

## LICOLA CORNER January 2024



## **Chairman's Report – Denis Carruthers**

## Lions Sponsored January Camp 8-12-January 2024.

We are delighted to report that the V2 Lions Sponsored Camp (LSC)was a great success with 103 children treated to the experience that only Licola can provide.

It was only with great difficulty that we were able to find enough volunteers, through the efforts of Licola and Brian Edwards V2 Lions, to enable this camp to go ahead.

Unfortunately it has been the inability to find enough volunteers to staff the other LSC's that they had to be cancelled for this January, and no other reason. Rumours contrary to this fact have been spread and are without foundation nor were the full facts provided at the time.

Lions of all the V Districts, we really do need your help as volunteers to make these Camps happen, we have the children but we need you.

## Our April LSC's are subject to sufficient volunteers being available to help!

Please enjoy a few "happy Snaps of this camp.



Campers, leaders and volunteers enjoying the Licola Experience



The swimming pool was a summer winner



A new use for "M & M's", biscuit decorating



"M & M's work shop



Scaling the Climbing Wall



A Fire Show in the Hall.



The dining room has many uses, to feed the "famished" and after cleaning up it is the "front stalls" for the main stage performances



While the LSC was a very successful event, it was not without a few "hiccups, a bit of minor flooding and a couple of power failures.

The Solar inverter has been replaced, under warranty, which has solved the immediate problem, however the original "mapping" or projections of power use at the time of installation did not allow for the 36 air conditioning units that came into the grid, in the original scope.

This has created a situation where some of our batteries are starting to show signs of wear earlier that was originally planned.

On a positive note the small CAT diesel generator that had been waiting for parts to arrived has been refurbished and will be back in action by the end of this month.

Our new maintenance man, Glenn Rolff, has settled into life a Licola and has become a valued and respected member of the Licola team

Wild 4 was cancelled late last year due to the lack of qualified instructors but we are working on this at present and hope to have it running again this year.