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Nicole Phillips
DISTRICT GOVERNOR 2021 - 2022



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I would like to firstly take the opportunity to let each Lions Family member know in NSW that we are all thinking of you as we know it must be extremely difficult. I would like to ask every Lion member to keep in contact with each other, even host a club or

community Trivia night, this may not raise funds for your community account but it will help increase the community spirit and help with a welfare check.

As we have cabinet officers in NSW we will be having them join us via Zoom in our upcoming Cabinet Meeting in September and I will be attending the Council of Governors meeting as well via Zoom next weekend. Watch this space next month for any update from the Council.

MULTIPLE DISTRICT UPDATES

- New Lions Australia website is now LIVE and looking very nice, please check it out
- Celebrating 75 years and counting advertising campaign has started, have you thought about what your club is going to do?
- New Leo Club related Resources are also available on the Lions Australia website

UPCOMING DISTRICT EVENTS

- Kahoot/Trivia Night - 3rd Sept 6.30pm bring your cheese and wine
- Q & A Night - 10th Sept 7.15pm for 7.30pm start, submit your questions to our cabinet secretary

UPCOMING DISTRICT TRAINING

- MyLion past and future service activities - 12th Sept 3pm - 4pm
- MyLion Membership reporting - Date TBC

UPCOMING MAJOR ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The below dates can turn into project ideas for your club:

- Order your Xmas Cakes
- Think about participating in the Spring for Research for LMRF campaign
- International Literacy Day - **8th Sept**
- "Are you OK?" day - **9th Sept**
 - o Make sure you are contacting anyone you know on this day or week
- World Alzheimer's Day - **21st Sept**
- World Environment Health Day - **26th Sept**
- International Podcast Day - **30th Sept**

MY CHALLENGE TO YOU: MAKE YOUR FIRST PODCAST!

Please start having a look at what you can do in October or November so you can start planning. You might even think of some of these days where you can create an online event or function... Possibilities are endless ... think outside the box!

DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP STATS:

- **District Current membership** 1513
- **District Total members added:** 29
- **District Total members dropped:** 25

LIONS CLUB INTERNATIONAL STATS:

- **Total Membership:** 1,382,898
- **Total Members added:** 46,323
- **Total Members dropped:** 29,951



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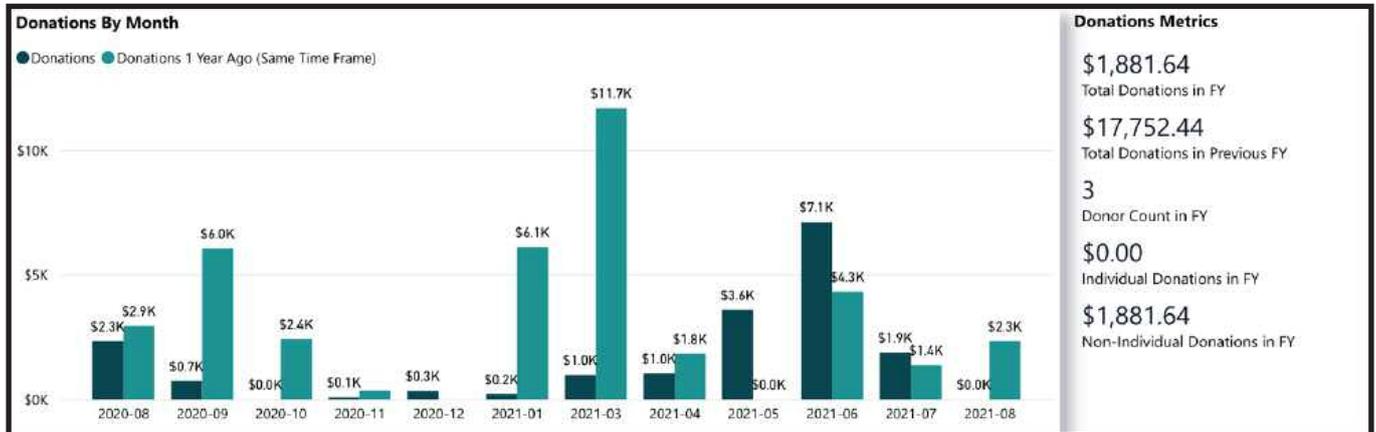
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DISTRICT TOTAL SERVICE ACTIVITIES

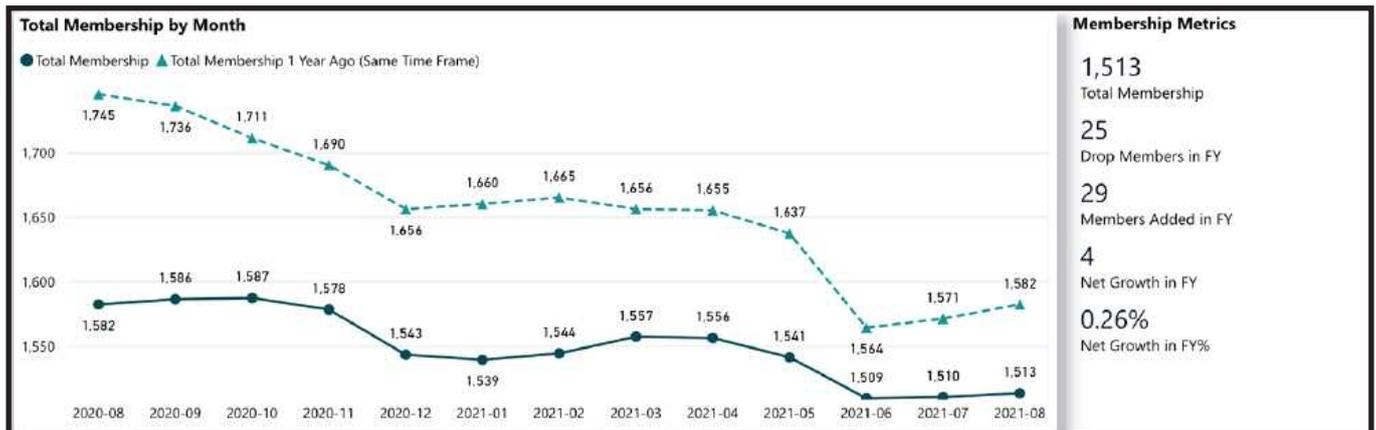
Let's continue to report as these statistics are very important for Lions Clubs to build partnerships and gain sponsors. This not only helps Lions as a whole it will help you as a club to have accurate statistics when you apply for grants.



DISTRICT TOTAL DONATIONS

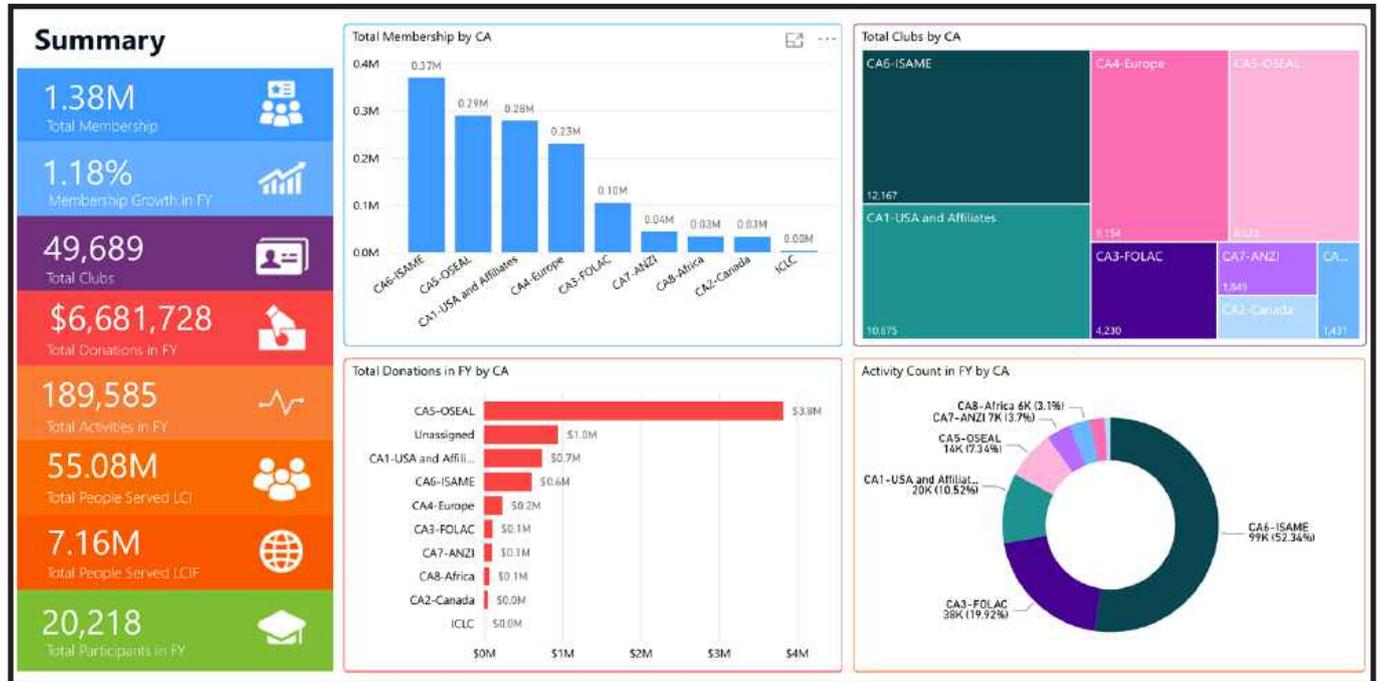


DISTRICT TOTAL MEMBERSHIP





OVERVIEW OF LIONS CLUB INTERNATIONAL



Were you able to answer those questions from my last article? if not go back and try and answer them. It is a good activity for you to do and for your club to do and share those answers to the "Why are you in Lions", if you club has no planned or future vision start one NOW!

If you forget what those questions were, see below:

1. "Why?" are you in Lions? Do you tell others in the public?
 - a. Tell us your "Why"
- b. Have you set your **3 – 5 year strategic plan or goals** for your club? If not Why?
 - b. Quote from Benjamin Franklin "If you fail to plan, you are planning to fail"

Now September Questions to start thinking about:

1. Have you got a greeter at all your events to approach the community and ask "Do you know Lions do in your community?
 - a. This is a great conversation starter

- b. You need to have a 30 second elevated speech ready to answer with (quick and concise)
2. Created a Marketing/Promotion Plan?
 - a. If you need help let us know

I hope that you are one step closer to your 2021/2022 Club goals. Always assess a project of the effectiveness, adjust, implement, reassess and repeat.

We want to hear about your achievements and what your clubs are doing in the community. If you need any assistance "Just Ask!"

Nicole Phillips

District Governor 2021/2022



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LION *Di McCrae*



FROM THE CABINET SECRETARY

Our District Membership on 22nd August 2021 was 1514, on 1st July we had 1509 members, a

plus 5 for the year to date

As of 22nd August, there were 28 clubs who had not completed their Monthly Membership details on MyLCI, thank you to PDG Peter Ho who is working with the Zone Chairs to ensure these numbers dramatically reduce in the coming months.

The call for Notices of Motion and Nominations has been sent to all clubs, please ensure you respond in the requested time frames as specified by CBL Chair PDG Rob Johnson.

A reminder to all Club Secretaries, please take the time to join the District Zoom meeting on Sunday 12th September at 3.00pm to learn more about "Past and Future activities reporting in My Lion", the link has been shared to all Clubs. If you have not received the information flyer, please advise me and I will email the link to you.

Also, DG Nicole would appreciate all clubs emailing your Questions to me for our "Q & A" Zoom meeting on Friday evening 10th September 2021 at 7.15pm. Again, if you have not received the information flyer, please advise me and I will email the link to you.

Don't forget to join us online for "The Family Fun Night" on 3rd September at 6.30pm, I understand the organisers have a great evening planned,

DG NICOLE WELCOMES THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS TO OUR DISTRICT –

Keryn Hogan – LC Algester Parkinson

Mary McNeill – LC Brisbane Camp Hill Carindale

Sara Rosier – LC Brisbane Macgregor

Joanne Rose – LC Calamvale

Vida Mc Lachlan – LM Capalaba

Valerie Pollock – LC Coolangatta Tweed Heads

Linda Fielding – LC Logan Village

Norma King – LC Ormeau

Alison Potts – LC Redland Bay Victoria Point

Vicki Rae Kilpatrick – LC Robina

Sam Costanzo – LC Stanthorpe

Please all stay safe and enjoy your Lions Service.

Lion *Di McCrae*

Cabinet Secretary

District 201Q1

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TREASURER'S TRAVAILS

Hi everyone,
It's September already, soon we will be celebrating Christmas.

I would like to thank all Clubs who have promptly paid their LCI, MD and District dues. The

LCI invoices were available to download from early July with payment due by the 30th of July. Upper Coomera wins the prize for being the first to pay their LCI account. The MD/District invoices were emailed to Clubs on 17-18 July with payment due by the 20th of August. If you haven't received it, please send me an email or ring me and I will send it again.

It has been a bit of a learning curve. I was a little loose with my words in the last article. I asked you to download your LCI "statement". I should have said LCI "invoice". The statement just has the amount owed in US dollars. The invoice has all the details including the Australian dollar conversion. I know that, at least, 3 treasurers downloaded the statement as 3 of you attached them to your cheques. I can only presume that some of the EFT payments were also based on statements rather than invoices. A couple of treasurers rang to complain that the A\$ amount was no longer showing on the invoice and I have to admit that I was a bit confused about that and was unable to help. Now that I know, I will be all over it in January. Most did a conversion and will be right until the January dues are due. If you paid the US\$ amount, there will be a further payment to be made before November.

The other bit of the learning curve relates to Leo Clubs. Within 2 days of sending out the MD/D invoices, 3 Clubs rang to inform me that I had overcharged for the number of Leo Clubs and/or number of Leos. In calculating the amount owed, I used the Leo roster from LCI, which I now know isn't necessarily always correct. For those Lions Clubs with Leo Clubs, could you please ensure that you drop graduating students and add/adjust numbers at the start of the following year. It is important that the roster is reviewed in May/June of each year and LCI advised to prevent overcharging. And if you have been overcharged, please promptly advise me. We have a window of about a week to get it sorted before MD invoices District.

Before I leave young people, did you know that Leos who convert to Lions and full-time students are only

charged half dues by LCI and MD up to the age of 30? It is an incentive to encourage them to continue on with Lions after they finish high school.

I mentioned in the last article that MD has an incentive to form new Lions Clubs. Briefly, MD will waive dues for up to 20 Lions for a period of 18 months for Clubs which charter a new Club. If you have, say, 18 Lions in your Club, then the dues waiver is for 18 Lions. It applies to the first 20 Clubs chartered in any given Lions year.

Over the past two months, I have experienced most of the errors that can be made when paying dues invoices: payments sent to the previous Treasurer or the Cabinet Secretary, payments deposited into the wrong account, paying the US\$ amount instead of the A\$ amount. I knew what I was signing up for and, so far, I have not been disappointed. Mid-September, I will be actively following up Lions Clubs which have outstanding dues. If you could please have them paid by then, I would appreciate not having to make too many phone calls.

It is most important that the Admin Dues are paid into the District Admin A/c and that the Community items are paid into the District Community Account. Please use your Club id as the reference (top right hand corner of the invoice for MD&D, top left hand corner for LCI dues).

The District bank account details are:

Administration A/c: BSB 014202
A/c No. 9001 95229
Community Service A/c: BSB 014202
A/c No. 9001 95317

Please make cheque payments out to:
"Lions Clubs International District 201Q1"
or a reasonable abbreviation thereof.

Address for correspondence and payments:

Cabinet Treasurer, District 201Q1,
5 Maud St, Sunnybank, Qld, 4109
Ph: 0413 020 559
07 3345 1542

Email: cabtreas.q1@lions.org.au
(Note: new email address.)

I failed in my promise to keep this article shorter than the last one. I will try to keep future Treasurer's Travails a bit shorter.

Lion *Bruce Mellor*

District 201Q1 CABINET TREASURER 2021-2022



Event Page

04 September 2021 10.00AM-4.00PM

LIONS CLUB OF BRISBANE CHINESE

SPRING FAMILY FUN DAY

FREE ENTRY

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Texas Lions Club President Joan White presented with the Melvin Jones Award



Joan White pictured with Phillip Gall (Lions Zone 13 Chairperson) who presented the Melvin Jones Award to her on Saturday. Transcript of the presentation on page 2. Photograph by Terry Griffin

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Texas Lions Club President Joan White presented with the Melvin Jones Award

From front page

I would like to acknowledge Past District Governor David Greenup who unfortunately is an apology today and unable to undertake this very important presentation. He has asked me in my position as Zone 13 Chairperson, to undertake this presentation on his behalf.

For the past two years PDG David Greenup and myself have been trying to coordinate a suitable date to present this award that was awarded by 201Q1 Cabinet under David's time as District Governor 2019/20, in recognition of outstanding work Joan was and continues to perform on behalf of Lions and service to the local Texas community.

Lions have a range of awards that can be presented to Lions and community members in recognition for work undertaken by them within their community and service to Lions at the various levels from Club, District, National and International Service.

The pinnacle of awards given by Lions is the Melvin Jones Award, named after the founder of Lions in America. This award is granted once either an individual club or the District Cabinet make a US\$1,000 donation to the Medical Research Foundation or another of the Lions International projects. In this instance PDG David Greenup provided the award for Joan.

I can't think of a person more deserving of this award today and believe Joan with her club members have made a difference in the Texas community with the projects and programs delivered under the Lions Club umbrella.

Through my work at the Goondiwindi Regional Council, and in the preceding years, I had become very aware of Joan's commitment to Council and more specifically the Texas and Inglewood communities as a Councillor. Joan stood down at the 2020 election and continued to be heavily involved in the local community and family.

Joan had recently become President of the Texas Lions Club in 2018 and through her involvement with Lions saw another Avenue to continue to support projects in the local community and the cross border communities by attract funds for programs and channeling these funds through the local Lions Club.

The District Governor David Greenup was very supportive when approached to have District Cabinet bestow an award on Joan for her work within the Lions and Texas community.

The following details provide a brief but by no means a conclusive record of what Joan has achieved through collaboration between the Lions Club of Texas and local community organisations.

Joan coordinated a night at the Texas Golf Club in 2019 as a thank you to a group of caravaners who had been working in the Texas community assisting landowners. DG David Greenup attended the night at the Gold Club and inducted 3 new members into the Lions Club 2019/20.

As the drought continued the Lions Club then took on the role coordinating water distribution to the rural property owners with a budget around \$80,000 during the ongoing drought.

Joan then looked at the ongoing impacts of the drought and secured funding (\$12,000) through the PNH program to assist with the Mental Health meetings within the community. Meetings being held in Texas, Yetman and schools with guest

speaker Warren Davis, the untreatable farmer.

During this period, Joan was working on bigger and better improvements with the Lions Club at the Community Garden assisting with enhancement of the gardens and I believe a new public toilet is in the pipeline for the gardens in Fleming Street to provide further amenities and encourage more use of the area by community groups.

Joan and the Club have started morning tea meetings in support for community members to spread the RUOK message and help is available.

Today we see another area that Joan has been involved in providing community support around Dementia with community assistance pulled together a community event under the sponsorship of Dementia Australia, singing and dance from local groups, local DJ Curly, school children singers and the local Sing Australia group.

I am so pleased to be able to present this award to Joan today as a worthy recipient of the Melvin Jones Award on behalf of the District 201Q1, 2019/20 Cabinet and Past President David Greenup.

- Phillip Gall, Zone 13 Chairperson 2021 Cabinet, 6 August 2021.

LIONS CAMP DUCKADANG ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The following arrangements have been confirmed:

Date: Saturday 16 October 2021

Registration at 9.30am

Meeting to start at 10.00am

Venue: Lions Club of Morayfield and District Inc Den 1 Maitland Road Burpengary East (off Old Bay Road)

Further information and directions to the Den will follow in September.

What has God promised you? Stand on it. Be still. Mark 4:39

Inglewood 60 & Better

Healthy Happenings

* Date Claimer: Seniors Week Celebration, Thursday 19th August 9.30-12.00 Doors open 9.00am. Cathy Drummond will entertain you for the morning. Councillor Phil O'Shea will visit and talk about Casa Mia. Gold Coin Donation - Physical Distancing will be practised during morning. Please RSVP for numbers.

Enquiries: 4652 0777



THE GRIFFITH UNIVERSITY LIONS KRAFTERS GROUP

Even through Lockdown this group of prolific krafters knitted and crocheted on and had 85 of these novelty Jockey's (a cardboard roll

covered with a horse racing scene, topped with a colourful jockey cap and filled with jelly beans) ready and now delivered to Meals on Wheels Sunnybank, ready to be distributed for Fathers Day.

But, that's not all. They have many projects on the go! So far, this year alone, they have donated 859 items to various local charities, such as: Meals on Wheels (in various areas), Cops Care Program, The Seafarers Mission and Nite Ninja's, to name a few.

The Krafters Teddy's have proved to be a very popular item for the Police to carry with them and have on hand for children in crisis. They are also a valuable friend to those children in Hospital and at Blood Collection Centres.



A huge Thank You must go out to these humble Krafters. This is most certainly Service from the

Heart!





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LIONS WITH LIFESAVING OXYGEN CYLINDER

(sic)

'It was the middle of December last year. At late midnight my mobile phone rang. An unknown scared female voice appealed for an oxygen cylinder for her Covid-affected father suffering from acute breathing problem. She telephoned everywhere she knew for a cylinder but in vain. Somehow she thought that Lions Club could arrange something. At that time there was no oxygen bank at LC Bishnupur Central. But hearing her bursting cry, I ran to my Secretary Mr. Bhakat's house as I know that he has a cylinder of his own. It was half filled. By 15 minutes of the phone call the dying person was provided oxygen. And by the sake of God he survived.

Our journey started. We started hunting for oxygen cylinders everywhere. Even we wanted to buy cylinders though it was sold at the black market. We appealed to our members to sponsor some. Four of them came forward promising to sponsor one cylinder each. We emailed many companies and contacted our multiple district leaders for help. PID Lion Bishnu Bajoria ji informed that he was also trying to get some Aluminum cylinders from Mumbai. He also told that something would surely be arranged.

At that very time our respected PDG Lion Rathin Majumdar promised to lend 2 cylinders from his own club's stock. We immediately ran to him and received those two cylinders. But those two cylinders would not reach our club house as beneficiaries stood on road to get those. Only one to two cylinders were there then. After a week with the help of Lion Tripti from Bankura we bought three cylinders from a vendor of Gurgaon with the financial help of our respected members Lion Phalguni Das, Lion Ashis Biswas and Lion Santosh Jain. 1+2+3 cylinders were there. We announced officially that Bishnupur Lions is on a project LIONS MINI OXYGEN BANK to help dying Covid-affected patients. At that very time the most attractive offer from LCIF INDIA came. We came to know that LCIF INDIA announced Matching grant for being a MJF. We did not waste a day to take this opportunity and requested the members to come forward. Our then Secretary Lion Prasanta Bhakat and District Cabinet member Lion Laxmikanta Hazra donated £1000 each to LCIF with



some financial assistance from PID Lion Bishnu Bajoria sir and the then District Governor Lion Shambhunath Aharwala sir.

By some days we received 12 new oxygen cylinders from LCIF as Matching Disaster grant.

We announced proudly that Bishnupur Lions is now on a project LIONS OXYGEN BANK instead of LIONS MINI OXYGEN BANK and no Covid patient will die without oxygen in our locality.

Our promise is still intact as the project is running smoothly. We want to convey our gratitude to LCIF INDIA from the core of our heart.

We know that the story will run and surely will give birth a new success story".

This story is just one story listed on the internet giving thanks to Lions Clubs International. Many clubs have already taken advantage of LCIF's matching grants but for those clubs who are unaware, these matching grants are there for all to utilise. All you need to do is have a worthwhile project, be prepared to fund 50% of the project, google the 'how to apply' on the LCI website and go ahead and apply. – it's that simple. Don't forget to purchase your Melvin Jones Fellowship awards and receive credits for the purchase of future awards. There are 440,000 Melvin Jones Fellows in the world and your nominee could also be a prestigious recipient. A donation of \$1,000 from your club will purchase an MJF plaque and pin to a worthy recipient and by doing that you are not only awarding that special person, you will also be helping the Foundation provide that necessary help to those persons in need such as the heartfelt story above.

For more than 50 years LCIF has dedicated energies to increase the ability of Lions everywhere by helping them to empower the communities they serve.

Just to reiterate, monies donated to LCIF accumulate and will award you credits that may be used to purchase a future award. (does not apply in some special campaigns)

And what's more – your money stays in Australia.

LCIF Chair – IPDG *Narelle Parkins*



FROM IMM. PAST DG NARELLE

Firstly, a big 'Congratulations' to Nicole becoming District Governor in July this year. I was so relaxed at the wind-down in fact I was so relaxed that I actually missed the deadline for my report for last

month's newsletter. So here it is. A huge thank you to all of our last year's cabinet and to everyone who contributed throughout the year.

Well, what a year! What a 'two years' it's been.

It first started in Chicago in February of last year when 791 District Governors from around the world got together for training. We should have twigged that something was amiss at that time as people were dropping like flies. The Chinese contingent was missing and that was big talk amongst the crowd. People began feeling unwell and rumours had already started. We were unaware until right at the very end that there was this thing about called COVID.

I dodged a couple of bullets at that time. I assumed (yes, I know -never assume) but I assumed that most of the District Governors especially from Australia being so far away, would spend some leisure time in Chicago after the training. Mistake: I booked an extra week and was a lonely soul in the city.

But the Gods were looking after me. The plane that I would have been on upon my return to Aus. was infected with this new thing called COVID-19 and some of our Australian DG's became very ill and were placed in quarantine. That was bullet 1. Bullet 2 was moments after picking up some tickets in a subway there was a mass shooting in the subway I had only just left. I felt lucky and privileged not only to still be alive, but also to be an incoming District Governor. I looked at it as an omen for a good year ahead.

It was a good year – *it was a bad year.*
It was hard work – *it was worthwhile.*
It was exhausting – *it was exhilarating.*
It was an uphill struggle – *I have strong legs.*
There were obstacles – *we climbed over them.*

There were: **Hardships** – clubs who regularly subsidised their member's dues, now not being able to

do so, and thus finding difficulty meeting the commitment of annual and semi-annual dues.

Loss of Members – member loss throughout the world is at a maximum and our District is no different. Our District had a nett loss at the end of June of -55.

Club Closures – We lost 2 clubs during our year and another two clubs dropped all members at the end of June which will imminently make a loss of four clubs. We cannot blame the pandemic for everything of course, but some clubs, especially those with aging members found it extremely difficult to survive.

Disasters – Australia again this year had its fair share of natural disasters with bushfires Fraser Island, Kooralbyn and NT between August and November 2020, January 2021 we had floods, February Cyclones Nirvan and Imogen, and March to June 2021 floods again. Lions are here to help each other and that's what we did. We supplied support for those in need.

International Disasters – well, we all know what that was. COVID 19 just about shut down the world. It was a hard, tough 2020 and just when we thought we were on top of it all 2021 brought us a new strain. There is no doubting that it has been a hard time, but we have managed to overcome the most of it and we as Lions also adapted to what is now known as the "New Normal".

Whether these things were put there to try us I'll never know, I just know that these impediments were overcome by sheer determination and love of the organisation, and it ended up being the most rewarding years of my life to date.

In our training in Chicago, we were asked to complete a set of District Goals. Of course, this was pre-Covid and our goals even though trying at the time to be conservative, they ended up being in fact optimistic. Sadly, I did not fulfil all of my goals especially those in the membership area. But in retrospect we put a lot of effort into helping and maintaining the clubs we have, as opposed to the strive for club growth. And so, I am proud of that and I thank all of our Cabinet Members for their hard work and ongoing support in what is regarded as a 'challenging' year.

One of my Cabinet Members recently reminded me to release the negatives and bring forth the positives and of what we did achieve in 2020-2021.

And so, instead of feeling sad and disappointed at what we didn't achieve, thanks to her I began to reflect on what we have achieved during the year.



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Narelle Parkins

- District Governor Installations - we were the first round of District Governors to be installed virtually in our lounge rooms at midnight. Australian Uniform and all.
- District Change Over – despite COVID restrictions we had an 'in person' Change-over "Hollywood Night" spreading out so far apart that we almost needed a bull-horn to communicate.
- District Convention- we had the first Virtual District Convention in the history of Lions which was live-streamed to all clubs.
- Club Meetings - we encouraged our clubs to socialise via electronic means.
- District Cabinet - we managed to hold our 4 x Cabinet Meetings face to face albeit with restrictions. 'L Theme', 'Christmas theme', 'Dimboola goes to Athens' and our final the 'Gatsby theme'.
- DG Team visits - completed.
- DG Newsletters – monthly.
- Elderly - we encouraged our clubs to keep in touch with our aged community via mail, electronic mail and 'look out for our neighbour'. An inaugural 'Caring for the Elderly' Celebrated Senior's Week with a photo competition.
- Hardships - we worked closely with clubs and Multiple District installing a hardship program to save clubs from closure due to non- payment of dues.
- Kindness Matters Service Award – Q1 Ballina East LC featured in an International Hunger webinar 'Diversity in Service' and 'Lions Relieving Hunger'.
- Lap the Map – District had a successful Lap the Map with 15 clubs participating. 5904.21 kms walked.
- Lions Awareness Day – many clubs in District participated.
- Multiple District Convention – held in Canberra with a Q Districts dinner get together.
- Office 365 - although initiated in 2019, PDG David and our Cabinet worked diligently to help those clubs with the setting up and operations.
- Peace Essay Competition – International winner was from Q1 Australia. Joshua Wood sponsored by Lions Club Brisbane Camp Hill Carindale.
- Peace Poster Competition was excellently supported.
- Training - we held all of our International, Multiple District and District training via electronic means. This was the first time ever.
- Youth of the Year – our Q1 District YOTY state finalist went through to the Multiple District Convention to compete in Canberra. Although Katura did not win, she was an excellent role model at only 16 years of age.
- Zoom - we trained clubs so they could conduct their meetings via electronic means. Something a lot of members never thought they could do, nor would have to do.

Highs and lows, it was all of the above, and I wouldn't have missed it for the world.

I would like to personally thank our District for giving me the opportunity to serve as your District Governor and for the years leading up to it as 2nd and then 1st Vice District Governor.

I would like to thank immensely the Cabinet Members this year who worked under extreme pressure and in such stressful times, especially the GAT Team, the Treasurer and most of all the overworked and underpaid Cabinet Secretary.

I'd like to reflect on my club visits over the past three years and say that apart from the weight I put on with dinners being provided, that this, in itself, was a highlight of my job. I had the most wonderful time meeting everyone, seeing how clubs are run in different ways, and yet still, continuing to be happy and maintain the ethics of Lions. But most of all my particular highlight was the forming of friendships and life- long acquaintances.

I welcome Nicole to the role of District Governor. She will be an inspiration to us all and I will gladly be her 'feather duster'.

Congratulations again Nic and thank you everyone.

Kind regards

Narelle Parkins

IPDG District 201 Q1



LIONS MINTS & CAKES

I hope a number of you who are planning to attend the District Conference at Kooralbyn Valley in November are working with your club members to see if you can identify someone who might like to decorate a Lions Cake and submit it to the Conference for our annual Lions Christmas Cake decorating competition.

Just a reminder for anyone who may not have seen the recent emails sent out, due to the updating of the Lions Australia Website on 13 August which resulted in some changes, the ordering process for Lions Cakes and Puddings changed slightly. To begin this process, go to the Australian Lions Web page www.lionsclubs.org.au Click on Get Involved, Fundraising, Lions Mints and Cakes. Click on the cake order form link. You will be asked to enter a password, which is westons2020. The order form document link

will then open, so download and open this file to open the order form. Save it to your computer - you are now ready to complete the form to place your order.

The process for downloading the Lions Mints order form is the same as that outlined for cakes. The password for downloading the Lions Mints order form is md201. While there was a slight price increase to the cost of ordering Lions Mints from 1 August, there have been no changes to their selling price.

Please don't hesitate to contact me should you have any queries in relation to the Lions Cakes or Mints program on cakesandmints@lions201q1.org.au

Kind regards

Di Henderson



AUSTRALIAN LIONS WELLBEING FOUNDATION

Australian Lions Welfare Foundation is a wonderful organisation aiming to create happier, healthier and safer communities by providing resources for schools and communities to use to educate and promote health and wellbeing.

It is an amazing Foundation with a huge variety of projects including-

Tune In Not Out- an online youth health portal

Freedom To Feel Fantastic – deals with topics like alcohol and drugs, body image, mental health

The resources are truly amazing.

Please support this Australian Lions Welfare Foundation so that it can continue to do the wonderful work it does.

DONATE NOW PLEASE!

Penny Kourra

Health Projects 0419977290

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LIONS MEDICAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION

Lions Medical Research Foundation has done wonderful work supporting medical research since 1963.

The researchers work helps improve the health of people. It offers hope to people suffering.

Their successes will create healthier and longer lives.

Dr Olivia Holland has focused on diabetes during pregnancy.

Dr Carlos Salomon hopes to achieve rapid identification of ovarian cancer in the first and second stages of formation which is where the current gaps are evident. His research has been recognised by the Australian Government who have given funding from the Medical Research Future Fund- MRFF to assist and move his research forward.

Lions Clubs should be proud of this wonderful achievement! You have all been contributing to his research. Let's keep it up!

**HELP THE LIONS MEDICAL
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FUND ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR
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PEACE POSTER

Please let me know if your Club is participating in the Peace Poster or Peace Essay Competition. The paper has arrived, and I have had 3 Clubs collect their paper. Please remember all entries need to be handed to me at Convention November 5-7. In the last District Newsletter, I accidentally gave last year's theme, this year's theme is

“WE ARE ALL CONNECTED”

peaceposter@lions201q1.org.au

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Peace Poster and Essay Chair



GRANTS OFFICER

Priority Areas of the Grants

Officer:

- Increase access to grant opportunities and grant information.
- Improve success rate of grant applications.

Upcoming grant opportunities:

CELEBRATING MULTICULTURAL QUEENSLAND (CMQ) PROGRAM

In 2021-22, the CMQ program will deliver two funding rounds:

- o Multicultural Events — Open from 9 August 2021 and will close 12 September 2021 for events to be delivered in 2022 (calendar year).
- o Multicultural Projects — This funding round for projects to be delivered in 2022-23 is expected to open at the end of 2021.

Website: <https://www.dlgrma.qld.gov.au/multicultural-affairs/programs-and-initiatives/celebrating-multicultural-qld-program>

LORD MAYOR'S COMMUNITY FUND

The fund supports community projects that build stronger communities in Brisbane.

Applications for the 2021-22 financial year are now open. Applications will close at midnight on Friday 17 June 2022, or when each ward had spent their allocated budget (whichever occurs first).

Website: <https://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/community-and-safety/grants-awards-and-sponsorships/community-grants/lord-mayors-community-fund>

Email: GLT@lions201q1.org.au



THE GLOBAL LEADERSHIP TEAM

- Lion Kee Cheung (Coordinator, Brisbane Chinese)
- Lion Jorge Salles (Brisbane Camp Hill Carindale)
- Lion Wendy Poole (Goonellabah-Wollongbar and District)

TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT FOR MEMBERS

1. TRAINING ON PAST AND FUTURE ACTIVITIES REPORTING IN MYLION

- Sunday 12 September 2021, 3 pm
- Link to join the Zoom meeting:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86388756666?pwd=dGxwRDRGRWxjdmdieXQ3aDZCWDZhdz09>

Meeting ID: 863 8875 6666

Passcode: 095731

- Trainers

Lion Jorge Salles (GLT)

Lion Jenny Maguire (GST Coordinator)

2. ACCESS TO ONLINE TRAINING IN MYLION

To access online training in MyLions, you will need to know your Lions club member number. If you do not have access to this number easily, contact your club secretary who can provide this detail.

Once you have your membership number, go to the

MyLion login page:

<https://lci-auth-app-prod.azurewebsites.net/Account/Login>

From here, click on the green REGISTER icon, follow the prompts, entering the details when requested.

Once registered you will be able to access a range of services including online training which can be accessed by clicking on the LEARN icon followed by the GO icon under Lions Learning Centre.

3. CONFLICT RESOLUTION – THE PROCESS

- Monday 13 September 2021, 7 pm – 9 pm
- Join Zoom Meeting

<https://lionsaustralia.zoom.us/j/89204620433>

Meeting ID: 892 0462 0433

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+61 8 7150 1149 Australia

+61 2 8015 6011 Australia

+61 3 7018 2005 Australia

Meeting ID: 892 0462 0433

Find your local number:

<https://lionsaustralia.zoom.us/u/keGbpsVyol>

Please feel free to submit your ideas of topics that you would like the GLT to host in training.

Global Leadership Coordinator

Email: GLT@lions201q1.org.au



GUIDING LION COURSE

“Leadership is more than service, it is enabling others to be more productive.”

District are looking at hosting a Guiding Lion Course and asking Lions Members to submit their interest in participating in the course when it is scheduled. All Lions are welcome to take the course, it is recommended as a foundation to anyone who will work with new or existing clubs or serve (or plan to serve) in a leadership position. Upon completion of the course, you will become a Certified Guiding Lion!

The Guiding Lion Program is designed to assist clubs that are newly chartered, established or are rebuilding. Guiding Lions are assigned for a two-year term by the district governor in consultation with the sponsoring or established club president. Guiding Lions are limited to serving no more than two new clubs at any point in time.

The Certified Guiding Lion Course will help you:

1. Understand your role as a Guiding Lion
2. Help you develop a plan to guide the club to become self-sufficient and strong
3. Provide tools to help the club officers manage their club
4. Establish a system to track development over the course of your term

Please submit your interest to District GLT Co-ordinator

Kee Cheung

Email: GLT@lions201q1.org.au





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LIONS AUSTRALIA LAP THE MAP



LIONS “LAP THE MAP” FOR DIABETES. IT IS BACK !!

— ON SUNDAY 14TH NOVEMBER, 2021

All Clubs in our District (and around Australia) are encouraged to participate in a National Day of Action to support World Diabetes Day (WDD) – on Sunday 14th November 2021.

There are many things you can do to raise awareness and involve the community, but most of all we need you to count your Km’s. We need to count how many Km’s we do in our District which will be added to the National tally – the goal is to increase the total that Lions walked last year. Easy !!

Why not start counting the km’s on the 1st November and count them for 14 days right through to Lap the



Map day – count from 1st November to 14th November.

Look out for the email sent to Clubs with the registration of participation form and project materials for the Lions Lap the Map – please register today for this wonderful Lions Clubs project for Diabetes Awareness.

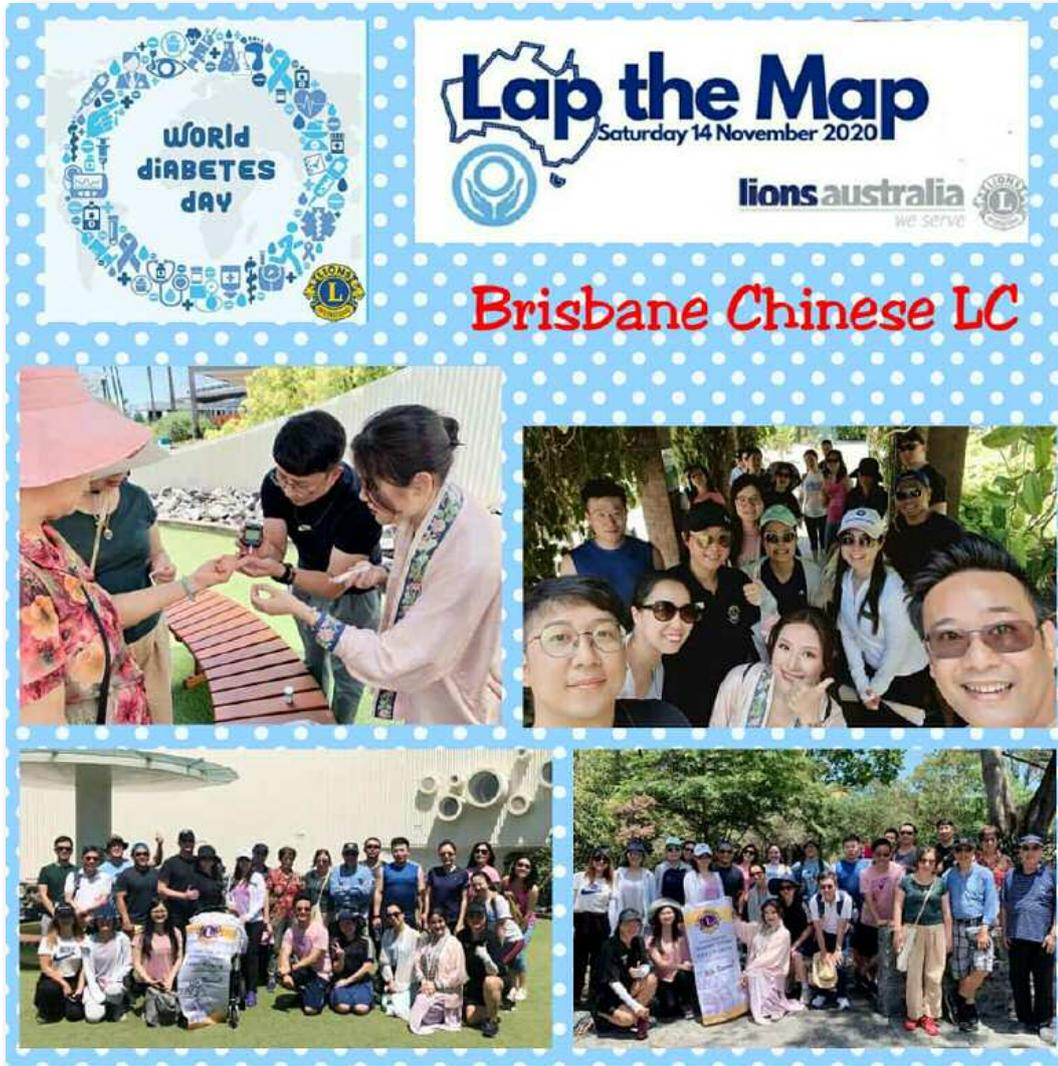
Jenny Maguire

Global Service Team (GST) Chair
Email : GST@lions201q1.org.au



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– with one entry then being sent off to LCI in Chicago, USA for the final judging. Good luck and we all wish them well – but just remember, that Kindness Matters here at home and around the world, and they should be proud of their involvement with this wonderful project Lions Lap the Map for Diabetes.

For more information on how your Club can nominate for next year’s Kindness Matters Service Award, check out

“KINDNESS MATTERS SERVICE AWARD”

A big “Congratulations” to Lions Club Brisbane Chinese for their successful nomination / entry in the Lions Clubs International Kindness Matters Service Award – for their involvement with Lions Lap the Map for Diabetes Awareness on World Diabetes Day – serving one of the **Lions Five Global Causes: Diabetes**. Their entry will now be up for judging against the successful nominations from other Districts in Australia

the LCI website, or contact me and I can email the information to you.



Jenny Maguire

Ph : 0412 358 205

email : GST@lions201q1.org.au

* Note – the gold Kindness Matters pin in this story, is not the Kindness Matters Service Award. It is a pin available for purchase through the Lions Shop.

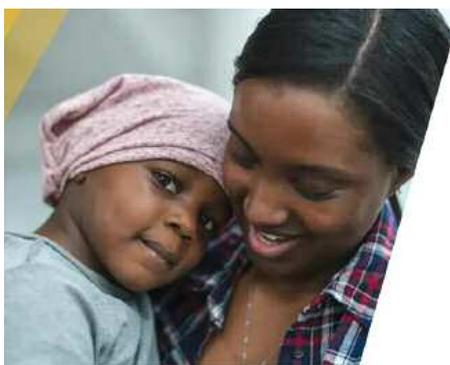


Lions Clubs International Global Cause : **Childhood Cancer**

September is
**Childhood
Cancer**
awareness
month

Each September is **International Childhood Cancer Awareness Month**

Lions provide support for the needs of children and families affected by childhood cancer through impactful service activities



Childhood Cancer Facts :

Cancer is a leading cause of death for children and adolescents around the world.

Approximately 300,000 children aged 0 to 19 years old are diagnosed with cancer each year.

Yet, 57% of childhood cancers go undiagnosed in parts of the world

Childhood cancer generally cannot be prevented or screened.

Childhood Cancer Survival Rates : ≥80% developed countries; ≤20% lesser developed countries.

Lions Have a Plan :

Lions help children and families: Increase acts of support to families and children affected by childhood cancer.

Lions help communities: Improve diagnostics, treatment, and continued care to those affected by childhood cancer.

Lions help the world: Increase awareness for childhood cancer as a global priority.



SAVING CHILDREN IN AUSTRALIA

The moment you learn your child has cancer is, quite literally, breathtaking. It's also the moment the word cancer becomes central to everyday life for families of almost 800 Australian children each year.

While advances in cancer treatment have saved many of these children, they haven't been able to save all. To give kids a better chance at living long and healthy lives, Lions Clubs International Foundation and the Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation have committed US\$3.2 million for genome sequencing. Funds will enable Garvan Institute of Medical Research to sequence the unique genomes of 400 hundred children with aggressive forms of cancer and help doctors create precision treatment plans.

Ava Bell, a young cancer survivor, bravely shared her story at Lions International Convention, thanking LCIF and Lions for their support. Said Past International President Barry Palmer, who joined her, "More children like Ava will survive cancer and enjoy childhood, thanks to LCIF. We're grateful to our foundation for its support in saving our children's lives."



BEST PRACTICES FOR FILE NAMING

How you organize and name your files will have a big impact on your ability to find those files later and to understand what they contain.

You should be consistent and

descriptive in naming and organizing files so that it is obvious where to find specific data and what the files contain.

You should use the same structure for emails, documents on your PC, and documents stored in the cloud to simplify finding items at a later date.

INFORMATION FOR FILE NAMES

Descriptive file names are an important part of organizing, sharing, and keeping track of data files. File names should allow you to identify a precise item from the name. Choose a format for naming your files and use it consistently.

You might consider including some of the following information in your file names, but you can include any information that will allow you to distinguish your files from one another.

- Client name, Company, Project or acronym
- Document type – receipt or invoice, cabinet call out etc
- Date or date range

Other tips for file naming

- Files should be named consistently
- File names should be short but descriptive
- A good format for date designations is YYYYMMDD. This format makes sure all of your files stay in chronological order, even over the span of many years.
- Special characters such as ~ ! @ # \$ % ^ & * () ` ; < > ? , [] { } ' " and | should be avoided.

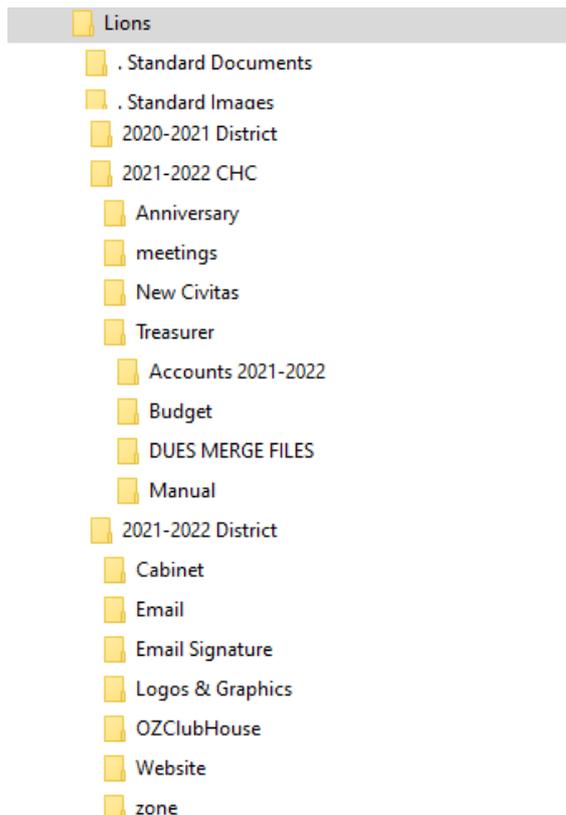
- When using a sequential numbering system, use leading zeros for clarity and to make sure files sort in sequential order. For example, use "001, 002, ...010, 011 ... 100, 101, etc." instead of "1, 2, ...10, 11 ... 100, 101, etc."
- Do not use spaces. Other options include:
 - o Underscores, e.g. file_name.xxx
 - o Dashes, e.g. file-name.xxx
 - o No separation, e.g. filename.xxx
 - o Camel case, where the first letter of each section of text is capitalized, e.g. FileName.xxx
- Include a version number

File structure

Hierarchical file structures can add additional organization to your files. As with file naming use whatever makes most sense for your data. Some possibilities include:

- Client
- Date
- Analysis
- Location

As an example, this is part of the Folder structure I use for my Lions documents:





Office 365

I was asked the other day how much storage is available on a Clubs OneDrive account?

I did not know the answer, but I checked and found that the system allows 1TB per club.

This should be sufficient for all document archives; however you should consider an alternative solution if you wish to store images in RAW format as they are sizeable.

Don't forget that there are Office 365 resources on the District Website

<https://lions201q1.org.au/resources/office-365-resources/>

OZCLUBHOUSE CLOSURE

All clubs should be aware by now of the imminent closure of the OZClubHouse System. Your Zone chairperson will also be passing the message on at the upcoming zone meetings.

Given the system was again off line for a number of days in late July / early August, can I **strongly suggest** you make plans now to download any documents or images that you wish to retain!

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions

Kerry Kilpatrick

District Webmaster/IT Support

kerrykilpatrick@yahoo.com.au or 0412 279 464

ZONE SPOTLIGHT – ALGESTER PARKINSON LIONS CLUB

The Algester Parkinson Lions Club would like to spotlight Greg Bell, the sole founding member of our club, formed almost 20 years ago, who is still a very active and involved member of our vibrant Lions Club.

1 Why did you join Lions? I grew up in a small town and the whole community pitched in to build projects, be volunteer firefighters, help at sporting clubs etc. One project the community did was to construct the local swimming pool.

2 What is your favourite thing about being a Lion? The satisfaction of helping others and also the friendships from working together for mutual causes.

3 What would you change about Lions in general? Lions need to modernise, or we will become irrelevant. Some clubs are very anti changing anything. People don't join community clubs like they once did. There are so many choices for volunteering and we have to remain relevant.

4 Does your club have a unique project that they do? Each year we do the Queensland Day event in our local community. We created this and now we have thousands come to the event annually.

5 What is your favourite project? (club, District, MD or International). A;; the projects are worthwhile. We have a variety of projects at local level, however we also support district, National projects and of course the peace poster international project. My favourite would be our QLD Day event.



Our Qld Day Family Fun Day with Greg with Leeanne Enoch MP.

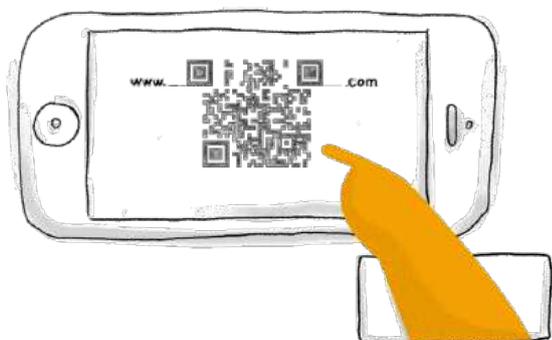


PR Update

What are QR codes

The quick response, or QR, Code is a two-dimensional version of the Barcode able to convey a wide variety of information almost instantly with the scan of a mobile device.

Japanese company Denso Wave created them in 1994 for high-speed scanning of components in the automotive industry. Each component was given its own code and when someone scanned the code, it gave them all the information about that particular part.



How to scan a QR code

The vast majority of modern phones have automatic QR code scanning capability. You might have to change a setting in the phone's camera app to enable it.

If your phone does not have automatic scanning capability, you can download a code scanning app.

To scan a QR code, you simply hover your camera over the code with your camera set to automatic code scanning mode or your code scanning app opened.

Where do I put the PR Code?

- ✓ Posters
- ✓ Business Cards
- ✓ Menus
- ✓ Newsletters
- ✓ ID Tags
- ✓ Banners etc

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July 2021

Message from President Amanda :

Hello Lions,
Another Lions year been and gone, how this year is flying by!

Firstly, thank you to everyone who has taken on positions on the board this year, I know I have thanked you already but it is so amazing to see and I am really looking forward to another exciting year with everyone! Secondly, thank you to all board members from this year. I am looking forward to another year as your Club President.



Projects



Childhood Cancer Information



Children of Courage



Diabetes Information



Humanitarian Information



Hunger Information



Peace Essay

Does my club have a QR Code?

Yes, the district invested in QR Codes for every club and have been sent to each club to their email address. All QR codes can also be found - lions201q1.org.au/resources/qr-codes as well as codes for Lions Projects.

Are you interested in a workshop on Social Media?

Register your interest by emailing socialmedia@lions201q1.org.au with your Name, contact details & Club!





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Leadership Institutes

UPCOMING MULTIPLE DISTRICT LEADERSHIP INSTITUTES

LIONS LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES 2021/22

- ✓ Develop your leadership skills
- ✓ Share experiences with others
- ✓ Learn more about Lions
- ✓ Become an effective leader
- ✓ Enjoy fun and fellowship
- ✓ Skills for Lions, business & family

REGIONAL LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

Dates: 18th to 20th February 2022

Location: Launceston, Tasmania

Application Deadline: November 30 2021

The Regional Lions Leadership Institute is targeting those Lions and Leos who are looking to take on leadership positions at Club or District levels for the first time. It focuses on the skills required to build teams and manage people effectively. It also builds knowledge of Lions activities outside of club level and includes strategies for making change to move our organisation forward. There are no pre-qualifications required.

ADVANCED LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

Dates: 4th to 6h February 2022

Location: Brisbane, Australia

Application Deadline: November 06 2021

The Advanced Lions Leadership Institute is targeted towards those Lions who are looking to take on a leadership role at Zone, Regional and District levels. It

focuses on higher level leadership skills, managing project portfolios, and dealing with the responsibilities of senior leadership within districts. Applicants must have completed a successful term as Club President, but not have yet attained the position of 1st VDG (a 1st VDG elect is eligible).

Note: There is no requirement for candidates for the position of District Governor to have completed the ALLI, although it is seen as desirable.

LIONS CERTIFIED INSTRUCTOR PROGRAM

Dates: 11th to 14th February 2022

Location: Christchurch, New Zealand

Application Deadline: November 13 2021

The Lions Certified Instructor Program is designed to develop and expand the number of the most senior skilled lions' trainers. Lions who complete the LCIP are eligible to serve as faculty at locally approved institutes (ALLI, FDI, LCIP), as well as International FVDG/DGE Seminar and other training-related events conducted by LCI and from July 2020 it will be a requirement to have LCIP certification to be on faculty for these training programs.

There are several pathways into LCIP but for this course it covers Lions who have training experience, but have not served as FVDG/DGE Seminar Group Leader or Lions Clubs International-directed institute faculty.

Please contact the District's Leadership Team for further information.

Regards

District's Leadership Team



ZONE SPOTLIGHT

Zone 9

Clubs - *Algerter Parkinson, Brisbane Macgregor, Brisbane Pinelands, Brisbane Zhong Hua, Calamvale, Sunnybank*

Longest Members of Zone 9

- Algerter Parkinson** - Des (38 Years)
- Brisbane Macgregor** - Winston (56 Years)
- Brisbane Pinelands** - Ken (44 Years)
- Brisbane Zhong Hua** - Mark (6 Years)
- Calamvale** - Jenny (28 Years)
- Sunnybank** - James (51 Year)



Algerter Parkinson



Brisbane Macgregor

Clubs Chartered in what Year

- Algerter Parkinson** – 2002 (19 Years)
- Brisbane Macgregor** – 1971 (50 Years)
- Brisbane Pinelands** – 1977 (44 Years)
- Brisbane Zhong Hua** – 2017 (4 Years)
- Calamvale** – 2001 (20 Years)
- Sunnybank** – 1963 (58 Years)

Oldest Member & Youngest Member of Zone 9

- Algerter Parkinson** - Oldest - Judith (58 Years) & Youngest - Gonnie (41 Years)
- Brisbane Macgregor** - Oldest - Noel (84 Years) & Youngest - Vincent (27 Years)
- Brisbane Pinelands** - Oldest - Joe (89 Years) & Youngest - John (33 Years)
- Brisbane Zhong Hua** - Oldest - Mark (44 Years) & Youngest - Alex (27 Years)
- Calamvale** - Oldest - Arthur (82 Years) & Youngest - Alex (30 Years)
- Sunnybank** - Oldest - James (90 Years) & Youngest - Brad (52 Years)



Brisbane Pinelands



Brisbane Zhong Hua



Calamvale



Sunnybank



Some Zone 9 Clubs at a recent Membership Drive working together

To find out more about Zone 9 make sure you go onto our socials!

Is your zone next?

Keep an eye out on email from your Zone Chairperson!

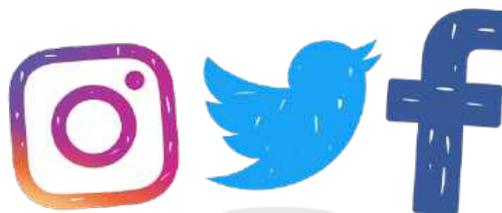
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Twitter - www.twitter.com/201Q1Lions

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Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation 'Black and Gold'
Fundraising Dinner

Unfortunately, due to Coronavirus our 'Christmas In July For Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation' was cancelled. One thing we did learn through this pandemic was to be resilient and push forward.

The Lions Club of Redland Bay-Victoria Point Inc and Flipping Childhood Cancer Upside Down are excited to invite you to our Childhood Cancer Fundraiser Dinner. We are gathering to support The Lions Kids Cancer Genome Project.

The dinner has a 'Black and Gold' theme, After Five Attire and will be held on Saturday, 16 October, 2021.

Our venue is the Victoria Point Sharks Sporting Club, 325 Colburn Ave, Victoria Point

Tickets must be purchase by Friday 1st October, through OzTix, \$56.10 per person (Inc OzTix handling fee).

Ticket Site: <https://studio.oztix.com.au/events/dc755b57-22d4-4b77-880b-ec1c07814c74>

What can you expect: a two course dinner, live performance, presentation by ALCCRF, silent auction and Mount Coolum Peace Retreat Raffle.

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Get ready for the single-use plastic items ban

starting on 1 September 2021

Half of all plastic produced in the world is designed to be used only once—and then thrown away. This is a huge contributor to the 300 million tonnes of plastic waste created every year, almost equivalent to the weight of the entire human population.

The Queensland Government is taking action to fight plastic waste and pollution, starting with a ban on some single-use plastic items.

Single-use plastic items included in the ban:

- straws: regular straws, flexible straws, straws with a scoop, cocktail straws and bubble tea straws
- stirrers: hot or cold drink stirrers, swizzle sticks and hot or cold food stirrers
- plates and bowls including single-use expanded polystyrene plates
- cutlery: knives, forks, spoons, teaspoons, sample tasting spoons, soup spoons, chopsticks, splayds and sporks
- expanded polystyrene takeaway food containers and cups.





Single-use plastic items **not** included in the ban:

- straws and cutlery attached to a shelf-ready, pre-packaged product like a juice box with an attached plastic straw or a yoghurt with an attached plastic spoon
- other single-use plastic takeaway food containers including sushi containers, triangle sandwich containers, food containers with a plastic window and bowls with lids
- serving platters and trays
- foam or plastic trays such as meat and packaged fruit and vegetable trays.



Single-use alternatives which contain compostable plastics must meet one of the following Australian Standards:

- AS 5810-2010 Biodegradable Plastics—Biodegradable Plastics Suitable for Home Composting
- or
- AS 4736-2006 Biodegradable Plastics Suitable for Composting and Other Microbial Treatment.

Access for Queenslanders with disability or healthcare needs

Queenslanders with disability or healthcare needs may still need to access banned items and that's why the following businesses are exempt from the ban:

- clinics or facilities that provide care to persons with a disability or health needs
- hospitals
- dental clinics
- medical clinics
- pharmacies
- aged care facilities
- medical suppliers.

Suppliers, distributors and wholesalers may continue to sell banned items to these exempt businesses.

What you can do now

All Queensland businesses and not-for-profit organisations will be required to stop supplying banned single-use plastic items after the ban begins, including supermarkets, cafes, hotels and takeaway food shops.

You are encouraged to identify whether banned items still need to be provided to customers, and if so, what they can be replaced with. If you have excess stock, you may also wish to contact your supplier to understand their returns policy.

The National Retail Association, a member of the Queensland Government's Single-use Plastic Items Ban Stakeholder Advisory Group (SAG), has been appointed to work with businesses to ensure they understand the ban and what they must do to comply, as well as options to manage excess stock.

Visit the National Retail Association website www.qldplasticsban.com.au for more information or call their support hotline on 1800 844 946.

Boomerang Alliance, also a member of the SAG, has been appointed to work with not-for-profit organisations. Learn more at www.boomerangalliance.org.au.

Compliance

The Queensland Government is using an education-first approach to ensure businesses and not-for-profit organisations are prepared for the ban. Penalties may apply after 1 September 2021 for businesses and not-for-profit organisations that supply banned items, or provide false or misleading information about banned items or their compostability.

Actions for Queenslanders

There are plenty of things Queenslanders can do to reduce the use of single-use plastics and plastic waste. Some simple tips include:

- purchasing reusable products over disposable ones
- choosing products with less plastic packaging
- choosing products made from recycled materials
- recycling as many plastic products as you can through your kerbside recycling bin or outdoor recycling bins
- return your drink containers at a Containers for Change refund point
- remember 'soft, scrunchable' plastics don't go in kerbside recycling bins but can be returned to REDcycle bins at participating supermarkets
- avoid unnecessary plastic products like balloons (including plastic clips and sticks), ribbons and tickertape.

Learn more about the single-use plastics ban at www.qld.gov.au/plasticsban





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