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'I am now a 2 star Governor'
More bling, you say.



It is official. Following the District Changeover dinner on Saturday night where outgoing District Governor Kent Wilcox gave both his 2014-15 deputies a star award each, **I am now a 2 star Governor.**

More bling, you say. Certainly yes - but it does go to illustrate a significant truth about our organisation - and that is we recognise our volunteers for what they do.

In our case, both Second Vice Governor Graham and I had a pretty busy year helping DG Kent with his visitation schedule as an integral part of the District Governor Team, as well as the other duties required of Vice District Governors.

Contrary to some popular belief we do work pretty hard in our ivory tower to make our district the best in Australia, as well as coping the best we can with significant work and family issues at the same time.

The same also occurs for all the Lions who were presented with awards on Saturday night and I very much congratulate them too.

It is very important that we all continue to recognise effort expended and results achieved, both in Lions and in our everyday lives.

If we were paying one another to do what we do, then those rewards would generally be reflected in the value of our pay-packets, but because we are all volunteers and are not paid it is very important that we recognise our own efforts with some other means.

Giving Lions awards is a very good way to show your appreciation to other Lions as the acquisition of those awards helps to channel funds into our various funds and projects that offer awards that we can then use to recognise the achievements of others.

We all appreciate being rewarded for our effort, even if the reward is an inner glow of satisfaction for a random act of kindness or task well done, or an award conferred by our peers.

This includes everyone in Lions. We have reinstated the District Governors Excellence awards this year to recognise individual achievement in clubs, and we usually seek a recommendation from a club secretary, or president, whoever happens to be available when we call.

So far this year, I have given awards to a long serving club secretary, and a president, both of whom were overwhelmed that others are thinking of them. Awards should not necessarily be given for popularity, but rather as a recognition of effort expended, and often the effort recognised is the accumulated effort over time which does not show up in short term assessments.

This is one of the reasons why our members remain in Lions, as we do recognise people for their effort, commitment and dedication.

And this is the reason that I accept my awards with grace and humility and thanks for being recognised for the hard work I have put in - and the reason I am happy to be a "2 star" District Governor.

I also congratulate everyone involved in our Dinner on Saturday night, and our cabinet meeting on Sunday, hosted by the Kingscliff Lions Club. While on the subject of recognising others and giving thanks where it is due, I congratulate my own club, Kingscliff, for the truly excellent weekend that we had, and trust all of our host clubs this year can match the standard set by them. Well done Kingscliff club President Jane and your team!

DG Peter Oliver

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Information for 2015/16 Cabinet meetings

12th & 13th September 2015

Second Cabinet Meeting Hosted by Goondiwindi Lions

Reports by 28th August 2015

Saturday 11.30am start - Cabinet meeting

Goondiwindi 50th Celebration Saturday night

Sunday 8.30am start - Cabinet meeting

21st & 22nd November 2015

Third Cabinet Meeting Hosted by Boonah Lions

Reports by 7th November 2015

Saturday 1.00pm start - Cabinet meeting

Saturday night function & The Bowls Club

Sunday 9.00am start - Cabinet meeting

20th & 21st February 2016

Fourth Cabinet Meeting Hosted by Ashmore Lions

Reports by 6th February 2016

Saturday 1.00pm start - Cabinet meeting

Venue TBA

Sunday 9.00am start - Cabinet meeting

21st & 22nd May 2016

Fifth Cabinet Meeting Hosted by Ballina Lions

Reports by 7th May 2016

Saturday 1.00pm start - Cabinet meeting

Venue TBA

Sunday 9.00am start - Cabinet meeting

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From the Cabinet Secretary's desk



We have a good start to the year with most secretaries submitting their membership on MyLCI for July. I will send out a reminder around the 20th of each month to remind everyone to submit your WMMR before the 25th please. If you are still having password problems just give me a call and we'll get it sorted.

All generic emails are working so all clubs should be receiving mail. You can test yours by sending yourself an email.

Clubs please note Libby Whitstyles is the Cabinet Treasurer. The District handbook has been posted and I believe the Multiple District Directory has been printed and it should be to clubs by the time the newsletter gets to you.

District membership figures as the 30th July 1958 – World Wide 1,372.520

District Governor Peter & Lion Heather welcome all the new members to our district.

Brunswick Mullumbimby:	Peter McKaskill
Carrara:	Virginia Moore, Malcolm Scott
Goondiwindi:	Joanne Priester
Kingscliff:	Edward Clark
Logan Village:	Braydon Jones
Logan West:	Roy Catterall
Nerang Highland Park:	Barry Jervis, Brian Rickard
Redland Bay Victoria Point:	Chris Harding
Runaway Bay:	Jan Evans, Joe Evans, Graham Johansen, Anja VanHausden
Twin Rivers:	Jason Loakes, Laura Tiro, Mark Tiro



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Where will the District Governor's team be in August?

District Governor Peter Oliver

Ballina East	3rd August
Logan Village	4th August
Brisbane Chinese	10th August
Terranora Lakes	12th August
Rosewood	19th August
Macleay Island	26th August
Greater Springfield	8th Sept
Goondiwindi	15th Sept

1st Vice District Governor Graham Jackson (Jacko)

Coolangatta Tweed Heads	4th August
Lennox Heads	5th August
Tamborine Village	13th August
Sanctuary Cove	17th August
Burleigh Heads	19th August
Mudgeeraba	26th August
Palm Beach Currumbin	27th August
Morton Bay	1st Sept
Robina	9th Sept

2nd Vice District Governor Ann Reed

Twin Rivers	4th August
Calamvale	5th August
Nerang Highland Park	11th August
Fassifern	17th August
Alstonville	20th August
Brisbane Kuraby	25th August
Brisbane Ekibin	26th August
Woodridge Kingston	1st Sept
Mid Richmond River	3rd Sept

Oz Clubhouse Information

www.lionsclubs.org.au/members/oz-clubhouse



Barefoot bowls FUN-D Raiser

Raising funds for: Lions Aid & Relief Centre **Sunday 30th August 2015** Enter a Team in our joint FUN & FRIENDSHIP FUN-D raiser:
Times:- Bowls: 10:30am – 1pm Lunch: 1pm – onwards **RSVP & Payment:-** 21st August 2015 (e) lionsrspv@gmail.com or (p) 3895 8103 **Cost:** \$50 per team of 4 people Inc Bowls, BBQ, Team Prizes **Payment Options:** Cheque or Direct Debit

Wellington Point Bowls Club, Anson Road, Wellington Point

RAFFLES PRIZES – AUCTIONS BBQ LUNCH

Newsletter Editor - send article submissions to:

Lion Greg NOTHLING: greg.nothling@gmail.com OR info-officer@lions201q1.org.au
www.201q1.lions.org.au

Dignity through Humanitarian Service

2015-16 presidential theme



Dignity through Humanitarian Service: One of the basic tenets of human dignity and self-respect is the ability to provide for oneself and for one's family, yet millions of people face the future with little hope of bettering their lives and caring for their children.

Lions are encouraged to expand service to children by:

- Supporting and brightening the outlook of children in hospitals
- Responding to the needs of children in refugee camps
- Addressing the needs of hungry children
- Continuing and expanding the Lions Reading Action Program

Lion Greg Nothling, along with other Lions and friends, is a member of the Rescue Mission for Children - a relief and development organisation dedicated to working with Akah and other remote hill tribe children, in Chiang Rai, Thailand, to overcome poverty and provide skills for a prosperous future. RMFC has been protecting stateless children from the danger of human trafficking in all forms and empowering them to maintain their freedom and cultural heritage. At the Rescue Mission we provide full care for children through education and life skills, shelter, nutritious meals, health care, cultural respect and protection.

How can you help?

1. Sponsorship of children **or**
 2. donations towards food, **or**
 3. education costs, **or**
 4. operational budgets, **or**
 5. maintenance projects
- or even 6.** new building projects.

Rescue Mission for Children Treasurer Noel McKay PO Box 2527 NERANG 4211

Banking Details: Bank of Qld. **Rescue Mission For Children Relief Fund** BSB 124 058 Account# 10410695

For further information, please refer to our website – www.rescuemissionforchildren.org.au

100% of all funds donated for projects, child sponsorships and operational management of the Rescue Mission Centre is used for the purposes set by the donors.



A Lions Club is not a One-piece Band

The masterly renditions of a great band are far beyond the ability of even the most accomplished of one-man bands. The full strength band gives more people opportunities to work and because it is composed of many people and not just one person, is a more permanent institution, continuing to function in spite of the occasional defection of some of its members. There is also a great spirit of unity in a band.

A Lions Club is not a one-piece band. Rather it is like a twenty-five piece, or a fifty piece, or a hundred-piece band. It is a permanent institution, which embodies within itself limitless powers for the advancement of the material and the spiritual well being of the entire community. In recognising and grasping this opportunity the club provides for each of its members the joy of participating actively in the doing of good. The club itself carries on from week to week, from year to year, as does the band, adding consistently to the record of its contributions to the community, giving the active citizens continual opportunities to express themselves in words and in deeds. It adds richly to the life of the community, imbuing its leaders with the spirit that presses forward in the search for an ever increasing measure of self-expression and usefulness. That is the spirit of a Lions Club.

Our clubs are not one-man bands. Everybody in them should participate. Each member has his or her particular place or duty playing their own particular instrument. Each member should receive recognition.

We are urged not to have a one-man band, but to have the harmony and the action that there is in a hundred-piece band.

...all we need is a good conductor to lead the orchestra to further heights of achievement.





Operation Friendship 2015

In October, District 201Q1 will welcome two international visitors from District 104D, Norway, under the Operation Friendship programme. Past District Governor Ola Martin Rongved and his wife Lion Inger will attend and address the District Convention at Stanthorpe, and look forward to talking informally with many Lions during the weekend.

During their 30 day stay they will have 5 host families scattered throughout the District which have different activities and environments so that the visitors see all parts of District 201Q1. Volunteer host families come from the Lions Clubs of Terranora Lakes, Rosewood, Robina, Ballina and Camp Hill – Carindale.

Ian Manwaring – Project Coordinator, Club Twinning & Operation Friendship
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Four \$8
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Lions Hearing Dog All Occasions Cards

Now available All Occasion Cards with eight different designs showcasing Hearing Dogs in different poses. The cards are available in packs of **Four for \$8.00: Eight for \$15.00 or just \$2.00 each.** A good item for Birthdays, Thank yous, Anniversaries and other Lions Occasions.

If you are interested in purchasing a Cards or Calendars for yourself, as a gift or if you are interested in selling some on our behalf as a fundraising effort please contact andrew@mcdougallfamily.com.au. Calendars are again \$10 each plus postage.



Calendars
\$10 each



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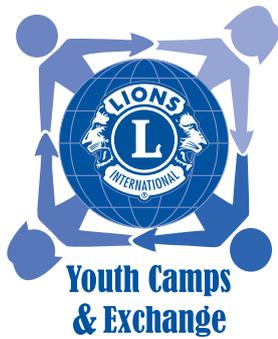
Lions Strengthen SES with Donation of Storm Trailer

Residents of Gold Coast's Northern Coastal suburbs who may be in need of assistance during any future natural disasters, will benefit from the Runaway Bay State Emergency Service gaining an Emergency Response Trailer courtesy of Runaway Bay Lions Club and the Australian Lions Foundation.

The Emergency Response Trailer, valued at \$10,800, features specialised equipment storage compartments, a dedicated chainsaw fuel compartment, workbench with vice to sharpen chainsaws, LED spotlights, orange beacons and more. Runaway Bay SES is now better equipped to respond to the Community at times of urgent need.

The Runaway Bay Lions raised the necessary funds from donations by wrapping Christmas gifts at Runaway Bay Shopping Village, and their efforts were augmented by a very generous \$5,000 grant from the Australian Lions Foundation.





Lions Youth Exchange Try it – you will enjoy the experience!

The Lions Club of Warwick Inc. undertook the Lions Youth Exchange Youths program in taken Host Club care of two European girls. **Emanuela Raimondo, 17 from Italy:** sponsored by the Lions Club of Palermo Host, Italy MD 108, in district YB Sicily. Emanuela's dad is the IP President of the Palermo Host.

Lilla Varga, 17 from Hungary: she was sponsored By Kecskemet Szent Laszlo Lions Club, District 119.

Both Young Ladies are enjoying the 20 days stay with Host Family, Lion Concetto Lo Giudice, President of the Lions Club of Warwick Inc. and Lions Lady Santina. On the 24 July they travelled to Sunshine coast Lions Camp Krokodile to complete 10 day Activity with other Exchange Youths.

Warwick club members took turn in showing the Guests around the Southern Downs Region: Just some of their adventures included a close up with Kangaroos at Mt Tabor, Queens Mary Falls, Toowoomba Picnic Point, Allora, Mary Poppins House. They enjoyed an excursion to Bangalow- Byron Bay Light House where they saw dolphins. They were Guests at the Stanthorpe Lions Club Changeover

They say Australia is so lovely and enjoyed experiencing new culture , food and Australian lingo. "They were very good in helping cooking," said Lion Con happily.

They say Australians are so friendly. They hope to come back one day to study at University or work.



Know Your O's

How do an **ophthalmologist**, an **optometrist** and an **optician** differ? It's important to visit one or all three of these specialists for good eye health.

Ophthalmologists are medical doctors who have done residencies in ophthalmology. They are licensed to give exams during which they routinely check for signs of eye disease by using dilating drops to carefully inspect the inside of the eye. Some specialise in specific eye conditions, such as glaucoma or cataracts, and perform surgery when needed.

Optometrists are independent primary health care providers who examine, diagnose, treat and manage diseases and disorders of the visual system, the eye and associated structures, as well as diagnose related systemic conditions.

Opticians make corrective lenses and fit them into eye-glass frames, and they can help you select the best frames and give you information on bifocals. They also repair eyeglasses, and many can fill prescriptions for contact lenses. However, they're not trained to diagnose eye problems or prescribe medication.

DISTRICT PROJECT: Collect used Spectacles for re-cycling.

District Chairman: Sight Preservation, Awareness & Action
email: pc-sight@lions201q1.org.au

Lions Recycle For Sight Australia, Inc.

The Lions Centre, Lamington Drive, Redcliffe Queensland 4020

Please contact the Centre in advance before shipping large quantities of used eyeglasses.

All deliveries through couriers companies should be made at the Redcliffe address.

Send mail and boxes by Australia Post to:

PO. Box 3021, Clontarf MDC, Queensland 4019



"A truck driver acquaintance," says Lion Peter Oliver,

"reports his daughter has just got a set of personalised plates for her car. **PB12IN**. Apparently this was for the way she drove."

We can tell readers it stands for **Leadfoot**, but we'll leave it to you to work it out.

Alstonville Lions Clubs Changeover



The recipient of the Arthur Stuckey Community Excellence Award, Geoff Snow, with Lyn Stuckey and her son Mark

Lion Gordon Jarrett of the Ballina Club, a Past Deputy District Governor and Life Member of Lions, recently officiated at the 37th Changeover Dinner of the Lions Club of Alstonville where he installed the new Board of Directors for 2015/16. Special guests for the evening included representatives of several community organisations who were recipients of donations from the Club and Councillor David Wright, Mayor of Ballina Shire, who proposed the toast to Lions International.

The outgoing President, Les Wiles, reflected on the Club's achievements of the past year and reported that the donations to the local community, Lions Foundations and disaster appeals throughout the year totalled \$13,470 and represented around 3,300 service hours. Funds were raised through BBQ's, weekly Bingo at the Bowling Club, the Cubby House raffle and New Year's Eve celebrations to name a few. He referred to the Pig Races as a highlight. He thanks all members for the support he received and their contribution to the community.

Australian Lionsonoz members in action



Lionsonoz members Philip and Sandra Philippzig volunteered to assist the clean-up following the disastrous floods that devastated Dungog NSW this year.

The floods hit Dungog on 21st April 2015 and the Blaizaid camp was set up at Dungog Showgrounds on 12th May.

The Blaizaid volunteers went to different farms in the area that registered with the Co-ordinator. Jobs involved clearing debris from fences, replacing fences which in some cases meant locating the fence! The owner or Manager was required to be onsite and in most cases to assist.

Lions Philip and Sandra were pleased that they were in the area at the time to be able lend assistance to the local appeal.

Lionsonoz member Lion Marge Ollis happened to be in Young NSW at the event of the Lions Club of Young annual Quilt Show. Lion Marge assisted in setting up and dismantling the show as well as "manning" a stall for them.

The Club President Lion Ron Hampton said he was very grateful that Lion Marge did turn up to assist as the Lions club of Young had 3 activities on at the one time that weekend and every pair of hands were very welcome. Lionsonoz members are known for their willingness to assist the local Lions Club, wherever they find themselves.

Lionsonoz does not conduct their own projects or raise money from the public. They gain service hours by assisting "main stream" Lions Clubs in the town in which they find themselves.

PDG Lion Warren White



Lionsonoz Lions Philip and Sandra Philippzig (in orange vests) with the farmer and a Blaizaid official inspect a flood damaged fence prior to attempting to clear it of flood debris.

International Club Twinning



At the present time 14 Lions Clubs in 201Q1 have formed twinning relationships with Lions Clubs in another country. Some examples of the overseas Clubs are Entebbe Uganda, Klang Malaysia, Helsinki Finland, Chiang Mai Saraphee Thailand, Bergolet South Africa which indicates the wide diversity of the programme.

The programme aims to make a voluntary agreement to exchange ideas and information about Club activities and projects, build friendships and mutual understanding. Lions Clubs may achieve this in a number of ways—

- Exchanging information and photographs about Club, District and Multiple District projects such as the Medical Research Foundation, Lions Children's Mobility Programme.
- Sending copies of the District Newsletter, Australian Lion, publicity material and DVD's.
- Exchanging Club bannerettes and pins.
- Lions holidaying overseas visiting selected Clubs.
- Lions visiting Australia e.g. Operation Friendship visitors.

Lions Clubs wishing to establish a twinning relationship may decide on the country they want to twin with and make the initial approach by using the internet. The Lions International web site has a Club Locator link which gives information about all Lions Clubs in any particular country. Lions clubs wishing to establish a twinning relationship are invited to contact the Project Coordinator for any help required.

When a twinning is established Clubs may apply to Lions Clubs International for recognition in the form of a banner patch or certificate.

Ian Manwaring – Project Coordinator, International Club Twinning.

Breast Cancer Awareness



A Big Thank you ! -

A big thank you to the following Clubs that made donations to Lions Breast Cancer Awareness in the 2014 – 2015 Lions year : Algester Parkinson, Alstonville, Beaudesert, Brisbane Ekibin, Brisbane Pinelands, Calamvale, Gold Coast Tallebudgera, Leos Club St Andrews Lutheran College, Nerang Highland Park, Redland Bay Victoria Point, Runaway Bay, Terranora Lakes & Tweed Coast South - between these 13 Clubs and the monies raised at the District Convention last October, an amazing **\$7,638.40** has so far been raised for Breast Cancer Awareness – this is just fantastic and will be passed onto where it can help the most... Hopefully one day all of our “small donations” will help find a much needed cure....



REMEMBER – if you are sending donation cheques to me for this very worthwhile cause PLEASE make sure that the cheque is written out to **“Lions District 201Q1”**.

Origami Cranes – If you would like to help with the Breast Cancer cause at the District Convention in Stanthorpe, and also take away a beautiful Crane memento, all you will need is a “pink lady” – a five dollar note that is. They are just beautiful and will be very popular indeed, and we all have to help make the “traditional” wish come true with 1,000 cranes – “1,000 Cranes for a Cure” – why just stop at just one? – why not get a memento for every special female in your life...

Facts from the experts...

In QLD :

- Breast Cancer is the most common cancer diagnosed in women (excluding non-melanoma skin cancers). One in nine women will be diagnosed with breast cancer before the age of 85.
- 2,911 Queenslanders were diagnosed with Breast Cancer in 2010 (the most recent statistics available), of which 2,887 were females and 24 were males.
- Compared to the general population, almost 90 per cent of females diagnosed with breast cancer will survive for at least five years.
- The approximate lifetime risk of a QLD woman to be diagnosed with breast cancer before the age of 85 is one in 8.2
- The approximate lifetime risk for a QLD female to die of breast cancer before the age of 85 is one in 41.

As you can see, this is why we have to keep supporting the Breast Cancer cause – because you never know when someone that you know will be diagnosed with this horrible disease... Something we do now that seems so small, in the end is actually so big because every little bit helps.

Help Support...Many thanks

Jenny Maguire – Breast Cancer Awareness

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Children of Courage

What a wonderful way to start the new Lions year with a beautiful Children of Courage ceremony conducted by the Leo Club of Southern Cross K-12 School on Tuesday 21st July. The Leos with the help of their Leo Adviser Lion Dawn Sword organised and ran the whole ceremony.

Each Leo had their part to play from the Leo Welcome, the Apologies, Leo Purposes and the introduction of the Awardees. Each Leo introduced an awardee with a simple statement of their accomplishment and the award they were receiving. It was a very moving ceremony watched by Family, School Teachers and Lions from the sponsor Club Lions Club of Ballina East. The Lions Club supplied a sausage sizzle and light refreshments after the ceremony, thank you Lions.

These Leos are a credit to their School, Community, Club and most of all their Families and should be proud of their accomplishment and enthusiasm and willingness to help others in the community less fortunate than themselves. Thank you Leos - continue the good work and look forward to next year's ceremony.

I am interested in hearing from other Clubs in the District who might like to hold a Children of Courage ceremony. Please contact me for details and book a date.

Christine Forrest – District Chairman, Children of Courage

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Lions Camp Duckadang Notice of AGM

Sunday 27 September, 2015

The Annual General Meeting of Lions Camp Duckadang will be held as follows:

Venue: Pine Rivers Lions Den at Petrie. From the roundabout in Petrie, travel west approx. 1km. Turn right into Woonara Drive, then first turn left before water tower. The Den is fifty metres on the left.

Time: Arrive to register at 9.30 am for 10.00 am meeting.

Agenda:

1. Club Delegates register for voting cards and all attending are asked to sign the attendance book.
2. Welcome by Chairman Lion Graham Hunwick
3. Receipt and adoption of Minutes of the last AGM held 12 October 2014.
4. Receipt and adoption of Reports.
5. Receipt and adoption of the Auditor's Report on statements of receipts and expenditure for year ended 30 June 2015.
6. Appointment of scrutineers for the election process.
7. Election of Director for vacancy (1). Lion Cliff Hocking has resigned as from the end of the AGM after two years as a valued and effective Treasurer, because of work and family commitments. Whilst the allocation of portfolios to Directors is determined by the Board at their meeting following the AGM, it would be helpful to the Board if persons who are active members of their Club, and have appropriate experience in financial management using technology, nominated for the vacant position.
8. Appointment of an Auditor for the year 2015/2016. An indication of willingness to continue as Auditor has been received from Mike McFillin B Bus CPA of McFillin Audit Services PO Box 42040 STRATHPINE Q 4500
9. Any business of a general nature.
10. Light refreshments will follow the close of the meeting.

The elected Board of Directors will meet following this intermission.

Nomination as a Director

Lions intending to nominate require a letter from their Club signed by the Club President or Secretary. The Lion nominated should also sign to indicate that he/she agrees to act if elected. Nominations in writing close with the Secretary, Lions Camp Duckadang PO Box 437 STRATHPINE Q 4500 at 5.00pm on Monday 14 September 2015 (Please include an email address)

Voting

Clubs are eligible to send Voting Delegates according to the numbers published in the latest MD Directory in the ratio of one Voting Delegate for every ten Members or major portion thereof. Advice of delegates is to be signed by the Club President or Secretary and posted or emailed or handed in prior to the commencement of the AGM on 27 September 2015.

OTHER INTERESTED MEMBERS are invited to attend.

Peter J Boge – Secretary to the Board

email: pboge@bigpond.net.au



Rise to the Challenge!



The Ekibin Lions Club are entering a team of three into the South Brisbane Vinnies Community Sleep Out on Tuesday 11th August at the Yeronga Pool. John Allen, Chery Desmarais & Danielle Mutton will be sleeping rough for the night to help Vinnies combat homelessness in South Brisbane. Fellow Lions members & Clubs can assist Ekibin Lions in our fundraising efforts by sponsoring our team. You can find our team fundraising page here:

<http://southbrisbanevinniescommunitysleepout2015.gofundraise.com.au/page/EkibinLionsClub>

It's a great cause so please seriously consider supporting the Ekibin Lions Club's efforts by sponsoring our team by providing a donation. We would also welcome other Lions Clubs in the district who may be located near South Brisbane to also enter a team into the event.

Please contact Ekibin Lions Club President Danielle Mutton on 0439 482 113 if you need anymore information.

MISSED A PREVIOUS DISTRICT 201Q1 NEWSLETTER?

No problems, all 2013-15 201Q1 Newsletters are available for download

www.lionsclubmember.com/District-201Q1

Lismore City Lions Club help get Eleanor moving

Lismore City Lions Club recently played a huge part in helping one young girl gain more confidence and more independence. Eleanor Holland, 4, was born with an array of conditions - Spina Bifida, Arnold Chari II Malformation, Syringomyelia, and Hydrocephalus, just to name a few - and was in need a special wheelchair to help her around.

That's where the Lismore City Lions Club came in – in a partnership with the Australian Lions Foundation, they donated \$7030 to the Holland family to help them purchase the \$19,030 motorized wheelchair (The family had already raised \$12,000 before they contacted the Lions Club).

Eleanor's parents, Rodney and Becky Holland, said they were so thankful to the Lions for helping them get this much-needed piece of equipment for their daughter. The wheelchair has two controls – one for a carer and one for Eleanor herself – allowing for more independence. The newfound independence that has come with having the new wheelchair has sparked a huge change in Eleanor.

"She's much more confident now – when we go out she'll talk to people", "Eleanor used to hide and cover her face in public, but now she loves meeting new people and making friends", Mrs Holland said.

Eleanor's life has improved in other areas thanks to this new confidence too: In her speech therapy, physical therapy, and music group, she is just "so different", "It was just so amazing to see the change in her social skills and interacting with other kids," Mrs Holland said.

In a twist, recently some scans revealed Eleanor's scoliosis was much worse than earlier believed – and the seating that the wheelchair happens to have is the exact type she needs to help that physical condition, Mr Holland said.

"It's exactly what she needed," Mr Holland said.

Learning how to use the motorized wheelchair has been a journey for Eleanor, her parents, and brother Tobias, 1, and recently the family took their first family holiday to Coffs Harbour and Armidale with the wheelchair, which acted as a learning curve for all of them.

"We all had a magical time of relaxation, fun and learning how to manoeuvre the power wheel chair," Mrs Holland said.

The next step is for the Holland family to fundraise for a wheelchair hoist for their car, to make transportation of the wheelchair easier, which the Lismore City Lions Club intends to help with too.

By Marnie Johnston



Lions Christmas Cakes, Mints & Fudge

As incoming Lions Christmas Cakes, Mints and Fudge Chairman, I am appealing to all Q1 Lions Clubs to get behind these Multiple District Fundraising Projects and put our District back as the largest selling district in Australia.

As we all know, the sales of these Lions iconic products not only provides financial support for so many great LIONS PROJECTS such as; • SIGHTFIRST • MEDICAL RESEARCH • CHILDRENS MOBILITY FOUNDATION • EYEHEALTH PROGRAMS • HEARING DOGS • DISASTER RELIEF • DRUG AWARENESS and many YOUTH PROGRAMS, but also maintains and raises the profile of Lions Clubs throughout our community.

Our new District Governor, Peter Oliver, has challenged me to increase the overall sales of LIONS CHRISTMAS CAKES and MINTS by at least 10% during his 2015 – 2016 year. In an endeavour to accomplish this, I hope to utilise his new district plan of REGIONAL/ ZONE MEETINGS. To this end, I am requesting invitations over the next few months from REGIONAL COORDINATORS to attend their COMBINED ZONE MEETINGS as a guest speaker before clubs begin their annual cakes and mints ordering.

When the 2015/2016 Lions Multiple District Directory becomes available, I will try to make contact with all Q1 Lions Clubs to obtain details of their Cakes and Mints Chairmen to ensure they have all the required information regarding; PRODUCTS, ORDERING PROCEEDURES, DISCOUNTS and PAYMENT PROCEEDURES.

I am aware that some clubs have not yet received, or have misplaced, their CAKES PAYWAY CARDS. As a matter of urgency, could these clubs please contact me with their details as George Weston Foods Cake Division is awaiting this list of clubs to have new cards made for them.

I look forward to your support during this year and hope to meet up at my information booth at our DISTRICT CONVENTION in STANTHORPE.

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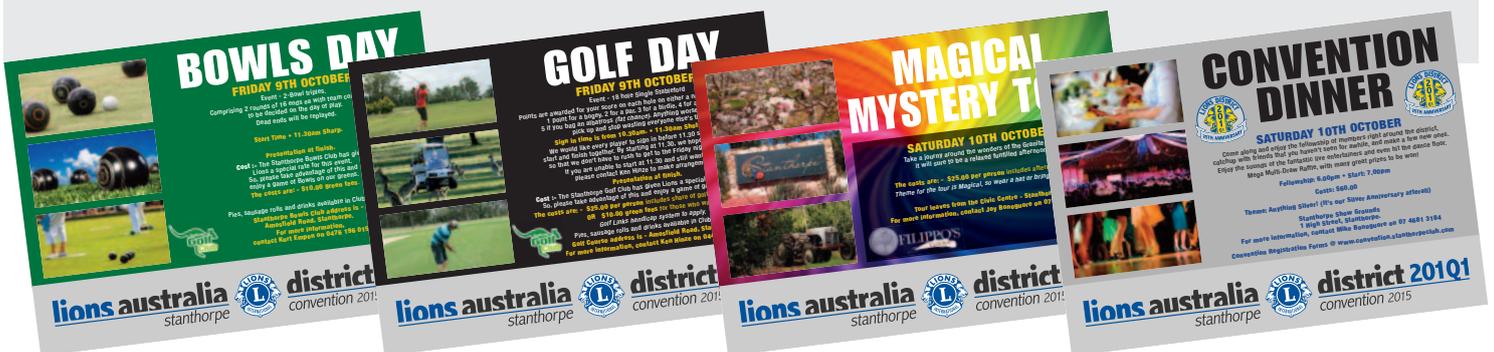
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Plus see all the details about convention events



Looking for an Environmental Project? Understanding urban beehives



Beehives are important to our planet's survival.

The next time you swat away a bee that happens to be buzzing nearby, think about all it does to positively contribute to the world's ecosystem. Bees play a vital role in pollinating many fruit and vegetable crops and, without them, the environment would be in a dire situation.

Unfortunately, the world's bee population is declining due to pesticides and diseases that are destroying entire colonies. For this reason, urban beehives are becoming increasingly important. Initiatives such as **Bee One Third** are working to reintroduce honey bees to the urban environment by installing beehives on rooftops throughout the city, as well as running workshops to teach people how to maintain their own urban beehives.

Even if you're not quite ready to start your own urban beehive, there are things you can do to attract bees to your garden. Include plants that are high in nectar and pollen in your garden, and avoid using toxic pesticides. Or, you could simply **adopt a beehive**.

I Can't Find Uluru – A tourist from New South Wales had to stop another vehicle to ask for directions to Ayers Rock. Nothing strange or funny about it? Well, Ayers Rock is huge (348 metres high), is the only significant feature along the only road in the area, and he was right in front of the rock with his headlights shining on it! You'd think you'd notice, wouldn't you? Nope. He pulled over the next car coming along, to ask for directions. The car looked like a ranger's vehicle to him. Well, they were cops instead and they immediately whipped out their breathalyser... 0.116. Too bad...

Stretch yourself, take that extra step.



The difference between ordinary & extraordinary is that little **extra!**

Each month, I would like to highlight individual Lions (or Clubs) that have taken that little extra step. Please email details to me at greg.nothing@gmail.com.

- **Lions Chris Richardson and Harold Mitcham** run the Trinder Park Internet Café at a Retirement Home for Seniors – twice a week now for eight years.
- **Lions Partner Maureen Nothing** has been providing Club hand-made Birthday, Get well, Anniversary and Thank You Cards for 15 years. (Cross Stitch)
- **Lion Michael Burgess** has just returned from once again volunteering, at his own expense, at the Chiang Rai Rescue Mission for Children (In the hill country of Thailand)
- **Griffith University Lions Club** Well known for sausage sizzles, tried something a little different at a recent fundraiser on Sunday 12th July at Brisbane's Pushies Galore Bike Swap. The delicious aroma of hot food brought many people to their food stall to sample the **Vegetarian Indian menu**. What a great success it was, raising \$1200.00 towards community projects. Projects such as our Krafters "winter warmers" where 270 knitted items, beanies, scarves, rugs and mittens had been distributed through emergency programs, nursing homes and community groups to help older people living at home just in time for the cold weather.

Did you know...

- that the **next Outward Bound** course will be in **September this year?**
- that all **2014-2015 Mobility** requests have been catered for?
- that there have been **major changes** to the **Youth of the Year Program?**
- that the **State Leo Conference** will be held on the **Gold Coast this year?**
- that the **District Development Team** has a great procedure that will guide clubs wanting to **conduct a Membership Drive?**
- that the **New Members Orientation Book** has been updated and is **now available?** (see **Lion Kim Forrest**)
- that the **Lions Club of Stanthorpe** will be hosting our **Silver Anniversary District Convention?**
- that you can register to receive the **District Newsletter** direct to your personal email address on the **same day of distribution?**
<http://www.lionsclubmember.com/District-201Q1>
- that there will be **Something NEW** at the **ORMEAU LIONS FAIR** this year – a huge **LEGO® Fan Display!!** It's on **Father's Day weekend** and what Dad doesn't love **LEGO®**? Live entertainment on two stages on both days, school competitions, sideshow alley, market stalls, food court, business displays, Viv's Animal Farm, VIP Dog Club Show, Classic Car Display Saturday, Fireworks Saturday night and People's Choice "Classic Car Show & Shine" on Sunday. Circle the 5th and 6th September on your calendar, and give Dad a treat for Father's Day. Register your **"Pride & Joy"** on line to be in the running for great prizes in the Show & Shine. For more information please contact **Lion Lyn Young** on 0401 232 767. **BRIEN HARRIS OVAL - PEACHEY ROAD, ORMEAU TAKE EXIT 45 OFF THE M1**



Found out on Facebook

Image: (ABC.net.au) The town of Dungog bore the brunt of the NSW storm and was cut off by flood waters. – The Dungog Lions Club use \$100,000 in cash to help local people affected by floods to purchase essentials, such as glasses and hearing aids.

"If you can provide a bit of cash quickly, to get them moving in that respect, then they can start to work to solve their other problems." Rob Oerlemans



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