted to start a conversation re: Lions Clubs in our community. So this is what I asked on our Beechworth Community Page:

*"We have falling numbers across all Service Clubs. Lions Club Zones are meeting to discuss this. I keep hearing that the younger generation (below 55) no longer volunteer, or care to volunteer. I don't believe this. So I am asking the question, would you join Lions or such? If not why not. What can we do to encourage you to come along and see what Beechworth Lions Club is about, if not why not? Would you be willing to come along to a Lions Dinner and see about we are about? We are not all about the IGA sausage Sizzle, this is just the means to raise funds to help financially those out in the community such as CFA, Scouts, Lions Cancer van, local Landcare etc. We are out there in the community helping where ever we can, such as fire, floods, the sick, the schools etc.*

*By knowing the whys and the how's maybe we can then fixed what is wrong and increase our numbers. Iris Mannik (an aged Lions Club Member)."*

Replies made interesting reading.



**JUNIOR PUBLIC SPEAKING** - Beechworth Lions Club was able to conduct for our second year three school entries into the Lions Junior Public Speaking. The school level competition was held on 16th, 17th and 20th June and Club Level will be held on 24th July.



*Beechworth Primary School*



*Beechworth Montessori*



*St Joseph's Primary School*

**THE BEECHWORTH PRIDE NEWSLETTER** - Lion Christine continues to producing and distributing a monthly newsletter and upcoming events to keep Beechworth Lions in the loop

**THE GANG PLATE LAYER COTTAGE** - Works is progressing on the cottage, all be it slowly. Rob Holden, of Rob Holden Landscapes donated a trailer load of pavers which would have gone to

landfill. Thank you Rob, these will go a long way to paving the back section of the yard to make it more user friendly. Thank you Garry, Sven, Iris and Christine for stacking them on the pallet until the landscaping begins.



## **ASSISTANCE FOR YOUNG BENALLA FAMILY**

The Benalla Ensign Newspaper "put out" a request to support a young family who needed help urgently. One of the "All Blacks" football club players suffered a serious injury while playing for his Club, the player Kaare Glass went for a contested mark and took a "hit", and because of that incident lost four litres of blood into his stomach. Luckily one of the Trainers was a Nurse and could see how serious it was, so he was rushed to the Wangaratta Hospital, where he spent the next three months with serious injuries, and since then has been unable to work. While Kaare was in ICU his partner Courtney gave birth to their first baby daughter Frankie, who sadly spent the first "few months" of her life in the Royal Melbourne Children's Hospital in Melbourne.

Little Frankie has been diagnosed with spastic quadriplegic cerebral palsy, cortical visual impairment, epilepsy, dystonia and hypoxic ischemic encephalopathy. On the top of vision, speech, occupational therapy and dietician appointments, Frankie needs to travel three hours per week to physiotherapy, she has already had two operations to address breathing and eating issues. In order to assist Kaare and his partner Courtney with some of their mounting expenses, our Benalla Lions Club sent a letter requesting

financial support from our District V6 Foundation. As usual the response from the V6 Foundation was very quick, by forwarding a generous cheque for the family which totalled \$2,500.00, this was greatly received by Courtney on the night of our Benalla Lions Clubs Changeover.

I would like to request that all of our V6 District Lions Clubs, consider our Foundations when they are distributing their "Clubs Disbursements", as they are there when we request their help, however in order to do that they also need our financial support.



Family: Courtney, Frankie and Kaia.



Fighter: Baby Frankie has been in and out of hospital since birth.



Together: Courtney, Frankie and Kaia.

## BENALLA LIONS CATERING FOR THE BRISTOL CAR CLUB

On the 30th March 2022 the Benalla Lions Club catered for the "Bristol Car Club", which took place in the Botanical Gardens where we had the use of the tennis club kitchen facilities. The request from the car club was to provide two meats and three salads, and also to have tea and coffee available for their members. As it was a perfect "Sunny Day" we were able to set up the tables under neath the trees, which created a great atmosphere for our Visitors and our Lions Club Members, of which there were eleven and also three Lions Ladies.



We provided hamburgers and shashlik's which were cooked on our Clubs Barbeque and our Lions ladies provided the salads, which were all gratefully received by our visitors, and after the meal several of them enjoyed a walk through our fantastic Benalla Botanical Gardens. Our Club has already received a request for us to cater for them again next year.



The photo shows Our Club Treasurer Lester Watt who cooked the Shashlik's, making sure that the cooks of the burgers Dan Brown and Chris Vaughan did a good job. Eagerly waiting for his "thumbs up" are President Denise Brown, Lions lady Jackie Bourke, Helen Vaughan and Lion Joan

## NEW DRIVER REVIVER TRUCK

Driver reviver food truck – inside truck are MLA Steph Ryan (left) and Benalla mayor Bernie Hearn)





Brown, and possibly not sure what to expect from her husband, however he regarded them as “cooked perfectly”, in front is Lions Lady Gail Watt. This was a great effort by our Benalla Lions Club Members, and Lions Ladies which was very much appreciated by members of our Visiting “Bristol Car Club Members”.



Article in the Benalla paper about the club & the changeover.



## TUNGAMAH AWARDS ONE OF THEIR OWN

Tungamah Lions Club have held their changeover evening, with a good attendance of 38, covering several clubs, such as Yarrawonga, Lake Mulwala, Benalla, Wangaratta, Katamatite and Moyhu.

PDG Peter Poels was the installation officer for the evening.

MC was PDG Les Harrison and got the session off right on the stroke of 7 o'clock. 'DG Stephen Kazenwadel had the very pleasant duty of inducting a new member into our club, when he

welcomed Lesley Smith into the club. Lesley was a Lioness for some 34 years and was the charter president of the Lake Mulwala Lions Club. She joins our Immediate Past President Victor Smith in our club.

It was a great celebration of Victor's year, as we had some interruptions due to Covid. He and his



predecessor, Neville Barber did a fabulous job in keeping the club rolling along in difficult circumstances. We owe these gentlemen a great debt of gratitude.

Peter had great pride in introducing new president, Michael Barry. Michael and his wife Caz have been in Lions now for 3 years and are wonderful workers for the club. Michael is a quiet gentleman who will make sure jobs are getting done, and we all have a wonderful time and lots of fun.

PDG Les was more than shocked to be awarded a Chris August Award, joining many distinguished Lions in the Club. He is very proud of Lions in





general, especially his own club and Leos everywhere.

A Certificate of Appreciation was also presented to Paul Basse, of the Tungamah Hotel. Without the efforts of Paul, Amanda and the crew, we would not have been able to operate our meetings as often as we did.

I think the thoughts of the outgoing president sum up best who we are, and why we are the best.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT** - Well, it is that time again to change the president and let someone else have all the problems which both Neville and I had to deal with due to Covid. But both of us had a great time and I know Michael will.

First I must thank Lesley for the help she gave me in letting me know where I had to go when I had to be somewhere and to make sure I had all the things I needed. Next thank you to Les and Robyn for looking after the financial matters and the secretarial work, as well as the street trader certificates and paper work to cover the shifts at Bunnings, picking up the drinks, sausages, bread, counting all the income and paying all the bills and making the meetings run smoothly. Thank you to Jimmy for the wonderful job he does with the footy gates. He and Caz make sure everything goes so well and is such a fun time. It's the members who have made the club and thank you for all the time and effort you have put on. It has made me feel great to be president of this Lions Club and when I walk into the club, I am full of pride. I hope you will all do the same thing for Michael in his year so he can have the same sense of pride. Just a few of the things we did this year was the placing of the fruit fly signs with Les and Leonie, the Christmas trees which the men's shed made. These were decorated and put up around the town by Caz and Toni and others. In November, Gary and I helped Laura move some beds and other bits and pieces so she could move out and Heather asked if she could paint the tractor. We had a big raffle for the flood disasters in NSW and Queensland and raised around \$950. We had a great Christmas break up

at the Tennis Club. Heather and Caz managed to arrange our own club rooms and the old Council Offices to use for meetings. This works out very well and was opened by DG Steve Kazenwadel and we have had a couple of great meetings there. Many thanks to Paul and his crew, we just would not have been able to meet very often. Thanks Paul and crew.

We have supported the Leos, who are so energetic. They have so many worthwhile projects happening. Sadly, we have recently lost our cherished member, Gary Stacey. Gary was always there for us and was a well known character. Rest In Peace Stace. Over to you Michael. Hope it's a good one - *Victor Smith* Well, that's it for this month. We'll see you next month.

## NEW LEOS WELCOMED AT TUNGAMAH

Tungamah Leos are up and running strongly, with three new members to be inducted, plus some great activities coming up.

We have advanced with our fountain and have the approval of the Goulburn Murray Broken Catchment Authority as well as the First Peoples Group. All that is needed is one letter and then the approval of the Moira Shire. Then our grant will hopefully be finalized.

On Friday, 8th July, we will be holding a movie evening down in our Lions den. Definitely time for popcorn and drinks through the movie and a chance to do something fun together after all the dramas of the past two years.

We will have our changeover a week later on Friday, the 15th July. This will take place down in the Lions and Leos Den. This will be a dinner meeting. Peter Poels will be the installing officer. Incoming president will be Jack Harrington, secretary Olivia Ford and Treasurer, Ayla Harrington. Vice President will be Joshua Ford and Membership Chairperson is Paige Manson.

The Leos are pretty keen to hold a carp muster on Sunday, 2nd October, although that is only a tentative date. The creek is looking pretty good and has recovered from the disastrous black water event. They are also very keen to take over one of the Lions Bunnings barbecue days and this will be up to the Lions Club. The Leos are taking over everything, so watch out Lions, your positions are in peril!!!!



## TOCUMWAL CHANGEOVER

Tocumwal Lions Club held its annual change over with a Sunday lunch at the Terminus Hotel. Past District Governor Trevor Sutton from Strathmerton Lions Club performed the installation of the new board. Glennis Pohlner to the position of president, Carol Kennedy, secretary, and Lidy Soule the treasurer.

In her report outgoing president Sandra Williams said although it had been a quiet year some fundraising and activities had been achieved. Members have continued with street stalls, mowing the lawn cemetery and skate park, collecting used glasses and postage stamps. The Club was pleased to host the V Districts Skin Cancer Van. Lion Sandra thanked the members and wished them all the best for the coming year.



*Sandra Williams, PDG Trevor Sutton, Glennis Pohlner, Lidy Soule, Carol Kennedy*

## SPEAKING UP IN TOCUMWAL

Tocumwal lions Club held its annual Junior Public Speaking competition recently. Eight students from across years 3/4 and 5/6 from Tocumwal Public School and Tocumwal Sacred Heart School presented their speeches to a 50-strong crowd of parents, teachers, friends and Lions members.

Year 3/4 students presented a 3-minute prepared speech on holiday locations outside of NSW that they'd love to visit, which included Monkey Mia Beach, Uluru, Cairns, and Fraser Island.

Year 5/6 students presented a 4-minute prepared speech on historical figures from the 19th century, which included Vincent Van Gough, Nellie Bligh, and Peter Fintan Lalor. These students also had

10 minutes to write a 1-minute speech on a topic chosen by our judges - whether corellas were damaging or delightful to Tocumwal.

Congratulations to 3/4 winner Lyla Ring and 5/6 winner Layla Harrison who will now go on to represent Tocumwal at the Zone Final of the competition. All students did a wonderful job and we do not envy the judges Leanne Crow and Paul Kelly for having to choose just one winner from each year group.



*Photo: Harvey Boake, Lily Thorburn, Willow Mason, Lyla Ring, Matilda Chappell, Layla Harrison, Lila Haynes, and Sloane Bonat.*

## WANGARATTA PRESIDENT REPORTS ON THEIR LIONS YEAR

The 2022 year has been one of continuing transition, from the days of lockdown, back to full schedules of activity for the Lions Club at club and district level.

Activity in the first half of the year was subdued as the State government persisted with overreaching covid restrictions. Our major projects and revenue earners inclusive of the Swap meet, Christmas Carols, race gates, show gates, O&K gates and road safety school classes were all cancelled or at least affected. Reports from all committees and activities will be provided for review.

The new year saw more activity in terms of catering which has produced net earnings of more than \$19,000. Thanks to the catering Committee the club has been able to maintain financial stability whilst continuing to donate to and support the more needy in our community.



The club received support from the V6 Lions foundation for two members of our community. This has highlighted the need for us to support our foundations and resulted in donations to Lions Club International Foundation and the V6 foundation. We were invited to take on the charity partner role for the Wangaratta marathon, the club has benefited from a donation of more than \$4,000 which at the sponsors request will be channeled to the Christmas Carols event.

The club and Lions across Australia are undoubtedly at a crossroads with declining membership and capacity among remaining members. Our club is a microcosm of the larger challenge. This year for Wangaratta Lions has been one of restoring stability and structure in our club, the next is about regeneration and growth.

Thank you to all who have made contributions throughout the year.

Michael Everard, President.

### FROM THE CHANGEOVER...

The 2022 year has been one of continuing transition, from the days of lockdown, back to full schedules of activity for the Lions Club at club and district level.

I began the year as 1st Vice President and was advanced to president to fill the gap left because of the unfortunate resignation of President Lori Ormond. I'd say a good preseason preparation for the year ahead.

Past Presidents John Walker, Alison Kazenwadel and Lori Ormond all had to content with Covid lockdowns. I have not had to endure the overreach and destruction of such government decisions.

Activity in the first half of the year was subdued, our major projects and revenue earners inclusive of the Swap meet, Christmas Carols, Race gates, Show gates, O&K gates all cancelled, road safety school classes and Party bookings were affected, and of course catering was off the table. Reports from all committees and activities will be provided for review.

**Highlights** - Catering has produced net earnings of more than \$19,000. Thanks to the catering Committee the club has been able to provide us with financial stability whilst continuing to donate to and support the more needy in our community.

Community business breakfasts run in conjunction with Ace Radio and McDonalds have proved very successful.

The club received support from the V6 Lions foundation for two members of our community. We were able to donate in excess of \$7500 to Will Moore for his mobility van. David Dybell and his partner Debra lost their home in a house fire we were able to present them with a cheque for \$5000.

We were invited by North East media to take on the charity partner role for the Wangaratta marathon, the club has benefited from a donation of more than \$4,000 which at the sponsors request will be channeled to the Christmas Carols event. This is an ongoing partnership.

We were able to send 6 children to Licola Camp.

Lions Mints and mini cakes provided a margin more than \$2000 thanks to the work of Lion Alan Benton.

Christmas cakes sold out thanks to the efforts of Lion Paul Tucker.

Spectacle collection continued by Ken Camberlain , Thanks Ken.

Road Safety school held a significant number of classes late in the year, parties resumed with solid bookings. The facility has been run in the black for the year for the first time, congratulations to the committee on achieving that. Special thanks to Keith Fleet and Tom Little for their work throughout the year maintaining the grounds.

The club was able to make donations of over \$20k to various causes and remain is a strong fiscal position for the year ahead.

Thank you to all who have made contributions in all shapes and forms throughout the year.

Special thanks to John Walker & Bill Michalowski who have remained steadfast and passed on their positions in very good order.

A special mention to Jennefer Houghton for her support for the catering committee.



Robyn & Warren Coles, Cathy & Craig Gibbs

# WANGARATTA CHANGEOVER



ZC Alison presenting Mick with the gong & gavel (with DG Stephen Kazenwadel, Chairman Doug Kneen and Geoff Turnbull in background)



Geoff Turnbull & Victor Smith (Tungamah- incoming ZC 6)



Mick Everard being presented with the travelling travel gavel by Craig Gibbs ( President Glenrowan/Warby Ranges)



2 Chris August awards presented on the night– Lion Bill Michalowski, and Lions Lady Isabel Dunstan OAM – for outstanding contribution to the Lions club of Wangaratta, and community – pictured with Lions Lady Lucy Michalowski, and Lion Ray Dunstan



Mick Everard, and PDG Peter Poels ( checking out the



board members 2022/23, DG Stephen Kazenwadel, John Houghton, Graham Whitehead, Paul Tucker, Mick Everard (Pres), Doug Kneen, Geoff Turnbull, Neil Ware (some members were absent



Max Baker (Moyhu) & Neil Ware



a couple of strangers !!!



## YARRAWONGA LIONS CLUB

Winter is upon us and our normal BBQs and continuing which are a testament to our members. We all rug up and put on a brave face but realistically we would probably rather be at home in the warm. These regular events have once again enabled our club to make amazing disbursements to Lions Organisations and to Community Groups.

Our involvement with the local schools has increased with a request for more buddy benches which will hopefully be an inside job. These are proving very popular with the kids and teachers. We also catered for Sacred Heart Day where we cooked 700 sausages, guessing that may be a record for us.

Our Flagship Project "Free Chemotherapy Turban Project" celebrated its 7th birthday with the angels dining out for lunch. At the time of writing, they have distributed 52,412 free pieces of headwear. Well done Angels.

It is with great sadness that we lost one of our long-time members. Lion Les Maddigan passed away on the 17th June, he had been a member for 32 years. Although he was not an active member in the past few years Les was always keen for a chat and a catch up on what was going on in the Club. He will be sadly missed by members of the Club and the Community.



At our last meeting for this year, we had guests from the McRae Lions Club. Nina and Colin Blythe are on their annual visit to the area. Nina is the Victorian State Lions Mints Chairperson, and she gave us an update on both cakes and mints.

President Joan, Vic Cake  
Chairperson Nina Blyth,,  
Yarrowonga Cake Chairperson  
Denis Griffiths



We have taken on a new project – Recycle your X Rays. As part of the Lions Club's commitment to servicing the community in environmental related projects, we now provide a collection and recycling service for X rays for the local community. Thankyou to one of our newest Members Di for implementation of this project.

**YARRAWONGA LIONS CLUB**

### Recycle your X rays

Do you have X rays you no longer want but don't want to send them to landfill?

As part of the Lions Club's commitment to servicing the community in environmental related projects, the Yarrowonga Lions Club now provides a collection and recycling service for X rays for the local community.

Just drop off your old X rays at the Lions Clubrooms (Wool Pavilion at the Showgrounds) on **Tuesday mornings** or at the Yarrowonga Lions stand at KHub on **Saturday mornings**. Your X rays will be delivered to Ecocycle\* for recycling. Their environmentally friendly silver recovery process helps to protect our waterways and environment.

Please contact [yarrowonga.lions@gmail.com](mailto:yarrowonga.lions@gmail.com) if you have any queries.

\* Ecocycle certify that all materials are recycled in accordance with EPA guidelines.

## CITIZEN AWARDED TOP HONOUR IN PYRAMID HILL



Citizen of the Year award went to Robyn Spowart, wife of Lion Phil Spowart, for all her hard work with the youth in the community.

## MEN IN THE BUSH IN EAST LODDON

In conjunction with the local Bush Nurse in Dingee, the Lions held a men's health info day with a BBQ lunch and Warren Davies (the unbreakable farmer) as the guest speaker.



## GUNBOWER LIONS - UPGRADE TO THE CREEK AREA





## JUNIOR PUBLIC SPEAKING

I have received 32 Club Registration Forms this year in the District Junior Public Speaking program. This is an encouraging result with more Clubs giving the young people in their communities the opportunity to gain their confidence to speak to an audience other than their peers.

With the Junior Public Speaking school competition completed and the Club competitions to be held by the end of July, the Regional Finals to be conducted in the first 2 weeks of August and the District Final is being held on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> August 2022, in the Girgarrie Memorial Hall.

Students are requested to be at the hall at 12.30pm for commencement at 1.00pm and as the students are representing their school it is requested that they wear their school uniforms.

Unfortunately, there are not any shops in Girgarrie, so the closest food outlets are in either Kyabram or Stanhope.

*Margaret Poels*  
District V6 Junior Public Speaking Chairperson

## GLOSSOPHOBIA

The fear of public speaking is the most common phobia ahead of death, spiders, or heights. The National Institute of Mental Health reports that public speaking anxiety, or glossophobia, affects about 73% of the population. The other 27% are just lying. *OR perhaps they have been part of our wonderful Junior Public Speaking Program and/or Youth of the Year!* It is an essential skill for every successful leader. Lion leaders should practice their public speaking skill often in order to improve gradually and become experienced and effective communicators.

**MANAGE SPEAKING ANXIETY**

**SPEAKING UP WITHOUT FREAKING OUT**  
by MATT ABRAHAMS  
MATT@BALPECHO.COM

**! BIG BALANCED STILL**

**1 GREET ANXIETY**  
• ACCEPT YOUR NERVOUS FEELINGS  
• DO SOME PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

**2 SHARE THE FOCUS**  
• BECOME A FACILITATOR  
• GIVE THE GROUP AN ACTIVITY

**3 PLAN FOR CONTINGENCIES**  
• THINK ABOUT THINGS THAT MAKE YOU MOST NERVOUS  
↑  
• COME UP WITH THE PLAN

**4 BE PRESENT ORIENTED**  
• YOU ARE WORRYING ABOUT FUTURE CONSEQUENCES  
• BE IN THE PRESENT  
↑  
• DO SOME PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

**VOCAL STAMINA**  
• USE EMOTIVE WORDS  
• READ OUTLOUD  
• GAZE AHEAD  
• STAND

**EYE CONTACT**  
• LOOK DOWN WHEN YOU THINK, LOOK UP  
• SPREAD IT  
• MOVE (PHYSICALLY) FROM ONE THOUGHT TO THE NEXT  
TALK THEN MOVE

**START WITH ACTION**

**UNDERSTAND YOUR AUDIENCE & THEIR NEEDS!**  
WHAT DO YOU WANT THEM TO:  
KNOW  
FEEL  
DO

**4. ATTENTION**  
**2. INTEREST** (WHY SHOULD THEY LISTEN)  
**3. CREDIBILITY**  
**4. EXPECTATIONS**

**STRUCTURE**

WHAT ↓ SO WHAT (WHY IMPORTANT) ↓ NOW WHAT (ACTION)	PROBLEM (opportunity) ↓ SOLUTION ↓ BENEFITS
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• SETS EXPECTATION  
• HELPS YOU TO REMEMBER.  
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Everything you are, everything you've been through, has made you exactly the right person that our world needs right now.

Douglas X. Alexander  
2021-2022 Lions International President



# Lions Int



Together, we are the most powerful force for change this world has ever seen.

Together we can!

Brian E. Sheehan  
2022-2023 Lions International President





## A QUICK LIST OF RECRUITMENT IDEAS

In no particular order, here are a few suggestions and tips on recruiting to help us reach our membership goals:

- Do not assume people, particularly young people, are too busy. Ask and let THEM decide. You will be surprised by how many are interested.
- Is the culture of your club such that new members might not be welcome? Then look at starting a Club Branch. This only requires 5 members, and is still under the control of your club however it allows you to welcome in people that would not otherwise fit in with your club and its routine. One day it might grow to be a club of its own. Plenty of help is available.
- Compile a list of members who have left the club over the past 10 years. Concentrate on those that left on good terms and in good standing, who basically did not have time for Lions then. Perhaps their circumstances have now changed and they would be interested in returning. Hold a “former members” night in your club, with entertainment and fun being the focus – who knows how many you might be easily able to welcome back?
- Find a community need and build a service project around it – publicise it and invite assistance from interested members of the general public, then invite them to join you
- Make regular use of the media – write a regular newspaper article on your activities, have a monthly radio spot talking about the club, use Facebook, Instagram and Twitter – and share all the District social media posts to your followers (the District will be using Social Media extensively this year!).
- Involvement in projects such as Youth of the Year and Junior Public Speaking allows you to engage with a wide cross section of the community, and provides ample opportunity to have the membership conversation
- Set up recruitment information whenever you are out in public as a club – have a banner, a table with

pamphlets etc and be ready to promote the message at every opportunity

I am sure you have plenty of good ideas of your own, too. Back yourself, and give them a go? What do you have to lose? If you do not ask, the answer is always no – so give people a chance to serve.

## THE MEMBERSHIP REBUILD BEGINS

The 2022-23 Lions year will mark a turning point for our district - that a decade-long trend of membership losses is reversed, and we begin to grow strongly again.

Of course, membership growth will not happen by chance. Fortunately, some well-considered and detailed plans have been drawn up to make this happen, and every single one of us has a part to play in making it happen.

Firstly, some current statistics.

Our district currently has 55 clubs, down three on 18 months ago. We aim to add three new clubs this year to reverse that.

Our district currently (28 June) has 1083 members, down 42 over the previous year (74 new members added, 116 dropped). During the year we aim to increase this to 1250 members, which means adding a net 167 members, or an average of just three per club. The goal to add three new clubs will account for 60 of these. The goal to add 5 new Club Branches will account for at least another 25. So if each club aims to add a net two members over the next year, then we should easily hit this goal!

As I have said before, adding members does not just happen by itself, but it is also not difficult if you just get into the habit of asking. In a separate article I have briefly listed some ideas and techniques to help add members, and I am very happy to expand on any of them, or to assist your club with them.

Let's ensure this coming year is the year we made it happen!



*Making it Happen*



## THIS YEAR'S DISTRICT GOALS

Incoming District Governor Neil Stuart has spent much of the past nine months leading a team that has developed the district goals for the coming year. The Zone chairs have all been briefed on these, and it will be up to each and every one of us to help in making these excellent goals become a reality this year. Neil's theme is "Making it Happen", and at the end of the year it would be great if we could all say, "We made it happen". Some of the goals are ambitious, but all are achievable if we all work together.

The goals are divided into the areas of Membership, New Clubs, Leadership/Training, Member Satisfaction/Retention, and General. Briefly, they are:

### Membership Goals

District 201V6 will have a minimum of 1250 members by June 30, 2023

The average age of membership across the district will decrease by two years between June 30, 2022, and June 30, 2023

### New Club Goals

The district will start or reopen at least three clubs, and establish at least five club branches

### Leadership/Training Goals

A minimum of 80% (ideally 100%) of clubs will attend club development training

District GLT will conduct three (3) new member orientation training sessions at Zone level by June 2023.

### Member Satisfaction/Retention Goals

Hold one combined service project organised by clubs in a Zone by June 2023

Our District will add three (3) members for every one (1) member lost to June 2023

During 2022-2023 our district will not surpass 100 dropped members

### General Goals

LCIF - By the end of 2022-2023 club donation participation in our district will increase by 100%

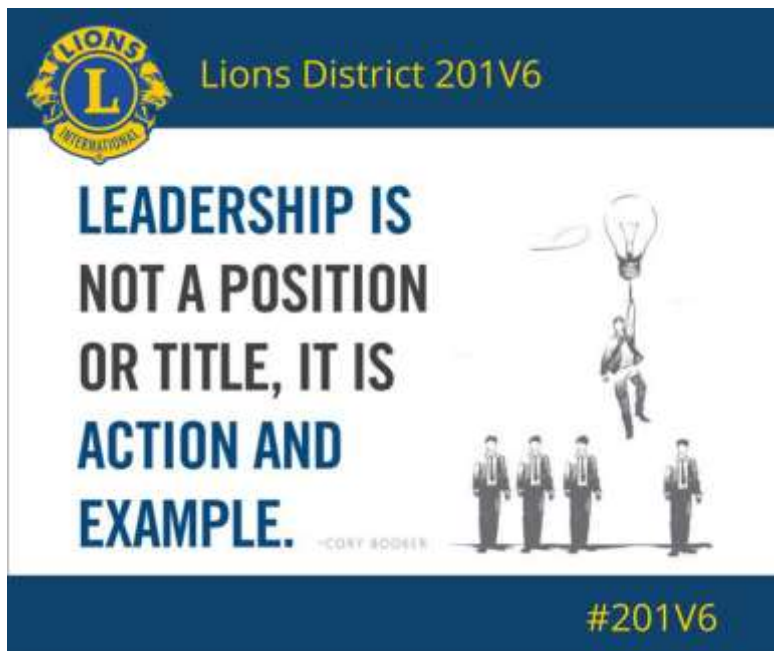
Service Reporting - By the end of the 2022-2023 year our district will have at least 80% of clubs reporting service in MyLion

Each of these goals is supported by detailed action plans. There is also a detailed, 5-year plan for the district.

If you think you can help with any of these goals, or are interested in seeing the detailed action plans, please contact your zone chair, or me, in the first instance.

*Geoff Turnbull*

Second Vice District Governor





# CLUB DEVELOPMENT DAYS



# ZONE CHAIRPERSON TRAINING



## The Hudson Institute of Medical Research

An independent, not for profit medical research institute, based in the suburb of Clayton in Melbourne Victoria. The Institute hosts approximately 450 researchers, postgraduate students and support staff.

Research at Hudson Institute works to understand, prevent and treat women's and baby health, cancer, innate immunity and infectious diseases, and reproductive health.

**The Institute is partnered with Monash University and Monash Health and was established in 2014 with its sole focus on powering breakthrough scientific discoveries into improved health care that will transform lives.**

*A global leader in Medical Research making breakthrough discoveries that change lives.*

### Why focus Lions support on Research?

When ALCCRF was established as a Category A project of Lions Australia the intent was that the Foundation had as its prime focus to fund the best scientific and clinical research in Australia. This was embodied in the motion endorsed by Delegates at the 2009 MD Convention in Melbourne and in the Trust Deed that underpins the Foundations establishment and operations.

Australian Researchers are amongst the best in the world and are playing a significant role in the treatment of and research into childhood cancer.

### HUDSON MONASH PAEDIATRIC PRECISION MEDICINE (HMPPM) PROGRAM

Cancer Precision Medicine is a new, effective treatment approach that targets therapy to a patients tumour, based on their individual genetic characteristics, it has the potential to revolutionise the way childhood cancer is treated.

Scientists at Hudson Institute have established a "Living Biobank" of childhood brain/CNS and solid cancers – including living organoids or lab-grown "mini – tumours"- to trial and develop targeted treatments and improve clinical outcomes, survival rates and quality of life (limiting side-effects) for childhood cancer patients.

### OUR VISION

100 % survival for kids with cancer

### OUR MISSION

Prevent kids with cancer dying by raising funds nationally and donating these funds to the best high impact childhood cancer research conducted right across Australia.



Please PRINT THIS PAGE, fill in and return with a cabinet member to the next cabinet meeting on 31<sup>st</sup> July (or email to John Weinert - 2murrayestate@gmail.com)

**NO FLIES  
ON US!**  
*Let's stop Queensland  
Fruit Fly*



## Lions 201 V6 Fruit Fly Project Your Club Activities

Club Name \_\_\_\_\_

Club contact & phone \_\_\_\_\_

Cabinet member name \_\_\_\_\_

**Our Club:** *(please tick all that are appropriate)*

- Has Not been involved in the Fruit Fly Project
- Has been involved – *school visits, community presentations, handout resource kits*
- Wants to do more / another activity
- Doesn't want to be involved
- Wants to get involved now

**The Fruit Fly project can provide both resources and assistance**

**The Fruit Fly project will follow this up with you and your club**



## SOCIAL MEDIA & PR WORKSHOPS



### JULY ONLINE CATCH UP

SUNDAY 10th JULY  
7.30-8.30PM

link to TEAMS meeting  
in main post and/or via  
email.

THIS MONTH'S FOCUS - will be on using Microsoft Word

- The basics of using Word
- How to set up your Lions Brand in Word
- How to edit the Tri-Fold brochure sent to all clubs



you can send questions in advance to:  
v6roar@gmail.com or ask on the night



## Cobram Lions Log Cabin Market Dates 2022

July 30th

August 27th

September 24th

October 29th

November 26th

December 16th

Twilight Market. 4pm start

Phone:- 0459 340 109 for all market  
information and inquires.



# Save the Date...



District 201V6  
44th **CONVENTION**

## 8-9th October

hosted by the Lions Club of Numurkah

Keynote Speaker

# Sue Dight

Remembrance Ceremony ~  
Sunday Morning

Convention Chairman  
Lion Keith Nicoll

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V6 District Newsletter

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Twitter

[@201\\_v6](https://twitter.com/201_v6)

## 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)

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