



# Ann's Buzzing Chronicle

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**District 201Q1**

**Australia**

**ANN REED**

**District Governor  
2017-2018**

*We Serve*



*Bee together  
in service*



**1st Vice District Governor**

**KIM FORREST**

**2nd Vice District Governor**

**DAVID GREENUP**



# Welcome to Ann's Buzzing Chronicle



## Greetings fellow Lions, Leos and Lionesses,

What a great Convention we had. It was great to see so many of you there enjoying the fun and fellowship. We have great guest speakers and a Convention Service Project that was well supported by you all. To the Convention Committee, thank you so much for all your hard work and support. President Maureen Hamilton, a special thank you to you and your club for all your hard work especially on the day to help make sure things ran smoothly. Lion Ollie Gibbons thank you so much for organizing the three celebrations cakes for the Saturday evening, you did us proud. To Lani and Don thank you for all your hard work, there is a lot of work that we don't see you do but it is your efforts and long hours that helped make a successful Convention. Sometimes we forget that we are all unpaid volunteers.

As Christmas is only a few days away I know that we are all looking forward to a break from our Lions activities as at the moment most clubs are in full swing fund-raising and I wish you all well. Thank you Burleigh Heads for hosting our last Cabinet meeting for this year and also for the great hospitality at our Christmas dinner. Thank you 2VDG David for providing the challenging entertainment which we all enjoyed immensely.

Don and I are enjoying the club visits and I have visited several projects that clubs are holding as well. The Rosewood Street Carnival was a fabulous evening involving the whole community. Well-done Rosewood. Congratulations on 60 years Kingscliff Lions and also to Ballina Lions for 65 years. Visiting the Griffiths University Lions project was an exciting time, well done. I went into the PA Hospital with Lions Medical Research Foundation Director Sue Thomson and learnt a lot more of what is happening in the world of research.

The visits that the DG Team are making are enlightening, fun and a wonderful way for us to get to know the great people in Q1 and hear about all the service projects you are all doing.

Our sympathy to 2VDG David as he hobbles around on crutches after falling down a flight of stairs, and breaking his leg. Rest up David we all send speedy recovery wishes your way.

**Don and I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.**

We are really appreciative of all the hard work you all do helping others and volunteering freely of your time. We still have seven months to go before we welcome our 1VDG in as our new DG for 2018-2019. So let's see if we can fulfill all our District goals and hand over a healthy, happy District to her in July 2018. Good luck to 1VDG Kim who successfully now takes up the position of DGE and will be holding her planning meetings for the next Lion's year and getting her new Cabinet members together.

**Congratulations also to incoming 2VDGE Di McCrae and 1VDGE David Greenup.**

As this end of year approaches, it's time to start planning how your Club will get involved in Lions Awareness Day 2018 and revisit your Club's goals for the rest of our Lion's Year. Have you started any new members? Remember that the Limited Edition Centennial Badge stops on the 30 June 2018, so this will be your last chance to receive your Sponsor badge and the only chance for your new members to receive the Limited Edition Badge.

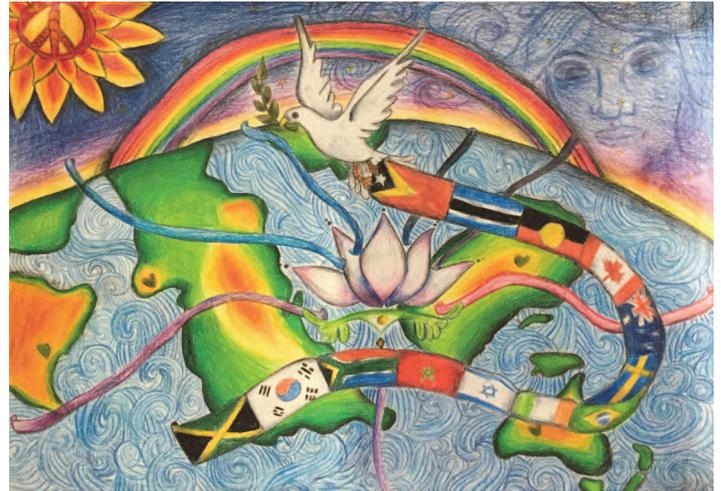
As a District let's see how many clubs will qualify for the 2017-2018 Club Excellence Award. It has only four things to achieve to qualify

1. Membership- maintained Club membership or had a net growth.
2. Service – completed three Service Activities and contributed to LCIF.
3. Organizational Excellence- Club is in good standing and Club Officers participated in a leadership Training event and improved club operations.
4. Marketing and Communication- the club has promoted its service activities through Local Media and or Social Media.



**Congratulations to all clubs that sent Peace Poster entries in and congratulations to the Lions Club Lennox Head for entering the winning poster of 10 year old Alani Adamson from Lennox Head Primary School.**

Congratulations to all other entries for which I have done up a District Governor's Honourable Mention Certificate. Your posters and certificates will be in the mail to you soon. However, regrettably there were several entries that could not be part of the judging as either the paper size was wrong, the sticker was not on the correct side or the student was under aged. This is something we need to be aware of next year. Thank you to Chairperson Lyndon Kurth for promoting and coordinating this for our District.



*Mother Nature's smiling to peace.*



**Save the Date – Saturday 3 March 2018 is Lions**

Awareness Day, a national day for Lions to celebrate and share the amazing work we do in our communities. It's a chance to show all Australians that We Serve, #MoreThanSausages.

On Lions Awareness Day, all Clubs are invited to participate by setting up a stall or holding a BBQ and talking with your community about the amazing work your Club and our organisation as a whole does every day.

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The new materials will take a fresh, modern approach and will highlight our core service areas, projects and Foundations and the latest statistics and results to show the Australian public just how far-reaching and valuable our organisation is.

Have you seen the latest video from MD about everything we do? If not, it is worth checking it out as you find your way around the MD web site: <http://lionsclubs.org.au>

Bee together in Service  
Don and I wish you all a safe and Merry Christmas

**Ann Reed**  
District Governor 2017-2018, District 201Q1

## From the desk of Cabinet Secretary

“WHAT! the Christmas period is upon us already, so soon many will say, but many clubs will be out in their communities selling Lions Christmas cakes, wrapping gifts at shopping centres, doing the many different Christmas projects that your club does as well as bringing cheer to the elderly and the young. This is also a time when we can talk to the public about Lions and see if we can get new members.

The next Cabinet meeting will be hosted by the Camp Hill Carindale Lions Club on Saturday 17th February, with the venue to be advised, reports need to be to me by early February.

The membership for our district as at 27 November is 1893 a drop of two from last report. The number of Lions worldwide is 1,438,537, a gain of 5,537 from last report. Now, we enter the month of drops so let's hope for our district, clubs do not drop too many members.

There are a few changes to the Directory this month so please take a note

- Macleay Island** New Secretary – Colin Scoble Ph 0428 304 483
- Redlands City** New Secretary – Carolyn Watson Ph 07 3134 3076
- Twin Rivers** New Secretary – Michael Latter email michael.ross.latter@gmail.com

- DG Ann and Lion Don welcome the following Lions to our organisation :-**
- Belmont Tingalpa: Elizabeth Sommerville-Chorik
  - Brisbane Chinese: Kylie (Ka-Lai) Lok, Charlie Lu
  - Brisbane Vietnamese: Khanh Le, Myla Thi Le, Karen Troung, Phillip Yee
  - Coolangatta-Tweed Heads: Linda Jones, Ron Jones, Emily Somerville
  - Goondiwindi: Jennifer Lowe, Gae Smith
  - Logan Underwood: John Guiton, Pamela Joll, Peter Joll

I wish all Lions, Lioness, Leos and their Families a safe enjoyable, very restful Christmas and a Healthy Prosperous New Year.

**Lorraine McKenzie**  
Cabinet Secretary

**DG Team Visits for October are as follows:-**

DECEMBER		
Rosewood	1st	DG Ann Reed
Street Carnival 6-9pm		
Coolangatta Tweed Heads	5th	DG Ann Reed
JANUARY		
Sydney	20th-21st	Council Meeting

### SPECIAL NOTICE

All clubs please pay for your cakes!  
They are not on consignment we have to pay by the end of the month please.  
If not we will not get a BIG rebate to Cabinet.

Thank you for your hard work with selling cakes this year.  
We are now (30/11) 3500 cartons above last years total. Well done.  
Have a great Christmas and then start planning for next year!!

Many thanks  
**Sandra, Cakes, Cookies and Mints.**



## CARRARA LIONS "CHRISTENED" THEIR NEW BBQ TRAILER ON 15TH NOV



Carrara Lions "christened" their new BBQ trailer on 15th Nov. with a champagne toast with the help of Club President Ben Kelly (left in white shirt) and Lions' 201Q1 District Governor Ann Reed who was guest speaker at the Club's dinner meeting.

The lead on this trail-blazing project was Dave Wilman who applied for the Gambling Casino Benefit Fund Grant; studied plans and maps to come up with the right design; liaised with a custom trailer maker and produced the final result. Some of the finishing touches were funded by a further grant that Club Member Mal Scott made application for from the local Federal member Steven Ciobo. The trailer has dedicated spaces for eskies, pull out BBQ and attached marquee.

**Roxanne Scott**



## LIONS MEDICAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION

Lions Medical Research Foundation held its Annual General Meeting on Sunday 12 November 2017 at the University of Queensland Centre for Clinical Research at the Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital.

New Directors were elected, and departing Directors thanked. Presentations were made to departing Company Treasurer, Robert Dove Q1 and departing Chairman Austin Lanphier Q2. Les Crossman Q4 and Roxanne Scott Q1 both stepped down from the Board.

The Foundation thanks them all for their support and commitment and warmly welcomes new Directors, Kathy McCosker Q4, John Holliday Q2 and Penny Kourra Q1.

**Allan Turner was appointed as Chairman, and Bob Goldsworthy as Deputy Chairman, and the current Board of Directors is comprised as follows:-**  
**Directors: Allan Turner - Chairman, District Q3; Bob Goldsworthy - Deputy Chairman, District Q3; Lesley Lyons - Director, District Q1; Penny Kourra - Director, District Q1; Di Pyers - Director, District Q2; John Holliday - Director, District Q2; Kathy McCosker - Director, District Q4;**

## LIONS MEDICAL RESEARCH PERSONALITY QUEST UPDATE

**At a recent meeting, the Board of Directors of Lions Medical Research Foundation voted, by majority, to suspend the 2017-2018 Lions Medical Research Personality Quest.**

The Quest has been the most significant event on the Foundation's fundraising program since 1969 when it was first introduced to the Lions Clubs of Queensland and Northern New South Wales, the constituent members of Lions Medical Research Foundation.

Many entrants and many clubs have contributed many millions of dollars over the last 47 years, allowing the Foundation to support early career medical researchers. While the Foundation remains committed to working with the Lions community, patrons and supporters, and the medical community to fund ongoing research, viable means of securing that funding remain the primary concern.

In its prime, the Quest secured over 80 entrants in a single year raising hundreds of thousands of dollars, but in 2017, the Quest secured only 11 entrants. The current Quest has received confirmation and payment from 3 Clubs, with some additional interest.

This has been an undeniable trend in recent years and one that can no longer be ignored. As a consequence, the Board of Directors has made the decision to suspend this current Quest, while a full review of current fundraising programs is undertaken. As part of this process, the Foundation will be engaging with Lions Clubs across all Districts in Queensland and Northern New South Wales.

Chairman Allan Turner on behalf of the board confirmed the suspension is in effect immediately. "This decision has not been made lightly and the future of the Quest has been on the agenda for many months. Given declining support from Clubs, reduced number of entrants, and diminished fundraising targets, this decision supports a long term view of where the Foundation needs to head in terms of its fundraising agenda"

Lesley Lyons, Personality Quest Committee Chair said, "It is with a heavy heart that this decision has been made. Despite a long and proud history, the Quest simply does not attract the same level of interest from our Clubs or entrants, and without this support the Quest is not sustainable in its current format."

The Board of Directors sincerely thanks the numerous people and Clubs who have proudly, affectionately and steadfastly supported the Quest since 1969. They respect the origins of this program, its history and the enormous contribution it has made to Lions Medical Research Foundation.

## SAVE THE DATE

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### New PR Materials

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**The new materials** will take a fresh, modern approach and will highlight our core service areas, projects and Foundations. We have gathered the latest statistics and results to show the Australian public just how far-reaching and valuable our organisation is.

**As the end of year approaches**, it's time to start planning how your Club will get involved in Lions Awareness Day 2018. Please stay tuned for more updates from the MD201 Office on how your Club will be able to access the new PR materials.

**Lion John Clark. Marketing and Public Relations.**

## OVERHEARD AT THE BAR:

*On my way to Convention, I saw a driver texting and driving. It made me so mad I threw my beer at him. Anyone who thinks "talk is cheap"...obviously didn't pay my daughter's last mobile phone bill!*

**I'VE GIVEN UP SOCIAL MEDIA** for the New Year and am trying to make friends outside Facebook while applying the same principles. Every day, I walk down the street and tell passersby what I've eaten, how I feel, what I did the night before, and what I will do tomorrow. Then I give them pictures of my family, my dog, and me gardening. I also listen to their conversations and tell them I love them. And it works. I already have three people following me—two police officers and a psychiatrist.





## 201Q1 LISMORE CONVENTION 2017 REPORT

### The Party is over.

The Convention proved a very successful event for the Lismore Lions Club with the event drawing everyone in the club to come together and work as a team to ensure a positive result. This also includes the cooperation of members of Goonellabah, Wollongbar and District Lions assisting us.

Thanks to Lion Jennafer Perkins in the chairperson position to keep everything on track throughout the planning stages.

I sincerely want to thank everyone within the club for your commitment to ensure everything went to plan. You all worked long hours over the three days to ensure all bases were covered and there were minimal glitches.

The registration room worked very smoothly with everyone kept busy keeping up with the influx of conventioners. Although, the late registrations kept Lion Keith very busy ensuring they were registered and booked for all the required functions.



The Barefoot Gypsies were a delight to watch. Amazing costumes, effects, gorgeous girls and wide eyed males watching every twist and turn. Thank you to everyone who jumped in on the Saturday morning with the breakfast bedlam. Slow toaster, no staff, however plenty of food. We hope all people were satisfied at the end of the day.

The Saturday night dinner proved very successful. Lovely table presentation, beautiful scroll with the Lismore Lions Charter Meeting on it creating a great piece of memorabilia. Thank you for your creativity Lion Marie Hayes for organising the table decoration with your band of helpers. We all enjoyed a delicious dinner, wine, beautiful music, dancing and good fellowship. What more could we have asked for?



How about all these handsome men and gorgeous ladies dressed up in 1940's style to wow everyone.



Lions Lady Annette taking out the first prize for best dressed lady. Very dapper escort Annette.

The Sunday Memorial Service proved a very emotional experience for many people. A lovely service and the Heart designed by Lion Don, how beautiful was that? Very effective. Don put about 100 hours into making the Heart.



Our sincere appreciation to Rotary West for ending our very busy week end and lifting the load off our shoulders by providing a barbecue for 240 people. They made it seem like a picnic with everything going so smoothly with the barbecue and the serving of salads, fruit, juice etc.

Many Lions were very happy to be able to visit the Lions Fountain Area and view all the lovely artwork.

However, the work had not finished. So once again after lunch, back to packing up and cleaning up at the club. Also on the Monday more work returning display equipment and delivering blankets, beanies and other goodies to the Winsome hotel.

**Thank you all and WELL DONE.**



## FORMATION OF BRISBANE VIETNAMESE LIONS CLUB



Lion Dance Assembly

Some 250 Lions and guests attended the newly formed Brisbane Vietnamese Lions Club had their Charter Night on 4 November 2017. It was an entertaining and colourful evening exhibiting some of the cultural aspects of the Club. The Lion Dance kicked off with a big bang, enjoyed by all attendees. The singers and display of the traditional Vietnamese dresses added colour to the evening.



Charter Night gathering

District Governor Ann Reid officiated the Board and handed the gong, gavel, banner to the President James Vuoug. The sponsoring Club, Brisbane Chinese, President Kelvin Yap also presented a flag set.



DG Ann Induction & Handing over Club Banner

The Club has chosen Diabetes, one of the recently added service challenges from LCI, as its first charity target of which the proceeds for the evening. The Club Executives together with the Guiding Lion PDG Peter Ho paid a visit to Diabetes Queensland on 15 November 2017, met with CEO Michelle Trute and donated \$5,005 to promote awareness of diabetes.



Visiting Diabetes Queensland, with CEO Trute

The Club intends to further the promotion of diabetes awareness, joins Brisbane Chinese Lions Club for Christmas wrapping exercise, Chinese New Year and Citizenship ceremony in 2018, and many more activities to truly reflect our motto – WE SERVE.



Christmas Wrapping Volunteers

### DIABETES PROMOTION

During the Lions Awareness Day scheduled on 3 March 2018, it is suggested Clubs perhaps consider taking this opportunity to promote Diabetes awareness.

I have contacted Diabetes Queensland (DB) on this. They obviously would have plenty of diabetes related materials for public distribution and are happy to provide assistance.

The contact person from DB is:

**Jen Boggiano – Executive Assistance to the CEO**  
 email: [jboggiano@diabetesqld.org.au](mailto:jboggiano@diabetesqld.org.au)  
 Phone: 07 3506 0900

### LEGACY PROJECTS

As part of the centennial celebration, Clubs in the world have been planning and executing legacy projects to commemorate the occasion. International President Naresh Aggarwal has instituted a special President Award for leadership in the implementation of Centennial Community Legacy Projects that are high profile, high impact and instill pride in Lions. I am looking for Clubs that have completed the projects in 2017-2018 and am happy to recommend Lions for the award.



### CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION DINNER

**Date:** Friday, 16 March 2018,

**Venue:** Acacia Ridge Hotel,  
 1386 Beaudesert Road, Acacia Ridge

**Cost:** \$55 per head for 3 course meal,  
 bar at own cost

**Dress code:** After 5

**Payment to-**

**District 201Q1 admin account:** BSB 014-201 A/C: 900-195-229

**email Peter Ho payment receipts and names of attendees**  
[Lion.peterho@gmail.com](mailto:Lion.peterho@gmail.com)

*Lord Mayor Graham Quirk has agreed to be the guest of honour, together with*

*Prof John Prins who will present his research on Diabetes, Plus...*

*PID Ken Bird will provide a history rundown of LCI and Australian Lions, and*

*PDG Ken Mulcahy will present significant projects from Clubs in the last 70 years.*

*PDG Ken Mulcahy will contact Clubs for suitable project information.*

**WHERE THERE'S A NEED THERE'S A LION.**

**PDG Peter Ho – Centennial Coordinator 2016-2018, [Lion.peterho@gmail.com](mailto:Lion.peterho@gmail.com)**

## CABINET MEETING

**DATE CHANGE** Next Cabinet Meeting hosted by the Lions Club of Camp Hill will be on 17 February 2018.

## LEO OF THE YEAR

This will be held on Sunday 11th February 2018 at Merrimac Primary School. Final winners will be announced at a luncheon that day.

## PEACE POSTER WINNER

Alani Adamson (Age 10) Lennox Head Public School:  
*"Mother Nature's Smiling to Peace"*

## REGIONAL LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE



**YOU are invited to apply to attend Regional Lions Leadership Institute February 23-25, 2018 in Brisbane.**

RLLI is a comprehensive leadership training weekend that is geared to enhancing your leadership skills for Lions, your career, and your life.

The Regional Lions Leadership Institute focuses on building the skills required to become leaders at the club and district levels, and having been a club President does not automatically exclude selection. This programme is targeting newer Lions and Leos who wish to develop their leadership skills for the future and who may be considering taking on a club or district leadership role. Candidates must be Lions or Leos (of adult age). The weekend (meals, motel, and materials included) costs well over \$300 per individual, BUT your Multiple District will pick up most of the cost. YOUR COST is only \$100 for information that would cost \$\$\$ at a business institute. Don't miss this opportunity to enhance your leadership expertise. Applications must be completed and submitted by 29th December 2017 Contact 201Q1 GLT Leader Jorge Salles Ph (0418)124421 or GLT Area Leader PDG Tim Irvine Ph. (08) 6498 9888 for more information.

Application forms can be downloaded from:

<http://lionsclubs.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/2013/07/RLLI-BRISBANE-2018-APPLICATION-FORM.pdf>

PS Perhaps your Club might sponsor you to this excellent program.

## CENTEENIAL CELEBRATION DINNER

A dinner to celebrate our achievements in the last 70 years in Australia and 100 years in our Lions movement, is being organized. The date is set on Friday, 16 March 2018, at Acacia Ridge Hotel. Full details on previous page.

## CONVENTION 2018

**IGNITING THE FUTURE:** to those in need, New Ideas, our passion & compassion – **Convention 2018** – Logan City Entertainment Centre 2nd – 4th November 2018 **HOST CLUB:** Logan West

## NEW DISTRICT HISTORIAN

Congratulations! PDG Peter Ho has accepted the role of District Historian.

## INSURANCE

Please note that volunteers under 15 years of age are not covered by our Lions Insurance policy. Lions 80-89 years of age –YES 90-95 NO

## LIONS HEARING DOGS

Australian Lions Hearing Dog "Stanza" will be the 562nd dog placed since 1982 when he goes to his new owner this month.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE DG TEAM FOR NEXT YEAR

DG Elect Kim Forrest 1st VDG Elect David Greenup 2nd VDG Elect Di McCrae

## INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

PDG Lesley Lyons advises that a booking for 8th March 2018 for International Women's Day has been made. A lunch with interesting speakers.

## DISTRICT 201Q1 FLAG SET

It is now time that the Trailer and Flags undergo a major overhaul. Storage has always been a concern. These issues were discussed at the last Cabinet Meeting.

## DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

Currently we have 356 subscribers to receive the newsletter directly – this includes all cabinet and District Club email addresses. Therefore there are many members throughout the district that don't get it directly.

The District Newsletter should be one place where we can all share important information about events and portfolios. We encourage everyone to sign up to get the newsletter directly so the information doesn't get missed. Signup can be done via both website by clicking on the newsletter links.

## DISTRICT 201Q1 WEBSITES

[www.201q1.lions.org.au](http://www.201q1.lions.org.au)

There is a secondary website that hosts resources plus Newsletter Archives

[www.lions201q1.org.au](http://www.lions201q1.org.au)

Social Media – District Facebook Page [www.fb.com/District201Q1Lions](http://www.fb.com/District201Q1Lions)

## DIABETES AWARENESS LATEST RESEARCH

2 soft drinks a WEEK can increase your risk of Type2 diabetes Consuming two soft drinks a week can increase the risk of developing type 2 diabetes, according to a recent study. That was the conclusion following a review of 36 studies on the cardio-metabolic effects of sugar-sweetened beverages consumption for the past decade. (from Diabetes Australia newsletter)

## ASHMORE LIONS CLUB CHARITY NIGHT

AT SPOTLIGHT THEATRE  
185-187 Ashmore Road Benowa

*presents*

## Oliver the Musical

Director - Andrew Cockroft-Pennman  
Musical Director - Caroline Taylor  
Choreographer - Jamie Watt

**Thursday 8th February 2018 at 7:30 pm**

This award-winning adaptation of Charles Dickens novel 'Oliver Twist' About a 9-year old orphan who runs away from an orphanage. He falls in with a group of street urchins & pickpockets led by the Artful Dodger & masterminded by the criminal Fagan

The show includes the wonderful songs by Lionel Bart. Consider Yourself, You've Got to Pick a Pocket or Two, Food Glorious Food, As Long as He Needs Me & Where is Love, to name a few

**Charity Night for Kumbari Special School Southport**

*Thursday 8th February 2018 at 7:30 pm*

*Book now & don't miss this delightful musical*

**Tickets \$25.00 including Supper - Lots of Raffle Prizes**

**Phone – Doreen: 0403 810 940**

**email – [taurus28@optusnet.com.au](mailto:taurus28@optusnet.com.au)**

**DISTRICT NEWSLETTER – PAST ARCHIVES**

**[www.lions201q1.org.au](http://www.lions201q1.org.au)**

*THIS IS NOT THE DISTRICT WEBSITE JUST A RESOURCE SITE*

**FULL DISTRICT WEBSITE IS STILL AS FOLLOWS**

**[www.201q1.lions.org.au](http://www.201q1.lions.org.au)**

*SUB DOMAIN OF LIONS AUSTRALIA CLUB HOUSE*



## Lions Clubs International FOUNDATION

Lions Clubs International does not fund raise and does not make grants for humanitarian and disaster purposes. LCI initiates service programs in such areas as youth (eg. LEO Program and Youth Exchange), health (eg. Diabetes Awareness and Sight), environment (eg. Tree planting and clean-ups), and international relations (eg. Seat on the United Nations and Club Twinning).

### BUT

It is your *international* Foundation, Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), that is the fundraising arm and the grant making arm of Lions worldwide. As an illustration, the very successful Sightfirst Programs and the Measles fundraising initiative were run and administered by LCIF.

The Measles Program is coming to an end, and the new thrust will be Diabetes Awareness. LCIF has been raising money for Measles and it is hoped that the worldwide target of US \$30M will be raised by the end of this calendar year. Over the next few years, LCIF and LCI will be working very closely together on the very important Diabetes Awareness health program. From now on, LCI and LCIF will be more closely aligned in their service programs.

### SO THAT IS WHY

Clubs and individual Lions are asked to generously support LCIF's requests for donations. Clubs are asked to support the Melvin Jones Fellowship program (as well as disaster appeals) while individual Lions are asked to contribute to the Contributing Member Program. Donations by individuals to this program go towards their individual MJF credits. Club LCIF Co-ordinators can provide details on these programs to Lions Members, or Clubs can phone me on 0412 285 618 for further information.

**Rob Johnson (PDG) – District Q1 LCIF Co-ordinator**



Happiness is seeing healthy children run and play and go to school. Unfortunately, in areas where measles is prevalent, some children have those simple pleasures taken away. Nearly 400 people die from measles every day, most of them children.

Survivors can be left with life-altering complications including permanent hearing loss, blindness, and brain damage. This doesn't have to happen. Measles is a preventable disease, which is one reason why Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) is supporting measles initiatives. One measles vaccination costs about US\$1.



## ONE SHOT ONE LIFE Lions Measles Initiative

I've seen Lions pull together and accomplish great things, so I know that we can eliminate measles by donating to the cause and volunteering in local measles campaigns. Let's see what we can do to fight measles and give all children a healthy start to life! Consider donating to LCIF's measles initiative, **One Shot, One Life.**



### HELEN KELLER FELLOWSHIP

*"Once I knew only darkness and stillness...my life was without past or future...but a little word from the fingers of another fell into my hand that clutched at emptiness, and my heart leaped to the rapture of living."* Helen Keller

Helen Keller lived 1880 to 1968. She was an American author, political activist and lecturer, and the first deafblind person to earn a Bachelor of Arts degree. Anne Sullivan, her teacher, broke through the isolation imposed by a near complete lack of language, allowing Helen to blossom as she learned to communicate.

#### Acknowledge Outstanding Contributions

You can order a Helen Keller Fellowship Plaque to award to a deserving person who has made an outstanding contribution to society.

At the cost of \$1000, the plaque is a great way to formally acknowledge such work at the same time as contributing much-needed funds to help us train more dogs for the deaf and hearing impaired.

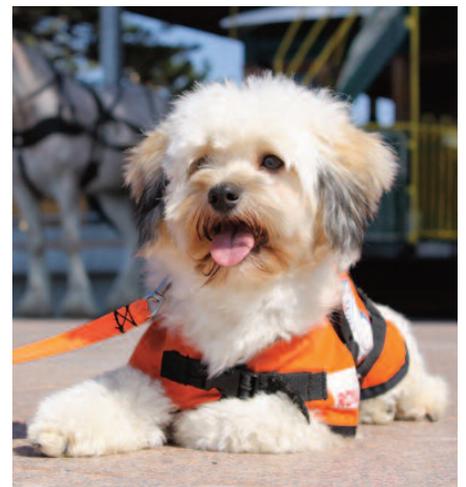
Applying for a plaque is simple. Fill out the form, provide your donation, and we will send you a personalised plaque within 6 weeks. You can also call us and place an order over the phone.

The plaque is A4 size. It is a brass plate on a bevelled-edge timber backing with wall mountings. We recommend the plaque is hung inside or under cover outside.

The images are laser etched onto the plaque with words of your choice. Other logos may be added and each plaque is numbered.

When you apply for a Fellowship, please ensure we have the correct spelling and wording (particularly with telephone orders). Plaques will be despatched by mail so allow time for delivery.

<https://hearingdogs.asn.au/support-us/helen-keller-fellowship>



# Vale



**Lions Lady Marion McIntyre**  
from Robina Lions Club.

**Lions Lady Eva Dover**  
from Boonah Lions Club.

## BALLINA LIONS CLUB'S 65TH BIRTHDAY

Thanks DG Ann very much for your generous gift of the 3 prizes for our raffle conducted at our recent 65th birthday celebration on 28 November at Ballina RSL Club.

Together with other gifts donated by our President Jeff and a couple of bottles of wine we had 8 prizes to give away in the raffle which raised over \$160 from the 31 who attended.

A very good outcome and one which helped defray the cost of meals for some of our guests who were receiving donations from us that night from our recent Fun Run.

We had a cake cutting ceremony in which the President and Past Presidents at the dinner all participated. These Presidents represented collectively 17 years of the 65 years in the Clubs history.

Donations of \$2,000 each from our recent Fun Run were made during the night to four organisations: Heartfelt House, Ballina Hope Haven Women's and Children's Refuge, Ballina Lighthouse & Lismore SLSC and Australian Lions Children's Cancer Research Foundation.



At the dinner we welcomed our State MP Tamara Smith, State MLC Ben Franklin and Shire Mayor David Wright, all of whom spoke in appreciation for the service our club has given over the years and helped with presenting the donation cheques.

**PDG Peter Dean – Secretary, Ballina Lions Club**

## GRIFFITH UNIVERSITY LIONS CLUB

On the 23rd November, 2017 the Griffith University Lions Club in conjunction with dollar for dollar funding from the Australian Lions Foundation Ltd officially completed a special project for the Village Avenue Community Church Emergency Food Relief Program,

### “The installation of a cold room and freezer room”

At a luncheon held at the VACC facilities to celebrate the achievement, Lion Daynan Brazil, President of Griffith University Lions Club said, “This has been an important project for our Club and one we believe will enhance the Emergency Food Project now and in the future.”

We welcomed as special guests, District Governor Lion Ann Reed, Australian Lions



Foundation Ltd Director Lion Lesley Lyons, and Lion Ian and Mandy Smith from Pinelands Lions Club. It was delightful to have our guests share this special event and thank them for their comments of encouragement.

Peter Cox of the Village Avenue Community Church, told the gathering how much they appreciate the partnership that has developed with the Lions and is sure by replacing the current situation, a number of refrigerators and separate freezers, will offer a greater range of fresh food for distribution.

Also attending were recipients of the project services. Lion Lorraine Bence said “It was an opportunity to hear first hand of the benefits people have experienced and how much they have valued support received”.

It has been a wonderful outcome and will ensure the VACC Emergency Food Project serves the community well in the coming years.

## Lions youth of the year

### District 201Q1 2017 - 2018

Thanks to those clubs who have said they will hold a Zone or Region Final. I am still trying to finalise the list, so may need to ask some clubs to help.

A host club for the District Final is still required. If your club can host the final please let me know and I can send you details on what is required.

#### Thanks

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### Dates for 2017 - 2018 Youth of the Year Finals

- Club Finals: to be held by Saturday 24th February, 2018
- Zone Finals: to be held on Saturday 3rd March, 2018
- Region Finals: to be held on Saturday 10th March, 2018
- District Finals: will be held on Saturday 24th March, 2018 (Easter - 30th March to Monday 2nd April, 2018)
- State Final: will be held on Friday 13th April and Saturday 14th April, 2018 (ANZAC Day – Wednesday 25th April, 2018)
- National Final: will be held at the MD Convention in Townsville - 4th to 7th May, 2018 (probably on Monday 7th May, 2018 - TBC) (Labour Day Holiday – Monday 7th May, 2018)



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## HARRISVILLE LIONS CENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS

Saturday saw 11th November, 2017 was a great day of Celebration for the Lions Club of Harrisville.

Members of the club, Partners of Deceased Lions, Community Groups and Residents spent a very enjoyable but extremely wet afternoon of fellowship at the unveiling of the Lions Club of Harrisville Centennial Memorial to Lions.

The memorial is located in Lions – Rotary Park Harrisville and features a plaque to commemorate the Lions Centenary as well as individual plaques dedicated to the six members of the Club who passed away as members.



President Lion Mick Kenny and 2nd VDGE Lion Di McCrae unveiled the plaque.

President Mick said “It is indeed a fitting memorial to acknowledge the many projects undertaken by the members of the Lions Club of Harrisville since its charter in 1982 and to remember those fine people who are no longer with us”.

Following the unveiling Lions members cooked up a free sausage sizzle and provided drinks to the appreciative crowd.

Any Lions travelling along the Cunningham Highway at Warrill View Park, please stop for a few minutes and check out the very large map of the area and the great Lions Centennial Logo that is displayed on the map. This is another of the great projects that Harrisville club finalised as their contribution to the Lions Centennial Year.

Lion Di McCrae



Lions Day with the United Nations in Nairobi, Kenya.  
Tuesday, February 27, 2018



LIONS DAY WITH THE UNITED NATIONS



Lions Day with the United Nations in New York, USA.  
Saturday, March 24, 2018

**Be one of the first Lions to reserve your spot to two of the biggest events of the year.**

Lions Day with the United Nations in Nairobi and New York will invite Lions, Leos and dignitaries from around the world to continue the conversation about the global fight against the diabetes epidemic.

Both events feature prestigious speakers and will be attended by Lions Clubs International President Dr. Naresh Aggarwal.

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Registration information is now available.