## PUISAM District 201Q1 Newsletter





District Governor 2024 - 2025



<u>Australian Lions Hearing Dogs</u> **Club Activities Events & General Information** DISTRICT 201Q1 - Contact Details

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#### Promoting Club Projects via your District Newsletter

1. Please send flyers, photos, information to the District Newsletter

newsletter@lions201q1.org.au

- 2. **Distribution of the Newsletter is the FIRST week of every month.**Articles for newsletters must be submitted by the **30th of the month** prior to distribution.
- 3. Items arriving after that date may be held over to the following newsletter.
- 4. All articles for the newsletter should be sent using Microsoft Word, Simple Text or PDF.



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## Jolgé San Puise Because We care M. M.



As this Lions year quickly moves to a finish, I want to express how proud and pleased I am that Lions from all over the district have all banded together to support other clubs both in our District and outside of the district. Over the past months clubs have donated to appeals for funds for the flooding that has affected our state. Those funds have gone out to support the communities which really need it. It is a shame that many in the community may not hear about the work and support which we provide the communities in which we live, but rest assured those we help know and are immensely grateful for the assistance. If you see an opportunity, get your stories out into your communities so more people get to know us and the work which we do.

As I mentioned last month, it is extremely important that we continue to look after each other, so please make sure that you reach out and contact fellow Lions to make sure that they are ok. Please make sure that if you need a bit of assistance at any time that you ask for help. Your fellow lions will always be there for you.

## DG Jorge Salles

The next two months will be extremely busy with the final cabinet meeting of the year, multiple district convention at Traralgon, International convention in Orlando, and all the Anniversaries and both Cabinet officers training and Club officers' development workshops to be delivered.

It is a little bit disappointing that Clubs, and Lions individually, do not feel that they want or need to make themselves available when training opportunities are made available. A lot of time and effort is spent preparing and delivering training which members themselves have identified as being gaps in knowledge or processes. So, it is a bit deflating for the trainers when they put on multiple sessions (for the last training, three individual sessions on different days and times to allow members flexibility to attend one of the sessions) and there is a total of 6 members attending out of just under 1,400 members in the district. We need to do better, and I hope that we see a record turnout at the Club Officer Development Workshops in support of the Trainers, Incoming DG Stuart, and the Clubs.

Very shortly you will see an invitation to attend the District Change-Over. I hope that you are all able to attend this milestone in the Lions year. This event is both a celebration of all the hard work which has been done by the current cabinet members and a welcome and show of support to incoming DG Stuart and his cabinet as they get ready to face the challenges of the next Lions year.

Stay safe and Happy Easter!

DG Jorge Salles

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## Jorge'S Q THPUISE BECAUSE WE CARE MANAGE

#### Global Leadership





2VDGE Sophia Argyrou - Participant, PDG Savva Argyrou - Participant, Sophie Cufflin - Participant, PCC Kim Forrest — Faculty, Christine Cufflin - Participant, Libby Salles GLT, DG Jorge Salles, 1VDGE Johnson Chen - Participant.

### GLOBAL LEADERSHIP REPORT

There have been a number of training session run over the last month both within the district and from International. These training sessions and workshops provide an opportunity for Lions in our district to learn, discuss, share, and build their knowledge and confidence. These training sessions support your professional development in Lions and in developing your broader knowledge and skills for the workplace, and in other organisations and activities.

Please take advantage of these training session or look at the learning opportunities available in the Lions Learning Centre

https://lionslearningcenter.litmos.com/home

## FACULTY INSTITUTES AND TRAINING

The Regional Lions Leadership Institute (RLLI) has been rescheduled for the 27-29 June. Those Lions who were accepted will be able to take up this option in June if they are able. There are currently four spaces available, so if you are interested, please contact me for more information.

#### The FDI — Faculty Development Institute.

We were fortunate to have 5 Lions from our district attend the FDI in Brisbane and to have a member of the faculty from Q1. This is a wonderful training institute and an opportunity for Lions to develop their training skills and confidence. It was wonderful to be able to attend the celebration dinner and to celebrate with them.

## Here is what some of our Lions had to say.

"Just came back from 3 fabulous days participating in the FDI (Faculty Development Institute) in Brisbane over the weekend. It was an amazing opportunity to learn from inspiring leaders, increase my knowledge and meet fellow Lions. I am looking forward putting my skills to use back at my club and the district. Highly recommend the FDI experience, I have met some amazing Lions, and it truly is an unforgettable experience."

"The FDI course was an amazing and motivating experience, that allowed me to gain new skills in training and build my confidence. I got to meet so many Lions across Australia and New Zealand, as well as the great facilitators. I would 100% recommend this course to any Lion!"



#### Global Leadership

#### **Guiding Lions Training**

On the 29th of March we had 9 Lions attend the Guiding Lions Training. It is great to see Lions form our District taking up the opportunity to develop their skills and knowledge. These workshops also offer an opportunity to share ideas and meet other Lions.

#### Managing your club handover

The resources and the recording for this workshop are available on the Q1 website. I would encourage you to access these resources to assist in the handover process.

Finally, please reach out if you would like us to provide some training for you. Our district has a number of Lions who have successfully completed the Faculty Development Institute or the Lions Certified Instructor Program. We are available to run sessions face to face or via zoom for the district, your zone, or your club.

#### Lion Libby Salles

**Global Leadership Team (GLT)** 

## SUPPORT THE WESTERN QLD LIONS Q4 DISTRICT FLOOD APPEAL

In light of the recent flooding out west, our community has shown incredible resilience and a strong willingness to aid those in need.

DG John Seymour has highlighted the urgency to support our fellow citizens through the

#### **WESTERN QLD LIONS Q4 DISTRICT FLOOD APPEAL**

If you'd like to contribute, please use the following bank details:

Bank: ANZ BSB: 014-690

Account

Number: 394453335





Your help can make a significant impact!



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#### Lions have a Vision







## Lions have a Vision

Children's Vision Screening Program is free, so is a Medicare funded visit to an optometrist.

Training involved is taking the initial step of on-line. Offering information & concluding with a simple test (1hr duration).

In March several Lions members from Camp Hill-Carindale and Brisbane Chinese received training from Q 3 instructors. They are now involved in our LEHP childrens vision screening program

They join other Lions from Warwick, Stanthorpe and Northern NSW.

Why get involved in vision screening? Throughout Australia one in five children has issues with their vision. Over 80% of what we learn is through sight. Parents are encouraged to have school aged children tested. Lions can play a part with ensuring children get the best out of their school lessons.

Progress to a Screener (awareness session 2 hr) then later a 3 hrs hand on learning with an experienced team. You have the option of becoming a Facilitator (2hr with an instructor), then after several screening sessions an Instructor - online (1 hr).

To learn more please contact Kim (0499 323 392) & Ross Forrest (0409 847 951) or Q3 Vision Chair Geoff Moor 0411 503 033

Geoff Moor



## Q DISTRICTS LOUD SHIRT COMPETITION





#### We are excited to announce the Q Districts Loud Shirt Competition, Q1 Winner is the Stanthorpe Lions Club.

The Stanthorpe Lions Club proudly secured the Q1 \$250 LMRF Award Credits for their outstanding participation. All winners will be entered into the draw for the overall Q winner, who will receive an additional \$250.

Funds raised for the Queensland and Northern New South Wales Lions Medical Research Foundation, which plays a vital role in enabling groundbreaking medical research that can improve countless lives.

#### **Thank You for Your Support!**



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## OUTSTANDING LCI and MD/District SEMI-ANNUAL DUES

#### **LCI Dues**

There are several clubs with outstanding LCI semiannual dues - unpaid balances beyond 90 days, and are in jeopardy of being placed on Financial Suspension on 15 May 2025.

Please be reminded that clubs with LCI balances in excess of \$20/member or US\$1,000 over 120 days will be automatically suspended, including the rights, privileges, and obligations of the Lions Club. In the event the club does not send full payment for the balance after the 28th day of the month following suspension, the club will be automatically cancelled. Please check your club's LCI balances on the Lions Portal and send payment prior to the deadline.

Some clubs also have outstanding dues for new members registered after the New Year. This should also be paid as soon as possible.

#### **MD/District Dues**

Several clubs have unpaid MD/District semi-annual invoices issued in January (due date: 15/02/2025). Please contact the Cabinet Treasurer if you are not sure whether your club's payment is up-to-date.

## INCOME TAX EXEMPTION SELF-ASSESSMENT

The ATO delayed the deadline for lodgement of the first NFP (Non-charitable not-for-profits with an

#### Treasurer Matters

active ABN) return to 31/3/25. That deadline has now passed, and recent correspondence from the ATO indicates they will still support NFP's to lodge without penalty up to 30 June 2025. But from July 2025 the ATO will review NFPs who intentionally ignore their obligations.

- Clubs should therefore be encouraged to lodge their 2023-2024 NFP return as soon as possible if they have not already done so.
- A new NFP self-review return update, connect and lodge overview is now available on the ATO website. It steps NFPs through updating ABN registration details and setting up access to online services to lodge their NFP self-review return:

https://www.ato.gov.au/api/public/content/74b0625 d04ca490ca0006409792ad491?v=4387449c

 If clubs are having difficulty with the changes, they are encouraged to contact the ATO as soon as possible.

#### CYBER SECURITY

- Cyber security is still a major and ongoing concern for Lions Clubs and all of society. There was a recent cyber incident that resulted in a Lions Club losing most of their funds. This involved two of the most common scams, being email compromise with bank details being changed, and giving a hacker remote access to a computer.
- Some of the most important things to remember are: to check the senders email address to ensure it is valid; verify bank details via a phone call (don't rely on bank details sent by email); and don't give anyone remote access to your computer.
- It is important that cyber security is constantly discussed to keep it top of mind for everyone

#### Lion Kee Cheung

Cabinet Treasurer E: cabtreas.Q1@lions.org.au



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#### Operation Friendship



#### **Distrikt 106B Denmark**



## OPERATION FRIENDSHIP IN DENMARK 2026

District Governor Hans Fisker and the Lions family of District 106B, Denmark, extend an invitation to the Lions of District 201Q1 Australia, to visit our District in 2026 as part of the Operation Friendship program.

District 106B is one of the 3 Lions Districts in Denmark, which collectively make up Multiple District 106, which also includes the Faroe Islands and Greenland. The district has 112 Lions Clubs with about 2400 female and male Lions members.

From the applications received, one Lion, with his or her spouse, will be selected, to spend approximately 4 weeks, as guests of the Lions of District 106B. Other applications may be kept on file for future years. The visitors are expected to attend and address several Lions Clubs, and the District Convention which will be held Saturday from April 25th. to 26th . 2026. To enable this, the visit should be planned for the visitors to arrive on or about Saturday April 11th 2026, and leave on or about Saturday May 9th .

During the one-month period, food at host family homes and accommodation will be provided by the Lions of District 106B. Every effort will be made that the interests of the visitors will be included in the

leisure and sightseeing activities. An itinerary will be planned, so that the visitors will be hosted in various parts of District 106B, these having different environments.

The visitors must arrange and pay for all travel costs and travel insurance from Australia to Denmark and return, and during the stay. Lion 106B District will not be responsible for any medical and general expenses incurred during the stay.

A recent photo should be included within the application.

Typed applications to participate in Operation Friendship should be submitted to the address below and must be received by December 15th. 2025. The successful applicants will be advised by December 31th. 2025 which will allow adequate time for travel preparations.

Information in the applications submitted should be arranged under the following headings:

#### 1. Personal Details

Lion's name, age and any other relevant details Spouse's name, age and any other relevant details Mail address, telephone numbers and E-mail address

Details of any previous visits to Denmark

#### 2. Lions Club Details

Name of Lions Club, District, Membership details Brief history of the Lions Club Club achievements and projects





#### Operation Friendship

 Involvement in Lionism
 Offices held at Club, District and Multiple District Levels.
 Awards in Lionism
 Any involvement in Operation Friendship

#### Applications should be forwarded to

Lion Kent and Josephine Wilcox Operation Friendship chairman District 201Q1 Mail: j.wilcox@bigpond.com

and will then be passed on to

Lion Erik Thordal-Christensen or Lion PDG Lasse Borgbjerg Operation Friendship Chairmen, District 106B.

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Lasse Borgbjerg

Grønnegade 1, st.

DK 8000 Aarhus

Denmark

**Best Regards** 

#### Erik Thordal and Lasse Borbjerg.



#### VELKOMMENN TIL DANMARK

Operation Friendship invitation to visit
Denmark in 2026 has been received early
this year as requested. In past years this
wonderful experience was limited to
couples but now is open to single
applicants. Many past participants who
have participated in this wonderful
experience will tell you how wonderful
it was.

You truly only must pay for your flight there and back. All food and accommodation are provided and most entertainment.

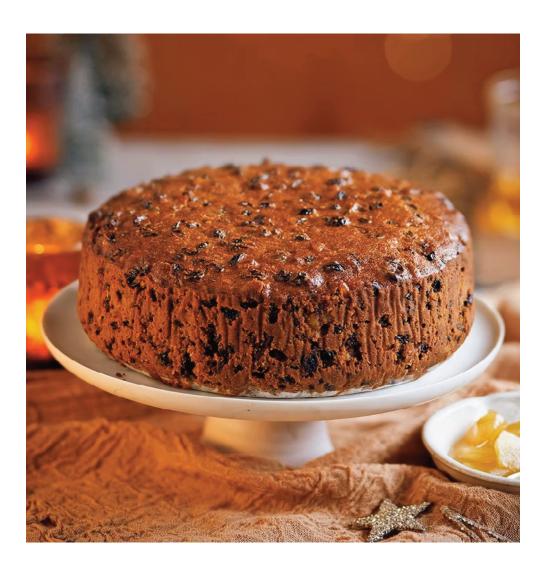
You will see this part of Scandinavia that you wouldn't see as a solo traveller. For those who don't know Denmark is divided into 3 parts Jutland which is attached to Germany Fyn which is the central island where Hans Christian Anderson was born. Lastly Zealand the last Island where Copenhagen and the Tivoli Gardens is housed.

All these islands are now connected by bridges including a bridge to Sweden.

So, get your applications in as soon as possible to be considered.

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#### Lions Gluten Free Cakes



# Lions Gluten Free cakes

There will be a further trial of gluten free cakes this coming season. We have increased the number to 3500 units at the same retail \$10. The cakes should be available August / September (same as last year) with a 12-month shelf-life.

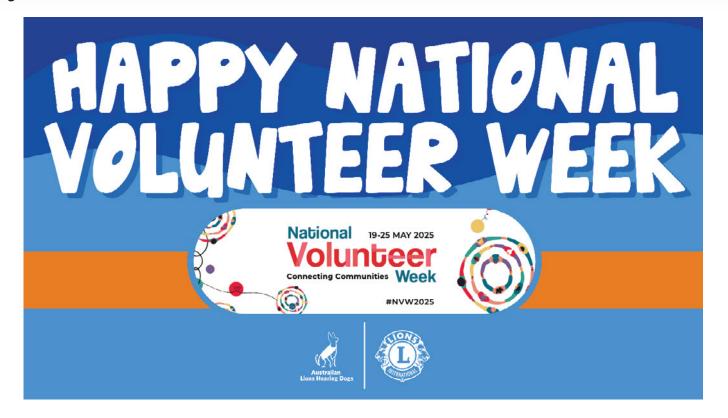
The cakes will only be available on the 2025 Gluten Free Cake order form on a first come basis (the order form will be available in June).

#### Di Henderson

**Cakes and Mints** 







# National Volunteer Week is Australia's largest annual celebration of volunteering and will be next held on 19-25 May 2025.

We here at Australian Lions Hearing Dogs (ALHD) commemorate this special week as one of the most important weeks in our calendar year. It is an annual celebration of the individuals who go above and beyond to help a cause in which they believe in. For us here at ALHD we cannot do what we do without the help of those who so selfishly lend their time and commitment towards us.

Our organisation and Assistance Dog programs operate on the trust and help from volunteers of the community, and our appreciation of our volunteer community is underpinned by our work with Lions. Our volunteers are involved in many aspects of ALHD, from our Kennel Enrichment Program to individuals who provide low and high level BGL saliva samples to help train our Medical Alert Dogs. We also

have volunteers who are involved in our Puppy Program, caring for 8-week-old pups for up to ten months, and people involved in the Guardian Program, caring for dogs in our Breeding Program between litters and into retirement. We value each and every Lions member who commit their time and energy to the many community initiatives that can only succeed with the support of volunteers.

As always, we invite all Lions Clubs and their members anywhere across Australia to join us in celebrating this important week in any way you can.

#### Belinda Henschke Australian Lions Hearing Dogs

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#### Club Activities

#### Lions Club of Logan Village Inc.

# Lions 4 Kids Cambodia Est. 2024

#### March 2025 Update

The Lions Club of Logan Village presently sponsor two schools in the Siem Reap Province

Kokbeng Village Volunteer Teacher School is located approximately 15 klm north east of Siem Reap city (north of Angkor Wat).

Thnal Village Volunteer Teacher School is located approximately 25klm south east of Siem Reap city (south of Angkor Wat).

As the name suggests, both schools are owned and run by volunteers, who provide this service to their local communities. Education is not free in Cambodia, so many poor families are not able to afford to send their children to school. So many children receive no formal education at all.

Our schools provide an opportunity for local children to receive some formal education, learning to speak, read and write the English language. This gives these kids an opportunity to gain future employment and perhaps progress to further higher education.

Without schools like ours, these children would likely receive no formal education and be destined to continue to live in poverty.

#### **Background to our project:**

In May 2023 Lion Pedro and I were in Siem Reap on vacation, where we met and befriended a local Tuk Tuk driver Khim Sokheng. He told us about a volunteer school out in the small village that he supports (Kokbeng Village Volunteer Teacher School). He told us the school taught English to the poor kids and orphans in the village.



We were intrigued, and upon our return, Lion Pedro sent over some money. Khim bought a heap of school supplies, and the reaction from the teacher and students was incredible. We were both amazed what a small financial injection could do.

Hence, Lions 4 Kids Cambodia project was born, when, in January 2024 a motion was passed at a Logan Village Lions Club to formally commence our project.

We commenced fundraising (mainly through social media) and in just over 4 months we were able to raise \$11500 AUD from 39 separate doners \*(businesses and individuals).

#### Why Cambodia?:

Cambodia is an extremely poor nation. A young nation, that has only really known peace for just over 25 years, after being at war for well over 30 years.

The Khmer Empire was established in the early 9th century.

During the Vietnam war Cambodia was heavily bombed by the USA due to the Vietnamese using Cambodia to move from North to South (Ho Chi Min trail). The eastern side of

Cambodia was subject to carpet bombing by USA. Many 100,000's of tonnes of bombs dropped (one estimation I located was that 25,000 bombs were dropped on one 25 square kilometre area).

Due to the unrest caused by the war in neighboring Vietnam, the Khmer Rouge (Pol Pot) took power in 1975. Estimations are that in the next 4 years, 1.9 million Cambodians died as a result of

Khmer Rouge genocidal policies. It is estimated about 24% of Cambodia's 1975 population were killed.

Vietnamese took power 1979, overthrowing the Khmer Rouge. Civil war followed and raged until 1994. Unrest continued until 2004 as members of Khmer Rouge were still in power.

During the civil war millions of land mines were laid, to add to the millions of unexploded ordinances from the American bombing. Its estimated Cambodia will never be free of land mines and every week people still die or are maimed.

Cambodia is most famous for Angkor Wat, which is a Hindu-Buddhist temple considered the largest religious structure in the world. It was originally constructed in 1150.

## Our first visit: Lions 4 Kids Cambodia: Siem Reap 2024:

So Lions Phil and Pedro arrived in June 2024 (where we met up with a friend of Lions, Trevor), not sure what to expect or how we would proceed.

All we knew was Khim had about 3 to 4 schools that we may be able to help. We had a pocket full of cash and expected that our project would simply be supplying these schools with school supplies. How wrong we were.

## Kokbeng Village Volunteer Teacher English School:

Our first focus was Kokbeng Village Volunteer Teacher English School, which was the catalyst for the Lions 4 Kids Cambodia project.

Upon arrival, we were quite shocked. The school was merely an open area under roof, attached to the house of teacher Miss Reach (akin to a car port here at home). It had an old dilapidated delaminated white board on an easel stand, had holes in the roof (rain would come in when it rained), one old ceiling fan and old desks. It was hot and uncomfortable. The floor was dirt. They had no lighting. No equipment. We couldn't believe how bad it was. But they were making do with what they had.

We soon found out the school didn't even have a flush toilet, and the 80 to 90 students all had to use Miss Reach's squat toilet in her house. They had little or no equipment and resources.

#### First impressions

So, we set about formulating a plan and doing up a shopping list and we began in earnest. What we quickly discovered is that Cambodians are very resourceful, clever and hardworking. They simply lack the cash to put things into motion.

We soon located a "builder", who we nicknamed "Bing" (as his phone was going off every 20 seconds - bing, bing, bing), and we soon signed our first building contract (written in Khmer) and we handed over a \$200 deposit, on a \$700 build.

Over the next two weeks we were able to have a toilet block built with flush toilet, complete with the construction a water tower and installed a water tank to feed the toilet.

We then set about making lots of visits to different shops to buy paint, wood, roofing iron, water tanks. The list went on.

Along with Khim, our faithful interpreter, we were able to negotiate some good deals and get everything we needed for the project. We very quickly learnt there is a Khmer price and a foreigner price, and the locals were extremely generous when they realised we were helping local kids.

Roofing iron was sourced and purchased and over a number of days a new roof was installed. Then the roof was strengthened and fortified with the timber we purchased, to ensure it was now safe for the kids, and fully weatherproof.

We then got physical and set about painting the wall and furniture in Lions colours, blue and gold. This was well received and instantly gave the whole area a huge face lift.

The classroom was extremely hot. Upon our arrival it had one ceiling fan, that barely turned. We set about sourcing what we need, and our hosts soon sourced some local "electricians", and we installed 3 ceiling fans, 3 LED Fluro Lights and 2 wall mount pedestal fans. We also had power boards and lights and fans installed inside Miss Reach's house (her workspace/office/prep area).

We then took Miss Reach, shopping and purchased a desk, storage cabinet, laptop, laminator and printer, and purchased an internet dongle and data plan, so she had some internet to assist her in prepping lesson. We also purchased a new 'glass' whiteboard to replace the delaminated board she had been using.

We were able to source a local stationery supply shop in town and successfully negotiated a local "khmer discount price", and Miss Reach was given free rein to grab enough school supplies to keep the school going for the next 12 months. We soon filled up a tuk tuk full of supplies.

Early on in the piece, Lion Pedro came up with an idea to outfit the school with a uniform, to give the kids and the village a sense of identity, pride and belonging. A clothing print shop was soon sourced and two weeks later we took possession of 150 polo shirts.

It was a special moment when they were delivered and handed out, and already Miss Reach has received feedback from the parents of students that they now look forward to going to school, wearing their uniform and have a sense of being part of something special.

Of course, we ran out time (as we only had 3 weeks), but arrangements were made and money left for a shade cloth wall to be installed, and for a new concrete floor to be installed in the next couple of weeks, to get the kids out of the dirt.

We also managed to have a sign made up which will be proudly displayed at the front of the school.

After we left Cambodia, through our ongoing financial assistance, Khim was able to keep the work going, and as promised, a concrete floor was installed at Kokbeng Village, so that the children were no longer in dust or mud, depending on the weather.

#### **Kokbeng Primary School:**

We also visited nearby Kokbeng Primary School, the local government school. Some of our Lions school students also attend there, as English is not part of the curriculum.

As with our state schools, they lack some funding, so we set about assisting them where we could, buying the school a new printer and buying a mountain of storey books for their library.

#### Run Ta Ek Volunteer Teacher School:

Our host Khim took us out to a new settlement called Run Ta Ek, south of Angkor Wat. Over the last few years, up to 30,000 local people have been relocated by the government from around Angkor Wat to this new community.

It was quite surreal to see this massive development out in the middle of the jungle. Thousands of acres of jungle cleared, massive concrete roads and thousands of housing blocks (30m x 50 m) which were given to the relocated "refugees", and they are then left to their own devices to build what shelter they can.

We were introduced to an old friend of Khims', Mr Sovann, who has worked tirelessly to build a one classroom school on his block at Run Ta Ek. We were quite impressed with what

he had achieved so far, but he needed some assistance to keep the development going. Whilst not an official "Lions School", we were still able to assist with some school supplies.

We then set about over the next few days to get some supplies purchased and delivered to the school, so that Mr Sovann could develop a second classroom.

We also worked out a plan to build a "land bridge" from the

classroom to the toilet block and to the roadway. Being wet season, the block soon becomes waterlogged, and the kids had to wade through slippery mud and water just to get to the classroom, or from the classroom to the toilet.

The 'land bridge' project was soon completed after we left Cambodia by our local Controller, Lion Khim.

## Thnal Village Volunteer Teacher English School

In the weeks after we left Cambodia, through his contacts, Khim identified this school as needing some assistance, and on his advice, we took this school on as our second sponsored Lions school.

Khim was able to quickly assist them, now that we had the "blue print" in place, and utilising our suppliers, he was able to purchase for them the required school supplies, white board and lighting, and assisted them in sprucing the place up with some railings and painting.

Using our established supplier, school uniforms were soon sourced and delivered to the students.

Over the last 4 weeks (February 2025), a major build has commenced at Thnal Village School.

The existing classroom was an open air, carport style classroom (much like Kokbeng Village), which was adversely affected by different weather conditions.

We hatched a plan to build two classrooms, and office and a new toilet block. Lion Khim was able to source some local builders and work soon commenced.

It was amazing to watch the build take place and soon we had a fully fledged school rise out of the ground. Amazing — have a look at some photos of the build.

In just a few weeks, our good friend in Cambodia have built a 2 classroom building, an office building and a toilet block. Work continues today, as they complete the water tower and tank (for flush toilet) and pathways adjacent to and between the buildings, so the kids and volunteer teachers aren't wading through mud and water when it rains.

Next we'll get the school fully furnished with whiteboards, desks and other required furniture.

This build has certainly lifted the standard and made us realise what we can achieve with a few dollars. Thank you to all that have contributed financially and those that will continue to do so in the future.

Lions 4 Kids Cambodia has grown beyond belief and has already achieved far more than we could ever had imagined.

#### **Lion Khim & Lions Tuk Tuk**

While still in Cambodia, our Club met in Logan Village and our Cambodian Controller, Khim Sokheng was admitted as an Affiliate member to our club.

We also set about rebranding his Tuk Tuk in Lions Colours, reupholstering his seats and roof in Lions blue and yellow; and stickers branding it "Lions Club of Logan Village Tuk Tuk", complete with a sign on the rear, promoting Kokbeng Village Volunteer Teacher English School.

Khim will use his tuk tuk to not only make a living, but so he can continue his great community work, raising awareness of Lions International and our Lions School. We are hoping that visiting Lions and other tourists will seek out our Lions Tuk Tuk and go out ad visit our schools. Donations are always welcome. Just amazing publicity for our small club and for our ongoing project.

We even got Lions Khim business cards

Background of Lion Khim Sokheng (in his own words)

My name is Khim SoKheng, I live in Cambodia, I am Cambodian, I was born on April 21, 1983, male, I have spent most of my childhood's life through the Civil War in the country. I am married I have three children 2 boys 1 girl. Currently I live in Siem Reap province, Veal village, Kork Chak commune, Siem Reap city, Siem Reap province. I have three siblings. Three boys and a girl, I am the third child of our family, we are farmers, we live in the countryside, 35 km from the city of Siem Reap. My parents are dead. He died when I was eight years old, he died of malaria, and my mother died when I was 17 years old, she died of liver cancer. I finish my study from Eleventh grade. Khmer language school only, because of the poor living conditions in our family did not motivate me to finish my university education. After I did not finish my university studies, I also learned some English, which made me speak English, write and read. Now I have the will and discipline to open an English language school. Volunteer in the community to help teach poor students, many of whom come from poor families. Their families could not afford to help them go to private schools, where they had to pay for tuition every month. My personal time involved in building the human resources available in the community to acquire knowledge of the English language so that they become potential resources for nation building, I aim to help the children in the village get an education Quality English through the English study of the volunteer teachers here. My hopes and aspirations for the future Hope for the cooperation of local and international philanthropists to see and participate in our community development project to help promote the continuation and empowerment of volunteer teachers. All of us who are sacrificing this precious time to be motivated to continue working. Finally, I would like to Thank you all for reading and viewing my resume.

#### **Bank Account:**

Before departing Cambodia, Lion Phil took Khim (our project Controller) and Miss Reach (our project Director) to the bank, where we opened a bank account, depositing \$1200USD so progress can continue on our project. We can now send money over to Cambodia direct to our bank account. Safety measures have been put in place and like our Lions Club, each withdrawal requires two signatories (two of the 3 signatories - Lions Khim, Miss Reach and Lion Phil).

## **Proposed Future Stage - Lions 4 Kids Cambodia**

We have identified another new community at Peak Sneng Village, to the northeast of Angkor Wat, which like Run Ta Ek, is a new community being developed for relocated refugees.

The community will be in need of a Volunteer Teacher English School, and Lion Khim has volunteered his block of land to be used to build a new school.

Early cost estimations are \$20,000 USD (\$30,000 AUD).

We have a rough plan and intend on building a 5-room building (3 classrooms) and a toilet block. These plans will be progressed through an Engineer as required.

However, at this stage, this phase is on hold, as the acquisition of the land has not progressed. There are internal political issues at play, so for now, Peak Sneng development is a watching brief. Stay tuned.

In the interim, we will continue to develop both Kokbeng Village (proposed play area and second classroom) and Thnal Village as required.

We will also continue to support both schools by keeping up with school supplies, uniforms, teachers aids and meeting ongoing costs such as electricity, and where possible offer our volunteers some financial reward, as they put in countless volunteer hours and have little income from elsewhere.

#### Financial Support:

As our project has developed, we have reached out to Lions Clubs across the country.

I am pleased to announce that at this point in time, we have received financial support from 37 Lions Clubs from every state of Australia. It has been truly humbling and is typical of the Lions spirit.

We have also received tremendous financial support from the Cambodian Community in Canley Vale Sydney.

#### Next Step -May 2025:

Lions Pedro and Phil will again visit Siem Reap in May 2025. We arrive in town on 20 May and will stay for 3 weeks. We are in the process of planning our work there, but no doubt will involve some painting and building.

Any Lions and other volunteers are most welcome to come and visit and chip in with some physical assistance if you wish. Or simply come over and have a look at our work and experience the rich and friendly culture.

If anyone is planning on visiting Siem Reap at any other time, I urge you to utilise our local Lions Tuk Tuk by contacting Lion Khim Sokheng on Whatsapp +855 17774539 or email him at khim\_kheng@yahoo.com. Khim will look after you and we would be pleased if you supported him with your custom.

Any queries or further information required, please email Lion Phil at loganvillage.lions@gmail.com



## Jorge'S QIMPUISE BECAUSE WE CARE MANNE





 The President and Members of the Lions Club of Cabarita Beach and Pottsville Beach

Cordially invite you to attend our Celebratory Luncheon

To mark the 50th Anniversary of our Club

At the Pottsville Community Hall (I Tweed Coast Road Pottsville.)

Saturday 31 May 2025 11.30 for 12.00 start

There will be a two-course lunch served as alternate drop. Cost is \$50.00 per person.

BYO: Please advise any dietary requirements with your RSVP

Dress: Smart Casual

RSVP Friday 9 May 2025 to: <a href="mailto:cabarita-pottsville@lions201ql.org.au">cabarita-pottsville@lions201ql.org.au</a>

Payment: cash or Square at the event or prepaid by transfer to:

BSB: 722744 Account: 100003780 Reference: your name and associated organization.



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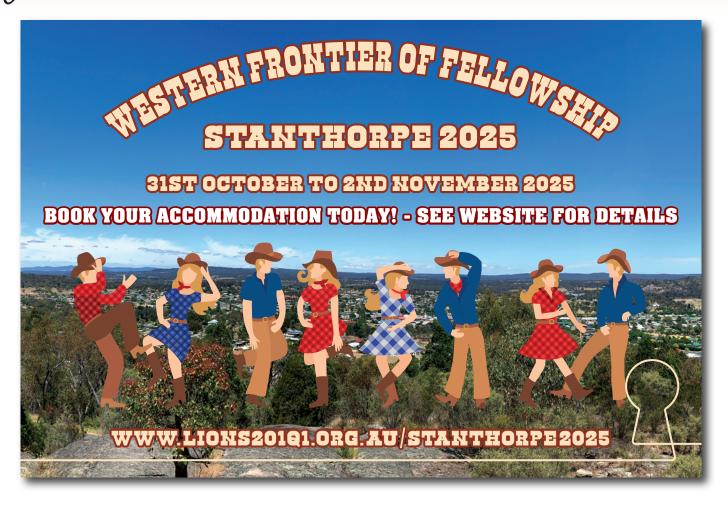


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Dear Members,

Now is the time to plan your accommodation for the upcoming Convention in Stanthorpe, taking place from October 31 to November 2. We encourage you to visit the District website at

https://lions201q1.org.au/stanthorpe2025/, where we have listed the major accommodation options available. Please note that these options will be held for our members until September 1, after which they will be open to the general public. Don't miss the chance to secure your accommodation today!

For the Long Lunch, we will provide a courtesy bus to transport attendees from the motels in the town area to the showgrounds where the event will be held. The website includes details about three accommodation options conveniently located next to the Long Lunch venue. Additionally, for those planning to bring caravans, we have secured both powered and unpowered sites at the showgrounds.

Dust off your boots and start your adventure today!

Secure your spot for the convention now!

Regards

#### Lion Mark McCosker

District Convention Chair - Stanthorpe 2025 Email: 2025conv@lions201q1.org.au



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#### YOU ARE WANTED! LAST CALL!

Become the key to drive change, support clubs, and shape the future of our Lions District.

✓ Empower Clubs to Succeed

✓ Make a Bigger Impact in our Clubs & Communities

✓ Develop Leadership & Learn New Skills

✓ Have fun along the way and make new friends!

Together, we can unlock growth, strengthen our clubs, and leave a lasting legacy for our communities.

STEP UP TODAY & SIGN UP AT www.lions201q1.org.au/signup

Become a key person to service and make a difference!

Looking for Zone Chairs for • Zones 1, 2, 6, 7 & 9

ZONE 1: Bonalbo Upper Clarence, Ballina, Ballina East, Casino, Goonellabah-Wollongbar, Kyogle, Lennox Heads, City of Lismore, Lismore ZONE 2: Bangalow, Brunswick Mullumbimby, Cabarita Beach Pottsville, Coolangatta and Tweed Heads, Kingscliff, Murwillumbah ZONE 6: Brisbane Chinese, Brisbane Ekibin, Brisbane Hellenic, Brisbane New Civitas, Brisbane Moorooka ZONE 7: Algester Parkinson, Brisbane Macgregor, Brisbane Pinelands, Brisbane Taiwanese, Brisbane Zhong Hua, Calamvale, Sunnybank ZONE 9: Beaudesert, Boonah, Fassifern, Harrisville, Rosewood

Also Chair for • Lions Foundations (All others eg ALCMF, ALCCRF, LAF, ALWF, LCBF etc)
PLUS • Qld and NSW Lions Medical Research Foundation
PLUS Someone who would like to promote • LCI Global Causes
If postions are not filled they WILL BE LEFT VACANT!



#### district governor team 2025-26

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1VDGE Johnson Chen (Brisbane Chinese)
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These flyers are free of charge! Flyers provided by your Q1 District to help clubs promote the positive impacts that clubs are making for our communities! (50 will be supplied at a time, so details can be updated at any stage)

#### SAMPLE OVER PRINT

#### **Lions Club of Greater Mount Gravatt Mansfield**

Contact: Peter Matthews on 0414 888 392 Email: mtgravattmansfieldlions.qld@lions.org.au Every 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, Monthly @6:30pm Holland Park Hotel - 945 Logan Rd, Holland Park

Email your details to flyers@lions201q1.org.au **OR Visit the district website** www.lions201q1.org.au/member-resources/q1-hub

#### LION MINT AUSTRALIA ORDER FORM

Effective: 1st July 2024

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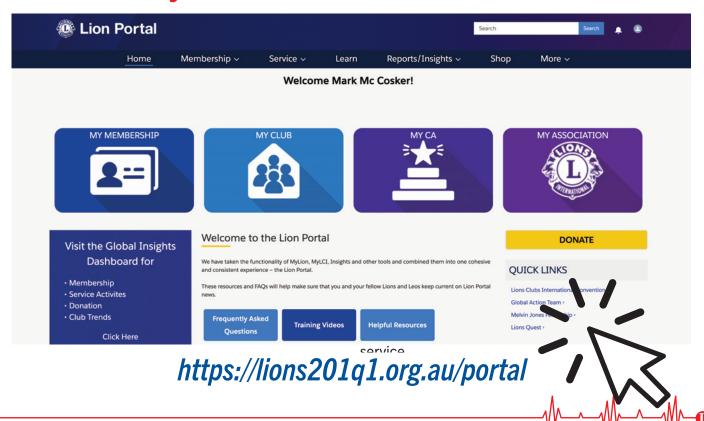
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What a year

I wish to thank IPDG Nicole and her cabinet for their service and welcome the new executive, cabinet and club officers to their year and opportunity to grow in



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JUA Underwriting Agency Pty Limited

Signed for and on behalf o

E-mail: insurance@lions.org.au
Web: www.lionsclubs.org.au/insurance

20 August 2024



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