

**WE BELIEVE
EVERY CHILD
DESERVES A CHANCE
AT A HEALTHY LIFE**



March 2026 Newsletter

ALCCRF Chairperson Update

Welcome to the March edition of the Foundations newsletter, our first newsletter for the 2026 Lions year.

This will be our only quarterly newsletter before our Multiple District Convention in Adelaide, the city of churches and one of our current major projects at the South Australian Immunogenomics Cancer Institute (SAiGENCI) of the University of Adelaide. Affiliate Professor Jordan Hansford, the lead in the Paediatric Brain Cancer Project, will be one of the speakers at the convention.

As usual we will have a booth at the convention, and we look forward to catching up with many of you there.

It is coming to that time of year when District Governors and Club Presidents start thinking of awarding some of their District and Club members awards at the respective changeovers in June/July.



Affiliate Professor Jordan Hansford

The awards available are advertised in this newsletter. In summary they are the Barry J Palmer Fellow \$2,000, the Dr Joe Collins Recognition Award \$1,500 and the ALCCRF Gold \$1,000, Silver \$500, Bronz \$250 Awards. If your Club has donated funds to the ALCCRF in the last two years you may have a credit that can be used for awards. **Award credits are valid for two years from the time of the donation lodgement to the Foundations account.**



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Introducing Trustee Gilbert Teitzel



In the December newsletter I welcomed our newest Trustee who will be looking after the Q2 and Q4 Districts. Trustee Gilbert is from the Lions Club of Mareeba and has been a Lion for 30 years. He is an experienced Club Lion and has also been on the Q2 Cabinet. He is a Certified Practicing Accountant and runs his own Practice.

NOTE: BBQ Aprons and ALCCRF Pens - With the retirement of PCC Tony Roney the new contact for the supply of these items is Trustee John Houghton m: 0407 303 691 e: john.houghton@eiua.com.au.

My usual quarterly update of our current projects is as follows:-

1. **The Kids Research Institute Australia (formally TKI)** - Paediatric Cancer Immuno-Therapy Trustee Gilbert Teitzel funding of \$200k those components of the project are now completed. A further \$375k approved early 2024, Outstanding commitment \$187.5k.
2. **Cancer Australia**, Priority-Driven Collaborative Cancer Research Scheme
 - a) **Dr Klaartje Somers** - Targeting nicotinamide adenosine dinucleotide (NAD) metabolism to overcome therapeutic resistance in acute myeloid leukemia University of New South Wales/CCI (\$100k) Outstanding commitment \$0.5k.
 - b) **Dr Kate Vandyke** - Priming the blood-brain barrier to improve drug delivery and treatment outcomes in diffuse midline glioma, University of Adelaide (\$100k) Outstanding commitment \$0.5k.
3. **Hudson Institute of Medical Research** - ALCCRF Fellowship, Next Generation Precision Medicine Program, developing combination therapies (\$424k over 2 years) Outstanding commitment \$150k.
4. **South Australian Immunogenomics Cancer Institute (SAiGENCI) of the University of Adelaide** - Identification of Genomic Factors Controlling Therapy Outcomes and Survivorship in Paediatric Brain Cancer Patients (600k over 3 years) Outstanding commitment \$92.5k.

Full details of the current projects can be found on the Foundations website - <https://alccrf.lions.org.au/our-research-projects/> along with our finalised projects and our 10-year history - <https://alccrf.lions.org.au/finalised-projects/>

And as I always remind the readers of our newsletter, your ongoing support ensures that we reach our vision of **100% Survival for Kids with Cancer**, remembering that:-

"Every child deserves a chance at a healthy life"

Ron Skeen OAM
ALCCRF Chairperson



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ALCCRF RAFFLE

Peter Rabbit Quilt

205 - 170 cm

Tickets \$5.00 each (5 for \$20.00)

(Approved by the Convention Organising Committee for sale at the MD Convention)



To purchase [tickets](#) make payment direct to the Foundation's NAB account -
A/c Name: Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation (ALCCRF)
BSB: 085-397 A/c No: 94-294-7951 Reference: Raffle – "Your Surname"
Forward a copy of your bank lodgement advice to Trustee Gilbert Teitzel
mobile: 0428 737 343 [email](mailto:g.teitzel@millarteitzel.com.au): g.teitzel@millarteitzel.com.au - provide your email address

Lions Biggest BBQ Raffle Draw

The raffle draw for the three Bunnings barbecues, for clubs which contributed to the Foundation via a sausage sizzle or barbecue, was drawn today.

These three lucky clubs will pick up a Matador Spark 4 Burner Gas BBQ from their nearest Bunnings store:

Lions Club of Colac - V2
Lions Club of Ellenbrook - WA
Lions Club of Nillumbik - V5



Trustee Brian Williams organised the BBQ draw with witnesses PDG's Rob Meney and Graham Bryant.



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WIN one of three new barbecues for your club!

Once again this year, we're running a competition where three lucky Australian Lions or Leo Clubs will win one of three fabulous barbecues. So, after conducting a sausage sizzle, simply forward the proceeds to ALCCRF with reference to Lions Biggest BBQ.

Competition closes on the 31st December 2026!

Each club that participates gets a ticket. For every additional \$500 raised, your club will get an extra ticket in the nation-wide draw.

Also, don't forget to order this year's Biggest BBQ aprons for your team to wear at your big event!

Good luck for your club's
Biggest BBQ 2026 and
being in the running to
win one of three Beefeater
Clubmaster barbecues.



WIN! ONE OF THESE
FABULOUS BBQS !!

Subject to availability at time of draw.
Otherwise, equivalent barbecue to be supplied.

The Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation is a Category 'A' Project of Lions Australia

Lions Biggest BBQ 2026

Facts and information

About Lions Australia

Lions Australia is one of Australia's largest service organisations with almost 25,000 members and 1,200 clubs across Australia. Lions Australia raises over \$20 million per annum to assist in community and health projects, and funding for Lions foundations and programs. For more information on Lions in Australia, please visit the MD website at www.lionsclubs.org.au

Lions Australia has been supporting childhood cancer research at least as far back as 1976. Since that time childhood cancer survival rates have improved to about 80% but unfortunately every year in Australia more than 900 children are still diagnosed with cancer and three Australian children die from cancer every week. Amongst childhood illnesses, cancer remains the most common cause of death in Australia.

About ALCCRF

Since 1996, Lions Australia has shown outstanding commitment contributing over \$15 million to childhood cancer research. This effort has resulted in, amongst other things, safer and more effective blood stem cell transplantation for leukaemia patients following chemotherapy which can lead to shorter hospitalisation and more rapid recovery. Lions have done a lot but the job is not over because we believe every child has the right to a healthy life. At the 57th National Convention in Melbourne in May 2009, Lions established a category 'A' Project to be known as Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation (ALCCRF).

About the 2026 Lions Biggest BBQ

Lions Biggest BBQ is an annual fundraising event undertaken by many of the 1,200 Clubs across the country between January - December 2026, when it best suits your Club. Funds raised will be used to help achieve ALCCRF's mission to prevent kids with cancer dying by raising funds nationally and donating these funds to the best scientific and clinical childhood cancer research conducted right across Australia.

More information

Visit the website at: www.alccrf.lions.org.au or contact your ALCCRF District Chairman or Trustee (details are listed on inside back cover of this information kit).



ALCCRF Pen – high quality, great value for users Gifts to Club Guest Speakers etc \$5 each (minimum order applies) pdf writable [order form here](#)

Seymour Goulburn Lions Host Biggest High Tea - 'China and Lace'

The Lions Club of Seymour Goulburn recently hosted a very successful Biggest High Tea at their local Bowling Club, welcoming around 100 attendees for a delightful afternoon of friendship and fundraising.

Over the past three years, the club has carefully collected enough fine china to create beautifully decorated place settings for every guest, adding a special touch of elegance to the event. The afternoon featured a raffle, numerous lucky door prizes, and a fun cake-decorating competition, with the lucky winner receiving a generous hamper.

Adding to the entertainment, local clothing retailers kindly supplied fashions for Lions ladies to model, showcasing strong community support.

Lions Club members prepared all of the food, which was thoroughly enjoyed by those attending.

The V5 District Chair was present on the day to accept the donation on behalf of the Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation (ALCCRF). In total, the event raised an outstanding \$1,500 for childhood cancer research.



On Behalf of ALCCRF Lion Iggy Abraham accepting \$1,500 from President Regina Young

Congratulations to the Lions Club of Seymour Goulburn on another wonderful community event in support of such an important cause.



Winner of the 3 minute cake decorating game



Fashion Parade models (L-R) Lions Carol Smith, Elizabeth Johnson, Maree Worth and Leonie Willis



Fashion Parade models (L-R) Lions Alice Hall, Glenda Lewis, Heather Dunn and Christa Crowe

Some of the beautiful food served throughout the afternoon, all made by the members from Lions Club of Seymour Goulburn



Raffle prizes and giveaway door prizes on display



The Biggest High Tea

for ALCCRF

*Raising cups and hopes
for every child*



How it works

- Plan your high tea - at your club, local hall, or even at home
- Invite guests, friends, and community members
- Fundraise through ticket sales, raffles, and donations
- Celebrate knowing your efforts support life saving research through ALCCRF.

Why join?

- A simple and inclusive fundraising option for all clubs
- Promotes community connection and awareness
- 100% of funds raised go directly to ALCCRF to support cutting-edge research.

“Every cup shared brings us closer to better treatments”

Make your donation

Please include copy of bank receipt or cheque order BSB: 085-397 Account: 942947951
Pay ID: ALCCRF.treasurer@lions.org.au

Cheques payable to: Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation
Postal address: PO Box 56, Raymond Terrace 2324 NSW

Email details of all bank deposits to ALCCRF Treasurer PDG Bob Findley ALCCRF.treasurer@lions.org.au
using include either Club Name or Club number as the reference and BHT as message.

Get started today!

Visit ALCCRF alccrf.lions.org.au/events/biggest-high-tea or contact your Lions District Chair.

Email Kate Moore
alccrf.biggesthightea@lions.org.au





Australian Lions

Childhood Cancer Research Foundation



"We believe every child deserves a chance at a healthy life"

Recognise a Dedicated Lion In your Club or a member of your local Community



**ALCCRF
Dr Joe Collins AM
Recognition Award**

\$1,500

Note:
Credit for prior donations can be used for awards for up to 2 years from when they are made.



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100% Survival for
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ALCCRF Awards

The Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation (ALCCRF) Awards were established to recognise support for the Foundation's vision of 100% survival for kids with cancer.

Recipients of these awards will be recognised for being one of our ambassadors helping kids fulfil their right to a healthy life. The awards can be presented to Lions and other community members who have dedicated time and effort on behalf of childhood cancer research.



Gold \$1,000

Gold Plate on Walnut Base
 225 x 300mm



Silver \$500

Silver Plate on Walnut Base
 200 x 250mm



Bronze \$250

Bronze Plate on Walnut Base
 175 x 225mm

All awards come with an ALCCRF lapel pin in Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Ordering and Payment Options

Pay via Direct Debit or PayID and email application to ALCCRF Treasurer

ALCCRF Bank Details

NAB

BSB: 085-397

Account: 942947951

PayID alccrf.treasurer@lions.org.au

Forward cheque made payable to "Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation" with the order form

OR

Mail to:

ALCCRF

PO BOX 56

RAYMOND TERRACE NSW 2324

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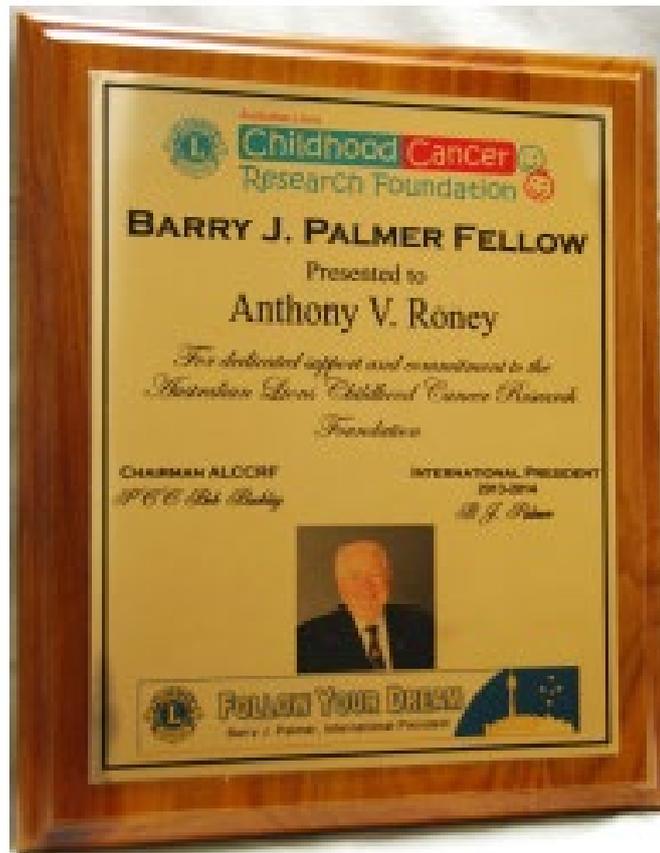


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**ALCCRF
B.J. Palmer
Fellowship**

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Lions Rose

Modern Shrub Rose



Bare Rooted Rose

Please note this product is a bare rooted rose for delivery in **Winter 2025** only. What is a bare rooted rose? [Click here.](#)

Reward Points earned if purchased: 113

\$30.05

Price in reward points: 3065

3 or more \$27.20

10 or more \$26.20

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Description

Characteristics

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(KORvandaber) - We cannot over emphasise the quality, health and flowering ability of this beautiful shrub from Kordes. The fully double creamy white blooms open with a breath of apricot and are produced in clusters of 3-5. There is a slight, pleasing fragrance and the glossy foliage is highly resistant to blackspot and mildew. Decorated with Gold and Silver medals in international rose competitions, this elegant variety will bring real pleasure to every garden. 1.2m tall.

From 2013 and beyond, Treloar Roses will donate \$1.00 from the sale of each rose to the Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation. Their mission is to prevent kids with cancer dying by raising funds nationally and donating these funds to the best scientific and clinical childhood cancer research conducted right across Australia. For further information visit:- [Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation](#)





Help open the door to a healthy life for a child with cancer

Donate today at alccrf.lions.org.au/



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