



District 201V3 Newsletter



SOUTHERN PENINSULA LAUNDRY - SPLASH PROJECT

In March, several members attended the opening of the Splash program. This project was an initiative of The Lions Club of Flinders District Inc. The Splash program was set out to assist the homeless for the Southern Peninsula Support organization, which supports hundreds of clients a year who need food, toiletries, temporary accommodation and counselling.

The SPLaSh Project (Southern Peninsula Laundry and Shower) assists those living rough on the Southern Mornington Peninsula in Victoria, Australia via Southern Peninsula Community Support

and the idea of a mobile shower and laundry van was conceived to take to where the service was needed most.

An amazing collaboration of Lions Clubs (Lions Club of Flinders and District, Lions Club of McCrae & District, Lions Club of Dromana and Lions Club of Rye), ALF (Australian Lions Foundation) and Lions International came together to fund this project. Tony Benbow also attended the event representing ALF.



Where There's a Need, There's a Lion



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DATES TO REMEMBER

APRIL

2023

- 2nd World Autism Awareness Day
- 7th World Health Day
- 7th-10th Easter Holiday Period
- 21st World Creativity and Innovation Day
- 25th ANZAC Day

MAY

- 15th International Day of Families
- 17th World Telecommunication and Information Society Day

JUNE

- 4th 201V3 Club Development Day at Cranbourne TAFE
- 5th World Environment Day
- 14th World Blood Donor Day

JULY

- 15th World Youth Skills Day
- 16th District Changeover at Warragul Country Club
- 28th International Day of Friendship



Message From District Governor David Culpitt

Welcome to the April Newsletter



I was at the District final of the Youth of the year. What a wonderful project this is with helping young people from the age of 14 giving them the confidence to speak in public. We did not have many clubs taking part this year which is a shame as it is the young people who miss out on this opportunity. Next Lions year I would like to encourage all clubs to look at taking on this fantastic project. The entry fee is only \$35.00 which comes out of your Activities account.

New Members Clubs please keep asking new people to join your club, who will be sitting around your clubs table in 10 years from now. There is only 2 months until the District Changeover we would like as many as possible to attend on the day.

I would like to wish everyone a happy Easter and stay safe during the holidays.

David Culpitt
District Governor

1st VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR KIM AINSWORTH

G'Day all, I hope you are all well and taking on the challenge of making our community a better place. We have all seen many of the ways that we can serve our community.

Here are some ideas: Cutting Firewood, have a free BBQ as a way of showing your appreciation of their support, sponsor a fun run, construct a community Veggie Garden on an empty block, run a food drive for the needy,

Zone Chairman GAT Workshop 13 May

This training had initially been flagged for you all for Sunday 14 May, this however is Mother's Day, so we are proposing to move it to Saturday, **13 May at the Trafalgar Community Centre.**

Please note the Zone chair training is an all-day event and it already combines all aspects of Zone Chair training from Zone chair orientation through to their GAT (Global Action Team), GMA (Global Membership Approach) and BAM expectations. Neil Wingrave and Anne Eldridge will be presenting on the day.

We will need to start about 9.30 a.m. for a 5.00 p.m. finish. (Agenda to be finalised). The GAT team (Roger Lurz, Colin Blythe and myself) and Kim Ainsworth will also be in attendance on the day. There will be membership booklets for the Zonies.

I would like to encourage all Clubs to invite a member of the public (It could be a relative or work mate.) along to a meeting and show them some of the ways you are assisting to make our communities a better place to live.

By far the greatest concern for the District is the level of membership across the District and Cabinet. The membership level as at 14th March is 1209 (Need to work to get it back up to 1250)

Helping Lions Help Others
Kim Ainsworth
District Governor Elect



WELFARE / MEMBERSHIP REPORT

District Governor David and the members of Lions District 201V3 send our sympathy to the families of the following Lions and partners who have passed away over the past month.

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| Lions Club of Lindenow | Lion Kenneth Treasure |
| Lions Club of Warragul | Lion Frank Grogan |
| Lions Club of Yarragon | Lion Eric Mitchell |



It is always a pleasure to welcome new members into our Lions family. District Governor David and all the members of District 201V3 welcome the following..

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| Lions Club of Casey | Lion Eshal Ahmed |
| Lions Club of Lakes Entrance | PDG Don Brady |
| Lions Club of Lindenow | Lion Tanya Bertino |
| | Lion Rhonda Davidson |
| | Lion Lois Keatingh |
| | Lion Ruth Morton |
| Lions Club of Loch Sport | Lion Eileen Grange |
| Lions Club of McCrae and District | Lion Lorraine Riches |
| | Lion Heather Williams |
| | Lion Robert Williams |
| Lions Club of Rosebud | Lion John Whitlock |
| | Lion Patricia Whitlock |
| Lions Club of Sale | Lion Len Collier |
| | Lion Russell Thomas |

For all Welfare information,
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GLOBAL LEADERSHIP TEAM - CLUB DEVELOPMENT DAY

**“Save the Date”
201V3 Club
Development Day
Cranbourne TAFE
Sunday 4 June
2023**

We are planning to roll out our club development days for the upcoming year. We will be looking for volunteers to present various topics on these days. Training material should be available from Multiple Districts soon and I should be able to forward it out to presenters by the end of March.

The structure of the day is still to be discussed with the GAT team at our next catch up, draft thoughts for topics are outlined below:

- Hear from our 2023/24 Incoming District Governor Team
- Incoming Officer Training (President, Secretary, Treasurer and Membership)
- Learn about online Lions Training tools, such as MyLion, MyLCI and Learn
- Club Development sessions, possibly New Member sessions

Other V3 Regional Days are proposed, most likely Traralgon and Leongatha (dates to be advised, depending on interest).

COMMUNICATION REPORT

This is a reminder that the Oz Clubhouse system will soon be permanently deactivated, in accordance with notifications provided over the last two years. Actually, I think they have gone early, as I can no longer see any Lions websites anymore. The Oz-Clubhouse system has been provided free-of-charge to Lions Clubs and Districts in Multiple District 201 for a decade. It was put in place to provide a simple website for Lions Clubs, at a time when there were few low-cost alternatives. Oz-Clubhouse was designed and built at no charge, by an Australian Lion. In the intervening period it has been upgraded once and is currently being maintained by the Multiple District. As a custom-built system, it is costly and difficult to upgrade and it is now plagued by ongoing 'bugs' and has become impossible to maintain. The Lions Multiple District Council resolved to retire the system in June this year.

As a district we know how challenging this will be for clubs! So we have come up with a simple solution.

Domains

As a district, we have set up an account to purchase your new domain. Meaning that we have access to your domain, so that if members come and go and the username/password gets lost or forgotten, we will be able to access on your behalf. You cannot use the old URL - like dromana.vic.lions.org.au. You have to purchase a new domain. Something like dromanalions.com.au, or dromanalions.org.au, or just .au. We can help with this. And you can choose the domain you choose for your club.

Website

We have a standard website (based on the new District Website <https://lions201v3.org.au/>) that you can use to get up and running in 1 week. We will provide training on how to update, and will also host it for you. Hosting is like a piece of land that your house (domain) sits on. You can't have a website without it. You will have full access to your site. It is responsive and will work really well on mobile. All you have to do is add some photos and content.

Hosting

We have also set up a hosting account as a district to keep the costs as low as possible, as well as provide a backup in case you lose the login details. We will set you up on the smallest plan to start with, and if you grow or the site needs more space, we can upgrade this for you.

Costs

Domain Registration (cost price)
\$20-55 Inc. GST for 2 years – per .com.au or .org.au domain
\$10-25 inc. GST for 1 year for .au domain
(depends which domain you choose)
Need to renew every couple of years

Website Installation \$550 (\$500+gst) - a one off cost

Installation & configuration of WordPress
Mobile responsive
Page and navigation structure
Editing and formatting provided images for web use
User access to edit content of website post launch – clubs manage their content
Basic SEO implementation
Google Analytics
SSL certificate and configuration
Site testing and launch
Training

Hosting

It's \$4 USD per month at the lowest level. Next level is \$12 USD per month
Will be billed annually
Dedicated memory and vCPU
10GB storage
500GB /month bandwidth
10K /month estimated visits

This means that the district can help set this up, maintain and backup your websites as long as the clubs want one.

I (Merrin Munroe - District Communications Chair), run a Digital Marketing Agency and have a web team that will do everything for you. It will take a week to set it up for each club. Or can provide advice if you want to do your own thing. For complete transparency, my company will be paid for the installation, set up and training. The domains and hosting will be at a low price that is set up in software that the District controls and is managed by me. Or whoever takes over the IT role in the future.

If Clubs wish to create their own solution, we can offer the following.

Website Package (up to 3 pages) - \$750 Inc. GST
Website Package (up to 6 pages) - \$999 Inc. GST
Hosting Package - \$350 Inc. GST per year

For more information please contact:
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YOUTH OF THE YEAR

District 201 V3 YOTY District Final was held 19 March at Trafalgar.
Photo shows David Culpitt - District Governor; Charlotte Denman - Dromana Secondary College;
Angelica Starakis - Koo Wee Rup Secondary College and Julie Swan YOTY District Chairperson.
Overall Winner and Public Speaker was awarded to Charlotte Denman.
Both students were winners on the day and congratulations must go to both of them.
Thank you to the support of their sponsoring Clubs - Lions Club of Dromana and Lions Club of Koo Wee Rup and also to the students supporting family and friends.
We must also thank the Lions Club of Trafalgar for their ongoing support with this Final and their generous help with a great lunch and venue.
We look forward to a bigger and even better YOTY program next year in the District of 201 V3.
Thanks - Julie Swan, YOTY 201 V3 Chairperson

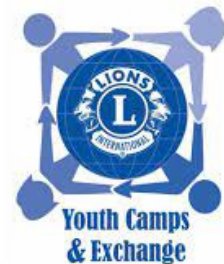


YOUTH EXCHANGE

**Seeking Host Families from any State in Australia for English Speaking Youth
Are you looking for a club project involving youth?**

Why not offer to host one of the youths travelling to Australia in July 2023 with the Lions Youth Camps & Exchange Program. The below youth are seeking their perfect match. A Host Family application form is attached for those interested in applying.

Get in contact with Shae today – youthexchange.pc10@lions.org.au – 0408 446 915



Please note:

All host family members over the age of 18, must have a current Working with Children Check (WWCC) for their state/territory, when youth under the age of 18 are being hosted by the family.

Following home hosting, youth will attend Camp Krokodile – Queensland, 22-30 July 2023

Yoav (M) - Israel

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Scouts, gym, skateboarding, volunteering and loves experiencing new cultures. Also speaks Hebrew.

1-22 July 2023

Serbastian (M) - Italy

16

Exercise, going to the gym, judo, playing basketball, reading.

1-22 July 2023

Daniel (M) - Finland

17

Gym, nature, architecture, culture and traditions.

1-22 July 2023

Bernado (M) - Brazil

16

Surf, skate, soccer, bike, pool. Also speaks Portuguese & Spanish.

1-22 July 2023

District Changeover 16th July 2023

2023/24 V3 Changeover Luncheon

All Lions, Partners and friends are invited to attend to celebrate the past and future Lion's year

**Welcome Home DG Kim and Partner Christine
&
Thanks to IPDG David**

When booking please advise any special dietary requirements.

Payment for the meal may be done on the day

It will be an

11.30am for 12pm start with a 3.30pm finish

On Sunday 16th July 2023

At

**The Warragul Country Club
41 Sutton Street Warragul
Lunch will be \$40 per head – 2 courses**

Drinks at bar prices

Please RSVP by no later than the 25th June 2023

TOORA LIONS CLUB

The Lions Club of Toora recently took part in the Biggest BBQ for Childhood Cancer, raising much needed funds for the ALCCRF. Under perfect weather conditions and a good dose of music from the Inverloch Invy Horns band. The traditional BBQ was held at the Toora Pear Family Festival, an annual event that brings locals and out of town visitors to Toora's unique, heritage Pear Orchard. With dedicated Lions members officiating as gourmet sausage chefs and front of house bubbly PR officers, the Club raised \$1000.00 since donated to the ALCCRF.

Well done Toora and thank you members for a great effort.



DROMANA LIONS CLUB

On Sunday morning, the 19th March, YOTY State Coordinator, Colin Stevens and Dromana Lions Club Secretary, Graeme Wilson, travelled down to Trafalgar to support our YOTY Club Finalist, Charlotte Denman, from Dromana College, who was competing in the YOTY District Final.

Competing against Charlotte was Angelica Starakis from Koo Wee Rup Secondary College sponsored by the Lions Club of Koo Wee Rup.

It was interesting to note that both girls had similar interests and both aspired to careers in law.

Both girls presented well and spoke very close to the five minute time limit for their speeches.

After a very close contest, both the YOTY Public Speaking award and the District YOTY award were presented to Charlotte Denman from Dromana College.

We wish Charlotte every success at the YOTY State Final at Wangaratta on the 1st April.



DROMANA LIONS CLUB

At our dinner meeting at the Poowong Hotel on Wednesday evening, 8th March, Noel Gregg gave a wonderful speech outlining the wonderful community work done by Maurice Schwennesen, supported by his wife Lynne, over many years not only through Lions but also many other organisations.

President Russell Jones then presented Maurice with a very well deserved Melvin Jones award.

Maurice and Lynne's family were also there for the presentation.

Congratulations Maurice.





201V3 47TH DISTRICT CONVENTION

Family Convention

WARRAGUL

27-29 OCTOBER 2023

Hosted by Zone 6

The Zone 6 Clubs hosting a family themed convention with our Lion Pride



Come and Join us for a weekend of fun

Including the band: The Hoffmans at the Saturday Night Dinner Dance



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REMINDERS

1. District Officer Reports
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DATE OF SUBMISSION

By 15th of each month @ 12pm



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