

DISTRICT 201Q1 • BULLETIN 07/20

THE MISSING LINK



**‘AS ONE WE ARE MANY,
TOGETHER WE ARE ONE’**



NARELLE PARKINS

DISTRICT GOVERNOR 2020–2021

**1ST VICE DG
NICOLE PHILLIPS
(2021–2022)**



**2ND VICE DG
IAN BRUNING
(2022–2023)**



DAY 1 OF OUR JOURNEY.

DG NARELLE PARKINS

WELCOME TO OUR NEW NORMAL.

A very special welcome to club members of District 201 Q1. What a memorable day it is. I woke up this morning (Sunday 28th June) and after showering and downing the obligatory cup of coffee, dressed in my Australian uniform and proceeded to my dining room and my *mostly* trusty laptop. There, I met on line our other eighteen Australian District Governor Elects and seven District Governor Elects from New Zealand.

On this day we were supposed to be all together in Singapore at the International Convention being sworn in as District Governors along with DGE's from around the world. But life does not always go to plan; instead here we are, all together taking the International oath and being stripped of our "Elect" ribbons; not at an International Convention in a faraway land; but in our own homes and via computer.

Does this matter that we did not get the "bells and whistles" – *absolutely not*.

We are Lions just like each of you are Lions; we don't care about the grandeur or the glory. What we care about is you - the people; and people helping people.

Last year 2019/2020 we had a year that will certainly go down in the history books. We had droughts, floods and the worst bush fires in Australia than perhaps any other year known in history. We have folk who lost everything they owned; stock, homes, possessions that can never be replaced; and worst of all the lives that were lost throughout these ordeals; but the fast action of Lions clubs and the resilient Australian spirit helped so many commence recovery from this devastation and begin to get on with their lives as they never thought possible.

Unfortunately in some areas, people have not recovered. All we can do at this time is to give them our unswerving loyalty, assistance and support.

Then when we thought it was all over, Covid19. And the world changed.

David Greenup did a wonderful job of leading us as District Governor through these difficult times and I would like to thank him sincerely along with his Cabinet for this past trying year. I would also like to commend you as Lions clubs for the support you have given others and the way in which you have adapted to our latest trauma of the pandemic and subsequent lockdowns. Some of you had little or no experience on a computer and now; with the help of others; are like professionals, having conference meetings on platforms like Zoom, Go To and Teams. We still did everything we needed to do, we just did it differently – well done all.

My theme, as you would be aware by now is "Uniting the Universe" and my motto is "As one we are many – together we are one". This simply aligns with our Founder and his belief that what cannot be done by one man can be achieved a number of men. And by joining together and working as one, I believe we can move mountains.

I have called this year's newsletter "The Missing Link" and hopefully with the help of my trusted newsletter editor Stuart, we can put together an informative and interesting monthly edition with some fun things to keep you reading. In each edition there will be a noted error and the first one to pick up this error and email me will win a movie ticket.

I am also including a "Dorothy Dix" segment where there will be Q & A's. (for those young ones who don't know Dorothy Dix, I suggest you ask someone over sixty).



I am also including a "Brick Bats and Bouquets" segment where you can have a gripe or praise someone – up to you. Fun and informative. (no personal attacks please). I would love to hear from you on either of the above.

For my theme "Uniting the Universe", I would like clubs to think about twinning with an overseas neighbour. This has a huge benefit to both sides and I would encourage you to please think about it. Pick a country and if you cannot make contact directly, please email and we will set you up. The rewards are huge.

Thank you again for your support and thank you again to our past Cabinet and I am looking forward to working with you in the forthcoming year.

Kind regards – DG Lion Narelle

MEET YOUR TEAM

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CABINET MEETINGS HAVE BEEN CONVENED AS FOLLOWS:

Host Club Carrara

- Final budgets by 8th July 2020
- No reports required
- District Changeover function 18th July 2020 (6.30pm)
- Cabinet Meeting 18th/19th July 2020 – 19th July 2020 (9.30am)

Host Club

- Cabinet Meeting 19th/20th September 2020 (10.00am)
- Reports by 8th September 2020

Host Club

- Cabinet Meeting 21st/22nd November 2020 (9.00am)
- Reports by 9th November 2020

Host Club

- Cabinet Meeting 20th/21st February 2021
- Reports by 8th February 2021

Host Club

- Cabinet Meeting – (Plus, Shadow Cabinet) 15th/16th May 2021
- Reports by 3rd May 2021

LION DI McCRAE, CABINET SECRETARY 2020–2021.

Hello to all members, for those who do not know me, I am Lion Di McCrae and I am your Cabinet Secretary for this Lions Year.

Many of you will know me as the wife of PDG John McCrae who sadly passed away in May after a lengthy battle with Leukaemia.

My life has changed so much in the past 18th months, I was immensely proud to be a member of the Lions Club of Rosewood for 10 years.

We sold our farm "Blue Ridge" at Mt Walker 16 months ago and I now live alone in a Villa at Runcorn. Yes, for those who know, I love to garden and I still garden at my new home, although I certainly don't have the 4 acres of garden anymore, I just call it my "postage stamp garden", but I still love to potter every day.

I am truly fortunate to be a member of the Lions Club of Sunnybank, the members have been very welcoming and inclusive. This is the reason I became a Lion, meeting wonderful people I would not have met if I was not a Lion is so rewarding.

I truly cherish the role of Cabinet Secretary and was thrilled when DG Narelle phoned and asked me to be on her team. The role is the reason I get up every morning, after little sleep, sleep seems to be evading me at the moment. The daily challenges I face in this role are such fun and I love hearing the phone ring or the email pinging on my computer, it means someone wants my assistance.

Yes, the role is extremely challenging and time consuming, but I would not have it any other way. I officially became the District 201Q1 Cabinet Secretary on 1st July, but I have been working very hard over the past 6 months with team. We have had District Cabinet member training and 2 very exciting weekends where the Club Officer training was completed via Zoom, it was certainly challenging but lovely to see so many familiar faces online and then the PU101 form information supplied by clubs was compiled for the Multiple District Directory as well as many hours of meetings assisting DG Narelle to ensure that she has a great year.

Have a great Lions year everyone and I hope to see you or chat on the phone soon. **Lion Di McCrae**



LION LIBBY WHITESTYLES, CABINET TREASURER 2020–2021.

All of my Lions service has been via clubs within District 201Q1. My Lions journey commenced as a Leo in Chinchilla, then a Lioness when I moved to Logan before joining Lions as a charter member of the Logan City Marsden Lions Club in 1991. I transferred to my current club of Sunnybank in early 2003.

This year I will be undertaking the role of Cabinet Treasurer on District Governor Narelle's Cabinet. This will be the fifth time I have undertaken this position on cabinet.

For those Club Treasurers who attended the Incoming Club Officer's training I said that MD and District Dues Billing would be e-mailed by Mid July. This has now been pushed back until I attend an on-line meeting with Multiple District staff, but I will still have them out before the end of the month. **Lion Libby Whitestyles**

JULY MONTHLY PROJECTS LIONS CLUB INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION



This month we are going to be showcasing only 1 Foundation this month! - Lions Club International Foundation or as it frequently referred to as LCIF!

LCIF was founded in 1968 as the charitable arm of LCI to assist Lions with humanitarian projects. LCIF is your foundation and your support will continue to improve lives around the world.

Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION



LCIF awarded its first grant in 1972 to help the community of Rapid City, South Dakota rebuild after devastating floods that took the lives of more than 200 people and left more than 5,000 homeless.

Lions Clubs International Foundation is created, with the mission "to support the efforts of Lions clubs and partners in serving communities locally and globally, giving hope and impacting lives through humanitarian service projects and grants." Today, our foundation has awarded more than \$1 billion in grants.

Check out this short YouTube Video for more information!

www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pw_BWrGjMdg

To find out more about these projects make sure you go onto our socials!

Do you have a suggestion for a Lions project for us to promote?

Email us:- socialmedia@lions201q1.org.au

Are you following us?

- www.facebook.com/District201Q1Lions
- www.instagram.com/lionsdistrict201Q1

- www.twitter.com/201Q1Lions
- YouTube - Coming Soon - Watch this Space!





GLOBAL MEMBERSHIP CHAIR, PDG KENT WILCOX

A quick explanation of my role as the GMT district coordinator

The GMT is an abbreviation; Global Membership Team. Although this title sounds like this role is far removed from the general members of our district's Lions clubs, however the role actually is a conduit between clubs and multiple district to ensure the district membership needs of the clubs are being met.

The GMT district coordinator in Collaboration with the GLT (Global Leadership Team) and GST (Global Services Team) district coordinators are also part of the driving force, chaired by the District Governor. This ensures your district is strong, stable and focused on increasing membership by providing retention strategies to the clubs and encourages the increase in women's membership and new members participate in New Member Orientation.

Regards PDG Kent Wilcox - Email:- GMT@lions201q1.org.au



CONSTITUTION & BY LAWS, PDG ROB JOHNSON

Each Lions District in the world is required to hold a convention each year. A convention aims to bring Lions Members together to renew friendships, elect District officers for the next Lions year and review the previous year's operations of the District. Conventioneers also attend to enjoy entertainment and to learn about various aspects of Lionism and its projects.

Clubs or a small group of clubs usually volunteer to host these conventions. Members of host clubs are often brought closer together while planning and preparing for conventions.

Decisions as to where to hold conventions and to select the host clubs are made two years prior to a particular convention. This means that decisions about the district convention for the lions year 2022-2023 should be made at this year's convention to be held at SunPac Theatre, Sunnybank, from 6-8 November.

I would ask that Lions Members talk about submitting an expression of interest to host a convention at their club meetings and, if there is interest, talk to me about what is involved. There will be an official call for clubs to put a motion to this year's convention later, so now is the time to think about volunteering to host a convention. **Rob Johnson (PDG) - Phone: 0412 285 618**



PROMOTING CLUB PROJECTS VIA YOUR DISTRICT NEWSLETTER!

1. PLEASE do NOT send a flyer about an upcoming club project or function to the Cabinet Secretary for distribution.
2. The District Newsletter is the appropriate medium. newsletter@lions201Q1.org.au
3. The **cut-off date** for inserting articles in the newsletter is **28th of each month**.
4. Items arriving after that date may be held over to the following newsletter.
5. All articles for the newsletter should be sent using Microsoft Word or Simple Text.

PLEASE INCLUDE IN SUBJECT LINE: DISTRICT NEWSLETTER ...



FOR YOUR INFORMATION – Q & A

- Q. *What are the dates of the 201 Q1 District Convention and do you think it will go ahead?***
- A.** The dates are set for 6th/7th/8th November 2020 and will be held at the Sunpac Theatre in Sunnybank. The Convention Committee is continuing to prepare towards those dates.
- Q. *When will the Convention registration forms be out?***
- A.** The registration forms are completed but will not be released until further confirmation of social distancing from the Queensland Government. We will advise as soon as this happens. Please keep an eye on the District 201 Q1 website.
- Q. *Will the District Governor team be visiting clubs this year due to the restrictions?***
- A.** Yes, the DG Team plans to have all of the visits completed by December 2020. Your club will receive a letter from the Cabinet Secretary advising of the proposed date. This will also be published on the District 201 Q1 website.
- Q. *Will my club be visited by the District Governor or a Vice District Governor and why did it change?***
- A.** As it is important to pass on the information of the International President and the District Governor's themes and goals it is imperative that all visits be done in the first half of the fiscal year. To enable this to happen, the club visits are split amongst the District Governor and the 1st and 2nd Vice District Governors. Your club will receive a visit from the District Governor once every three years.
- Q. *What is the current number of clubs in Q1?***
- A.** The club numbers stand as at 1st July 2020 at 77 and the membership numbers at 1565
- Q. *Why am I having difficulties logging into MYLCI?***
- A.** Most difficulties are password related. After the initial setting up please take down your password and put it in a safe place. Passwords in My LCI are case sensitive and only the exact password will allow access. Log onto www.lionsclubsinternational.org.au using your identification number and password, then click onto the MY LCI tab (left hand side). If experiencing any difficulties there is a "support" button you may click on. Describe your issues and someone from LCI will get back to you within 24 hours. **Remember we are here to help you.**
- Q. *Why is the International President remaining as International President?***
- A.** International President Dr Yung Jul Choi and the executive will remain in office for a further one year term. The elected International President Judge Haynes Townsend unfortunately passed away just prior to his appointment. Constitutional and timing issues prevented a newly appointed person replacing Judge Townsend and It was decided after much deliberation that the current executive be appointed for a further twelve months. Dr Choi's theme "**United in Kindness and Diversity**" is a combination of his own theme and of Judge Townsend's theme of "Kindness Matters".

**Newsletter Editor: send article & submissions to Lion Stuart Perrett
stuart.perrett@lions201q1.org.au OR newsletter@lions201q1.org.au**

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BRICK BATS AND BOUQUETS

Brick Bats: No brick bats at this stage but I am sure you can find one or two. Please email me for the next edition of the newsletter newsletter@lions201Q1.org.au



Bouquets: To Past International Director George Higgs 94 year young who personally collected Teddy Bears from K Mart and presented them on behalf of the Lions Club of Carrara to the Ambulance station at Mermaid Waters. These bears are to give to children suffering trauma due to car accidents.

Bouquets: To Lions Club of Warwick, President Jenny Rainbird, Ros Keim and members of LC Warwick. In reciprocation of a donation of water from a Gold Coast Club, this club of Warwick donated goods including blankets, clothing, mattresses and much much more to the Gold Coast club to donate to "The Sanctuary"; a safe haven for domestic violence victims. The Sanctuary caters for mums, children and pets. Thank you Lions Club of Warwick.

RUNAWAY BAY LIONS HELPS PROVIDE WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE VEHICLE

Runaway Bay Lions Club has responded to a fundraising appeal seeking financial assistance to purchase a wheelchair accessible vehicle for a local Gold Coast boy, Harrison Williams, who is enduring the debilitating effects of Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy, which has left him unable to walk.

Duchenne muscular dystrophy (DMD) is a severe type of muscular dystrophy. Muscle weakness usually begins around the age of four in boys and worsens quickly. Muscle loss typically occurs first in the thighs and pelvis followed by the arms.

Harrison was recently successful in gaining funding for a power wheelchair through NDIS, however his family did not have a vehicle suitable to accommodate Harrison and his wheelchair. Harrison's mum, Linda reached out to Runaway Bay Lions Club seeking assistance.

Runaway Bay Lions had previously assisted Harrison in a prior fundraising effort for a different cause, and were more than happy to step up and assist once again.

Runaway Bay Lions were pleased to be able to donate \$2,000 to assist with the fundraising drive, which has been successful in achieving its goal. The money had been raised from a variety of local Lions Club projects that have been supported by the local community.

If you are interested in joining this wonderful group of people at Runaway Bay Lions Club, contact can be made by email to: runawaybaylions@hotmail.com or by phoning: **0403049535**.

PHOTO - The Williams family take delivery of their wheelchair accessible vehicle.





AWARDS ON OFFER

AVAILABLE AWARDS FOR CLUBS IN Q1 DURING 2020/21 YEAR.

Our District Governor recognises the effort clubs and members put in to make this district special and would like to thank you as members for your perseverance through these hard times.

In the past, Lions both as individuals and collectively as clubs, have been able to enter into competitions under certain categories to enable them to gain recognition for their club or zone. We are pleased to advise that this will be continuing in the forthcoming year and below are some details of how you or your club can be a part of this.

All Q1 clubs will be automatically entered and the following will provide the basis for deciding the results:

1. Lions Club of the Year

To be presented at the District Changeover in 2021 and assessed by the District Executive based on the following criteria:

- The Club must have submitted all club reports to LCI including the PU101 on time
- The Club President, Secretary, Treasurer and Membership must have attended the Incoming Club Officer 2020-2021 Development Day.
- The Club must have a net membership gain and be in good standing
- The Club must demonstrate regular community involvement through identifiable projects
- Demonstrated involvement in District, National and International Lions programs
- Represented by its allowable compliment of delegates and alternates at the 2020 District Convention at Sunnybank.



2. Club Secretary of the Year

To be presented at the District Changeover in 2021 and assessed by the District Executive based on the following criteria:

- All club reports submitted on line by the due date
- Attendance at the 2020-2021 Incoming Club Officers Development Day
- Returned a correctly completed PU101 Club Officers form to the Cabinet Secretary by 16th April 2021
- Responds to all District correspondence promptly
- Attended the 2020 District Convention at Sunnybank



3. Lions Christmas Cakes & Puddings (MD201)

To be assessed based on total sales from July 2020 to March 2021. Awards will be made at the District Changeover in 2021 for:

- Highest sales by weight
- Greatest % increase in sales by weight



Note: Winning clubs must be in good standing and have paid all outstanding product supply invoices by end of January 2021.



4. Lions Mints

To be assessed based on total sales from July 2020 to June 2021. Awards will be made at the District Changeover in 2021 for:

- Highest sales by weight
- Greatest % increase in sales by weight

Note: Winning clubs must be in good standing and have paid all outstanding product supply invoices.



5. LEO Club of the Year

To be presented at the District Changeover in 2021 and assessed by the District LEO Club Coordinators based on the following criteria:

- The Club must have submitted all club reports on time
- The Club must be represented at the District Convention in Sunnybank
- The Club must have successfully participated in a significant community service project



6. Club Newsletter

Winners to be presented at the District Changeover in 2021 and assessed by the District Governor and appointed committee.

Requirements & Inclusions:

- Published Monthly, (minimum of 8 issues)
- Club name and number, Club address, phone number and website or email address.
- Date, volume and issue number, page number, and newsletter title
- Educate, congratulate, motivate, inform members and be creative
- Foster a sense of camaraderie within the club
- It should be interesting & readable
- Editors name & contact shown
- Content quality, page layout, calendar of events & publication design
- Send monthly newsletter via email to DG, 1st VDG, 2nd VDG and Newsletter Editor.



7. Development Growth Awards

Every club achieving the target of 3 new member inductions will receive a special Certificate.

The Club with the greatest number of inductions will receive a Lions Medical Research Community Service award.

When a Zone achieves the required new member inductions for the Zone as a whole, the Zone Chair will receive a special Certificate.

The Zone Chair of the Zone with the largest number of inductions in percentage terms above the membership of the Zone at 1 July 2021 will receive the Alan Gwynne Memorial Award perpetual trophy.





GLOBAL SERVICE

“UNITING THE UNIVERSE”

Lions worldwide are committed to supporting the 5 Global Causes:

• **Childhood Cancer**, • **Diabetes**, • **Environment**, • **Hunger & • Vision**

Also supporting: • **Disaster Relief**, • **Humanitarian Efforts**, • **Youth & • Caring for Our Elderly**

What is a Service Project?

A service can be defined in two ways: a “Direct” or “Indirect” Service

Direct being where Lions plan & implement a service to serve community needs and they interact directly with the people being served. One example

would be: Lions providing a School Breakfast program to school children in the mornings.

Indirect being where Lions serve but do not interact directly with the beneficiaries of the end result. One example would be: Lions doing a BBQ and the proceeds being donated to help a charity helping the homeless.

Why do Service? This is why we all joined Lions - to help those in the community / to give back / to SERVE..

Every service journey begins with a single step. One act of service, one encouraging word, one gift of generosity is often all it takes to bring hope where it's needed the most.

That's why Lions are uniting global service around the five areas of need - which are the 5 Global Causes. These are the areas for Lions to work towards, to overcome the challenges presented to humanity, and together we can meet them.

YOUR CHALLENGE: “Shout Out & Share” your Club’s Service Projects!

This year, we would love to hear about your Club’s service projects - send me a **“one A4 sized page report promoting your service project”** - that is highlighting one of the 5 Global Causes -

• **Childhood Cancer**, • **Diabetes**, • **Environment**, • **Hunger & • Vision**

Include a description about the project, who were involved, what Global Cause it is under, who will benefit from the project (and how) and include a couple of photos as well. We are looking to hear about those “unique” projects - and we will be highlighting them to “Shout out & Share” the Kindness being done in the Community. The top three projects, as judged by a secret independent panel, will be acknowledged and awarded accordingly.

Send your entries through to me as soon as you have completed them. **Remember Kindness Matters...**

Jenny Maguire, District Global Service Team Coordinator

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SCHOOLS TREE DAY & NATIONAL TREE DAY

While every day can be Tree Day, we dedicate celebration of Schools Tree Day and National Tree Day to the last Friday in July (31st), and the first Sunday in August (2nd) respectively. Please share and "tell us about your trees" -tells us how many trees your club has planted and we can start a District tally.

Jenny Maguire, District Global Service Team Coordinator

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“IT’S HOLLYWOOD”

DG DAVID GREENUP AND DGE NARELLE PARKINS CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO THEIR THEMED

Cheques payable to Lions Clubs International District 201 Q1, post to Cabinet Secretary,
PO Box 1548 Sunnybank Hills Qld 4109 **Bank Deposit: BSB 014 202 Acc. 9001 95229**

**DISTRICT 201 Q1
CHANGEOVER DINNER**
Saturday 18th July 2020
6:30pm - 10:00pm

Lakelands Golf Club
100 Lakelands Drive
Merrimac Qld 4226

\$55 pp

RSVP: 10th July
janddmccrae@bigpond.com

Due to Covid19 and social distancing, we regret to inform you that numbers are limited and no cash may be taken on the night - Please Book Early - proudly hosted by Lions Club Carrara Inc.