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# 'AS ONE WE ARE MANY, TOGETHER WE ARE ONE'







Narelle Parkins

**DISTRICT GOVERNOR 2020–2021** 

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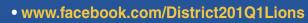
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#### **END OF OUR JOURNEY**

Oh, my Goodness. I cannot believe how fast this year has gone. Four weeks to go and I will officially take on the title of "feather duster".

What a couple of years it has been. Starting with the training in Chicago in February 2020 and the insidious virus that struck down so many of our fellow District Governors and caused many to abandon ship, to what is the now known worldwide pandemic that hit our nations. Little did we know at the time that this virus would reap havoc for not only the next twelve months, but it would change the world, our future, and how we deal with things forever.

We have not only had our usual Australian catastrophes that have caused heartache and ruin to many folk, but we have, like the rest of the world had to deal with a plaque that has shaped our future. We had the choice of giving up and letting it win over us or we had the choice of being strong and resilient, yet durable enough to win over defeat. Our Lions Clubs have done just that, and I thank you all for making that choice.

Some clubs, no matter how hard they tried, did not survive the crisis as some folk unfortunately did not survive COVID-19, but what the past twelve months have taught all of us was not only to become stronger, but also spirited enough to think out of the square and pliable enough to accept change and use it to our advantage.

I would like to sincerely thank all the Clubs in our District for their hard work in these challenging

#### **DG NARELLE PARKINS**

times and I would especially like to thank those clubs who didn't make it through for their hard work and diligence over the past decades. It was not to be for them, but those wonderful people have taught us so much and shaped the future of Lions moving forward.



I thank our 2020-2021 Cabinet members. These people are not only Lions members of their own clubs and in a lot of cases hold fulltime employment, but they are also volunteers who have undertaken to work on District Cabinet as a team to oversee the 75 clubs in our District. They offer support and guidance, and they provide assistance when and where necessary. They also hold the position of being the liaison between Clubs and District. These Cabinet members have portfolios that they are passionate about and they work diligently towards making that project count and at the end reap the rewards of being able to say a 'job well done'.

Even though I am twelve months older and twelve months greyer I am not quite done yet. I will be taking on the positions of LCIF and ALF Chairs and I will be here to help and pilot our new District Governor Nicole whenever she requires guidance.

All the very best Nicole for 2021/2022 and thank you guys for making my 2020/2021 a year to remember.

Kind regards - DG Narelle



# AUSTRALIAN LIONS HEARING DOGS (ALHD)

have just launched their 2021 May Appeal, seeking support from Lions Clubs across Australia.

The appeal, along with a newsletter especially curated for Lions Clubs and their Members, was distributed via post in late April, 2021.

The newsletter features the story of Danielle (pictured above) and her new Hearing Assistance Dog, Honey. Danielle's partnership with Honey was delayed by over 6 months as a result of COVID border restrictions, much to the disappointment of both ALHD and Danielle. Both parties worked hard to ensure that once the green light between South Australia and Victoria was given, this highly anticipated partnership could finally happen, and Danielle's life would change forever.

Hearing Dog Honey will work 24 hours a day, 7 days a week; ready to alert Danielle to common sounds that many of us in the hearing world take for granted. Before Honey, Danielle's safety was her primary concern; "I was afraid I wouldn't hear things that could protect me from harm, like a smoke alarm". Honey will alert Danielle with a 'touch' anytime an alarm sounds, to ensure Danielle and Honey can remove themselves from any danger.



A donation from you our your Lions Club can provide a much-needed Hearing Assistance Dog to someone who is deaf or hard of hearing. Danielle is a supporter of ALHD herself and says "Everytime I see a new puppy come into the program, I am grateful that yet another person will benefit from the amazing services of ALHD and be able to live their best life with an Australian Lions Hearing Dog by their side".

#### To make a donation:

- Contact ALHD on 08 8388 7836
- Send a cheque made out to 'Lions Hearing Dogs Inc.' to PO Box 164 Hahndorf SA 5245
- Make a deposit or EFT transfer to: BSB: 035 094 Acc No: 118 965
- Email ALHD at info@lionshearingdogs.com.au

Thank you for your support.



WWW.LIONSANZIPACIFICFORUM.COM



## GRIFFITH UNIVERSITY LIONS CLUB - KRAFTERS GROUP PROJECT

The Krafters, a group of dedicated Ladies (not all Lions members) who give up their time to make Kraft items for their community. **The Mothers Day Project,** Photo's shown, was completed for the Sunnybank Meals On Wheels centre and the ladies made and delivered 97 gifts.

The ladies also recently delivered Beanies to the other local projects. Thank you for your support of Griffith University Lions Club.







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ALL MEMBERS SHOULD PLEASE SIGNUP TO RECEIVE THE DISTRICT NEWSLETTER DIRECTLY:

www.eepurl.com/br7EYz

#### 2021 - 2022 DISTRICT CABINET - EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

To build furthermore onto a prosperous and exciting 2021, I am extending an invitation to all Lions from clubs in 201 Q1 to participate on cabinet. I am seeking new members to join our cabinet OR members who have been on cabinet previously in the following positions:

#### Zone 4 & 5 Chairperson

Be able to lead meeting, visits clubs, assist clubs with any questions or queries

#### District Child Safety Officer

Pre-Requisites: someone who has a current Blue Care/WWWC and have held a work related position in this area

#### Environment Chairperson

someone who has an ideas around environmental & recycling projects

#### • Public Relations and Media Co-ordinator

Pre-Requisites: currently or have held a work related position in the marketing/public relations area

#### District Historian

Great person to find history and collate it into a easy to keep format

# CLUB DEVELOPMENT DAYS - 5TH, 6TH AND 20TH JUNE

Dear Lions,

You would have recently received the date claimer for the upcoming Club Development Days Attached is the letter from District Governor Elect Nicole with your formal invite, dates, agenda. The Club Development Days are such an important event to attend so that you can receive the latest updates and information about Lions in the District, Multiple District and International.

Nicole is highly encouraging everyone in your club to attend. We also have invited a special external guest speaker who is an expert in his field to join us on the session to discuss Marketing and Fundraising - let's make him welcome! This is your opportunity to join a collaborative and engaging group of members, to foster progress and become a part of your district's vision. Being a member of cabinet it will require you to harness your position, work with others in the cabinet, attend meetings and report to cabinet, build a relationship and rapport with our clubs and provide ideas/innovation.

If you are interested in becoming a cabinet member, please submit your interest by sending a letter and a brief background (CV) and ensure that you are in a Lion in good standing. Also please include if you have particular position/s you would be interested in holding.

#### Ready to take the step?

Submit your expression of interest via email to **nicole@applemaqlions.org.au** by 14th June 2021.

If you have any questions relating to the EOI process, please feel free to contact me on **0407 763 007** or via the above email. This is an expression of interest only and selected applications will be notified in due course of positions available.

Quote: "If you have previously attended a Club Development Days before or held the position, please don't think that you don't need to attend ..... THINK AGAIN.... There is a lot of benefit of attending the day"

Get your RSVP in fast and we look forward to seeing you shortly.

- 5th June: @ Location: Upper Mt Gravatt State School, Cremin St Upper Mt Gravatt, 8.00am for a 8.30am start —— RSVP: 2nd June 2021
- 6th June: @ Location: Coolangatta State School, Staplyton St, Kirra, 8.00am for a 8.30pm start RSVP: 2nd June 2021
- 20th June: @ Location: Warwick Senior Citizens, 13a albert St, Warwick, 8.30am for a 9.00am start —— RSVP: 15th June 2021

RSVP: Cab Sec Di cabsec.Q1@lions.org.au

# RUNAWAY BAY LIONS SUPPORTS THE FIGHT AGAINST CHILD SLAVERY

Runaway Bay Lions Club is supporting the fight against child slavery though our support of Hope for Justice. Hope for Justice, is a global charity working to end modern slavery and human trafficking, has directly rescued more than 800 victims of modern slavery and assisted in the rescue of many others.

Last year, Hope for Justice reached more than 100,000 children globally through outreach and community education initiatives designed to prevent human trafficking. During the same period, the charity reintegrated more than 1,000 children back to their families or to a safe family-based care.

Hope for Justice owns and runs an innovative social enterprise, Slave-Free Alliance, which provides services to businesses seeking to protect their operations and supply chains from modern slavery.

Hope for Justice's work around the world is split into four core strands;

- Preventing Exploitation Outreach teams, self help groups and community prevention initiatives empower people to protect themselves and their families from predatory traffickers and their recruiters
- Rescuing Victims Investigators and community engagement specialists work with police and other agencies to identify victims of modern slavery and remove them from exploitation
- Restoring Lives Advocacy teams provide support, including help to access housing, employment, health support and legal assistance



Photo – Lions President Jean McNeill presents a cheque to Jenny Crewes of Hope for Justice

 Reforming Society – Training professionals, including police, health workers and community groups to spot signs of modern slavery and respond to effectively

The volunteer members of Runaway Bay Lions Club are proud to offer their support to this wonderful organisation. If you are interested in joining this wonderful group of people at Lions, contact can be made by email to **runawaybaylions@hotmail.com** or by phoning **0403 049 535.** 

#### **PLEASE NOTE:**

Our NEW District Newsletter Editor: Lion Mark McCosker send article & submissions to

SAME EMAIL ADDRESS: newsletter@lions201q1.org.au PLEASE INCLUDE IN SUBJECT LINE: DISTRICT NEWSLETTER ...

# TENERIFFE LIONS – APPLY YOUR SKILLS TO HELP WOMEN ESCAPING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Teneriffe Lions were impressed by a recent presentation by Brisbane charity Open Haven in helping women escaping from Domestic Violence reintegrate into the community. Regrettably, some women have been repressed to such a degree that they now need training in basic life skills. Open Haven provide this service but need support from community members willing to share their skills.

At the Teneriffe Lions we believe that another way to serve and make a difference to people's lives is by offering the wide knowledge, skills, and experience of our club members. For this purpose, we are creating a "Lions Skill Matrix" with a set of skills that our club members are willing to share.

The plan is to use this matrix to deliver guidance/training/mentorship/workshops to Open Haven (and perhaps others) that can go from teaching tips to find a job or how to run a successful event, throughout to skills to improve the wellbeing in our community.

We are inviting our Brisbane-based Lions Community to contribute and participate in this great initiative. You don't need to have a teacher or training certificate. You only need the passion, desire, and time to share your knowledge with our community. Teneriffe Lions will work with Open Haven to map out a program of guidance / training / mentorship/ workshops at Bulimba. Your input can be once-off, occasionally or regularly depending on your availability and skillset.



## **Support Services**

For more information or if you are interested, please contact Teneriffe Lion Claudia Murillo at claudia@mycloud.land

#### **Background on Open Haven**

Open Haven was established in 2015, with a vision to empower women who are survivors of domestic violence. We support these vulnerable women, so that they can become self-sufficient and re-established themselves into the community.

When professional support is required, our job is to direct each woman to the appropriate services. Often, women in these situations aren't even aware of what is available to them. Sometimes when they are aware, they have no access or are intimidated by the process. We have a growing network of organisations and individuals who are there to help.

What makes Open Haven unique, is that we do not assist only at the point of crisis to fill a specific need. There are many organisations that do that already. Here at Open Haven, we extend an open invitation to women for as long or as short as they need. If they have had their immediate needs met, but still desire encouragement or friendship, we are there for them.

(ref: https://www.openhaven.org.au/about)









#### **UPCOMING CHANGE-OVER INVITE**

## LIONS CLUB OF BRISBANE HELLENIC INC. MD 201Q1



#### **CLUB's CHANGE-OVER EVENT 2021**

Friday, 18/06/2021 at 6.30 for 7.00 pm Start

Seat-down Dinner at -

The Australian Hellenic Sports Centre /
Brisbane Olympic United Soccer Club
Cansdale Street, Yeronga

(Between The Brisbane Corso and Hyde Road)

<u>Cost</u>: - \$35 per person (Pay at the door) (Incl. Greek Sweets / <u>BYO</u> Drinks and Tea or Coffee)

For catering purposes, <u>Bookings are ESSENTIAL</u>
by no later than Friday, 11th June 2021
\*Note: No Show Up – You Have To Pay Later!

Call Lion Dennis to book your seat(s) - 0407 145 709



#### **UPCOMING CHANGE-OVER INVITE**



## 1966-2021 Redlands City Lions Club Celebration of 55 years Of Community Service

Dear Lions,

I would like to extend an invitation to all Lions, Lioness's, Leo's and friends to join the club in a special Changeover celebrating 55 years of dedicated community service.

The Venue: Redland City Lions Hall

Shore St West Cleveland 4163

When: Saturday 26th June 2021 6.30pm for 7.00pm

Theme: German night



Dress: After 5 wear, preferably in Red

Cost: \$35 per head (payment strictly in advance please)

Bank details BSB 014231 A/C 374811158 (Ref Your "Surname/Club")

Parking: plenty of free off street parking

RSVP: Jo Wilcox Treasurer by Friday 18th June 2021 e.mail; j.wilcox@bigpond.com

PDG Kent Wilcox Club President





#### **UPCOMING CHANGE-OVER INVITE**





## Warwick Lions Club Inc

**Invites 201q1 Clubs** 

To Our Annual ★
Changeover Luncheon

Senior Citizens Club Albert Street, Warwick

> Sunday 27th June 2021 12.00pm for 12.30pm \$30.00 per person

Dress: Smart casual

RSVP: 18th June 2021

John Griffith, Warwick Lions Club

P.O. Box 194, Warwick 4370

Email: warwicklions@gmail.com

Ph: 0439 724 710



#### **UPCOMING DISTRICT CHANGE-OVER INVITE**

# DISTRICT Q1 CHANGEOVER 2021 - 2022

**DISTRICT GOVERNOR NARELLE** 

**AND** 

**DISTRICT GOVERNOR ELECT NICOLE** 

**INVITE YOU** 

WHEN: 17TH JULY

**WHERE: GERMAN CLUB - 416 VULTURE ST** 

**EAST BRISBANE** 

**TIME: 6.30PM FOR 7PM** 

**COST: \$50** 

**DRESS: SMART CASUAL** 

**RSVP: 8TH JULY** 

CABSEC.Q1@LIONS.ORG.AU

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#### DISTRICT WEBSITE - WWW.LIONS201Q1.ORG.AU

#### 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 ...