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JULY 2009

FROM THE DG's DESK:

Motto and theme work together: *Move To Grow* and *Serving With Teamwork*

MEMBERS of District and 201W1 here I am in Minneapolis writing this column to you all. Our District Governor Elect Training and Seminars have all been completed and today, Friday, July 10, our newly elected International President Eberhard Wirfs of Germany addressed us after taking over from Immediate Past President Al Brandel.

He then swore all of us in as District Governor's for 2009-2010. International President Eberhard's motto is *Move To Grow* and he has been encouraging us to go back and look at increasing the number of female members in our Districts.

To prove his point he inducted his spouse (partner) Birgit on the stage during today's proceedings. His emblem is the Ginkgo Tree, a tree which is very hardy, long living and, as the leaf of this tree is and will be featured on various items during the year, please take time to read up about this remarkable tree.

We were also privileged to have Immediate Past President Al Brandel announce this year's winner of the Lions Clubs International Humanitarian Award in Father Chris Riley of Australia. How proud we were Father Chris' mother and sister were over here from Echuca to see him receive this Award together with a cheque for US\$200,000.

No doubt, in W1 land, there have been many club changeovers some of which I was asked to install the new board but, as this year the

International Convention was rather late, I had to unfortunately renege on this privilege. However I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate and wish the new board of all clubs a happy and successful 2009-2010. I am looking forward to my visits to all the clubs and, as the first of these start a few days after David and I arrive home, I have not long to wait.

We also have the State MERL Workshop on the weekend of July 25-26, 2009. As this workshop is creating quite a bit of interest here in Minneapolis, I was thrilled to hear from PDG Bill Robertson (State MERL Chairman) that 50 Lions have already committed to the weekend and numbers are still rising. What's more W1 have recorded 50% of that number so, may I gratefully say, a big THANK YOU to all those members who have registered.

My first cabinet meeting is also on that weekend, on Sunday, July 26, so those Cabinet members attending the MERL weekend will then adjourn to PMH where my Hospitality and Visitation chairman, Toni Whiteaker, has arranged for us to commence at 11.00am with lunch being prepared by Duncraig Lions Club and my sincere thanks go to them (my own club).

My Theme for this year is *Serving With Teamwork* and as I have remarked the following in letters to my cabinet members I would like to repeat it to all of you.



DG Pam Baird

"As Lions are old hands at Teamwork, this is not a radical shift in our culture but just a fuller embrace of our traditional practices"

Have a wonderful year and I would like to leave you with this thought: Membership is very vital to our **Teamwork** as the more hands we have, the lighter the load.

-Pam Baird District Governor.

Early Bird winner for Sea Change Convention

CONGRATULATIONS Lion Maxine Wood from the Lions club of Duncraig you have won the "Early Bird" registration competition prize, a night's accommodation at Sorrento Beach Resort.

Maxine will make the convention a place to make friendships, catch up with those from out-of-the-way places, learn a new trick or two, listen to interesting speakers.

The convention committee is working at hard at making this 2009 a memorable convention. There is no competition to do better than any other convention. It is one which we hope will stay in your memory for at least the next day.

A deal has been struck with the Sorrento Resort for accommodation, details can be had by contacting me.

The Saturday night function will be a very casual affair but that doesn't mean you can wear seaboots and lanyards (Sea Change). We have good entertainment and the cost will be within everyone's range. You will not go short on the victuals side for any meal.

And, for those interested in a glass or two of amber fluid there will be ample supervised quantities available during the breaks. And it could be that the brekkie on Sunday could have a glass of bubbly stuff available watered down by orange juice.

Sign up now. A Registration form, see page 6.

-Jack Le Cras, Seachange Convention Chairman.

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Claremont-Nedlands truly a sportsmen's club

CLAREMONT-Nedlands Lions club celebrated their changeover on June 24.

Incoming president Roger Foster was conspicuous with his absence and some wark placed a cardboard cut-out of the former leader in position for his installation. Guest speaker was local MLA Bill Marmion.

PDG Robin Dixon took charge of the installation as he has in the past. Through Robin's inimitable style the club should be recognised as a real sportsmen's club. Last year they were called as AFL footballers. This time around it was a cricket club. Well done Robin.

Awards presented by president Frank Stratico first to Lion Leo McManus a James D Richardson Award for services to the club and community. Then Leo took control of the lectern and presented Frank Stratico with a James D Richardson Award in recognition for his dedicated service to Lions.

Then back to Frank to finish the awards, Keith Wheldon picked up a President's Award for his administration of the club project at Claremont Markets as did Patsy Wyndham for her great enthusiasm for The McCusker Foundation for Alzheimer's Disease Research Inc. and for being a one-eyed West Coast Eagles football tragic.

Mike Jennison, Treasurer's Award in recognition of his service as treasurer. Ted Slingsby received the gong for Secretary's Award priceless secretary for the past two years and for his administration of the Youth of the Year Quest. Onya Teddy. Geoff "Roy the Boy" Warner, Bulletin Editor Award for recognition as Bulletin Editor for more years than one would care to remember, and for being club factotum (a person who does all kinds of work).

Charter members Leo McManus and Dirk (Dirkus McGurkis) Avery were presented with 24 years of service tabs.

The club welcomed back past member Mike Manley and will celebrate it's 25th anniversary in June 2010. -As told to Graham Madigan.



Julie Bishop deputy leader of the Federal Opposition and member of the Claremont-Nedlands club was a guest speaker at a recent meeting. Julie is pictured above with president Frank Stratico.

Hannans Goldfields Lions team up with City Council for Sunday Markets

THE Lions Club of Hannans Goldfields has commenced, in conjunction with the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder, a Sunday Market at St Barbara's Square. The square is named after St Barbara the patron Saint of Miners.

The market held on the first Sunday of each month is proving both popular with locals, and an opportunity for Lions members to raise the profile of the club in the community.

Pictured is right is a serious looking Lion Tony Stephenson handing some of those funds to Senior Constable Shane Crook of Kambalda Police. The cash will go to purchase equipment for the community gym at Kambalda.

-Tony Stephenson,
Lions Club of Hannans
Goldfield.



Cancer Council offers grants

To all Lions in W1-W2, on behalf of the Cancer Council WA, I am currently working on the 2009 Pink Ribbon Day community grant program. As a part of this program we offer grants of \$150 to assist community groups and organisations in raising awareness and sharing information about breast cancer by hosting a pink ribbon day event this October. The events can range from a morning tea or an educational seminar to breast cancer themed game nights.

As there are so many individual Lions clubs in WA, I thought it may be more worthwhile to contact each district governor and ask if it would be possible to get the message of our grant program out to the individual clubs by advertising or writing a small article in your district newsletter or member publication?

Each club then interested in hosting a pink ribbon day event can contact us at the Cancer Council to receive further details.

If interested in helping the Cancer Council raise awareness of this grant program, I can be contacted further on mledger@cancerwa.asn.au or 9212 4348.

I look forward to hearing from you,
Tiffany Craig



Stirling Lions hand \$1000 to deserving youngster

Each year, Stirling Lions club donates \$1000 to a deserving youngster to help them fulfil their potential. Our picture above shows club president John Mills presenting a cheque to Julia, mother of Rebecca, aged 12, who is very bright and recently won a scholarship to attend a school that offers programs to gifted and talented students. The club is delighted to offer Julia assistance in funding uniforms and books for Rebecca's start at her new school.

– Ian Smelt, Stirling Lions.

Volunteers wanted for study

CURTIN University of Technology researchers are looking for volunteers to participate in a study focusing on immune function in mesothelioma patients.

Healthy volunteers aged over 60 are needed for the study which aims to find ways to help the body reject tumours.

Participants will be required to have 50ml of

blood taken and will also need to answer some brief general health questions.

Volunteers can be visited by the researchers or they can travel to Curtin to have their blood taken.

For more information contact Scott Cornwall, School of Biomedical Sciences, on 9361 9074 or s.cornwall@exchange.curtin.edu.au

201W1 & W2 2009

REMEMBRANCE DAY

26TH JULY 2009 – 10.00am

RICHARD LEWIS PARK

Cnr BULL CREEK DRIVE & CAMM AVENUE, BULL CREEK

Lions Clubs from W1 & W2 Districts whose members or partners have passed away and wish to honour their contribution to community are invited to attend the annual Remembrance Day Ceremony and plant a tree in their memory.

At the conclusion of the formal ceremony, light refreshments will be served enabling those in attendance to reminisce and renew acquaintances with Lions, families and friends.

Further information on engraved plaques, plinths and trees can be obtained by contacting Gillian Jonker, Lions Club of Bull Creek.

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Dongara Denison celebrate 25 years of service



President Mike and his harem.

Mayor Mike Lee to control all female council

ON JUNE 17th, District Governor Rob Meney conducted the Changeover and installation of the new board of the Ocean Reef Lions club.

A great night was had by all present, including seven visiting members from the Dynamic Duncraig Club, five of who arrived late due to some back seat navigating, which caused the driver (Regina Dixon) to become lost and have trouble finding the venue. Well done girls!

This of course left the door open for some serious tailtwisting opportunities later in the evening.

The new board was installed as a local government council, complete with a dog-catcher, parking inspector, office administrator and Lord Mayor Mike Lee, who will preside over his "harem" of all female office bearers or board. The thinking is this may be a first time, in W1 at least!

During the proceedings DG Rob presented Club Sec/Treasurer Laurel Miro with a James D Richardson Award for her twelve years of dedication to Lions and the community. Congratulations Lion Laurel, you deserve it, and your club members were very pleased and proud to award it to you.

Unsold tickets land Morley with \$2000 windfall

MORLEY Lions Club won first prize of \$2000 in the Lions Cancer Institute raffle, this was because the club purchased some of the unsold tickets as a donation.

On Friday, June 5 a Bowel Cancer Awareness morning tea was held at the Morley/Noranda Recreation Club hosted by Morley Lions Club and with a guest speaker from the WA Cancer Council.

Thirty people attended including six Lions and three Lion's partners who took part in filling out pre and post evaluation forms.

There was a fun crossword and many were interested to hear and see the power point talk about Bowel Cancer Awareness.

Then on came the "healthy morning tea" including zucchini slice, banana muffins, pumpkin muffins, popeye dip and chick pea dip with raw vegetables, multi grain and wholemeal bread sandwiches, turkey mince based pizza, fresh fruit salad only to be washed down with tea, coffee, orange juice and water and to round it off Lions Christmas cake.

Each participant took home a "goodie bag" which included Morley Lions pen, Lions bookmark and brochure, WA Lions Drug Education car tidy bags, WA Cancer Council brochures and were able to select their choice of a piece of fresh fruit or vegetable attached to a recipe ie zucchini/zucchini slice recipe, banana/banana muffin recipe.

-Val Lupton.



President Mike and Lion Nina with one of the many raffle prizes.



DG Rob presents Laurel Miro with her James D Richardson award.

Kerry's passion leads to club appointment

I HAVE been a member of Lions International, belonging to the Forrestfield/High Wycombe Lions Club since 2002. My passion for inclusion and advocacy has earned me the position of Disability Projects Officer. In this position I have been able to turn a dream into an ongoing and important project.

My dream has long been to create an environment where children and adults with disabilities and their families can come together to share knowledge, learn new skills and enjoy each other in a spirit of friendship, fun, sharing and personal growth.

What we have created is something quite magical! The Family Mentor Camp provides a unique opportunity where all people are welcomed, involved and nurtured.

The Camp allows everyone to show their skills and talents, to share their stories. Camp is a place where laughter abounds and tears flow, where parents can watch their children play freely, where adults with disabilities pass on their knowledge, tips and hints.

The project would not be possible without the support, dedication and faith of my fellow Lions and the dedication of the Forrestfield/High Wycombe Club to supporting our local community, as well as the enthusiastic support of the Forrestfield Community Bank for their valuable grant support for camps 08/09 from their Community Grants programme.

The Lions Club of Forrestfield/High Wycombe has held week long camps since 2004. The "Family Mentor Camp" is now an annual project during the April School holidays.

The camp is a unique opportunity for selected children and adults who have a range of disabilities, and their families and carers to spend a week of recreation, inclusion and build mentoring relationships with each other, at no cost.

The camp has evolved into an annual event by demand!!

The families who attend are often under enormous pressures for most of the time and truly value the opportunities that this project offers them.

The appreciation of families who live with disabilities to have a holiday in an environment that is safe and welcoming of all people is overwhelming.

Comments at the end of camp are resounding "You must do it next year, we look forward to camp so much", "Camp has become part of our coping strategy" "We never laugh as much as we do on camp", "as adults with disabilities, camp allows us to share what we've learnt on our journey".

I am privileged to have seen my dream turn into a valued project through the support of my Lions club, particularly the camp committee, my husband Ray, my daughter Sally and my boys Nathan and Scott who continue to contribute to and enjoy each Family Mentor Camp. Thanks guys.

**-Kerry Allan-Zinner,
Disability Project Officer,
Forrestfield/High Wycombe Lions Club.**



Family mentor camp group a place to show skills, talents and share stories.

W1 District Governor's award winners



DG Rob Meney and Phil Caunt.



DG Bob Meney and Mike Tomas.



Morrie Lemish winners Claremont-Nedlands Frank Stratico, Ted Slingsby and Patsy Wyhdham.

Fonnie Tresise: Broome Lioness Club
LCI President's Award; Service to the Blind: PDG Lorraine Strickland
ALF Hall of Fame Inductee: PDG John Knowles
Best Club Treasurer: Laurel Miro, Ocean Reef
Best Club Secretary: Chris Smelt, Stirling
Best Club President: Freda Chandler, Dongara Denison

Cabinet Treasurer Award: Philip Caunt
Cabinet Secretary Award: Christine Walker
Top Promoter of Lions Award: Toodyay Lions
Ray Zinner Award Best Club Website: Lions Club of Whitford
Best Club Bulletin: Lions Club of Ballajura
Morrie Lemish Award: Best West Lion Project Article; Workabout Project: Claremont Nedlands
PDG Lorraine Strickland Award: PDG Derrick Golder

Appreciation Certificates: Allan Lowe, Sue Lowe
Star Awards: Lion Pat Meney, Marge Cunningham, Kununurra Ord River
Tom Cameron: Lions Club of Moora
Ian Stockdale: Jim Olding Godden, Michael Tomas

Melvin Jones: Berwyn Walker, Christine Walker



DG Rob Meney and Jim Olding Godden.



Christine Walker and DG Bob Meney.



Sea Change Convention 2009

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 201 W1
44th ANNUAL CONVENTION
Friday 9th Saturday 10th & Sunday 11th October 2009

Venues- Prendiville College Marmion Avenue Ocean Reef
Australian Anglo Indian Association
32 Fernwood Street Padbury

Name Lion / Lioness / Leo

Partner (Attending)

NOTE: if Partner is a Lion Please Register Separately

Address Post Code.....

Phone E-Mail.....

Club First Conventioneer YES..... NO.....

REF	DAY	FUNCTION	No.	COST (ea)	TOTAL	
	Friday 9th					
1	5 to 9pm	Supper with Guest Speaker		\$15		
	Saturday 10th					
2	10am	Morning Tea		\$6		
3	12.30 to 1.30pm	Light lunch		\$16		
4	3.15pm	Afternoon Tea		\$6		
5	7.30 to 12pm	Pams Show		\$50		
	Sunday 11th					
6	7.00am	Lions Big Breakfast		\$12.50		
7	10.30am	Morning Tea		\$6		
8	12.30pm	Windup Lunch		\$16		
9		Convention Pin		\$6		
				TOTAL		

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS : (Please supply details) Dietary.....

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