

Sunnybank Lions Club

would like to introduce



Lion Elizabeth (Libby)
Whitestyles

As candidate for

**2nd Vice District
Governor
2026 – 2027**

District 201Q1

The Sunnybank Lions Club is honored to introduce Lion Elizabeth (Libby) Whitestyles as our candidate for the position of 2nd Vice District Governor for District 201Q1 for the 2026–2027 term. Since joining our club Libby has been a devoted and energetic member. Throughout her tenure, she has taken part in a wide range of projects and initiatives, consistently showing strong commitment to service and leadership. Currently serving her third term as President, Libby continues to display remarkable dedication and capability within the Lions organisation.

The following provides further insight into her background and achievements.

Personal Background and Early Life

Libby, the second daughter of Bill and Hope Whitestyles, grew up in Chinchilla where her parents were active in education and community service. Her father, a primary school teacher and volunteer leader, while her mother ran a Dancing School and participated in various community groups. Libby completed her schooling in Chinchilla before moving to Brisbane for further studies in 1984.

Early Community Involvement

Libby began her community service in 1973 as a Brownie, later advancing through Girl Guides and becoming a Leader in Bulimba by 1985, demonstrating ongoing commitment to leadership and service.

Professional Career

In March 1985, Libby commenced work with the Brisbane City Council as a Junior Officer. Over the course of her career, she steadily advanced within the Council, ultimately establishing a distinguished record of public service in local government. In March 2025, Libby celebrated her 40th anniversary of service with the Council. Libby has worked in several community-focused departments, notably as a Senior Accountant in Support Services over the last decade, supporting the Brisbane City Council Library Service's financial stability. She is currently on Long Service Leave, taking advantage of her many years of dedicated service to local government.

Lions Service History

Libby has demonstrated steadfast dedication to District 201Q1 throughout her entire involvement in Lions. Her service journey began in Chinchilla as a Leo, where she first expressed her passion for community service and leadership. Building on this early experience, Libby continued her commitment by becoming a Lioness in Logan. When PDG Allan Gwynne (1991/92) announced the closure of Lioness Clubs, Libby made the important decision to join a Lions Club, ensuring her continued involvement in the organization's mission and service activities.

In December 1991, Libby became a charter member of the Logan City Marsden Lions Club, officially starting her Lions career. After relocating to Sunnybank in January 1998, she transferred her membership to the Sunnybank Lions Club in 2003. Since then, Libby has remained an active and highly respected member, consistently contributing her time, leadership, and dedication to both the club and the wider district.

Club Involvement

Logan City Marsden	Club Treasurer (2), 3 rd Vice President, 2 nd Vice President, 1 st Vice President, President (2), Bulletin Editor, 1 st & 2 nd Year Director
Sunnybank	Club Treasurer (7), 3 rd Vice President, 2 nd Vice President, 1 st Vice President President (3), Bulletin Editor, Membership Chairman, Tail Twister, 1 st & 2 nd Year Director

District Involvement

1995-96 Minute Secretary	2016-17 Cabinet Treasurer	2022-23 Cabinet Secretary
2012-13 Youth Exchange Chair	2017-18 Youth of the Year Chair	2023-24 GST Coordinator
2013-14 Cabinet Secretary	2018-19 Cabinet Treasurer	2024-25 GST Coordinator
2014-15 Youth of the Year Chair	2019-20 Cabinet Treasurer	2025-26 Minute Secretary/ Cabinet Treasurer
2015-16 Cabinet Treasurer	2020-21 Cabinet Treasurer	

Other Lions Involvement

Attended numerous District, Multiple District and International Conventions and 3 ANZI Pacific Forums.
Lions Camp Duckadang Board member (Secretary for the last 2 years)

Leadership Training

2024 Attended the last ALLI in Auckland, New Zealand
2025 Certified Guiding Lion

Awards

Melvin Jones Fellowship (Progressive)	James D Richardson Honour Award
Ray Phippard Fellow Award	Professor Ian Frazer Humanitarian Award
James McLardie Award	International President’s
International Leadership Award (2)	

Hobbies/Interests outside Lions

Family, Jigsaw Puzzles, Sewing and other hand crafts, Quilting (only a beginner), Old-time New Vogue Ballroom dancing, Scrap Booking, Sudoku, Travel

A Vision for Leadership and Service

The journey toward leadership often begins with a single, decisive step. At this moment, I feel it is the right time for me to embark on the path to becoming the District Governor for our District. This role is not one I take lightly, and I am eager to move forward alongside dedicated colleagues.

If elected, I am excited about the opportunity to collaborate closely with Johnson and Sophia. By fostering an environment of encouragement and innovation, we can empower our members and strengthen our District. Meaningful service projects are at the heart of what we do. They not only benefit our communities but also have the power to attract new members to our ranks. Through purposeful action and a commitment to service, we can continue to make a positive impact.

I am confident in our collective ability to improve the communities we serve. As Lions, I sincerely believe that we are transforming the world—one life, one relationship, and one community at a time. Our efforts may begin on a small scale, but together, they ripple outward to create lasting change.