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DISTRICT 201V6



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### Member's Only Group

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### Instagram

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District 201V6

47th



# District Convention

Hosted by the Lions Clubs of **WANGARATTA**

## 18th - 20th October 2024

Oaks Conference and Function centre  
(Wangaratta Turf Club) Off Cruse street, Wangaratta

*Memorial Service* - will be held on Sunday

**Download your  
Registration  
form HERE**

*Keynote Speaker*  
**PCC Phillip Johnson**

MD201 Leadership  
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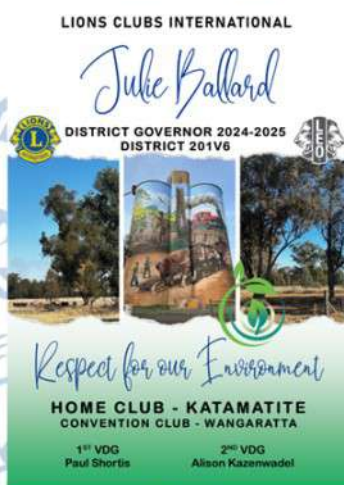


*Keynote Speaker*  
**Nick Liemandt**

Training Manager  
Lions Hearing Dogs



**Australian  
Lions Hearing Dogs**



**Partners Tour**  
to Ned Kelly  
interpretive centre,  
Glenrowan and  
Winton wetlands  
café

*Madi Colville Walker*



*Entertainment*



*Brendan Scott*

**Lions  
Breakfast**  
Saturday &  
Sunday  
ALL welcome

**Closing date for Registrations – 6th October**

For more information – contact Chairman Alison Kazenwadel – lionsv6convention@gmail.com

# Respect for our Environment



**DG Julie Ballard**  
2024-2025

On Friday 30th August Neil Stuart & myself flew to Sydney to take part in the GAT Summit. There we met with representatives from other Districts around Australia & New Zealand. Much work was done towards refining District goals & plans for the 24/25 year. It was very useful to hear from other districts about their goals & how they are going about implementing them.

Just over a week later I flew back to Sydney to the Council of Governor's meeting. I was able to reconnect with my fellow District Governor's from around Australia. We had an extensive report to work through & it was interesting to see how decisions are made at the higher level within Lions Australia. I took special note as the state representatives were selected for the new Lions Green Canopy Project. A busy couple of weeks, but at least I can now say I am an experienced flyer.

I had the special pleasure of attending the Murchison Lions 40th Anniversary on the 15/9/24. Approximately 40 people attended the Murchison Bowls Club for the special occasion. I took special notice of the wonderful display of old photos.

My 4th Club visit was to Corowa Lions on the 16/9/24. Approximately 20 members were present with a lovely meal served. The club are very active with 2 new projects in the pipeline; a fishing competition & Billy Cart Racing.

My 5th visit was to Moama Lions on 24/9/24. Such a warm & welcoming club. It was great to share a meal at the Moama RSL & learn about the great work the Club do. The management of 28 senior citizen units is part of the club's responsibilities. Organisation is currently underway for the Moama Lions Carols by Candlelight & financial assistance is being given to a young local disabled girl. It was a first for me as DG to induct 4 new members into the Club.

Last but not least, I attended the State Final of the Junior Public Speaking held at St Bernard's Primary School Wangaratta yesterday. A lovely afternoon with 4 students presenting their speeches. Congratulations to the winners of the Competition, Sophie Burrell (Albury) & Adeline Martin (Koondrook)

**DG Julie Ballard**

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## 1VDG Paul Shortis

The ANZI Pacific Forum is a significant event of the Lions Clubs International calendar, designed to foster collaboration and share knowledge among Lions from Australia, New Zealand, Indonesia, and the South Pacific region. In 2024 the form took place in Bali Indonesia, from the 12th to 14th September with a focus on leadership, service innovation, youth empowerment, and addressing key global challenges, including climate change and community well-being I attended this with my wife and IPDG Lion John Houghton the sessions were very informative and it was great to socialise with other Lions from over our Constitution Area

### KEY SESSIONS and DISCUSSIONS

- Leadership Development: Workshops on building effective leaders at the clubs and



district levels, focusing on empowering the next generation of Lions leaders.

- Service Innovation: Discussions on enhancing service delivery, with a special focus on healthcare initiatives, community building projects, and disaster relief efforts.
- Youth Empowerment: The Leo's participation

was highlighted, displaying their role in mobilising youth for social good and community service.

- Environmental and Humanitarian Initiatives: Emphasis on global sustainability efforts, including tree planting campaigns, climate action projects, and disaster preparedness strategies.

### KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Renowned leaders from the Lions community which included the International President Lion Fabricio Oliveira, 1st International Vice President Lion A.P. Singh, International 2nd Vice President Lion Mark Lyon and IPIP Lion Dr Patti Hill gave their insights on the evolving role of Lions in modern society along with strategies to strengthen service impact.

### OUTCOMES for DISTRICT 201 V6:

- Networking Opportunities: Strengthened relationships with Lions Clubs across the Pacific, enabling future joint projects and collaborative events.
- Service Projects: Opportunities for district clubs to participate in joint initiatives such as environmental cleanup programmes and regional youth outreach programmes.

### LIONS CLUBS ACTIVITIES in DISTRICT 201 V6

- District 201V6 has been actively engaging in various service projects and community development activities during the last three months the following is a summary of the key activities.

### COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

- Food Bank Support and Distribution: Clubs continued its weekly Meals on Wheels, The Breakfast Program at Primary Schools and meals to individuals in the local area.
- Vision Screening Programme: There was free Eye testing done in two schools in Corowa and a Howlong school is upcoming this programme involved offering free eye checks to the students.
- Environmental Cleanup Drive: Lions Club of Corowa, Lockhart and Wodonga are three clubs that are participating in the recycling program a fantastic way to increase your admin accounts.

### YOUTH ENGAGEMENT INITIATIVES

- Leo Club Collaboration: V6 Leo Conference was held at Torrumbarry where Leo clubs in our District had wonderful time socialising with each other.

- Youth Scholarship Programmes: Several Lions Cubs in the District offered scholarships to outstanding students in the community, enabling them to pursue higher education or vocational training programmes.

### Health and Well-Being Projects District

- Diabetes Awareness Campaign: Various Lions Clubs have been involved in organising Lap the Map days focused on spreading awareness about diabetes prevention, offering free blood sugar testing, and distributing educational materials to over so many community members.

### FUNDRAISING INITIATIVES

- Art Auction: Lions Club of Cobram held there Annual Art Show, displaying local artists work and raising much need funds for community activities.

### CHALLENGES FACED BY LIONS CLUB DISTRICT 201 V6

- Post Pandemic Recovery: some clubs are still recovering from the impact of pandemic, with reduced membership and participation in certain activities.
- Funding and Resource Constraints: Several clubs have reported difficulty in raising funds due to the current economic climate, limiting the scope of some of their service projects.
- Volunteer Fatigue: Maintaining volunteer engagement and enthusiasm is an ongoing challenge for some clubs, particularly in rural areas.

### PLANS FOR UPCOMING PERIOD

- Service Expansion: The district is planning to expand its Health Care Screening project throughout schools in our district.
- Leadership Development: More emphasis will be placed on training for our club officers and members.
- Lions Club District 201V6 remained committed to serving their communities despite the challenge posed by the past year the 2024 ANZI Pacific forum provided valuable insights and opportunities for collaboration that will undoubtedly strengthen district service impact looking forward, the district will focus on expanding service projects improving club engagement and preparing for the future leadership and regional collaboration initiatives.

**Paul Shortis**

1st Vice District Governor, MD201-V6



## Junior Public Speaking – V-District State Final

The V-Districts State Final was held on Sunday 22nd September 2024 in Wangaratta.

Approximately 40 people were in attendance with 2 students from each of the V5 and V6 Districts competing in the Grade 3/4 and Grade 5/6 sections. The judges had a very difficult decision to make, with fantastic speakers in both sections on the day.

The Topic for the prepared speech for Grade 3/4 students was "Favourite Fairytale or Book Character" The Most Outstanding for Grade 3/4 section was Sophie Burrell from North Albury, and Runner Up was Mia Longbottom from Tatura.

The Topic for the prepared speech for Grade 5/6 students was "Who is the most influential person in your life?" The Grade 5/6 students also had 10 minutes to prepare a 1-minute speech answering, "What is your Favourite Season & Why?" The Most Outstanding for Grade 5/6 section was Adeline Martin from Koondrook, and Runner Up was Yatra Harvey from Baddaginnie.

The judging panel for the State Final consisted of a local Councillor and two members of the local Toastmasters Club. Valuable feedback was provided to the students after their judging was completed.

Thank you to PDG John Houghton for his assistance in the presentation of the certificates and trophies to the participants on the day and for the sponsorship provided through Elders Insurance Wangaratta.

A lovely afternoon tea was provided by the Wangaratta Lions Club. Thank you to Jennefer Houghton for all her work in the organisation of this.

With the Junior Public Speaking competitions over for the year we now look forward to the presentation of the winning speeches at upcoming conventions.

The winners from the District Finals which were held in August have been invited to present their winning speeches at the V6 District Convention in Wangaratta on Sunday 20 October. It is anticipated that the winners from the V-Districts State Final will present their speeches at the MD 201 Convention next year in Traralgon.

Thank you to Margaret Poels for her work over the past 6 years running this wonderful program and for her assistance in this year's competitions. I look forward to taking over the reigns as MD 201 JPS Chairperson and working with Judy Byrne as V6 JPS Chairperson for next year's competitions.

I look forward to expanding the Junior Public Speaking program into the multiple districts within Victoria next year and further afield into other States.

Contact has already been made with several Lions Clubs interstate for next year and positive feedback received is promising for the year ahead to make the Junior Public Speaking program a true Multiple District program.

Thank you.

**Jo Howell**

MD201 Junior Public Speaking Chairperson



**Tungamah Leos** - At the moment, Les and Robyn have taken a step back from Leos and left them in the caring hands of Racquel who is doing a wonderful job. The loss of a couple of members means we need a pretty intensive recruitment drive. Racquel has been working closely with Lee Walkington. A good meeting has meant we have some definite plans for advancement. There will be a lot more to report next issue, as I believe some are heading to Leitchville for some fun with Cohuna.  
LITTLE ROARER.

**Tungamah Lions** - with Les and Robyn taking some time away from Lions to refresh, lots has been happening. A meeting with Alison representing the DG, and Steve walking four steps behind, I am told Alison was inspiring with her speech. Stephen also said a few wise words, but the best part was two new members being in attendance.

On the same evening, Des Guinane came across with Numurkah and passed on the Travel Gavel to the club. We are now eyeing off the neighbouring clubs for a visit.

During the month we have catered for the Wilby Car Races and this has been a superb effort. After two exhausting days of catering, we had so many volunteers, showing the value of 2 new pairs of hands.

We also helped out our friends at Sacred Heart in Yarrawonga with a very early breakfast. We love going up and mixing with some lovely people.

In the next couple of weeks, we are catering at Bunnings, and then a CFA exercise out at Muckatah.

Plans are afoot now to get to the Convention. Robyn and Les visited the Hearing Dogs Centre at Hahndorf during their Lions holiday and Robyn has brought back many goodie for sale at Convention.

Speaking of the Convention, we will see you all there. ROARER.

**Lavington Lions** - Members of Lavington Lions, family and friends gathered on 27th August to celebrate the life, and mourn the passing of Lion Graham Walker.

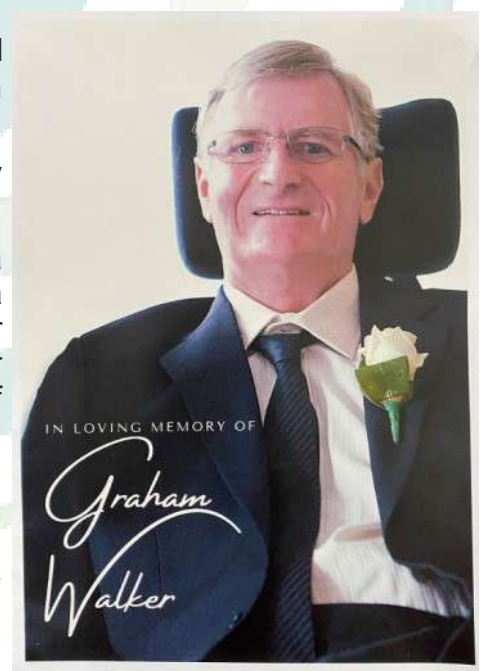
Graham had a long involvement in community welfare, especially in disability services, administration, and management.

Since joining Lions in 2006, he has been our Public Officer, a Director, and a long serving Treasurer. He was a recipient of a Chris August Award and a Melvin Jones fellowship for humanitarian services. In 2020 his contributions to our wider community earned him becoming Albury City Council Citizen of The Year.

He passed away peacefully in the presence of his devoted wife, Pam, and family members.

Graham's service to our Club and Lions in general was a reflection of how he lived by our Code of Ethics.

May he Rest In Peace.



## GMT Report

As of September 27th, we have 1,037 members or -17. During the month of September eight members were added and one dropped. Congratulations to Corryong, Katamatite, Tongala, Upper Kiewa Valley, and Wodonga who have inducted new members in September.

Regarding Multiple District and bearing in mind our “Big Audacious Mission” (BAM), as of September 27th the Multiple District has 22,132 members or net +96, with 709 added and 613 dropped since July 1st. Seven of the eighteen districts are not in transition. For our V6 District to get out of transition and get to the 1,250 figure we will need to recruit 213 members or 4 new members per club net.

Along with DG Julie, I attended the “Nurturing a Culture of Growth: MISSION 1.5 Summit” that was held in Sydney from August 31st - September 1st. District Global Membership Team (GMT) Coordinators, Global Extension Teams (GET) Coordinators, and DG’s from across our multiple district and New Zealand attended a very well organised and very productive weekend. Mission 1.5 is the drive over the next four years to reach 1.5 million members worldwide, so we as Lions can better meet the growing needs of our communities and serve more people than ever before. The Mission 1.5 strategy is: understand Mission 1.5, to lead by example, to be accountable, and to take action. We need to accept the challenge not only Mission 1.5 but our commitment to the Big Audacious Mission or BAM (30,000 members by 2030 and 50,000 members by 2050). Our MD 201 BAM membership challenge is net gain +1150/year, 24 new clubs and 1 member/club/year. The challenge for us in V6 is the chartering of 1 new club and net +1 member/club/year. A culture of growth is critical to our service and the future of Lions. We are accountable to each other and the community we serve. Success is going to depend on all of us working towards these goals.

On Sunday August 22nd our District Global Action Team (GAT) held a Global Membership Approach (GMA) Zoom meeting hosted by District GMA leader PDG Omen Ndlovu. The three key areas of Lions - leadership development, membership, and service were

discussed. Regarding membership, our district has made a commitment to supporting membership challenges - BAM and Mission 1.5. We have a commitment to grow our membership by recruiting new members and retaining our valuable members. We recognise that we cannot achieve our district membership goals without the active involvement of our clubs and members across our district. We recognise that we need to support our clubs in working with us to achieve these goals. Therefore, resources including the Club membership e-Book, and 100 Plus Ideas, together with a cover letter from District GMA leader PDG Omen Ndlovu will be emailed to all clubs.

One of the key membership resources found in the Club membership e-Book is “Just Ask! – Fostering a culture of recruitment” guide. I strongly encourage our clubs to use this guide as it will assist your club in navigating the Global Membership Approach (GMA) process to recruit new members and effectively manage club growth by cultivating a culture of recruitment in your club. I encourage club membership chairpersons to please contact me for any further information or support.

A reminder that the V6 District membership trailer is available for booking. The link to book the trailer is: <https://calendly.com/v6trailer>.

**PDG Neil Stuart**

V6 GMT Coordinator

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**Beechworth Lions** - Official Opening of the renovation of the Gang Plate Layers Cottage - After nearly 6 years, the Beechworth Lions Club will open the Gang Plate Layers Cottage for public viewing on Sunday 24th November from 10am to 3pm. The cutting of the ribbon will be at 10.30am followed by morning tea.

Beechworth Lions Club members will be on hand to showcase the cottage for the use of small volunteer groups without a home. President John has arranged for the Lions Membership trailer to be on site on the day. There is a room that is dedicated to Beechworth Lions Club and Beechworth Boomerang Bags. This will be the first dedicated home in Beechworth Lions Club 65 year history. Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy this momentous occasion with us, and join us in either morning or afternoon tea.

2019:



2024:



Beechworth Lions Club will hold their October Business Meeting in our new meeting room at the Gang Platelayers Cottage on 15th October 2024.

Lions V6 Foundation assistance - Beechworth Lions Club applied to the trustees of the Lions V6 Foundation to provide assistance and support to the Henderson Family at Wooragee after the loss of their house due to fire. Beechworth Lions received a cheque for \$2500. The Henderson Family pass on sincere thank you for the assistance.

**Christmas is ~~crumbling~~ coming!**

**Remember to get your  
cake orders in early!**

Lions Christmas Cakes & Puddings  
**Now Available**



## Rutherglen Lions - 50th Anniversary!

Planning is under way by Rutherglen Lions Club members towards celebrating 50 Years of Service to Rutherglen and surrounding communities. The day will be a very relaxed and informal day where those attending can enjoy catching up on events from the start of Lions in Rutherglen in 1974 to now 2024. We look forward to sharing time with you all.

Rutherglen Lions acknowledge and thank the Australian Lions Foundation for their Compassionate Grants program that has enabled Nicole to have a more accessible life because of this wheelchair. Nicole can now enjoy walking with her son and mother and participate in local festivals and events. Nicole has also come to help our club with the managing of our Monthly Market and is doing a wonderful job.



# 50 years of service

you and your partner are invited to  
celebrate with Rutherglen Lions on

**Sunday 17th NOVEMBER 2024**

to acknowledge the achievement of  
the past 50 years

**11.30am for 12pm start**

**Light lunch - \$25pp**

Smart Casual dress

**Senior Citizens rooms , Douglas Street, Rutherglen**

RSVP -1st November for catering purposes *(please include any food allergies too)*

Direct Deposit payment to:  
Rutherglen Lions Club Inc  
BSB: 640000 Ac. No: 111188858

OR

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**Benalla Lions Club** - On Saturday 7th September, the Benalla Lions Club ran another very successful BBQ at Bunnings Store in Wangaratta. It was a very busy day, with Chris Vaughan, Lochie Lidgerwood and Peter Brown cooking 600+ sausages. Peter Poels is becoming quite a “gopher” more sausages at these BBQ’s. Also thanks to Helen Vaughan, Denise Brown, David Lowing and Margaret Poels for all their hard work.

On Thursday 12th September the Benalla Lions Club members Chris and Helen Vaughan, Denise Brown, Lock Lidgerwood Peter and Margaret cooked a BBQ Lunch for the 120 workers at the Mokoan Solar Farm for the RUOK Day.

On Saturday 14th September, President Chris Vaughan, Secretary Denise Brown, Peter and Margaret Poels travelled to Cobram Lions Club for their 60th Charter Anniversay, It was a lovely day, where Peter Poels had the pleasure of presenting Lions Keith Anderson and Robert McPherson with a Chris August Award for their service to the community and the Cobram Lions Club. Peter also presented President Max Austin and Lions Janet Austin with Lions highest award the Melvin Jones Fellow Award, for their continued service to

Lions International, their community and the Cobram Lions Club. The Benalla Lions Club sponsored the Cobram Lions Club.

Peter and Margaret Poels attended the V6 District Junior Public Speaking Final on Sunday 25th August in Tocumwal. These 10 students wowed the audience with their presentation of amazing speeches. They never cease to amaze everyone with their presentations. The judges certainly had a difficult time.

A great day was enjoyed at the V District Junior Public Speaking State Final which was held in Wangaratta on Sunday 22nd September, where the V6 District winners competed with 2 speakers from V5. Again the standard was very high and the judges had an extremely difficult time to choose the winners.

Also on Thursday 27th September the Club held a Driver Reviver activity at the Mokoan North East Stop for travellers heading away from Melbourne for the weekend.

On Saturday 28th September the Farmers & Craft Market was held, a beautiful day, quite a good crowd supported it. The Benalla Lions Club held a wood raffle again, which was well supported again.



**Cobram Lions** - celebrated 60years of service to the Cobram Community which on its own a major milestone, on September 14th. Four (4) Cobram Lions were extremely surprised to be awarded special awards. These were presented by PDG Peter Poels, representing Benalla Lions Club. Benalla Lions Chartered the Lions club of Cobram 60 years ago on the 14th September.



In this picture are Max and Janet Austin, with Peter Poels in the middle

Max is the Lions club President this year and Janet the immediate Past President. The Melvin Jones Fellowship awards from Lions International.

Two other Lions members received a Chris August Award. These were presented by Peter Poels to Lion Keith Anderson and Robert McPherson.



The Cobram Lions club have created a new award for Members of the Cobram Lions club. It has been called the John Artavilla Memorial Presidents Award. This is to go to a member of the club at the change over dinner ever year. The recipient is decided on by the outgoing President each year. John Artavilla was a Cobram Lions for 53 years and 11 months prior to his passing in Dec 2023. This award is to honour his dedication and devotion to the Cobram Lions Club and the Cobram Community.



Congratulations to Lion Glynis Bailey. Janet as Immediately Past President had the honour of presenting this new award to Glynis

It Certainly is a week of celebrations for the Cobram Lions Club.





Hot of the press news..... A New Sign .....Has been placed at Federation Park celebrating the work of many Cobram Lions, our past and present members, acknowledging their devotion to the Development of Federation Park since its inception. The sign looks fantastic and a Massive Thank You to the Moira Shire Council and staff for assisting with the sign, and it's placement. Slight encounter with the "law" after .

working together on the same program and completing their eye health training. Absolutely wonderful to have been invited along each week. Thank you Alison for organising it all.

Nearly all the Cobram Lions members are now trained screener.



Cobram Lions welcomed 2VDG Alison to our dinner meeting on September 11th. A wonderful evening was held at the Grand Central Hotel.

Lions Eye Health Program Screening in Howlong last week. It was fantastic to see so many Lions



**Yarrawonga Lions Keeping Busy** - Our month has been busy promoting our upcoming events, Diabetes walk (Lap the Island) Wools Show, Dachie Cup and Town Garage Sale, together with our normal BBQ's at K Hub and Bunnings. Come and visit us on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October at our clubrooms as part of the Agricultural Show. Our Annual wool show will be on display together with our BBQ running with an Oktoberfest theme as well as our usual favourites.

Some of our members travelled to Cobram to help celebrate their 60 years of service. It was a lovely lunch with Melvin Jones Fellows being presented to both Max and Janet Austin – very deserving recipients, Congratulations to you both. Yarrawonga Lions was also chartered on exactly the same day however we have chosen to celebrate our 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our Charter dinner.



As the sun set over Lake Mulwala last Friday, walkers young and old donned their runners and set out on the Diabetes Walk. The walk aimed to raise awareness of the genetic and lifestyle factors that can trigger diabetes, and how the disease can be both managed and avoided.

A Local diabetes educator and dietitian were on site to offer free advice for both diabetics and those locals wanting to live a healthier lifestyle. In total 59 walkers registered for the event, with a total of 213.12 kms walked in just over an hour. All participants were treated to a range of healthy snacks at the end of the walk, such as diabetes friendly pancakes cooked by Us. Entry was by donation, and just over \$200.00 was raised. These proceeds will be given to support Medical Alert Dogs, trained by Australian Lions' Training Dog Foundation, who are able to detect low or high sugar levels in diabetes' patients and alert medical first responders as required. Thanks go to Woolworths, who supplied all food and drink for the participants as well as Tim Roadley who organised the event. At the end of the evening, many participants and Lions' helpers proceeded to the Yarrawonga Yacht Club for their Friday night pizza and drinks evening on the foreshore. A great event.





## Agricultural Show

### 5th October, 2024

### Yarrawonga Showgrounds







Come and visit us at our clubrooms—  
Wool Pavilion.

- Fleeces—donated by local farmers
- Prize Presentation after the grand parade
- Power point presentation of Wool show history
- Oktoberfest themed BBQ

German Sausages and Sauerkraut  
Pretzels  
Plus Aussie options

- Bunnings Children's Activity





## Lake Mulwala Lions show Heart

The Lions Club of Lake Mulwala presented Yarrawonga Health Community Engagement Manager, Jo spence with a donation of \$1500 for their **Community Heart** appeal. The club fully supports the campaign which will help Yarrawonga Hospital to purchase essential items to fully equip the new theatre and other areas being renovated at present. Jo spoke to members at a recent meeting who were interested to hear details of the current redevelopments being carried out at Yarrawonga Hospital. Jo explained the important improvements these facilities will provide to the people right throughout our district. Our funds will go towards purchasing the items on the wish list which include a steriliser, anaesthetic machine, operating table, recovery beds among a number of items. Yarrawonga Health is calling for community help and it is hoped that other groups will support the appeal so that our hospital can provide better urgent care services.



**Lockhart Lions** - The Annual Changeover for the Lockhart Lions Club was held at the end of August at the Lockhart Ex-Servicemen's Club, with almost 30 members, special guests and volunteers in attendance.

After an enjoyable meal supplied by Defortune Restaurant, the formal proceedings were conducted by Lion David Skinner, Constitution & By – Laws Chairman, Lions District 201V6.

In addition to the induction of the new Executive, David was pleased to present a very significant award to the Club's President, Mr Bill Hamson, on behalf of the Lockhart Club.

The wording of the Certificate follows:

### International President's Certificate of Appreciation



**Awarded to  
Lockhart Lions  
Club**

The Lockhart  
Lions  
members,  
aided by  
dedicated  
volunteers,  
have been  
able to  
continue their  
recycling

enterprise, accepting paper, cardboard, glass bottles, aluminium cans, scrap aluminium and batteries. This project is a credit to the Lions Club and the Community and up holds one of the Foundations of Lions International - Environment.

The Verandah Post is published by the Lockhart Lions Club who are keeping the community up-to-date on Lockhart happenings. This is an integral part of keeping the Lockhart Community involved and up to date with what's going on around them.



Above: Newly inducted Executive pictured with PDG David Skinner and Zone Chairman Julie Colley.

Left to right, back row - Keith Edgerton, Bill Hamson, David Skinner. Front row – John McDonnell, Shirley Morgan, Lyn Hamson and Julie Colley.



## October Safety Tips

### LADDER SAFETY

Ladder safety is essential in many workplaces, such as warehouses and offices. Incorrect use of a ladder can lead to falls and serious injuries. Everyone should be trained or be fully aware on the right way to use ladder, which includes choosing the correct ladder for the task, checking it for defects before use, setting it up on a firm and level surface, and maintain three points of contact (to hands and a foot or two feet and a hand) at all times while climbing or descending,

Reinforcing these safety measures regularly can prevent ladder related accidents and ensure a safer work environment.



### SLIPPING, TRIPPING AND FALLING

Slips, trips and falls constitute some of the most frequent accidents and can result in serious injuries. To mitigate these risks, it is essential to maintain clear, unobstructed walkways and workplaces. Regular cleaning and immediate attention to spills or wet surfaces can prevent slippery conditions.

Additionally, promoting suitable footwear with a good grip can reduce the risk of slips and trips. Adequate lighting is also critical, as it illuminates potential hazards and allows everyone to navigate their environment.



## Here's something for you all to think about.

*by Lion John Matheson, Australian Lionsonoz Lions Club*

### Have you ever thought how much your Lions Members are worth to your Community?

My own Lions Club, the Australian Lionsonoz Lions Club, does on average between 800 and 1,000 hours service every month in community service, now let's put that into a dollar value to give you an idea on what that "Lions Member" is worth to your community and to show you just how much money our Lions Club is saving our local councils, state governments and our federal government.

OK, let's do the sums, if we say our club does on average 900 service hours a month, and let's say that work is worth \$50.00 per hour, then that equates to \$45,000 a month, or \$540,000.00 a year. Staggering, isn't it?

This figure does not include the generosity in the money spent by members in doing this work, in fuel, stationery, phone, tools, machinery, trucks or utes and trailers, uniforms etc., and the list goes on, given freely by members.

Now multiply that by the number of Lions right across Australia, then we are talking millions of dollars in savings to our local councils, state governments and our federal government.

We have over 1,300 Lions Clubs in Australia with over 30,000 members, the figure would be astounding when start to think what the dollar amount would be if you were to add up all those service hours performed by Lions in this country, then putting it into a dollar value.

So, the next time you see Lions selling raffle tickets, cooking at a BBQ, selling the Lions Xmas Cakes or doing dirty hands-on work for the community in parks and or helping the elderly in our communities. Stop and Think, "How much is that Lion worth".



**AUSTRALIAN LIONS FOUNDATION LTD.**

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“Helping Lions Help Their Community”

## V6 Charman's Report

### 2023/2024 funding

- 91 General Grants
- Value \$565,429
- Average Grant issued \$6575
- Funds added through General & Awards Donations \$484,263



### Examples of funded Club Projects

- ▶ Community Storage Shed – Lions Club of Boyanup – Western Australia
- ▶ Defibrillator – Lions Clubs of Valla – N1
- ▶ Public Seating – Lions Club of Port Pirie – C1
- ▶ Cemetery Shelter - Lions Club of Maitland & Districts (C1)

### Grant programs



Disaster recovery and emergency Grants



Compassionate grants



Special Purpose Grants



General Grants



Find out more and apply -  
<https://alf.org.au/grants/>

**Peter Poels**

ALF V6 Chairman





## ANTIQUES & COLLECTABLES FAIR ~ 2024

12th October  
10AM - 5PM

13th October  
10AM - 4PM

**\$8 ENTRY - KIDS UNDER 14 FREE**  
(WHEN ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT)

**BENALLA INDOOR BASKETBALL STADIUM**

Light refreshments will be available both days

ENQUIRIES - MARGARET & PETER - 0417 139 828  
margpoels@gmail.com



Hope Lions Club

## RAFFLE

TICKETS  
ONLY  
\$2

### 1st PRIZE -

Hand painted cross cut saw (valued at \$400)  
(donated by Lion Ron Fleming & painted by Lion Jo Guthrie)



### 2nd PRIZE -

Bunnings Voucher (valued at \$100)  
donated by Hope Lions

### 3rd PRIZE -

Handmade quilt (86cm x 90cm) & hanger - valued at \$60  
donated by Anna Kaye of Tongala



### 4th PRIZE -

bucket of car cleaning items donated (valued at \$30)  
donated by GTS Farm Supplies Tongala



Childhood Cancer Research Foundation

All proceeds from the raffle are being donated to the Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation



Enquiries - 0428 590 348



RAFFLE WILL BE DRAWN ON SUNDAY 10TH DECEMBER AT THE STANHOPE MARKET  
by the Hope Lions Club Branch and winners will be notified by phone.



# TRIVIA NIGHT #3

HOSTED BY THE EAST LODDON LIONS

12TH OCTOBER 2024

7.30PM START

AT THE SERPENTINE MEMORIAL HALL

20 CHAPEL STREET, SERPENTINE

**\$10 PER PERSON**

(MAX 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

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

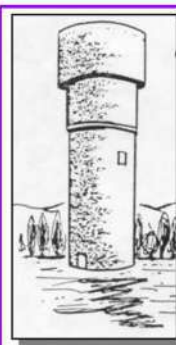
**KIDS WELCOME! DON'T HAVE 8 FOR A TABLE, THAT'S OK, YOU CAN JOIN A TABLE ON THE THE NIGHT**

**WE ARE RAISING MONEY FOR THE LIONS V DISTRICT CANCER FOUNDATION SKIN CHECK & AWARENESS UNIT**

## Lions Club of Wodonga

DISTRICT 201V6  
INTER-CLUB

## TRIVIA NIGHT



**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October**

**\$10 per person**

**Teams up to 8**

**Wodonga Lions Club Shed**

**172 Victoria Cross Parade**

**Wodonga**

**(Behind SES)**

**Commencing 7:00pm**

**\$10 per person, teams up to 8**

**You can bring food and drinks for your table.**

**We also have bar open at reasonable prices.**

**Light supper and coffee provided.**

**Raffles**

**On the spot prizes**

**Lucky door prize**

**Trophy**

**Trophy**

**Light supper and coffee**

**Please RSVP to: [wodonga.vic@lions.org.au](mailto:wodonga.vic@lions.org.au)**

**By 1<sup>st</sup> October. Hope to see you there**



**Saturday, 16 November 2024**  
**From 8:00am**

Maps available for a gold coin from 7:30am at the Lions  
Function Rooms, Adams Street.

BBQ with bacon & eggs and sausages available.



**Enquiries to:**

Lion Carol on 0417 868 498 or  
[tocumwal.nsw@lions.org.au](mailto:tocumwal.nsw@lions.org.au)



## It's that time of year again – get a head start on your Christmas shopping with Australian Lions Hearing Dogs!

Since 1980, Australian Lions Hearing Dogs (ALHD) has proudly served as a Lions Project, providing life-changing Assistance Dogs to Australians free of charge. This year, we celebrated a significant milestone with the delivery of our 700th Hearing Assistance Dog. Additionally, we recently placed our 9th Medical Alert Dog for individuals living with type 1 diabetes, and we are thrilled to have delivered our very first Psychiatric Assistance Dog as part of an exciting new program in development.

Our Hearing Assistance and Medical Alert Dog programs are funded by donations and community activities including merchandise purchases.

We have a fantastic range of Christmas merchandise available now for some great presents. Spoil your furry friend, family members, friends, or even yourself with Christmas dog toys, stockings, Christmas cards and our best-selling 2025 Calendar! Get in early and make your holiday season extra special with these great presents, all while supporting a great cause.

If you would like to get ahead of the holiday rush and start your Christmas shopping early – please visit <https://lionshearingdogs.com.au/shop/> or call (08) 8388 7836 to place your order. Limited stock available so don't miss out!



## 201V6 Convention 2024 @ Wangaratta Turf Club

“With the venue being the Racecourse, we are having a horse race (or 3). After business is completed on Saturday, why not volunteer to be a jockey on one of the 12 handmade hobby horses. The winner will receive a trophy and the hobby horses will be auctioned at the function on Saturday night”.

### Convention Partners Tour

A partner's tour is planned for the Saturday afternoon of the Convention. First stop is the recently opened Ned Kelly interpretive centre at Glenrowan. Visitors are able to take in the exhibits and view several videos relating to the Ned Kelly era in Northeast Victoria.

Then it's a short trip out to the Winton wetlands, calling into the wetlands café for a Devonshire tea and experience the many sculptures along the old lake shore.

Make sure you select the partners tour on the registration form.





**We are looking for Lions Clubs in V6 who are willing to have some photos taken of their members in action - wearing their Lions shirts, doing what they love to do.**

These images would be used for District Promotional materials including social media & print publications.

If your club is interested, please contact Jo Guthrie on 0428 366 220 or via email - [v6roar@gmail.com](mailto:v6roar@gmail.com)

## Awareness Days & Upcoming Events

### OCTOBER

- 14th - World Smile Day
- 5th - International Teacher's Day
- 10th - Mental Health Day
- 10th - World Sight Day**
- 15th - International Day of Rural Women
- 18-20th - District Convention

### NOVEMBER

- 6th - 12th National Recycling Week
- 11th - Remembrance Day
- 13th - World Kindness Day**
- 19th - International Men's Day
- 24-30th - National Skin Cancer Action Week**

didn't see  
**YOUR**  
club in the latest  
edition of....

**THE ROAR**  
V6 District Newsletter

deadline is 28th of each month



**District WEBSITE**  
[lions201v6.org.au](http://lions201v6.org.au)

Special "Members Only Area"

## 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)**

**Promotional Trailer Bookings -**  
<https://calendly.com/v6trailer>