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# FROM THE DG'S DESK...

"Willing hands for V6 Progress"

Hello V6 Lions family

As this is my last opportunity to write as District Governor for this Lions year, I would like to give a few thank-yous.

Firstly, I would like to acknowledge all the District I would like to congratulate Albury and Wangaratta Clubs. Without you there would be no District. After dealing with the uncertainty caused by Covid 19, it has been great to see Clubs get reinvigorated to Benton for continuing to drive mint sales in their once again serve their communities.

A big thank-you to "Roar" editor Jo Guthrie. Jo came up with the original design for my bannerette with the "Spirit of Progress" image. Under Jo's

Two of the hardest workers in the district are Cabinet Secretary Clinton and Cabinet Treasurer Ollie. These are year-round jobs. Not only have they had the normal work to do, but also dealing with the arrangements for on-line voting for the MD convention. Ensuring that Clubs were financial prior to the voting cut-off was a huge

Some of the negatives of the year have been not having a Convention, the ongoing drop in membership and

the low donations to the Lions Club International Foundation.

To balance that though, district clubs have donated \$21,750 to the Australian Lions Foundation for the floods in NSW and QLD. The district has received \$694,737 from ALF for disaster relief over the last 2 years. I hope there is an appreciation of the benefit of the foundations.

on achieving joint highest mint sales for the district. Well done to Lions Andy Mosjiewicz and Alan respective Clubs.

Earlier this week I had the pleasure of officially opening the new Tungamah Lions club rooms. Tungamah should be very proud of their new home. Whilst at Tungamah I was able to present editorship, the Roar has continued to be a great publication. Lions need to keep sending in material. If you want your Club or project medal, recognising his ongoing contribution to his Club, District 201V6 and Lions Clubs International.

> I would like to pass on my thanks to all other cabinet members for their perseverance and dedication to their jobs.

> Alison and I extend our best wishes to DGE Neil Stuart and the incoming Cabinet team for 2022-23.

> > Your friend in Lions DG Steve Kazenwadel



# MD201 MINI CONVENTION













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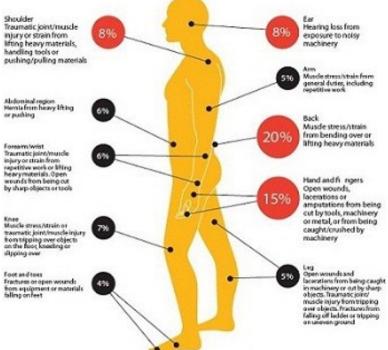


# Why slip up when you can take ergonomics in action

Workplace injuries are estimated to set Australian Economy back over \$60.6 billion, with enormous direct costs involved and yet the injuries just keep Addented region on coming.

According to Safe Work Australia, estimations show work-related injuries cost the Australian economy \$60.6 billion. The report said the cost was spread unevenly through the economy, with workers bearing 74% of the cost, the community 21% and employers 5%.

The director of Optimum Handling Solutions indicated that the report said injured workers' costs included lost income and non-compensated medical expenses; community costs included social welfare payments, medical & health scheme costs and lost potential output & revenue; and employers' costs included lost productivity,



recruitment and retraining costs & fines, and penalties for breaching work health and safety laws.

According to statistics, it doesn't take into account indirect costs; only a minor percentage of the costs are covered under insurance.

The highest hot spots injury is the "back" which is muscle stress/strain from bending over for lifting heavy material. This figure is 20% coming in far higher than other injuries.

Horsfall says when an incident happens, persons have to respond to it; but for all, prevention is better than a cure.

"Once an accident occurs, if you can prove that you've taken actions to prevent injury that has occurred, then you are adequate, but if you haven't you have a problem," said Horsfall.

Taken from an article by Optimum Handling Solutions - https://www.industrysearch.com.au/why-slip-up-when-you-can-take-ergonomics-in-action/f/9540

## WHY DOES MY CLUB NEED A SAFETY COORDINATOR?

To answer this question, we need to look at it both from the viewpoint of the Club and the Lions Insurers. There can be little doubt that when the vast majority of Lions Clubs discuss carrying out a Project or Activity, these discussions centre on responsibilities and who will do what. Little, if any, time is spent discussing the safety aspects of the Project or Activity - this is basically why Clubs need to have a Safety Coordinator, to ensure the safety aspects from the Club's point of view are considered and acted upon. From the Insurers point of view, if some simple safety checks can be performed prior to and during Projects and Activities, this has the potential to dramatically reduce the number of claims made. It also follows that a reduction in claims and therefore, payouts by the Lions' Insurers will help to keep that portion of our Dues needed to pay the Insurance Premiums at, or close to, the current levels. Also, if some simple safety checks can prevent unnecessary pain and suffering to Lions members, or claims of negligence, surely, we have a genuine responsibility to consider the appointment of Club Safety Coordinators.

Find out more here - https://lionsclubs.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/20200217-RISK-MANAGEMENT-MANUAL-FINAL.pdf



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#### BETTER LIONS Α EXPERIENCE BY **GETTING MORE INVOLVED**

Recently I have been speaking with a few members who said that they have lost some of their passion for Lions. They were feeling less engaged. Our interested and less Covid experience has no doubt played a big part in this, but there is a surprising solution.

One of the best ways to rekindle your passion and enthusiasm is to do more – to get more involved and to try new things.

This could include starting a new project in your club; or assisting an existing club officer to perform their role (maybe shadowing and assisting the treasurer, secretary or membership chair, for example); it could also include stepping up to a role that involves more than one club, such as assisting a zone chair, or another district cabinet member.

Sometimes we are put off trying new things because we are not sure what to do - but did you know that not only is help always available, but there are tremendous resources in the Lions Learning Centre on the Lions website which provide simply guidelines, instructions and tutorials for pretty much every role there is in Lions (and heaps of other interesting stuff too!). Experienced, local people can also make great mentors.

So if you think your passion is waning, or if you just think you might like to try something new, have a look at the Lions Learning Centre, or talk to your club or district leadership to discuss some of the exciting opportunities that Lions can offer you.

## LAST MONTH OF THE LIONS YEAR

Well June is upon us, which is the final month of the Lions year. Quite a few clubs have had a good number of members join recently, so please make sure that these are all properly registered and listed in MyLCI before June 15 so that they count in our numbers for this Lions year.

For those clubs that have members that have not been attending or are behind in dues, now is the time to make direct contact with GUBBAL ACTION TEAL them and to find out their intentions. In the past, sometimes such members have iust been dropped, without any consultation with the member at all - and this can cause great ill-will. For the benefit of both such members and for the club

itself, it is absolutely essential that the club leadership (president or membership chair) personally makes contact with any such members to re-engage them. Most of our clubs cannot afford to lose more members, and sometimes, a simple phone call can bring an absent member back into the fold and reinvigorate them.

If you have members that you are unsure about, you also do not have to deal with it on your own. In such cases, please contact either the District Governor or the District Membership Coordinator, and we can step in to assist.

The Lions family needs to stick together and support each other, and we can then go on to bigger and better things.

> Geoff Turnbull **Global Membership Team**

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# **RETENTION - STOP THE END** OF YEAR DROPS

As we approach the end of the Lions year it is tempting to tidy up the books and drop members. Let's stop and think about why we are dropping a member.

Non-payment of dues? Have you asked him why he has not paid? Maybe he is having financial difficulties at the moment. Work out a payment plan for him.

Non-attendance? Why is she not attending? Meetings boring? Maybe it's time to make changes. She doesn't feel involved. Give her a job, a project, put her in charge of something that interests her. Maybe work or family commitments prevent her from attending regularly. It is not necessary for a member to attend every meeting and every working bee. Members need only give what time they can.

Members circumstances change and we need to accommodate them. We cannot function without our members. So, keep in touch with absent/non paying members. Maybe they need help or support. Have a discussion with them before you decide to drop them.

This district needs all the members we can get. So please give serious thought to what you can

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do to keep members. We are losing too many to death, ageing, health issues and work commitments without over zealous secretaries hitting the drop button for no real reason.

PDG Carol Kennedy

**Global Membership Team** 



#### **POSITION VACANT FOR 2022-2023**

#### Zone Chairmen

#### Zone 5

Clubs - Berrigan, Deniliquin, Finley, Jerilderie & Dist, Oaklands & Dist, Tocumwal & Dist.

#### Zone 11

Clubs - Corryong, Walwa Jingelic

#### Peace Poster / Peace Essay Children of Courage Children's Mobility

The District Peace Poster / Children of Courage & Children's Mobility Officer is responsible for ensuring the District Cabinet and Clubs are aware of these programs and how they can participate.

Duties/ Objectives for Peace Poster/Essay

- Promote the contests to Lions Clubs and Community groups.
- Encourage Lions Clubs and community groups by visits to participate in the Peace and Essay contests.
- Know the rules for participation in these contests.
- Be available to answer all questions from clubs and community groups should they ask
- Make sure that all deadlines are met for judging at all levels.
- Control the judging at the District Level along with the District Governor.
- Attend and provide a written report to each Cabinet meeting.
- Have a display stand at District Conventions.

#### For more information or express your interest FOR ANY OF THESE POSITIONS, please contact:

#### **1st DGE Neil Stuart**

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# **POSITION VACANT FOR 2022-2023**

#### District Chairperson Cakes & Mints ROLE DESCRIPTION

The primary role of the District Cake & Mints Chairman is to increase the sales of Cakes, Puddings and Mints throughout the District. Your Duties include:

- Actively promote the sales of Cakes, Puddings and Mints through the District Newsletter, website and social media platforms.
- Urge all Clubs to be fully involved in these Programme
- Encourage and assist clubs to increase their Cake & Mints sales.
- Compile a telephone directory of each of the Club Cake & Mints Chairman within the District
- Handle enquiries and complaints from Clubs, referring these on to appropriate areas.
- Prepare a report for each Cabinet Meeting
- Assist clubs with any order issues or payment issue.
- Arrange a display and promotion at your District Convention.



Contact 1st VDG Neil Stuart on 0439 794 565



# **VICTORIAN LEO CLUBS**

LEO Clubs have been a part of Lions Clubs International since 1957 and have played a vital role in Lions service projects and serving their communities.

As Lions Clubs, we all make the comment that it is hard to get young people involved in our clubs, comments like "they are not interested" are made all the time

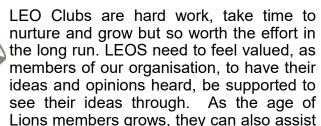
#### What are we doing, as Lions, to change this situation?

Unfortunately, across Victoria, LEO clubs are in Omega LEO Clubs (18 to 30 years)! decline. This may be due to lack of support from the schools they have been based in, lack of support or interest from the Lions club members that took them on as a project or lack of interest from the young people involved.

#### "They are too much work" is one comment I have heard often.

What project, that is worthwhile, is not a lot of work. Where would your own Junior Public Speaking project be if someone wasn't prepared to put in the 'hard' work to get it started and the continuing work to keep it going?





with your projects too, to help you continue to serve your communities.

At the moment, there are only 3 active LEO Clubs across District V6, all ALPHA LEO Clubs (12 to 18 years of age). Even though there are universities and colleges across District V6, there are no

Through LEOS, we build the foundation of Community Service that we hope will continue into their adult lives. If the experience has been a good one, they may wish to continue their community service and join a Lions Club, helping to keep our organisation alive.

> How can I or PDG Les Harrison as your District LEO Chairperson help you to support and grow LEOS across District V6?

#### Lee Walkington

Victorian LEO Coordinator Mobile: 0400 576 383 Email: victorianleos@gmail.com



# **Junior Public Speaking Topics for 2022**

Years 3 - 4 A Place other than in your Home State, you would like to visit. Tell us why you would like to visit this place, how you would get there and what you like to see and do when you get there?

Years 5 - 6 Introduce a Famous Person who lived in the 19th Century, eg: Charlie Chaplin, Florence Nightingale, Helen Keller, Alexander Bell, Louis Pasteur.

You have been asked to introduce this Famous Person at a special event. Tell us about this person, what they did and how they became famous.

Note: Speeches are to be based on facts and remember that Years 3-4 speak for 3 minutes, and Years 5-6 speak for 4 minutes.



# PUBLIC RELATIONS

#### PR Platforms

• Print Media – paid or free adverts, stories in local paper, magazines, etc. Send photos and articles into the local paper/newsletters – can't beat free promotion!

• Brochures, flyers, etc – You can

use club developed ones that you've designed yourself and get them printed or use the stock ones available from the Lions Australia shop – https://www.lionsclubsshop.com.au/

 Club Newsletters – a great way to share news with all club members in a fun way. Even one doublesided A4 page is a newsletter – a great way to communicate with the broader community as well – drop some off at local shops, doctors, post office, etc and make sure you have club contact details on there! Potential members are everywhere!

#### **Social Media Platforms**

- Facebook Public Pages & Private Groups
  - Public Pages are great for sharing information that you want the public to see.
  - Private Groups are great for sharing information with selected people only – like club members.
  - \* Like with most things better to have a couple of people on as "admin" for Facebook, that way things are seen more quickly and dealt with (should the need arise). Plus sharing the load makes it easier.
- Instagram easy to use, photo & brief description good way to share what the club is doing with a broader audience.
- **Twitter** like Instagram keeping it simple with a short message (limited to 140 characters plus an optional image).

# Tips & Hints

# • BEST TIP – LINK YOUR TWITTER, INSTAGRAM & FACEBOOK AND DO ONE POST THAT SHARES TO ALL THREE PLATFORMS!

• Use an app like Canva to create your social media posts - https://www.canva.com/en\_gb/

• Schedule post ahead of time – sit down once a week and schedule your advertising posts. You can still share

spur of the moment and at events but if you keep a regular schedule - you will keep popping up in newsfeeds!

- REMEMBER THE CLUB IS LIABLE FOR NASTY COMMENTS, ETC THAT MAY APPEAR ON YOUR POSTS deal with them by deleting them as soon as you can.
- Ensure that photographs are allowed to be used by whoever took them. DO NOT do a Google search, and assume you can use the photo. Ones from Canva or Lions Australia are OK.
- Turn on post approval so that no one can post in your Facebook page/group without admin seeing it first.
- Use hashtags # on posts when someone is searching for something these hashtags will help find you. Just remember – hashtags can lead to things you don't want them to so make sure you check out any new hashtags you want to use.

#weserve #wearelions #201V6 #lionsaustralia #(your own club name)

You can access social media information from Lions International -

https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/socialmedia

Email: v6roar@gmail.com or call Jo Guthrie on 0428 366 220 Or Geoff Turnbull on 0427 229 322



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# HENTY LIONS HAPPENINGS

The Henty Lions Club opened the month with a very successful Bunnings BBQ in Wagga. We combined with the Henty Lifestyle Centre to man the BBQ and both organisations benefitted from the fund raising venture. a great day that will hopefully be repeated later in the year.

Competition involving local primary schools. Five teams of two students competed for the Max Davidson Shield. The winning students received a cheque for \$25 from the Lions Club with a further cheque for \$100 being presented to the winning school by Lion's Club President Noel Stein. The shield was presented by Mrs Kate Finlayson, daughter of the late Max Davidson. The runnersup, also from Henty Public School each received a cheque for \$10. The competition began in 2000 as a Henty Rotary Club initiative, but with the demise of the club Henty Lions took over the running of the Spelling Bee.

The last weekend in May saw the club catering for a Men's Retreat being held at the Henty Field Day's site. We cooked bacon and egg rolls for breakfast and served hot lamb rolls with gravy cut from a spit roast cooked by a local lamb producer. It was a good way to finish the month.



L to R: Lion Kate Finlayson, Yozora Hooper and Claire Eulenstein.

#### NEW **MEMBERS** FOR **THURGOONA**

On Monday 2nd May, the Thurgoona Lions Club welcomed two new members. This represented the beginning of a build-up of Club numbers for a Lions Club that was in serious danger of folding. The new members, Geoff Jenkins and Mike Recently the Lions Club held a Spelling Bee Neville, will soon be joined with Mike's wife Betty who could not attend the Induction function. Other members recently welcomed back to the Club are Sue and Bernie Campbell, so within the space of a few weeks we have five new members.

> Officiating at the Induction Ceremony was that terrific stalwart of Lions, Charlie Leaney, a Past District Governor and a true inspiration of all that is In typical Charlie style, he made the Lionism. ceremony light-hearted, yet somewhat formal at the same time with a mixture a amusing yarns and serious statements.

> Outgoing and Incoming President of the Club, Alan Brink said, "Our Club was struggling to find a Secretary and Treasurer for the 22/23 Lions Year. Fortunately Mike Neville volunteered for the role of Secretary and Bernie Campbell will take on the Treasurer role. Even though Mike is new to Lions, he has had an extensive history in Apex and is an ex-Mayor of Griffith City Council. I have no doubt with attendance at training courses and assistance from Ernie Salsbury the outgoing Secretary, I am sure Mike will comfortably transition to this task."

> Alan also said. "It is with the help of these new members that I hope to build up a greater public profile in the rapidly growing Thurgoona area. New areas like this are always in need of new services and equipment to which our Lions Club can contribute both physically and financially. In doing this we hope to attract more local members to help make these projects possible."



(I to r) Alan Brink, Mike Neville, Charley Leaney, Geoff Jenkins, Barb Diehm.





# STAR STUDDED NIGHT AT LOCKHART

At our monthly meeting held on 27th April, the Club was honoured to have both the current District Governor Stephen and Alison Kazenwadwel, and Past District Governor Carol and Keith Kennedy present.

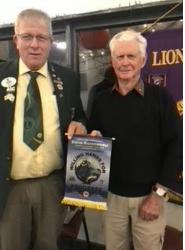


It was indeed a great night for the Club as PDG Carol presented President John Irons with a Melvin Jones Fellowship Award. He also received a 10 year Chevron from DG Stephen.

John started out as a volunteer at the Club's Recycle Centre before deciding to become a member. Since then he

has been the driving force behind the work at the Centre, leading a strong team of volunteers and members.

John has made an outstanding contribution to the Club and the community, and is richly deserving of this prestigious award.



# LIONS REVVING INTO ACTION FOR CANCER

V6 recently hosted a fundraiser for the Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation.

#### **"OBSERVATION CAR RUN"**

What a great day of fun and enjoyment this event turned out to be for those who entered. The weather was perfect and we raised \$1,234.50 for kid's cancer research.

The run was not a race but rather a challenge to see how observant drivers were on a designated course. The run was divided into 2 sections with first commencing at Tongala and finishing at

**AT** Lockington where the Lions Club of Lockington supplied morning tea.



The second section started from Lockington and went to Elmore finishing at Aysons Reserve where the Lions Club of Elmore provided a sausage sizzle lunch in a magnificent setting on the banks of the Campaspe River.



Entrants were sent off with their instructions at 2 minute intervals from Tongala, having to be observant and find lots of varied information along the routes. There was also a trivia questioner for each section and a poker hand to collect on route.

The winners were M & C Murray (Yarroweyah).

Second place went to G & M Coats (Strathmerton).

Third place was Gwen Campbell (Tongala).

The trivia winners were Lee & Norm Walkington (Cohuna).





The best poker hand went to B & B Higgins Victorian LEOS, this will happen so watch this (Echuca).

All proceeds from this fundraiser go directly to Unfortunately, there was not much else for LEOS Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research to do at the Convention, it would have been good Foundation. A BIG THANK YOU to all who to have time to meet as LEOS and see how things supported this event.

# LEOS & CUBS ARE STEPPING IT UP IN COHUNA

Our club has been very active now that COVID restrictions have been lifted, YAH!!

We participated in the LEO of the Year, with our entrant Fifi White progressing to the State Final held during the LEO Conference at Forrest Hill College.

Six members travelled to Melbourne to attend the LEO Conference which gave us the opportunity to meet LEOS from across Victoria. Some school based which is very different to our communitybased club but still working hard to help in their communities. Others were from the Melbourne Next Gen LEO Club, which was formed during the COVID shutdowns, a bit feat. They were amazing, very talented and enthusiastic.

The Victorian winner for the State LEO of the Year was Isaac Yau from the Melbourne Next Gen club. Two members attended the Multi-District Convention in Melbourne to witness the National Final of the LEO of the Year. Wow, what an experience.

We also got to meet the past LEO of the Year, Kai and his family, such amazing young people. We all got to go out to the movies and tea on Saturday night making new friends and having fun, this is



what its all about. We have new friends now and will keep in touch.

elected to the inaugural Victorian LEO Council along with 8 other LEOS from different LEO Clubs in Victoria. They held their first Council meeting during the MD Convention with lots of discussion about a LEO Camp for space for more details.

work in other states. Maybe next time.

As we are no longer a part of the Cohuna Farmers Market each month, our awesome LEO Advisor, Fiona, had an idea to create a 'Youth Space' in Apex Park where we and other young people can get together and showcase their skills.

This is now a reality with the enormous support from Gannawarra Shire, each month our LEO Van is parked on the grass ready to provide sumptuous donuts, drinks, fairy floss and lots more along with our CUBS who provide outdoor games for young and old alike to enjoy.



The community supports our new initiative very well. As we can afford it we will continue to add to our games and equipment.

Other LEO Cubs have skills that will also be showcased here, face painting, making scrunchies, homemade lemonade and jams.

Our CUBS have been really busy assisting us to help children in Lismore.

Watching the floods in Lismore we asked 'what can we do to help' and came up with the idea of Fifi and Georgia were sending a hug to the kids effected. We can only imagine how devastating it is to have your home and possessions taken away. We decided on our new project - "A Hug in a Rug".

> We purchased teddy bears (who doesn't love a soft teddy), and with the help of LEO Advisors Lee and Fiona, we sewed the little sleeping bags for the bears to travel in.

> The Cubs have spent some time writing letters to go with the bears to the kids.

> The bears will be taken to Lismore on Sunday 29th May by LEO Advisors Fiona and Lee along with





Lions President Norm to be distributed with the help of the Lismore Lions Club members, we would

The Cubs have been collecting eyeglasses and had great fun packing them up to be sent off for recycling.



Thanks to LEOS Fifi and Georgia and Lions Faye and Lee for supporting our CUBS who are our future!

**KIDS SPEAK UP IN WODONGA** 



Wodonga Lions held their Junior Public Speaking competition at the Wodonga Primary School. There were 20 contestants overall, six from grades 5/6 and 14 from grades 3/4. Great participation by the students and support from the teachers. The judges had a difficult time selecting a winner but really every child won just by having a go.

# LIONS FEED THE MASSES FOR EDUCATION WEEK

Wodonga Lions Sandra Temple, Marie Archer, Julie Wilkins and Gavin Shelley helped out at the like to thank the Lions club for their generous Wodonga Primary School Education Week financial support of this project. Breakfast. They cooked many dozens of eggs for the hungry attendees. What a queue! Of course



# **A NEW DEFIB FOR COBRAM**

The Cobram Lions club would like to let everyone know that the Club has purchased a Defibrillator (AED) for everyone in the community to have access to, should there be a need to use it.

The AED unit will be on board the Cobram Lions big Orange Van when ever the members are out and about in the community. This includes the monthly markets and Mitre 10 Sausage sizzles.



After inquiries with Ambulance Victoria the Cobram Lions members welcomed 3 of our local Ambulance officers to our meeting on May 24th to provide a training night.

John, Lisa, and Tom came along to update the We all have seen the floods on Northern NSW and members CPR Skills and to teach the members how to use the AED.

The Cobram Lions club would like to thank the Ambulance officers for coming along and refreshing our skills.

John summed up the idea to purchase an AED unit The Cobram Lions in response to the first flood of and put it in our van as the "ultimate Community Gift" that any club could give the community. Just



by having an AED on hand could make the difference in saving someone's life, along the the updated CPR Skills.

"Together we can save lives."

This AED unit will be a bonus to have available when ever the Cobram Lions are at any event. Just another way the Cobram Lions are helping the Community. The Lions moto is "We Serve"



Queensland unfold in front of us, either on the News, or first hand for anyone who has been able to travel north for a holiday.

These floods have been happening since early March now, and they keep reoccurring.

Lismore, in March, made the decision to put out a donation bucket at all the activities we held between March and end of April. Including the monthly BBQ held at Mitre 10 and at the last 3 market's.

On inquiring when the first floods happened, this was the best and guickest way to help. Little did we expect further flooding to happen in these areas with each rain event since.

The Cobram Lions club advertised a donation could be made at any event via the Cobram Lions Facebook noting that every small donation would add up to help support those who had lost their homes due to floods.

The Cobram Lions would like to express their sincere thanks to everyone who supported the public call for some financial support. An amount of \$364.00 was collected within the collection buckets. Thank you to everyone who supported this flood appeal. Cobram Lions Club also made a donation of \$1000.00 towards this appeal. In total \$1364.00 was forwarded to the Lions Clubs for distribution in Northern NSW or Queensland where the worst floods were. Further donations can be made by contacting the Cobram Lions Club.

# LEOS ARE FINDING THEIR 80th birthday. This was done under some duress STRIDE

their successful car wash where they raised \$340 Convention held in Melbourne. This was a for their projects. They are still battling bureaucracy wonderful convention and some very exciting news with their aim for a fountain in the creek, but we are will come out of that. still working hard on that.

We are planning a movie night down at the new Lions and Leos club Rooms, and this should be a great evening.

They are also keen to "do a Bunnings" which they haven't been able to do yet.

This has been a great group of young people, with a new member, Hayley, coming along. When we get a couple of more new members, we can do some bigger projects.

The Leos are trying to hold a defib training night and also combine it with CPR training. Stay tuned for further developments in this venture.

Remember, we can always do with new members, Robyn, however, so contact Les Harrison on 0417301797.

LITTLE ROARER

# LOSS OF A LIONS HITS HARD **AT TUNGAMAH**

Sadly, we have lost one of our most loved Australian Lions Hearing Dogs. We always like to members, Garry Stacey, who passed away compare a Melvin Jones Fellowship to receiving a suddenly this week. Garry followed in the footsteps Brownlow Medal! of his dad, Cliff, who was one of our best Lions. Garry was known for his hard work, as he cooked at barbecues, sold raffle tickets and distributed programs at the footy gates. He was renowned for his dog jumping champions and could be seen right across rural Victoria and into NSW. Vale Stace, RIP.

## HARD WORK PAYS OFF FOR LIONS

Tungamah have been hard at work preparing for their changeover on the 22nd June. It will be held at the Tungamah Hotel and a great night is expected. Michael Barry is the incoming president and we welcome a newcomer to the role. Robyn Harrison will continue as secretary and Les as treasurer.

We have been hard at work manning, or womaning the footy gates, plus doing the usual stints at Bunnings. We also catered for a past member's as several members were also working at the elections.

Tungamah Leos are off and running again after We had a couple of members attend the National

A visit from Carol Keith and Kennedy brought some joy for Robyn and Les Harrison with Les presented being with a certificate of appreciation from the District Governor for his work in arranging the flag ceremony at our most recent Convention.

received a Melvin Jones Fellowship for her work at club and district level. Robyn is an



outstanding Lions who has become involved with District portfolios, with her favourite activities being Lap the Map for Diabetes Awareness plus

The 25th May saw Tungamah Lions open their new club rooms in the former Shire Offices. This has been encouraged by Caz Barry and Heather Tyrrell and came to fruition when DG Stephen Kazenwadel cut the ribbon. We will still have our dinner meetings at the Hotel as we like to support everyone in town. Without Paul and his crew,



meetings would have been nearly impossible over the Covid years. It has allowed us to remain on top of things.



Stephen caught Les Harrison unawares when he presented him with an International President's medal, a very rare honour indeed. As Les said, the award reflects greatly on the magnificent work the club does. That is about it for this month.

ROARER



## GARAGE SALE FOR CANCER RESEARCH

Our inaugural garage sale was held on the 1st May and what a fantastic day it was, even the weather did the right thing. We had 25 registered sites in Yarrawonga, Mulwala and Tungamah. We opened our clubrooms for the sale of maps, breakfast and our own sale of odds and sods. We were greatly supported by our local community, an example being 3 houses in a row all paid to participate and support this event and cause.

In conjunction with our month of KHub BBQ'S, proceeds from our sale of maps, catering and the sale of odds and sods at the clubroom on the day we have raised a fantastic sum of \$4,000 to be donated to The Childhood Cancer Research Foundation.

I huge thankyou to our members and the community and bargain hunters, our only decision now is do we do it once a year or twice. Watch this space.



Lions Members relaxing after a successful event



Happy bargain hunters





#### DISTRICT TOP CLUB SERVICE PROJECT

Congratulation to Debbie and our Turban Project also to Ollie for preparing and submitting our application for Top Club Service Project. I am very proud to announce that our submission has won at District Level. Well done to all concerned.



Our lovely Turban Angels – on duty every Tuesday morning, 6 years in operation and they have now distributed over 50,000 turbans.

## **HORSES FOR COURSES**

Members joined the horsey community and catered for their needs, however maybe we should have thought about selling our straw. Maybe next event.



Lions Andrew, Jock, Debbie and John watching the show

# BEECHWORTH LIONS COOK UP A STORM

Beechworth Lions at work setting up to cater for the Picnic in the Police Paddock event, Saturday 7 May, in the Police Paddock Precinct,

Beechworth. The Community Comeback Events for the local communities kicked off from 4pm, featuring live music from Asha Bright and Brent Shirley, free food including Lions Club BBQ, Dough Bros Donuts, Hot drinks from Coffee Chakra, kids activities such as face painting, and a twilight movie 'Night at the Museum'. This event was coordinated by Chloe Powell (Community Events Officer) from the Indigo Shire Council.



Beechworth Lions Iris (Beechworth Boomerang Bags Secretary) and Sven delivered the Boomerang Bags Toiletry Bags to Lismore Flood victims on Monday, 16th May. Co-ordinated by Iris, this project was pull together by 6 B/B groups surrounding Beechworth, and many donations (even from Melbourne) of product and cash to purchase product. Beechworth Lions allowed Beechworth Boomerang Bags to have a donation tin at their Sausage Sizzle on Easter Saturday.

Staying in Ballina give us a chance to see some of the damage in Ballina, including at our accommodation, Islander Resort and Conference Centre. The owners kindly donated Toiletry Gift packs to take to Lismore as well. The lovely Lifeline volunteers accepting the Boomerang Toiletry Bags and other donations at the Lismore Showground shed. They send their heartfelt thanks to all involved. You cannot comprehend the devastation in Lismore and Ballina until you see it for yourself. It is so sad.

# BEECHWORTH TO HOST CONVENTIONEERS

Beechworth Lions Club has had it first joint meeting with the Yakandandah Lions Club who will assist Beechworth with the 2023 201V6 District Convention. Beechworth Lions Club are looking forward to welcoming all the 201V6 Lions Clubs to Beechworth.



# **HONOURS FOR V6 LIONS**

overdue presentations. I presented Lockhart Lion John Irons with a Melvin Jones Fellowship award in April. Lion John has been a member for eleven years and is currently president for the fourth year. At 83 he is a very active member and spends many hours at the Lions Recycling Centre.

Tungamah Lion Robyn Harrison was the recipient of a MJF in May. Lion Robyn has been member I recently had the opportunity to make long for seventeen years and has held the positions of president. secretary, zone chairperson, Leo advisor, diabetes and hearing dogs chairperson.

> I was pleased to be able thank PDG Les Harrison for his organisation of the Flag ceremony at the one-day district convention held at Barooga in February 2021.

> > IPDG Carol Kennedy





# District 201V6 CONVENTION 8-9th October

hosted by the Lions Club of Numurkah

#### Keynote Speaker

WTERNA

Rememberance Ceremony ~ Sunday Morning

Convention Chairman Lion Keith Nicoll 0408 646 300



SECOND MONDAY of EVERY MONTH 7.30-8.30PM

TEAMS LINKS WILL BE POSTED ON FACEBOOK ON THE DAY

- Lions brand guidelines using the right logo
- What works and what doesn't
  Use of powerful free design tools

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such as Canva • How to use Publisher/ Word templates

> WHICH DGO DO USE?

- Copyright, ownership of images and content
- Using social mediaResponsibilities of social
- media account owners
   Revamp your social media pages, website and club bulletins

you can send questions in advance to: v6roar@gmail.com or ask on the night

TOW DOES

taking on a position in your club?

# THEN YOU NEED TO ATTEND THE

**Club Development Day!** 



As you are aware, with so many changes in Lions, it is absolutely imperative that as club officers YOU attend.

#### SUNDAY 5th JUNE 2022

at Tocumwal at the Lions Centre (Opposite the hospital)

10 a.m. until about 2 p.m.

There will be morning sessions devoted to the roles of presidents, secretaries and treasurers. New members not connected to these roles would find the presidents' sessions both interesting and beneficial.

After lunch there will be a session devoted to membership and growing your club. As you are aware, out District is in transition and we are working hard to bring us back to the magical figure of 1250 at least. Club Branches are part of the strategy and you may have some very constructive suggestions.

There will be a charge for catering, and your own club should reimburse you from the Administration Account. A receipt will be issued for that purpose.

Please contact PDG Les Harrison for more information or to book in to attend the info day.





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#### 1. What is the Child Safe Policy?

The Child Safe Policy includes principles and procedures to guide child safety in youth projects operated by Lions Australia, (Multiple District 201 of Lions Clubs International). The policy covers procedures for the Lions Youth of the Year Project, the Multiple District Leo Committee and the Youth Exchange Program. It also includes information about how to manage Child Safety complaints.

# 2. Does it apply to every Lions Youth project in Australia and Papua New Guinea?

Section 3 of the policy describes its scope. Lions Australia only controls a limited number of Youth projects, that is, those adopted at Convention or managed by a Multiple District Committee and this policy applies to those programs only.

The principles of the policy can be applied to any youth project operated by a Lions Club or

District and the Multiple District encourages Lions Clubs and Districts to adopt this policy, or their own, to apply to their own youth projects.

#### 3. Does a club have to adopt this policy?

Child safety is regulated by State government. Each State has its own legislation that covers 'working with young people' and this generally applies to Lions Clubs and Districts who operate youth projects. The Child Safe policy provides guidance as to the general principles of managing child safety, but each Lions Club and District needs to review the legislation in their state and ensure that they adhere to the local rules.

Links to the Child Safety authorities in your state can be found at the end of this FAQ.

# 4. Should everyone in my club obtain a 'Working with Children Check?

In most jurisdictions, you only need to obtain a 'Working with Children Check' if you are directly involved in programs with children or young people. Check below for more information.

It is MD201 policy, that if your club operates a Leo Program, Youth Exchange Program or Youth of the Year Program with participants under the age of 18 years, that every Lion obtains a Working with Children Check. This is because any Lion in your club may be called upon to support these programs from time to time. Unlike other organisations, Lions tend to participate flexibly in all club programs depending on their availability.

# 5. What exactly is the role of a Youth Support Officer?

One of the key protective factors for young people at risk of abuse, is having someone they can talk to and receive help. Although there are often many people involved in the youth programs, they can be busy with the operational tasks. A Youth Support Officer is a club member with personal qualities of being caring, open to communication and available When young people are introduced to Lions programs like Youth Exchange, they should be introduced to the nominated youth support officer' and provide contact details. They should be invited to contact this person any time with concerns and worries.

# 6. Can the 'Club Child Safety Officer' be the 'Youth Support Officer?

This is a matter for each club to determine. The key requirement for a 'Youth Support Officer' is that they are available, so for a busy club running many youth programs, it may be better to have a separate role. But if you only have limited programs, they may be combined. It is most important that young people in your care have different options for support if they have problems.

# 7. What if the State authority conducting the Working with Children Check (WWCC) won't process my application?

Some state legislation is very prescriptive on when a WWCC is needed. E.g.: Home hosting of more than 3 weeks. Lions Australia chooses to be proactive is ensuring that all members working with children have a clearance. If your State authority will not process the check, please document this in writing. Your club should consider if

document this in writing. Your club should consider if there are any other 'risk management' measures it should take.

# 8. What "Child Safety Awareness Training" is available for Lions Clubs?

Lions Australia encourages its members working with children to source community-based training to supplement this policy. The availability of such training can be sourced through government child safety regulation websites. Please refer to the Lions Australia Child Safe Policy Resources web page for more information.

Lions engaged in working with children must

- □ Read and become familiar with the Child Safe Policy and procedures, and □ Discuss the policy and procedure at a Club meeting.
- Minutes of the meeting where the Child Safe Policy has been reviewed should be kept, documenting the names of attendees

# 9. Where do I find the Child Safety/Protection resources in my State?

- a. ACT https://www.accesscanberra.act.gov.au/s/articl e/working-with-vulnerable-people-wwvpregistration-tab-overview
- b. Northern Territory https://nt.gov.au/emergency/communitysafety/apply-for-a-working-with-childrenclearance
- c. NSW https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/
- d. Queensland https://www.bluecard.qld.gov.au
- e. South Australia https://screening.sa.gov.au/
- f. Tasmania https://www.cbos.tas.gov.au/topics/licensingand-registration/work-with-vulnerable-people
   g. Victoria -
- https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au
- h. Western Australia https://workingwithchildren.wa.gov.au/

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#### **PROMOTING CLUBS THROUGH THE DISTRICT NEWSLETTER**

Do you have an UPCOMING EVENT? Have you had an event you'd like to tell us about?

#### Best place to promote it is through the Roar!

Cut off date is the 28th of each month (items arriving after that date may not make it in but will be held over till the next one.

Please send articles in a Word file (not a PDF)

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