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## "Aloha com Hawaii "

*Its been a very interesting busy experience.*

I was one of twenty-six (26) DGE groups - my group had thirty-one (31) Lions, three (3) Aussies, and four (4) from the USA and Canada,

*The rest were from Turkey, India, Nepal, Pakistan, and Bangladesh, some with very limited English, which made group assignments a challenge!*

My group leader was PID Nilofar Bakhtair. We had four (4) days of school 8.30am-5.30pm (had to register every day). **Four (4) days of Convention was held in a very well appointed convention centre and extremely well organised. There were five-thousand (5,000) delegates alone, without all the partners and Lions.**

The Japanese and Indians were out in force, They had a 2nd VP candidate who won. The new International President Jitsuhiro Yamada and District Governor were inducted officially on Tuesday. The new international President delivered his address and his theme **"Dignity Harmony Humanity"** and his symbol is the crane.

Looking forward to coming home and working with all Lions and Club. And presenting the Presidents theme. My theme is **"We Believe We Can Do !"**

If we all work as a team and are for each other, then I hope T1 will continue to grow and be strong.

**Thank you to Immediate Past District Governor Michael Maclaren for all his hard work and guidance within T1 this year,**

I trust I can continue where Michael left

off! I thank him also for all his help and advice over the past few years.

*See you all soon!*

**P.S. cruising the Hawaiian Islands to gain strength for the coming year!**

*In Lionism, DG Annette*

## Report from Immediate Past District Governor

*In finishing up my District Governor year I would like to report that a most enjoyable and entertaining evening was spent in attending the Ulverstone Lions Club 50th Anniversary Dinner.*

The **Ulverstone Club** was formed on 23rd May, 1965 and has been a most successful Club ever since. It was so interesting to hear of all the Projects and the finances gained and given to the Community over the 50 years.

The evening was a great success with a good attendance and **Mayor Jan Bonde** speaking favourably of the Club as well as opening the Celebrations. Members that once belonged to the Club travelled a number of kilometres as well as from Victoria to be in attendance. The evening was extremely lively with plenty of amusing stories told during those memorable 50 years.

Currently **Ulverstone Lions Club** has 50 members. Also to commemorate 50 years the Club in conjunction with the Central Coast Council erected a Citizen of The Year Honour Wall in the small park on the corner of Reibey Street and Alexandra Road at The Ulverstone Memorial Clock.

**Congratulations Ulverstone Lions a great achievement and well done!**

I attended the **City of Devonport Lions Club** 56th Changeover Dinner. A very enjoyable night and a pleasure to catch up with their Members.

**Congratulations go to the new President Lion John Winter, all the best for 2015 – 2016.**

The next Changeover attended was **Penguin Lions Club** and again a very good evening. It was a pleasure to induct the incoming Board.

**Congratulations go to President Kevin Townsend for his incoming year.**

Visited **Smithton- Circular Head Lions Club** and able to give information and updates on the Dunalley Fires /funding, Cord Blood, Crime Stoppers, Lions Biggest Barbecue, Childhood Cancer and Motor Neurone Disease.

Final meeting attended was the **Legana District Lions Club now Chartered.**

**Congratulations go to Zone Chair Leigh Johnstone and Zone Chair Robert Scott for attaining their Guiding Lion Status.**

I too was very happy to achieve my Guiding Lion Status ready to Mentor the new Legana and District Lions Club for the next 2 years.

Now ready to set sail to Hawaii to attend the International Convention in Honolulu and enjoy a holiday afterwards.

**Thank you all Lions, a great family!**

**Michael Maclaren  
Immediate Past District Governor**



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## MEET INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT 2015-16 - DR. JITSUHIRO YAMADA

Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada, of Minokamo, Gifu, Japan, was elected to serve as president of Lions Clubs International at the association's 98th International Convention held in Honolulu, Hawaii, USA, June 26 through 30, 2015. President Yamada is a neurosurgeon.



A member of the Minokamo Lions Club, President Yamada has been a Lion since 1985. He has held many offices in the association, including district governor and GLT constitutional area vice-leader. He served on the international board from 2005 to 2007 as a member of the Executive Committee and the Long Range Planning Committee and Vice Chairperson of Convention Committee. He also served as a board appointee for 2011-2012.

In recognition of his service to the association, President Yamada has received numerous awards, including the Humanitarian Partner Award, ten (10) International President's Awards and an Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association bestows upon its members. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lion activities, President Yamada is chairperson for several organizations including the Social Medical Corporation Koseikai, the Kizawa Memorial Hospital, the Social Welfare Corporation Jikeikai, Nozominooka Hospital and Ajisai Nursing College. He is a standing director of the Japan Hospital Association and an affiliate professor at Gifu University.

President Yamada has been active in the area of international relations, serving as president of the Gifu-Hungary Friendship Association, Gifu-Morocco Association and Gifu-Salzburg Association. He is a recipient of the Order of Merit of the Republic of Hungary, the Medal of Honor of the Alaouite Dynasty of the Kingdom of Morocco and an honorary citizen of Beijing City, China, in recognition of his service to international friendship building.

President Yamada and his wife, Dr. Toshiko Yamada, also a Lion and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, have one son, one daughter and three grandchildren.



"Why is it that doctors call what they do  
"practice"?"

## LIONS EYE HEALTH PROGRAMS AND RECYCLE-FOR-SIGHT

### Recycle For Sight:

Well what a great year we have had with the spectacles in 2014 - 2015 and by years end 30th June the figures will be even bigger than what is recorded.

I have to admit to unintended creative accounting. It would appear that there were some double entries made on the calculator, or my large fingers were hitting two buttons at once. Anyway last year's (2013 - 2014) tally was 21,210 plus, and this year so far we have topped that at 21,313 plus pairs as of 16th June.

Congratulations to all participating clubs, even those who collect and pass on to another club as happens in Hobart and Launceston. If you are one of those clubs, please advise me so the tallies don't get mixed up.

Refer to the District website for the details in PDF format.

### Lions Eye Health Program

By now all club secretaries should have received the order forms for brochures, and posters, plus other goodies to promote Eye health in your communities with the exception of Queenstown who's email address is out in cyberspace somewhere.

Don't be afraid to get out and stir up interest in the program. Use Doctor's and Optometrist's waiting rooms. make contact with Senior Citizens clubs, Community Houses where special interest groups meet. Parent - Teacher groups at local schools even students. They can all learn a lot about one of the most important senses we have, SIGHT.

Ambassadors are available in all regions as guest speakers with one wandering around Australia somewhere. I just hope he has his kit with him.

Should you require a speaker and feel un-able to address a group, please call me and I'll do my best to get someone to assist you.

Till next time, take care of your eyes they are natural treasures."

Lion John C Medwin

District Chairman: LEHP and Recycle For Sight



A single act  
of service  
can change  
a life.

But, when

1.35  
million

Lions members  
come together  
to serve, we can  
change  
the world!

Proud to be  
a Lion!

Vale

**Trevor Roach AM**  
Charter Member  
Riverside Lions Club

President and Members are saddened by the loss of Lion Trevor who was the last surviving serving Charter Member of the Riverside Lions Club.

Trevor was a valued and respected Member and will be sadly missed. He was a definite people person. In addition to our loss the West Tamar community lost one of its greatest supporters.

He was Beaconsfield Councilor and later Mayor and for some considerable time Mayor for West Tamar Council. He served as President of Exeter Show Committee for some twenty-five (25) years. Trevor was also active in football administration and active bowler. He also represented Tasmania on the Australian Bowls Association.

He was well respected through out the area and will be sadly missed.

Peter Burke - Riverside LC



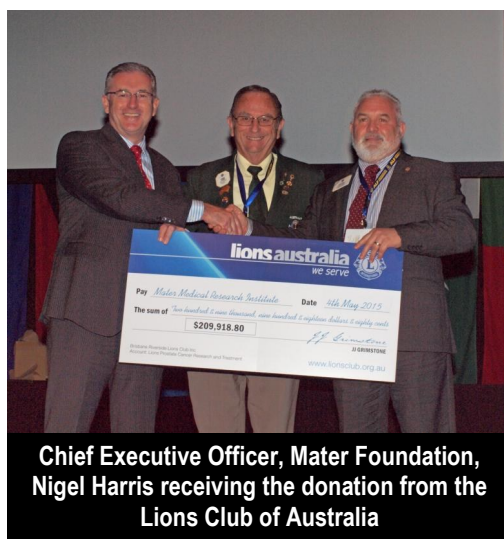


## Lions Clubs boost funds for Mater Research

A recent donation from Lions Clubs of Australia at their annual conference in Newcastle has provided a major funding boost for Mater Research to continue its leading-edge research into prostate cancer.

Lions Clubs of Australia has donated almost \$1 million to Mater Research during the past 12 years and presented a further donation at their conference for **\$209,918.80**.

Lions Clubs of Australia has been a major supporter of prostate cancer research through Mater Foundation with donations funding leading prostate cancer research and supporting the purchase of much-needed research equipment.



Chief Executive Officer, Mater Foundation, Nigel Harris receiving the donation from the Lions Club of Australia

**Our members have really got behind this project and we are thrilled that our contribution is making a difference to great research work being achieved at Mater.**

*"We hope that, in time, our donations will result in much better outcomes for prostate cancer patients and perhaps ultimately result in finding a cure,"* **Lions Club Prostate Cancer Coordinator John Grimstone said.**

*"The visionary support of Lions Club Australia is absolutely essential for our cancer research efforts and inspires us to increase our research efforts, allowing us to take a multidisciplinary approach and to take on new research directions that have the greatest potential but are often not funded by mainstream funding bodies,"* **said Mater Researcher Associate Professor John Hooper.**

Helen Chick

## NEW MEMBER & INDUCTION - A FINAL HURRAH!

**Karin Bluemmel, Secretary** (hanging up pen and paper after seven [7] years) of the **LC of Port Cygnet** reported before the end of her tenure in June that the club was fortunate to attract another member, **Cheryl O'Meara**, who was inducted at the last meeting - a last hurrah for Karin, a very hard working Secretary. Well done!

The induction very happy affair, as shown by the three smiling faces below!



Left President Barrie Daniel, centre Cheryl O'Meara, right Lion Ron Gregory who assisted, Cheryl's sponsor unfortunately, was unavailable on the night.

*From the DG Newsletter of V1-4 - 'I will leave you with these words from Benjamin Franklin' - "The man who does things makes mistakes, but he never makes the biggest mistake of all - doing nothing."*

If you're not familiar with the work of Steven Wright, he's the famous erudite (comic) scientist who once said: "I woke up one morning, and all of my stuff had been stolen and replaced by exact duplicates." His mind sees things differently than most of us do. . . . Here are some more of his gems:...

23 - My mechanic told me, "I couldn't repair your brakes, so I made your horn louder."

24 - Why do psychics have to ask you for your name?

25 - If at first you don't succeed, destroy all evidence that you tried.

26 - A conclusion is the place where you got tired of thinking.

27 - Experience is something you don't get until just after you need it.

28 - The hardness of the butter is proportional to the softness of the bread.

29 - To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism; to steal from many is research.

30 - The problem with the gene pool is that there is no lifeguard.

31 - The sooner you fall behind, the more time you'll have to catch up.

32 - The colder the x-ray table, the more of your body is required to be on it.

33 - Everyone has a photographic memory; some just don't have film.

34 - If at first you don't succeed, skydiving is not for you.

And the all-time favorite -

35 - If your car could travel at the speed of light, would your headlights work?

## Not Quite the Same??

**PRESENTLY, I AM TRYING TO MAKE FRIENDS OUTSIDE OF FACEBOOK WHILE APPLYING THE SAME PRINCIPLES.**

EVERY DAY I GO DOWN ON THE STREET AND TELL PASSERSBY WHAT I HAVE EATEN, HOW I FEEL, WHAT I HAVE DONE, AND WHAT I WILL DO AFTER, I GIVE THEM PICTURES OF MY FAMILY, MY DOG AND ME GARDENING AND SPENDING TIME IN MY POOL.

**I ALSO LISTEN TO THEIR CONVERSATIONS AND I TELL THEM I LOVE THEM.**

AND IT WORKS - I ALREADY HAVE 3 PERSONS FOLLOWING ME: 2 POLICE OFFICERS AND A PSYCHIATRIST!



ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A GUEST SPEAKER FOR YOUR MEETING?

DO YOU ENJOY SEEING A CHILD SMILE?

DO YOU WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO A CHILD'S LIFE?

DOES YOUR CLUB NEED A GOOD CAUSE TO DONATE TO?

IF YOU CAN SAY YES TO ANY OF THESE QUESTIONS I AM READY TO MAKE YOUR WISHES COME TRUE...

**I HAVE THE LATEST DVD PROMOTING OUR LION'S AUSTRALIA CHILDREN'S MOBILITY FOUNDATION TO GIVE AWAY FREE TO ANY CLUB WHO WANTS TO FEEL GOOD ABOUT HELPING A CHILD WITH THE GIFT OF A BETTER LIFE.**

Please contact me on 0407 877 460 or Email [george.bugeja@bigpond.com](mailto:george.bugeja@bigpond.com) and I will put a smile on YOUR face.

PDG GEORGE BUGEJA  
TASMANIAN TRUSTEE  
AUSTRALIAN LIONS CHILDREN'S MOBILITY FOUNDATION

**i AM  
ME.**

## DISTRICT STAMP COLLECTING

THANK YOU ALL WHO ASSISTED US THROUGHOUT THE PAST YEAR. YOUR EFFORTS ARE MOST APPRECIATED AND LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT.

THIS IS A SIMPLE PROJECT AND INVITE INCOMING PRESIDENTS TO ENCOURAGE ALL MEMBERS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAMME. WE ALL HAVE AVENUES TO SEEK ASSISTANCE SO PLEASE ASK FRIENDS, RELATIVES AND BUSINESS TO SAVE THEIR STAMPS FOR US. AS YOU ARE AWARE ALL PROCEEDS RAISED FROM THE SALE OF THE STAMPS GOES DIRECT TO THE LIONS MOBILITY FOUNDATION.

**THIS PROJECT HAS A LOT OF SATISFACTION TO BE GAINED AND GIVE YOU A "FUZZY FEELING"**

*Anyone willing to collect and donate stamps will be indirectly be giving a child the opportunity to walk.*

All stamps can be given to a Cabinet Officer and I will collect them or they can be sent direct to myself at

**11 Camina Court,  
Riverside, TAS 725.**

*If you have big volume of stamps and are posted the cost of postage can be made or reimbursed by the Club as the recipients are Lions Project and can covered through Activities Account.*

I know I CAN rely on your support. I hope you all have a good year and keep up your good work within your communities.

Until next month.

**Peter Burke**, Co-ordinator  
Riverside Lions Club

## NEW COMMUNITY GARDEN AT WAVERLEY

Veggies are already thriving in the newly established community garden at *Waverley Primary School in Launceston*. The garden is the latest initiative organized by the *Ravenswood House Growing Together Team*, following the successful launch of the *Pioneer Community garden at Ravenswood* last year. *Waverley School pupils* will work on a roster basis to tend the garden, and learn about growing and cooking fresh vegetables and fruit.



The school is working toward further parent and outsider involvement.

The *City of The Launceston Lions Club* supported the Waverley garden project by financing the purchase of a large storage container, which will provide safe storage for garden equipment, as well as workshop space.

**Margaret Whitmore**  
Secretary - City of Launceston Lions Club



# Plan for 2015 District Convention now!!!!

The Convention Organising Committee is well on the way in the planning of the 2015 201T1 District Convention.

The Convention will be held from Friday, 13 November to Sunday, 15 November at the Tasmania Police Academy at Rokeby.



The Convention venue offers just about everything on site with a well-equipped auditorium, dining area, ample space for a wide range of displays and a memorial garden for the Lions Remembrance Ceremony.... and it offers on-site accommodation (see details below).

Already, a number of interesting speakers and presenters have been lined up to participate in the opening ceremony and during the convention weekend.

**Now it is your turn; as a Club or as a Lion; to plan your involvement in the Convention.**

We are, first and foremost, looking for a good roll-up of members, both delegates and interested Lions to be part of Convention.

Then there are the nominations for elected positions: District Governor, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor and a Trustee of the Tasmanian Lions Foundation from each of the Regions.

Clubs should be considering now if they are willing to take on hosting the 2017 District Convention. Sorell and Clarence Clubs are convention hosts for 2015 and Latrobe Club, with the assistance of nearby Lions Clubs will

host the 2016 Convention.

Then there are the business sessions and an invitation to any Lion or Lions Club to put forward any item for discussion and/or decision at Convention – **start thinking about it now!!!**

To assist you in organising your Convention attendance, a list of possible accommodation places is listed. Some of these are on site at the Tasmania Police Academy – but please remember that any bookings/enquiries must be directed to the Cabinet Secretary – others are within five minutes of the Convention venue and none are any more than fifteen or twenty minutes away.

## Some suggestions for accommodation

All are on the Eastern shore of the River Derwent. Some are just five minutes away from the Convention venue **but none are more**

**than 15-20 minutes away!**

### Foreshore Tavern

464 South Arm Road, Lauderdale  
Phone - 03 6248 6404  
[www.foreshoretavern.com.au](http://www.foreshoretavern.com.au)

### Shoreline Hotel

10 Shoreline Drive, Howrah  
Phone - 6247 1761  
[www.shorelinehotel.com.au](http://www.shorelinehotel.com.au)

### The Pines Resort

Surf Road, Seven Mile Beach  
Phone - 03 6248 1616

### Seven Mile Cottages

121 Seven Mile Beach Road, Seven Mile Beach  
Phone - 03 6248 1616

### Seven Mile Beach Cabin Park

12 Aqua Place, Seven Mile Beach  
Phone - 03 6248 6469

### Travelodge Hobart Airport

1 Holyman Drive, Cambridge  
Phone - 1300 886 886  
[www.travelodge.com.au/travelodge-hobart-airport-hotel/home](http://www.travelodge.com.au/travelodge-hobart-airport-hotel/home)

### Hobart Airport Tourist Park

2 Flight Street, Cambridge  
Phone - 1800 441 184  
[www.hobartairporttouristpark.com.au](http://www.hobartairporttouristpark.com.au)

### City View Motel

30 Tasman Highway, Montague Bay

Phone - 03 6243 8388

### Mornington Inn

322 Cambridge Road, Mornington  
Phone - 03 6244 3855

### Beltana Hotel Motel

160 East Derwent Highway, Lindsfarne  
Phone - 03 6243 8677

### Apex Holiday Apartments

37 Esplanade, Lindsfarne  
Phone - 1800 030 969

### Discovery Holiday Park

346 Cambridge Road, Mornington  
Phone - 1800 447 070  
[www.discoveryholidayparks.com.au](http://www.discoveryholidayparks.com.au)

### Discovery Holiday Park

673 East Derwent Highway, East Risdon  
Phone - 1800 352 249  
[www.discoveryholidayparks.com.au](http://www.discoveryholidayparks.com.au)

### Ashwood Silwood Park

1 Church Street, Bellerive  
Phone - 03 6244 4278

### Bellerive House

89 Cambridge Road, Bellerive  
Phone - 03 6244 7798

### Quayside Cottages

3 Queen Street, Bellerive  
Phone - 03 6244 7776

### Cornwall Cottage

368 Cambridge Road, Cambridge  
Phone - 03 6248 5757

### Cleburne

1036 East Derwent Highway, East Risdon  
Phone - 03 6273 6772

### Possum's

12 Karoola Road, Lindsfarne  
Phone - 03 6243 0067

## Tasmania Police Academy

*On-site accommodation*

**ALL accommodation enquiries/bookings for the Tasmanian Police Academy can ONLY be made through the Cabinet Secretary.**

Single Room (with ensuite) (king-size single bed) = \$65 per night  
Double Room = \$75 per night  
Family Room (two bedrooms) = \$85 per night

Academy does not provide a breakfast however can arrange for the supply of a continental breakfast at a cost of \$7.00 per person

**Accommodation for LEOs has been arranged at the Girl Guides Tas Orana Camp. Roches Beach. Cost (per person) is \$19.00 per night.**

### PDG Robin Pulford

Cabinet Secretary



## TASMANIAN LIONS FOUNDATION

Following our recent Foundation the following two (2) Grants were approved -  
Lions Club of Kingborough - \$2000  
to assist in the setting up of a Men's Shed  
at Bruny Island.

Lions Club of Kentish - \$2785  
to assist with the purchase of a crafted  
tandem bike trailer.

The next meeting of the Foundation  
will be held on Sunday,

**20th September 2015**

Any Club wishing to submit a grant  
application please feel free to do so and  
have it in the hands of the Secretary by:

**10th September 2015**

We would also like to thank all Clubs who  
purchased TFL Awards and who made  
donations throughout the year.

Your efforts are most appreciated.

Keep up the good work.

It is your Foundation and we are here to  
assist you so please don't be afraid to ask.

**PLEASE NOTE** If any Club would like to  
know more about the Foundation and its  
role, Trustees would be more than pleased  
to come along to a meeting of the Club as a  
guest speaker and give you a better  
understanding of your Foundation.

**Don't hesitate to contact me and I will  
arrange for a Trustee to come.**

Until next month, Regards to you all.

**Peter Burke** Secretary

## Our District Count

**31 May 2015**

Clubs: 49

Membership: 1251

**30 June 2015**

**Clubs: 50**

**Membership: 1254**

YTD ADD 204

YTD DROP 186

YTD GROWTH % 1.46



ordinary people  
amazing things

## WELCOME TO THE LIONS FAMILY IN JUNE 2015

### Bridport

Shirley Monson

Sponsor: Roslyn Gerke

### Burnie Emu Bay

David Cooke

Sponsor: Geoffrey Starick

Karla Williams

Sponsor: David Bennett

AJ Hingston

Sponsor: Geoffrey Starick

### Georgetown

Lynette Hill

Sponsor: Dorothy Sweet

Marilyn Hunter

Sponsor: Jeanette Johnson

### Glamorgan

Tameka Pyke

Sponsor: Shirley Flack

### Hobart Town

Denise McCann

Sponsor: David Badcock

### Kentish

Rani Page

Sponsor: Dennis Rockcliff

### King Island

Dennis Klumpp

Sponsor: Robert Brooks

Sue Klumpp

Sponsor: Robert Brooks

### Kings Meadows

Helen Palmer

Sponsor: Darrell Atkinson

### Port Sorell

David Broomhall

Sponsor: Rosemary Rabbetts

Cheryl Newman

Sponsor: Larry Nichols

Reuben Newman

Sponsor: Larry Nichols

### Riverside

Mark Johnston

Sponsor: Anthony Kettle

### Scottsdale

Cheryl Kerr

Sponsor: Mervyn Chilcott

Michael Kerr

Sponsor: Mervyn Chilcott

### Tasman

Alan Hull

Sponsor: Martin White

### Wynard

Christine Cochrane

Sponsor: Brian Willcox

Beryl Gooch

Sponsor: Brian Willcox

## MEET YOUR TASMANIAN LIONS FOUNDATION ELECTED DIRECTORS



### North West:

(L to r) Philip Viney Chairman (Ulverstone LC); John Medwin (Penguin LC); Ron Prior (Rocky Cape LC).



### North :

(L to r) Jeff Harper (North East Tasmania LC); PDG Peter Burke (Riverside LC) Secretary; Phil Robinson (Kings Meadows LC) Treasurer.



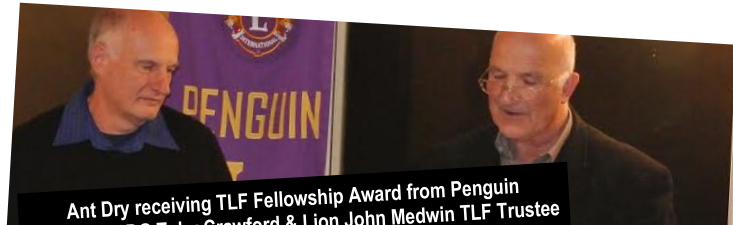
### South:

(L to r) PDG Jack Allen (Glenorchy LC); Paul Cairnduff (Kingborough LC); PDG John Gillham (Huon LC).

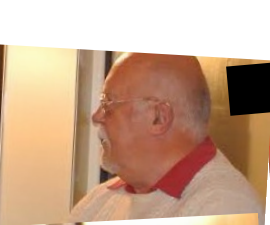
Note that all directors are willing to come to your Clubs to discuss the roles and activities of your Tasmanian Lions Foundation.







Ant Dry receiving TLF Fellowship Award from Penguin President PDG Toby Crawford & Lion John Medwin TLF Trustee



Glenys Clarke receiving TLF Fellowship Award from Penguin President PDG Toby Crawford & Lion John Medwin TLF Trustee



International Peace Poster winner



Stuart Greig receiving TLF Fellowship Award from Penguin President PDG Toby Crawford & Lion John Medwin TLF Trustee



Evonne Dry receiving TLF Fellowship Award from Penguin President PDG Toby Crawford & Lion John Medwin TLF Trustee



Kevin and Kathy Townsend being inducted as President and Secretary respectfully by DG Michael at Penguins LC changeover



New Board Members of Penguin Lions Club from left. Evonne Dry, Dee Dawkins, Wayne Clarke, Ant Dry (back), Glenys Clarke (back), Kevin and Kathy Townsend, DG Michael officiating



IPDG in relaxation mode at the International Convention in Honolulu



Mayor Kirk Caldwell - Opening Convention 2015



Timothy Shriver, Keynote speaker from Special Olympics (He is a Kennedy relation as you can see!)



Franztilda in honour of PDG Franz Maringer, his wife DG Lorraine ride with our Mascot





# 12 September Club Development Day

## A Forum for Lions of Tasmania

The program includes but is not restricted to:

Building relationships between members, maintaining open communication, identifying who we influence and why, enabling and empowerment of members

Dealing with adverse behaviour.

The Changing Face of Lions

**DON'T MISS OUT – RSVP EARLY.**

**INTERSTATE GUEST  
PRESENTER  
NEIL WINGRAVE**

**AN OPPORTUNITY TO  
LEARN MORE ABOUT  
LIONS**

The Panel is ready to  
answer your questions

## VENUE

**KINGS MEADOWS HIGH  
SCHOOL**

GUY STREET  
KINGS MEADOWS

**9.30 – 3 p.m.**

RSVP by 1<sup>st</sup> September 2015 to:

Anne Fagg, GLT Co-ord.

[amf6388@gmail.com](mailto:amf6388@gmail.com)

Ph. 6443 4287/0439 027 037

**DINNER: HOT/COLD BUFFET AT  
THE LAUNCESTON COUNTRY CLUB  
\$38 P.H.(3 courses)  
RSVP 1st September as above.**

## ACCOMMODATION :

A special rate of \$90 has been agreed with the ABEL TASMAN MOTOR LODGE, Kings Meadows. Participants are responsible for their own reservation and must mention **LIONS** when booking.

Abel Tasman Ph. No: **6344 5244**

Email: [info@abeltas.com.au](mailto:info@abeltas.com.au)

**RACISM...** In its 2011 multicultural policy, The People of Australia, the Australian Government committed to develop and implement a National Anti-Racism Strategy.

The Strategy has been developed through a partnership led by the Australian Human Rights Commission.

The partnership includes the Australian Human Rights Commission, the Attorney-General's Department, the Department of Social Services, the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet, the Federation of Ethnic Communities' Councils of Australia and the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples.

The development of the Strategy was informed by a broad consultation process.

In August 2012, the Australian Human Rights Commission launched the 'Racism It Stops with me' campaign. 'Racism It Stops with me' is a campaign which invites all Australians to reflect on what they can do to counter racism wherever it happens.

This campaign is all about:

- Ensuring more Australians recognize that racism is unacceptable in our community
- Giving more Australians the tools & resources to take practical action against racism
- Empowering individuals & organizations to prevent & respond effectively to racism

*"All across Australia, there are people and organizations doing great things to reduce and prevent racism. This campaign isn't about reinventing the wheel: we want to learn from past achievements and challenges. Our consultations have told us that it's often the people working on the ground within local communities or specific environments who have the best understanding of the issues and ideas of how to overcome them. We believe that the most effective way to make a difference in the incidence of racism is to encourage and coordinate these efforts."*

For more information on the campaign go to: <https://itstopswithme.humanrights.gov.au>

Lions is about helping communities all around the world, so it is fair to say that Lions are already committed to this campaign. If you look at the website and look at the pledge that organizations across Australia are signing up to, you will find that it authorizes the Australian Human Rights Commission to use a supporter's logo to promote the campaign. Obviously, a Lions Club cannot sign up to this agreement as it stands.

The Commission have approved an alternate pledge which a Lions Club can sign. Paragraphs referring to supporter's logo have been removed.

If your club feels as strongly about racism as the Clarence City Council, all the Tasmanian Emergency Services, most taxi companies in Tasmania, Maribyrnong City Council, University of Tasmania, University of Western Australia, ANZ Bank and many other organizations, schools, etc. then sign up now.

**If you would like more information or a copy of the pledge which Lions Club can sign then contact Stephen Smith ([zone10@lionstasmania.org](mailto:zone10@lionstasmania.org))**

## Be Part of the Centennial Celebration – Sponsor a New Member or Organize a Club!

Being a part of the Centennial Celebration is as simple as sponsoring a new member or helping to organize a new club! From now until June 2018, when you sponsor a new member or club you immediately receive special recognition.

Centennial Sponsors and Centennial Club Organizers earn a limited edition pin and certificate, and are eligible for our progressive level awards. Sponsor a new member or help organize a club today and be a part of the Centennial Celebration!

Find more information on the Centennial Celebration Membership Awards online.



**Be part of our  
CELEBRATION!**



# DISTRICT NEWSLETTER 201T1

Copy for the newsletter is required on or before the tenth (10th) of the month of publication.

It is preferred that articles be typed and submitted for publication by e-mail or CD/DVD.

Please forward (where possible) photos and newspaper cuttings with your article.

**Scanned images should be of high quality (300dpi).**

**Deadline for next issue is: AUGUST 10th**

## Club Extension...

Members of the Southern Regions Club Extension Group visited the University of Tasmania's second semester orientation expo to promote the establishment of a Lions Club at the University of Tasmania.

*Members present were PDG John Gillham, VDG2 Hester van Niekerk and Lion Glenn Gillies.*

Considerable interest was expressed in the formation of a Lions Club which would provide an avenue for community service an activity of interest for both new and existing students and staff.

With follow-up to those who have expressed interest it is hoped to progress to the formation of a new Lions Club.

John Gillham - Group Chairman



Talking to interested students ...



Stall promoting a possible Lions Club at the University of Tas.



Again in 2014-15 Tasmanian Lions and their communities have been particularly generous. Donations are up by more than \$10,000 over last year. Full details are yet to be received from the Chicago office of LCIF.

On a disappointing note, some Clubs are make life difficult - all donations to LCIF MUST be processed by the District Treasurer either directly, or after being checked by the District LCIF Chairman/Coordinator.

For those donations requiring recognition for Melvin Jones Fellowships please use the donation form available on the LCIF web site and enter details in the appropriate sections to accompany your donation cheque [*this is the same form as used to make application for an MJF or PMJF*] -

1. Purpose of Donation : mark either -

Area of greatest need

Measles

Disaster - there is no need to name the disaster on this form

Humanitarian needs

Sight

Youth



2. Contribution Details

Name, number, District of Club [ and name of the individual donor if appropriate]

3. Recipient Recognition : mark

To be named later, or

completed in full if also seeking and MJF or PMJF : in this case also complete section

4. All MJF / PMJF application should be sent via the District LCIF Chairman/Coordinator for checking and forwarding to the District Treasurer.

*Let's hope the 2015-16 will again be a great year for donations to LCIF but without the human tragedy which is so often the result of natural disasters.*

John Gillham, PDG - DC LCIF/Coordinator.

## SAVING SIGHT



**SightFirst** focuses on two neglected tropical diseases, **onchocerciasis** and **trachoma**, and continues to make significant advances. The World Health Organization (WHO) verified the elimination of river blindness from Colombia in 2013 and from Ecuador in 2014.

Now, the Chinese government has announced the elimination of blinding trachoma from China. As recently as 1999, over 350 million people were thought to be at risk of contracting this disease in China, but it is no longer a public health threat in that country.

This goes to show what can be accomplished when governments, volunteers and NGOs commit to eliminating a preventable disease. With help from the Lions of Hong Kong/Macau and China, this announcement marks a milestone on the road toward official verification of elimination of yet another blinding disease.



*The Last Word...*

*"The older we get, the fewer things seem worth waiting in line for!"*