

# 201WA DISTRICT GOVERNORS NEWSLETTER      DECEMBER 2024

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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,

## 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

*As the festive season unfolds, it's a wonderful time to pause and reflect on the year that has passed. On behalf of District 201WA, I want to extend our heartfelt season's greetings to you and your family.*



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

This year has been one of challenges and achievements, and your hard work and dedication have driven our success. Whether it was meeting membership growth, starting new projects, or supporting one another throughout the year, your contributions have been invaluable.

The holiday season is a reminder of the importance of gratitude and community. We are truly grateful for your role in making District 201WA a great district and community. Your efforts and commitment have helped us grow and fostered a supportive and inspiring environment.

As we celebrate this season of joy and giving, we encourage you to take this time to relax, rejuvenate, and enjoy precious moments with your loved ones. Your well-being is important to us, and we hope this holiday allows you to unwind and celebrate the joys of the season.

Looking ahead, we are excited about what the New Year holds. Together, we will continue to face challenges, seize opportunities, and achieve greater heights.

DG Mary-Anne and VDGs Tom and Roslyn would like to thank all the clubs who have hosted us at their meetings and made us feel so welcome. Continue with your great service and fundraising projects you are all making someone's life a better life to live. We look forward to visiting the remaining clubs in the new year.

Wishing you a wonderful holiday season filled with happiness, peace, and prosperity. Here's to a bright and successful New Year!

DG Mary-Anne Wolf

Keep Shining your Light Brightly on Service Together



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**“SHINING OUR LIGHT ON SERVICE TOGETHER”**

# DG MARY-ANNE'S CLUB VISITS

## LIONS CLUB OF VICTORIA PARK

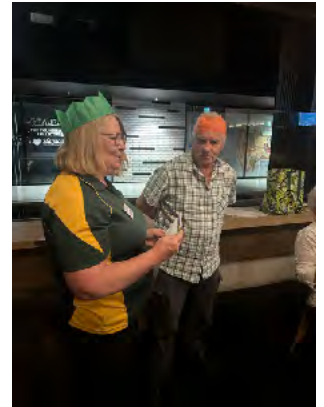


### ***DG MARY-ANNE PRESENTED PDG BARRY MIDDLETON WITH HIS HOF PIN AND PLAQUE***

I had the pleasure of attending the Lions Club of Victoria Parks Christmas Meeting and presenting PDG Barry Middleton his WA Hall of Fame pin and plaque as he and Lion Carolyn were not able to attend the presentation dinner. Congratulations PDG Barry for your induction into the WA Hall of Fame.



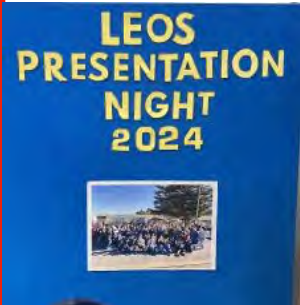
I also had the pleasure of presenting Lion Lance Nicholls his 25 year Chevron.



## THE LEOS CLUB OF MORLEY

I had a lovely night attending the Morley LEOs presentation night on the 26 November 24. I am always blown away by the enthusiasm and dedication of these young people. They closed the year with a membership of 117 members. From

one teacher starting this project to now having the support of the Principal and I counted at least acknowledgements to ten other teachers. This is a model we need to strive for. Virtually the entire membership of the Leos club clocked over 100 hour of community service each. Congratulations to all involved especially the lead teacher Gerard Richardson and Lion advisor Janet Spellissy a wonderful service to our youth, thank you.





# LIONS CLUB OF ARMADALE KELMSCOTT

At my visitation I had the pleasure of Inducting a new member, Damien Slattery and sponsor Lion Don Griffiths (**pictured below left**) and years of service tabs to Ian Turton 10 years (L) and Don Griffiths 45 years (**pictured below centre**). Club president Greame Morriss receiving my pin (**pictured below right**).



# THE LIONS CLUB OF ROCKINGHAM

I had a visit to the the Rockingham Lions I am seen with President Ray Hargreaves (**pictured right**)



# LIONS CLUB OF MANDURAH

During DG Mary-Anne's recent visit she took the opportunity of presenting Chevrons and Service tabs to eligible Lions (**pictured below**). DG Mary-Anne also presented New Sponsor pins to PCC Ian Kelly OAM, PDG Peter Lamb. DG (**Pictured Right**) Mary-Anne, then thanked the club for our hospitality and ,presented Club Excellence patches and her personal pin to President Rob

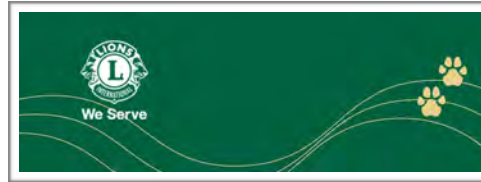


**LEFT L to R:** DG Mary-Anne presented 10 year Milestone Chevrons to Lions Ruth Norwell and Joyce Covell. Terina Tinson (9years Service tab), a 20 year Milestone Chevron to Lion Denice Knight, DG Mary-Anne, 45 year Chevron to Lions Paul Carrotts Chevron , Lion Helen Lamb (28years Service tab) and 10 year Chevron for Lion Barry Mitting





## International President Fabrício Oliveira



### 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.

## *International President Fabrício's Travels*

In the Philippines, I had the pleasure of meeting with MD 301 Lion leaders to discuss how they can continue making their mark on communities in need, MISSION 1.5 and LCIF. Local Lions and Leos joined forces for a heartwarming service project and belated Halloween party,

distributing eyeglasses to children in need through the

**#SightForKids**

program, bringing clearer vision and

brighter futures! I was also able to inaugurate the new 301A2 Lions District Building.

**#MakeYourMark  
Fabrício Oliveira**



What an incredible trip to Oslo, Norway!

Meeting with the MD 104 Board of Governors, visiting the Lions Guide Dog School and exploring the iconic Holmenkollen Ski Jump Tower and Museum were among the highlights. The Lions of

Norway also made a generous donation of NOK 400,000 to support

**Lions Clubs  
International**



**Foundation's** humanitarian efforts.

A heartfelt thank you to the Lions of Norway for their warm welcome and unwavering dedication!

**#makeyourmark  
Fabrício Oliveira**





**While in Sweden** - I had the great pleasure of inducting new members, and in turn helping us reach our membership growth goal. I got to meet with Lions and learn about Bring Quality to Life, the Swedish Lions' most well known project that provides people in need with tents for shelter. I also visited Stockholm Town Hall



and old town, and could not pass up a trip to the ABBA museum — well worth the visit! Thank you Lions of Sweden! Keep up your membership growth and continue to **#makeyourmark**

**[Fabrício Oliveira](#)**  
**[Amariles Martins](#)**  
**[#missiontogrow](#)**



**In Denmark**, I had the chance to speak with the local Lions and hear about their ongoing project knitting menstrual products for school-age girls in Africa. It was an honour to provide these outstanding Lions with my signature Make Your Mark pin. While there,



Vice District Governor Ole Kjaersgaard helped to give me a small education on Scandinavian history with a visit to the viking museum. Thank you for your hard work and your hospitality, Lions of Denmark! **#makeyourmark**



**[Fabrício Oliveira](#)**  
**[Amariles Martins](#)**



*I had the pleasure, next to Amariles, to visit one of the icons of Lions International, Former International President **Joe Wroblewski***

at his home. We hear many funny stories and recall good moments of Leonistic events that we experienced, as well as of common friends. I also awarded my presidential medal, in addition to delivering my banner, Pin and the book of the international program, as well as presenting it with my presidential tie. He was in a good mood, although he missed his wife Normajean

Nat and I met Joe and Norma Jean in 1978 in Tokyo Japan. He was just finishing his term as an International Director. It was 46 years

ago. He truly has dedicated his entire life to Lionism.





**Dear Lions and Leos,**

I am always filled with pride when I witness or hear stories of Lions and Leos serving our communities, providing support for people who need our help—during everyday life or under extraordinary circumstances. In this month’s newsletter, you will find examples of both. Following natural disasters in communities across the globe, Lions and Leos are the first to respond. When communities need support for programs that help youth facing diabetes, we provide solutions. Wherever there is a need, there is a Lion or Leo empowered by LCIF.

Our global foundation enables us to expand our humanitarian service, respond quickly when necessary, and develop innovative projects with lasting impact. Your donations to our foundation make so much of this service possible. Thank you for your continuing dedication and support and sharing with others what change we create in the world together through our gifts.

Yours in service,

**Dr. Patti Hill, LCIF Chairperson**



## **Expanding Camp Sweet Life: The Type 1 Diabetes Camp for Youth**

Surrounded by beautiful trees and a glimmering lake, Camp Sweet Life's idyllic location in southern

Minnesota echoes the message of empowerment its counsellors offer students with type 1 diabetes. Living with diabetes as a child can be challenging. It requires constant monitoring and a level of responsibility that may feel overwhelming for someone so young. Past District Governor (PDG) Anna Wickenhauser says, “I was diagnosed with type 1 diabetes at 15 and I thought my world was over.”



## Expanding Camp Sweet Life: The Type 1 Diabetes Camp for Youth (Cont)

Camp Sweet Life is a five-day, four-night type 1 diabetes camp for youth aged eight to fifteen, with a day camp option for children aged five to seven. The goal of the accredited medical diabetes camp is to transform the lives of children living with type 1 diabetes and their families by providing fun opportunities for learning and connecting. It includes breaks for snacks, nutrition education, blood glucose checks, insulin management and networking opportunities for children with type 1 diabetes. PDG Wickenhauser says, “I believe in this program because it helps kids learn to take care of themselves and gives them a sense of

responsibility.”

The camp was established in 2010 and within a decade, it had outgrown its facilities as the number of campers increased by 311%. With a new location in 2019, Camp Sweet Life could increase its reach and improve the quality and range of support, services and education it offered campers and their families. As camp enrolment and interest continued to rise, additional staff were added, and the counsellor and counsellor-in-training program was extended. Lions of District 5M-2 recognised the significance of supporting the expansion and enhancement of the camp, so they decided to apply for a grant.

In 2019, Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) awarded Lions a Diabetes Grant for US\$37,500 to enhance Camp Sweet Life. The LCIF grant funded medical supplies, counsellor training and programmatic expenses. Timothy Emmers, president of Camp Sweet Life says, “The LCIF grant was phenomenal. The way we have expanded wouldn’t have been possible without LCIF.” Additionally, Lions volunteered with setup, registration and other activities throughout the camp.

More campers are now able to participate in educational experiences about diabetes and its monitoring and medication, as well as diabetes management, including diet and daily physical activity relevant to their age group. Beyond learning opportunities, they are given the chance to socialise and build a peer support network through attendance at the camp. Timothy has two daughters with type 1 diabetes, and he says, “One of my daughters still keeps in touch with her Camp Sweet Life friends throughout the course of the year.” Camp activities include campfires, water activities, arts and crafts, archery, dance, nature exploration, group games and STEM activities. A staff member raved about the camp saying, “Watching kids grow in confidence is awesome. It is amazing to see them making new friends and sharing with each other about diabetes.”

LCIF Diabetes Grants support diabetes youth camps and retreats, diabetes screening activities with comprehensive follow-up care plans, infrastructure and equipment acquisition for existing diabetes care facilities and training of professionals and community diabetes educators. Learn more about our [Diabetes Grants](#).

*I believe in this program because it helps kids learn to take care of themselves and gives them a sense of responsibility.*





# 30x30

**30K members  
by 2030**

Our Lions in Australia have a **Big Audacious Mission** to grow to 30,000 members by the year 2030.

This will give us more **capacity** to help our communities, **respond** to disasters and emergencies, **support** those in need and spread kindness where it is needed the most.

Our members are committed to **growing** our organisation by **nurturing** existing Lions, **creating** brand new clubs and finding new members.

We can **achieve** anything we put our minds to and together on our mission, we will continue the **legacy** of Lions Clubs in Australia!

For **BAM** resources please visit -  
<https://lionsclubs.org.au/members/bam/>





# CONGRATLATIONS to the 2024 Hall of Fame Inductees

At the Lions Hall of Fame presentation night, three very worthy Lions were inducted into the Western Australian Lions Hall of Fame. Two of the successful nominees were present on the night and they were PDG Peter Lamb, nominated by the Lions Club of Mandurah and Lion Bob Whitney, nominated by the Lions Club of South Perth. The third recipient who was not there was PDG Barry Middleton, nominated by the Lions Club of Victoria Park. DG Mary-Anne will make that presentation to PDG Barry at a later date. There were twelve nominees this year and all but two were in attendance.



*Right: PDG Peter Lamb,  
2024 Hall of Fame  
Inductee with PDG Dot  
Jacobs*



*Left: Lion Bob Whitney,  
2024 Hall of Inductee with  
PDG Dot Jacobs*

*Below: District Governor Mary-Anne, presenting  
certificates to the other nominees who were in attendance*



*Lion Jim Challis  
Lions Club of  
Leeuwin*



*Lion Graham  
Niven, Lions Club  
of Baldivis*



*Lion Greg Wilson  
Lions Club of  
Whitford*



*Lion Richard Cox  
Lions Club of  
Stirling*



*Lion Marion  
Little Lions Club  
of Albany*



*Lion Patricia  
Martin Lions Club  
of Manjimup.*



*Lion John Pearce  
Lions Club of  
Toodyay*



*Lion John Webb  
Lions Club of  
Albany*



# *Lions Awareness Day is now “Lions on Safari: A Service Adventure”*

This March, 2025 we’re taking our annual Lions Awareness Day to new heights with *Lions on Safari: A Service Adventure*—a month-long campaign showcasing the incredible work Lions are doing across Australia.

We invite you to join the adventure! Organise or participate in events happening nationwide and help us raise awareness for the causes we champion. It’s a fantastic way to highlight our impact and inspire new volunteers.

## ***What is Lions on Safari?***

Pack your sense of adventure! *Lions on Safari* will take you on a journey through community service, featuring environmental projects, acts of kindness, and exciting opportunities to get involved.

Celebrate key dates like Clean Up Australia Day, International Women’s Day, Harmony Day, and the International Day of Happiness with Lions making a positive impact in your neighbourhood.

## **How to Get Involved**

Looking for ideas to celebrate *Lions on Safari* and important dates in March 2025? Here are some suggestions to inspire your Lions Club events:

- **Bunnings Barbecue (March 1-7):** Partner with your local Bunnings for a barbecue or host a family-friendly event. [Click here](#) for more information about booking a spot!
- **Clean Up Australia Day (March 2):** Organise rubbish clean-ups, recycling projects, or environmental awareness campaigns to engage the community in caring for the planet.
- **International Women’s Day (March 8):** Organise impactful events and fundraisers that empower and support women in their communities. Consider raising funds for vital projects such as women’s community shelters, sanitation projects, or the PNG Birthing Mothers Projects, all of which contribute to the well-being of women.
- **International Day of Happiness (March 20):** Organise events that spread joy and promote well-being, like games, celebrations, or activities that get people smiling. Promote happiness



**THE WORD “SAFARI,” MEANING “EXPEDITION” IN SWAHILI,  
CAPTURES THE SPIRIT OF OUR CLUBS AS THEY EMBARK ON THE  
ADVENTURE OF SERVICE - ENGAGING AND EXPLORING NEW WAYS  
TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE.**



## CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

Welcome to the first newsletter of the Lions 2025 MD Convention in Traralgon! We can't wait to welcome you to what we know will be a fantastic and memorable event. Let me start by letting you in on our welcoming Party on Friday night.

From 4.30 pm at the Gippsland Performing Arts Centre (GPAC) precinct, we will be running an Expo on what Lions

do and opening it up to the public. We intend to showcase all the wonderful things like Hearing dogs, Ride 4 Sight, LCIF and so much more, in fact we are looking at around 40 diverse and exciting stalls! We will also have music from our local Bands and award winning singers.

Its going to be a fun night with our local community and a fantastic way to kick off Convention 2025!!

See you in May.

Cheers,

Dale Harriman

Chairman 73rd MD Convention

[www.lionsclubs.org.au/members/73rd-md-201-convention-2025](http://www.lionsclubs.org.au/members/73rd-md-201-convention-2025)

## WELCOME

On behalf of the organising committee, I would like to warmly welcome all Lions and guests to Traralgon and Latrobe City for the 2025 Multiple District Convention, to be held from 02/05/25 until 05/05/25.

This will be a great opportunity for Lions to gather together for fellowship, fun, celebration, and inspiration. You are encouraged to attend and extend your stay and experience the vibrant, bustling town of Traralgon and the surrounding Latrobe City and Gippsland. Traralgon and Latrobe City will provide a wide range of arts, culture, food and wine, and sports and recreation to keep visitors occupied during their stay.

Traralgon's café, restaurant, and coffee shop scene will provide you with a surprising range of quality choices for even the fussiest of coffee drinkers! A variety of wineries, including nearby award-winning Narkoojee Winery, Carragung Estate, Blue Gables, and Glenmaggie Wines, are just a few. Head north to the historic mining town of Walhalla, or further to the Lions Village Licola, a V District project of many decades standing.

The recently constructed Gippsland Performing Art Centre (GPAC), Gippsland Regional Aquatic Centre, and Gippsland Regional Indoor Sports Stadium (GRISS) all complement the Latrobe City package. You will attend some of these venues during your stay.

Finally, we encourage you to stay and enjoy our beautiful region of Gippsland; from the Mountains to the Sea, you will find somewhere to soothe your soul.

For further details, check out [visitgippsland.com.au](http://visitgippsland.com.au). Looking forward to seeing you all in May

Lion Mark Henning

President

Lions Club of Traralgon







## 73rd MD 201 Convention Traralgon May 2nd - 5th 2025

Club name		District		Club no.	
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### Registration Details

*(Title Designations: Lion, Leo, ID, CC, PCC, DG, PDG, PIP, PID, Lions Partner, Non-Lion)*

	Title	Given name	Surname	First Convention	
				Yes	No
Registrant					
Partner					
Guest					
Guest					

### Contact Details

Street / P.O. Box					
Suburb		State		Postcode	
Email		Phone			
Emergency Contact		Phone			

### Accommodation

*Attendees are responsible for organising their own travel & accommodation*

I will be staying at					
Arrival date		Departure date			

*We have negotiated a deal with the Turf Club if you wish to stay there (powered sites)*

I will be staying at GLENVIEW PARK TURF CLUB ( Caravans and Motorhomes only)				
Arrival date		Departure date		

**Please indicate any dietary or other special needs:**

Please see over for hospitality events.  
Further details on these events & the convention are available from the convention website.  
[Website](#) | Email: [Convention Team](#)



## 73rd MD 201 Convention Traralgon May 2nd - 5th 2025

### Notes regarding the 2025 Convention

**Please note:**

a. The convention will be held at Gippsland Regional Indoor Sports Stadium (GRISS) with some sessions at Gippsland Performing Arts Centre (GPAC) (mainly Monday 28 April to Thursday 1 May). The public event on Friday afternoon will be held at GPAC.

b. Catering at the convention will be at your own expense.

c. Shuttles will be arranged according to demand. Please advise if you wish to utilise the shuttles. Shuttles will depart from multiple locations, based on numbers

d. Please note - shuttle services may have some mobility restrictions.

e. There will be no shuttle buses provided to the Gala dinner.

Date	Hospitality Description	Cost	No.	Total \$
	Glenview Turf Club (please add arrival and departure dates above)	\$40 per night		
2nd - 5th May	Shuttle service to and from accommodation. Please advise if you would like to use this service.	No cost		N/A
2nd - 5th May	Morning tea, lunch, and afternoon tea will be available for purchase at the venue			
Sat 3rd May	PDG Dinner (by invitation)			
Sun 4th May	Kernot Hall Gala Dinner - 6pm	\$70		
Mon 5th May	PIP, PID, PCC breakfast (by invitation)			
Mon 5th May	Cabinet Secretaries & Treasurers Lunch	\$50		
	Badges	\$8		
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>\$</b>

[Website](#) | Email: [Convention Team](#)



# Lions Fund Vital New Foodbank Delivery Van

In an inspiring show of commitment to serving those in need, Lions in Victoria joined forces with the **Australian Lions Foundation (ALF)** and the **Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF)** to fund a new food delivery van for **Foodbank Victoria**.



This project will support the distribution of frozen and shelf-stable foods to communities across the state, helping alleviate food insecurity for thousands each day.

The partnership with Foodbank Victoria began when Lions Past District Governor Graham Bryant started a volunteer initiative at the Yarraville warehouse. Lions members stepped in to assist with essential order preparation whenever Foodbank's regular volunteers were unavailable.

It was during one of these volunteer sessions that Lions asked Foodbank Victoria how they could offer additional support. The answer came in the form of a new delivery van, designed to expand Foodbank's reach and impact.

To make this vision a reality, Lions in Victoria worked together to secure funding. Lions leaders collaborated closely, bringing in grant support from both ALF and LCIF and contributing financially from each district. Through the dedication of the Lions, the necessary funding for a new van was secured.

The delivery van was handed over to Foodbank Victoria in a formal ceremony arranged by LCIF Chair Lee Murray, who served as Project Manager for the Lions Delivery Van initiative. The event was attended by Lions representatives from across Victoria who celebrated the arrival of this much-needed resource for their community.



The new van will allow Foodbank Victoria to reach more people than ever before, a mission that has become more urgent as food insecurity in Victoria continues to rise. In recent years, the number of people experiencing food stress daily has grown significantly, making this addition to Foodbank's fleet critical to ensuring that nutritious food reaches those who need it most.

Lions' volunteers continue to support Foodbank Victoria. On the first Wednesday of every month, Lions members gather at the Yarraville warehouse to volunteer.

This project exemplifies the core values of Lions Australia – service, community, and compassion. Together, Lions Clubs across Victoria have made a lasting impact, helping ensure that families and individuals facing hardship receive the support they need.

On days like these, Lions members can take pride in knowing they have made a meaningful difference, one delivery at a time.

# From Biobank to breakthroughs

## The Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation (ALCCRF) has made a transformative impact on paediatric brain cancer research by donating \$600,000 to a team at the South Australian immunoGENomics Cancer Institute (SAiGENCI).

Paediatric brain cancer is the most common solid tumour in

*Right, L to R : Professor Jordan Hansford, Dr Noralyn Manucat-Tan, and Amanda Luck in the Paediatric Neuro-Oncology laboratory.*



children and the leading cause of disease-related death among Australian kids. While aggressive multi-modal treatments have boosted survival rates to over 70%, these treatments often come with severe side effects that affect survivors to varying degrees, potentially having a long-term impact on their physical abilities, school performance, job prospects, and social lives. Unfortunately ~60% of survivors are unable to achieve independence as adults. There are no strategies to reduce these impacts that do not compromise cure rates underscoring the need to develop new solutions that ensure children with brain cancer have optimal survival and survivorship outcomes, while also maintaining their physical and psychosocial wellbeing.

We know very little about why the treatments affect some children more than others, but Neuro-Oncologist Professor Jordan Hansford and his team are aiming to answer this question using South Australia's first Paediatric Brain Tumour Biobank, established and operated between the South Australia Health and Medical Research Institute (SAHMRI) and the Women's and Children Health Network (WCHN).

With new advances in molecular biology the team will further investigate brain cancers, revealing the underlying cause of the disease and beginning to balance the risks of different treatments more effectively to perhaps prevent late effects. The biobanked brain tumour samples combined with detailed clinical data provide a powerful population-based tool to study brain cancer, and the team will use this to uncover genetic and epigenetic factors that underpin the development of treatment side effects.

The ALCCRF Chair, Ron Skeem OAM said the Foundation recognised the significance of the Paediatric Brain Tumour Biobank and were attracted by the possibility to have a real impact on cancer care for children.

“We're very excited about what the outcomes might be - it's why we get involved.”

Professor Hansford expressed his gratitude for the support and his hope for what the project will achieve.

“We're extremely thankful for the support of the Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation, without whom this wouldn't be possible.”



# 2024 Lions Biggest BBQ Update



Australian Lions

Childhood Cancer  
Research Foundation



A big thank you and appreciation to those clubs which have contributed to the Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation. In the year to date 161 clubs have contributed \$184,574.45, via the Lions Biggest Barbecue. Much more has been contributed by a direct grant to the Foundation. This is a marvellous achievement and reflects the care and consideration of Lions Clubs and their members to contribute to a very worthy purpose.

*The Lions Biggest Barbecue (LBBBQ) has a goal for this year's campaign of raising \$250,000.*

There are approximately 50 clubs which submitted an Intention to Participate and are still to contribute. If your club is one of these 50, please do hold that biggest barbecue, as there are still the best part of 4 months to contribute to the Foundation.

Each club which contributes by means of a fundraiser with the LBBBQ will receive raffle tickets for an end-of-year draw to win one of three barbecue units from Bunnings. (1 ticket is allocated for every \$500 donated. So, \$2000 donated will attract 4 chances in the draw).

We look forward to your support of and for your Foundation and the children who will ultimately benefit from the research which we fund.

In an effort to keep pace with the digital world as well as save some natural resources and costs, we encourage you to **register online** using a newly designed dedicated webpage at [lionsbiggestbbq.org.au](http://lionsbiggestbbq.org.au). In addition to online registration, this website also provides information and resources to run a successful bbq.

Alternatively, if you feel more comfortable using hard copies as in previous years, all the relevant forms were snail-mailed to your Club's postal address, in February. We trust that this was forwarded to the Club's BBQ Chairperson.

## UPDATE 23/10/2024

Earlier this year your club submitted an Intention to Participate (ITP), in contributing to the Lions Biggest Barbecue, LBBBQ, fundraiser for the ALCCRF.

There is still time (until 31<sup>st</sup> December) to contribute your club's profits from your fundraising barbecue, or other fundraising event.

If your club has contributed, please ignore this email.

Simply by participating, you could win your club a brand-new outdoor barbecue! **Every club which contributes, will participate in a raffle draw, for one of three Bunnings barbecues.** (One ticket is allocated for every \$500 contributed, per club).

*To date, contributions through the LBBBQ, have totalled in excess of \$200,000 this calendar year.*

*We believe that every child deserves a chance at a healthy life.*

**Our Vision: 100% survival for kids with cancer.**

Lion Brian Williams  
ALCCRF Trustee



## Hello everyone, near and far,

As promised and stated at our recent district convention the Lions Children of Courage committee have developed and are distributing materials for marketing for everyone to bring in those applications for next years Children of Courage event!

This year the committee decided to receive next year's children of courage applications electronically.

•For those clubs who have an applicant who cannot access the

electronic version, we will send a paper version on request. Please send this request to our new email address [childrenofcourage.wa@lions.org.au](mailto:childrenofcourage.wa@lions.org.au)

We have not made any decisions lightly and we need to make sure we a staying relevant to the community we serve. Remember that most of the families and nominees will be familiar in using these platforms.

### Process of applications

- A nominee will submit an application via the QR Code
- The committee receives the application and reviews the application for approval
- Once application is approved the committee will contact the Lions club closet to the applicant and ask for sponsorship.
  - The club can choose to sponsor or not (sponsorship is \$60 per child)
- Once a club has accepted the club can make introductions with the child and family ( their choosing on how this is done)
- All information requirements for the event will be completed by the committee, this may or may not include some help from the clubs sponsoring. As this is a new and fluid process we may have some teething issues, which we will keep the district informed about.
- Ongoing communications will be maintained to all clubs and families (We have already received a couple of nominations and thank you for those clubs who have forwarded those to us, as the applications start to grow so to will the communications, especially as we move closer to the event day).

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us at this email address only and please do not contact any previous children of courage email addresses as we do not know if they are being monitored nor do we have access to them. So all communications should now be through the email address mentioned above ([childrenofcourage.wa@lions.org.au](mailto:childrenofcourage.wa@lions.org.au)).

### Marketing Pack

In the attached files you will find

A brochure

A poster

### A Facebook Social Media Post

- Please print the brochure and poster out and have them displayed at your events, send it electronically through your networks.
- People know deserving children, they are everywhere!
- The application is so easy!

### The Facebook post

- Go to your clubs face book page and click create a post
- It will ask you to type some words and add photos/videos
- Add the 'Lions children of courage applications for Facebook mp4' file here
- Then click on post.
- Get all of your membership who have face book to share the post!!

If you don't know how to create a Facebook post ask a family member or friend to help you, someone will know how to do this!

**Remember asking is not a sign of weakness its a sign of strength and courage!!!**

On behalf of the Lions Children of Courage Committee for 2024/25, we would like to thank all the clubs for their support in this endeavour to acknowledge and support our children and especially the ongoing legacy of this wonderful project.

Change is sometimes difficult to accept and we are living in a very changing world, this is an opportunity and ongoing process, we may get it wrong and we may get it right!! But we as Lions, we come together with good intentions always.

Be kind and all will prosper.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

**Also, don't forget to like us on Facebook!!! Lions Children of Courage WA**

Lions Children of Courage 201WA  
Committee 2024/25



# 2025 Lions Children of Courage Applications



## NOMINATE A CHILD TODAY!



### Categories

- Children facing adversity
- Epic/ Heroic Sibling
- Courageous act of deed
- Inspiring sporting achievement



<https://forms.office.com/r/v10zce5isx>

Or email us for more information  
[childrenofcourage.wa@lions.org.au](mailto:childrenofcourage.wa@lions.org.au)

# IT'S CHRISTMAS CAKE TIME AGAIN

It's almost that magical time of year again! The smell of tinsel, the sound of carols, and yes, the glorious return of Australia's *favourite* Christmas treat—the Lions Christmas Cake!

These aren't just any cakes; they're *the* fruitcake with a purpose, here to make your holiday sweeter and your community stronger.



Packed with over 50% fruit and made from top-notch natural ingredients, Lions Christmas Cakes are here to raise the (cake) bar and some much-needed funds for local causes.

When you grab a Lions Christmas Cake, you're not just indulging in a seasonal treat, you're making a real impact. Every delicious bite helps fuel projects that keep our communities thriving. From city streets to the outback, the funds raised go straight into Lions Clubs across Australia to support initiatives that matter.

In recent years, our regional communities have been hit hard, from pandemic struggles to natural disasters. As we brace for yet another bushfire season, the proceeds from these cakes are absolutely crucial.

Lions Christmas Cakes help fund emergency relief, recovery efforts, and a host of other vital community

programs. Yep, these cakes do way more than just satisfy your sweet tooth—they're helping people get back on their feet.

And it doesn't stop there – Lions Clubs are busy all year round, supporting projects like youth programs, medical research, disability aid, and environmental work.

This cake is a true multitasker, raising millions since 1965, with every crumb contributing to something bigger than just a holiday dessert.

As Lions Australia CEO Rob Oerlemans puts it, “For nearly six decades, our Lions Christmas Cakes have not only been proudly Australian-made, but their impact has been immeasurable.”

You're not just buying a cake—you're investing in disaster relief, childhood cancer research, and so many other life-changing initiatives.

The Lions Christmas Cake recipe is made in Victoria by Traditional Foods. And now, for the gluten-free crowd, Lions have got you covered with a limited number of GF options rolling out this year!

Your Lions Christmas Cake is waiting to make a difference—find out how you can get your hands on one (or more) in time for Christmas [here](#).





# ***How to promote your Christmas cakes this festive season***

Is Christmas Cake season your Club's biggest fundraiser? Let's make it easy for your community to find your cakes and support your Club this festive season!

With so many Lions Clubs and events, your local supporters may need a little help locating your cakes. Why not pin a post at the top of your Facebook page with the "where" and "when" details? It's an easy way to keep your Christmas cakes front and center!

To pin a post on Facebook, you can do the following:

1. Find the post you want to pin in your timeline
2. Click the More icon (three dots) in the top right of the post
3. Select Pin to Top of Page

Pinning a post makes it one of the first things visitors see on your page, and helps your content stand out!

To help you get started, we've provided some eye-catching graphics designed to draw attention.

Plus, you'll find a media release template to customise and send to local newspapers, magazines, and radio stations, ensuring everyone knows about your Christmas cakes! Let's spread the word and make this holiday season a great success for your Club!



***1KG Small Cakes \$16, 1.5 KG Large Cakes \$20,  
Large Pudding \$16, Small Pudding \$10***

# FDI

*Are you interested in becoming a skilled Lions' trainer?*

*The Faculty Development Institute (FDI) is designed to develop and expand the number of skilled Lions' trainers who can then conduct training at Club, District and Multiple District levels.*

*The curriculum is designed to enhance training delivery skills and training techniques to increase the quality of training and overall effectiveness of Lions leadership programmes.*

*Qualified candidates are those Lions who have some experience as instructors at local Lions training events, have demonstrated basic instructional skills and have a keen interest in further developing those skills.*

*Lions participating in the FDI will be required to conduct a local training event within six months of attending the institute, in order to complete the FDI.*

*The application form needs to be signed by applicant, District Governor with supporting comments and Multiple District GLT Coordinator with supporting comments before forwarding directly to LCI via email: [institutes@lionsclubs.org](mailto:institutes@lionsclubs.org)*

Regards

Christine Walker

GLT Coordinator, Lions District 201WA



Location: Brisbane, Australia

Dates: April 11-13, 2025

Application Due Date: December 29, 2024

# FDI

The purpose of the Faculty Development Institute (FDI) is to develop and expand the number of skilled faculty available for use in training at the club, zone, district, and multiple district levels.

Review the information provided below to ensure that your application meets the requirements for submission. Applicant Qualifications

Candidates for FDI must meet all qualifications before applying:

- Current member of a club within the constitutional area.
- Has not attended an FDI within the last five (5) years. (International or Local)
- Have an interest in improving training delivery skills.
- In-depth knowledge of Lions' culture, Lions leadership experience, and comfort using PowerPoint is preferred.

\*Current District Governors who meet the qualifications will be considered for participation on space space-available basis only.

## Participant Expectations

Upon acceptance to the institute, participants are obligated to do the following:

- Attend all sessions of the 3-day institute.
- Arrange personal travel to and from the institute.
- Complete pre-assignments before arrival.
- Pay a non-refundable, non-transferable participant fee of US\$150.
- Arrange to be observed and evaluated conducting a local training event within 6 months of attending the FDI. (OPTIONAL)

## Faculty Development Institute (FDI) (Cont)

### Steps to Achieving FDI Graduate Status (Optional Post-Institute Requirement)

Participants at the institute will receive a participation certificate, but this does not guarantee FDI Graduate status. To achieve graduate status the participant must:

1. Review the feedback provided to you by the faculty during the institute.
2. Pursue local opportunities and refine your facilitation skills.
  - a. It is recommended that participants practice their skills and incorporate the feedback received during the FDI at training events before being observed for FDI Graduate status.
3. Invite the GLT Coordinator or an LCIP Certified Instructor to observe you at an in-person, local training.
4. Provide the observer with the Training Facilitation Summary (TFS) form (download the TFS from the [FDI webpage](#)) and request that they evaluate if you have successfully demonstrated all criteria.
5. Submit the completed and signed TFS form to [institutes@lionsclubs.org](mailto:institutes@lionsclubs.org).
6. Achieve FDI Graduate status and receive your pin.

Upon achieving FDI Graduate status, local area leaders will be notified, and your status will be updated in your Learn record. Continue to pursue training opportunities at the club, zone, region, district, and multiple district levels.



# **WORKING WITH CHILDREN CLUB MEMBER REQUIREMENTS**

Hi Lions & Leo members

I have recently been appointed as the District Safe Child Officer for 201WA and as such, have been instructed to ensure all Clubs are aware of the MD Child Safe Policy and adhere to the conditions that apply, to any Club that has a Club/District project which deals with children and young people under 18 years of age.

Lions Australia only controls a limited number of Youth projects, that is, those adopted at Conventions or managed by a Multiple District Committee – Youth of the Year, Youth Exchange & Leos. The principles of the policy though can be applied to any youth project operated by a Lions Club or District and the Multiple District strongly recommends Lions Clubs and Districts adopt these principles in their policy minutes or establish their own procedure in Club Board minutes, to apply to their own youth projects.

Even though in most jurisdictions the legislation varies as to whom/when a 'Working with Children Check' is needed, it is **MD201 policy** that any member or volunteer directly involved in any youth program obtains a Working with Children Check. Please refer to the Lions Australia Child Safe Policy Resources web page for more information at <https://lionsclubs.org.au/our-governance-structure/md201-child-safe-policy-resources/>

If your club does not wish to apply this policy to all members, it is essential that you control participation in youth projects to exclude those members who do not hold a valid working-with children-check.

Lions Australia encourages its members working with children to source community-based training to supplement this policy. The availability of such training can be sourced through the WA government child safety regulation website. <https://workingwithchildren.wa.gov.au/>

Where 'training' is referred to in this policy, it refers to:

- Reading and becoming familiar with this policy and procedures, and
- Discussing this policy and procedure at a Club meeting.

Minutes of the meeting where the Child Safe Policy has been reviewed should be kept, documenting the names of attendees.

## **WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK (WWCC)**

A Working with Children Check is a criminal screening check. It aims to prevent people who may pose a risk to children or youth from coming into contact with them through their employment or in a voluntary capacity.

1. Usually, a Working with Children Check or its equivalent is only required for longer-term work with young people, however, it is **Lions Policy** that any member of any Club operating Youth Programs who has direct involvement with young people, obtain a Working with Children Check (WWCC)
2. Lions operating any youth program must appraise themselves of the West Australian legislation.
3. The Working with Children Check register must contain the name, date of birth, registration number, and expiration date.
4. The Child Safe Officer must maintain the Working with Children's Check Register noting that this position may be held concurrently with other roles. The Club President or District Governor should not hold the role of Child Safe Officer as they may be engaged in future investigations.
5. Where a number of youth programs are conducted, it is reasonable to maintain a single WWC Register to cover all programs.
6. It is highly desirable to eliminate risks to young people participating in a Lions Youth program by following the Child Safe policy rather than relying on a Working with Children Check and operators of Youth Projects should prepare a documented risk management plan for each activity.



For those members who may not have seen a West Australian WWC Card, I have attached a copy of my card for your information. I will in a separate email, be requesting all Clubs with members holding a current WWCC Card assist me in establishing a **District Register** by advising me of their member details summarized in Item “C” above.

I appreciate these requirements may fall under the category of “Heavy Reading” or “it doesn’t concern us”, but please be aware the WWC Act in WA now has the power to fine anyone not complying with the Act. Please take this email to your next Board/Dinner meeting for discussion, and where applicable adopt the Child Safe Policy in the Club’s Policy Minutes or monthly meeting minutes where your Club doesn’t have Policy Minutes.

I’m happy to discuss/answer any questions that may arise from your Club meeting where the Child Safe Policy is discussed

Kindest Regards

PDG Peter Lamb

Activities & Insurance/Risk/Child Safety Coordinator

(M) 0447 711 162

Email: [supportactwa@lionswa.org.au](mailto:supportactwa@lionswa.org.au)

## **LIONS CONDUCT WHEN WORKING WITH CHILDREN**

Lions Australia is a highly respected organisation through its excellent work in the community and overseas projects. Its logo is highly recognisable and our members are often seen in the wider community performing much needed beneficial tasks and as members we are proud of our achievements. Given this, it is important for both our members and the community to maintain confidence in our activities. A significant part of maintaining this confidence is for all members to adhere to a Code of Conduct. Therefore the following are reasonable expectations we put on ourselves when working with children.

Lion members and volunteers shall:-

1. At all times whilst at a youth camp or other Lions organised youth events wear a Lions Identification Badge or Passes or lanyards.
2. At all times we will take all reasonable steps to protect children and young people in our care.
3. Not develop a relationship with child or young person that could be misconstrued as grooming behaviour by others. Not develop a relationship with a child or young person that could threaten the child or young person’s safety or wellbeing.
4. Will not disclose children or persons private information other than within the obligations of the Child Safe Policy.
5. Be accepting of all children and young people in our care regardless of their ethnicity, religious beliefs, or gender identification.
6. Always treat children and young people in our care with respect.
7. Always act in accordance with Lions Australia child Safe policy.
8. Never offer alcohol or illicit drugs of any kind to a child or young person.
9. Never be under the influence of alcohol or illicit drugs whilst in the position of care or responsibility of a child or young person.
10. Never expose children or young people to pornographic material from any medium.
11. Always know where the child or young person is when in your charge.
12. Never intimidate a child or young person through tone of voice or verbally abusive language.
13. Report any breach of the code of conduct through the Lions Feedback and Enquiries form located on the website here. [Keep in touch/feedback](#).
14. Uphold, respect, and protect those members and volunteers who in good faith report a breach of this code.
15. Any breach of the Child Safe Policy may result in action by the Lions club to restrict the member’s activities, suspend or cancel their membership.

# THE EVOLUTION OF THE BOORAGOON LEO CLUB

After several visits to 6 different High Schools in the Booragoon catchment to meet with School Student Services Officers to present flyers to be put up in key areas where students would see them and posters put on 15 different community Facebook pages, an information night was held at Willagee Senior Citizens centre on Friday July 26<sup>th</sup>. 10 young people attended with their parents and by the end of the evening, 7 of those 10 had decided already to take membership forms and join up.



Amongst the first was Ananya Sachidanandan, who we were familiar with, as she was one of your 4 Youth of the Year finalists. She is 16, attends Perth Modern School, is a high achiever and contender for the Club's Charter President. She lives in Canningvale. Emilia "Mimi" Ellis, who has always been known as "Mimi" since she was a kid. She is one of the youngest of the group at just 12 but in my opinion will be a born leader. Her family have only recently relocated from Mandurah, where Mimi attended Mandurah Baptist College, where she won a scholarship into John Curtin College of the Arts for their 2024 high school program. Ruby Albanis, who's Mum Kim first contacted me over a year ago about information on a LEO Club that Ruby could join, and I have managed to keep them interested with



my unsinkable belief and they have stayed faithful. Ruby is 13, lives in



Leeming and attends Kennedy Baptist College in Murdoch. And 4 students from Applecross Senior High School, sisters Isabella and Beatrice Mathaveron, Ethan Gatchalian and Evonne Chin. The young people started meeting on the last Friday night every month and at the first meeting in August, they straight away elected their incoming board with Ananya as President, Isabella as Vice President, Mimi as Secretary, Ethan as Treasurer and Evonne looking after promotion and social media. Over the next month, 5 other members came on board, Ruby's brother Archie, his best friend Luka, Aryanna, the daughter of former Booragoon Lion Ashanyi and two of Ethan's Logan and Geena. So now with 12 members and enough to charter, a charter date was set for Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2025



We had a minor set back when the Lion that I had persuaded to transfer from Harrissdale- Piara Waters Lions Club to Booragoon, Lorena Rios, to be the club's LEO Advisor, decided to resign from Lions as her working life and family life had both become very demanding. So we then decided to elect a LEO Advisory committee from the



Booragoon Lions Club. Having been a member of Booragoon for a year, I had a fair idea who would be good and invited them to come on board. Luckily, they all did and they are Lions John Hack, who instigated the whole idea of starting a LEO Club at Booragoon, two years ago, Pushpa Rama, who has always been involved with Youth projects with the club such as Youth of the Year and Children of Courage, Kathryn

Jackson, whose 15 years' experience as a member of the club would be invaluable and the lady who was as keen as mustard to be involved from the beginning, Keryn Cook, so she was elected as the LEO Advisor.



Since then, Isabella and Beatrice have promoted the club on Radio Fremantle, the members have been ten pin bowling to have a fun night and get to know



**BEATRICE, ISABELLA AND ME ON RADIO FREMANTLE**

each other better, they've selected their polo shirt of Sky blue and black, organised their first project, the Lions Biggest BBQ for the Children's Cancer Research Foundation at Bunnings in Willetton on Saturday November 30<sup>th</sup> and have two more projects in the pipeline, painting the walls at the HMAS Perth Memorial in Fremantle and a visit to the Kids Cancer Support Group's charity house in West Leederville to put together Christmas gift packs for kids with cancer in hospital. They are also going to be helping Kathryn with The Letters to Santa project and planning a fund raising event in support of the Every Mothers' Daughter charity.





The charter night will be held at the RAAFA Clubroom Restaurant, on the Airforce Memorial Estate at 2, Bull Drive, Bull Creek at 7pm on Friday January 31<sup>st</sup> with a \$50 per head buffet meal.

**JOHN CLARE (Guiding Lion - Booragoon LEO Club)**

**LEFT: - BOWLING CHAMPS – Mimi, Isabella, Beatrice, Ethan, Ruby, Archie and Luka.**

**BELOW: - EVONNE, BEATRICE AND ISABELLA with EVERY MOTHERS' DAUGHTER'S DARREN REYNOLDS**







You are Cordially Invited to

# THE LEOS CLUB OF BOORAGOON CHARTER NIGHT

## FRIDAY 31<sup>st</sup> JANUARY 2025

**6.30 FOR 7pm, RAAFA Clubroom Restaurant, Airforce  
Memorial Estate, 2 Bull Creek Drive, Bull Creek**  
**BUFFET SUPPER - \$50 a head**  
**PLUS, RAFFLE**

**RSVP IS  
ESSENTIAL  
To John Clare  
0407080671  
lionjohnclare@gmail.com  
By 10th January  
2025**



Payment to Bank: Westpac, Booragoon

\* BSB: 036-069

\* Account#: 581258

\* Account Name: Lions Club of Booragoon Activities A/c

\* Reference: Leo Charter Dinner

# LIONS EYE INSTITUTE

## A prestigious honour for Professor Bill Morgan

We're delighted to share that Professor Bill Morgan has been awarded the title of Adjunct Professor by Universitas Indonesia in a special ceremony in Jakarta. Recognised for his groundbreaking contributions to glaucoma research and treatment, Professor Morgan has been an invaluable collaborator with the Faculty of Medicine since 2014.

In a moving speech, Professor Morgan emphasised the need for innovation in glaucoma care, a leading cause of blindness in Indonesia. He also discussed the Virna Glaucoma Drainage Device, a major advancement for affordable glaucoma treatment, developed in partnership with Universitas Indonesia. This device is a game-changer for both patients and ophthalmologists in Indonesia. Professor Morgan's dedication to advancing ophthalmology education and clinical practice has made a lasting impact, and this title is a well-deserved recognition of his tireless work to improve patient care globally.

**Congratulations, Professor Morgan, on this remarkable achievement!**

Read more about this special honour: <https://www.lei.org.au/.../professor-bill-morgan-awarded.../>

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**Pictured Right: Professor Dwiana Ocviyanti, Vice Dean of the Faculty of Medicine for Education, Research, and Student Affairs awarding Professor Bill Morgan his certificate honouring him as Adjunct Professor at Universitas Indonesia**







# LAP the MAP FOR DIABETES



## World Diabetes Day: Join the fight against diabetes and Lap the Map for Diabetic Alert Dogs

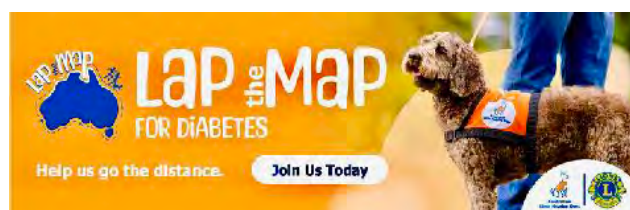
Diabetes is a global cause of Lions Clubs International and a global health issue, and with World Diabetes Day coming up on 14<sup>th</sup> November, what better time than now to come together and take action in the fight against diabetes.

In Australia, over 1.3 million people are living with diabetes, contributing to 11% of all deaths in 2022. For those managing diabetes, daily life can be a challenging journey, requiring resilience and a strong support system.

This November, Australian Lions Hearing Dogs is focusing on wellbeing as cornerstone of diabetes care, aiming to raise awareness for those living with the condition, and funds for the Lions Diabetic Alert Dog program.

**Lap the Map** is a signature event initiated by Lions Australia to promote diabetes awareness. This year, Australian Lions Hearing Dogs have taken the lead, encouraging participants to unite and collectively cover the distance equivalent to Australia's circumference—25,760 km. We're aiming for an ambitious goal: to lap Australia TEN times, covering a total of 257,600 km! This monumental effort will help raise essential funds for training Diabetic Alert Dogs, which provide invaluable support to Australians living with type 1 diabetes—at no cost to them.

We invite you to get moving in whatever way suits you best—walking, running, cycling, swimming, or any activity you enjoy. Not only will you improve your health and fitness, but every step you take will bring us closer to our goal of 257,600 km! Ready to make a difference? Register yourself and your Lions Club today. Together, let's be part of pawpositive change! Visit [www.lapthemap.com.au](http://www.lapthemap.com.au) to sign up and join us in this important cause.





## November Newsletter

Catch up on all the news at ALHD!

It's been an eventful year. In the blink of an eye, we are coming to the end of 2024. Australian Lions Hearing Dogs has experienced remarkable growth this year, all of which came with the expansion of new roles and programs.

Thanks to our expanded team, we are on track to place a total of 34 Assistance Dogs by the end of December, including 29 Hearing Assistance Dogs, 4 Medical Alert Dogs and 1 Psychiatric Assistance Dog! This is exciting as it shows the clear growth of our Assistance Dog programs.

The Breeding Program has welcomed 28 puppies into our world, providing them with foundational care before they eventually went off to their foster homes.

The Puppy Program and Bed and Breakfast Program have been successfully supporting our puppies through their journeys to becoming trainee dogs at the Training Centre, allowing each puppy a quality life before and during their full-time Assistance Dog training.

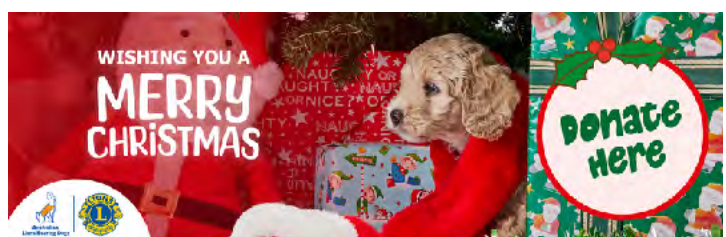
With Christmas on the horizon, we'd like to inform you that the Training Centre will be closed over the holidays. However, we'll have dedicated staff on-site to care for the dogs. Our office will close on the 25th and 26th of December 2024, as well as the 1st of January 2025. During this time, our emergency phone line will remain active for any urgent matters requiring immediate attention.

We are so grateful for your ongoing support and interest in ALHD throughout 2024. Wishing you a joyful and safe holiday season, and we look forward to seeing you in 2025!

***Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.*** Click [here](#) to read more about the Australian Lions Hearing Dogs in this [November Newsletter](#) edition!

Yours sincerely,

David Horne  
Chief Executive Officer







***Its that time of year again – get a head start on your Christmas shopping with Australian Lions Hearing Dogs!***

Since 1980, Australian Lions Hearing Dogs (ALHD) has proudly served as a Lions Project, providing life-changing Assistance Dogs to Australians free of charge. This year, we celebrated a significant milestone with the delivery of our 700th Hearing Assistance Dog. Additionally, we recently placed our 9th Medical Alert Dog for individuals living with type 1 diabetes, and we are thrilled to have delivered our very first Psychiatric Assistance Dog as part of an exciting new program in development.

Our Hearing Assistance and Medical Alert Dog programs are funded by donations and community activities including merchandise purchases.

We have a fantastic range of Christmas merchandise available now for some great presents. Spoil your furry friend, family members, friends, or even yourself with Christmas dog toys, stockings, Christmas cards and our best-selling 2025 Calendar! Get in early and make your holiday season extra special with these great presents, all while supporting a great cause.

If you would like to get ahead of the holiday rush and start your Christmas shopping early – please visit <https://lionshearingdogs.com.au/shop/> or call (08) 8388 7836 to place your order. Limited stock available so don't miss out!



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

**CLUB                                      NUMBER OF YEARS                                      CHARTER DATE**

### **201WA DISTRICT Clubs celebrating ANNIVERSARIES DECEMBER 2024**

NORANDA	43	01/12/1981
KULIN	54	05/12/1972
GERALDTON	59	18/12/1965
DONGARA-DENISON	41	08/12/1983
MT BARKER	55	11/12/1969
SERPENTINE-JARRAHDALE	49	15/12/1975
WEST ARTHUR	16	15/12/2008
BROOME	53	21/12/1971
DARDANUP	53	29/12/1971
NARAMBEEN	46	29/12/1978

### **2025 201WA DISTRICT Clubs celebrating ANNIVERSARIES JANUARY 2025**

PINJARRA	51	3/01/1974
THREE SPRINGS	52	9/01/1973
BODDINGTON	49	16/01/1976
PORT KENNEDY	27	20/01/1998
NANNUP	42	21/1/1983
ELLENBROOK	24	23/01/2001
<b>ALBANY</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>28/01/1965</b>
LANCELIN	19	30/01/2006

### **201WA DISTRICT Clubs celebrating ANNIVERSARIES FEBRUARY 2025**

TAMBELLUP	47	02/02/1978
CARNAMAH	31	14/02/1994
ALBANY SOUTH COAST	51	14/02/1974
FREMANTLE	61	21/02/1964
CAPEL	35	21/02/1990
VASSE	5	08/02/2020

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 – DECEMBER 1964 District W201J organises the first Cracker Carnival.**

## FIRST CRACKER CARNIVAL

In this year 1964-65, the Lions Club of City of Perth participated in a breath-taking joint-project, which helped to put the word Lions on the tip of the tongue of West Australia's population. While there were then only 102 Lions in Western Australia in 4 metropolitan and 1 country clubs, the project known as the Cracker Carnival took shape. No less than 45,000 patrons watched a mammoth fireworks display, supported by other attractions such as Marching Girls, St. John's Ambulance, Fire

Brigade and Baton Twirlers etc. The raising of approximately \$13,200, despite cheap tickets for children and pensioners, was the least of the achievements of this fantastic project. The great contribution to society, was the fact, that by discouraging most of the "back-yard" fireworks efforts, eye casualties were almost non-existent. To have saved the sight of just one child, would have more than justified the effort. But based on previous statistics, the sight of many persons was saved. "City of Perth", like other clubs involved, contributed to the planning, committee organisation, and manning of key positions. But great tribute should be paid to Lions Fred Haupt and Warwick Broomfield (both of Fremantle Club) who by dint of good organisation and hard work, effected such a successful project, that other Districts and Clubs called for the "know-how".



## 50 YEARS AGO - DECEMBER 1974 The Cyclone Tracy Appeal.

Cyclone Tracy, which hit Darwin in the small hours of Christmas Day 1974, killed 66 people and devastated 80 per cent of the city. As with all natural disasters worldwide, yet alone on home ground, Australian Lions Clubs, including those in W.A. leapt into action with the City of Perth Club alone, raising \$3000, a huge amount of money in 1974!

**40 YEARS AGO –DECEMBER 84 North Perth Lion Joe Sicari is a medal winner at the first ever Annual Perth Citizen's Awards.**

**30 YEARS AGO, THIS MONTH DECEMBER 94 LEO Clubs make a comeback in the West with 5 formed in the past 18 months & 2 more in the pipeline. Sounds just like what's happened here again, in the past 3 years!**



● Mike Farley (right), first vice-president of the City of Perth (Host) Lions club, receives a cheque for \$900 from the manager of the Broadway Tavern, Perth, Mr. Craig Thornton. The cheque was part of \$3,000 raised by the City of Perth club for the Darwin appeal. The rest of the money came from the sale of clothing at the club's opportunity shop and donations from city business houses.



**COMPILED FOR WALCHAC BY LION JOHN CLARE**



**30 YEARS AGO, THIS MONTH DECEMBER 1994**  
**LEO Clubs make a comeback in the West with 5 formed in the past 18 months & 2 more in the pipeline. Sounds just like what's happened here again, in the**

**20 YEARS AGO, THIS MONTH, DECEMBER 2004**  
**Williams Lions Club fund their Christmas Party with funds from Cash For Cans, a project that they've been running for 15 years, way before Containers for Change**

**ON THREE FRONTS...**

*Multiple District 201 Leo chairman, Lion Glyn Jones is so impressed with the pace Leos are extending in Western Australia that he asked District W1 Leo chairperson, Lion Jan Bailey to share her story with all Lions and Leos of MD 201:*



*WA Leos hosted a most enjoyable Hoe Down Reunion at the Perth Convention.*

**Leos making impressive comeback in the West**

"When I rejoined Lions in February 1993 I was upset that Western Australia no longer had any Leo clubs and I could not understand why? I had spent 10 of the most enjoyable years of my life as a Leo in the Leo Club of Cockburn.

The friends that I had met then are still very good friends today, the memories from those days are still very strong and the main reason for my now joining and being an active member of Lions.

With the confidence and support of a fabulous District Governor I was given the job of being District Leo chairman after only being a Lion for 3 months. The new District Governor asked me to continue the portfolio and, now, into the next Lionistic year, I still have the position today.

I can remember sitting at my desk some 18 months ago thinking do I know what I am doing? My main problem was how? There are no Leos here - where do I start?

I decided that my first place to start was with an article in our W.A. Lions

magazine. It started "Where have all the flowers gone?", as this was the song that was playing at the time and it seemed to fit the challenge that was facing me!

With some 18 months now past, Western Australia has now five Leo clubs formed and two more at the starting post. In those short few months the Leos of W.A. have done so much, attended district W1 convention in Toodyay, and W2 convention in Augusta, helped organise and run a very successful Multiple District Leo convention in Perth in May, attended many Lions meetings, new Leo club meetings and District Governor's award nights and welcome home functions.

They are now busy organising an Inter-Leo Christmas Party and New Year convention at Dryandra Lions Park. We have a Leo of the Year ready to attend MD 201 Convention in Albury-Wodonga - and the rest of the Leos are busy saving money to be able to attend.

The individual clubs have been very busy on their own as well, with car rallies, quiz nights, car washes, swap

meets, rubbish collections, sausage sizzles, gardening, agricultural shows, cake stalls, collection appeals, hospital training and patient care, Lion Mints and Christmas Cake sales, Santa Sleigh Runs, dinner dances, discos - and the list just keeps growing with their imaginations now in full flight.

The donation list keeps growing also. Televisions to hospitals, fire jackets to the Volunteer Fire Brigade, Leo Comfort Toys to various organisations, food hampers, painting kindergarten swings, along with many cheques for many different organizations.

Membership is also growing in all clubs. Friendships are developing and strengthening. They have been together on many social functions and general get-togethers and have had enormous amounts of fun with everything they have done.

The Leos have also been very busy learning about hearing problems, aids, cancer, blindness, elderly problems.

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**Cash from Cans**

WILLIAMS Lions Club has many worthwhile projects on the go including the collection of aluminium cans used to provide funds towards the annual seniors Christmas party. A function the Club has been associated with for 15 years.



Williams Lions members Ian Ball, Jim Epiro and Graham Prowse ready to crush some cans.

**Christmas outing for Millbridge Lions**



Millbridge Lions Club recently celebrated their Christmas outing with a visit to the Moody Cow Brewery and a couple of wineries for tastings, and on the way made a stop at Gnomesville to install our Millbridge Lions Gnome.

The picture below is five Lions with the gnome, from left at the rear, is Lion Sue Driscoll, Lion Tania Panizza, Lion Andrea Thomas and Lion Maureen Walton. In the foreground is past president Lion Stephanie Atkins, holding the Millbridge Lions gnome which we placed at Gnomesville on the occasion of our Christmas end-of-year celebration, following a lively lunch at Moody Cow Brewery, and some wine-tasting at some of the Ferguson Valley wineries.

Our picture above shows the whole club lined up in front of the Gnomesville information board, before we boarded the bus for our next winery visit. -Roni Linley.

**10 YEARS AGO THIS MONTH DECEMBER 2014**  
**Millbridge Lions Club descend on Gnomesville and the Moody Cow for their Christmas event!**

**WALCHAC**  
 WEST AUSTRALIAN LIONS CLUBS  
 HISTORICAL ARCHIVES COMMITTEE

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 LION JOHN CLARE





# JUNIOR PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION REGIONAL FINAL

It was a very successful **first** ever Western Australian Junior Public Speaking Competition Regional final on Sunday 24th November. I called it a regional final, although it was actually only 2 zones and they were from 2 different regions, but you've got to start somewhere! There were 4 finalists in the Years 3 and 4 division represent, St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Waroona, St Joseph's Catholic College in Pinjarra and Baldivis Gardens Primary School and 2 finalists. in the Years 5 and 6 representing Greenfields Primary School and St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Waroona,

**AND THE WINNERS WERE.....**Brax Hague from St Joseph's Catholic College in Pinjarra in the Years 3 and 4 division and. Lenny Wright from St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Waroona, in the Years 5 and 6 division.

**CONGRATULATIONS!!** However, all 6 finalists were simply wonderful and did amazingly well!! My special Thanks to the



LION. LISA FRY FROM SPONSORING LIONS CLUB WAROONA CONGRATULATES YEAR 3 / 4 WINNER, BRAX

judges, Jacquie Abbiss, Principal of Falcon Primary School, Lion Hazel Masters, Zone 4 Chair and Past District Governor Peter Lamb, who stepped in at the last minute when the original 3rd judge dropped out. Also, a big Thanks to my awards offsider, Lion Lisa Fry, who has continued to drive the project in the Waroona area since I left that area. Let's hope that we can now build this fantastic Lions project in W.A, get more clubs involved and more schools involved. **OVER TO YOU LIONS CLUBS W.A!**

**LEFT: - YEAR 5/6 WINNER LENNY WRIGHT WITH JUNIOR PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION DISTRICT CHAIR, JOHN CLARE. AND LION LISA FRY, WHO WAS ALSO SPONSORED BY WAROONA.**



**District 201WA  
Lions Junior Public Speaking**





Above Left to Right: - Lion Lisa Fry (Co - presenter), PDG Lion Peter Lamb – Mandurah Lions Club Judge), Me (John Clare, District Junior Public Speaking Competition Chair), Jacquie Abbiss (Principal Falcon Primary School - Judge) and Lion Hazel Masters (Zone 4 Chair - Judge). Contestants Left to Right: - Kaya (Baldivis Gardens. Primary School), Felicity (Baldivis Gardens. Primary School), Ava (St . Joseph’s Catholic Primary School, Waroona), Layla (Greenfields Primary School), Lenny (St .Joseph’s Catholic Primary School, Waroona), and Brax (St Joseph's Catholic College, Pinjarra)

Below Left: - The runners up and Below Right: - The judges deliberate





# THE MYALUP PINES CHALLENGE



On a beautiful sunny weekend (1st - 3rd November 2024), Lions clubs from Port Kennedy, Kwinana, Mandurah and Australind, competed in the Myalup Pines challenge.

And what a weekend of fun, fellowship and discovering, with the clubs new found skills at tossing eggs!

Amazing effort to our friends from Kwinana Lions Club , for a stellar effort in back to back years, winning the coveted trophy, closely followed by Port Kennedy Lions Club (2 points).

There was only the four clubs participating this year, so we hope to see more clubs participating, at the next challenge

Thanks to PDG Alan Hawkins and PDG Bev Hawkins for organising the weekend

Some photos below of the action on the day



Other Events were vertical golf and bean bag tossing

LEFT: BOCCE ACTION



ABOVE: KWINANA LIONS PRESENTED WITH THE WINNING TROPHY



LEFT: WE HAVE THE EGG THROWING ACTION

ABOVE: THE QUOITS ACTION



# 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 PINES 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,**



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**





# FOR YOUR DIARIES

SOUTH PERTH  
**Lions Big Band**  
*Music for dancing and listening*

**4th Friday  
each month**

8PM @ SOUTH PERTH  
COMMUNITY CENTRE  
Cnr Sandgate St and South Tce



\$20 AT THE DOOR OR PRE-BOOK  
[lionsband.southperth@gmail.com](mailto:lionsband.southperth@gmail.com)  
or call Phil 0417 916 773



**NEXT DATE THE LIONS BIG  
BAND IS PLAYING IS:**

**LIONS BIG BAND  
CAROLS AT SUNSET**  
*Carols from 6.30-8.30pm*

**SUNDAY 8TH DECEMBER 2024  
AT THE MENDES ST JETTY, SOUTH**



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](#)

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







## ***Lions International Convention | Orlando, Florida, USA July 13-17, 2025***

*International Convention of Lions in 2025 will be held in sunny Orlando, Florida and registration is now available. The Lions from Constitutional Area 7 are very excited that one of our own, **Past International Director Tony Benbow OAM**, will stand for the position of **International 3rd Vice President at the Convention**. We can't wait to see our Lions rallying behind "TonyB for VP!" in the official MD 201 Convention Shirt, now available to pre-order from the Lions Shop - <https://www.lionsclubshop.com.au/category/386-shirts>*

*The key facts are:*

**Dates:**

**Convention Venue: Early Bird Registration:**

**Accommodation: Sunday 13 July 2025 to Thursday 17 July 2025 Orange County Convention Centre  
US\$190 until 1 March 2025**

*Conventioners can book their accommodation as part of the Registration process, and you can choose any of the hotels listed here. <https://lionscon.lionsclubs.org/hotel-travel/hotels/>*

*Many Lions like to try to stay with others from their Multiple District so we recommend the following hotels that are close to the Convention Centre. Hotels are booked on a first come, first served basis so if you want to secure a room, register early. (Be sure to view the hotel sites online before booking)*

- 1. Double Treeby Hilton Orlando at SeaWorld-2.5km from Convention Centre. US\$179 per night.*
- 2. Truby Hilton Orlando Convention Centre-2km from Convention Centre.US\$169 per night (Breakfast included).*
- 3. Hilton Garden Inn Orlando at Seaworld-2.7km from Convention Centre. US\$129 per night.*

*These are simply recommendations. Feel free to choose any hotels on the list.*

*There is a lot of new information on the Lions Convention website so be sure to visit soon. <https://lionscon.lionsclubs.org/>*

**20241128 - Convention Shirt & Hotel Recommendations**

# **LIONS YOUTH OF THE YEAR (YOTY) 2024/2025**

As you may be aware the number of clubs participating in our Youth of the Year program has been declining in recent years. A reduction in the number of clubs participating obviously means less students have the opportunity to develop their skills and build their confidence as they embark into the wider world. This year we must all do our very best to encourage schools to nominate students to take part in the program. The program is far too important to let it slide any further.

It is our primary youth program, that connects Lions to young people in our communities. Over the decades the program has inspired hundreds of young people; to build confidence and sharpen their skills as they move through the finals. The program also “showcases” Lions in the community and the valuable work we do.

Last year a number of clubs held joint club finals, if your club wasn't one of those clubs I would encourage you to do so this time around. Apart from sharing the work load it will build a bigger audience and necessitate only three judges instead of six. Clubs working together will only enhance fellowship and camaraderie within our organisation.

It is important that you let Michael Bell or Kim Wilkinson know what your clubs' intentions are in relation to the Youth of the Year program as soon as possible, so that planning can happen in relation to Zone and Regional finals. **Your Club Final would need to be held by the end of February 2025. If you do intend approaching schools directly now is the time to do it.**

There are a number of options available to clubs.

Please select one of the below options and let us know as soon as possible:

A. You will approach schools directly and recruit students to represent your club

B. You will approach schools directly, but if you aren't successful in recruiting students you are happy to hold a Club Final, with students from a “pool” not attached to any club.

C. You prefer not to approach schools in your area but are happy to hold a club final, with students sourced from a “pool”

D. You don't wish to be involved in the program

It is recommended that YOTY Chairpersons hold a Working With Children Check (WWC). However, if that is not possible entrants must not be left alone with a single Lion, they must at all times be supervised by a male and female Lions member.

Attached to this email is a power point presentation, a student application form and a video which was professionally produced last year which you can email to your local school/s.

It is not costly or daunting for a club to hold a Youth of the Year Club Final, most clubs hold their finals on a business or social meeting night.

Please don't hesitate to contact Kim or Michael to discuss your Club's involvement in the program, we are here to support you.

**Michael Bell**

**Lions Youth of The Year Chairperson (North) 0422 666 749**

**[MJBell2056@gmail.com](mailto:MJBell2056@gmail.com)**

**Kim Wilkinson**

**Lions Youth of The Year Chairperson (South) 0404 820 913**

**[Kimwilkinson505@gmail.com](mailto:Kimwilkinson505@gmail.com)**





This is not a writable form, for the preferred writable Application form go to their website

### Club Registration Form

To: The District Chairperson [redacted]  
From the Lions or Leo Club of: [redacted]  
Our Club will be entering in the Youth of the Year program for the year: [redacted]

Club Coordinator: [redacted]  
Address: [redacted] Post Code: [redacted]  
Email address: [redacted]  
Telephone- Home: [redacted] Work: [redacted] Mobile: [redacted]  
WWCC/Blue Card/WWVP #

### Club Judging Information

We propose holding our Club Judging on: [redacted]  
If on a different day  
We propose holding our interviews on: [redacted]  
Club President: [redacted]  
Mobile Phone: [redacted] Email Address: [redacted]

Authorised on this day:

### Available documents to Club Chairpersons on the Lions YOTY Website.

#### In the password protected area:

- (Your District Coordinator will give you the password when you send in this form.)
- 1. The YOTY Guide (Youth of the Year Manual)
- 2. Student Entry Form
- 3. Winner Advisory Form
- 4. Judges' Guide and individual stationery
- Certificates
- YOTY Letterhead

#### In the public area:

You do not need a password. Just follow the link below.

- Club Registration Form
- PowerPoint Presentations
- Posters and Flyers
- Information Brochures
- Videos

Please forward this form together with the Club Entry Fee, if any, to the District Chairperson to arrive by the date they have specified.

*Click here to go to the Lions Youth of the Year web site.*

On behalf of the Board of the Lions Hearing Foundation, please find attached a copy of a presentation given by Sandra Bellekom from ESCI presented at the recent AGM, showing where ours and their money is being spent on research and how important your donations are.



Kind regards  
Margaret Amm

**In the Financial Year 2024 Lions Hearing Foundation enabled the delivery of 3 key Grant projects:**

**1. Grant Name: WA State Government 2023 Innovation Booster Grant (Award \$40k)**

**Project Title: Novel therapeutics for treatment of sensorineural Hearing Loss (SHL)**

**Investigator: Associate Professor Elaine Wong**

**LHF Contribution to Research: \$10k**

**LHF Contribution to Laboratory Equipment: \$27.7k Stereo Microscope – used for high magnification and sterility during individual cell selection protocols.**

**With this funding and equipment, Associate Professor Wong developed a laboratory proof of concept model for an inner ear organoid sensorineural hearing loss model. Specific disease models of hearing loss were established from human-derived cells in the inner ear organoid model. The new models are stable and being developed to allow to screen potential drug therapeutics to determine drug and gene therapies that could ameliorate disease progression. From this work, A/ Prof Wong has secured a pilot mentoring program with MedChem Australia. A medicinal chemist will provide expertise to A/P Wong and team to further develop inner ear therapeutic approaches for the treatment of SHL.**

**2. Grant Name: 2022 Telethon 7 Research grant (Award \$217k)**

**Project Title: Functionalised Scaffold for treatment of Chronic Suppurative Otitis Media (CSOM) in Children**

**Investigator: Dr Filippo Valente**

**LHF Contribution to Research: \$5k**

**In this preclinical project, Dr Valente and team developed an implantable scaffold-based silk fibroin for tympanic membrane repair and functionalised it with antibiotics and steroid drugs to treat CSOM.**

**3, Grant name: 2022 Telethon 7 Research Grant (\$143k)**

**Project Title: Establishing a platform for personalised drug treatment for children with Usher Syndrome**

**Investigator: Associate Professor Elaine Wong**

**LHF Contribution to Research: \$13.2k**

**This research program developed a disease modelling platform for translational research into new therapies for children with Usher Syndrome. This pre-clinical model is now being used to identify potential drug candidates for clinical progression.**



**Financial Year 2025 Budgeted Activity:**

**1. Support the salary and research costs of International Early Career Fellow**

**Total LHF contribution: \$61.5K**

Dr Christine Bacal is a chemistry researcher who joined Ear Science in 2023 with 8 years' experience working across a wide range of areas including materials engineering, surface science, biochemistry and molecular biology.

Dr Bacal is working on a development project to deliver antibiotics and other drugs via silk films for the treatment of chronic middle ear infection. A tuneable film will be designed to enable precise binding of these drugs with silk.

**2. Grant Name: WA FHRI a Scheme Equipment project (\$1m)**

**Project Title: Australasian Hearing Registry and Biobank**

**LHF Contribution: \$31.6k**

**Other contributors: WA State Government: \$500k, Ian Potter Foundation: \$150k**

This infrastructure project aims to establish a dedicated facility for genetic screening and biobanking of tissue related to genetic-associated hearing loss. Greater access to genetic samples is needed for scientists to gain better understanding of the genetic cause of hearing loss and develop treatments. Our program will build critical capacity, attracting exceptional researchers to WA to uncover genetic causes and treatments for ear and hearing disorders.

**3. Hearing Therapeutic laboratory Projects:**

**LHF Contribution: \$16.8k**



**Lions Cancer Institute (WA) Inc.**



**SCREENING ITINERARY**

***The booking page for the Screening Roster will recommence in February 2025.***

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

**SAVING *LIVES* IN YOUR COMMUNITY THROUGH *SCREENINGS* AND *RESEARCH*.**

# **The Lions Outback Vision (LOV) van**

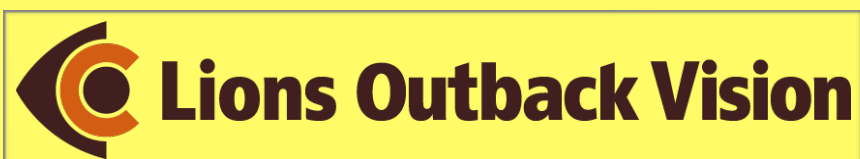
**will be travelling to destinations throughout WA during 2024. Contact Christine Stott at [christine.stott@lei.org.au](mailto:christine.stott@lei.org.au) at least 2 weeks in advance to arrange a guest speaker to visit your Club. Your Club can also arrange to visit the van and see what a remarkable project this is. Many of the eye conditions leading to blindness and vision loss are preventable or treatable. Australia has a large portion of its population residing outside major cities, with nearly 20% living in over 1500 rural and remote communities with fewer than 5000 residents.**

**Lions Outback Vision was established in 2010 with the support of the Lions Eye Institute and the University of Western Australia. We are a small but dedicated team of eye health professionals that are firmly committed to improving the eye health of rural, remote and Indigenous West Australians.**

**We believe that all Australians should be able to access comprehensive and appropriate eye health care services irrespective of where they may live. We currently provide specialist eye health care services throughout the Pilbara, Kimberley, Goldfields, Midwest and Great Southern regions of Western Australia**

## **VISION VAN**

**The Lions Outback Vision Van consists of three consulting rooms, filled with specialist equipment. The mobile eye health clinic provides comprehensive ophthalmology care for cataracts, trachoma, glaucoma, diabetic retinopathy, eye trauma and minor procedures.**





# AROUND THE CLUBS

## LIONS CLUB OF FREMANTLE



Marg Sparkman had the pleasure of presenting, on behalf of **Fremantle Lions Club**, a Tom Cameron Award to **Abernethy Owens Optometrists'** Practice Manager, Mark Smith. We appreciate all the support we receive from all branches of **Abernethy Owens Optometrists** with our Lions Spectacles Recycling Project and their dedication to preservation of Sight.

[Lions Save-Sight Foundation](#)  
[Lions Eye Institute](#)  
[Lions in WA](#)



## THE LIONS CLUB OF BALLAJURA

Once again, a great day out at this year's Gidgegannup Annual Show! We had nine Members and a visitor join us for the day, with a great result of 49 spins on our popular Prize Wheel....Thanks for the continuing support we received from the local Community - as a result we raised almost \$2300 on the day!



# THE LIONS CLUB OF BRUNSWICK JUNCTION

## OCTOBER TALES

The first Tuesday meeting for the month of October started with the Brunswick Lions playing host to the Dardanup Lions Club .

With a gathering of over 40 Lion member in total , the Brunswick Lions meeting hall was packed to the rafters . A night of good food and fellowship followed with Rob George, Brunswick Lions President , keeping the formal part of the meeting to a minimum.

Dardanup Lions club and the Brunswick Lions have a long history of enjoying each others company when ever possible .



Above: Just part of the enjoyable gathering



## Football mania .

It is a subject that brings on much discussion ,is this vandalism or is it over zealous football fans .

Each time the local football team gets to the finals poor old Daisy Cow (pictured left) gets a daubing of club colours. .

Being the property of the Brunswick Lions Club, Daisy is a prominent feature sitting in the middle of town as much a resident as anyone .

Unfortunately daubing is the only explanation for it, for as the picture shows it is no wonder the word vandalism is prominent on peoples minds . However, there is always a bright side to every story, for it doesn't take long before someone to stand up in this case Lion Member Jamie Fry and turns a wrong into a right, within a very short time Daisy (pictured right) is brought back to her former glory, standing as proud as ever.



The latest project involving the Brunswick Lions is the ongoing improvements to the towns War Memorial (pictured left).

Over a long period of time the Brunswick War Memorial has been going through a steady improved appearance to the stage it is now an area that the town deserves .



# LIONS CLUB OF BRUNSWICK JUNCTION (cont)

That's about it for this month , the Brunswick Lions will have their hands full getting ready for the coming Brunswick Show held on Saturday 26th October .

Always the high light of the Brunswick Towns Program bringing in thousands of people from all over the state .

The Brunswick Lions Animal Nursery always a popular spot on show day .

Regards Ron Arkwright  
Brunswick Lions Club .



## LIONS CLUB OF BRUNSWICK JUNCTION NOVEMBER TALES

As usual the members of the Brunswick Lions Club have been busy busy . First on the agenda was the very successful Brunswick Agricultural Show .

Absolutely amazing , thousands of people turned up on a fantastic day weather wise .

Every conceivable parking spot was taken up for the entire day and as usual the highlight of the day was the Lions Animal Nursery

. People young and old flocked into

the Animal Nursery able to touch and hold young animals they normally would not have a chance to do.

Day old chickens were high on the list of popularity every chick for sale.

By the end of the day the monies raised will allow the Brunswick Lions Club to further support the Brunswick community in so many ways.

Although the crowds grew during the day all the animals were well cared for by one or another of the Lions team available.



The beginning of this month showed the Brunswick Lions club welcoming yet another new member, Johnny Ingham .

Johnny is a local who has found the time to join up with the Brunswick Lions helping further support the local community.

This will now bring the clubs membership to 31 members , almost unheard of in such a small community

Once the formal part of the evening was over, all Lion members made Johnny feel very welcome.

## LIONS CLUB OF BRUNSWICK JUNCTION (cont)

The 11th of the 11th Remembrance Day always has had a special meaning to the town of Brunswick as in every other town and city throughout the nation .

This year was extra special as the Brunswick Lions Club played such an important part .

It was decided that the Remembrance Ceremony would be held in two parts .



The first part was dedicated to those we had recognised in the past , who had lost their lives in service to the country.

Pictured Left: This part of the ceremonies was conducted by Mrs Judy Talbot with the assistance of Mrs Merrilee Fry.

The second part of the ceremony was dedicated to the added names of those who lost their lives and have now been recognised for their service to our country .

This part of the ceremonies emcee was carried out by Brunswick Lions Club member Lion Les

Robinson(pictured right). During the morning a rose was laid at the foot of each new plaque by a member of the family if in attendance or by a Lions member should a family member not be available .

And what an extra special day it was .

Attendance much beyond that what was expected which included a representative of the Shire of Harvey , a representative from Alcoa Australia, a guard of honour from the Brunswick Fire Brigade plus the Brunswick Primary School Choir.

The morning was held in a friendly atmosphere, the sun was shining and the local ladies did themselves proud with the wonderful fare of morning tea laid on after the ceremony . Who says Brunswick Junction Community cannot raise to every task required of them .



Regards  
Ron Arkwright  
Brunswick Junction Lions Club .





Back in early August 2024, Lions Club of Falcon as well as Falcon Leo Club received an invite from City of Mandurah Community Development Officer Kelly, re a proposed project at a local shopping centre in Miami, Mandurah. Both Falcon Lions and LEO Clubs were involved from the beginning of the project. The project named 'Miami Village Heart' was bringing community groups together and addressing some traffic issues around the village. The LEOs were hands on from first, with a grant application to assist with a large mural. The LEOs spoke to youth development, as a requirement for the grant. The LEOs then created a flyer to advertise their Art Competition, which was emailed out to schools. The kid's art was then jointly judged by the Falcon LEOs and resident artist 'Silva', awarding 5 x \$100 vouchers, donated by Cobblers Tavern. The event went live on 20<sup>th</sup> October for 2 hours. A large mural was painted by 'Shakey', a well-known WA artist on the IGA wall in the Cobblers Laneway, with the support of Miami Village property owners. During the live event, the LEOs had school student winners and themselves paint 2 sides of 5 large planter boxes in front of Cobblers. The Falcon Lions. Role was to weed, re mulch and plant with natives. Donated by The Men of the Trees charity, 4 garden beds. Hard graft for a bunch of 70s plus, guys and gals. With a combined community of 10 Volunteer groups, along with local businesses, sponsors and the public, created a very successful event, which concluded with gardens replanted, pavement art, yarn bombing, planter box art and painting, new pot plants made and



Lois, our WONDERFUL new Leq



planted and the mural, all finished just as the rain came down. Now under the 'South Mandurah Collective' all volunteers look forward to the 2<sup>nd</sup> chapter of the beautify Miami Village Heart project. LEFT: - Falcon Lions get stuck into re-mulching the garden beds, all ably led and directed by President Ian Derrick



# Miami Village Heart

THIS EXCITING EVENT IS BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE SOUTH MANDURAH COLLECTIVE, WITH SUPPORT FROM THE CITY OF MANDURAH, MIAMI VILLAGE PROPERTY GROUP AND MAIN ROADS -- STREETS ALIVE.



**THANK YOU** Lions, Ernie, Lou, Gary, Richard, Lyn, Kerry, Leonie, Allan, Nigel and his wife all led admirably by President Ian. ABOVE: Jan, Louisa and John on the cake stall

**THANK YOU TO LEOS ZARHI, LOIS, HARRY, MAGGIE, LENA AND PRESIDENT EMILY**



**RIGHT: - SHAKEY'S MURAL**



# THE LIONS CLUB OF VIC PARK

We did a barbecue at Belmont Bunnings and sold tickets in a cubby house.

**Picture right**, is the lady who won it, congratulations to Diane.

Thanks to all the Lions and volunteers who helped we did really well and all the hard work was worth it. We raised a healthy sum to assist young man who has been afflicted with meningococcal infection.



At a recent visit from 2nd Vice District Governor, Roslyn Barnes.

She had some interesting information which was relayed to the members and then her visit culminated in her inducting four new members, many thanks 2nd VDG Roslyn.

Welcome to all the new members, together we can do more



# ***THE LIONS CLUB OF BALDIVIS***

## **Recently lent a hand at the House of Hope**

### **Broken Crayons Still Colour Foundation**

Today **Baldivis Lions** arrived at House Of Hope ready for another day of banter, Paint, tools and weed & feed

I made the amazing teams chicken lettuce & cucumber sandwiches, homemade pizza, and blondies for a sweat treat.

I am going to show you before and after photographs to show how far we have come.

There's not much left to do but finish painting the mud kitchen, Paint inside cubby and furnish.

Drill a little number on the letter box and erect a wind chime above .

Remove asbestos fence and paint side fence.

As a side note **Jaye Em** & I tried very hard to build the toddlers climbing frame, back to front upside down, So Simon has taken it home to undo our debacle & reassemble

Lion Simon Heales and his beautiful partner Mandy just are phenomenal and we have a very special Lions club member painting a mural for the kiddies .

To add to this already spectacular day Baldivis Lions donated \$900 their generosity , Support and Commitment to my beloved foundation is phenomenal

I feel very blessed to have these amazing kind people and their organisation support **Broken Crayons Still Colour Foundation**

*I love them so much I truly do , What a beautiful community they have created*





# LIONS CLUB OF DUNSBOROUGH

## International Peace Poster Contest 2024

For over three decades, Lions clubs around the globe have been sponsoring a very special art contest in schools and youth groups. Creating peace posters gives children everywhere the chance to express their visions of peace and inspire the world through art and creativity.

The poster theme this year was "Peace Without Limits", our Lion Kaye McCormick went to Our Lady of the Cape last Friday to present prizes for the Peace Poster. This year they had 2 finalists they could not separate.

The two winners are pictured below with Kaye, Emme Gleeson (left) and Manoa Coltrinari (right).

Next steps, judging continues and the section winners are submitted to International Headquarters for final judging and announcements early in the New Year.

Big congratulations to our winners!



# LIONS CLUB OF MANDURAH INC

## DISTRICT GOVERNOR MARY-ANNE WOLF'S CLUB VISIT



At our Dinner Meeting, held on the 12th November 2024 we had the pleasure of having a visit from DG Mary-Anne Wolf and PDG Michael Wolf.

After her informative talk, DG Mary-Anne took the opportunity too present Chevrons and Service tabs to eligible Lions (pictured below). DG Mary-Anne also presented New Sponsor pins to PCC Ian Kelly OAM, PDG Peter Lamb.

She, then thanked the club for our hospitality and presented Club Excellence patches and her personal pin to President Rob who then thanked DG Mary-Anne on behalf of the club.



Above DG Mary-Anne Wolf and President Rob Garratt



Above L to R: DG Mary-Anne presented 10 year Milestone Chevrons to Lions Ruth Norwell and Joyce Covell. Terina Tinson (9years Service tab), a 20 year Milestone Chevron to Lion Denice Knight, DG Mary-Anne, Lion Paul Carrotts 45 year Chevron , Lion Helen Lamb (28years Service tab) and 10 year Chevron for Lion Barry Mitting



Above:DG Mary-Anne presented New Sponsor Pins to PCC Ian Kelly OAM and PDG Peter Lamb

