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## DISTRICT 201V6 ~ MAY 2024 ISSUE

*May is...* all about our volunteers!



**BUILDING A BETTER FUTURE**



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DISTRICT GOVERNOR 2023 - 2024

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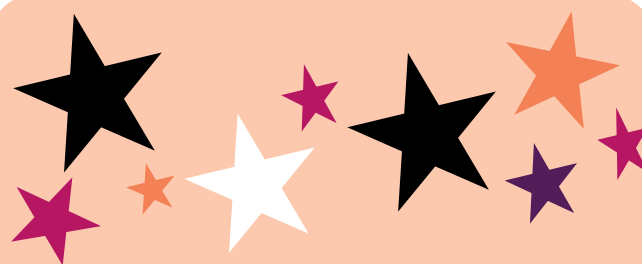
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### Reporting requirements to self-assess income tax exemption

From the 2023-24 income year, non-charitable not-for-profits (NFP) with an active ABN need to lodge an annual return.

**Check out the new info on the ATO website -**

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## Awareness Days & Upcoming Events

### MAY

4th - May the Fourth - International Star Wars Day

8th - World Ovarian Cancer Day

12th - Mother's Day

14-21st National Road Safety Week

**20th - National RA Day** (Lions Rheumatoid Arthritis Foundation)

**20-26th National Volunteer Week**

24th - National Coffee Day

**28th - World Hunger Day**

31st - Last day of Autumn

### JUNE

1st First day of Winter

**7th - Lions International's Birthday**

10-16th Men's Health Week

**12th - Thank a First Responder Day**

21st - Winter Solstice

21-25th - Lions International Convention (Melbourne)

**27th - Helen Keller Day**

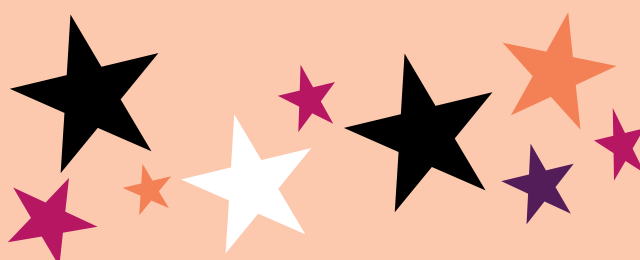
### JULY

3rd - International Plastic Bag Free Day

25th - Christmas in July

**27th - V6 District Changeover**

30th - International Day of Friendship





# NEW WEBSITE NEW WEBSITE

## CHECK IT OUT HERE



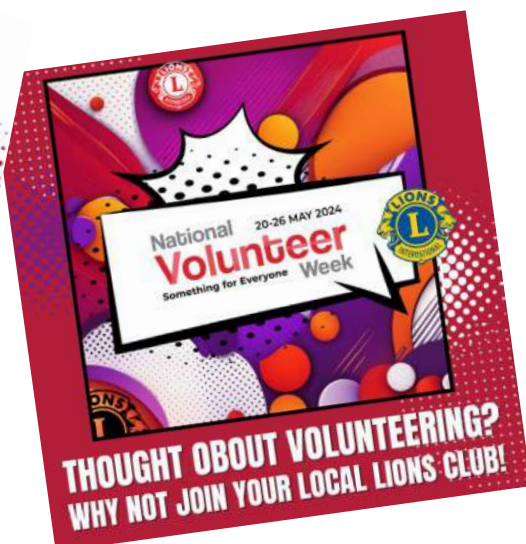
# <https://lions201v6.org.au/>

We now have an independent website! Solely our own - hosted by the very lovely Georgina from Separ8, who created our wonderful site.

Everything else remains the same - **but your old links may not work** due to changing from 201V6.lion to lions201v6. So make sure you updated you links and saved pages.



# May is...



- ♥ Celebrate your Volunteers - fellow Lions, local Community groups, etc
- ♥ Share your volunteer story on Facebook! Remember to tag us in your post #lions201v6 and #lionsaustralia - let's share the Love of Volunteering
- ♥ Remember to send in your photo's & articles for next month's Roar!



## New Lions Portal – NOW LIVE! Have you logged in yet??

- **FROM May 13 and beyond:** All visitors attempting to access the previous digital tools will be automatically redirected to the new Lion Portal.

If you don't see the email in your everyday inbox, please check all spam and junk folders for it first before contacting Member Support.

Note that the new Lion Portal will require a **unique, unshared email**, and phone numbers will no longer be supported as a log in credential.

### Information and resources

Be sure to visit [lionsclubs.org/portal-updates](https://lionsclubs.org/portal-updates) for the latest information and resources, which includes handy how-to videos for help accessing the new portal once you've received your Lion Portal invitation email.

There are additional training videos on the link below, to those advised several weeks ago- those relevant ones for clubs were Navigating Lions portal as a club officer, and Navigating Lions portal as a Lion or Leo.

The new topics cover how to Edit/Transfer/Add/ Reinstate/Drop members, plus how to assign an officer at Club level, and manage a sponsored Leo club.

[www.youtube.com/@lionportaltraining](https://www.youtube.com/@lionportaltraining)

When you have the page open, click on "videos" to see all displayed in a grid. It is expected that as more videos are made, they will be available on this page.



## DG Report



Lion Jenny & new Lion Margot



Lion Rose Miller - 15 year service award



New inductees at Barham Koondrook and Sponsors -

Great Discussion on Scams and banking safely



Well, the weather has changed and winter is nearly upon us, the nights are getting chilly but the activities of Lions is still an ongoing event for all.

Tuesday April 16th Jennefer and I visited the Echuca Lions Club to induct their second female member Lion Margot, it was a very enjoyable night and Lion Jo Guthrie our PR Guru and Lion Alan Guthrie was also in attendance as she has been assisting the Echuca Lions Club with their new Facebook page. Echuca Lions just had held a very successful Golf Day which they had promoted on Facebook.

Wednesday 18th April, we had a visitor for the night at home DG Geoff Fruendstein from N4 who made the long trek to pick up the Camera of the Lions Health Program of V6 from Lion Lee Walkington, as they wait for theirs to be delivered which was delayed and they had already booked in schools to utilise the service in their own district. It is great that we can share resources when able to all LIONS and we can work together to make it happen.

Monday 22nd April, we attended the Barham Koondrook Lions Club for their Dinner meeting to Induct four new members - Lion Sharon Carney, Lion John Carney, Lion Carol Webster and Lion Greg Webster. Lion Rose Millar was also awarded with her 15-year Service Award. During the evening there was also guest speakers from the Bendigo Bank who gave an

## John Houghton

interesting prospective of Scams currently occurring. On the evening there was also an additional 10 Lions Members from the Lion Vanners Club who were travelling through the area on their way to the Darwin Convention. They were all staying at Lion Alan and Rose Millars property and along with Lion Alan and Rose they would continue their trip to Darwin after a few days of fellowship at Barham Koondrook.

During the month there have been many Zoom Meetings with the Lead up to the Darwin Convention and different committees throughout the District.

Sunday 28th I Attended the Guiding Lion Training at Yarrawonga which was very informative and also enjoyable for all that attended. Yarrawonga were great hosts for the event and made sure everyone was well fed and watered. Thanks Lion Debbie, Lion Jock and Lion Denis for your hospitality. Guiding Lion training was delivered by Lion Les Harrison GLT and Lion John Weirnet - Zone chairperson. A good attendance made the day very enjoyable. With the previous training conducted we will now have 25 Guiding Lions in total which is a fantastic result for 201V6.

Congratulations to Oliver Baitch who has taken out the Victorian State Final for Youth of the Year. Oliver will now go onto Darwin to the Multiple District Convention to compete for the Australian Title. All the

best to Oliver but he has already made Albury Lions Club and all of us very proud of him.

On May 11th, myself, Jennefer and Lion Marg and Peter Poels will be attending the Trivia night at Dingee to Support the East Loddon Lions Club. I'm not sure how we will go but we will try and represent our Clubs well and if not still have an enjoyable night.

On the District Governor team club visits and on occasions in my reports, I have asked clubs to

donate to our Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF). One of our District goals was to see at least

44% of clubs, donate by the end of June 30th. Currently we are only halfway there to achieve this goal both in the number of clubs and our District's expectation of donations. I have also mentioned that

individuals can make a fully tax-deductible donation to LCIF Australia. I also encourage that clubs allocate some of their disbursements to the Australian Lions Foundation (ALF) and our V6 Foundation. All of these funds -LCIF, ALF and the V6 Foundation support those in need.

AND AGAIN - Don't forget to put the Melbourne International Convention in your diaries. The convention is being held at the Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre from June 21st – June 25th, 2024.

It is great to see a larger number of Lion Clubs in V6 are reporting Service and correcting their membership databases, I realise that with the New Lion Portal there are a few 'teething' problems but please persevere as it will be great to see V6 have 100% of Clubs reporting.

Lions Clubs are the best kept secret and we need to promote ourselves and our projects to the wider community. The more hands we have assisting in our projects the more hearts and minds we can help in our community and beyond. I would like to suggest that all clubs keep updating and look at their Internet/Facebook exposure and ensure that it's kept up to date with a variety of pictures of people and activities.

As my theme for 2023-2024 is Building a Better Future I believe we can do this together and Change the World.

**John Houghton**

District Governor 201V6  
*Building a Better Future  
Changing the World*



Oliver - our Youth of the Year Representative for V6 and now the State!



Guiding Lions at Yarrawonga last Sunday

## JUST ASK!

Quick tips for effectively recruiting new members!

- Build a Team
- Build a Vision
- Build a Plan
- Build Success
- Repeat the Process

Contact your GAT Team to find out more!





## AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS (AED's)

Safety is a top priority and I want to bring your attention to game-changing tool that can significantly enhance emergency response Automated External Defibrillators (AED's) These should be part of your kit when doing any Lions Club activity. This would include catering, projects and even at meetings.

AED's play a crucial role in increasing survival rates during sudden cardiac arrest (SCA) incidents.

AED's are designed to be user-friendly and require minimal training. With their intuitive interfaces and clear instructions, AED's enable even non-medical personnel to administer life-saving defibrillation shocks quickly.



## February Cabinet Notes

The February cabinet meeting was held at Yarrowonga Lions club's clubrooms

27 members were in attendance

A reminder was made regarding correct recording (and filing) of Lions and others attending any activities, and recording any "incidents" – in case of future claims.

The Invocation was delivered by ZC John Weinert

The new ATO changes were discussed – the first training session to be at Lockington. Clubs will most likely need to change club constitutions first- Training to be arranged for all of this in coming months.

There will be changes to Microsoft 365 from the end of 2024/25 year – Guidelines will be developed for clubs, and distributed as things develop.

A motion was passed "That the cost of the booth for the JPS promotion at the MD Convention in Darwin, amounting to \$500.00, be paid."

The resignation of 1VDG Geoff Turnbull was discussed, with regards to what the options of succession are. CBL chair David advised that a number of meetings most likely required. Guidance for correct procedures to be sought from LCI

A motion was passed that cabinet submit a notice of motion to the 2024 District Convention, seeking its approval to the submission of a Notice of Motion for consideration at the 2025 Multiple District Convention to extend the term of the Category B Project Junior Public Speaking Competition.

PDG Les Harrison advised he is seeking suitable Lions to assist with GLT support.

Clubs have now left the COVID slumber behind, and are busy with various events and activities. All Clubs have returned to serving their communities and reporting is now at 83%

A GMA forums held on 4<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> Feb – with about 64 in attendance

Looking for tools to assist clubs, as well as qualified members in district to handle training forums.

Clubs in all zones have been busy over the past few months, with social events, and service projects.

Zone 5 held a zone get-together for a social evening.

Zone 7& 8 held a very successful combined meeting - looking to hold another

Looking into a couple of options to electronically store district records

Emphasis was placed on all clubs to advise newsletter/publicity chair of activities that clubs are undertaking – and following up with a story and photo !

Judy Byrne will be taking over JPS next year

Looking to increase registration from \$35 to \$50 – will likely be a notice of motion at the convention.

Lions Camp Licola – currently very little option for clubs to sponsor kids to camps, and still problems getting qualified staff since covid.

Clubs should consider recognizing those non-Lions who assist through the year. Maybe hold a dinner with presentations etc...

District Convention 2024 at Wangaratta. Wangaratta Turf club - venue & handling catering.. Brendan Scott will be heading the entertainment. Partners tour planned – Glenrowan & Winton wetlands. Have lined up a number of sponsors as well.

Next cabinet: 2nd June @ Tocumwal

## GMT Report

As of April 26th, we have 1,055 members after beginning 2023/2024 with 1048 members. At the same time last year, we had 1,075 members. We have added 99 new members and dropped 92. We are net +7 for the year (net growth 0.66%). We are trending positively regarding new members as DG John's goal was 95 new members by the end of June 2024, however we have surpassed the goal of no more than eighty drops.

Congratulations to Bright, Cobram, Echuca, Lake Mulwala, Lavington, and Strathmerton who inducted new members during April. Additionally, on Wednesday evening April 23rd I had the pleasure of inducting three new members into the Cobram Lions Club.

One of DG John's membership goals is the chartering of one new club. The reestablishment of a presence in the Mansfield area has been a key goal. DG John, PDG Peter and Margaret Poels and I attended the Easter Saturday Bush Market. We were hoping to gain further interest with the aim to increase the number of applications for membership. While we failed in gaining any further signed membership applications, I am confident that we will see the formation of a Club Branch in Mansfield. Very importantly we now have locals who are committed and passionate about making this happen.

A reminder that there are plenty of membership resources available and if you would like me to send you any membership material or where to source these resources, please let me know. Also, our V6 District membership trailer is available for booking. The link to book is: <https://calendly.com/v6trailer>

As of April 24th, the latest membership figures for Multiple District show that we are +257 members. Total members added for the year are 2,652 with 2,395 dropped. Multiple District membership is currently standing at 22,485 members. Overall, the membership trend is very positive.

**IPDG Neil Stuart**

V6 GMT Coordinator

*"Building a Better Future" / "Changing the World"*

## Kerang Lions

April was a busy month for Kerang.



Easter Driver Reviver.



RCH Good Friday Appeal - the town of Kerang raised in excess of \$15,500.





Used glasses sent off to Lions Recycle for Sight.



Anzac Day Gunfire Breakfast.



Catering for Kerang Show n Shine.



Anzac Day Gunfire Breakfast.



Anzac Day Wreath Laying ceremony and march.



## Cobram Lions

Cobram Lions has been kept very busy over the past 2 months.

March started with a visit from the Hearing Bus. The club was asked to do a sausage sizzle so we cooked and served free sausages to the people of Cobram supplied by Vision Australia.



The members also took this opportunity to promote Lions, plus talk to people about Lions. For Lions Awareness day.



Cobram Lions hosted the District Leo of the Year competition on March 17th. Cobram Murray Leo Club, member Xavier North, won this District level. We congratulate Xavier on an representing Cobram on the Murray Leo club at State level in Melbourne. Although Xavier didn't win, he was a fantastic ambassador for the Leo Club.

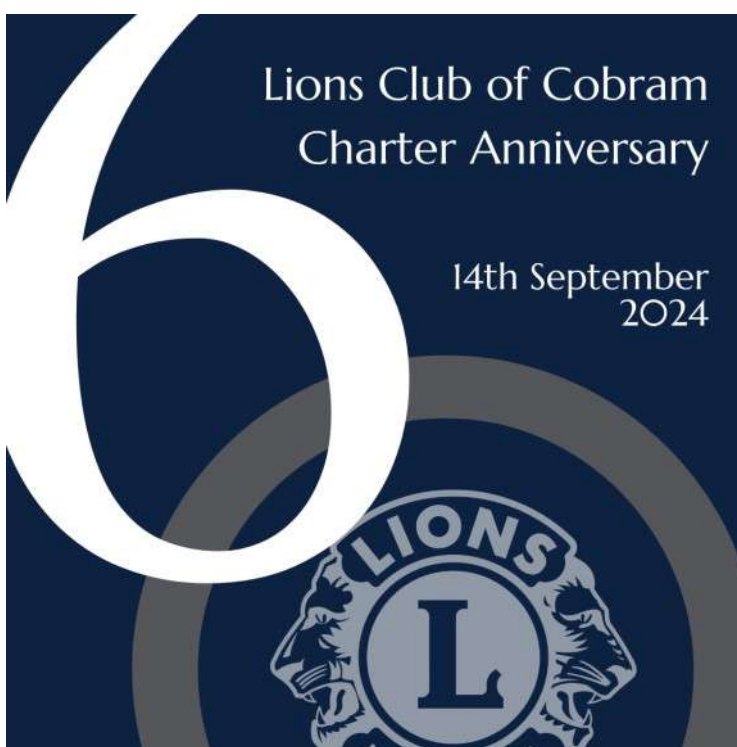
Cobram Lions hosted a fantastic market on Easter Saturday, we even spotted the Easter Bunny. This was followed by another brilliant market April 27th.



The Cobram Lions Club welcomes 3 new members to the club at our meeting on April 23rd. PDG Neil Stuart visited the club to induct Olga and Keith Parry, and Harpreet Kaur in to our Lions club.



Lion Rob received his 10 year service and Neil presented the club with an appreciation certificate





for donating to Lions 201 V6 foundation.

## Tungamah Lions

Once again, we had a very busy month with catering and football gates taking over our endeavours, as well as holding our annual elections.

We have been supporting older residents and of course our own sickies to get on the well side again. Sad to see so many of our work force succumbing to mishaps and illness. Great to see Carol and Jenny up and about and looking very independent once again. Also wonderful to run into our much loved former member, Jimmy Davey who has had his own battles with health issues.

John Haring even drove from Melbourne to attend last night's meeting. Good to see our oldest member back in action.

We were so pleased to sponsor young Jameson Dickins as he had his hair cut to raise funds for the Royal Children's Hospital appeal. Well done, Jameson. Well done to the pub and the Social Club on their fantastic Good Friday Appeal.

We catered for the Cox Family reunion and it is always great to mix with such a closely knit family. Our first footy gates for the year was a great success even though we were run off our feet early on. We realised a profit of \$504!!

On the day the Leos ran their Carp Muster, Victor, Lesley and McKayla took our bbq trainer over to Wangaratta to cater for the Table Tennis players. This was a great effort even though McKayla did try some "hand" burgers when she had minor burns to the hand. Sorry about the pun McKayla.

We had our elections with the result that Victor Smith will be the president for 2024/25, McKayla the secretary and Ayden Stark-Beswick the treasurer. Lisa Peachey is the Membership Chairperson.

It will be the first time for some years that no "Harrison" names are at the front table. Les and Robyn are taking some time off to explore Australia, but will still be involved "on-line".

We are trying to install some seating around the town for walkers, but we need you, the townspeople, to tell us where you would like them.

Coming up, we have some more footy gates, Wilby for a two day meet, Junior Public Speaking

at the school and of course helping people in need.

We also were involved with the laying of wreaths at the magnificent Anzac Day services in Tungamah.

Sadly, much of what we do around the town does not get reported due to privacy issues.

We are always on the lookout for new members, so please see Les or Lisa.



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## Tungamah Leos

Once again, the Leos have shot to fame with the Carp Muster on the 14th April. We had 75 registrations for the day with some pretty good prizes up for grabs. Sponsorship was really strong with Jason Haebich being very generous through Emu Spirit. (Must try it next time the old hammer and tack plays up, which will be straight after I

stand up.) Tony Bennett from Mulwala Fishing and Camping was another generous donor. A beautiful rod and reel combo was high on every kids list of trophies. Tony also gave us a great deal on several other prizes. Lex (Rex Hunt), Haebich also gave a couple of rods and reels for the lucky winners. We also got great support from Jason and Donna at the shop, as well as Paul and Amanda at the pub.

Racquel and the Leos ran the snow cone machine, and this was quite important to the day. Robyn, Leonie, and Libby and Leos cooked hot dogs and sausages all day and never took a break.

We did have some successful fishermen and fisherwomen trying to catch the elusive carp. James Moodies' good mate (and mine), caught a 3 and a quarter pound carp to win the \$50 prize for the biggest fish. He kindly donated the \$50 back to the Leos. Sizes are in pounds and ounces as I am lacking in technical skills to convert the scales back to grams and kilograms.

Zade Ussher won the money for the most fish caught and there were many other winners. No one went away hungry or thirsty.

Congratulations Leos and families on your efforts. The profit was over \$300 and will be used to restore the creek habitat.

We also had a day out during the holidays, with the Leos and other kids heading to Barooga for some indoor swimming and basket ball. Following that, it was off to the Sporties for some mini golf, which was won by Xavier Whiting. Robyn Harrison was second from Zade Ussher who also putted well.

Following that, we were off to Maccas for a meal before home time! Thanks Racquel and Des and of course, Robyn for helping out on the day.

Any way, that's it for now.

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## Hope Lions' Happenings

There have been plenty of happenings at HOPE Lions in the past 4 months.

Since January – April 2024 we have successfully raised over 1200 seedlings for TreeProject Victoria. This is a voluntary environmental project for the club.

The five different native tree species, 3 native grass species and one native plant species were all grown for Ovens Landcare Network. They will be planted out over the next couple of months in north east Victoria.

Our "Blooms of Hope" project has made over \$600 in the last 4 months from markets at Stanhope and Numurkah. People generously donate plants and cuttings which are grown and potted up to a certain size pot and then sold when flowering. We are most grateful to Bunning's Echuca who donate our year's supply of compost. Proceeds from this project go to Childhood cancer research.

Since January we have raised over \$1100 from our "Recycle" project.

The club has many clients who save their recycle and once a month it is collected, sorted, bagged and deposited. The proceeds from this project also go to childhood cancer research.



TreeProject seedlings being collected by Kerrie from Ovens Landcare from grower Lion Ken Hastie.



Recycle ready to be deposited.



## State Final



I am pleased to advise you that the 201V6 candidate in the Youth of the Year 2024 won the State Final at Maryborough on Saturday the 27th April. Oliver Baitch sponsored by the Lions Club of Albury will now represent V district at the Multi District Convention in Darwin in Late May.

If we have representatives attending the Darwin Convention it would be great to have them support Oliver.

**Mark Nordbye**  
YOTY Chairperson.



National Volunteer Week (NVW) this year is running from Monday 20th to Sunday 26th of May.

This special week-long event provides an opportunity to celebrate and

appreciate the vital support the millions of volunteers in our country has given to the community. It also highlights the important role of volunteers in our communities, organisations and schools.

This 2024, the theme for National Volunteer Week is 'Something for Everyone', which recognises the

diverse passions and talents everyone brings to the act of volunteering.

Lions Clubs takes on a major role when it comes to giving and supporting the various community, building projects such as Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation, Lions Disaster Relief, and Lions Eye Health Program.

Australian Lions Hearing Dogs is one of Lions projects, initially founded in 1980. For 43 years, Hearing Assistance Dogs has been trained and delivered to help Australians who are deaf or hard of hearing. Since 2022, Diabetic Alert dogs are also being delivered to Australians with type 1 diabetes. All of this being achieved free-of-charge due to the support of Lions all around Australia.

We want to thank all Lions for everything you've done for the organisation. Our Assistance Dogs wouldn't doing the amazing work they are doing today without you.

TRY SOMETHING NEW  
THIS YEAR - COME TO  
THE 47TH V6  
DISTRICT CONVENTION!

18-20TH OCTOBER 2024



SAVE THE  
DATE!





Bloom of Hope market at Numurkah.

## Yarrowonga Lions

April is the month that we dedicate to raising funds for the Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation. We donate funds raised at our weekly Saturday BBQs at KHub and loudly rattle tins and do a coin line. Hugs are for sale.

Last year we managed to donate \$2,000 to a cause very close to everyone's heart and hopefully we can improve this figure this year.



Lions Ollie, Deb, George and Joan

Local group the Eva May Foundation who run the Op Shop in Mulwala were so inspired with our Childhood Cancer Research Foundation fund raising activities that they were determined we would reach our 2024 Goal. Glenys Davis, the founder of the foundation named for her grandmother along with Alistair McLellan attended our meeting to present to our Club a donation of \$2000 to President Jock to ensure we hit our Target.



We are extremely lucky to have him, and very proud of Yarrowonga Lion and District Treasurer Ollie who has been holding ABN Not-For-Profit Self-Assessment Workshops around the District. At his second workshop held in Wodonga on the 7th April, 21 members representing 12 clubs attended. A well organised event by Lion Paul Shortis. A very detailed and difficult requirement now needed to be addressed by all clubs to keep the ATO happy.

Our flagship project – “Made with Love Free Chemotherapy Turbans” have been receiving very much deserved acknowledgment for their fabulous donations to all over Australia – check out their Facebook page. As of the 9th April the Turban Angels have dispatched 68,142 items – a huge effort. Thank you to all amazing dedicated volunteers that turn up every Tuesday morning with love and laughter to support this V6 Project.



Great Mental Health Day.

How Important are Past Members? We need to Look after them...who knows when or where they will return to the fold.



Yarrowonga Lions farewelled past respected Lion Arch Laird who is moving to Traralgon. Although his service to Yarrowonga was over, Arch revealed he has already been approached by Traralgon Lions to perhaps rejoin our organisation. President Jock presented Arch with a plaque thanking him for past services to our Club.



4	Sat	April	27	Mansfield
5	Sun	April	28	Alexandra
6	Mon	April	29	Tallarook

#### Support resources

- 1 Publicity/social media: Dedicated Website for fund raising, daily posts on Facebook, Instagram & TikTok, local and state media coverage.
- 2 Support vehicle and driver provided by a local business in Ringwood.
- 3 Medical support team member.
- 4 Bike Mechanical support team member.
- 5 Local contacts in each community for accommodation and support.

Jersey Tops - Each member of the group will wear a specially designed Jersey top which will include the logos of sponsoring groups.

Public Liability Insurance: Covered by all team members subscribing to Bicycle Network Stable One's website: This will give you an overview of the organisation and its remarkable impact on those experiencing homelessness. <https://stableone.org/> (<https://stableone.org/>)

## Beechworth Lions

Stable One Charity Dinner - On the evening of ANZAC Day, Beechworth Lions Club hosted a dinner for the 2024 Stable One Charity Riders at the Beechworth Salvation Army hall. The purpose of the 2024 StableOne Charity Ride is to raise money for StableOne who support those experiencing homelessness. 10 riders caught the train with their bikes from Southern Cross Station to Wangaratta for an overnight stay and engaging in a Winter Shelter sleepover before embarked on a 5-day ride across Western Victoria to Tallarook where they will return to Melbourne by train. As it was not their intention to be raising funds in Beechworth, (this is being done in Melbourne), Beechworth Lions Club agreed to provide them with this evening meal. Stable One is partnering with three local organisations in Melbourne to build an affordable supported housing village. It will have a mix of high quality one and two bedroom homes for singles, couples and families with outdoor community spaces.

Organisation of ride and route:  
Itinerary:

1	Wed	April	24	Wangaratta
2	Thur	April	25	Beechworth
3	Fri	April	26	Cheshunt





Anzac Day - Due to some of our members away and one ill, we were unable to lay the wreath on behalf of Beechworth Lions Club this year. We would like to thank the RSL member that place the wreath on our behalf.



## Cohuna Leos

We are almost at the end of March, and it doesn't seem that long ago it was Christmas!!



Our year started off with Australia Day, Leos Sharon and Lauren had the honour of raising the flag under the supervision of Lion Keith Link. Well done.

Also, former Leo Fifi White was presented with the "Young Australian of the Year Award" by Cr Garner Smith. So proud!!



On 16th January, Faye & Norm took our members to visit the Kyabram Fauna Park. Even though it was a little disappointing with the number of animals on display. A great time was had by all.



Due to Faye's connections in Leitchville, we have been offered the Leitchville Scout Hall as a home!! On Monday 29th January we all travelled to check out the building. Bit of a mess might be an understatement but with a sensational clean up team things were put into order quickly. Then it was time for lunch from the Leitchville Bakery. Awesome!!

There is a lot of work to be done, but this will give us a fabulous home. New toilets and the electricity back on are priorities. We will need to do some fundraising to get things done. Put your thinking caps for this!

February 15th, Leos were asked to attend the St Mary's Family night. This was a fabulous event with lots of other food vans there. Loaded chips were the best option according to Sharon and Lauren.

On Monday 26th February, all members took part in the Leo of the Year club final, even Leo Cub Indi. So proud of all of you. Gill and Sharon were judged to be the best, as Sharon was not able to attend the District final, Gill was chosen as our representative.





We also had a bit of fun with balloons, Sharon did a great job.

Sunday 17th March was the District final for Leo of the Year. Leos Lauren and Brock went along to support Gill in the competition.

Leo Xavier North from Cobram on the Murray Leo Club was the other contestant.

Both were interviewed and then presented their prepared speeches. Lunch was provided by the Cobram Lions Club.



Gill was presented with the Public Speaking Award and Xavier was the overall winner. Our trip home was via Maccas' which Brock had been hanging out for all day!!



Xavier travelled to Melbourne on Sunday 24th March to take part in the State final. The other contestant was Charlize Chow from Leo Club of Melbourne Next Generation.

Although Xavier did very well, Charlize was exceptional!

Charlize will now represent Victoria at the National Finals in Darwin in May.

Charlize will now represent Victoria at the National Leo of the Year Competition in Darwin.



At our meeting on Monday 25th March we inducted our newest member, Anna. We welcome Anna into our Leos club after being a Leo Cub.

Our numbers are dwindling, this makes it very difficult to take on catering opportunities or to do community service work.

We need to look at where we can gain new members. Hopefully, when we are able to work out of the Scout Hall in Leitchville we will be able to attract some new members from there and Gunbower.

We also need to look at what 'community service projects' we can do this year.

Suggested projects were to sew and make fiddle bags for both Leitchville and Gunbower Primary Schools.

Challenge – think of a new 'community service project' that Leos can do!

Lions are holding a Trivia Night to raise extra money for the Good Friday Appeal. It would be great to see ALL the Leos there to support. Bring your family and friends.

We have been supporting Little



Athletics on Friday nights for the last few years. Thanks to Faye and Fiona for all their work to help in this area. We have now finished as the catering team for Little Athletics, unless we can get more members who can attend on a Friday night.

Friday 22nd March was their last night for this year, we were presented with \$300 worth of Coles vouchers in recognition of our service.

Also, during the presentations Fiona was presented with a beautiful clock in recognition of 12 years on the Committee.



Very well deserved, congratulations Fiona.



## Henty Lions Happenings

On ANZAC DAY the Lions Club of Henty members helped serve morning tea to the veterans and members of the public who attended the Anzac Day March and the Service of Remembrance. It was a cooler morning and the morning tea of tea, coffee and Anzac biscuits was enjoyed by all. The Lions Club played a wreath in remembrance of those who served in conflicts and peace keeping roles.

With much pleasure two new members, Libby Smith-Draper and Stephen Draper were inducted into the Lions Club of Henty by Zone Chair Julie Colley. Libby is a member of RAAF in Wagga working part time and also a fitness trainer at the Lifestyle Centre in Henty and specialises in chair based exercises. Stephen is a musician in the Army Reserve at Kapooka and plays with other musical groups in Albury and Wagga. Both will be a huge asset to our club, and we look forward to working together for the benefit of our Henty community.

The Greater Hume Council, Henty Library and Henty Community Development Committee sponsored a New Residents Meet-N-Greet night in Henty. The Lions Club was in attendance with a display of our projects both local and national. Lions President Noel took the opportunity to speak about the many activities of the Lions Club of Henty and the benefits of volunteering in the local community. He encouraged new residents to join us in our community work.

Zone Chair Julie organised a Zone Picnic in the Park for the last Sunday in the month with the aim of renewing old inter club friendships and providing new Lions to meet others from the wider Lions community. It was small gathering as many had other commitments, but wide ranging, interesting conversations were conducted.



## Lake Mulwala Lions

Members have been out and about in the community this month, attending the Anzac Ceremony in Mulwala, the CWA's walk to raise funds for worldwide literacy, nutrition and sanitation and inducted a new member. All in addition to the usual activities with donations being made to Childhood Cancer Research, Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal and MHA Care.



Anzac Ceremony Mulwala



Welcome Dawn new member for Lake Mulwala

## ALCCRF

## STOP PRESS.....STOP PRESS.....

All District Chairpersons throughout Australia have been asked to contact their District clubs to encourage them to hold a Lions Biggest BBQ between now and 31 December 2024.

**All funds raised will go towards the fight against kids cancer.**

**Every child deserves a chance at a healthy life**

By holding a Lions Biggest BBQ your club has a chance to win one of three fabulous barbeques valued at a total of \$2, 500.

**This completion closes on 31 December 2024.**

For every additional \$500 raised, your club will get an extra ticket in the nation-wide draw.

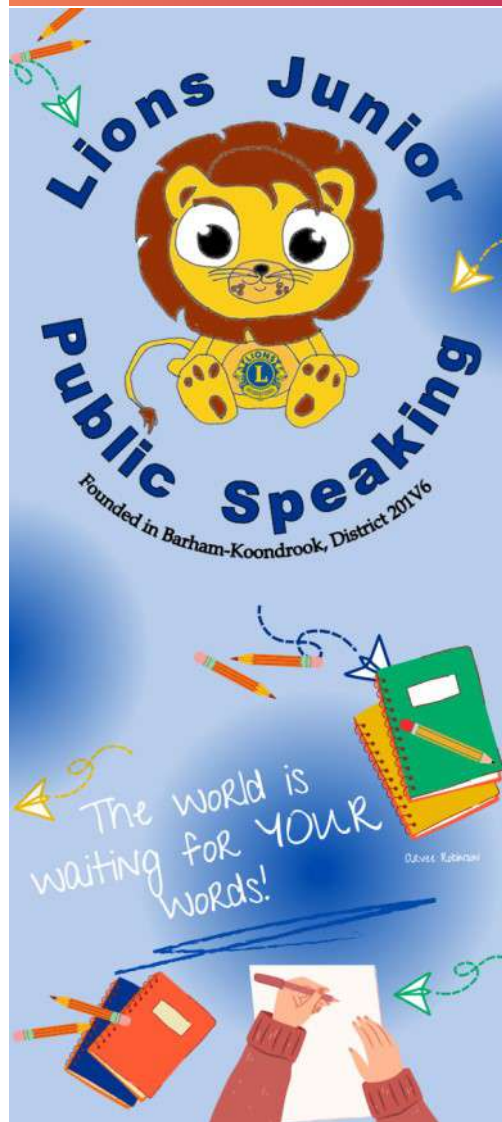
**Helen Hastie**

**ALCCRF**

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*We can only ask that your club please consider helping with the fight against kids cancer.*



I hope by now Clubs have visited their local schools with the 2024 Junior Public Speaking topics and school information.

I received emails and phone calls earlier this month saying that they were unable to get onto the V6 website, after some hard work, it is now up and running again and all forms can be downloaded.

District Governor John has advised that the new V6 website address is – <https://lions201v6.org.au>, this was mailed to all Clubs on April 23rd.

At a Zoom meeting held on Friday 12th April 2024, regarding the V District Junior Public Speaking State Final, I proposed the date of Sunday 22nd September 2024. This was agreed by all in attendance, it was also suggested that V6 would host the Final in Wangaratta.

I have again obtained sponsorship from District Governor John Houghton and Elders Insurance to hold this event and I sincerely thank him for his continued support.

Don't forget that the Club Registration is due on the 31st May 2024.

**Margaret Poels**

201 Multiple District Junior Public Speaking Chairperson



**CLICK HERE TO DOWNLOAD JPS PAPERWORK FROM THE V6 WEBSITE!**

**2024 TOPICS**

**Year 3-4** **Favourite Fairytale or Book Character** - If you could talk to your favourite fairytale character or a character from your favourite book – who would it be, why are they your favourite character and what would you ask them?

*While some of the details may be fictional - it must be based on true facts.*

**Year 5-6** **Who is the most influential person in your life?** Interview this person and then tell us about them - who are they, what do they do and how have they influenced you?

*Note: They may be a member of your family, grandparent, local policeman/woman, firefighter, doctor, nurse, teacher, or a member of the community. This should be a true account of the interview, not fictional.*

**2024 CLUB REGISTRATION 31ST MAY**

**SEND YOUR REGISTRATION FORM AND PAYMENT TO YOUR DISTRICT CHAIRPERSON**



To all our Mums, Mum's to Be and Mum in  
Laws...hope you have a wonderful Mother's Day!  
Thank you for all you do for Lions, for your own  
Lions and for your future Lions.





# TRIVIA NIGHT #2

HOSTED BY THE EAST LODDON LIONS

11TH MAY 2024

7.30PM START

AT THE DINGEE HALL - 28 MACK STREET, DINGEE

**\$10 PER PERSON**

(MAXIMUM OF 8 PER TABLE)

**BYO FOOD/SNACKS - DRINKS AT BAR PRICES**

**TRIVIA ~ RAFFLES ~ GAMES**

**BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES - CLUB SECRETARY - 0428 366 220**

OR email: [eastloddon.vic@lions.org.au](mailto:eastloddon.vic@lions.org.au)

**PRE PAY TO SECURE YOUR TABLE! - BSB 633 000 ACCOUNT # 160 550 794**

**KIDS WELCOME!** DON'T HAVE 8 FOR A TABLE, THAT'S OK, YOU CAN JOIN A TABLE ON THE THE NIGHT

**WE ARE RAISING MONEY FOR THE LIONS PROSTATE  
CANCER RESEARCH AND TREATMENT PROJECT**





We Serve

**THE LIONS CLUB OF KATAMATITE INC.**

## *50th Anniversary Dinner*

*The members of the Katamatite Lions Club wish to extend an invitation to your club members to help celebrate the 50th Anniversary of our club's charter.*

*Friday May 17, 2024*

*6.00 for 6.30 pm.*

*Katamatite Recreation Reserve. Moore St.*

*Featuring live entertainment by five time Golden Guitar and Country Music performer Pete Denahy*

*A two-course meal with nibblies will be served.*

*\$35 per head*

*Come celebrate 50 years of active service in our local community*

**R.S.V.P: Tuesday May 7.**

**Email: [katamatite.vic@lions.org.au](mailto:katamatite.vic@lions.org.au)**

**Phone Andrew: 0428 658 234**

**Phone Rob: 0413 186 027**

**Early RSVP appreciated.**



# LICOLA OPEN WEEKEND

## 3-5 MAY 2024

Just a reminder to those Lions, and their friends, that we are having a Open Days on the first weekend in May.

As mentioned previously it has been a long time since the last Open Days and we just want to give everyone a chance to book in early if you want to come up and stay overnight.

For bookings or to find out about accommodation bookings email [admin@licola.org.au](mailto:admin@licola.org.au)



- Working Bee weekend
- Please RSVP for the BBQ on Saturday night if you would like to attend
- The Open Day with activities is only on Saturday, so if you want to come up and see what Licola offers, please do so.
- Board meeting on Sunday (no activities)







## Are YOU following us....

### Facebook

<http://facebook.com/201V6Lions>

### Member's Only Group

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/676430540448974>

### Instagram

[@lionsdistrictv6](https://www.instagram.com/lionsdistrictv6)



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**DISTRICT WEBSITE** - <https://lions201v6.org.au/>

**MEMBERSHIP TRAILER BOOKINGS** - <https://calendly.com/v6trailer>

## Promoting Clubs through the District Newsletter - the ROAR

- 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)

**EMAIL - [v6roar@gmail.com](mailto:v6roar@gmail.com)**

