

201WA DISTRICT GOVERNORS NEWSLETTER

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Lions of 201WA acknowledges Tradition Owners of Country throughout Australia, and recognises the continuing connection to lands, waters and communities. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging

A Short Biography of Mary-Anne Wolf

Mary-Anne was born the youngest of eight children and grew up in a gold mining town in South Africa where she completed her schooling. She went on to become a registered nurse which has continued to be her occupation, specialising in operating theatre nursing, she is currently a manager in a large twenty theatre complex in Perth.

She has been married to PDG Michael Wolf for 36 years and together they moved from South Africa to Perth, Australia in 2002.

Mary-Anne joined Lions in 1989 and except for a 6-month break has been a member for 35 years. At a club level has held the office of President and most other positions on the board. She is currently a member of the Lions Club of Ballajura.

She has been a member on the 201W1 cabinet for 17 years filling the positions of District Chairperson for Sight, Hearing, Cancer, Peace Poster, LCIF, Magazine editor and has been a Zone Chairperson three times.

Mary-Anne is very excited to be leading 201WA into our new era together!



201WA DISTRICT GOVERNOR
MARY- ANNE WOLF
2024/ 2025



My theme is “Shining our Light On Service Together.”

A description about the Pin Design

“I have worked in the operating theatre for 34 years and I wanted this represented in my pin. The big round circle with smaller circles represents an operating light that shines brightly to enable the Surgeon’s to do their important work. I want to use the metaphor to show Lions of WA we need to shine our light brightly on the Service we do everyday as Lions as well as on Leadership, as without leaders we will not have Lions clubs, to recruit new members into and as such we will not be able to shine our light on the service projects we do. We need to come out from under the bushel and shine our spot light on the world as Lions and Lions International as an organisation”

“SHINING OUR LIGHT ON SERVICE TOGETHER”

DG Mary-Anne's Message

Hello fellow Lions and LEOS

Welcome to the new Lions year 2024 2025 and to our new District 201WA. Congratulations to the newly elected presidents, secretaries, treasurers and membership chairperson together we are going to make our mark in our clubs and our communities.

Having just returned from the international convention in Melbourne, I am roaring to go.

International President Fabricio Oliveira has challenged us all to "Make your Mark".

Everywhere we serve, every time we give, we bring kindness and compassion, change and hope. We make our mark on the lives we touch, the communities we serve and the world we share.

This year I would like us to "Make Our Mark" by "Shining our Light on Service Together".

Let's celebrate all we do and all the lives we change whether great or small by shining our light brightly. The way we showcase what we do and who we are is ever changing so use the best media available to you to tell your community and the world what the Lions in W.A. are doing to make their mark and how we change lives.

I encourage all Presidents to look at the way your meetings are run. Can you liven them up and make them interesting to the Members so they will want to come to the meetings especially in the colder months. Challenge your members to come up with new ideas for projects or to put a new twist on your existing signature projects. Make sure your advertising is up to date and new. Get rid of those old tattered posters they do not do your project justice. Spruce them up to attract potential people to attend your projects and fundraisers. Advertise on the radio and on social media and remember Facebook is not the only portal to use. Use the portal most suited to your project. If you are doing a project for the youth, you could advertise or report on a project on TikTok or Snapchat. This is where your audience will view your post. Remember to always use the #lionswa and share to our Facebook page Lions in W.A.

I wish you all the best for the New Year 24/25 and remember to "Shine our Light on Service Together" and "Make Your Mark".

Mary-Anne Wolf
DG 24/25



**201WA District Governor
Mary-Anne Wolf
2024-2025**

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"SHINING OUR LIGHT ON SERVICE TOGETHER"



My last message as District 202W2 Governor 2023-24 June 2024

Well, that's it then! My term as your District Governor has come to a screaming halt! I have thoroughly enjoyed myself over the past 12 months and I am somewhat emotional writing my final report.

What I will miss most is the visits to all of the Clubs and meeting all the members. I have been able to get to 95% of the Clubs in this District over the past 2 years. My decision to jump up a year has created logistical

problems as I did my DG role at the same time as I continued my work.

I wish to sincerely thanks all the Clubs that I have visited for their hospitality they have shown my wife and myself when we attended their meetings. I not only enjoyed this time but also became extremely proud of all the service activity being completed in our District, in so many different styles and methods. All I can say is our District is being well serviced by the Lions Family.

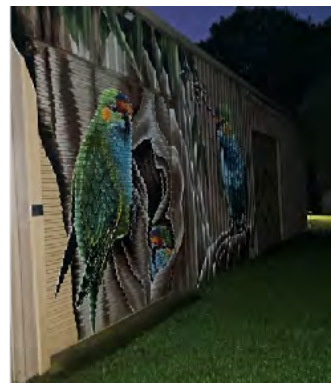
In this final month, I had the great pleasure of visiting Cowaramup, Collie, Leeuwin, Lake Grace and Margaret River – as well as our own Club's Changeover where Georgina was inducted as President; W1 final Cabinet meeting and our own District's final Cabinet meeting and Regional Club Executive Training Day, down in Busselton.

This period was also used to assist coordinate the disbursement of emergency food and clothing and other items to the Bunbury Tornado victims. Members from 5 local Lions Clubs got together to put on a fantastic Fun Day in support of these people and my gratitude goes to all of the organisers and participants, especially the Robinson family, Mike MacPherson, Sandra Haddon, and the members of the Carey Park Club Branch.

It was with some sadness that the W2 District held their final Cabinet meeting, with gratitude given to all for their efforts throughout the year. It was rewarding to see that all maintained a high level of activity right up to the last minute. It is after such a strong position that we can move into the next stage of Lions in this State with a positive and solid base. Our 2 Districts will be able to merge together with much understanding and cooperation that will project us forward into the future. This past year has seen may innovative ideas and projects commence and I will be ensuring they continue to grow and develop in the next year as well.

However, to achieve better results than what we already have, I implore all Lions members to consider contributing in some way to these new and innovative ideas and strategies as they can only be achieved when several minds get together. Your input is vital! Join us!

Guess which Club this is?



Last month Result.....Tambellup.

The year rapped up in one of the most exciting ways possible and which doesn't happen very often, an International Convention on the Australian continent, in Melbourne!

I know that I have been most fortunate to have had 2 Conventions in my DG year, Boston and Melbourne, due to Boston being in July 2023 to capture the American Independence Day celebrations. Next year it will be in Mexico City, followed by the 2026 event being staged in Hong Kong following a decision made just this week

The climax of the Convention was the swearing in of the new International President, Fabricio Oliveira from Brazil; and the successful election of Dr. Manoj Shah from Kenya as 3rd Vice President; and the introduction of the new DGs to their roles.

However, as well as that, there were numerous other exciting and inspirational events happening all over the venue and outside, including the spectacular International Parade which went through the Royal Botanical Gardens past Government House and the Shrine of Remembrance. I would have to say that the majority of the 10,000 plus registrants participated.

I made the decision to not just be a spectator at this Convention and volunteered for several jobs during the period. I drew the short straw (along with Ros Barnes from W1) to be a parade marshall for a section of the parade. Our Section covered the countries of China, India, France and Germany, along with several smaller but equally important countries. India by itself had 1000 attendees. So, marshalling some 2500 attendees in one small part of the park and getting them to enter the parade in the appropriate designated spot and line up correctly (the Indian delegation insisted on walking in 2 columns instead of 6) , it was chaotic and felt like herding cats. I got my steps up fairly early that day, exactly 20,079 or 15.58kms. The result,.a spectacular conga-line that stretching kilometres down the road and which took 3 hours to pass the VIP area. Australia, being the last group as they were the Host country, was followed by Matilda the kangaroo. All countries were either in their country's designated uniform or their native costume. Intermingled with the countries were 9 marching bands plus Chinese Dragons and international dancing groups. In the end, Australia won the best Country group,.with the traditional "Aussie! Aussie! Aussie!" making us well known to the VIPs.

As well as all of the celebrations that took place, there was much scope for learning about the various Lions' projects at Exhibits or break-out sessions; training in Leadership, Membership and the all important Portal. Equally important was the opportunity to meet so many other Lions from all the World, usually at functions or simply sitting opposite them at meal or tea breaks. Some used the opportunity to use translation apps on their phone to converse. For some lucky enough to have been to 2 Conventions, the opportunity to rekindle that friendship.

In view of the intimacy of the event, one often found themselves in the presence of the International Leaders of Lions, past and present, as they did their rounds of engagements. This also applied to meeting some LCI staff who also came over to administer the event. For me, it was to catch up with my fellow DGs one last time before we were put in the WPB.



Drop Bear falls on DG, Guess the WA Leo.



The large crowd,.
Photo taken 100m from stage.

Finally, it is not goodbye! I look forward to serving with, and alongside, all of you in the future.

PDG Peter Kennedy

DARE TO BE

Come On, Promote your Club through the District Governors Newsletter

- Do you have an UPCOMING EVENT? Have you had an event you'd like to tell us about? Making a presentation (MJF or a JDR Award) or a significant Event (milestone anniversary)
- Best place to promote it is through your newsletter
- **Cut off date is the 22nd of each month** (items arriving after that date may not make it in but will be held over until the next issue.)
- Please send articles in a Word file (not a PDF if possible) and photos are of a reasonable resolution. (Remember to supply names to people shown in the photos)

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106th International Melbourne Convention

Friday 21st June 2024 – Tuesday 25th June 2024



Our International President

As a Lion for almost 40 years, International President Fabrício Oliveira has always given back to his community. His entrepreneurial spirit has driven him as a business leader and a Lion, inspiring ambitious projects and others to join him in service. With a strong sense of purpose and positivity, President Fabrício believes there is a leader inside every Lion, and we can all make a lasting mark on the world.

Make Your Mark

Everywhere we serve, every time we give, we bring kindness and compassion, change and hope. And we make our mark on the lives we touch, the communities we serve and the world we share.

Shaping Our Future

President Oliveira's programs and initiatives will focus on four key priorities for Lions International that are critical to our mission of service.

1. Growing our membership and clubs for greater impact
2. Becoming stronger together through LCIF support
3. Taking the next step as Lions and service leaders
4. Capturing the imagination of our communities through great marketing



Congratulations!

Our Lions Int'l Officers
for LY 2024 -2025



Int'l President
Fabrício Oliveira



1st Vice-President
Arvinder Pal Singh



2nd Vice - President
Mark Lyon



3rd Vice- President
Manoj Shah



Before you speak:

THINK

T = Is it True?

H = Is it Helpful?

I = Is it Inspiring?

N = Is it Necessary?

K = Is it Kind?

OAK BROOK, Ill., June 25, 2024

-- Lions International celebrated several milestones during the 106th Lions International Convention in Melbourne, Australia. Nearly 10,000 Lions attended this pinnacle event to reconnect with Lions from around the world, discover innovative ways to grow and support clubs and commemorate another year of serving communities in need.



From July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024, more than 390 million people were helped thanks to the unwavering commitment of the more than 1.4 million Lions and Leos. Additionally, the **Lions Clubs International Foundation**, the charitable arm of Lions Clubs International, awarded more than \$45 million in grant funding that supported the compassionate works of Lions, empowering their service and addressing the needs of their communities both locally and globally. "In a world always in need of service and compassion, Lions and Leos rise to the occasion and provide hope to communities with unmet needs," said Dr. Patti Hill, 2023-2024 international president. "I am proud to be part of an organisation that continues growing the good and proving when Lions come together, we can change the world." Highlights from the 106th Lions International Convention included world-class entertainment from musicians and performers, including The Elton John Experience and a **Parade of Nations** that celebrated the cultures and diversity of Lions and Leos worldwide. Engaging seminars and inspiring keynote addresses from a panel of innovators in their field including astronaut Chris Hadfield, ocean explorer Alexandra Cousteau and tech entrepreneur Marita Cheng, challenged

Lions to take risks, rise to the occasion and continue their commitment to teamwork in order to better serve a world in need. Lions honoured non-profit organisation the **Stephen Lewis Foundation** with the **Lions Humanitarian Award**, the association's highest honour given to an individual or an organisation for exemplary humanitarian efforts. Additionally, Lions celebrated the winners of the **2023-2024 Peace Poster Contest** and **Peace Essay Contest**, where young people ages 11-13 share their ideas for a more peaceful world.



The Lions International Convention also served as a catalyst for Lions and Leos to do some good during their time in Melbourne. Volunteers participated in a handful of impactful service projects,

including providing nutritious meals to people in need, assembling braille books for blind and visually impaired readers, and cleaning up the scenic Yalukit Willam Nature Reserve.

Fabrício Oliveira, esteemed business professional and Catolé do Rocha, Paraiba, Brazil resident, was elected as the 2024-2025 international president of Lions International. A member of the Catolé do Rocha Lions Club and Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) advocate, Oliveira will lead the largest membership-based humanitarian organisation in the world. In this role, he will oversee global membership growth, support LCIF and inspire clubs to meet the growing needs of communities worldwide through service.

"It is an honour to serve as the next Lions International President," said Oliveira. "As Lions, we live out our mission of service and empower future generations to join in our unwavering commitment to kindness. As International President, I will inspire Lions and Leos to touch lives and make a profound difference all around the world."

Find photos, recordings and more details about the 106th Lions Clubs International Convention at <https://lionscon.lionsclubs.org/>.

About Lions International

Lions International represents Lions Clubs International and Lions Clubs International Foundation. Lions take on some of the greatest challenges facing our communities and the world through the service of 1.4 million members in 49,000 clubs and the grant-funding support of our foundation. We improve health and well-being, strengthen communities and support those in need, locally and globally. At Lions International we are serving a world in need. Learn more about who we are and what we do at lionsclubs.org.

MELBOURNE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION



ID TIM IRVINE receives the AMBASSADOR OF GOODWILL AWARD

Congratulations to International Director Tim Irvine, your two years as our ID has been an inspiration to all Lions you have met and you were certainly well deserved of receiving an Ambassador of Goodwill award from International President Dr **Patti Hill** and PIP Brian Sheehan at the Melbourne International Convention

LION PENE IRVINE receives a MELVIN JONES FELLOWSHIP

At the Melbourne International Convention, International President Dr Patti Hill, PIP Brian Sheehan and also incoming IP Fabrício Oliveira presented our newest Melvin Jones Fellow Award to Lion Pene Irvine. She was very surprised, but it was well deserved, being the other half of the hard working Irvine Team.



Above L to R: Mark S. Lyon International 2nd VP, 2024/2025 IP Fabrício Oliveira PIP Brian Sheehan, Lion Penne, 2023/2024 IP Dr Patti Hill and International 1st VP A. P. Singh

THE DARWIN 72ND MD LIONS CONVENTION

HOW IT ALL HAPPENED

Day One - It's been a fabulous first day of the 72nd Multiple District Convention here in sunny Darwin! Today's highlights include:

A beautiful Welcome To Country by The Youth Mill Official opening by His Honour Professor the Honourable Hugh Heggie AO PSM, Administrator of the Northern Territory

Professor Len Notarus AO, Executive Director and Founder of National Critical Care & Trauma Response Centre, gave an engaging keynote address about his experience in Darwin's response to the 2002 Bali Bombings, and how that sparked the creation of the NCCTRC and the Australian Medical Assistant Team (AUSMAT).

Project Spotlight: Caring Kids - a project supported by Lions that has so far delivered over 500 Joy Boxes to kids caring for siblings/parents with disabilities or illness.

Project Spotlight: Australian Lions Hearing Dogs - over the last 42 years over 700 Hearing Assistant Dogs have been placed, free of charge, Australia wide; 9 Medical Alert Dogs have been placed since October 2022, free of charge; and a Psychiatric Assistance Dog program has been established to provide dogs to veterans through the Department of Veteran Affairs.

And the day was rounded out with a hearty business session where delegates voted on the of continuing projects, adoption of new projects, and some constitutional changes.

Day Two - Today's highlights include:

The National Leo Clubs Australia Leo Of The Year final is always a highlight hear from the amazing Leo members who are making a difference in their community and their own lives. Congratulations to Melbourne Next Generation Leo Charlize Chow on being announced as the 2024 Leo Of The Year! The Public speaking Award went to Leo Lilly Davis from the King Island Leos club District T1,

An entertaining Convention host bid from Perth, who will be hosting Lions from all over Australia in 2027 - we're already excited!

Project Australian Lions Stinger Research - funding research to better understand envenoming jellyfish and other marine stingers so that there can be better management of human/animal interactions as well as improved preventative and curative measures to ensure that no sting is lethal.

Project Spotlight: Australian Lions Children's Mobility Foundation - funding walkers & mobility aids to get kids out of their wheelchairs and onto their feet so that they are able to walk, explore, play, work and socialise.

Project Spotlight: LCIF Adopt A Family - supporting families involved in floods to re- establish themselves.

Project Spotlight: Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation (ALCCRF) - funding vital research to reach the goal of 100% survival for kids with cancer, not just here in Australia but around the world.

The day finished off with the option of four different workshops in four different locations around Darwin - Some Lions went on a social tour and headed off to the Darwin Military Museum and heard from the museum's director Dr Norman Cramp, who gave an interesting overview of Darwin's military developments in the lead-up to the bombing of Darwin on 19 February 1942, before exploring the museum at our own pace.

Day Three - It was a full day today at the 72nd MD Convention here in Darwin!

Today's highlights include:

A moving Remembrance Ceremony, where we lions remember those lost in our Lions family in the last twelve months

Samoane Regattieri, manager of Aboriginal Bush Traders, gave an insight into the work of the art gallery and bush food inspired cafe.

Council Chairperson Vin Pang and other national project coordinators presented a number of awards in recognition of dedicated service in a variety of categories.

Sacha King, the founder and managing director of TWO TWO ONE Mental Health Charity, talked about the importance of looking after our mental health and how we can offer our support for others.

Project Spotlight: Australian Lions Foundation - we got to link up with Lion Sari-Elle's Everest Marathon for Lions who is about to embark on the World's Highest Marathon on Mount Everest to raise \$120,000 for the foundation, with the current total at \$112,000. In the last twelve months, ALF have given grants totalling over \$577,000, and the National Disaster Fund has raised almost \$698,000 since its launch in November 2023.

Project Spotlight: Lions Christmas Cakes - as always, everyone loves a Lion Christmas Cake or Pudding for the festive season, and now a new 400g Lions Christmas Pudding has been launched, which we will be looking into for this Christmas season! Congratulations to the Lions Club of Gosnells 201WA who was equal with two eastern states clubs with the amount of cakes sold. The Lions Club of Rockingham was rewarded for the most improved in sales figures.

Our Lions International Director Tim Irvine spoke on the passion of Lions service and the importance of mixing things up in order to attract new members and the potential of establishing a Leo club.

Council Chairman Ferry Yonwan Foeh, from Multiple District 307 (Indonesia), and Council Chairman Stephen Barr, from Multiple District 202 (New Zealand), shared updates on what Lions have been up to in both of their countries.

Dr Barry Kirby AO, from the PNG Birthing Mothers Project, gave an insightful keynote about his work in Papua New Guinea to ensure that all women are given access to a safe birthing environment and the essentials they need to care for themselves and their baby post-birth.

Mindil Beach Sunset Markets was our destination for the Farewell Reception - watching the sunset on the beach while enjoying delicious food and good company was a fabulous way to end the day, although the humidity was unbearable....

Day Four - The 72nd Multiple District Convention here in Darwin! has been a fun-filled four days spent catching up with old friends, forming new friendships, and getting to see all the good things Lions are doing in our communities.

Today's highlights include - The Youth of the Year Australia National Final - it's amazing to hear these terrific young people present their speeches and answering their impromptu questions. Congratulations to Queensland's Cadence Taylor on taking out both the Public Speaking and Overall Winner titles for 2024! We must congratulate WA's Digby House who attends Hale School and is sponsored by Lions Club of Claremont-Nedlands), Digby, you have made your school, sponsoring Lions club and WA Lions, all proud of your efforts.

An invitation to the **2024 ANZI Pacific Forum to be held in Bali in September** - this forum brings together Lions from Australia, New Zealand and Indonesia, as well as the South Pacific Islands, to connect and network.

Welcoming in the new Council of Governors for 2024/25, under the leadership of new Council Chairperson David Horne. WA Lions in District 201WA are looking forward, in this our historical year, working with our DG Mary-Anne Wolf.

An invitation to the 2025 MD Convention in Traralgon - a nice easy road trip south next year that we are already excited about!

The closing ceremony was filled with a lot of fun, with the musical and comedy talents of Shalom Kaa!

Western Australia did extremely well at the Awards Presentation with;

- 1) Christine Walker (201W1) picked up GLT of the Year,***
 - 2) Carmel Ward (201W1) picked up GST of the Year,***
 - 3) PDG Peter Lamb (201W2) picking up ALCCRF Outstanding Fundraising Award,***
 - 4) 201W2 won most Xmas Cakes sold Award and Gosnells Lions (201W2) equal winner of Most Xmas Cakes sold by a club.***
 - 5) District 201WA was also awarded the holding of the 2027 MD Convention.***
- As the above winners will be on the new District 201WA Cabinet next year, which is a good sign!***



***Congratulations to the
2024 Lions Youth of the
Year,
Cadence Taylor***

Cadence was also named as the winner of the YOTY Public

Speaking Award! Cadence was sponsored by Bargara Lions Club, District 201Q4 and attends the Bundaberg State High School. Well done to all our other finalists, Digby House (201WA), Ella Smith, Oliver Baitch, Grace Gregson and William Hamel and Cadence



**NATIONAL LEO OF THE YEAR
WINNER - CHARLIZE CHOW**

We're thrilled to announce that Leo Charlize Chow, a member of District 201V1-4 Leo Club of Melbourne Next Generation, has been honoured as the National Leo of the Year for 2024-2025. Charlize's exceptional dedication and remarkable leadership have set her apart, making this recognition well-deserved. Her commitment to service and passion for making a positive impact have truly made a difference in our community. Please join us in celebrating Charlize's outstanding achievements and applauding her for the unparalleled commitment she has shown.



Right L to R: Luke Abdy (Q2), Avinash Mohta (N5), Lilly Davis (T1), Charlize Chow (V1-4), and Lucy Hepple (WA).



Left: Leo of the Year 2024-25 Public Speaking winner, Leo Lilly Davis (District T1) Our club is thrilled to announce another National success for the King Island Leos. Lilly Davis Leo's of the Year Public Speaking Award - (National) Congratulations

Congratulations to WA's Leo of the Year, LUCY HEPPLER. Read about Leo Lucy Hepple's story and speech on the next few pages.

LEO LUCY HEPPLE IN DARWIN

Our wonderful Western Australian State LEO of the Year, Lucy Hepple, equipped herself very well at the National LEO of the Year



finals in Darwin in May. She didn't win and Tasmania's Lily Davis won the Public Speaking award, and the overall LEO of the Year winner was Victoria's Charlize Chow. CONGRATULATIONS Lily & Charlize! But Lucy did well, spoke confidently with no sign of nerves whatsoever and has vowed to have another crack next year. W.A. once again had the youngest competitor, Lucy is 16 and the other 4 were 17 but she well and truly belies her young years. To say that Lucy is OUT THERE, is an understatement. She talked to EVERYBODY!! She circulated at every event, introduced herself to everyone, asked who they were and what they did and made TONS of friends! She was accompanied by her equally gregarious Mum, Misty and between the two of them you'd never get a word in edgeways! What fantastic personalities they both are. Lucy led the line with outgoing LEO of the Year, Georgia Bailey on the dance floor during the Gala Dinner night, especially during "Nutbush City Limits" and



"YMCA".

She was the first LEO to go up to the Youth of the Year entrants and make friends on our combined night out, actively sought out and made sure that she got feedback from the judges and at one point, totally single-handedly took over the running of the LEO information booth. What an extraordinary young lady she is, and she will be a FANTASTIC advocate for LEOs in W.A. during the next year. She will also serve on LAPA (LEO Advisory Panel Australia) for the next year, led by Georgia Bailey, who meet on Zoom every month and help formulate future plans and new ideas for LEOs, country wide. WELL DONE LUCY!



LUCY'S SPEECH

Idols, journeys, high school, and mental health what does it all mean to you?

Idols play a very important role in our lives, as they inspire us to achieve our goals. We all go through both good and bad experiences, and they help shape our personality and our ability to overcome difficulties. Especially during high school years and beyond, taking care of our mental health is crucial. It's the foundation of our overall well-being, helping us deal with the complexities of life positively and strongly.

Danny Frawley, Tom Boyd, Steven May, Bailey Smith, Nat Fyfe, Brayden Ainsworth, Sophie McDonald, Lance (Buddy) Franklin, Ian Thorpe, Osher Gunsberg, Jock Zonfrillo, Jacinta Franklin, Morgan Mitchell, Libby Trickett, Wayne Schwass, Adam Treloar, Hugh Jackman.

The names that I have just mentioned are just a few of the Australian TV stars, Models, sports stars, AFL players, and comedians who are always in the spotlight

and have shared their stories on their struggles with mental health including depression, anxiety, eating disorders, OCD, ADHD, addiction and bipolar. Today I will share my story about high school and mental health. Without any doubt I can talk about Leo's and how without Leo's I wouldn't be speaking here in front of you all and be the person I am today. I can talk about the skills and opportunities and all the lessons I've learned but today I'm speaking on behalf of all the young people and some struggles they may have faced.

For those who haven't had the chance to know me well, my name is Lucy and I have had plenty of struggles from going through serious bullying problems, losing confidence in myself and being afraid of judgement, not being able to go to school for safety reasons, losing someone special in my life, and overall struggles with school. It's not easy to go to school when you are afraid of being bullied and harassed and for my family who got the calls for me to be sent home for safety reasons. Someone I trusted and called my friend turned their back on me.

During all this with all my struggles with school bullying, I had to watch my dad lay his childhood friend to rest because of suicide. A few weeks later, I

lost my Grandad who is my Dad's Dad and a few days later I lost my dad's long time mate and neighbour to terminal cancer. It was rough and we all struggled but during all this Leo's was a partial support system for me and was a space for me not to stress or worry. Just showing up, laughing, having fun at meetings, playing games and being around people who have more knowledge and wisdom than I do. Finding time to learn scheduling and skills I wouldn't have learnt before and the joy of helping the community and just getting involved helped me

During this time, I decided to join the Lions Children of Courage committee of which I am 1 of 2 Leo's to be the first ever on the State Committee. The Children of Courage Award ceremony held earlier this year is a project dedicated to helping children who have been through difficult situations have a special day, filled with lots of joy.

Yes, Leo has helped me build confidence and provided me and my club members with multiple opportunities and experiences that we would not have got without the club and our amazing Leo advisors.



Without Leos I wouldn't have had the chance to connect with the individuals in my community, I've had opportunities in local radio to promote Leos and spread the amazing work we do. Leos has given me so much pleasure in meeting and forming new relationships in my community. As a very important topic in recent years, Leos has helped me with my mental health and overcome challenges with school life and work.



If you didn't already know, in the most recent year, 3318 Australians took their own lives. That's 63 people each week, of those aged 16 to 24, 38.8 per cent have experienced a mental health issue in the last 12 months. From ages 16 to 85 in Australia 42.5 % experienced a mental health disorder at some time in their life. This is equivalent to 8.5 million people; this is about 2 in 5 Australians (and my family has 7 people). As well, the world has an estimated 1 in 8 people who are experiencing mental health and that is equivalent to 970 million people. To continue with another statistic during this 5-minute speech about 8 people worldwide have committed suicide. My lessons from Leo have not only taught me life lessons and skills but have made me want to mentor other students and young people in the community struggling through the same process or struggles that I have experienced. This has led me to be a mentor to new incoming students at my high school and mentor new Leo's. So, what this has taught me is that there will always be a battle and sometimes you will lose. It won't be about how fast you overcome it, and it definitely won't be about what's on the other side. It will always be about how you get there, the journey that it will take you on, with all the challenges you face and all the struggles you will overcome. And the people you meet and surround yourself with, to improve, change and make a difference. For me, that is through Leo's and my community and the people I continue to meet and connect with.



Request from the LIONS CLUB OF ROCKINGHAM



JESS HALDINS SPECIAL PROJECT

Hi,

Thank you so much for allowing me to come last night and introduce myself and explain my story and situation.

I have currently a GoFundMe running, Tins in shops collecting donations Collecting 10c recyclables and I did an event last month with The Amanda Young Foundation where all proceeds have come to me, My total raised at the moment is \$21,000 aiming for \$65,000-\$70,000 to purchase a Kia Carnival, I've written up the below for you to pass on, I also added some pics and videos.

Thank you guys so much for your help and helping me get my independence, I really appreciate it.

JESS HALDINS SPECIAL PROJECT (Cont.)

Here's my story:

Hi, My name is Jessica I am 33 years old, In 1993 when I was just two years old, Three weeks before my third birthday, I contracted Meningococcal Septicaemia strain B, As a result I had both my legs above my knees and my fingers amputated, Leaving me a quad amputee and wheelchair bound.



The number one thing I want in life is to drive a car. As soon I was legal age 15 years ago I went and got my learner's and I've been fighting ever since for someone to give me a chance and prove to them that I can drive independently with hand controls, After many years of fighting NDIS finally approved funding for me to sit a driving assessment which I passed and shocked everyone. I am now doing driving lessons with an OT driving instructor with a car fitted with hand controls and voice activations, This car is shared between Perth and over east as there is only one car in the whole of



Australia for us disabled people to learn in, In saying that this car leaves Perth soon as we only have it for six months here and then over east will have it for six months.

While I do my driving lessons and aim to get my Ps, Which I'm aiming to try and get them by the end of the year I am fundraising to get my own car, A Kia Carnival, Why a Kia? Because I need a ramp on the back of my car so I can drive my wheelchair in and independently get in my car by myself and not rely on someone to help me access it.

I'm needing to raise \$65,000-\$70,000 to get my Kia Carnival, NDIS will fund all my modifications that I will need so I can independently drive it, But they won't touch an older car which is why I'm aiming so high.

Having my own car would be my absolute dream, It would mean so much to me, To have my own independence and freedom to just go where ever and whenever, would be so amazing, Right now I'm still living at home and this is pretty much where I stay everyday due to not having my freedom of having a car and not being able to take myself out anywhere. Just to be able to go do simple things like go to the shop for everyday essentials would be amazing.

I don't just want this, I NEED this, This is going to help massively on my mental health and my social life, I need my freedom and my independence like any normal abled person, As someone on the disability pension I am unable to get to my target alone, I need help from the community to help get me there, Your support would mean so much and very much appreciated.



Thank you, Jess.

LIONS AUSTRALIA DIABETES FOUNDATION

ABN 81 053 872 446

LADFN Newsletter –Autumn 2024 Welcome to our i t h Newsletter.

The Lions Australia Diabetes Foundation was established in 1992, and has been making grants for research into the diseases of diabetes, and

other diabetes-related projects, since 1994. To

date, LADF has approved grants amounting to more than \$1,160,000 over 53 projects.

GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR DIABETES PROJECTS

The Lions Australia Diabetes Foundation welcomes Grant Applications from any Lions Club in Australia or its territories.

A Grant Application form is available for downloading from the LADF website.

Details about how to fill in the form are included in the instructions attached to the form.

MEET THE TRUSTEES

TRUSTEE AND CHAIRMAN - PDG Lion Ted Hyham, Lions Club of Warners Bay Inc.

TRUSTEE AND SECRETARY - Lion Stephen Box, Lions Club of Newcastle inc.

TRUSTEE - Lion Jim Cowburn, Lions Club of Elermore Vale Inc.

MEET THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Lion Max Holmes, Lions Club of Charlestown

Lion Lyle Constable, Lions Club of Toronto Lion Geoff Boyton, Lions Club of Newcastle

Lion Lydia Macokatic, Lions Club of Charlestown

LAP THE MAP FOR DIABETES

The International Day For Diabetes is celebrated each year

on 14th November. Since 2021 the Multiple District Council has encouraged Lions Clubs to organise walks in their local areas with the aim of 'circumnavigating Australia' each year. Congratulations to the many clubs that organised walks for the 2023 event. Some Clubs 'run' their walks at cooler months of the year. And THANK YOU to the Clubs that donate proceeds to the Foundation.

PDG Pat Mills, the national Diabetes Coordinator, is the lead coordinator of the project. Congratulations, Pat!

Personal and corporate donations (of \$2 or more) to the Foundation are tax-deductible. Receipts are issued for all donations made. Direct deposit to the Foundation's bank account are encouraged: BSB 032-569, account number 580405.

Limited edition souvenir sheets of postage stamps featuring the LADF logo are available to purchase, for \$35 per sheet of 20 \$1.10 stamps. Contact the Secretary if you are interested.

The LADF has produced attractive brochures and

bookmarks, which include information about the various forms of diabetes and how symptoms can be alleviated. They are available free of charge to Clubs

and Districts for promotion of their Diabetes Awareness activities. We only ask that the Club or District contribute towards the cost of the postage. Please contact the LADF Secretary for supplies.

On behalf of the Trustees and Management Committee of the Foundation, keep on smiling.

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Cabinet Meeting Report Lions Diabetes & Lions Camp Quokka April 2024 Report

Deb Jones 201W2 District Coordinator

The Lions Diabetes Committee successfully hosted an Adult Retreat for Lions Camp Quokka in Augusta over the long weekend in March. The retreat will be held from Friday, March 1st, to Monday, March 4th, 2024. The committee is currently working on the sessions and activities for the Retreat Weekend in September/October and hopes to have some training for all those volunteering to help on the Retreat and the Camp during the year.

Approximately 15 Campers, along with a mixture of 10 Volunteers from PDC and Lions Club Members

We are looking for approval from the Shadow Cabinet to hold a Type 1 Diabetes Camp for 15- 18-year-olds during the October school holidays in Augusta.

The Lions Camp for teenagers aged 15–18 was well received by all who attended. It was held in Augusta at the Leeuwin Augusta Adventure Campgrounds in the October school holidays of 2023. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves, especially the activities that were on offer, like the Cape Leeuwin Lighthouse and rowing and Canoeing with the Augusta Rowing and Canoeing Clubs, who have asked us back again this year.

The Lions Diabetes Committee organises various events and activities throughout the year to promote awareness about diabetes and its prevention. Recently, they organised a successful Lions Camp for teenagers aged 15-18 at Leeuwin Augusta Adventure Campgrounds. The camp was a great success and was enjoyed by all who attended. The participants were thrilled to participate in various activities like rowing, canoeing, and visiting the Cape Leeuwin Lighthouse.

We hope to be able to provide some training for all committee members and anyone who volunteers to help at the Retreat and the Camp during the year.

In addition to this, the Lions Diabetes Committee has been actively involved in organising diabetes screenings and talks. They conducted a Diabetes Screening in collaboration with the Dunsborough Lions Club and PDC Health Hub On 6th January 2024. The screening was well attended, and everyone enjoyed a great time. The Hillview Lions Multicultural Club is also organising a diabetes screening at the South Lakes Shopping Centre and has requested someone from PDC Health Hub to talk about diabetes at one of their workshops.

The Lions Diabetes Cabinet is committed to promoting awareness about diabetes and its prevention. To achieve this goal, they regularly organise events and activities throughout the year. One such event was the Lions Camp for teenagers aged 15-18 held at Leeuwin Augusta Adventure Campgrounds. The camp was a great success, and all the participants enjoyed the various activities that were on offer. The Lions Diabetes Cabinet has also actively organised diabetes screenings and talks. They recently conducted a Diabetes Screening in collaboration with the Dunsborough Lions Club and PDC Health Hub, which was well attended. The Hillview Lions Multicultural Club has also requested a diabetes screening at the South Lakes Shopping Centre, and the Lions Diabetes Committee has agreed to provide a speaker from PDC Health Hub to talk on diabetes at one of their workshops.

The Lions Diabetes Committee is also planning a retreat for Lions Camp Quokka in Augusta over the long weekend of September 27th-30th, 2024, and the Teen Camp will be held from the 2nd-9th March. The committee is currently working on the sessions and activities for the Retreat Weekend and hopes to provide training for all those who will be volunteering to help on the Retreat and the Camp during the year. The Lions Diabetes Committee is committed to promoting awareness about diabetes and its prevention, and they are actively working towards achieving this goal. The Lions Diabetes Committee is doing a great job promoting awareness about diabetes and its prevention.

They regularly organise events and activities throughout the year to achieve this goal. Their recent Lions Camp for teenagers aged between 15 and 18 was a great success, held at Leeuwin Augusta Adventure Campgrounds. The camp was well received by all who attended, and the participants enjoyed the various activities that were on hand.

We have been lucky to have a new Specialty Diabetes Lions Club, which has been tremendous in supporting and running the Retreats and the Teen Camps for Lions Camp Quokka. I am unable to be the State Coordinator for the Camps as my family comes first, especially looking after my three grandchildren on the dates that the camps will be held. However, I will still be the State Diabetes Coordinator and look forward to the reports that I will receive from the new Camp Coordinator. I hope the camp will continue and expand throughout the State of Western Australia.

I would like to thank my Committee for this Lionistic year for being a brilliant and fantastic group of people whom I will miss. I know you all will do a brilliant job on all future Retreats and Camps.

Lions of WA, we need your support for a very special piece of History to go into the HMAS Perth Memorial/Museum

At the last two District 201W2 Conventions in Harvey and Perth, we have had a presentation from the *HMAS Perth (1) Foundation* on the building of the *HMAS Perth Memorial/Museum* being built on the banks of the Swan River opposite the Leeuwin Barracks in East Fremantle.

The *HMAS Perth Memorial/Museum* will be officially opened in a special ceremony on the 29th June 2024, with the *Black Marble Memorial Wall* already in place on site with all the names of the sailors who went down with the ship in the Java Straits and those who survived their capture by the Japanese to tell their story.

With the help of the Lions in the UK, in particular Zone Chairman Glyn Williams, we have now secured a large **Waterline Model of the HMS Amphion (which was sold to the Australian Navy and renamed HMAS Perth)** donated from a Museum in Wales (UK) which we are now responsible for arranging its transport to Perth.

To be able to bring the Model to Perth and to complete the final work and detailing on the model, we require up to \$2,000.00 in funds and are looking for the support of the Lions of Districts W1 & W2 to achieve this.

We are asking each Club if they would consider a **donation of \$100.00** towards the project of bringing the HMS Amphion to Perth and completing the model to be displayed in the *HMAS Perth Memorial/Museum* in East Fremantle as a tribute and recognition to the seaman of the HMAS Perth who gave their lives to protect us and keep us free.

All funds raised will go to the transport and parts/materials for the completion of the model, with any leftover funds being donated to another specific project involving the *HMAS Perth Memorial/Museum*. This could include a Glass Case enclosure to house and display the model.

Myself and a very experienced Perth model maker Gerry Westenburg, will have the task of completing the model once it arrives in Perth to be ready to go on display.

If your Club would like to be a donor, below are the Bank Account details where your donation can be directly paid into:

Bank:

BSB:

A/c No.:

Ref: HMAS Perth donation

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H.M.A.S. PERTH (I) Memorial

His Majesty's Australian Ship *Perth* was commissioned into the Royal Australian Navy on 29 June 1939 and served with distinction during the early years of the Second World War. The Modified *Leander* Class light cruiser was sunk on 1 March 1942 while fighting numerically superior Japanese naval forces at Sunda Strait. At the time of her loss, *Perth* carried a complement of 681 officers, ratings, and civilian canteen staff. 353 were killed in action or perished because of the ship's sinking, and four died after reaching shore. Of the 324 who became prisoners of war of the Japanese, 106 died. 218 survived to return home.

The need to commemorate *Perth* and her gallant ship's company was first recognised by the City of Perth during the Second World War. On 12 August 1943 a plaque, 'Dedicated in grateful remembrance to the officers and men of HMAS PERTH', was unveiled at the Perth Town Hall. On 26 February 1950, the City of Fremantle Sub Section of the Naval Association of Australia instituted an annual memorial service for *Perth*. It is held at St. John's Church, Fremantle, on the last Sunday in February.

In 1964, a desire to further commemorate *Perth*, coupled with the need to establish a permanent headquarters for



the Navy League of Australia, Western Australian Division, led to a proposal to erect a memorial facility on the banks of the Swan River at East Fremantle. The HMAS *Perth* Memorial and facility was officially opened on 26 February 1967 - in time for the 25th anniversary of the Battle of Sunda Strait. The ship's Coat of Arms, which had been presented to the Perth City Council for safekeeping during the war, featured on a wall dedicated to the memory of *Perth* and the ship's company. As was intended, the facility accommodated the WA Navy League and the Australian Sea Cadet Corps headquarters, as well as the Sea Cadet unit TS (Training Ship) *Perth*.

In February 1992, to mark the 50th anniversary of the Battle of Sunda Strait, a reunion of survivors was held in Perth. Sixty *Perth* men from around Australia and New Zealand, and ten *Houston* men from the United

States attended. By 1 March 2017 - the 75th anniversary of the battle - the number of *Perth* survivors had dwindled to two. This led to public discussion about a memorial to HMAS *Perth* and the ship's company.

A working group was formed in 2018 to establish a permanent extension to the memorial to commemorate the life and loss of HMAS *Perth*. The memorial will be dedicated to the members of the ship's company who:

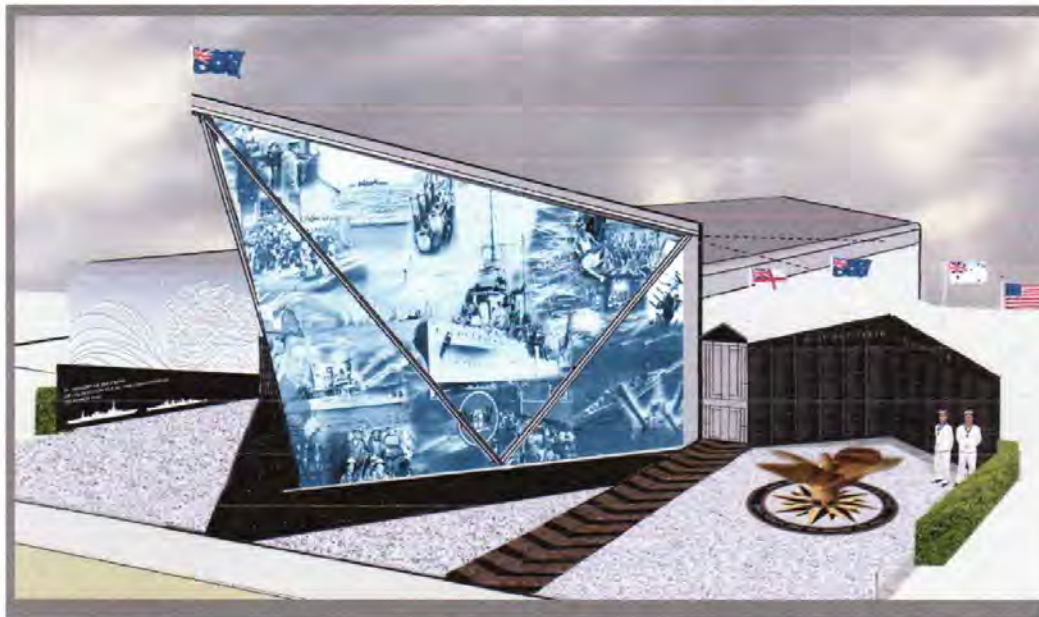
- 1) Perished in the Battle of Sunda Strait
- 2) Survived the battle and attempted to avoid capture
- 3) Were captured, imprisoned, and enslaved
- 4) Died as prisoners of war
- 5) Finally returned to Australia or the United Kingdom

The memorial will also acknowledge the families whose lives were forever changed by the loss of HMAS *Perth* on 1 March 1942. The HMAS *Perth* (I) Memorial Foundation Incorporated in unison with the Navy League of Australia Western Australia Division proposes to create the final extension to the memorial that will complement and enhance the existing HMAS *Perth* Memorial and facility. (Collectively known as the HMAS *Perth* Memorial Facility)



A key requirement is that the memorial be suitable for ceremonial occasions, commemorative events, flag-raising, and wreath-laying, to facilitate both public and private remembrance. To this end, an Avenue of Honour will bear the names of the entire ship's company, with each name engraved into highly polished black granite to emphasize the solemn purpose of this place of remembrance. Of equal importance is the creation of a special space for contemplation and reflection within a memorial setting. Another requirement is that the memorial acknowledge the 'All States' make-up of *Perth's* ship's company. Officers and ratings came from all corners of Australia, as well as the United Kingdom. To reflect this, the Port Division (home port) of each man will be shown next to his name.

These requirements have been met by the concept design produced by acclaimed sculptors Charles Smith and Joan Walsh-Smith (Smith Sculptors), whose works include the HMAS *Sydney (II)* Memorial at Geraldton, the National Memorial to the Australian Army in Canberra, and the John Curtin statue in Fremantle.



The proposed memorial extension to HMAS *Perth (I)* at East Fremantle. (Smith Sculptors)

The memorial will be in the form of a glass-walled 'ship's prow' shaped space which is the central symbolic focus and monumental manifestation of HMAS *Perth (I)*. Two steel-framed 10-metre-long ceramic glass walls, featuring images of *Perth* and members of the ship's company, will project forward from the front of the 12-metre-wide hall, coming together to give the effect of a ship's bows. A flood-lit flagpole will be provided at the peak, and two steps will be placed at the foot of the stem, for ceremonial and wreath-laying occasions.

Each wall will consist of two layers of 12-millimetre-thick glass, into which the images will be fused with ceramic inks. The resulting 25-millimetre-thick glass panels will be grey blue in colour, virtually bullet-proof, and strikingly effective. Lighting at night will give the panels an ethereal blue hue. The roofed 12-metre by 10-metre by 10-metre internal space created will form the special place for contemplation and reflection. It is envisioned those two life-size statues of a naval rating and a prisoner of war, proudly standing back-to-back in the centre of the space, will represent the two phases of a *Perth* sailor's war.

The HMAS *Perth (I)* Memorial Foundation and Navy League of Australia Western Australia Division working officially launched the project in 2019. For further information please contact the Secretary of the Foundation LCDR Zenda Gardiner ANC RTD, via post (PO Box 735, Fremantle WA 6160) or email secretary@hmasperth1memorial.com.au

Memorial Address: Lot 7773, Riverside Road, East Fremantle 6158

***Cabinet report for
Insurance, Risk & Child Safety.
PDG Peter Lamb***

The MD Insurance Committee is happy to announce that JUA Underwriting Agencies, our National Broker, has been purchased by A.B. Phillips Insurance and Risk Brokers with this announcement being made at the Darwin Convention. A. B. Phillips has offices in Victoria, Perth and Broome and has been operating in Australia since 1975. The announcement also indicated JUA will continue to operate under its own name and their staff will continue under the direction of A.B Phillips from their Sydney Office.

All Lions Insurance policies will remain in place and the common renewal date of the 30th September will also remain in place.

Any policy enquiries including renewals, alterations and claims should continue to be directed to Lion Garry Galvin, our National Authorised Representative. Garry's contact details are available in the Lions Directory.

PDG Bob Korotcoff remains on the MD Insurance Committee as a committee member only, and should not be contacted under the new structure, all communications should be directed to Lion Garry Galvin. PDG Bob has given over 45 years of service to this committee and should be congratulated for his long and distinguished service to Lions Insurance.

State representatives such as myself are still available for consultation and advice, however, we have no underwriting authority and can only assist with facilitating new or existing policies.

PDG Peter Lamb

Important Insurance Information for all Clubs

During the recent International Convention in Melbourne, the MD Authorised Representative Lion Garry Galvin met with the International Broker for LCI, and Garry has released the following statement to all 201WA Clubs.

Kindly note that Lion Garry is your first port of call for all insurance policies and renewals – please do not contact PDG Bob Korotcoff, as he is no longer the Authorised Representative for the MD Lions Insurance. Club Kids Trains.

Our Public Liability policy will continue to cover all Club Kids Trains which are already insured by Lions Insurance. The Liability Policy is in two parts - the primary policy (issued out of the USA) is for \$1 million, and in Australia, we have an Excess Layer policy of \$19 million. The Excess Layer policy follows the primary policy in terms of the cover and any exclusions. At this time, there are no exclusions limiting or preventing the use of the train. I should mention, however, that these types of equipment are monitored by the insurer and there can, from time to time, be concerns regarding their use, as the safety of these units can, sometimes, be questionable. Should these units ever be excluded by the insurers, you can rest assured that all Clubs in Australia will be notified immediately.

Special Events

Where Clubs are involved in such events where non-Lions groups participate by association or otherwise, it is important that evidence of a current Liability Insurance - Certificate of Currency is obtained from those participants. Lion Garry can provide Named parties (i.e. Shopping Centres) on a Certificate of Currency when sufficient notification is given for this request.

Lions Cancer Institute & LEHP.

There is also no issue with the Eye Health equipment, with regard to the Public Liability policy either. The only thing that did come up recently was in relation to the use of qualified medical professionals when using this or similar medical equipment. The policy does not cover such medical professionals who are still in practice and earning their living from their profession, even though they may be volunteering on an unpaid basis for Lions at the time. If they are still actively engaged in their profession, any claim must be put to their professional indemnity insurer as the Lions Public Liability policy excludes cover for people who are licensed medical practitioners.

Club BBQ Trailers

Concerning the Club's BBQ trailers, these trailers are currently insured on a Master Policy with Vero Insurance. The policy covers the trailer on a fully comprehensive basis, with the exception that this cover is excluded whilst the trailer is being used for cooking purposes. To overcome this exclusion, the Lions Brokers (JUA Underwriting Agency Pty Ltd) have arranged a separate cover which comes into play when you are cooking. Clubs should ensure they have this second separate cover whilst cooking on a BBQ Trailer. Both of these covers are Optional Extra Insurance and incur a separate premium to the insurance, covered under the semi-annual dues. The Trailer policy and the policy covering the cooking exclusion expire on 30th September and you will receive renewal invitations for these during August/early September.

Lions Policy Common Renewal Dates

The Lions Public Liability policy for \$20M expires on 1st September annually. All other mandatory policies fall due on the 30th September and are paid from your Semi-annual dues. I mention this as Clubs need to be aware that they will need to update any Certificates of Currency, that they have out with their local council, for projects which run over the expiry date for the Liability cover.

It is the Club's responsibility to ensure that all their insurance is adequate and appropriate for all risks involved.

Please contact Lion Garry Galvin (by email at insurance@lions.org.au or by phone at 0408 674 770) if you require any assistance for any insurance matters.

PDG Peter Lamb

Activities & Insurance/Risk/Child Safety Coordinator.

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President's Message Changing the World with International President Dr. Patti Hill

Dear Lion,

What an incredible year it has been! A year ago, I asked you to commit to changing the world by setting bold, ambitious goals to meet the needs of our neighbours, our communities and our world—and you did!

I loved seeing the diversity of our clubs, members and service, and I wish I could have met every Lion and Leo because you are so inspiring. Your innovative ways of serving people and your passion for protecting the planet are at the heart of what it means to be a Lion.

The Lion year may be coming to an end, but our service continues. So, reflect on the impact of your service and the people you served—those unforgettable experiences are why we serve—then let's get ready to take up new roles and create new opportunities to help more people in need. Let's invite even more service-minded people to share the joy of being a part of Lions International.

It has been my greatest honor to serve as your international president. Thank you for an extraordinary year.

Yours in service,

Dr. Patti Hill
International President

Sharing the joy of serving

Remember to [report your service](#) so you can share your joy, your pride and the incredible impact that you and your club are making as Lions. Please report all club service by **July 15**.

You can also join Lions and Leos around the world who are sharing their excitement about new members and new clubs on [social media](#). Highlight your new members with #MissionToGrow and tag @lionsclubs so you can show your community you're on a mission to grow!



Shine a light on your club!

When you shine a light on your service, you inspire others to join you.

Marketing can help you connect

with new people, new neighbourhoods and new members. You can find customisable resources to promote your club on the [Marketing Matters](#) page, and check out the [Marketing Matters Award](#) for details on how you can be recognised for great marketing

Lions in the Philippines restore coral reefs

After a devastating typhoon in Cebu destroyed 80% of the coral reef, Lions dived in to restore their coastal environment. Lions teamed with marine biologists, divers and volunteers to build artificial reefs and place them in the sea.

Watch [Save our Seas](#) to learn more about how Lions are working to restore the coral reef for future generations as part of our #LionsGoGreen initiative.

Today's flight, via SFO, will bring us one step closer to the June LCI Board meeting and #LionsCon 2024 in #Melbourne. We'll celebrate all the amazing services our #Lions and #Leos give thereby #changingtheworld everyday! We are also celebrating Year 1 of our #missiontogrow, Mission 1.5. We're strong, we're growing and we really are Changing the World.





Hello Lions, Leos and fellow humanitarians,

Thank you for giving me the amazing opportunity to serve as chairperson of Lions Clubs

International Foundation (LCIF). Throughout the past year, I was continuously inspired by the breadth and depth of service Lions were empowered to provide because of our global foundation. Lions across the globe continue to be resilient while facing the unimaginable challenges that follow natural disasters. We meet the needs in our communities every day in so many ways. We perform vision and cancer screenings in underserved communities, feed the hungry through food banks and other programs, help youth develop life skills in their schools and communities, improve hospitals and health care centres and so much more. In addition, LCIF partners with some of the most influential organisations in the world to expand our impact. Our worldwide reach is truly awesome because of the work we can do through LCIF.

Thank you to everyone who supported LCIF this year. Every gift you made brought us closer to achieving the US\$70 million stretch goal and will enable the foundation to award even more [grants](#) to enhance your service next year. Please remember to share the importance of supporting LCIF with current and future Lions and Leos and set an example through your continued [individual donations](#). Continue to share your stories of service made possible through the foundation. I look forward to the collective impact we will make together in the future.

Make a great day,

Brian E. Sheehan

Chairperson, Lions Clubs International Foundation



Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION

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(Oak Brook, Ill.) — World Food Program USA and Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) are pleased to announce a \$4 million partnership in support of the United Nations World Food Programme's homegrown school meals program in four countries. With each organisation contributing \$2 million to this joint effort, the grant will be a global collaboration, bringing together an international coalition of individuals committed to solving global hunger.

"This is an important investment in our collective future," said Barron Segar, President and CEO of World Food Program USA. "Today, we are facing a global food crisis of unprecedented proportions and kids are paying the price. Outside of the U.S., 153 million children, under 18 are facing extreme levels of malnutrition. Through this partnership with the Lions Clubs International Foundation, we will work to ensure that more children get the nutrition needed for both them and their communities to thrive."

Homegrown school meal programs are a multi sectorial game changer that has proven over decades to improve children's education, health and nutrition. When integrated into the local community, school meals have been shown to benefit the entire community by providing an important safety net and by strengthening food systems and economies. By further integrating with local small-scale farmers, local economies benefit, and a better-designed food system is created that also leads to impacts across gender, climate, and sustainability.

"Lions worldwide have a long history of working to improve food security and access to nutritious food, and there are no limits to what we can achieve when we unite for good. We are proud to partner with World Food Program USA to expand our collective reach," said LCIF Chairperson Brian E. Sheehan. "Together, through this important partnership, we can work

towards a future where no child will ever have to live without knowing when their next meal will come."

The U.N. World Food Programme is the world's largest provider of school meals, working with communities, governments and private sector partners to jointly ensure that all primary schoolchildren have access to good quality meals in schools. It is one of the most essential and efficient safety nets for communities, increasing enrolment, improving health, bettering gender equality and creating more robust markets for local food producers.

LCIF has a global presence, connecting the Lions' humanitarian mission of service to partners and allowing them to scale their impact across the world. The grant announced today will support school meal programs in four countries: Nepal, Sri Lanka, Uganda and Ecuador. In taking on this initiative, the Foundation will support a large-scale humanitarian program across three continents that addresses the most urgent unmet need of school-age children, positively impacting quality of life for entire communities.

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About World Food Program USA

World Food Program USA, a 501(c)(3) organisation based in Washington, D.C., proudly supports the mission of the United Nations World Food Programme by mobilising American policymakers, businesses and individuals to advance the global movement to end hunger. Our leadership and support help to bolster an enduring American legacy of feeding families in need around the world. To learn more about World Food Program USA's mission, please

visit wfpusa.org/mission-history.

About Lions Clubs International Foundation

Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) is the global foundation supporting the 1.4 million members of Lions Clubs International through grant funds that expand their compassionate works and empower their service at home and around the world. Since its founding in 1968, LCIF has awarded more than 20,000 grants totalling more than \$1.2 billion. We improve health and wellbeing, strengthen communities and support those in need, locally and globally. Learn more about who we are and what we do at lionsclubs.org/lcif.



Vision for Change: Addressing Eye Health Challenges

In Pakistan, there are 570,000 adults grappling with blindness due to cataracts. This is the most

Through this impactful grant funding, Lions in Pakistan will reach people dealing with diabetes-related vision impairment,

common cause of avoidable blindness in the country with 51.5% of the blind community burdened with it. Additionally, 11.77% of citizens

in Pakistan have type 2 diabetes mellitus, with 29% of those people experiencing diabetic retinopathy (DR), an eye condition that can cause vision loss and blindness in people who have diabetes. Lions saw the magnitude of this problem in Pakistan, and knew it needed to be

addressed. The Lions of District 305-N2 received a SightFirst Grant of US\$131,463 from Lions Clubs International



Foundation (LCIF) to develop infrastructure and expand diagnostic and treatment services for cataracts, uncorrected refractive errors (URE) and DR at the hospital of Khyber Eye Foundation (KEF). KEF was established as a charitable hospital in 1998. On average, KEF examines approximately 54,000 outpatients, organizes 18 outreach camps and performs cataract surgeries on 5,500 individuals each year.

Approximately 8,000 people with diabetes are examined and managed by their medical specialist or diabetologist each year. In addition, KEF



monitors glaucoma patients and performs glaucoma surgeries. Each year, KEF also diagnoses approximately 900 patients with glaucoma, performs multiple surgeries and offers treatment using topical eye drops. KEF is also dedicated to addressing these illnesses at an early age to ensure children are not burdened with the stress of vision problems. They run a school-based screening program for children ages six to 10. The program includes free eye exams to identify refractive errors and other eye conditions, free eyeglasses, referrals to KEF for students in need of further treatment and education on avoidable blindness and personal hygiene.

KEF has an optical workshop that provides a range of prescriptions for school children and paying individuals with URE. Between 2008 and 2016, KEF performed 17,118 refraction assessments and distributed 12,402 spectacles. Last year, 80% of patients who received cataract surgery had good outcomes, so Lions are hoping to expand on that success to serve more people in Pakistan. The LCIF grant will enable Lions to purchase the equipment necessary to conduct eye exams and treat cataracts, URE and DR. This includes a new argon laser since KEF's current one has not been functional for the last three years and will allow staff to reinstate laser treatments for DR patients. With this investment in equipment, Lions will ensure tens of thousands of people across the country never suffer from vision loss.

Through this impactful grant funding, Lions in Pakistan will reach people dealing with diabetes-related vision impairment, cataracts and more. Their efforts will prevent blindness and restore sight, offering patients a renewed chance to see.

Learn more about how Lions and LCIF work to improve the lives of the [visually impaired](#) and those suffering from [diabetes](#).



LION JOHN CLARE BOWS OUT AFTER 71/2 YEARS

Well, sad to say, my time as a Senior LEO Officer is fast approaching its end, with just 2 more tasks to go, finally get the Booragoon LEO Club started and my last LEO Advisors meeting, before heading off to Bali with the grandkids for some R and R. It's been 7 and a half years, as either LEO District Chair or Western Australian State LEO Coordinator (and one year as both) and it is time to hand over to somebody younger than me (in fact, 20 years younger), with some different ideas and initiatives. I've kicked some goals in that time, 4 new clubs, although sadly, Collie and Busselton have since gone, 2 years of LEO State Conferences, (it would have been 3 if the host club hadn't let us down in the third year)



National LEO of the Year in the Public Speaking section in Luke Tammen, 2 visits to W.A.Lions District Conventions from National LEO of the Year winners, Ruth Spence and Georgia Bailey and 133 young people have passed through the ranks of the W2 LEO Clubs (58



through Waroona alone!). I don't have access to how many have gone through Morley in W1 but I suspect that it would be over 200. I'm going to miss it like crazy, but my mental health and family, have dictated that I have been doing too much, as I was also serving on 6 District committees, 1 State committee, 1 National committee and the International LEO Advisory

Panel.....BLOODY MAD!! I will still be as passionate as ever about LEOs and will still be there to help and support Debbie and her team. I am quitting halfway through my term, because the LEO State Chair year runs from 1st February to 30th January and Debbie is interim LEO State Chair until Jan 31st 2025, and my role will be advertised in August on the Lions Positions Vacant page. I will be concentrating on 3 projects only during the next year, the Christmas Island Project, which I haven't given up on and I am still applying for funding, the first ever Australian Lions Clubs Museum with WALCHAC and I'm still trying to get a new Lions Club started in South Yunderup / Austin Lakes. I will still be State (District) Chair for the Junior Public Speaking contest, still be on the team for the Children's Vision Screening

and still on the GMA committee. I would like to thank the 7 District Governors that I have served under, Grant Hewett, Beverley Hawkins, the late Frank Camarri, Dot Jacobs, Stephen Berry, Ted Watts and the outstanding Peter Kenneday, my two amazing trainers for the LEO State Conferences, Tim Irvine and Jamie Mawer, who hopefully will be involved in some targeted LEO Incoming Officer training in July, all of the wonderful LEO Advisors at the sponsoring clubs, Debbie Tierney, Simon Heales, Bryn Martin, Jas Martin, Margaret Landwehr, Ian Derrick, Karen Molcher, Kathleen Grey, Pam Smith, Vic Muller and Pat Deleo and most of all, my fellow members of the Multi District LEO Committee, Lee Walkington, Nicole Phillips, David Emanuel, Linda Payne, Norm Somerville, Keryn Randall and ESPECIALLY, the absolutely awesome Pam Bennett, who leads the team so brilliantly.



Finally, I'd like to say that I have met some of the most awesome young people in my time, too numerous to mention. They've made me laugh, inspired me with their ideas, showed me how to have fun and enjoy life and never ceased to totally amaze me. And for those Lions Clubs that STILL don't have a LEO club...WHY THE HELL NOT?!?!? Oh, and final as far as LEOs go.....I'LL BE BACK!!



LEO ADVISORY PANEL 2023-24



District 201 Lions Junior Public Speaking



“The world is waiting for your words” ~ Awee Robinson

THE LAST CHANCE FOR YOUR CLUB TO TAKE PART IN THIS FANTASTIC NEW YOUTH PROJECT (only 4 years young) CONTACT JOHN CLARE @ contacts at bottom

Dear Club Presidents, Secretaries, Youth Program Chairpersons, Junior Public Speaking Chairperson and Zone Chairpersons.

As the 201 Multiple District Lions Junior Public Speaking Chairperson, I am sending you the 2024 Topics for Years 3 - 4 and Years 5 – 6, for this year’s program.

The 2024 Topic for Years 3 – 4 – **“My Favourite Fairytale or Book Character”**, if you could talk to your favourite fairytale character or a character from your favourite book – who would they be, why are they your favourite character and what would you ask them?

While some details may be fictional, it must be based on true facts.

Topic for Years 5 – 6 – **“Who is the most Influential Person in your Life?”** Interview this person and tell us about them, who they are, what do they do, and how have they influenced you?

Note: They maybe a member of your family, grandparent, local policeman/woman, firefighter, doctor, nurse, teacher or a member of the community. This should be a true account of the interview, not fictional.

The District V6 website has been updated with new Club, Regional and District Advisory Forms, Judges and Volunteer Code of Conduct Forms and all other information for running the program is on there. The certificates can be printed on with Club and District details and then downloaded. Please use these certificates so as to keep all correspondence uniform.

The Junior Public Speaking timeline for 2024 is -

School competitions to be completed by the end of August.

District Finals will be held on Sunday 15th September Venue and time TBA.

Please encourage your Club to start this amazing program and give the young people in your community opportunity to gain their confidence to speak in public. From our experience the program will be well received by the Schools, Teachers, and Parents of the participating students.

Get involved with the YOUTH in YOUR Community, You will received much enjoyment and benefits as they do! Maybe your Club will gain more members when the public see what you are doing with the young people in your communities.

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Lions Save-Sight Foundation NEWSLETTER



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Professor Morgan Steps down as MD of LEI



At Lions Eye Institute's (LEI) recent AGM Professor William (Bill) Morgan officially stepped down from his position as Managing Director of LEI.

Professor Morgan is a valuable leader, clinician and researcher, whose contribution to the Institute over many decades has been outstanding. Professor Morgan has been the MD of the Institute since 2019 and during that time has also been the LEI

representative on the Board of the Lions Save-Sight Foundation (LSSF). He feels that now is the right time to focus more energy on a number of exciting projects that will contribute to the success and sustainability of LEI and will continue to work closely with the Institute as a researcher and clinician. The Directors of LSSF are also delighted that he will continue to be the representative for LEI on the Board as his insight and overall knowledge of the needs of the Institute are invaluable in ensuring the Board meets its objectives as set out under our Constitution, which invariably answer the call set out by Helen Keller to Lions International back in 1925. to be "Knights of the Blind".

Board Structure

To reflect the merger of our two Districts on 1st July 2024, our LSSF Constitution was amended at the AGM held on the 6th June 2024.

The Board was very pleased to see that many Lions members were able to attend the AGM even with the severe weather that was experienced. This enabled the important Constitutional amendments to be passed. Thank you to all those members who braved the conditions to attend.

The amendment took into account the merging to one District and the changes made affected the Board structure. In essence the changes made to the Board were going from four (4) Vice District Governors down to two (2), our elected District Directors, increased to four (4), whereas previously it was two (2) from each of the two districts, so in effect remains as four (4) elected District Directors and our Cabinet Chairperson comes back from two (2) to one (1).

The amendments now change the Board from a total of 13 Directors to 10 Directors, still enabling an effective Board makeup of your Foundation.

PCC Ambrose Depiazzi
Dr Chairman

Focus on Dr Danial Roshandel

Dr Daniel Roshandel is a researcher at the Lions Eye Institute and he is funded by your Foundation. Dr Roshandel is an overseas trained ophthalmologist who has specialised in ocular surface diseases and stem cell transplantation. He obtained his PhD in inherited retinal diseases from The University of Western Australia (UWA) and joined the Lions Eye Institute as a postdoctoral research fellow to continue his research on advanced cell therapies for end-stage ocular surface diseases and pursue his career as a clinician-scientist.

Dr Roshandel has been involved in various clinical research projects since 2005 with published articles in various journals. He contributed to developing various innovative surgical techniques that improved the clinical outcomes of the management of limbal stem cell deficiency, a common cause of corneal blindness, and other severe ocular surface disorders. During his PhD, he made a significant contribution in the field of developing clinical trial endpoints for specific types of inherited retinal diseases and gained international recognition for his publications in adaptive optics retinal imaging.



Dr Roshandel's current projects involve developing novel therapeutic techniques for advanced ocular surface diseases. With your Foundations support he is researching to produce corneal cells from adult stem cells that can revolutionise the treatment of end-stage ocular surface diseases.

Touring Lions Eye Institute

Why not arrange for your Club to take a tour of the state of the art facility at the Lions Eye Institute and see what Lions in WA have achieved.

Since 1983, the Lions Eye Institute, which was spawned out of the Lions Save-Sight Foundation and receives our ongoing support, has worked at the frontiers of eye science - contributing to global understanding of eye disease, developing new therapies and driving technological innovation. LEI specialist research groups are world-renowned and collaborate at national and international levels to bring the next generation of therapies from the laboratory bench to the bedside. The Institute is home to one of the largest ophthalmological clinical trial research centres in the world, giving patients access to new treatments before they are available to the general public.



Contact our office to book a tour of this amazing facility (contact details on front page).

Perth Half Marathon & 5km

This year is the 40th Perth Half Marathon and is scheduled for Sunday the 4th August. The run is organised by the West Australian Marathon Club who generously donate proceeds to the Lions Save-Sight Foundation. Several Lions Clubs set up and man the water stations, and a BBQ is organised after the run.

Participants have the option to run or walk 21.1km or 5 km allowing for all age groups and fitness levels. This year will also see the WA State Half Marathon Championships and the Kids Marathon. All finishers receive a medal.

LSSF Director Paul Tomas co-ordinates this project on behalf of the Foundation.

TOM CAMERON AWARDS

Recognise the efforts of a Lion or someone in your community who has shown outstanding service.

The award can be purchased for \$300 and comes with a pin, framed certificate and recognition on the awards register on the LSSF website.

A worthy way of meeting the challenge of being 'Knights of the Blind'.

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24th April 2024

Lions Clubs of Western Australia

Dear Club President and Members,

As we enter the last two months of our Lions year, it is common for many Clubs to consider the allocation of Funds raised during the current year. On this occasion, I sincerely request that when doing so, you consider a donation to the Lions Save-Sight Foundation, your own Lions Foundation.

WHY?

This is the most senior of our Foundations and does more for the recognition of Lions than most of our projects.

Your Foundation is heavily involved in funding research into cures on the many areas of sight that blindness emanates from. We currently are committed to funding of nearly \$300,000 per annum towards research into the prevention of blindness that affects so many.

Finally, may I say because of the Lions Clubs like yours, this Foundation is recognised as the Best Ophthalmic facility in the Southern Hemisphere.

Please help us to remain that way.

To your incoming Board, may I wish you all the best for 2024-2025 year and suggest you consider programming a visit and tour to our Nedlands Centre to see the great work being undertaken under the name of Lions.

Wishing your Club all the best,

Ambrose Depiazzi O.A.M.
CHAIRMAN

For direct fund transfers, bank details are as follows;

Bank: ANZ Banking Group (Subiaco Branch)
BSB: 016-460
Account Number: 4265-39142

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WEST AUSTRALIAN LIONS' CLUBS HISTORICAL ARCHIVES COMMITTEE OUR DISTRICT CLUBS CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES

CLUB

NUMBER of YEARS

CHARTER DATE

WA DISTRICT Clubs celebrating ANNIVERSARIES JULY 2024

GIRRAWHEEN	44	07/07/1980
GOSNELLS	55	16/07/1969

WA DISTRICT Clubs celebrating ANNIVERSARIES AUGUST 2024

FLOREAT	59	03/08/1965
ARMADALE KELMSCOTT	53	9/08/1971
LEEMING & DISTRICTS	32	16/08/1992
BASSENDAN	43	17/08/1991
NORTHAMPTON	54	20/08/1970

WA DISTRICT Clubs celebrating ANNIVERSARIES SEPTEMBER 2024

KINGSLEY-WOODVALE	34	06/09/1990
KONDININ	51	13/09/1973
TOODYAY	48	14/09/1976
PINGRUP	42	27/09/1982
CITY OF PERTH	62	29/09/1962

WA DISTRICT Clubs celebrating ANNIVERSARIES OCTOBER 2024

NEWMAN	53	05/10/1971
LEEWIN	52	12/10/1971
SOUTH PERTH	54	26/10.1969
CARNARVON	59	29/10/1965

IF YOUR CLUB IS HAVING A ANNIVERSARY DINNER OR JUST A
CELEBRATION, DROP ME A NOTE AND I'LL MAKE SURE THAT YOU
ADD IT TO THE LIST OF UP-COMING EVENTS

FROM THE ARCHIVES



SIXTY YEARS OF WEST AUSTRALIAN LIONS' CLUBS HISTORY (Compiled by WALCHAC Member John Clare)

60 YEARS AGO, THIS MONTH – JUNE 1964 In their end of Year allocations, The City of Perth Lions Club donate \$640 to The Blind Society, \$255 to Torchbearers For Legacy, \$494 to Ngala Parenting, Family, Children and Youth Support and \$200 to a semi crippled girl plus arrange employment for her.



50 YEARS AGO, – JUNE 1974
Nothing of any real significance



800 Entries In Safety Contest

Some 800 posters were submitted by children sponsored by Lions Clubs throughout District W1 & W2 in Western Australia for judging in the annual Safety Poster Competition. The theme this year was Fire Safety.

The judging was conducted at the Shenton Park Community Centre by well known newspaper cartoonist Mr. Alan Langoulant of the Daily News.

Mr. Dale Henshaw from Telecom Australia presented the Telecom Perpetual Trophy to the City of Perth (Host) Lions Club (W1) who submitted the outstanding poster of the competition. Year 12 students from Trinity College – Jeff Spirik and Darren Maxwell both prepared the outstanding poster.

Pictured at the judging are from left John Roberts, W2 Project Chairman, Nichola Grundmann, Mr. Alan Langoulant, and Geoff Condon, W1 Project Chairman.

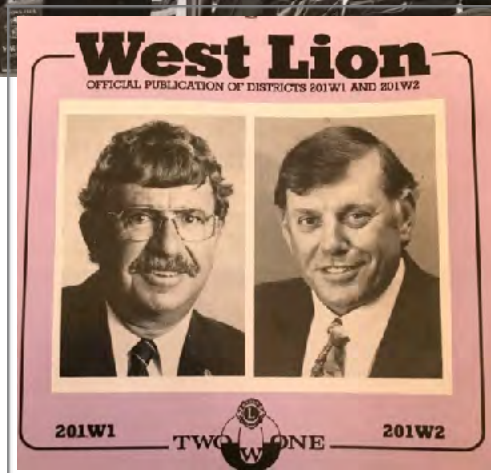


40 YEARS AGO THIS MONTH, JUNE 1984

Combined Districts W1 & W2 launch the Safety Poster Competition.

30 YEARS AGO THIS MONTH, JUNE 1994

District Governors Elect are Gary Obst (W1) and John Knowles (W2)



20 YEARS AGO THIS MONTH, JUNE District Governor Derrick Golder becomes an Australian Citizen.

**DG WI
Derrick Golder
our newest
Australian citizen**

"AS an Australian citizen, I affirm my loyalty to Australia," said Derrick.

District Governor Lion Derrick Golder was one of seventy excited people to pledge their allegiance and be sworn in as our newest Australians. This glittering and moving ceremony took place at the Scarborough Civic centre on June 2, 2004.



■ What could an Aussie need more? Lion Russell Decke JP is pictured providing Governor Derrick with his first substantial Aussie meal, a coldie and a meat pie, what a way to go.



■ District Governor Derrick salutes his alle-

10 YEARS AGO THIS MONTH JUNE 2014 Australind Lions help a local family.

**Australind
Lions support
local family**

Over the last 12 months Australind Lions Club has assisted several local families with children suffering from cancers.

These children are hospitalised in Perth and often the fathers have to give up work to look after the other children at home. In addition staying in Perth, with the constant travelling, incurs crippling costs at this very difficult time.

Club President Mac Canale told the District Newsletter that, "Lion Diane and myself visited Carla and Aaron Jarvis' home to present them with a cheque for \$2000 as agreed by club members.

"This will go a long way in supporting this family during this traumatic time in their lives"

"Their son Harley is allowed an overnight stay at home for three nights a week luckily the night we attended was one of them.

"When we arrived Harley who is now seven months old was lying on his rug on the family room floor and was being suctioned by his mum Carla.

"We were there less than half an hour and Harley required the suction process twice in that time. Until such time as a night nurse can be arranged, Harley cannot stay at home full time due to his 24/7 needs. The trachi tube that protrudes from his throat has a cap on it and this was dislodged several times while we were there and has to be immediately replaced.

He needs to be constantly watched.

"Carla and Aaron are a lovely young couple



Above: Australind Lion Mac Canale is pictured with Lion Glenys Eakins they presented a cheque and a plaque to the Bunbury Regional Hospital, to purchase an up-to-date electric bed. Several members particularly Mac have had the misfortune to avail themselves of the wonderful care of the hospital in recent months. During these stays Mac noticed that there was a distinct shortage of the electric beds and the club decided that it was a good idea as part of our annual gifts to charity to donate such a bed and it will permanently carry a brass plaque to signify our donation.

and talked freely of their experiences and were extremely appreciative of the financial assistance we have given.

"It was heartbreaking to hear Carla say that one thing she dearly wants is to hear her baby cry. Who knows when or even if that will happen."

Harley Jarvis is quite small for his age and is a loveable little guy.

He is nearly at a stage where he can roll-over and this will pose further problems when he rolls onto his tummy which could affect the trachi tube.

Lion Diane, with her wealth of experience and knowledge to the medical industry, was

able to talk to the family about various avenues of assistance and will help put them in touch with the right people.

"I could not pass up the opportunity to have a cuddle with Harley and Diane took some pictures on her phone, Mac closed.

Aaron and Carla now have our phone numbers and we have encouraged them to contact us should they need any assistance. We will of course keep in contact with them as well.

Lions, they are a very loving and caring family going through very difficult times.

"Meeting the family was an extremely humbling experience and truly makes one appreciate how lucky we are," Diane said.

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HISTORICAL ARCHIVES COMMITTEE

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FROM 1917 TO THE FUTURE



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Dear Lions Leaders,

Many of you would be aware of much of the country slipping back into drought and others experiencing dry times outside of normal climate conditions for this time of year.

Vast areas of Southern Australia are yet to get their "Autumn Break" of seasonal rainfall so that their farmers can begin sowing, others have been hand feeding stock for part of the last 12 months if not most of it.

In these areas, fodder has become increasingly in short supply. Farmers are worried what the future brings. Rural communities rely on the input of productive farmers to keep their towns and regions alive.

Some Lions Clubs and Districts have reached out to our Lions Australia National Project Need for Feed for help, others are yet to ask.

The purpose of this email is to let you know that help is available. All you have to do is ask and between us we will find a way to make it happen.

We will ask you for a commitment from your Club and or District to help facilitate local and state government support and support from your states farming industry group to lobby on our behalf.

I would like to give you an example of how this approach has worked to the benefit of all in our most recent campaign, and that was to provide aid to the farmers of King Island where we worked hand in hand with the local Lions Club and their T1 Tasmanian Lions District, to achieve amazing results.

This whole campaign was put together and the first phase carried out over the space of 3 months. We are in the final stages of planning a second round of assistance.

An overview of our main delivery to King Island is shown in this Channel 9 A Current Affair interview with our Need for Feed Chairman PDG Graham, which aired nationally on prime time TV on Saturday May 18, which I have attached to this email.

There are many other examples of media coverage which you can find on our Facebook page **Need for Feed Australia** It took a whole of Australian Community commitment at all levels to make this happen.

A National Charity and Lions Project - Need for Feed Australia
 A local Lions Club and their Community- King Island Lions

A Statewide Lions District - T1 Lions District and District Governor
 An interstate special interest Lions Club, Victoria Need for Feed

A Local Government - King Island Council and Mayor

A Statewide Industry lobby group Tas Farmers, seconding staff to help coordinate distribution.
 Private Enterprise - Eastern Line Shipping offering to ship our precious cargo at cost.

A State Government - Tasmanian Government agreeing to help cover some cover freight costs.
 Port Authorities in 2 States waiving charges.

State and Federal politicians lobbying on our behalf
 Federal Government considering helping with other costs.

This whole project will deliver in excess of \$500,000 worth of aid to one community.





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We know that by working together with your Club and District, this level of commitment can happen in other Districts and States to support your own farming and rural communities.

Lions Clubs can support our efforts with a donation to help with costs by sending a cheque to the address below or direct deposit via the online link below.

<https://www.needforfeed.org/donate.html>

Individual Lions, private enterprise and the public can make a donation which is fully tax deductible. We look forward to hearing from You.

Yours in Lions Kelly Laffan
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Lions Club Project Need for Feed - Darwin Convention Report 2024.

The last year has been yet another of those that just when we thought things were quietening down, something happened to make us flat out again. We had not long finished the final recovery phase of the floods around Forbes in the NSW Central West and right across the top of Victoria into South Australia, and fires earlier last year near Taralga north of Goulburn also in NSW, and were kind of wondering what we were going to be doing next when we were met with fires and flooding in our own District in early Spring. We were able to respond to that within days, along with a fire in the Bega Valley in south east NSW.

Not long after that, fires started breaking out in various other parts of New South Wales and some of southern and central Queensland. At one stage we were working on 6 fires within NSW and had responded to another 5 in Queensland. We have had requests for assistance for fire and or drought in all of the eastern mainland states including South Australia. Over the last 12 months we have completed 15 hay runs into and out of all of those states as well as Tasmania. There have also been numerous individual deliveries filling in the gaps between runs. Our volunteers have often finished one hay pick up or delivery and turned straight around to reload and do it all again because there was someone in need.

The Lions Districts that we have delivered to over the last 12 months include N1, N2, N3, N4 and N5, V1-4, V3, V5 and V6, Q1, Q3, and Q4, and also C1 and C2. Where possible with our deliveries we have involved and worked directly with local Lions Clubs.

As we enter our 18th. year, it's worth reflecting on our journey thus far. Since our humble beginnings back in 2006/2007 the project has grown and grown to the point where the total value of aid delivered over the life of the project has now topped over 45 million dollars. That's the equivalent of around 6,000 truckloads of hay and

other fodder. These deliveries are usually accompanied by household hampers, personal care packs, sometimes Lions teddies and toys for the kids, and always food for our best mates. Every farm has at least one dog!

This is all made possible by very generous and ongoing support from not only our own members and volunteers, but also our supporting Lions Clubs, other service clubs, community groups and of course the Australian public. That is something we all as Lions individually and as an organisation should be extremely proud of. Our Lions Club project Need for Feed has for some time now been recognised as the leading provider of emergency fodder at a state and national level by governments and other agencies. That is in no small part due to the hard work and dedication of our loyal band of Lions members and other volunteers. Today Need for Feed remains the only group among the big four registered Australian farm charities run totally by volunteers.

Over the next year ahead, we will of course continue to do what we have always done and that is to support our farmers and rural communities in times of need, wherever they are.

Yours in Lions

PDG Graham Cockerell Chairman.



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I am asking for volunteers to assist with the drink stations for the **Perth Half Marathon** to be held on **Sunday 4th August 2024**.

This will involve labour only on the day at various locations from **Burswood, South Perth foreshore, Narrows Bridge and return**.

Some drink stations are two way passes but some only one pass of runners. Everything will be supplied on the day apart from labour. What is required is labour to fill cups and hand over to the runners as they go past the drink stations.

It will only involve a few hours on this great day and raises several thousand dollars which goes towards one of our foundations, Lions Save Sight. Water stations need to be attended by 7.30am and race is over by 11am.

Several clubs were involved in the last few years and good friendship is had on the day supporting a good cause.

If any clubs or individuals can assist on the day can you please contact Paul Tomas on the below details with names and numbers from each club.

Paul Tomas (Lions Save Sight Director)

pajtomas@bigpond.com

Mob 0458 388 894

Sari-Elles Mission to raise funds for ALF

Fellow Lions and Leos,

Thank you to all the clubs that have supported Sari-Elle in her quest.

Together we have reached **halfway in both meeting** the goal of \$120,000 and towards Sari –Elle expenses.

We Lions and Leos create miracles through service and change people’s lives. Assisting this request we would be supporting our own ALF.

The ALF Compassionate Grants assists many of our clubs to support people with special needs, public relief and community welfare and it **now needs our support.**

Sari-Elle is aiming at raising \$120,000 for our ALF compassionate grant by running a 42.195k marathon at Mt Everest, WOW.

Please assist Sari-Elle with the enormous personal costs to assist our flagship Foundation.

We have Council Chair Vin Pang support to write to all clubs in our MD.

YOU CAN STILL DONATE!!

ALL DONATIONS: Managing Club.

Lions in Support of Sari-Elle and ALF Donations to: Lions Club of Coogee - Activities account

BSB: 633 000

Account Number: 162 955 835

Reference: Sari-Elle and ALF



WHAT A GREAT ACHIEVEMENT CONGRATULATIONS SARI ELLE

Congratulations to Sari-Elle Kraemer who has just finished Sari-Elle's Everest Marathon for Lions. She is 3rd in the 'foreign women' category and 7th in the 'foreign' category. This is absolutely amazing!

What an incredible Lion and let's acknowledge her success with more donations to the Australian Lions Foundation Compassionate Fund supporting Australians in need. Sari-Elle's Everest Marathon for Lions Australia! Donations to the Australian Lions Foundation Compassionate Grants Fund has surpassed her goal of \$120,000. Congratulations to this amazing Lion for a fantastic effort in completing the Marathon and reaching her milestone

We are all so proud of Sari-Elle.



Sari-Elle takes on the World's Highest Marathon for Australian Lions Foundation

Sari-Elle Kraemer has smashed it!

\$120,200







Lion Sari-Elle is on a mission to raise \$120,000 to help change lives through the Australian Lions Foundation. Compassionate grants from the Foundation are a lifeline for individuals or families grappling with hardships, offering critical aid like medical equipment or financial relief. In May 2024, Sari-Elle will compete in the highest marathon on earth, aiming to boost funds and spread the word about the phenomenal work Lions volunteers do in their communities, backed by the Australian Lions Foundation. Sari-Elle has set herself an extraordinary training schedule to prepare for this amazing challenge. Time is running out to donate.



AUSTRALIAN LIONS FOUNDATION AMBASSADOR
TAKING ON WORLD'S HIGHEST MARATHON

SARI-ELLE'S EVEREST MARATHON
42,195 kms 5,304m above sea level and a mission to raise \$120,000!



By taking on the May 2024 Everest Base Camp Marathon Sari-Elle is aiming to raise funds and awareness for the Australian Lions Foundation. We encourage our Lions members to share this news with the wider community with the assistance of the Australian Lions Foundation.



Scan the QR code to make a donation or visit www.givenow.com.au/cj/everestmarathon

Donations over \$2 are tax deductible



ALF Compassionate Grant Fund
BSB 036-157. Account Number 535751

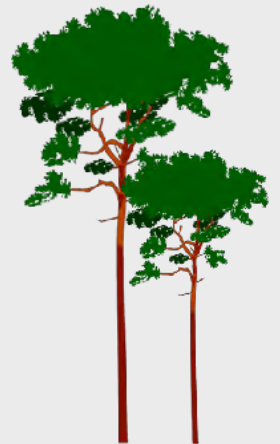


***The Lions Club of Bull Creek invites fellow
Lions Club Members to their annual -
201WA LIONS REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY***

***This year it will take place on
SUNDAY 28 July 2024***

at the RICHARD LEWIS PARK

***(Entry off Camm Avenue via Bull Creek Drive, adjacent to the
RAAFA Estate).***



Lions Clubs of W1 – W2 remember fellow Members and Partners who have “Passed On” in the previous twelve months.

The 2024 ceremony will be held in the Richard Lewis Reserve in Bull Creek. A plaque in the name of a former Lion / Partner or their Family-member will be attached to the Memorial Seat.

This year Remembrance Day will fall on Sunday 28 July, 2024.

This is the program for the 2024 Ceremony at which former Lions will be remembered.

For more details please contact;

Secretary Lions Club of BULL CREEK as per Lions District directory

REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY 2023

- 10:00 Gathering , Introduction and Welcome: Bull Creek Club President
- 10:05 History of the Ceremony: Rob Davies
- 10:10 Short address by District Governor
- 10:15 Prayer and Reading of Names for remembrance
– Bull Creek Lions Club Member

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| MURRAY WITHAM | ARMADALE – KELMSCOTT |
| HARALD LOREK | MANDURAH |
| LES CASTLE | BOORAGOON |
| BERNIE BRANDRETT | BOORAGOON |
| ADRIAN ALAN JOHNS | DUNSBOROUGH |
| RICHARD (DICK) THOMPSON | DUNCRAIG |
| NEIL RODGERS | ELLENBROOK |
| GEOFF ROBERTS | BULL CREEK |
| SUE O'BRIEN | VICTORIA PARK |
| ANITA GEORGE | SOUTH PERTH |
| TERRY BEST | BUSSELTON |

- 10:25 Unveiling of plaques by District Governors.
Thank you to guests: Bull Creek Lions Club Rep:
Following the Ceremony, families and guests will be invited to place a sprig of Rosemary for remembrance on the memorial seats.
Fellowship over morning tea provided by Club Members.

HOW TO GET THERE AND PARK...

Travelling from north or south on Kwinana Freeway, leave the Freeway at the Leach Highway exit turning toward Welshpool. Turn right at the first set of lights (the RAAFA Village is on the corner). Travel up Bull Creek Drive and turn left at the roundabout into Camm Avenue. Watch for the entry on the left hand side, someone will be there to guide you. If coming from the other way along Leach Highway, turn at the RAAFA as above.



LOOK FOR SIGNS AND ASSISTING LIONS>>>

Acknowledgements:

Western Power for access to the site

Members of the Bull Creek Lions C

TREASURER REQUIRED Festival for Disadvantage Children (Razzamatuzz)

The Festival for Disadvantaged Children WA Inc (FFDC) is seeking an expression of interest from WA Lions to take on the role of Treasurer for the Association.

The children's festival over the last 27 years has provided fun and entertainment for thousands of children and provided valuable support through annual donations to our many Lions Foundations and Institutes plus many other organisations that have an ongoing commitment to the benefit of children in WA. (Donated over \$1.7 Million over the 27 years)

The role of treasurer will require the following commitment:

Weekly - An average of 30 minutes -1 hour per week to process and pay a few invoices and bank donation cheques.

Monthly - An hour a month to capture receipts and invoices in accounting system, reconcile Bank Statements and produce financials for Board.

Quarterly - Calculate and submit quarterly BAS Payments and arrange payment to ATO.

Annually - Prepare books for Audit

- Prepare the Associations return to ACNC

- Arrange payments to the organisations FFDC has approved for donation.

Will be an executive member of the FFDC Board.

If you have an interest in taking on the role please contact Mick Wainwright on 0407 422 714 or mwainwright1@vtown.com.au

Regards

Lion Mick Wainwright
201WA Constitution and By-Laws CoOrdinator
President Noranda Lions Club
Chair Lions Cancer Institute Inc
Chair Lions Festival for Disadvantaged Children Inc
Lets Make a Difference
Lions Club of Noranda





Emergency Medical Information Book

A Community Service Project by your Ambulance Service and local Lions Club

EMIB Lions National Chairman Chris Martin

Email: chris@emib.org.au

Phone: 0409 900 499

Web: www.emib.org.au

Post: PO Box 233 St Agnes SA 5097



Lions Club of Blackwood SA

GREETINGS TO YOU ALL!

MAY 2023 NEWSLETTER

A community service project from your Rotary and Lions Clubs and Ambulance Service



Emergency Medical Information Book.



Lions Club of Blackwood District 201C2

Name

Book started

AMBULANCE 000.

UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION REGULARLY AND KEEP YOUR BOOK ON THE FRIDGE

Greetings from the Emergency Medical Information Book Project Committee, I am pleased to report that we seem to be heading for another near record year with Lions Clubs distribution as at the end of April standing at 12,130, Display Boxes 55 and Pocket Editions 1,020. Lions contribution to the total of 35,545 year to date is supported by 5,350 from Rotary and 17,245 "others".

"Others" are the areas of Health Departments, Local Govt, Ambulance Services and the like. (These figures only relate to the books).

The Committee are pleased to announce that Mr Brenton Ragless has agreed to be the Ambassador for the Rotary and Lions Emergency Medical Information Book Project. Brenton is the Channel 9 Newsman in Adelaide and is supportive of a number of community initiatives in SA. I am sure that we will see some involvement in our promotions of the Book in the future.

The Project will be represented at the MD Convention in Darwin at the end of May and I look forward to seeing folk at the display booth and hopefully persuading some more Clubs to get involved with the EMIB Project. The situation at this time is that the distribution that we are achieving is being supported by 7% of the clubs across Australia. I can't help but feel we should be able to increase that participation rate by quite a bit and by doing so we will be potentially saving more lives.

I would be pleased to hear from any Lion who wishes to assist and become involved with distributing books or has an idea they feel would improve our means of advertising or way of distributing. Don't hesitate to contact me by email at any time.

Chris Martin Lions Chair EMIB Project

NEED A RELAXING BREAK Then Lions Myalup Pines Cottages or Lions Dryandra Village is the place for you to unwind.

Looking for a mid week break, or planning a Wedding, Birthday or Conference then,

LIONS MYALUP COTTAGES

is the place for you.

Situated 150 km south of Perth, Lions Myalup Pines cottages is leased from the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions and managed by a board

of management made up of Lions from District

201W2, a division of Lions Clubs International. Lions

Myalup Pines Cottages is a not-for-profit project and the board of management are all volunteers. The Myalup Pines village has seven basic cottages each sleeping up to eight people. The village has full BBQ facilities, an open fire pit, large green areas, bush walks of

various distances and a children's playground. In addition, there is a hall available with a large modern kitchen as well as a large screen tv and an AV system for presentations, conferences or other group gatherings. There are many things around to explore and enjoy.

Myalup Beach with its beautiful white beaches great for swimming and fishing is only a short drive away. Lake Preston and Yalgorup National Park are ideal for bird watching, bush walking and nature study. Whittaker's Mill Site is 18 km north of Myalup, once an old mill

town, is now a popular rest spot for travellers with BBQ's and tables. The little town of Myalup boasts one of the Harvey region's most unique mosaics designed by a talented local artist. Less than five minutes drive away you have the Old Coast Brewery with a variety of boutique beers and great food plus skydiving. There are also a range of other

eateries to be found in Harvey and Myalup. If you like cheese, don't miss out on Ha Ve Harvey Cheese for some delicious tastings. The Myalup Pines village has seven basic cottages each sleeping up to eight people in various bed configurations. All cottages have crockery and cutlery for eight people, wood heating, toilet and shower facilities under the main roof. For further convenience, each cottage also has a toilet outside. Visitors need only bring their own bedlinen including pillows and bathroom towels and toiletries.

CONTACT US - ROY and MARIE,

+61 8 9720 1026 info@myaluppines.com.au



The Western Ringtail Possum



Lions Dryandra Woodland Village Experience

The Dryandra Woodland Village is an experience for the individual, a couple, family and groups.

On arrival, you are greeted by “Julie and Les” who will direct you to your **accommodation**. They are also a



valuable source of information on birds and animals in the woodland and activities in and around the village. Your cottage will have been 5 star glampingly prepared for your comfort and convenience. After you have unloaded your gear and settled in, sit on the porch and contemplate your surroundings. Please BYO linen, quilt, pillows and towels, or sleeping bag; or hire some for interstate/international



visitors. The paddock out front has kangaroos, currawongs and magpies; numbats and echidnas if you look for them, and numerous bird species. Such a peaceful and relaxing hideaway. At night you may be serenaded by the beautiful songs of the bush stone curlews.

You may want to have a walk around the village first up to familiarise yourself with your surroundings. Take your camera, binoculars and a bottle of water.

Back at your accommodation, if it is cold you may want to set and light the fire. This may require a bit of wood chopping (not on the slabs please) from bags purchased at the office/caretakers (@ \$10 per bag). Once lit you can sit in the comfy lounge chairs and make plans for the next day.



The village has an old tennis court, playground with a flying fox; and plenty of space for the children to ride bikes and play games.

The Woodland has walk trails, drive trails, dams, and picnic areas to keep you busy during the day. Pre-book a tour to “Barna Mia” for the evening.



The kitchen is fully equipped with a full size fridge and stove, microwave, and all crockery, cookware, utensils and cutlery to enable easy meal preparation. So in no time you are fed, the dishes washed with good hot water and the kitchen tidied.

Then you decide to read for a while in the lounge which is comfortable and on a cold evening is warm and inviting because of the fire that is slowly burning. You start the book you have been meaning to read but have not had the time. Well you have all the time in the world and as you read, you feel the quietness and the ambience of your surrounds. It is timeless here at the Lions Dryandra Village.

Eg., a Mallee Fowl video...then others follow on youtube: <http://youtu.be/4OwW8sLNKR4>

Check out the possum box on the front veranda at dusk as you will probably see a family of possums emerging for their night time activities. An evening stroll seems like a good idea. Take a torch as you may see more possums, woylies and maybe an owl. Listen for the curlews and any other night sounds.

Look up and see the most amazing array of stars, visible here on a clear night like nowhere else because of the low ambient light.

Now early to bed to prepare for a full day of adventure tomorrow.

You smile to yourself. It has been a good day so far. A good experience in the Lions Dryandra Woodland Village. On leaving please give it a good clean, putting rubbish in the outside bins then **please leave the keys at the office drop box**, and book ahead for your next visit.

Cheers **Les and Julie**.

Book Now!

Call Julie or Les on 0467950380



LIONS MEDICAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION (LMRF)

Chair's Message

Welcome to Foundation Line, the quarterly newsletter of the Queensland and Northern New South Wales Lions Medical Research Foundation, aka LMRF.

LMRF is a well-established organisation committed to fostering the next generation of medical breakthroughs by providing essential startup funding to early-career medical researchers.

As the financial year draws to a close, we ask our supporters to consider making a tax-deductible donation to the Foundation. Your contribution will help us fund vital medical research programmes and support aspiring medical researchers as they work towards breakthroughs that can make a profound difference in the world.

The Foundation has several fundraising projects, but philanthropy through tax-deductible giving is also important to our fundraising activities.

The Foundation receives no government support at all and is very thankful for all donations received. Your generous donation to LMRF can make a profound difference in the lives of these aspiring researchers and, ultimately, in the lives of countless individuals who stand to benefit from their discoveries. Not only does your contribution support scientific progress, but it also offers tangible benefits for your business through tax deductions.

By donating to LMRF, you not only invest in world-class medical research but also align your business with a noble cause that resonates with your stakeholders and customers. Moreover, your contribution is tax-deductible, providing you with a valuable opportunity to reduce your tax burden while making a meaningful difference in the world. Your donation will support groundbreaking research projects in areas such as ovarian cancer, gestational diabetes and many others, paving the way for innovative diagnostic tools, treatments, and therapies that can save lives.

I understand that businesses face numerous demands on their resources, especially in today's challenging economic climate. However, I firmly believe that investing in medical research is a strategic decision that yields long-term benefits for society and the economy.

Your support can help unlock the full potential of talented researchers who are dedicated to pushing the boundaries of medical knowledge and improving healthcare outcomes for people around the globe. Together, we can make a profound difference.

Please consider making a tax-deductible donation to LMRF today and join us in our mission to empower the next generation of medical pioneers. Your generosity will leave a lasting legacy of hope and healing for generations to come.

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Remember, with research, the life you save may be yours or that of someone you love.

The Foundation continues to support the SPARQ-ed programme which is a collaboration between the Translational Research Institute and the Queensland Department of Education. Students attending this programme receive a practical introduction to biomedical research at TRI's cutting-edge facility featuring a fully equipped PC2 lab and learning centre.

CHAIRS MESSAGE (Cont)

This investment in the future of medical research is crucial, and we are proud to be a part of it. With the Foundation's support, students from remote and regional Queensland are offered scholarships to assist with costs associated with travel and accommodation to attend this programme. The feedback from students and parents is fantastic. One student recently described the experience as “absolutely amazing”.

The Foundation continues to promote all our other partnerships including Safewill, Play for Purpose, and Doing Good Rewards. The Foundation also has a range of merchandise including silk roses for that special person, and virtual roses that are sent electronically to the recipient. Check it all out on the LMRF web page.

In closing, I would like to thank our donors and supporters for their continued generosity and dedication to our mission. With your support, we can continue to empower the next generation of medical pioneers and achieve our goal of improving healthcare outcomes for all.

Warm regards,
Tom Braes OAM

Email	info@lmrf.org.au
Phone	07 3832 1688
Web	www.lionsmedicalresearchfoundation.org.au
Donate	BSB 484-799 Acc 450941646 Ref: <i>Club or Name</i>



Innovating Discoveries. Empowering Lives: Queensland and Northern New South Wales Lions Medical Research Foundation

Join the movement towards a healthier tomorrow! The Queensland and Northern New South Wales Lions Medical Research Foundation (LMRF) is at the forefront of emerging medical discoveries. With a legacy of support spanning decades, we are committed to start-up funding for early career medical researchers.

Our dedicated Research Fellows, supported by the generosity of Lions Clubs and members like you, is making remarkable strides in the fight against diseases that affect our communities. From cancer to gestational diabetes, we are advancing innovative solutions that offer hope and healing.

By supporting our foundation, you are investing in life-changing research that has the potential to transform healthcare outcomes. Your contribution fuels our mission to unlock cures and empower lives, ensuring a brighter future for generations to come.

Together, we can make a difference. Join us in our quest for medical breakthroughs and be a part of the journey towards a healthier, happier world.

Learn more and donate today:

Web	https://lionsmedicalresearchfoundation.org.au/
Doing Good Rewards	https://lionsmedicalresearchfoundation.org.au/shop-give
Play for Purpose	https://www.playforpurpose.com.au/lmrf-qld-nsw
Safewill	https://safewill.com/lmrf
Donate	BSB 484-799 Acc 450941646 Ref: Your Club

LMRF supports the Big Audacious Mission of 30,000 Australian Lions members by 2030.

FOR YOUR DIARIES



201WA District Governor
Mary-Anne Wolf

PUT THIS ONE IN YOUR DIARIES

The first Convention as District 201WA

will be held in

Augusta

on the weekend of the

18th - 20th October 2024.

This will be the
inaugural
Convention of
District 201WA



under 2024/2025
District Governor
Mary-Anne Wolf.



Advance Notice of WA Convention Dates

Friday 18th October 2024

Registration & Sundowner
Augusta Bowling Club 6:00pm

Saturday 19th 2024

9:00 am Augusta Centennial Hall
6:30 pm Convention Dinner Augusta Hotel

Sunday 20th 2024

9:00 am Augusta Centennial Hall
1:00pm BBQ Farewell Luncheon

Things to do in Augusta.

Sight Seeing – Cape Leeuwin Lighthouse, Jewel Cave,
River Walks, Cape to Cape Walks
Fishing, Golf, Bicycle Hire, Wineries

Accommodation Suggestions

Augusta Hotel, Georgiana Molloy Motel,
Augusta Escape, Riverside Cottages, Turner St Caravan Park,
Flinders Caravan Park, West Bay Caravan Park,
Margaret River Tourist Bureau
Airbnb

'Take an extra day or two - enjoy the environment & surrounds.'

"Shining a light on Leadership."



Lions Club of EATON
Invite you to our




50th
ANNIVERSARY

*At Bunbury Golf Club,
 (off Lucy Victoria Avenue)
 Clifton Park, Australind.*

*Saturday 14th September 2024, 6.30pm for 7.00pm.
 Sit down Dinner. Tickets: \$60 Drinks for sale at the bar
 Music and Dancing*

*Enquiries to Michael Macpherson 0466 238 566
 or Wal van Nierop 0438 954 194
 On behalf of the Lions Club of Eaton, President Garry Power.*

Payments: BSB: 066-540
 Account No: 10046769
 Please add your name
 in the reference area of payment.



RSVP by:
 Friday 30th August, 2024

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A WHOLE
 LOT OF FUN AT





*The Lions
 Club of Vasse*



CHANGE OVER LUNCH
 4th August 2024 11.30 AM for a 12 noon start

ESPLANADE HOTEL BUSSELTON
 30-38 MARINE TERRACE BUSSELTON

\$35.00 PER ADULT \$15 PER CHILD

RSVP WITH MEAL CHOICES BY
 1ST AUGUST 2024

The Lions Club of Mandurah Inc.

SHOW & SHINE!
Cars, Motorbikes, Hot Rods Galore!

FREE ENTRY!

Huge prizes for entrants.
 Huge prizes for voters.
 Food Trucks and Stalls.
 Something for everyone!

23RD SEPTEMBER 2024

10AM - 3PM

WESTERN FORESHORE

**ANZI Pacific
 Forum 2024 -
 Bali**

**Thursday 12
 September to
 Saturday 14
 September 2024.**

Bali, Indonesia

is the next venue for the Lions
 ANZI Pacific Forum.
 For more information including
 early bird registration please
 visit:

<https://lionsclubs.org.au/event/anzi-pacific-forum-2024-bali-indonesia/>

Greetings from the *South Perth Lions Big Band!*

This year we have another great season of dancing and music planned for you, and it'll soon be time for you to kick up your heels and shake your tail feathers. Come and join our fantastic Lions Big Band under talented director Phil Hatton at South Perth Community Centre!

Our Dates
4th Friday of the Month

Looking forward to seeing you again at South Perth Community Centre.



2024 Shows

Jazz, Swing, Rock & Ballroom

26 JUL

23 AUG

27 SEP

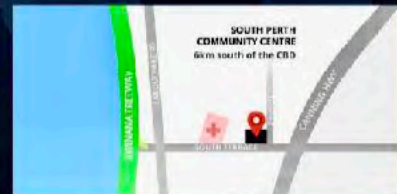
OCT TBA

22 NOV

4th Friday each month (except Feb & Oct)

South Perth Community Centre

CORNER OF SANDGATE STREET & SOUTH TERRACE



8 - 11pm, BYO drinks, glasses & nibbles

PEACE 

LIONS INTERNATIONAL PEACE FOSTER CONTEST

For more than 30 years, Lions clubs have been inviting young people to become our partners in peace and inspire the world through our International Peace and Essay Poster Contests. Kits for the 2024-25 contests, *Peace Without Limits*, are now available, so [order yours](#)

[today](#)

 LIONS INTERNATIONAL

PEACE
CONTESTS

Kits are sold from January 15th through October 1st. Orders received after October 1st will be filled based on availability





2024 Myalup Lions 'Olympics' Challenge Weekend

1st March 2024

Hi all fellow Lions

Re: 2024 Lions 'Olympics' Challenge Weekend at Myalup Pines Cottages

It is that time of the year again to organize the **2024 Lions 'Olympics' Weekend** which will be held at the Myalup Pines Cottages on the weekend of the **2nd & 3rd November 2024**.

The accommodation for Friday and Saturday night will continue to be *FREE* to Lions, with a *FEE* of \$6.00 per Lion participating in the games to cover any costs involved for the games and prizes.

As with previous years, participants will need to bring the following items:

- Pillows, bed linen & towels
- Drinks, bottled water, food (incl. Saturday night bbq) and snacks
- Hats, sunscreen, mosquito and fly repellants

Myalup Pines has 7 (seven) x Cottages available which can sleep up to 10 people in each Cottage, with each cottage having 1 x double bed and remaining single beds spread over 3 (three) separate rooms. Caravans will be **allowed on site** for the weekend (**NO On-site Power will be available**) and the number and site allocations will be up to the discretion of the Caretakers/Site Managers Roy and Marie. *It is important that we know who plans to bring a Caravan in on-site so that Roy can plan accordingly and confirm it with you before the weekend.*

The allocation of the Cottages and Caravan Sites will be on a first-come basis, so it will be important that all Clubs who are interested in taking part in this year's event indicate their intentions early.

We will be playing our traditional silly games on Saturday/Sunday (Bocchi, Ladder Golf, Quoits, Baggio and the Great Egg Toss), with a get-together in the Hall on Saturday night for a bbq and fellowship.

As we will be one (1) District (District 201WA) when the games are held in November, it will be a good opportunity for us to come together as one and get to know each other.

We hope to see you all again in November at the **Myalup Pines Cottages** for the 2024 'Olympics' for another enjoyable weekend of fun and fellowship.

PDG Alan Hawkins
Myalup Lions 'Olympics' Challenge Coordinator
Lions Club of Port Kennedy

We Serve our Community



2024 LIONS OLYMPICS



MYALUP PINES CHALLENGE WEEKEND

NOMINATION / ENTRY FORM

ENTRIES TO BE RECEIVED BY FRIDAY 18TH OCTOBER 2024

Lions Myalup Pines Cottages – Saturday 2nd November / Sunday 3rd November 2024

Address: Forrestry Road, Myalup (off Forrest Highway heading to Harvey)

Games to Start on Saturday at 11:00am approximately

Name of Lions Club: _____

No. Members Participating: _____

No. Teams Entered (max. x 4 & min. x 2 per Team): _____

'Olympics' Entry Fee x \$6.00 per Member participating – Total to Pay: \$ _____

Cheques Payable to: "Lions Club of Port Kennedy – Myalup Olympics"

Friday Night Fellowship and BYO Drinks for early arrivals

Saturday Night Social BBQ and Fellowship in main Hall – BYO Food and Drinks

Accommodation to be Booked through PDG Alan Hawkins

Ph: 9439 5187 or albev@aapt.net.au #

7 x Cottages available (sleep up to 10 per cottage) and limited Caravan Sites (**NO Power** provided on site – use of small generators will be allowed)

**Return Form with Payment to: Lions Myalup 'Olympic' Weekend
Lions Club of Port Kennedy
PO Box 8124
WARNBRO WA 6169**

Clubs wishing to compete and require further Information, please contact:

PDG Alan Hawkins – Lions Club of Port Kennedy

Tel: (08) 9439 5187 Mobile: 0417 363 681

E-mail: albev@aapt.net.au

The Lions Outback Vision (LOV) van

will be travelling to destinations throughout WA during 2024. Contact Christine Stott at christine.stott@lei.org.au at least 2 weeks in advance to arrange a guest speaker to visit your Club. Your Club can also arrange to visit the van and see what a remarkable project this is

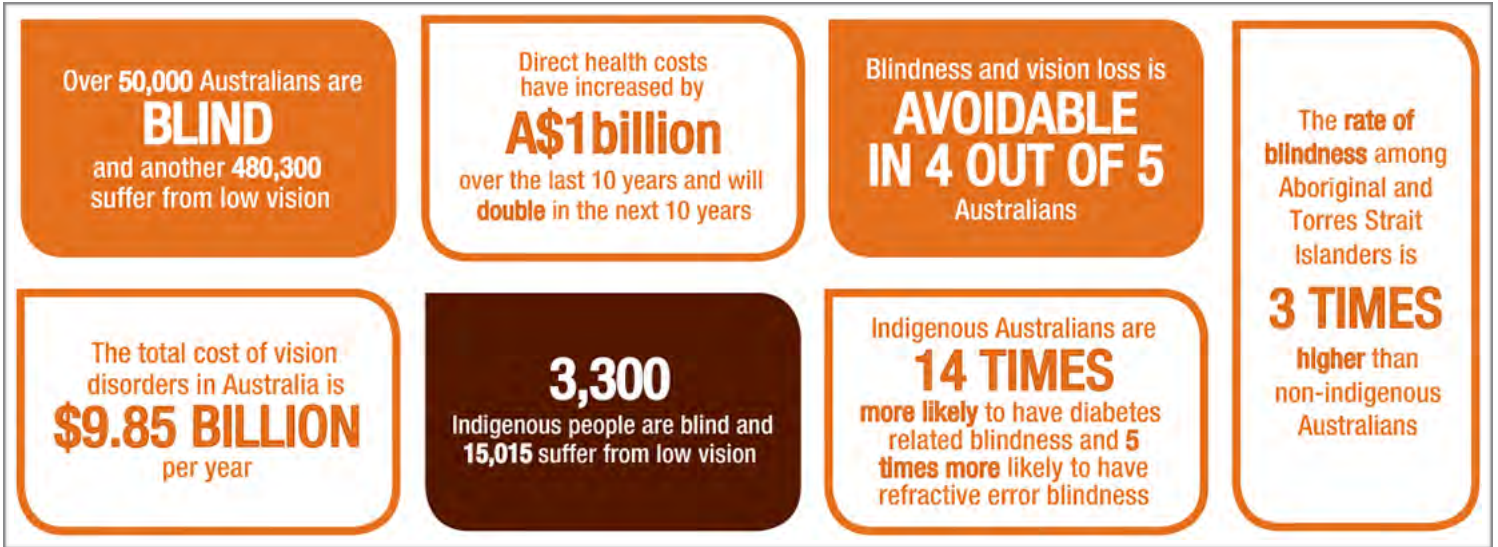


Lions Outback Vision Van 2024 Schedule

Jul	25-26	Wiluna		30	Newman			
	29-30	Laverton		Oct	1-4	Newman		
Aug	1-2	Leonora			7-8	Meekatharra		
	5-9	Kalgoorlie			10-11	Wiluna		
	12-13	Esperance			14-15	Laverton		
	15-21	Albany			17-18	Leonora		
	23	Katanning			21-25	Kalgoorlie		
Sep	2-3	Merredin			28-29	Kambalda		
	5-6	Geraldton			31	Norseman		
	9-10	Karratha		Nov	1	Norseman		
	11-13	Roebourne			4-5	Esperance		
	16-20	Hedland			7-15	Albany		
	25-27	Tom Price			18-19	Katanning		
					26-27	Moora		
					29	Kalgoorlie		
				Dec	2-6	Kalgoorlie		
					9-10	Merredin		

Where there is a need
There are always, WA Lions ready to help.

The case for investing in the elimination of avoidable blindness and vision loss



LIONS OUTREACH EYE CLINICS

JUN

6 Karratha (OPD/Theater)
 6 Albany (OPD/Theater)
 7 Hedland (OPD/Theater)
 12 Fitzroy Crossing (OPD)
 12-14 Kalgoorlie (OPD/Theater)
 17 Broome (Theater)
 19-21 Albany (OPD/Theater)
 24-25 Broome (OPD/Theater)
 26 Kununurra (OPD/Theater)
 27 Halls Creek (OPD)

JULY

4 Karratha (OPD/Theater)
 4 Albany (Theater)
 5 Hedland (OPD/Theater)
 10 Fitzroy Crossing (OPD)
 10-12 Derby (OPD/Theater)
 17-18 Albany (OPD/Theater)
 22-23 Broome (OPD/Theater)
 24-25 Kununurra (OPD/Theater)

AUGUST

1 Karratha (OPD/Theater)
 2 Hedland (OPD/Theater)
 7 Fitzroy Crossing (OPD)
 7-9 Derby (OPD/Theater)
 14-15 Albany (OPD/Theater)
 19-20 Broome (OPD/Theater)
 21 Kununurra (OPD/Theater)
 22 Halls Creek (OPD)
 21-23 Kalgoorlie OPD/Theater)
 29 Karratha (OPD/Theater)
 30 Hedland (OPD/Theater)



SAVING
Lives
IN YOUR
COMMUNITY
THROUGH
Screenings
AND RESEARCH.

SCREENING ITINERARY

6th July	Denmark	TBA
7th July	Mount Barker	TBA
20th July	Williams	TBA
21st July	Wagin	TBA
10th & 11th August	Manjimup	TBA
24th August	Bridgetown	TBA
25th August	Nannup	TBA
7th September	Moora	TBA
8th September	Dalwallinu	TBA
14th September	Northam	TBA
15th September	York	TBA
21st September	Quairading	TBA
22nd September	Corrigin	TBA

Can You Help Out

If you know of anybody looking for a challenge to keep them occupied, the Screening Events Manager needs someone to assist him in managing the screening program. If you know of anyone with ability to work with a database and within a planned process, please ask them to contact John Osborne

(08) 9582 8296

john.osborne@lionscancerinstitute.org.au

We provide life saving free skin cancer screening to remote communities of Western Australia

Skin Damage

Skin damage can not be reversed: only further damage can be prevented.

Melanoma lesions

They can be any colour, Red, White, Blue, Grey or a combination of colours and most start flat.

There is no age limit

The life time risk factors for 20-40 year old in Australia is 1 in 18.

AROUND THE CLUBS

LIONS CLUB OF TOODYAY

Toodyay Herald – Lions Lines

April 2024

Toodyay Lions Community Jumbo Auction

John Pearce – Auction Coordinator

This year our Community Jumbo Auction was held on Saturday 23 March 2024. In the lead up we endeavoured to promote this event differently, via our road signs, Toodyay Herald advertising and a Facebook campaign, including interviews with our beneficiaries, auctioneer, and advertising some of our fantastic items to be auctioned.

Our main goals from 2023 were to increase the number of people attending the auction and to increase the average sale. In saying this it can be difficult to evaluate an advertising campaign, however, here are a few of our statistics:

- Our sellers increased from 26 to 48
- Our buyers increased from 66 to 118
- We sold three lots for more than \$1000
- Our total sales increase from \$7,444 to \$26,824
- The average value of a lot increased from \$32.20 to \$121.27 and
- Our bottom line increased from \$2,722 to approximately \$7,500.

This was one of our most successful auctions in memory. Speaking of donations this grew also from last year with 33 lots of donations from community members and local businesses; items included bales of hay, loads of gravel, sand and water, hardware and power tools and stock feed, to name a few. Each of these items sold over the reserve price.

As a Club we would like to thank our volunteers 'Friends of Lions' for your assistance on the Friday set up and on the day with auction scribing and running sheets back to the office, we could have not done this without you.

Now, for our beneficiaries, Toodyay Youth Care Council, Forget-Me-Not Café, and Toodyay Locals Care; we held a 'Thank you Morning Tea' on Sunday 14th April, for all involved and we were pleased to present each with a donation of \$2,500. Thank you CWA, the food was sensational.

A thankyou must also go to our sellers and bidders on the day and the community for a memorable Auction. And, not to forget our Auctioneers Tony Maddox, and Adrian Gamble for an entertaining day. If you are thinking of finding out more about who we are and what we do within your community, we meet on the first Tuesday of the month at the Toodyay Hotel 6.30pm, like us on Facebook and visit our website for more information.



Above: L-R, John Pearce, Lions Club Auction Coordinator, Max Heath, Toodyay Youth Care Council, Roz Davidson, Toodyay Locals Care – Rachel Oliver, Lions Club President and Angi McClusky, Forget Me Not Café.



EDITORS NOTE: Lion John Pearce has received our in house Lion of the Year award, this was presented to him, Saturday 29 June 2024

CONGRATULATIONS John, well deserved

LIONS CLUB OF BUSSELTON

A great night was had by all at the [Lions Club of Busselton Inc](#) 58th Changeover night. The club has had an amazingly successful year under the leadership of President Ray Neil, made even better by reaching our target of ***57 members in our 57th year.***

The night was filled with lots of fun and lots of laughter.

Then President Ray had the pleasure of presenting some of our members with much deserved awards.

Lion Ron Dart was presented with the ongoing Terry Best Memorial Award

Lion David Cosgrove was presented with the Clubs Community Service Award .

Lion Ken Spark was named Busselton Lion of the Year.

Lion Ken Harrington was presented with the Ian Stockdale Humanitarian Award.

Lion Robert Withington was presented with a Melvin Jones Fellowship Award.

Lions Ray Costello and Colin Hartley OAM both received Lions Life Membership for their wonderful contribution to Lions over many years.

PDG Dot Jacobs had the pleasure of inducting our Board of Directors who will once again be capably led by President Ray Neil.

2024/2025 will be another successful year for our club...

Bring it on "Team Busselton Lions"



President Ray Neil and the Busselton Lions Board of Directors for 2024/2025, after being installed by PDG Dot Jacobs



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President Ray Neil presents Life membership awards to Left, Lion Ray Costello and Right Lion Colin Hartley OAM



WATAALL Club Branch

COLLIE LIONS CLUB BRANCH CLUB

COFFEE CATCH-UPS

Being a full time traveller I am able to visit many different Lions Clubs throughout Australia. The variety of programs and services they provide to their local communities is staggering. How different clubs attract and keep members is just as varied.

I recently visited Cooma NSW and thought this idea was worth sharing with WA Clubs.

Each weekday at 10am Cooma Lions hold a “coffee catchup” at different coffee shops in the town. The idea has many benefits.

1. It allows those Lions that are unable to attend night time meetings to stay connected with other Lions in their club
2. It acts as a welfare check for those Lions that otherwise may go unseen for weeks or months on end
3. It supports local businesses
4. It acts as a marketing tool as Lions are seen regularly out and about having a fun social time.
5. It allows visiting Lions to share fellowship with local members



Lion Ray with members of Cooma Lions

Whilst Cooma Lions have their coffee catch-ups daily, your club might find it works better on a weekly basis or even monthly. Tourist towns with larger club memberships might find daily works best for them.

It's just another way we can stay connected d with our members.

Lion Ray Zinner
WATAALL Club Branch

LIONS CLUB OF MANDURAH

PDG Garry Irvine receives an OAM in the Kings Birthday Honours Awards

Congratulations to PDG Garry Irvine OAM for finally get the recognition you truly deserve. With all your great work you have given during your long (55years) and distinguished association with Lions. Notably your long involvement with the Lions Cancer Institute which still continues today, making you great role model for us all to follow. PDG Garry OAM joins PCC Ambrose Depiazzi OAM, PCC Ian Kelly OAM and Lion Des McLean MBE as people who have all been leaders in the community. That is 10% of our club, making our club very fortunate to have these distinguished Lions as fellow members

Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) in the General Division

Mr Garry Keith Irvine, WA

For service to Lions International, and to the community.

Lions Cancer Institute (WA)

- Chair, 1991-1992 and 2005-2011.
- Deputy Chair, 1993-1995.
- Board Member, since 1991.
- Australian and New Zealand Relations, since 2023.
- Public Relations and Business Development, 2017-2022.
- Public Relations and New Zealand Liaison, 2016-2017.
- New Zealand Liaison, 2013-2016.
- Involved in formation, 1989.

Lions Australia - Multiple Districts 201, Lions Clubs International

- Chair, Organising Committee, National Lions Convention, 1994-1997.
- Former Member, National Membership Development and Marketing Committee.
- Member, National Membership and Leadership Committee, 1984-1988.
- Chair, Multiple Districts Membership/Leadership Committee, 1984-1985.
- Member, Multiple District Insurance Standing Committee, 1980-1983.

Lions Clubs of Western Australia

- Districts Insurance Adviser, 1981-1983.
- Chair, Lions Miss Personality Quest, 1992-1993.
- Zone Chair, 1975-1976.
- President, Armadale Kelmscott Club, 1974-1975.

Lions District 201W2

- District Governor, 1978-1979.
- Deputy District Governor, 1977-1978.
- District Constitution and By Law Chair, 1987-1988.
- Member, District Health Fund Investment Committee, 1985-1986.
- District Convention Chair, 1983-1984.
- District Youth Activities Chair, 1976-1977.

Bull Creek Lions Club

- President, 1990-1991.
- Treasurer, current.
- Chair, Management Committee, Kardinya Hall, two years.
- Community Projects Chair, 1991-1992.
- Program Chair, 1984-1985.
- Member, since 1981.

Lions Help to Hear Foundation (now Lions Hearing Foundation)

- District Chair, 1980-1982.
- Member, Management Committee, 1981-1983.

Community

- Board Member, Information Radio 990AM, current.
- Fundraiser, Royal Flying Doctor Appeal, current.
- Suburb Coordinator, Bull Creek Neighbourhood Watch, current.

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PDG GARRY IRVINE OAM

Lions Club of Mandurah Record;
Public Relations

Lions Awareness Day

Nominations/ Elections

Tail Twister

Books Project Committee

LIONS CLUB OF BRUNSWICK JUNCTION

Lions on the move always dedicated to working for the community .

A local family are going through difficult times with a family member in not the best of health .

This situation was brought to the attention of the Brunswick Lions by one of its members, after being discussed at length an agreement was reached of a cash donation to help the family at this time .

However it was felt a little more could be done .

Lion Mark suggested that a Wood Chopping project, selling trailer loads of wood and with winter coming on would not only be a productive way to go, by further helping the family, but also a healthy and energetic day out for club members.

Brunswick Lions being joined by members of the Dardanup Lions (I noticed at least one Lady Lion) amounted to 35 hard workers filling trailers with chopped wood .



However lions have to be fed , a break during the day allowed everyone to enjoy a well earned BBQ.

Well done everyone a very productive day filled with hard work and fellowship .

That's it for the month of June.

Ron Arkwright

Brunswick Lions Club.



XYY SYNDROME ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA Inc Celebrating 6 Years in 2024



13 February 2024, marked a very special day, a milestone of reflection and celebration. Back in 2016, it all began as an idea. a blog to find support for

our son, our family and connect with other XYY families and find more XYY guys. With the support of our family and friends, my husband and I decided to create a platform to better understand XYY Syndrome, after our son was diagnosed and we found no support. In 2018 the association was formed. This day will always remind me of why we started this journey, with the association, and why we continue to create a more positive future for XYY Syndrome. It's one thing to never give up on a goal but it's another to live within it, and our XYY journey has shown many challenges. This journey has been driven by my passion to help our son, to learn, understand and share lived experiences around this often misunderstood genetic condition. Through better understanding we can make a difference and support those who need the extra help. Together we will continue to make a difference and I thank our amazing team and everyone within the community for all your ongoing support to help make the XYY community feel heard. Amber Gilkes
Chairperson

XYY Syndrome Association Branch Club of the Lions Club of Mandurah GIVE US A BIG THANKYOU FOR OUR DONATION

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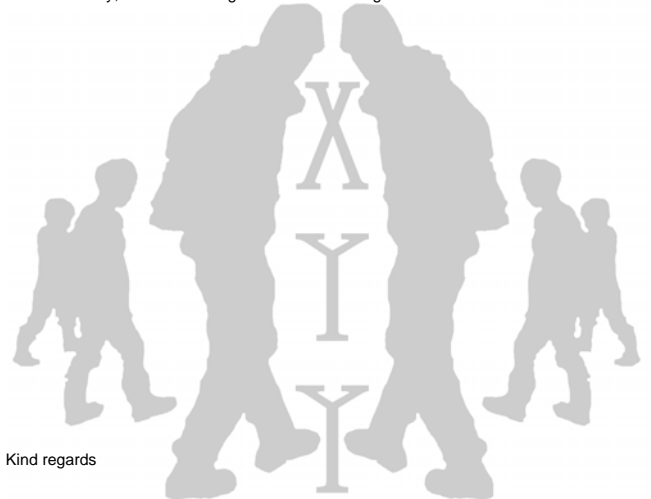
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18/06/2024

Dear Lions members,

We would like to extend a special thank you to the members of the Lions Club of Mandurah Inc. for your ongoing support and generosity to our cause for XYY Syndrome.

With this donation, we can offer more opportunities, and give respite to those diagnosed and their family, while continuing to understand this genetic condition better.



Kind regards

Amber Gilkes
Chairperson



"CREATING POSITIVE AWARENESS FOR XYY SYNDROME" Published: 23/04/2024

MEADOW SPRINGS RESIDENTS GROUP Inc,
BRANCH CLUB OF THE LIONS CLUB OF MANDURAH



Meadow Springs
Residents Group Inc.

Promoting a sense of community in the
local area



Working Together

Thanks to all our wonderful volunteers at our Ellingwood Loop Pathway Community Planting Day. Special thanks to our junior volunteers. Wonderful to see so many kids attend.

The weather was looking a bit wild that morning. The sun didn't quite poke its nose out, but the rain and wind held off for just long enough to get roughly 150 plants in the ground. All in under an hour!

I also want to say thank you to Polly and the City of Mandurah for providing us with plants and local resident Mark who provided us with some cockies tongue and kangaroo paw.

Thanks also to the Meadow Springs Residents Group for all their hard work and planning. Last but not least thanks to my dear old Dad, for all your work getting everything organised. Looking forward to our next planting Day on Sunday 30th June and fingers crossed for better weather.



LIONS CLUB OF PINJARRA (INC) PYJAMA DRIVE



Pictured left, s Pinjarra Lions member, Lion Marlene Hinkley who has recently had a Pyjama Drive in our area collecting new pyjamas for ages 0 – 16. Marlene dresses in her pyjamas and sets up in the local shopping centre collecting donations and pyjamas that the club then distributes to different organisations in the area.

This year she collected 181 pairs

of new warm pyjamas that will now be handed over to local schools, Ovis House, Alliance Church and The Foster Shed. Monetary donations will be used to purchase more pyjamas for distribution. Our club is very proud of Lion Marlene and the effort she has now put into this project for two years.

THE LIONS CLUB OF PORT KENNEDY

The Lions Club of Port Kennedy held its Changeover Dinner to celebrate its 26th Anniversary on Monday 8th July 2024 at the Port Kennedy Tavern. Two presentations were made to Club members on the night, recognising their major contributions to Lions International and the Lions Club of Port Kennedy in particular. Meryl Jones was awarded a prestigious Melvin Jones Fellowship for her contributions over a period of 28 years. Current President, Doug Stead was presented with a James D Richardson award for his service over many years. Immediate Past District Governor Peter Kennedy was at the function to present the Awards:



Melvin Jones Fellowship Award

(Pictured Left) IPDG Peter Kennedy, Lion Meryl Jones and President Doug Stead

(Pictured Right) President Doug Stead and IPDG Peter Kennedy



James D Richardson Award



We are pleased to announce that six new members have joined the Club over the past 6 months. They are John Barr, Ronise Barr, Yvonne Day, Hazel Masters, Claire Moody and David Phillips. Collectively they bring a wealth of experience to the Club both in Lions and the community at large. This significant increase in membership will allow the Club to further broaden its community work. The newest members of our Club are pictured below:

(Left L→R) Lions Claire Moody, Yvonne Day, Hazel Masters, David Phillips, Ronise Barr and John Barr

IPGG Peter Kennedy inducted the new Committee for 2024/25. The Office Bearers for 2024/25 will be:

- President: Doug Stead
- Secretary: Bernie Jones
- Administration Officer: David Phillips
- Treasurer: PDG Beverley Hawkins
- Membership Officer: David Barnes
- First Vice President: Ted Totonjian
- Directors: PDG Alan Hawkins and John Garrett
- Tail Twister: Meryl Jones
- Lion Tamer: Neville Thorpe

Our Club activities continue to thrive. We donated \$4,700 to local community projects in the past year. Our recycling projects have continued to thrive. *Cash for Containers* raised a record \$3,000 in year 2023/24, resulting in a total of \$10,700 over the past three years. Newspaper collection in Bethanie Waters Retirement Village has resulted in 10 tonnes being garnered in the past two years. In addition, approximately 7000 glasses have been sent to Recycle for Sight Australia over the past year. Pictured are some of our Club members involved with *Cash for Containers* and newspaper collection:

Three years ago, the Club began what is known as Bethanie Home Help. Several of our Club members reside at Bethanie Waters Retirement Village, so it was decided to offer a service to Residents to assist with maintenance tasks such as picture hanging, installing doggie doors, assistance with flat packs etc. Residents are invited to make a donation for the work carried out, in what must be described as a win-win situation. In addition, we annually assist Residents with disposals for verge pick-ups, together with recycling batteries, plastic bottle caps and printer inks.



(Above L→R) Ted Totonjian, Bernie Jones, Doug Stead, Alan Hawkins

ID TIMS TRAVELS

Today I had the pleasure of attending the Sika Day at Sika WA branch. We had a team building activity to create an amazing painting followed by packing care packages which will be distributed by the Fremantle Lions Club to worthy recipients. It was great to see a company with strong people values.



Congratulations to International Director Tim Irvine for his two years, 2022/2023, 2023/2024 in this role, spreading the Lions word. Your itinerary over the two years saw you visit many countries around the world where you were warmly welcomed by Lions everywhere you went. It must have been a large job which you handled, very professionally, passionately and seemingly with ease, although I'm sure you will not miss the waiting in airports, for flights. Thanks for allowing me to follow your Facebook journey in the Newsletter
Editor Dave Knight

From the Start



3rd October 2022 - Opening of my first full board meeting. Note the beer stein in front of me, its empty!!!!

To the end as our International Director



At the International Convention Melbourne you were presented with the Ambassador of Goodwill Award from IP Dr Patti Hill and PIP Brian Sheehan