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DISTRICT

201V3

# V3 ROAR



## LOCAL WINS RYE KAYAK RAFFLE

Rye Lions usually raffle a motor boat at Christmas, their efforts are spread out over months and they sell tickets at shopping centre and events during that time. With Covid came change of plans –an online raffle with a smaller prize– and so the kayak raffle was born.



First prize in kayak raffle was won by a lady in Tyabb seen here trying out the kayak in the Rye Lions Shed.



Second prize went to a fellow in Beaconsfield, so nearly local ! He was so chuffed with his win that he donated \$100 back to the club! He is seen here handing over the \$100 to Club President Gael Harvey. We raised over \$7,000, less costs which will go straight back to the local community, a mighty effort during Covid times.

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Welcome back everyone and hope we all enjoyed our little break. Hopefully you got a chance to catch up with family and friends and recharge the batteries a bit. It is important to step back at times and helps put things in proper perspective.

Congratulations to the successful candidates at the District elections, as already announced, District Governor Elect for 2021-22 is Steven Boyce, First Vice District Governor Elect David Culpitt and Second Vice District Governor Elect Kim Ainsworth from the Lions Club of Bairnsdale.

With Covid restrictions easing our District Governor team is ready to resume club visits or in some cases already has. If your club hasn't yet had a visit or booked one, or even if you had a Zoom visit and would like one face to face, now is the time lock one in. Just contact myself or Cabinet Secretary Andrew to organize.

Since our last newsletter there has been a fair bit happening on the membership front. We have the Lakes Entrance Lioness Club now chartered as the Lions Club of Gippsland Lakes Lionesses. I was honoured to be invited to their celebration and also the Berwick Lionesses last weekend to induct new members and by the time you are reading this we will also have a new Lions Club of Lionesses at Lindenow. Maffra Lioness Club has recently become Lions Club as well and will celebrate their charter soon.

Also recently approved by Lions Club International to charter as a Club in their own right was the Victoria Need for Feed Club Branch of the Lions Club of Pakenham. I had the privilege of inducting 18 members in person and another 4 by Zoom at Bairnsdale on their hay run early in December.

All of these additions to our V3 membership are results of months if not

years of hard work, in the case of the Lionesses, thanks in at least part, to the dedication of Lion Kerrie Mc Mahon who has continued on this year where she left of last, encouraging the Lioness Clubs to take that next step and then had the onerous job of completing all of the paperwork.

Our District membership growth is now the highest of all Districts in the Multiple District. While that is something to be proud of, we can't afford to rest on our laurels. The growth in numbers from the Lioness clubs converting to Lions club is a bonus that won't happen in future years.

You might ask why worry about membership growth? All of us will need to be replaced at some stage if we want to be able to keep serving our communities. Most of our communities are growing in population. Are our clubs growing in membership at the same rate?

We're also currently an aging organisation and that is not a sustainable situation long term. Think back to how old you were when you joined Lions. Do you still have the same energy and enthusiasm for serving your community? We can keep going until we can no longer but what then?

To replace ourselves with younger versions, we need to keep our clubs and members invigorated and inspired so that the quality of our membership experience attracts others. Youthful enthusiasm rubs off, even on us older members. If we don't have the right attitude how can we expect to attract others?

We've got our first Cabinet meeting for the calendar year coming up and I'm excited to say we're allowed to meet face to face for the first time in at least 10 months.



Our Global Membership and Leadership Teams are ready and willing to go. Whether your Club needs help in identifying and or training future leaders to replace ourselves or your club is travelling well but needs more hands to lighten the load, your District has the help you need.

We have plans in place to offer the training needed and we've got a new membership trailer and team members ready to visit your town to help your club with a membership drive.

As leaders we're now well and truly into the second half of our year. Now is not the time to take our foot off the accelerator pedal to coast home. If you're fired up and ready to go now that we're allowed out and about again, we're here to help.

Let's work together, identify and make those changes if necessary, to continue to be relevant to today's society, by respecting the past but not living in it.

Looking forward to catching up with as many of you as possible.

Yours in Lions

DG Graham

**Respect the Past, Embrace the Future.**

## Cabinet Secretary Report

Andrew McMahon

Welcome Back!

As we return to serving our community through our Lions clubs, I hope you all had a relaxing and Happy Festive Holiday and are ready and roaring to start the second half of this Lions year.

It's that time again Secretaries. The beginning of the Calendar year is the time to log onto MYLCI and check your clubs meeting times and venue are correctly listed. That all the office bearers' details are correct. It is also a good time to check all your current members, membership details are correct. The member's information can be printed and then offered to all members at the first meeting to allow them to highlight any corrections to be updated.

This is important preparation for completing the PU101.

If you are having any problems with My Lion or My LCI please don't hesitate to contact me. I am happy to help you navigate this online platform. The earlier we get you connected the easier your secretarial year will be.

As we know due to Covid 19 epidemic and the restrictions placed on all our communities, has meant that many of the District Governors Team visits have been postponed. As we hopefully begin face to face meetings again, I would ask each club whose visit was not completed to Liaison directly with the member of the District Governors Team, who was originally booked to visit your club. To organize a suitable date and time to reschedule the visit.

This direct contact will allow for a smoother rescheduling process and DG Graham, DGE Steve and 1<sup>st</sup> VDGE David are happy to work with you to create a great visit experience for your club.

As our E-Newsletter is now approved for a larger online version it is imperative that each club email our newsletter editor Lyn Connor with pictures and a few words on any projects your club has been able to do over the last few months and everything you do from here on in.

If you are unsure what to write please send an email or ring Lyn and she will be

happy to help you complete your story.

These newsletters are important to our district as they allow all clubs to be showcased and their projects to be displayed. As we predominately learn from others it is great to help other clubs by showing off the wonderful work all clubs are doing in their communities.

Lyn's details are-

Email- [v3.newsletter@gmail.com](mailto:v3.newsletter@gmail.com) and her phone – 0427 551 890

The success, content and how interesting they are is in every clubs hands, please help by making a commitment to at least contribute an article twice a year. If every club did that our newsletter would be jammed packed. Thanks Lyn for your hard work.

I wish you all a safe, happy and successful return to Lionism

Happy New Year

Andrew McMahon

Cabinet Secretary

## 1st Vice District Governor Report

Stephen Boyce

Well here we are in 2021!

I hope everyone had a fantastic Christmas and New Year, and a special time with family and friends. As we move into the second half of this Lions Year, and in to a less COVID restrictive time, it's a timely to look at what can be done in our communities. Our members are keen to get busy, now we just need the projects to get them busy on.

On a personal note, I want to thank you all for the support you have shown in me, by confirming me as your DGE. It's a great privilege, but also very humbling. Normally we would accept the confirmation at Convention, but of course that wasn't possible this year. I would also like to congratulate 1<sup>st</sup> VDGE David and 2<sup>nd</sup> VDGE Kim. A big thank you must also go to PDG Norma and Lion Kerrie for

their support of the District, by their candidature. It's fantastic to see our district is in a healthy place where we have 3 candidates for election. It shows great support.

I also need to thank IPDG Neil Wingrave who has agreed to be next years Cabinet Secretary. And something new in next Lions Year will be that we will have an assistant Cabinet Secretary and Lion Ron Chidgey has accepted that role.

Membership is looking positive as we move into the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the year. But we can't take that for granted. I would encourage us all to just keep plugging away. Continue to ask people. Continue to promote membership when we are out doing service. The District Membership team is here to help. I am sure District Global Membership

Coordinator Colin Blythe would love to hear from anyone seeking help. Also don't forget the District Membership trailer is a resource for all clubs. Don't hesitate to make contact with the membership team by email [gmt201v3@gmail.com](mailto:gmt201v3@gmail.com), if you would like to look at utilising this great resource at your club.

I am looking forward to catching up with Lions from all over the District, as we are to kick off Club visits again. Thanks again for everything you do and do so well, I am sure your community is very thankful.

Cheers for now.

Steve Boyce

1<sup>st</sup> VDG

Happy New Year to every Lion in District 201V3.

I hope you and your family have had a wonderful time over these holidays

We have had a few restrictions lifted and now we can get on with serving our communities.

A very big welcome to all of the new lion members we have got from the Lioness Clubs chartering and to Need for Feed Victorian Lions Club, well done on your charter.

Now is a good time for clubs to look at their service projects and reflect on how these will be done keeping Covid safe and helping your local community.

With this new year ahead of us V3 sure has had a rough past 12 months from Bush Fires to Covid 19

We have all got through this and kept our District strong.

We are in very good shape to take on the rest of this Lions Year and plan our clubs for the future and also plan for the future growth of our District.

I would like every Lions Club to start having a chat about looking at ways to set up a Leo Club, This could even be a Zone project, Let's start talking about it.

Regards

David Culpitt

[daveculpitt@gmail.com](mailto:daveculpitt@gmail.com)

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor

District 201V3

264 Stony Point Road

## A CHANCE TO ATTEND AN INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR \$50 !

Due to the continuing concerns about the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, the board of directors voted to transition the 2021 Montreal Lions Clubs International Convention to a virtual event that will be delivered totally online. This decision was made with the health and safety of our Lions, staff and vendors in mind as limiting international travel and large gatherings is key to global containment strategies.

Although we are disappointed that we won't be able to host this event in person, we are excited about hosting our first virtual international convention that can safely connect Lions from around the world. We are still finalizing the details of your new convention experience, and will share those with you as soon as they are ready.

Here are some important details about the 2021 virtual convention we'd like to share with you:

- Everyone's invited** – Our 2021 convention will be a virtual event that's open to all Lions and Leos around the world.
- Registration fees** – The registration fee will be US\$50 until March 31, then US\$75 beginning April 1. The registration fee for Leos will be US\$30 regardless of date. Convention is currently scheduled for June 25-29. Additional event and registration details will be provided soon.
- Current registrants** – Lions who are currently registered for convention will receive an email soon with more information about their registration options.
- Elections** – Executive officer and international director elections will be conducted electronically, and voting procedures will be forthcoming.
- Convention updates** – Check our convention website [LCIcon](#) for convention updates and details as they become available.

This global health pandemic has forced us all to make decisions and changes that place health and safety first. However, we are optimistic that with each new day there is hope, and as Lions, we continue to find new ways to stay connected, safely serve our communities and continue our global mission of service.

We appreciate your understanding during this challenging time for our organization and the world, and thank you for your incredible service as a Lion.

Regards,

Dr. Jung-Yul Choi  
International President

Now supporting our global causes



# HUNGER

- **815 million** people affected by hunger in 2016: 11% of the global population
- **155 million** children under age five are stunted due to chronic malnutrition
- **1/3** of annual food production is lost or wasted throughout the supply chain
- **33%** of women of reproductive age suffer from anaemia

## GLOBAL STATISTICS

- ♦ **1 in 9 people is (are) chronically hungry.**
- ♦ **Chances of food insecurity ~10% higher for women.**
- ♦ **At least 50% of children under age 5 have hidden hunger--lack of essential nutrients.**
- ♦ **2 billion people lack regular access to nutritious and sufficient food.**
- ♦ **25% of children are stunted due to lack of nutritious food.**
- ♦ **Sources: [World Health Organization](#), [WhyHunger](#), [UNICEF](#), [United Nations](#)**

**Our Strategic Objective:**

*Ensure all community members have access to nutritious foods.*



820 million  
people+ don't have  
enough to eat<sup>1</sup>

#### FEEDING THE HUNGER SOLUTION



"What's for dinner?" "I'm starving." "There's nothing here to eat." They're common phrases often uttered without thinking. The fact is, for many, "What's for dinner" implies a choice of nutritious

food. "I'm starving" translates to "I haven't eaten in a few hours." And while we may not have all ingredients to make tonight's meal, our refrigerators and pantries are, by all accounts, well-stocked. Those are the good facts.

For some, these are the harsh realities: "What's for dinner?" really means "Will there be any dinner?" And "I'm starving" means exactly that. Someone is starving.

"LCIF's Hunger grants help communities become stronger and healthier."

Chronic hunger and undernutrition affect many in Australia, impacting children's ability to focus in school; workers' productivity and contributions to economic growth<sup>2</sup>; and senior citizens' fight of infection, due to weakened immune systems<sup>3</sup>.

Now, with Hunger grants from Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), Lions can be an even greater part of the solution. "Hunger is pervasive worldwide," said Eveline Chandra, past council chair in Indonesia. "LCIF's Hunger grants will support school-based feeding programs, food banks, feeding centres, and similar facilities. We're helping communities become stronger and healthier."

# Hunger

lclf.org



Lions Clubs International  
**FOUNDATION**



# Hunger...a Complicated Challenge

Despite global production sufficient to feed the entire population, chronic hunger remains a chronic problem. Political and economic instability, rising food and energy prices, and climate change all contribute to this sad truth: Hunger-related challenges are urgent – even in Australia.

**>1 in 5**

Australians have run out of food and been unable to buy more\*

**1 in 3**

Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander children doesn't get enough fresh fruits and vegetables\*



**% rise in people seeking food relief**

since 2018:

- Northern Territory 27
- Western Australia 20
- Queensland 24
- New South Wales, Australian Capital Territory 23
- South Australia 16
- Victoria 26
- Tasmania 18\*

## THAT'S HERE. GLOBALLY, HUNGER LOOKS LIKE THIS:

**1 in 9**

people is chronically hungry<sup>7</sup>

Chances of food insecurity ~10% higher for women<sup>8</sup>

At least

**50% of children** under age 5 have hidden hunger

lack of essential nutrients<sup>9</sup>

**2 billion**

people lack regular access to nutritious and sufficient food<sup>10</sup>

25% of children are stunted due to lack of nutritious food<sup>11</sup>

## LCIF AND LIONS

[lcif.org/hunger](http://lcif.org/hunger)

## Funding Service, Delivering Solutions

Hunger is increasing steadily. LCIF, funding Lions' global humanitarian work since 1988, is there and part of the solution.

**HUNGER GRANTS**  
support school feeding programs, food banks, feeding centres, etc.

US\$10,000 - US\$100,000

**MATCHING GRANTS**  
fund construction and equipment costs

US\$10,000 - US\$100,000

**DISTRICT AND CLUB COMMUNITY IMPACT GRANTS**  
apply to local district and club projects

GRANT AMOUNT VARIES

**LEO SERVICE GRANTS**  
fund Leo-led projects

US\$1,500 - US\$5,000

SOURCES/NOTE: \*Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations; <sup>7</sup>The World Bank; <sup>8</sup>Myo Clinic; <sup>9</sup>Foodbank; <sup>10</sup>Children Association of Australia; <sup>11</sup>World Health Organization; <sup>12</sup>WhyHunger; <sup>13</sup>UNICEF; <sup>14</sup>United Nations; grant limits subject to change



LCIF is the grant-making body empowering Lions to create greater impact in their communities and around the world. The vast majority of funding LCIF receives is from Lions; one hundred percent of every donation supports Lions service through LCIF grants and programs. Hunger is just one cause area supported by LCIF and Campaign 100: LCIF Empowering Service. With financial support from Lions and clubs worldwide, Campaign 100 is empowering Lions to increase service impact in vision, youth, disaster relief, and humanitarian efforts; fight the global epidemic of diabetes; and make important progress in expanded cause areas of childhood cancer, hunger, and the environment.

**SUPPORT YOUR SERVICE  
BY SUPPORTING YOUR  
FOUNDATION**

[lionsclubs.org/donate](http://lionsclubs.org/donate)

# ADDRESSING HUNGER

Here are what some clubs are doing to address hunger in our district.

## RYE LIONS

During lockdown, Rye Lions responded to a plea from Southern Peninsula Community Support for food items for needy families, and hampers were quickly assembled and donated.

They cooked a BBQ lunch for the SPCSIC Southern Peninsula Community Support & Information Centre for their Christmas break up too,. "It was great to be back turning a snag !" said members of the club.

Club members hold monthly Bendigo Bank barbeques and make and serve dinner every 6 weeks to their friends at the COACH program at Rosebud Baptist Church.



## RED HILL DISTRICT LIONS

Each year Red Hill Lions donate 5 dozen cakes to Southern Peninsula Food for All to distribute to needy families with their Christmas hampers

This year, they also donated cakes to Westernport Community Support along with a wonderful selection of donated gifts from the community.

Help for needy families is provided in the way of supermarket vouchers or food hampers.



## DROMANA LIONS

Dromana Lions support Vinnies Kitchen, who provide meals for the disadvantaged throughout the week, with a financial donation from our yearly disbursements.

Judy Stevens, one of our club members, and her husband volunteer with the preparation of food, serving of meals and generally supporting those who take part in this initiative..

## PHILLIP ISLAND LIONS

Lions Club of Phillip Island donate to many causes on the Island dealing with hunger or food security.

Our Club disbursements 1/7/2019-30/6/2020 include:

- Breakfast Club at Cowes Primary School \$2,800
- Food vouchers for Cowes Primary School families \$1,500
- PICAL Food Bank \$2,400

(PICAL Food Bank is operated by the local Neighbourhood House, Phillip Island Community and Learning Centre Inc., and draws volunteers and donations from many Phillip Island community groups. Lions contribution is mainly this financial contribution)

### **The Phil Dixon Pantry**

Emergency food relief for anybody living in our community.

The Pantry is coordinated by volunteers and relies on donations from local stores such as Aldi, Coles and Food Bank Victoria to support the program. We also receive donations from some of our fabulous local residents and businesses.

**Open Mon - Fri 10am to 2pm**

**Proudly supported by Phillip Island Lions Club**





# ADDRESSING HUNGER

## KARINGAL LIONS

In December we received a call from the Lions Club of McCrae & Districts asking if we could make use of Fresh Bread in our community for our Flourish Bayside project. We of course jumped at the chance to collect bread from Bakers Delight in Dromana and distribute it to those in need in the suburbs of Frankston, Frankston North, Karingal, Seaford, Carrum Downs and Hastings (Wallaroo). We also had a car full of non-perishable items donated from Cranbourne Information and Support Service as a one-off donation and this was distributed and received gratefully in the Frankston North Community. We are thankful to our sponsors Bakers

Delight Dromana & Cranbourne Information & Support Service as well as our Lions family from McCrae & Districts for thinking of our project along with the help we've received from the Lions Club of Mornington Inc in distributing. This project has grown from two nights a week to four nights a week outreach and has reached in excess of 235 people each night.



Courtesy Main Ridge Probus  
Virus Buster newsletter



# Meet Your Global Action Team

## **MAURICE BLACKBURN - GLOBAL SERVICE COORDINATOR**

My name is Maurice Blackburn, I am the Global Services Coordinator for District V3. I have also been a member of the Lions Club of Frankston for just over 25 years. This has been the fourth year being on District. First year being a Zone Chairman, then Service Coordinator for V3.

As part of the Global Action Team (GAT), which is made up of Leadership, Membership and Service. Service is about what we do, or can do as Lions for our communities, being the local or on the international stage.

When people see what us as Lions do in the Service of our communities, they hopefully will get enthusiastic about also wanting to also contribute and possibly joins Lions. We encourage clubs to have their finger on the pulse of their communities, what does the community need and what do people want to be involved with.

Lions International have five Global Causes, these being Diabetes awareness, Hunger relief, Vision, Paediatric cancer and the Environment. However, if there are other local community needs outside of these five, we would encourage for these to be worked on. Caring for the Elderly came out of what we saw as a part of the impacts of isolation during COVID.

We encourage people to record what your clubs do within MyLion. Any clubs having issues in reporting, I am happy to help, along with Andrew McMahan, our V3 Cabinet Secretary. This is also a great place to get ideas and see what other clubs are doing.



## **BILL LACK GLOBAL LEADERSHIP COORDINATOR**

I joined Heyfield Lions Club 16 years ago and in that time has served as President, Secretary and Treasurer, Zone Chair and has been GLT Coordinator for the last two years.

The GLT role is focused on developing and inspiring quality leadership in the clubs of our district in collaboration with the District Governor. Along with Membership and Service, Leadership is part of the Action Team for our district. Each of these areas relies and supports the others. Without effective leadership, club membership and service can struggle.

An important part of the role is to ensure that incoming club officers participate in club officer development. Many things have changed in club management in my time in Lions, including the GAT structure which now flows from the clubs through the district to Multiple District and to Lions International, with the clubs being the driving force.

Other responsibilities of the role is District training for Zone Chairpersons and other programs such as Guiding Lions and promoting other LCI programs.

**COLIN BLYTHE - GLOBAL MEMBERSHIP COORDINATOR**

My name is Colin Blythe; I have been in Lions over 25 years starting at Lions Club of Karingal the transferring to Lions Club of McCrae & District. I have held many club positions during that time including many roles on district and understand the importance of having a strong membership in clubs.

The role as GMT Coordinator is in three parts, Diversity, Members Retention and Club Care.

To continue to sustain a healthy district we have to look at ways to keep our membership and to grow our leadership to take on what challenges that lie ahead.

This year has been hard with the Covid 19 restrictions and not being able to visit clubs to speak about membership but I am pleased to say that our district has weathered the Covid storm and is in positive growth.

I am pleased to report that the district membership trailer is now finished and ready for booking. If you have an events coming up, bookings can be done by emailing: [gmt201v3@gmail.com](mailto:gmt201v3@gmail.com)

Our GMT team consists of Vice District Governor Steve Boyce, PDG Norma Barnard and Ron Payne and Colin Blythe

Please contact us if you require any assistance with your membership.

I will have trailer photos for next newsletter

Lion Colin Blythe



# TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

## Expression of Interest for “Certified Guiding Lions” Course

Expression of interest is sought from members of District 201V3 to undergo the training program opportunity to become a Guiding Lion..

There are two main avenues of growth in numbers, one is to invite suitable community members to join a Club and the second avenue is to establish a new Club. In the first instance a mentoring Lion, who may be the sponsor, should be there to guide the new member, especially in the early days of membership. In the second instance two appropriately trained Lions are needed as Guiding Lions for the establishment of a new Club. It is the goal of this District to look to the establishment of new Clubs as part of membership growth.

What is required of a Guiding Lion?

**NEW POLICY EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 17 2018** - It is no longer a requirement to have served as club president in order to serve as a Guiding Lion. We encourage Lions to become certified by successfully passing the Certified Guiding Lion Course prior to appointment.

In Australia we are promoting that Guiding Lions can be certified by doing a combination of the pre assignment and a one day face to face workshop which has been set for **Saturday, March 13th 2021** at a location to be determined based on expression of interest (most likely at Warragul). This will be facilitated by Phillip Johnson (Multiple District G LT Coordinator)

Guiding Lions must submit a quarterly report to LCI and District Governor on the progress of the Club they are guiding, and a final report on the anniversary of 2 years of the Club – there is much assistance provided with these requirements

Guiding Lions have a 3 year timeframe, then they must resit the Guiding Lions course to maintain certification.

Could any interested Lion please forward to me their name of and contact details to [glt201v3@gmail.com](mailto:glt201v3@gmail.com) or phone 0459 777 474 by **February 16<sup>th</sup> 2021**

Yours in Lionism,

Bill Lack

Global Leadership Team Coordinator

District 201V23



# AROUND THE CLUBS



## LIONS CLUB OF WELLINGTON/LATROBE INC

On Wednesday the 2nd of December, our club was able to have it's Christmas dinner at Victoria Rose Tea rooms in Rosedale.

The evening started with the induction of our newest member into the Lions family, Julie Wynn. it was great to FINALLY formalize her membership into our club, with the induction ceremony ably conducted by our 1st Vice District Governor Steven Boyce.

We broke into the festivities between the main course and dessert to hold our much delayed AGM.

It was a fantastic evening and it was great to see almost all members attend. Sadly Lions Kevin and Barbara Morgan were unable to be with us due to ill health.

We wish all LIONS every where the compliments of the season and hopefully 2021 won't be as difficult as this year has been.

*Newest member at Wellington/Latrobe, Julie Wynn  
with sponsor Joy McLoughlin, and 1st VDG Steve Boyce*



## LIONS CLUB OF RYE

Rye Lions had a street BBQ in Rye for the draw of our Kayak raffle and the new BBQ Trailer worked it's magic.

We cooked a BBQ lunch for the SPCSIC Southern Peninsula Community Support & Information Centre for their Christmas break up too, it was great to be back turning a snag !

The BBQ had a good workout that day as we moved to Rosebud Baptist Church for their Christmas break up later in the day.



*Rye Lions new BBQ Trailer has been given a workout.*

We have resumed our Bendigo Bank BBQ's as well, which has pleased the folk of Rye.

*Pauline Powell, whose husband Jim was a Charter President (1972) of our club, passed away recently after a short and sudden illness.*

*Pauline was the founding President of the Rye Lioness and she and Jim were very active members of Rye Lions over many years. Jim passed away many years ago but Pauline has always been a great support and friend to us all. Jim was a DG too*

*Vale Pauline, your Service has now ended, but your accomplishments live on as do our memories .*



# AROUND THE CLUBS

## LIONS CLUB OF RED HILL DISTRICT



*Margaret from Flinders and Rob from Red Hill*

Red Hill and Flinders Lions combine to park cars and manage traffic at the Red Hill Market.

We recommenced these activities in December when markets began again. The December market was extremely busy, but January proved to be even bigger. Fortunately we had arranged for some extra assistance from the Main Ridge Men's Shed and local National Trust group (who are not currently operating their parking) as well as the local secondary college. The parking was ably managed by our parking coordinator and even though it was the largest ever market everything ran remarkably smoothly.



*Jane (RHL) and Maret (FL) collecting donations from market goers*

Many members of both Red Hill and Flinders Lions are traffic management trained, and two members at Red Hill have completed qualifications to enable them to develop traffic management plans which must be approved by Vic Roads and the local council before road management is able to take place.

Red Hill coordinators sometimes work with other community groups to assist them in the preparation of these plans.



## DROMANA

Our Lions Clubs have various ways of raising funds and each club attacks this problem in many varied ways.

Dromana Lions inherited the Pier Street Dromana Op Shop from our Lionesses some ten years ago and took over the Point Nepean Road Rosebud Op Shop from our Lionesses when they disbanded due to falling membership and increasing health problems some four years ago.

Our Lions Club members assist with the running of both Op Shops, but we do rely on a group of about 35 volunteers who donate their time to assisting with the running of both Op Shops.

Both Op Shops have a good range of pre loved clothing for ladies, gentlemen and children, good quality crockery and cutlery, artwork, books, both hard cover and paperback, craft materials, haberdashery and bric a brac and much more. Unfortunately, we do not have room for small or large furnishings and leave these items to the groups that have the space.

Both shops are open for business, 10.00 AM to 4.00 PM Monday to Friday and from 9.30AM to 2.00 PM on Saturdays.

Our enthusiastic volunteers would be happy to see you during business hours and will also accept your good quality donations up to 2.00 PM on weekdays.

**PHILIP ISLAND**

**PDG DONALD CAMERON OAM  
MEMORIAL AWARD FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Year 10 Newhaven College student Madie Grand-Court is the inaugural winner of the 'Donald Cameron OAM Memorial Award for Community Service'. The award has been instituted and funded by the Lions Club of Phillip Island to commemorate PDG Donald Cameron OAM who died in November 2019, and will be awarded annually to a senior Newhaven College student.

Don was a founding member of the Lions Club of Phillip Island and an active and much respected member of the Club for over 50 years. He had served as Club President on multiple occasions and also as Governor of District V3. Outside the Lions, Don served as a Councillor for Phillip Island Shire and was elected the inaugural Mayor of Bass Coast Shire. He was also a long-serving Justice of the Peace and a member of the founding committee of Newhaven College on Phillip Island. In 2013, Don was awarded an OAM for his services to the community.

The Lions Club of Phillip Island decided to commemorate Don's life and contribution by this ongoing award to a Newhaven College student who has demonstrated a record of service to the local community. The Club has committed \$1,000 per annum to the award.



***Madie Grand-Court, centre, holding the Don Cameron award presented on 27 November 2020, with Pam Cameron and Lions Club Secretary Steve Munro***

Madie Grand-Court was selected by Newhaven College as the winner of the inaugural award. Madie is a worthy recipient. She has worked as a volunteer for many Island causes and has helped raise funds for the White Ribbon cause by helping organise a Trivia Night that raised \$2,500 and set up a GoFundMe page that raised \$9,600.

The Lions Club of Phillip Island congratulated Madie for her community service and looks forward to seeing the \$1,000 award going to other worthy Newhaven College students in the future.



**Steve Munro**  
Secretary  
Lions Club of Phillip Island Inc.  
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### STRZELECKI

#### A COVID SUCCESS STORY

The South Gippsland Dairy Expo was an online event in 2020 as a result of the COVID-19 regulations.

The event was held in September involving 116 cloud exhibitors and attracting over 2,000 patrons during the 10 day period of the Expo.

The Dairy Expo website enabled exhibitors to showcase their products and services using an innovative design which enabled interactivity within each of the pages.

Many exhibitors showcased their products and services using videos, photos and keywords to assist the patrons in their shopping

The home page included an interactive site plan to bring to life the event and to assist patrons to easily navigate using categories to support their search.

The South Gippsland Dairy Expo also hosted some additional content throughout the 10 days, to ensure the website was fresh and engaging. This content consisted of a Matt Harms facilitated conference, an Udder Truth Showbag competition and even an education competition for our schools and students learning online to get involved.

The year 2020, was a different year for everyone, however, the Strzelecki Lions Club were proud of their accomplishment in converting an event that has been running for the past 20 years, to a COVID-19 success story.

*John Hutchison*

The image shows a composite of a website header and a photograph of the event. The website header features a green navigation bar with social media icons and the text 'South Gippsland Dairy Expo Cloud Event 2020'. Below this is a banner with a cow illustration, the dates '7th - 21st September 2020', and the slogan 'DELIVERED FROM A GIPPSLAND CLOUD'. A navigation menu includes 'HOME', 'WHATS ON', 'EXHIBITORS', 'GOLD PARTNERS', 'HISTORY', and 'CONTACT'. A 'DONATION TIN' icon is also present. The website logo reads 'Dairy Expo www.dairyexpo.org.au COWS IN A CLOUD'. The photograph below shows people at an outdoor event. A large yellow text overlay reads 'COME AND SEE THE LATEST PRODUCTS & SERVICES'. Below this, it says 'South Gippsland Dairy Expo Support those who support the Industry!'. In the bottom right, a sign advertises a contest: 'ENTER THE DRAW TO WIN \$400 (with a raffle!) & AN ON-FARM ASSESSMENT'.



**AROUND THE CLUBS**

**FLINDERS DISTRICT**

## **ANNUAL GOLF DAY**



Flinders District Lions Golf team who are preparing for another fun day of Golf raising funds for charities and other local causes.

Numbers are strictly limited and Covid restrictions will be in place with social distancing, a QR code to scan on arrival along with available hand sanitiser.

This will not stop us hosting a fun day on the magnificent Flinders Golf Course

***EARLY BIRD BOOKINGS NOW OPEN***

***Flinders District Lions Club Inc***

***33rd Charity Golf Day***

***Monday 1st March 2021***

***Ambrose Competition***

**Mens and Ladies - Shotgun Start @ 8.30am**

**followed by lunch, prize presentations, raffles and silent auction.**

**Proceeds go towards local charities and community projects supported  
by the Flinders & District Lions Club.**

**Tickets are \$85 per player and include green fees, refreshments on the course as you play and  
a delicious lunch in the lovely Flinders Golf Club.**

**You will be able to book online for the following options:**

**1, 2, 3 or 4 people x \$85 ticket per person.**

**You can nominate who you would like to play with and you will be asked for your Golf Australia (GA number).**

**If you don't have a handicap we will give you one on the day.**

**Just click on the link below and follow the prompts to book.**

**<https://www.trybooking.com/BLWEW>**

## AROUND THE CLUBS - FLINDERS DISTRICT



We are so pleased that we will be running the FLINDERS MOTORING HERITAGE again this year. Book your car for a fun Easter Sunday event - Sunday 4th April 2021  
Click on the link to book your car <https://www.trybooking.com/BOCKY>  
Or if you want to just visit the event and check out the wonderful displays click on the link <https://www.trybooking.com/BOEEI>



Now that you have your new diary SAVE THE DAY for the lovely Community Picnic which will be held again on the back beach on 13th March 2021

## MCCRAE AND DISTRICT - *Life through COVID*

Who said Lions can't be fun during Covid!!! Seeing we couldn't fund raise we decided to have fun raise. Some of our projects were knitting for the fire relief in Gippsland and the homeless on the Mornington Peninsula, the knitting consisted of beanies and blankets and now we have members who are busy clicking the knitting needles and making teddies for where they are needed. Toy bags were sewn for the Woodworkers to put the dolls house furniture in and given out at Christmas to the underprivileged children and masks were sewn and given out. We also kept the SES fed during lockdown, the cauldron was bubbling away and the meals consisted of various soups, chicken curry, pasta dishes, bolognaise, beef pie and chicken pies, muffins and sweets just to mention a few. All the food was delivered in warning boxes and they were able to freeze some meals for when they came in from callouts.

Lion Ros sent a tea bag to each member with a note saying we are all looking forward to the day we can get together for a cuppa. A club bulletin was sent to members to keep them entertained with recipes, puzzles, jokes, Lions info and other interesting reading matter.

Our first meeting we had was a breakfast at the Rye Hotel where IPDG Neil Wingrave presented the club with the best Club in the District for 2019-2020, an award the club is very proud of.

The club presented Lion Ros with a Melvin Jones Fellow for all her tireless work in the club an award that she deserved for her selfless volunteering and always there to lend a helping hand what ever the situation, she was a very deserving recipient.



This year the club wasn't able to run the Christmas Carols at the Lighthouse so our President Colin in his wisdom came up with the idea of running them at the Dromana Drive In everyone came on board, Neil Mitchell 3AW and the channel 9 news, Mornington Peninsula Shire and others to pull the 3 nights off. It was a free night and over \$3000 in donations from the night went to Food for All and Focus, Peninsula based charities.



**"WE SERVE"**  
WHERE THERE'S A NEED  
**THERE'S A LION**

## MEMBERSHIP

***When our membership grows***

***our communities grow, our service strengthens, our future brightens***

**Welcome to all our new members**

### Lions Club of Lakes Entrance Inc.

- Moss Mahony was inducted by District Governor Elect on the 15<sup>th</sup> December 2020. Sponsored by President George Radford.

The Lions Club of Lakes Entrance Inc. celebrated 45 years of service on the 15<sup>th</sup> December 2020.

The following Lions who received 45 year Charter Monarchs, were presented to

Lion Andre Baker, Lion David Ostler, and Lion George Radford.

- 40 year Monarch was presented to Lion Joyce Radford,
- 35 year Monarch was presented to Lion Donald Brady,
- 20 year Monarch was presented to Lion Cynthia Robinson
- 10 year Monarch was presented to Lion Karen Armistead

Joyce Radford, Membership Chairperson.

### Lions Club of Frankston

- Daniel Gavin was inducted by 2ndVDG David Culpitt on Dec 2 via Zoom

Lions Club of Rye has 3 new members.

- Heather James
- Tim Steele
- Tom Steele

Lions Club of Balnarring has 2 new members

- Sarah Johnston
- Darren Eberhard

### Lions Club of Twin Rivers

January 2021

- Cath Carpenter (Twin Rivers)
- Tony Carpenter (Twin Rivers)

December 2020

- Darin Mitchinson (Twin Rivers)

October 2020

- Penny Armstrong-Boehk (Twin Rivers)

September 2020

- Andrew Kenyon (Twin Rivers)
- Judy Nicol (Twin Rivers)
- Jim Nicol (Twin Rivers)

July 2020

- Gillian Peck (Twin Rivers)



***Lions remember . . .***

***Thank you to the following Lions  
for their service***

**Deceased**

- Des Lovell - Charter Member  
Lions Club of Bruthen
- Lion Barry Olsen -  
Lions Club of Strzelecki Lioness
- Valda Growth -  
Lions Club of Gippsland Lakes Lioness
- Lioness Cynthia Ardley –  
Husband Bruce Ardley (former Lakes Lion)  
Lions Club of Gippsland Lakes Lioness
- Lion Allan Adams – Mother Anna  
Lions Club of Lakes Entrance Inc.
- Lion Anne Williams -  
Lions Club of Willow Grove
- Former Lioness Pauline Powell  
Lions Club of Rye  
(husband PDG Jim was a Charter President  
(1972) of Rye Club)



***We wish the following Lions  
and their family members a  
speedy recovery***

**On the Sick List**

Lioness Marilyn Varone – Husband Tony Varone    Lions Club of Gippsland Lakes Lioness



Well, the new year has started, and I hope that all members had a great Christmas and an enjoyable New Year.

Schools will be going back in a couple of weeks, so you will need to contact your schools Year 10 or Year 11 co-ordinator, to see if they will be participating this year in the Youth of The Year competition.

Club Finals need to be completed by the 20<sup>th</sup> / 21<sup>st</sup> February 2021.

If your Club has decided not to participate in the 2020/2021 YOTY competition, please advise me, via email, so that I can make a note of it. The COVID-19 situation has not helped with communication between schools, so it is understandable that there may be no participation. ☹️

Remember that students can be aged over 15 years of age and under 19 years of age, so contact the school co-ordinator for year 10 to year 12.

All Application Forms completed by the student **must be** typed. **No handwritten forms.**

Each Club will need to fill in the Club Registration Form and return to me, along with the \$50.00 entry fee. This amount can be paid via EFT to **BSB: 083 953 Account no: 549748489** stating your Club name and YOTY.

The YOTY 2020-21 Program will proceed all the way to the Finals in 2021. Whether it is in a public forum or via Zoom, your Club's competition will continue.

*(Please refer to the Pandemic Policy which you should have already received for online conference platform procedures.)*

*Club Finals by 20/21 February 2021*

*Region/Zone Final by 13/14 March 2021*

*District Final by 27/28 March 2021*

*State Final 17/18 April 2021*

*National Final 10 May 2021*

# RIDE FOR SIGHT

## Lions District 201V3 27<sup>th</sup> Lions Ride for Sight Challenge

As the Ride for Sight Chairman and District Governor, it gives us great pleasure to invite you and others you may know who might be interested to participate in our 2021 Ride for Sight Challenge.

Those who have participated before will find this ride totally different and for good reasons as our April 2020 Ride for Sight event had to be cancelled because of Covid19. We are determined that we don't want that to happen again so the 2021 ride will take on a totally new concept – a ride with a difference.

We have a target of raising at least \$30,000 for **CERA** (Centre for Eye Research Australia) and the **LEHP** (Lions Eye Health Program). Prior to Covid19 our Ride for Sight has raised over \$60,000 each year in recent years. This would not be possible without your participation with this wonderful Lions District 201V3 fund raising project.

<b>Ride for Sight Chairman</b> PDG Ian Gration 2015-16		<b>District Governor</b> Graham Cockerell
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**Vision is precious and no one should ever lose the gift of sight.**

“At **CERA** we are so grateful for the commitment shown by participants in the Lions Ride for Sight. With their ongoing support, we can continue world-leading research and accomplish breakthroughs never thought possible” said **CERA** Managing Director, Professor Keith Martin.

You too can play a pivotal role in supporting **CERA** by participating in the 2021 Ride for Sight Challenge by registering today at [lionsrideforsight@gmail.com](mailto:lionsrideforsight@gmail.com)

This year we're calling all event riders, recreation riders, occasional riders and those who just enjoy riding alongside their family and friends – this challenge is for you.

Adapted to ensure COVID safe conditions you get to choose your favourite route, try a new one or set out on an adventure. Not only will you keep fit, you'll be raising vital funds for eye research.



The Ride Organising Committee will confirm your registration by email along with sponsorship forms when your registration and fee are received.

# RIDE FOR SIGHT

## Lions District 201V3 27<sup>th</sup> Lions Ride for Sight Challenge

**This year's Lions Ride for Sight Challenge is a  
'ride with a difference'.**

**Ride 400 km in your own time, in your own space  
between 13 March and 11 April 2021**

This event is our Lions District's way of actively being part of Lions International multi district program to be involved in the effort to eradicate preventable blindness worldwide.

Our Ride for Sight started in 1994 and has been running annually except for 2020 when it unfortunately had to be cancelled because of Covid19 restrictions and lockdowns. This year's ride format had to be changed in an effort to continue fulfilling our promise to be part of this program.

The genesis for this program came from blind and deaf authoress Helen Keller who challenged Lions International at its 1925 international convention in Cedar Ohio to become knights of the blind. Lions accepted her challenge and has since been included in sight programs aimed at preventable blindness.

Our event over these years has raised over a million dollars which has benefited various blind and eye institutions in Victoria.

Funds raised from this event will go to the Centre for Eye Research Australia (**CERA**) who are and have been doing valuable research in matters such as glaucoma, macular degeneration, diabetes and more.

Thank you for being part of our event. We look forward to you having a safe ride and your sponsorship.

**Note:**

Please return your completed sponsorship form by email after depositing the funds raised by **Friday 30 April 2021** to: [lionsrideforsight@gmail.com](mailto:lionsrideforsight@gmail.com) Funds raised are to be deposited in the following account:

Account: **Lions Clubs International District 201V3 Ride for Sight Account**

BSB: **083 953**



Account No: **11772 0351**



CENTRE FOR  
**Eye Research  
Australia**



## Lions District 201V3 27<sup>th</sup> Lions Ride for Sight Challenge

### Registration Form

Item	Rider	Details
1	Name:	
2	Address:	
3	Mobile Number:	
4	Email Address:	
5	Age:	
6	Gender:	
7	Lions Club member:	
8	No of previous rides:	
9	I am part of a tandem entry My tandem rider is:	
10	<p>In consideration of and as a condition for acceptance of my entry in the Lions 201V3 Ride for Sight for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators, I hereby waive all and any claim, right or cause of action which I or they might otherwise have for or arising out of loss of my life or injury damage or loss of any description whatsoever which I might sustain in the course or consequence upon my entry or participation in the said event.</p> <p>I acknowledge that cycling activities are inherently dangerous, and risks include contact with other road users and participants. I agree to abide by any lawful and reasonable instructions given by the organisers.</p> <p>This waiver, release and discharge, shall be operated separately in favour of all persons, corporations and bodies involved or otherwise engaged in promoting or staging the event and the servants, agents, representatives and officers of any of them and includes but is not limited to the Lions Club, or other organisations or sponsors and shall so operate whether or not the loss, injury or damage is attributed to act or neglect of any or none of them.</p>	
11	I acknowledge I have to raise a <u>minimum</u> of <b>\$250</b> for this event. Funds raised from this event will go towards the Lions Eye Health Program ( <b>LEHP</b> ) and the Centre for Eye Research ( <b>CERA</b> ). I have to ride a minimum of 400km between Saturday 13 March and Sunday 11 April 2020 as part of my participation effort.	
12	I have deposited my <b>\$20</b> registration fee to the Lions Ride for Sight account: Account: <b>Lions Clubs International District 201V3 Ride for Sight Account</b> BSB: <b>083 953</b> Account No: <b>11772 0351</b> <b>My deposit reference is:</b>	
13	Signed: Date:	



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FOR IT TO CONTINUE, WE NEED YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS.**

**PLEASE SEND IN YOUR ARTICLES AND IDEAS**

Focus for the Next Issue will include :

Global Causes - **VISION**

Please send in articles about what your club is doing to address our global causes.

Around the Clubs

**Any** activities your club has been involved in — a few lines and a photo( with caption) is all that is needed.

Lions National projects - anything you are doing to support national causes

Youth projects

- Junior Public Speaking
- Youth of the year
- Peace Poster / Essay

Membership

- New members
- Membership awards
- Special things members have done

Photos welcome. Please supply a caption with names for photos

Please forward ideas for articles to [v3.newsletter@gmail.com](mailto:v3.newsletter@gmail.com)

**Articles are welcome anytime - please don't wait till the deadline to submit**  
*(makes the job of editor much easier if there is a regular stream!)*