

KIM'S KICKOFF

Igniting the future

Vol 2 August



District 201 Q1

Kim Forrest

**District Governor
2018/2019**

Never forgetting the past



**1st VDG David Greenup
2nd VDG Narelle Parkins**



We Serve

WELCOME TO THE 2ND DISTRICT 201Q1 KICK OFF NEWSLETTER

What an exciting time Ross and I had in Las Vegas, the whole experience is one that I will certainly remember.

For those of you that were able to attend the Change Over dinner, I'm sure you will all agree, that the night went off well. I would personally like to thank everyone that was involved in getting it set up and making the evening a success, job well done.

I would like to congratulate and welcome Lion Narelle Parkins onto the team as your new 2nd Vice District Governor. It is with deep regret that I had to accept the resignation of Lion Di McCrae for health reasons in the family.

As of today, the District is ahead on our Membership numbers and I would hope that we can keep things going strong. Please let us know if there is anything at all that we can help your club with, remember we are here for you.

Welcome to all the new members that have come on board since the beginning of this year, watch out for the dates for our Orientation Days coming up in the next couple of months. These days will be directed at new members, but anyone from the District that feels they need an update will also be most welcome to attend.

The invitations and more information for Convention in November will be coming to you real soon now, so keep an eye out for that.

Until next time, keep your clubs Igniting the Future and Never Forgetting the Past, remember why you joined Lions and make this year a special one.

District Governor Kim Forrest – District 201Q1 2018-19

FROM THE DESK OF CABINET SECRETARY

The District Changeover was held at the Runcorn Tavern, PDG Ken Mulcahy was the MC for the evening. Thank you Lions for supporting this wonderful event.

We have a new 2nd VDG Narelle Parkins her details are email vdg2@lions201q1.org.au Mobile 0409 894 221.

Secretaries remember to submit your membership on to the MyLCI website around the 20th of the month please? If you're having problems please email me and I'll help you. All generic emails are working so all clubs should be receiving mail. You can test yours by sending yourself an email.

An electronic copy of the Multiple District Directories have been emailed to your club secretary. Printed directories had to be ordered in March and they're not available now.

Clubs please note **Libby Whitestyles** is the Cabinet Treasurer. Please contact Libby for any enquires on your Club Fees. Treasures don't forget to download your LCI dues on the MyLCI site. District and Multiple District dues have been emailed by Cabinet Treasurer Libby.

Please note: District Leo Coordinator is Libby Salles her mobile number is 0407 100 192

District figures as the 30th July = District 201Q1: 1,897

World Wide: 1,462,500

All correspondence to Cabinet Secretary PDG Lesley Lyons – **PO Box 4767, Forest Lake Qld 4078 or email to llyo5865@bigpond.net.au Mobile 0419 796 022**

DG KIM & LION ROSS WELCOME THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS

Algerster Parkinson:

Diane Hughes, Ken Hughes

Apple Mac:

Bogdan Balliu-Bottesch, Madalian Balliu-Bottesch, Susan Minehan

Brisbane Centurions:

Greg Borchard, Rebekah Russell-Bennett

Brisbane Hellenic:

Kate Comino, Henrelie Gindap, Nokki Georgiou

Brisbane Moorooka:

Shane Healy

Brisbane Vietnamese:

Huy Q Ho

Brisbane Zhong Hau:

Ling Ge, Gong Wang, Kaiwen Yu, Kan Sun, Hooyang Yu,

Xiao Yang Yu, Leon Mo, Patricia Pan

Sandra Harrison

Burleigh Heads:

Casino:

Andrew Humphreys

Logan City Marsden:

Juergen Kranz, Alice Stubbersfield

Moreton Bay:

Virginia Ollett

Redland Bay Victoria Point:

Kim Richards

Rosedale Springwood:

Jo E Friske, Julie Gouldstone, Julie Talty

Runaway Bay:

Robert Charters, Lena Halford

Stanthorpe:

Kym Dachs, Paul Drake

Tentfield:

Bernice Rowe, Robert Rowe, Mohan Siribaddana

Texas:

Suzanne Jones

If you have a new role in your Club, or are continuing in a role, make sure you enjoy the role and your successes.

- *"Giving is not just about making a donation, it is about making a difference."* - Kathy Calvin
- *"The best way to conquer stage fright is to know what you are talking about."* - Michael H Mescon
- *"Common sense and a sense of humour are the same thing, moving at different speeds.
A sense of humour is just common sense, dancing."* - Clive James

DISTRICT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for the September edition of the Newsletter will be 21st August. Copy received after the deadline, unless urgent, may be held over to the following month. Please email your articles to

When submitting articles could I please ask you to forward them to me in "word" (not PDF) I will format from there... I would like to thank District Governor Kim for asking me to continue in the role of District Newsletter Editor. This is a role I enjoy immensely. It gives me the opportunity to work with the Clubs and District Chairmen to promote Club activities and good news stories from the District as/when they occur.

My role statement indicates that the Newsletter is to include a variety of articles of interest to membership across the District as well as supporting Clubs and the District Chairmen to promote and create a favourable image across the communities of the Q1 District.

From the above, I am sure you can see that I need your assistance. My wish for the coming year is to produce a monthly Newsletter that is informative, educational and as professional as possible.

INFORMATION

Why don't you let everyone know what YOUR Club is doing?

"Kim's Kickoff" is emailed out monthly to Lions who have registered, Lions Clubs and Lions Branch Clubs, Lioness and Leo Clubs, District Officers, Zone Chairs, Development Teams, Health Groups and Project Chairs in the 201Q1 District, as well as to all other District Governors in Australia - many of whom then pass it on to the clubs in their district.



There's a great audience out there who will be very interested in what you are doing in your Club and how you are doing it.

And it's as easy as ... 1 2 3!

1. Take a photo or two of your members at work or play.
2. Attach your photo to an email and address the email
to: **greg.nothing@gmail.com**
3. Write a bit about the activity in the email and send it!

If you have any items you would like included in next month's District Newsletter (space permitting) please send via email. If possible please forward items by email with pictures in JPEG format

DIABETES 101... TYPE 2 DIABETES

Type 2 diabetes is a progressive condition in which the body becomes resistant to the normal effects of insulin and/or gradually loses the capacity to produce enough insulin in the pancreas. We do not know what causes type 2 diabetes. Type 2 diabetes is associated with modifiable lifestyle risk factors. Type 2 diabetes also has strong genetic and family related risk factors.

Type 2 diabetes:

- Is diagnosed when the pancreas does not produce enough insulin (reduced insulin production) and/or the insulin does not work effectively and/or the cells of the body do not respond to insulin effectively (known as insulin resistance)
- Represents 85–90 per cent of all cases of diabetes
- Usually develops in adults over the age of 45 years but is increasingly occurring in younger age groups including children, adolescents and young adults
- Is more likely in people with a family history of type 2 diabetes or from particular ethnic backgrounds
- Is managed with a combination of, **regular physical activity, healthy eating** and weight reduction. As type 2 diabetes is often progressive, most people will need oral medications and/or insulin injections in addition to lifestyle changes over time.

What causes type 2 diabetes?

Diabetes runs in the family. If you have a family member with diabetes, you have a genetic disposition to the condition.

While people may have a strong genetic disposition towards type 2 diabetes, the risk is greatly increased if people display a number of modifiable lifestyle factors including high blood pressure, overweight or obesity, insufficient physical activity, poor diet and the classic 'apple shape' body where extra weight is carried around the waist.

Keep an eye out for our: District "Lions Club Challenge" – details soon on how your Club can participate.

Thanks, Lion Jenny, email: **lionjenny.01@bigpond.com.au**

AUSTRALIAN LIONS FOUNDATION - HOW YOUR CLUB CAN HELP.

AUSTRALIAN LIONS FOUNDATION (ALF) Because ALF has Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status from the Australian Taxation Department, donations made to it are tax deductible to those making such donations. Although this does not impact Lions Clubs, members of the general public should be encouraged to donate to ALF in order to be eligible to claim a tax deduction.

The criteria for DGR status is that grants subsequently funded from donations are made to "persons in necessitous circumstances." Therefore, to obtain a tax deduction, donations to ALF should be made to Emergency & Disaster Appeal Fund (**BSB 036- 001 Account 474157**) or Compassionate Grant Fund (**BSB 036-157 Account 535251**) with subsequent Grants then being made, via Lions Clubs, to "persons in necessitous circumstances."

All public donations over \$2.00 received by ALF are tax deductible. Public donations can also be made to ALF via the Give Now and Everyday Hero websites. Donations made by Clubs or Districts to ALF's Emergency Disaster Appeal or Compassionate Grant Fund do not qualify for the Foundation's awards (and thus Clubs and Districts wishing to have donations credited towards the Foundation's awards should direct their donations to the ALF Ltd General Account or Awards Account (see below), which will be credited towards future Foundation awards.

AUSTRALIAN LIONS FOUNDATION LTD (ALF Ltd) ALF Ltd does not have DGR status and therefore donations made to it are not tax deductible to those making donations. Therefore, donations to ALF Ltd should be made by Clubs to General Fund (**BSB 036-157 Account 601204**), please advise if donation is for a future Award. Awards Account (**BSB 036-157 Account 601212**) to purchase Awards. Subsequent General community grants are then made to Clubs and Districts from these General and Award donations, and to fund the cost of awards. The support of General and Award donations from Clubs and Districts to ALF Ltd is therefore required and encouraged to ensure that sufficient funds are always available to fund General Grant applications received from Clubs and Districts.

ROSEWOOD STATE HIGH SCHOOL LEOS CLUB

Because the election for leadership positions for 2018 was not conducted until May, Clyde Nicoll, their Leo Advisor, for the Rosewood State High School Leos Club, was not able to meet the deadline of 14 April 2014. For this reason, the Leo Club details do not appear in the 18/19 Lions Directory.

Would you please add the following details to your Directory:

ROSEWOOD STATE HIGH SCHOOL - LC

Rosewood R 327

PO Box 51, Rosewood Qld 4340

rosewoodshs-leos@lions201q1.org.au Pres: Contact Leo Advisor **Clyde Nicoll 07 54541144**

PEACE POSTER & ESSAY CONTEST - THEME "KINDNESS MATTERS"

Just a reminder that your Peace Poster and Essay Contest preparations should be well underway with the schools. The judging of the posters at the schools will need to take place by the middle of October.

Winning Posters and essays will need to be sent in to your District Chairman – Beverley Drysdale by the end of October as the District judging will take place at the November Cabinet Meeting by the current Cabinet Officers.

Things to remember – Posters

- Children eligible to enter must be aged **11, 12 or 13 on 15 November 2018**
- **No words or numbers** on the posters
- The Winning sticker must be completed and placed on the back of the poster **on the lower right-hand side**
- The student must complete with wording describing their theme
- The sticker **must be signed by the President** of your club
- Roll your posters in a tube to be mailed to Peace Poster Chairman

Things to remember – Essays

- Contest is open to children who are **visually impaired** and aged **11, 12 or 13 on 15 November 2018**
- Essays to be no longer than **500 words, in English**
- Essays must be **type-written in black ink and double-spaced**
- Winning essays to be posted to Peace Poster Chairman

If you need any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me – PO Box 2259, Sunnybank Hills Q 4109

email – **Beverley.drysdale@bigpond.com** Phone – **0405 496 922**

Lion Beverley Drysdale, Q1 Peace Poster Chairman

LOGAN UNDERWOOD LIONS CLUB

Logan Underwood Lions Club has just completed its first year in Lions and through a lot of hard work by our members have a healthy bank account and now it is time to give back to those in need. Over the last twelve months we have been able to assist with quite a few requests for help.

We had a request from Angel Callum who works at the Brisbane Convention Centre and is given a lot of the leftovers from the conventions. These include school supplies, bags, new and used clothes, school hats, reading books, second hand toys, etc Angel sends these items to her village (Centro 9) a town in Aparri, in the Province of Cagayan (northern tip of Luzon Island), Philippines to be distributed to the needy school children and poor families from the village.

The cost of shipping these boxes is quite expensive and Angel and her sister have been paying for this out of their own pocket. Our club has agreed to pay the cost of shipping the first three boxes to the Philippines and will continue this as a project when requested.

We had our first Change-over Dinner on 7th July 2018 at the Springwood Chinese and Vietnamese Restaurant and a very pleasant night was had by all. The new Board was installed by PDG Lesley Lions and also Lesley inducted 5 new members into the club.

We gave a donation of \$2,000. to the Principal of St Edward's Primary School towards the installation of Air Conditioning Units in their Class Rooms. In addition to this we were asked to run a Hamburger Stall at their School Fete celebrating 40 years and we raised \$2,000 which we have also donated to their Air Conditioning project.

A request was sent to our Secretary, Gwen Tyson, from the Logan and District Ambulance Committee for bladders for their mannequins which are used in their CPR classes. June & Marsha were invited to our Change-over night and were presented with a cheque to purchase these bladders.

We have a few more requests for the future and look forward to the next twelve months and helping make life easier for those who need it.



TEN COMMANDMENTS TO LEAD A SUCCESSFUL LIONS CLUB

Past International President Bill Biggs in an address to a Lions Convention in Ontario several years ago, spoke about successful Lions Clubs, and set out certain characteristics of those Clubs and their leaders. We will summarize those characteristics in this information.

- 1. ATTITUDE IS EVERYTHING:** Life is 10% of what happens to you and 90% of how you react to it.
- 2. DREAM YOUR DREAMS AND SET YOUR GOALS:** To be successful you must set goals and strive to accomplish them. You need to know where you are going, how you are going to get there, when you get there, and what you're going to do once you get there. You need to be flexible on your way there and also when you get there.
- 3. TAKE ACTION AND DO IT NOW:** Don't keep putting things off. Go for it. If you want to try something new - get it started now.
- 4. NEVER STOP LEARNING:** Keep reading, listening and learning. You never know it all. Go to the Club Officers' school even if you're serving in the same position next year. You will learn something new.
- 5. BE PERSISTENT! WORK HARD!:** You get the best out of others when you give the best yourself. Provide a role model for the Club. It communicates to others and enables you to outlast the opposition.
- 6. FUN AND FELLOWSHIP:** You need fun and fellowship mixed with hard work. Your Club needs to be a welcoming place for others. Be friends with every Lion you meet.
- 7. FOCUS YOUR TIME:** Do those things which only you can do. Delegate and let them go on their own. Trust authority to others. Follow everything up.
- 8. DON'T BE AFRAID TO INNOVATE OR BE DIFFERENT:** Too much sameness limits creativity.
- 9. WATCH HOW YOU DEAL AND COMMUNICATE WITH OTHERS:** Motivate others to want to do things. Build on the people around you. Anything can be accomplished when no one cares who gets the credit. Always be positive and support others' goals. Be a teacher and coach - not a dictator.
- 10. BE HONEST, BE DEPENDABLE AND TAKE RESPONSIBILITY:** If you don't do number 10, all the others won't make a difference.

HOLD EVERYTHING!!!

THE SUNNYBANK LIONS CLUB Invites you to their TRIVIA NIGHT

Saturday, 13 October 2018 Lions Community Hall - 95 Lister St Sunnybank 6.30pm for 7.00pm start.

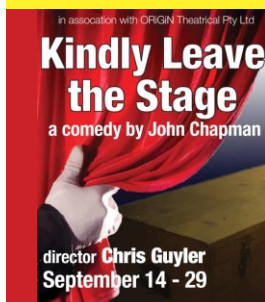
Cost \$15.00 per person - Includes supper and lucky door prize.

Teams of 6 per table or Come alone and we can find a team for you. Fun for Everyone.

Booking and enquiries: Don: don_hewett@iprimus.com.au or 0411 429 168

Dorothy Berger: midot2@bigpond.com

Please RSVP by 6th October 2018 (for catering purposes)



GRIFFITH UNIVERSITY LIONS CLUB FUNDRAISER

in cooperation with the Sunnybank Theatre Group.

All proceeds go to community projects conducted by the Griffith University Lions Club

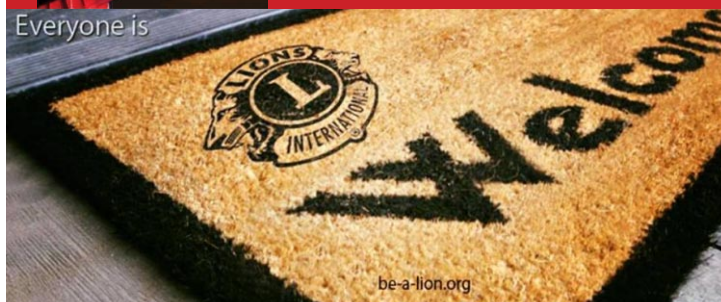
2.00pm Saturday, 22 September • Cost \$30 (includes afternoon tea)

A hilarious comedy with a play within a play coming seriously undone ...!

14 Mains Rd Sunnybank

Raffle with great prizes!!!

Contact Diana Brennan for tickets on 0417 601 629



New Members: Unfortunately, only 15%-20% of Lions ever introduce a new member. WHY? You see, people do not join, because we don't ask. **Then why, don't we ask?**

Perhaps the answer to this "No Ask" phenomenon over the years is that many of us just find it difficult to ask our friends, relatives, neighbours, work mates and so on, for fear of rejection. The fear is they will say NO and impair on an otherwise long and happy association. You

will notice I have omitted mothers-in-law from the suggested list of possibles because, as one good Lion said to me recently, he would be reluctant to ask his mother-in-law for fear she should say YES!! But we must remember, one cap does not fit all.

How can we overcome our fear of rejection? Easy. Give the actual job of asking, to someone else. At your next dinner meeting please write down the name(s) on anyone you think would make a good Lion and hand your list to both your Membership Chairman and President. Between them, I am very confident that your invitation to membership will be set in motion. Good Luck and thanks.

Which brings us to IMAGE -

Question: If you were to visit your Club as a visitor intending to accept an invitation to membership, would you want to go back? ... In other words:

- Are your meetings full of fun and friendliness and not boring, drawn out "mini wakes"?
- Does your meeting atmosphere generate vitality and enthusiasm?
- Is your Club well thought of and respected in your Community?
- Are dress standards reasonable for your climate? No singlets, board shorts, or thongs!!
- Does your Club produce an interesting monthly newsletter/dinner notice/bulletin, keeping members abreast of what is happening?
- Is your meeting venue reasonable?
- Are your meals of reasonable quality and sensibly priced?

Positive answers to all of the above are vital if your Club is to attract and retain new members. The environment within our Clubs has to be such that we want to belong, and be proud to say we belong.

Yes, as a visitor, we want to go back! We want to be part of that good strong, well respected group of men and women called a Lions Club.

And finally on Image, How do your street signs look? Do they reflect your Club's bright and vibrant personality? You show me a faded, tired and dilapidated street sign and I will show you a Club that's probably tired and fading fast too. Remember, your road signs are the first impression visitors will receive when coming to your town or community. First impressions are lasting impressions. And, whilst we are on signage, how does your Club letterhead look? Don't delay on giving that an update too as it is sometimes the first impression and contact people have of a Club. And does your Club maintain an up to date web site?

LIONS CAMP DUCKADANG

Donations: On behalf of the Board, I wish to thank the many Clubs who have made a donation since my annual letter at the end of March. The support you are giving us is truly wonderful, and will allow us to achieve more this year.

Electrician sought: I plan to put together a grant application to complete the caravans project, which will in turn generate more income for the Camp.

One problem we have is finding an electrician to provide a quote to extend power underground to eight caravan sites on the upper level near Bayley House. A water line will be installed at the same time.

If anyone has an answer to this, please contact

Lion Ian Pelly (H) 07 5496 3565 (M) 0412 364 996 (E) ianpelly@hotmail.com

An inspection of the area can be arranged. At this stage we just need a reliable quote.

Next Working Bee: Late afternoon, **Friday 31 August to Sunday 02 September.** Usual arrangements apply – self-catering, except for meal on Saturday night. Bring pillows, sheets, blankets, and whatever you plan to eat or drink.

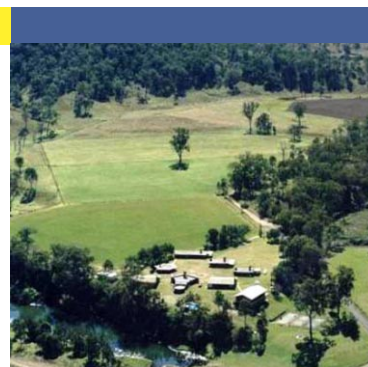
This is a weekend of some labour with lots of fellowship.

Date of Annual General Meeting: The Annual General Meeting of the Board will be held at Pine Rivers Lions Den at Woonara Drive (off Dayboro Road, and beside the water tower).

Date: Sunday 14 October, 9.30am registration for 10.00am start. More information will follow later.

Peter J Boge – Secretary to the Board, Lions Camp Duckadang

PS Our Camp derives its name from **"Duckadang"**, an aboriginal tribal elder best remembered for his persistence, determination and sense of duty.



YOUTH OF THE YEAR 2018-19

Greetings to you all. My name is Barbara Tate and I am your Youth of the Year Chair for this year, following on from Lion Libby Whitestyles. As was mentioned in the last District Newsletter, now is a great time to approach schools to get teachers and students involved for later in the year. All of you will be hearing from me very soon to get the ball rolling and try to involve as many schools as possible.

Please feel free to contact me at pc-yoty@lions201q1.org.au or **0413 471312**.

I do work so please leave a message if I am unable to answer your call.



A reminder of dates:

Club Final
Zone/Regional Final
District Final
State Final
National Final

completed by **24 February 2019**

completed by **10 March 2019**

completed by **24 March 2019**

6 April 2019

4-6 May 2019 MD Convention in Geelong



NOTE: The full range of resources for conducting your Club YOTY quest is now available on the web.

PICTURED: Tom Rockliff from Sheffield, Tasmania, is our 2017-18 National Final winner. He is here with T1 District State Coordinator Jenny Tripptree.

Jenny is over-the-moon with this as it caps-off her 13th and last year in the role.

201Q1 District Convention 2018: 2nd – 4th November

VENUE: Logan Entertainment Centre

- Friday Bowls and Golf
- Friday night Opening Ceremony
- Saturday night Dinner & Show
- Sunday Guest Speakers
- Lots of Entertainment

The Registration Form will be available shortly @ www.lions201q1.org.au



**Newsletter Editor: send article & submissions to Lion Greg NOTHLING:
greg.nothling@gmail.com OR info-officer@lions201q1.org.au**

AUSTRALIAN LIONSONOZ CHANGEOVER

On 25th July 2018 the Australian Lionsonoz Lions club conducted their annual changeover.

The difference this year was that it was a "Face to Face" (sort of) event at Karuah Caravan Park on the Mid North coast of NSW.

We were very grateful that PIP Barry Palmer agreed to officiate.

Although 75% of members were present the meeting was still conducted "on line". Twelve computers and iPads were set up and together with the remainder of available membership on line elsewhere, the ceremony took place.

PIP Barry also used a computer to install Lion Cheryl Buckley as President, Lion Debbie Weekes as Secretary and PCC Bob Buckley as Treasurer. Lions Rhonda Courtney (VP & Tail Twister) PDG Peter Veryard (VP), Jeff Mott (Membership), Marge Ollis (Bulletin Editor) and Don McLeod (Lion Tamer).

Australian Lionsonoz members rarely get the opportunity to meet with each other as they are scattered anywhere throughout Australia on their travels. The members try to meet "local" lions in the towns in which they find themselves and attempt to assist those Clubs in their projects. Australian Lionsonoz members meet once a month using their computers to access Skype.

Pictured: Lion Marge Ollis, Past International President Barry Palmer and President of Australian Lionsonoz Lion Cheryl Buckley.

PDG Warren White



AUSTRALIAN LIONS FOUNDATION LTD

"Helping Lions help their Community"

"National Drought Relief Appeal"



To all Lions, Leos and Lioness Clubs – Multiple District 201, Australia Please give consideration to this Appeal. With the approval of Council Chairperson Chris Howard, the Australian Lions Foundation Ltd has initiated a National Drought Relief Appeal in support of those affected by adverse conditions throughout Australia. Many farmers and their families are in dire need of feed and water for stock and also food, clothing and other personal items.

This National Appeal will run for a period from the 15th of July – 31st August 2018.

The Australian Lions Foundation will initially contribute \$100,000 to this fund.

Clubs and individuals that wish to donate can follow the normal procedure and send your cheques direct to your Cabinet Treasurer who will process through to the Australian Lions Foundation.

The public may also donate direct to the Foundation by using the **"Give Now link"** button on the Multiple District Website and the Australian Lions Foundation Website. **All public donations received over \$2 are tax deductible.** Please consider your support to this appeal to help those in need throughout our impacted areas of Drought.

All funds received over this period will be pooled and distributed to Districts to administer to those impacted. Districts affected will apply to the Foundation for funding based on identified needs, people impacted and for areas that have been designated drought areas by Local and State Governments.

If you require any further information please contact your local State Director of the Foundation for assistance.

CLICK HERE >>> www.lionsclubs.org.au/about/donation-bequests <<<

Your Clubs' aim, first and foremost, is to work to RETAIN the members you have.

Treat all members as an extension of your family, listen and assist where it is needed.

I am proud to be a Lion as I know you are also, let's not be afraid to let others know what we are all about, and what we do for our community.

Are you aware that if you dial Triple oh in an emergency then you are actually dialling 666.

Better that you dial Triple Zero.

Next District Cabinet Meeting will be held at Kingscliff – 22nd & 23rd September 2018
November Cabinet Meeting will be hosted by Brisbane Chinese – 24th & 25th November 2018
February Cabinet Meeting will be hosted by Stanthorpe – 23rd & 24th February 2019
May Cabinet Meeting will be hosted by Brisbane Macgregor – 25th & 26th May 2019

UPGRADES TO LIONS PARKS IN STANTHORPE

Stanthorpe Members have recently been making improvements to all the Lions Parks around the Granite Belt district, projects include: removal of old brick BBQs, replacement of all signage to celebrate the Centennial, planting of new trees along with the removal of fallen trees...and the highlight of them all... a fresh paint job for the little tractor in the Wallangarra Road Park... *It looks a treat and all the kids just love it.*

The club has just approved a future development at Donnelly's Castle to include a walking path which will be dedicated to our late Charter Member Gino Zannatta, new trees were planted over the weekend in time for the spring growth which is just around the corner now.

While attending working bees at these parks, the members have come to see the large number of people that visit and utilise the facilities, and has sparked a sense of pride and willingness to make them even better for the community.

Working bee to plant new trees



New Signage Installed



Join a Lions Club near you
and make a difference!
www.lionsclubs.org.au

Lion Len Rigg, was able to inform everyone on the history of the tractor



MORE THEN JUST A STORY...DOG!



MISSION

To make reading fun for children,
so they become confident
lifelong readers.

*No child should be
left behind in literacy.*

THE MAGIC!

When children read to a dog, the outcomes are amazing! It is a non-judgemental setting, the children's focus improves, their literacy skills increase and their confidence soars.

The accepting, loving nature of dogs gives this program its magic and helps children relax, open up, try harder and have fun while reading to a friendly, calm dog.

STORY DOGS FACTS

We help over **1,870** children each week.

There are **373** current volunteer Dog Teams.

We partner with **224** schools in NSW, QLD, VIC, TAS, WA, SA and ACT.

We have **220** Dog Teams fully sponsored; this is only **59%**.

HOW YOUR CLUB CAN HELP STORY DOGS... VOLUNTEER, SPONSOR OR DONATE

VOLUNTEER

Story Dogs handlers are volunteers trained to help emergent readers. The handler will not judge the child and will help in a non-threatening way. We are fully insured and our handlers have Working with Children Checks as per each State's regulations.

SPONSOR

When your Club sponsors a Story Dog we will put the Clubs logo on your dogs vest. Where possible the dog team you have sponsored will come to meet your members at one of your meetings. Social media & Local newspapers love good news stories and will be happy to spread the news of your dog sponsorship.

DONATE

A \$500 donation gives four children a whole year of one-on-one fun reading sessions with their furry friend. Donations can also be given to purchase Reading Books, all books are labelled with donors name in recognition for their generous donation.

MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST CONTACT

Kaylene Perrett - District Chair, Story Dogs – 0427 005 024 or kaylene@outlook.com.au • www.storydogs.org.au