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FROM
THE
DG'S
DESK

Greetings Fellow Lions!

It has been great to see our clubs getting back out there and continuing on! I have been able to do official visits to *Riverside and Kings Meadows* clubs so far with many more to come in the coming months.

On the night of Monday 20th July, Linda and I attended Riverside Club officer installation Dinner, where *Tony Roney* conducted the ceremony. I was asked to speak about our Districts plans and how the District structure exists solely to serve all the Clubs in the District. Riverside club presented three new members with their Dinner Badges and also had one prospective member attend their dinner which was also a partners' night.

Then next night Linda and I attended *Kings Meadows* Lions Club, and after a wonderful (and filling) home cooked dinner, conducted their Club Officer's installation Dinner.

They recognised the need to get out into their community and promote Lions and conduct promotional and recruitment events.

My own club of *Launceston-Windmill Hill* has had several meetings now and it is great to see the fellowship and friendship between members re-emerge and grow. Most pleasing of all was the attendance by a prospective member

and the way she was made to feel welcome into the club environment.

THE CLUB WAS FEATURED IN THE LOCAL NEWSPAPER "THE EXAMINER" WITH AN ARTICLE AND A PHOTOGRAPH OF THE CLUB PRESIDENT AND IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT FOLLOWING A PRESENTATION OF A CHEQUE TO THE EXAMINER'S WINTER RELIEF APPEAL.

On Saturday 25th July I attended the Northern Club Training Day organized by your IVDG *Robert Mantach*. This was held at the



Kings Meadows Clubrooms and was attended by lions of varying ages and experience.

The day went well and those who attended benefitted from the sessions offered in Leadership, membership and Service as well as Club level training in the roles of the Club President, Secretary and Treasurer.

I thank those who travelled up from Hobart to present some of the sessions.

On Sunday 26th July we held the North West Club training day, this time organized by ZC / PDG *Vere Cooper*. This session

followed a similar format to that held the previous day.

All who attended gained a lot from the Day. Multi District Youth Chair *PDG Toby Crawford* made time available to bring us all up to speed with National Youth events.

It was very pleasing to see that two members of the *Rosebery* Lions Club travelled up the previous day so they could attend the whole day.

On Saturday 1st August I attended the a Garage Sale held by *Kings Meadows* Lions Club. This was their first Garage Sale since the COVID restrictions - it is great to see projects restart and not only generate income for the club but provides great fellowship and camaraderie between members as well as valuable community exposure.

During the *Kings Meadows* garage Sale project I had, with support of KM Club President, *Dennis Mann*, arranged for a reporter and photographer from the Examiner

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newspaper to attend and do a story about how Lions Clubs in Tasmania were resuming their community projects.

The result was an article appearing the following day's Sunday Examiner, which read all across the North of the State.

I recent weeks I have had several online "Zoom" sessions with my fellow District Governors in Australia and it reminded me of the current COVID restrictions that still exist in other districts, especially those in Victoria and Southern NSW.

Here in our District (T1), we are so fortunate that we can have virtually unrestricted meetings and events, so please stay safe and continue to maintain social distancing.

DG Byron Dilworth

**N.B. THE EXAMINER
NEWSPAPER ARTICLE
REFERRED TO IN THE
ABOVE REPORT IS
FEATURED ON THE
NEXT PAGE**



LEO NUMBERS

Distribution by State:

C (2 districts): 8 clubs

N (5 districts): 25 clubs

Q (4 districts): 45 clubs

T (1 district): 4 clubs

V (5 districts): 26 clubs

W (2 districts): 7 clubs

There are currently 120 Leo clubs in Australia with approx. 1600 members!



LEHP-Australia
Lions Eye Health Program



At the recent District Cabinet Meeting, the cabinet approved a strategic plan for the rollout of Children's Vision Screening across T1.

In a nutshell the plan is to:

- Encourage Club's to adopt the Vision Screening Program as a club project;
- Encourage the Education Department and other parties involved with children's eye health needs to endorse the Children's Vision Screening Program;
- Train Vision Screening operators across the State;
- Conduct Vision Screening sessions in schools and child care centres across the State;
- If needed, to actively seek funding to purchase a second Vision Screening Kit. Need approximately, \$10,000.

At the moment, conducting Vision Screening in schools is not an option.

Vision Screening at both Wynyard and Smithton was to due to happen just as COVID-19 shut down schools. **That screening will now take place in March 2021.**

Whilst we have one team on the North West Coast and one team in the South, we need more Lions trained and ready to fill in the gaps with existing operators not yet fully trained.

We can do this now!

What if you lost your sight...then found out it was preventable? Regular eye examinations can save sight! 75% of vision loss is avoidable if the condition is detected early.

If you have done the online training and not the hands on, or vice versa, you can fix that now.

I would like to get a team of operators trained up in the North/Launceston.

So, if you and your club would like to get involved, please contact me and I will visit your club and tell you how it all works.

Stephen Smith

District Chairman

0402 483 355



Our District Count

31 July 2020

Clubs: 48

Membership: 1060

Membership 31 July 2019 1130

YTD ADD 7

YTD DROP 13

YTD NET GROWTH -6

YTD NET GROWTH % -0.56%

DISTRICT APPRECIATION AND CHANGEOVER DINNER

The District Appreciation and Changeover Dinner was held on the night of 18th July at the Penny Royal Powder Mill. The evening was attended by 65 Lions who enjoyed a platter selection meal in pleasant surroundings. *The evening was kept running smoothly by our new MC/SAA Mr Wynn Hansson who kept us on our toes.*

The sterling effort of the Immediate Past District Governor (and now Council Chair), David Triffett was recognised to the thanks of many.

David presented a summary of his year as your DG and those who had served on Cabinet were also thanked.

Prior to the induction of the new Cabinet by PDG Dale (Toby) Crawford, your incoming District Governor was sworn into office by PCC Tony Roney (*see picture below*). Although Byron had been sworn in (Via "Zoom") by PIP Barry Palmer (as Singapore Convention was cancelled due to COVID-19) and then again (via ZOOM) by returning IP, Dr Choi, it was great to finally have a live audience (Thank you Tony).

Your new Cabinet was then sworn in by Toby and DG Byron presented his goals, theme and ambitions for the year. The main goal being to assist our District's clubs re-emerge into their communities following the recent assembly and service restrictions. Byron's theme for the year 2020-2021 is "Here to Serve" the reason that we all are here as Lions! **He also outlined that "To be Here to Serve, we must also Hear to Serve" – we must listen to the concerns of our clubs and their members.**



DG Byron sworn in – for a third time!
From the left, Tony Roney (officiating), DG Byron Dilworth and partner Linda who is holding the tag symbolically removed from Byron's badge of office.



Roaring back: Lions Club of Kings Meadows president Dennis Mann and Lions District Governor Byron Dilworth at the Kings Meadows club rooms garage sale. Picture: Paul Scambler.

Lions pride returns with a roar

LIONS clubs have returned to their local communities across Northern Tasmania in force, hoping to re-establish their numerous endeavours with coronavirus restrictions easing.

Lions district governor Bryon Dilworth said it was great for clubs to be back out and hosting regular events including Kings Meadows Lions garage sales.

"That's what we're about, we're a community organisation," he said.

"We're out here serving, raising funds with the Kings Meadows Lions Club project for community activities."

TALK ABOUT FUNDRAISING - I LIKE TO DROP THE 'D' AND CALL IT 'FUN-RAISING'; YOU ENJOY WHAT YOU DO WHICH IS CERTAINLY WHAT EVERYONE'S DONE AT THE GARAGE SALE.

BYRON DILWORTH

Kings Meadows Lions Club president Dennis Mann, said the garage sale would be raising money for local charities.

"We've just come back from this emergency (COVID-19)... We're very aware that other organizations are doing it tough," he said.

"The money raised today plus some savings will be distributed to a number of small charities in the next month.

"We'll raise quite a large amount of money which will go straight back into the local community."

There are about 18 Lions clubs in Northern Tasmania, with about 48 clubs across Tasmania.

Mr Dilworth said it was not only the clubs' philanthropic pursuits that were missed, but also the socialising platform the clubs provide to members.

"What I've noticed... it's not just doing the project, it's the camaraderie... that comradeship that works," he said.

"Talk about fundraising –I like to drop the 'd' and call it 'fun-raising': you enjoy what you do. which is certainly what everyone's done at the garage sale.

Yes, Lions raises some money, but they're seen in their community and that's what we're about.

We've had some members who come for the fellowship and in the end they enjoy the projects and start enjoying themselves which is certainly what we aim for."

This was certainly on display at the garage sale at Kings Meadows, with Lions members smiling and chatting away with patrons and fellow members while adhering to COVID-19 safety precautions.

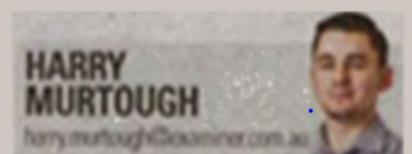
"I think we all tend to forget the social aspects ... when we're stuck in our own homes and talking on Zoom," Mr Mann said.

"We're all very happy to be back, it would be nice to be doing all the other things we want to do for other organizations."

Mr Dilworth said he hoped to see more Lions clubs at various upcoming Community events, provided there wasn't a second wave of coronavirus in the state.

"From barbecue, garage sales and manning football gates... to be able to get back to events like that would be great," Mr Dilworth said.

Those who interested in becoming member Lions are encouraged to call 0419 764 636.





**SERVING SAFELY
TOGETHER**
A MESSAGE TO ALL LIONS
FROM INTERNATIONAL
PRESIDENT,
DR. JUNG-YUL CHOI



INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT CHOI UNITES LIONS IN HISTORIC EXTENDED TERM...

This year has truly been unlike any other in our history.

Your incredible innovation and commitment to serving safely in our world's greatest time of need has helped your community to stay strong. We have faced great challenges, but we have also achieved great things together.

Serving as your International President for the past year has been an honour of a lifetime. Never have I been more humbled and more moved than by the compassion and hard work I saw from Lions every day.

Now, in the face of the unique challenges the world is facing, I HAVE BEEN ASKED TO SERVE ANOTHER TERM AS YOUR INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT. I accept this honour and responsibility with the same enthusiasm and commitment as for my first year.

*This year I will expand on the official theme - **WE SERVE** - with an additional focus on staying **UNITED IN KINDNESS AND DIVERSITY**. I also want to acknowledge that the world has greatly changed in the past six months. Nearly every aspect of our daily lives, including how we serve, has been altered. Yet Lions have responded with the urgency and care I would expect, developing innovative ways to help their communities. I ask that even as we see signs of hope in the fight against the pandemic, that we continue to serve safely by practicing social distancing and following the health and safety guidelines where we live.*

I want to remind you that while we are in these unprecedented times, Lions have a rich history of serving through all kinds of difficult moments. We know how to focus on what matters - **KINDNESS**. And we know how to unite our diverse strengths so that the world can feel the compassion and support of Lions.

I'm so proud to announce that this year we've accomplished our LCI Forward goal of serving more than **200 million people** per year around the world. **From preventing diabetes to preserving sight, each person we served is a life we've changed.** So let us celebrate this very special moment.

And let us remember that the world needs Lions now more than ever. **Your community needs you more than ever.** I am so proud of you, and what we've achieved this year.

I look forward to the incredible things we will accomplish together as Lions in the years to come - so, **let's stand together and let's begin another great year of service!**

Regards

Dr. Jung-Yul Choi
International President



CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS ORDER EARLY...

The Rocky Cape Lions She Shed (see report on page 5) are now taking orders for these cute Christmas Decorations.



**Sea Urchin snowmen or Santas,
\$10 each; sea shells, \$3 ea.**

Contact Secretary
Victoria Cochrane
at rockycapelions@gmail.com

IT'S HOW YOU SEE IT!

A software manager, a hardware manager, and a marketing manager are driving to a meeting when a tyre blows. They get out of the car and look at the problem.

The software manager says, "I can't do anything about this - it's a hardware problem."

The hardware manager says, "Maybe if we turned the car off and on again, it would fix itself."

The marketing manager says, "Hey, 75% of it is working - let's ship it!"

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY...

I hate it when people act all intellectual and talk about Mozart when they haven't even seen one of his paintings.

LION JACK ALLEN'S 50TH LIONS YEAR PRESENTATION

The past Lions year July 2019 thru to June 2020 there were very special milestone Chevron Awards recognised by Lions Clubs International and International President Dr Yung Yul Choi. During the month of April our dear friend and Lion colleague, Lion Jack Allen celebrated *FIFTY YEARS* of devoted and continued dedication and commitment to our Communities and to the Lions of Tasmania.

Jack started his adventure in the Lions family back in 1970, when he was invited to attend the Lions Club of Moonah. From his joining of Lions, Jack and Lions Lady Joan were very instrumental in taking a challenging role to Club life and their community upon joining. In 1990 both the Moonah and Glenorchy Lions Clubs merged due to decline in membership where this saw Lion Jack continuing to serve his Lions Club, Community and continuing to be involved with District affairs.

Lion Jack Allen was elected as Lions District Governor of Tasmania from July 1991 thru to June 1992. Along with PDG Jacks commitments to his Club and this District he attended many meetings and projects over those past 12 months.

In 1989 the Tasmanian Lions Foundation were donated a bus in which was of no further use by the Hydro Electric Commission. This bus was fitted out as mobile eye examination vehicle in which the Glenorchy Lions Club was given the opportunity by the Tasmanian Lions Foundation to maintain and fit up this vehicle with specialized equipment.

During the year 1990 this same bus was fitted out for diabetes education and testing unit, along with organ donation information as these medical conditions were found to be on the increase throughout Tasmania. Again, along with the mobile eye examination project, this was promoted throughout Tasmania by the Lions Club of Glenorchy City under the careful and watch full eye of Lion PDG Jack Allen who continued this until the World Health Organization ruled that the mobile test unit was no longer to be used in this arrangement. In the following years from 2002 again the Lion's bus was put into a mobile display unit with the new Multiple District project of the Lions Eye Health Project (LEHP) again Lion Jack continued to lead the way with promoting this Lions awareness package thru out Tasmania.

Lion Jack subsequently transferred to the Hobart Town club where he still "serves" as a member and on the board.

Jack is an inspiration and mentor to many fellow Lions thru out Tasmania, he has many Fellowships and Awards to show for it, among them a Progressive Melvin Jones, Tasmanian Lions Foundation Fellowship and a James D. Richardson Humanitarian Award. In January 2000 Lion Jack was presented with the Australia Day Citizen of Glenorchy which he holds very close to his Community and Lions involvement. Lion Jack has completed 3 terms as a Director/Trustee to the Tasmanian Lions Foundation and represented the foundation with the Sunshine Home Association over these many years. **Lion Jack was also made a Life Member to Lions Clubs International for his continued and valued journey of service to Lions.** Among Lion Jacks other involvements are the Glenorchy Community Fund, Queens Baton Relay leading up to the Commonwealth Games and a proud member the Glenorchy RSL Bocci Club.

The first opportunity to acknowledge Jacks achievements was taken at the recent Glenorchy Club's social night on the 22nd July when PDG David Triffett presented Jack with a 50 Year Milestone Chevron and a 50 Year Australian Lions Foundation Ltd. Medallion to commemorate 50 Years of service to Lions.



We all wish Lion Jack Allen a hearty congratulations and best wishes on such a magnificent milestone and look forward to sharing many more occasions.

Lions Club of Glenorchy City



GETTING 'CRAFTY' FOR ALCCRF!

PDG Hester Niewkerk reports, "our local shopping complex - **Channel Shopping Centre** - has again offered to support the Lions Club of Kingborough in fund-raising for **ALCCRF**.

One of the Centre's retailers - **Kaisercraft**, came onboard and donated three hundred (300) craft packs that 'netted' the Club \$388.00.

Together with running a small raffle over the 3 days, sales raised \$456.10, giving us a very healthy result of \$844.10..."

The Centre Management then very generously donated a further \$1000.00 towards ALCCRF.

"This is a strong beginning for 2020-2021", says PDG Hester.



The recent stall at the Channel Shopping Centre in Kingston raising funds for the Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation. Lion Erik Madsen (r) is seen keeping things in order and running smoothly

She went to say also, "we have had a number of offers by shoppers to help out at the Christmas stall... more hands make light work of course, and there is always a chance that these helpers will become new Lions members!"

How's that?

An office manager had many patients call the pathology clinic to discuss their medical bills.

One irate woman demanded that he describe every laboratory test on her statement.

Reluctantly, he complied. Starting with the first test on her bill, he read, "No. 1, urinalysis."

She interrupted him at once. "Excuse me, I'm a what?"

"THE SHE SHED"

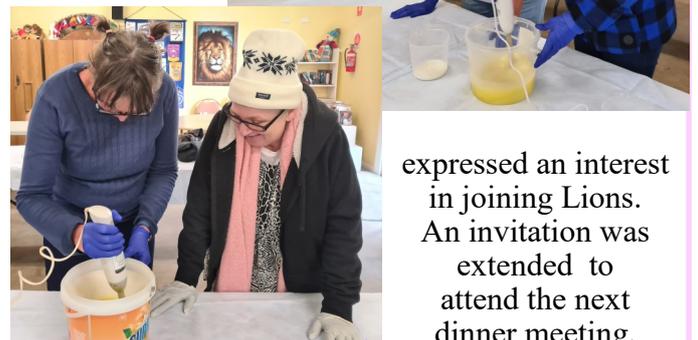
The She Shed is an initiative of the **Rocky Cape Lions Club**.

Interested female members have been meeting once a fortnight (pre and post lockdown) **to create goods for sale or to raffle, as well as to raise funds and provide a social outlet.**



On Saturday July 11th we held our first workshop which was open to the public. **About seven (7) interested people came to learn how to make natural soaps from Lion and 2nd VP Judy Synnott.**

Several women were interested in attending future meetings and at least one person



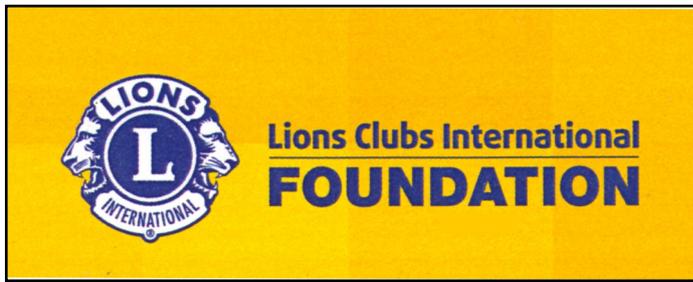
expressed an interest in joining Lions. An invitation was extended to attend the next dinner meeting.

The She Shed members are planning to hold a market in December to sell items created throughout the year.

Funds will be donated to a cause that benefits women.

Victoria Cochrane
Secretary Rocky Cape Lions
Zone 2 Chair





To keep up to date with LCIF activities visit the Australian website for LCIF -

LCIF.ORG.AU

Access is through the Australian Lions website under Foundations. The site will not only provide regular up-dates on LCIF activity in Australia, but will also be the portal for individual Lions to make personal donations to LCIF through the *Lions Australia Fund for LCIF* where tax deductibility is available.

Currently only debit card donations can be processed. All other personal donations either in the name of the donor or in the name of the donor's Club are to be processed in the usual manner to LCIF, by the Cabinet Treasurer.

Coming soon will be donation envelopes for the regular [say monthly] collection of member's loose change to be forwarded by Club Treasurers, to the Cabinet Treasurer.

Lions Clubs International FOUNDATION

Turn your loose change into a real change

Each week drop a few gold coins into this envelope. Take the envelope to your Club Treasurer every month, who can bank it for LCIF.

If you want to give your time to Lions, as well as your loose change, visit your local club here: www.lionsclubs.org.au/join-lions/

Supply of envelopes to Clubs will be made as soon as practicable.

Lions Clubs International FOUNDATION

Your donations come back to your community through grants such as:

- National Bushfire Relief (\$500,000+)
- Garvan Institute Funding (\$3,000,000+)
- Cyclone Yasi Relief (\$100,000+)

You can begin the process of applying for a grant by emailing LCIF at lcif@lionsclubs.org

To make a tax deductible donation online visit: www.lcif.org.au/donate

John Gillham, PDG
District LCIF Coordinator

WELCOME TO THE LIONS FAMILY...

IN JULY 2020

PERTH

RHONDA KELLY
Sponsor: CAROL JONES

PORT SORELL

DWAYNE BUCKINGHAM
Sponsor: RICHARD BEVERIDGE

ROSEBERY

GAIL GITTOS
Sponsor: RUTH MAWER

ST HELEN'S

AMAYA ROBERTSON
Sponsor: JENNIFER CECIL

EVAN B ROBERTSON
Sponsor: JENNIFER CECIL

WESTBURY

CHRIS RICHARDSON



A police officer came to my house and asked where I was between 3 and 4. He seemed very irritated when I answered "kindergarten..."



Fellow Lions and Humanitarians,

On Tuesday, August 4, a massive explosion rocked the city of Beirut, Lebanon. More than 300,000 Lebanese have been displaced from their homes, thousands

injured, and over 200 confirmed dead, and many more missing.

When a humanitarian crisis of this magnitude strikes, we, as Lions, are ready to help.

Right beside us is Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), our global foundation.

LCIF is currently partnering with Lions in Lebanon to provide US\$10,000 in immediate relief to children, families, and communities suddenly struggling with everyday needs...struggling to remain safe.

Your generous donation to LCIF's disaster relief fund will help deliver further funds to Lebanese families.

Thank you for your kindness and for working together with LCIF to rebuild lives.

In friendship,

Gudrun Yngvadottir
LCIF Chairperson



LIONS TASMANIA



**Australian Lions
Hearing Dogs.**



**PAWS FOR A
PURPOSE...**

**FEATURED IN OUR
2021 CALENDAR
ARE OUR VERY OWN
"CALENDAR GIRL'S"
(AND BOY'S!)**

**In 2019, we trained and
delivered 23 dogs.**

Our aim for 2020 was to deliver 27, but we've increased that total now - to 30 by Christmas. For quite a number of years now it has been common practice to have a Calendar printed featuring 12 of the dogs from the previous twelve months.

We endeavour to have an attractive photogenic Dog Calendar that portrays a good selection of our dogs in photographs that appeal to everyone. All our dogs are worthy of starring in the Calendar, so I'm sure you understand our difficulty selecting 12 photos when they're all in one class or another of intelligent, cutest, adorable dogs.

Our Australian Lions Hearing Dogs Calendar is always released at the Multiple District Convention in May, and so it was to be again, this year. In readiness for the Convention we took delivery of a large consignment of printed Calendars well ahead of Convention, and then the unthinkable happened. May **2020 MD Convention** due be held in Adelaide was cancelled.

Where does that leave us?

With a lot of boxes of Calendars that have been paid for and a store-room and

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THE GREAT RIVERSIDE PIN JACKET MYSTERY

During my Visit to the Riverside Lions Club as District Governor, I was asked by some Riverside Club if I could identify the pictured pin jacket, as some members knew that I was a pin collector.



The lightweight yellow jacket was handed on to a Riverside Lions Club member who brought it to the meeting in hope of finding the owner. There was no owner's name or club identifier on the jacket. There are indications of the possible removal of a large iron on patch on the back. The jacket size is 2 XL. No-one in Riverside remembers ever using such a jacket nor were any ever used by the club.

Apart from the Lions sewn on badge, there are two other cloth badges that show the owner was a "Past President" and had attended the International Convention in Hong Kong in 1992. Other pins re-enforce this attendance as they received pins from other international attendees. There is only one T1 District pin from 1992 and several MD201 pins from 1983 to 1992, indicating that the owner's collecting activity may have peaked in 1992 with the Hong Kong Convention.



The rear of the jacket has a few more pins including two MD201 Convention pins from 1988 and 1994 and the official International Convention pin from Minneapolis in 1993.

However, there is one Non-Lion pin – a Polish "Solidarnosc" (Solidarity) pin. This pin symbolizes the Polish workers' struggle against communism in the early 1980's led by Lech Walensa at the Lenin shipyard at Gdansk – which started the collapse of communism in Central and Eastern Europe. Maybe the owner was of Polish heritage or met a Pole at an international event?

If you recognize this 25 year old pin jacket, Please contact the Lions Club of Riverside or myself!

Submitted by DG Byron Dilworth

ALPTC
AUSTRALIAN LIONS PIN TRADERS CLUB

**IMPORTANT
INFORMATION!!**



**The TASMANIAN LIONS
FOUNDATION Incorporated.**

Address all correspondence to:
The Secretary
Tasmanian Lions Foundation
9 Queens Parade
KINGSTON, Tas 7050

May 2020

To - The Lions Club President

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS FOR THE TASMANIAN LIONS FOUNDATION INC

The Tasmanian Lions Foundation was set-up in the late 1970's as a result of the Hobart fires, where Tasmanian Lions wanted to help, but didn't have the necessary finances. It was from this scenario, that Clubs (and the newly formed District) banded together to donate to a disaster relief fund. To ensure continued funding, Tasmanian Lions Fellowships were able to be purchased (\$500) to ensure the fund continued to increase to a level where it could be of substantial assistance should it be needed.

The Foundation members are the District Governor or his nominee and the First Vice District Governor together with elected members, made up of 3 Lions from each area (62, 63 and 64 Area Codes), with each member serving for a 3-year term. One Lion from each of these areas is up for election each year, and to nominate, Lions must be in good standing of any Tasmanian Lions Club (within that area), and only one Director from each Club is allowed.

The current TLF members are:-

District Governor – David Triffett		
1st Vice District Governor – Byron Dilworth		
62 Area	63 Area	64 Area
Sue Johns (Jack Allen)	Mervyn Chilcott	John Medwin
Paul Cairnduff	Geoff Trippree	Stuart Ritchie
Peter Goldstone-James	Phil. Robinson	Phillip Viney

The election process is about to commence (in line with the District Rules), such that the 3 members (shaded) are due to retire (but are eligible to re-nominate). **This note is to formally advise you that nominations are being sought to fill these positions.**

In compliance with the Rules of the Tasmanian Lions Foundation Inc., "... **nominations shall be made in writing by a Tasmanian Lions Club in good standing in the Area concerned and shall be delivered to the Cabinet Secretary at least sixty (60) days prior to the date fixed for the opening of the District Convention together with the written consent of the member nominated**".

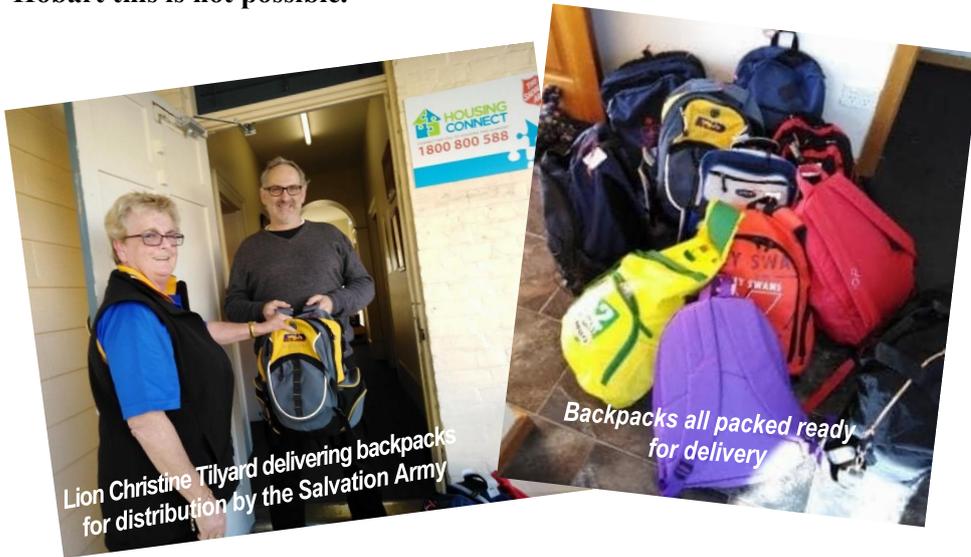
While there are other clauses concerning the election process, **the most important issue is that nominations should be made by the Club in compliance with the above.** If you have a member in your Club that is interested in nominating, please follow the above procedure **NOW**.

Paul Cairnduff
Secretary - Tasmanian Lions Foundation



CLARENCE LIONS CLUB: HELPING THE HOMELESS

Winter in Tasmania can be difficult with overnight temperatures going down to as low as zero degrees Celsius, and while we may put another log on the fire or turn up the heat pump, if you are one of the many homeless in Hobart this is not possible.



Recognizing this, **Christine Tilyard** started a project a few months ago to put together items for the homeless after a conversation with the Salvation Army, who said that there was a desperate need for items of clothing to keep recipient/s warm while the op shops were closed.

Based on these recommendations, Christine gathered donations of wanted items such as toiletries, socks, jocks/knickers, beanies, scarves and gloves from Club members in addition to purchasing goods to fill the backpacks from financial donations made by Club members.

The items were put Christine delivered packed with items for Salvation Army for May 2020.



Scarves knitted up for the homeless

Not stopping there, up with another lot of filled with appropriate women in Hobart. Club members who beanies and scarves to

into backpacks and the first backpacks homeless men to the distribution back in

Christine followed this backpacks this time items for the homeless Many thanks to all the diligently knitted add to the backpacks.

Winter is not over yet and the Club intends to continue collating items and delivering more backpacks in coming weeks.

CLARENCE LIONS CLUB: BOAT TRAILER FOR THE DERWENT SEA SCOUTS

The Club completed a project in late June 2020 which involved assisting the 1st Derwent Sea Scouts with the purchase of a purpose-built trailer for their recently refurbished sailing craft.

Their previous trailer was well beyond its use by date and the Club assisted by contributing \$1,700 with the same amount contributed by the Tasmanian Lions Foundation (TLF).

According to their website, 1st Derwent Sea Scouts is the premiere Scout Group in Tasmania, offering exciting Scouting programs for boys and girls aged 5 (and in Prep) - 18 years old.



The photos were taken when the plaque was handed over by then **President Peter Goldstone-James** and **Lion David McDavitt**.



The purpose-built boat trailer



L-R Lion David McDavitt and Derwent Sea Scout officials Geoff Green, Graeme Nichols and Klaus Felsche.

and below

The plaque on the trailer drawbar



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SORELL LIONS CLUB: CHANGEOVER LUNCHEON

Saturday 8th August 2020 saw fifty (50) Lions from five (5) Southern clubs and Leos gather for the Lions Club of Sorell's Changeover Luncheon, held at the Midway Point Tavern. It was especially pleasing to welcome the Hobart Town Leos.

To be able to meet in this way with not only our own club members but other Lions was fantastic to say the least, after months of lock downs, home isolation and the myriad of Zoom meetings!

Installation of new the 20-21 Board by PDG Ken Gatehouse as this years' President Mike Banks watches on



Left: Congratulations to our two newest Melvin Jones Fellows L:Lion Mike Flanagan and R: President Mike Banks. Two well respected Lions and very well deserved recognition



The enthusiastic 'Pride of Lions' enjoying the food, fun and fellowship together, over the luncheon.

We were very privileged to have IPDG/CC David Triffett and 2VDG/TLF Secretary Paul Cairnduff with us for our celebrations.

Lion David presented the two (2) MJF's and Lion Paul a TLF Fellowship to Lion George Donnelly (pictured left).

John Salmon, Secretary, LC of Sorell



OVERSEAS NEWS: SOUTH AFRICA

NO MORE NAKED BABIES

When the members of the Lions Club of Tokai, in Cape Town, South Africa, learned that new mothers in poor areas were often discharged from the hospital with their newborns wrapped in just a paper towel, they knew they had to act.

Ten years ago they launched the "Naked Baby Project," which provides baby packs filled with clothes, toys, diapers, and other essentials so that moms can focus on bonding with their new baby.

Before quarantine restrictions went into effect, they held regular baby pack events where they invited those who donated funds or items to help pack up the bags. During the last event,

held in February 2020, they made a record 409 baby packs, ready to be distributed to needy mothers at local hospitals.



Items packed to be delivered to a newborn in need

The club has been savvy

with social media, and the project has garnered quite an international following. "Suitcases of clothes pour in from overseas supporters including from Germany, the United States, the United Kingdom, and Norway," says Tokai Lion Jules Flanagan. Each pack is valued at R500 (US\$30), and each year they distribute approximately 400 packs for a total of about R200,000 (US\$11,765) in goods donated per year. Many local supporters knit blankets, booties, beanies, and toys for the project, and they've also involved their local senior home. Tokai Lions provide knitting wool for them, and those who can knit make baby items to contribute to the project.

During the COVID-19 lockdown, Tokai Lions created a knitting drive. They asked anyone who was interested to knit squares that would be eventually stitched together into baby blankets. News of the drive spread over social media and the response was overwhelming. "Men and women, not only around Cape Town, but all over South Africa, are busy knitting squares for us," says Flanagan. "It's really kept people positive and productive while in lockdown," she says.

*From 'The Lion' Magazine July 20

DISTRICT NEWSLETTER 2011

Copy for the newsletter is required on or before the tenth (10th) of the month of publication.

It is preferred that articles be typed and then submitted for publication by e-mail.
Please forward (where possible) photos and newspaper cuttings with your article.

Scanned images should be of high quality (300dpi).

Deadline for next issue is: SEPTEMBER 10th

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CEO's office that is rather cramped for space at the moment!!

Consequently with the unusual circumstances we all find ourselves in now - District Conventions cancelled, District Chairs. unable to attend Club's etc. (other than via Zoom Meetings) and also unable to have Display stands in shopping centres etc. due to Health and Safety issues.

The usual places they would sell Calendars are not currently available.

Please, we need your Help!

We are in a totally unexpected situation, that we need to ask the Lions Clubs of Australia to help us sell these Calendars by Christmas, and that doesn't give us very much time.

Just an idea - they make useful Christmas gifts and Dog Lovers love them.

If your Club could sell 5, it would be good, 10 would be great, more than 10 - fantastic.

All money raised is used in the training and care of the Hearing Dogs.

THE CALENDARS SELL FOR \$10-00 EACH

Please place orders with our Office Manager:

Belinda Henschke

Email: belinda@lionshearingdogs.com.au

Phone: (08) 8388 7836

Many thanks for your consideration...

**Board of Directors,
CEO and Staff**

**Australian Lions
Hearing Dogs.**



ODE TO COVID-19...

Aaaah... Covid-19, you little minx,
Came in 2020 with all of your tricks.
Who knew what great plans would have to be dumped,
When you played your hand and we were truly trumped.

It was a duel to the death, all thrust and parry,
We were told to hasten and never to tarry.
Wash your hands, and use elbows for sneezes,
And don't go out if you've got the wheezes.

We followed orders and did as we were told,
Found out toilet paper was more precious than gold.
We got through phase one, with good fortune our way.
Though many didn't make it, sad to say.

So now you're in remission, we can make a move,
Rejoin the community, hit our groove.
So Covid please, keep your lid on tight,
We've almost recovered from the last big fright.

But you little bugger, what's this we read,
You're not done yet, you'll not concede.
You've lifted the lid, the genie's out,
Back to lockdown the premiers shout.

But a word to you, we've got your measure,
You're not going to spoil all of our pleasure.
We'll be super vigilant, almost on a high,
As we show you the gate and say bye bye.

We're Lions and we have a job to do,
So with one eye on them and one definitely on you.
Our toe's in the water, we're sneaking back in,
So just leave us alone and go for a spin.

We don't care where, that's true as can be,
Outer space would be a start, between you and me.
You've created havoc, made your point,
So please, bugger off, get out of the joint.

[From the creative juices of Lion Lea from Mudgee] **From N2 District Newsletter**

The Final Word...

"I told my suitcases that there will be no holiday this year. Now I'm dealing with emotional baggage."