

Lion Bill Weir – A Legacy of Leadership, Service, and Community Impact

Nominated by the Lions Club of Collie

For 35 years, **Lion Bill Weir** was a dedicated and influential member of the Lions Club of Collie, remembered for his unwavering commitment to service and his deep passion for the Collie community. His leadership, initiative, and integrity made him one of the club's most respected and dearly valued members.

Club Leadership

Throughout his long and active membership, Bill contributed to the strength and success of the club through numerous leadership roles, including:

- **President**
- **Secretary**
- **Treasurer**
- **Vice President**
- **Convention Chairman**
- **Lion Tamer**
- **Director**
- **Guiding Lion – Lions Club of Collie-Wellington (1992)**

Bill also chaired many Collie Lions Club projects, providing guidance, motivation, and steadfast support to his fellow Lions.

A Visionary for the Collie Lions Clubhouse

One of Bill's most enduring achievements was his pivotal role in securing a permanent home for the Lions Club of Collie. He was the driving force behind forming a committee to negotiate with the **WA Education Department** regarding the use of the **Old Ewington School** premises—then in significant disrepair.

Through Bill's leadership and determination, the club obtained the site, allowing members to restore the building and turn it into the much-loved Lions clubhouse the community benefits from today.

His vision has left a lasting legacy for all Collie Lions who follow.

Honours and Recognition

Lion Bill's contributions were widely recognised, both within the club and across the Collie community. His honours include:

- **Melvin Jones Fellowship**
- **Collie Lions Club Lion of the Year – twice**

These awards reflect his exceptional dedication, reliability, and service.

Beyond Lions

Bill's commitment to community service extended well beyond his Lions activities. He served Collie in many civic and community roles, including:

- **Collie Shire Councillor – 7 years**
- **Secretary/Treasurer – Collie Basketball Association**
- **Chairman – Old Railway Goods Shed Restoration Committee**

His leadership and service were deeply valued, and his contributions played a major role in preserving important local facilities and supporting community organisations.

Bill's impact was formally acknowledged when he was awarded:

- **Collie Citizen of the Year**
For his outstanding voluntary service and dedication to improving life for the people of Collie.

Lion Bill Weir is remembered as a devoted Lion, a respected community leader, and a man whose kindness and service touched many lives. His legacy continues to inspire the Lions Club of Collie and the entire Collie community.

