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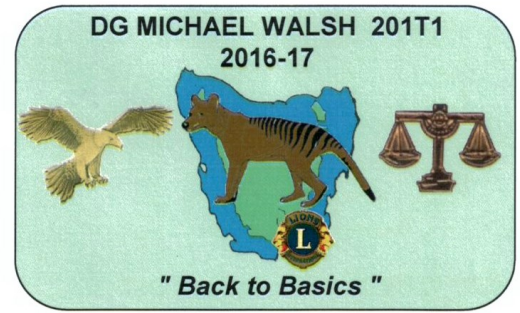


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DG Michael's Musings....

Over the last month Roslyn and I have continued with club visits making 24 so far this Lion's year. I have been well received and I thank the clubs for their hospitality and fellowship.

All clubs visited so far are active in their communities and even clubs with a low or ageing membership are "pulling their weight" in their communities.

One of the highlights for me was to induct six new Lions into the City of Launceston Club. A photo and names appear elsewhere in this newsletter. (P3)

As foreshadowed in the last newsletter and in correspondence from GMT Co-ordinator Amanda, our District **is back in transition**. The Membership Rebuilding Workshop will have occurred by the time of the next Cabinet Meeting, and I will report on the outcome.

The District Club Health Assessment and Recap Reports make interesting reading.

The District has had only a net membership gain of three in the last month. However a number of clubs have not filed an Activity Report for some time which – I hope – means that our current membership is over 1220 and not 1213 as set out in the report.

Zone and Regional Chairs have been asked to chase up their clubs.

During my visit to the Kingborough Club a motion was carried for submission to the Convention as a late notice of motion to exempt our District – for obvious and geographic reasons – from the provision of Clause 7 of the Multiple District Constitution.

This is a logical and sensible idea bearing in mind the huge financial and logistical hurdles that would be imposed by again being tied to a Victorian District.

Don't forget that **our District Convention starts on Friday 11th November at Latrobe.** The emphasis is on fellowship and interesting guest speakers.

Please register ASAP and come along to what will be a most enjoyable and interesting weekend with lots of fun and fellowship.

In Lionism,

DG Michael



A reminder about the **Club Rebuilding workshop** conducted by Lou Onley in Launceston. Lou is part of Multiple District Global Membership Team, whose role is Australian Extension Team Leader.

**15 October 2016
10.00 am to 3.00pm
Newstead College,
30 Cypress Street, Newstead**

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2016 201 T1 DISTRICT CONVENTION

This will be my last Newsletter prior to the Convention so I'd just like to highlight a few new snippets of information and remind you of some of the previous ones;

We have a very extensive and interesting range of topics being covered with our guest speakers including;

Lion David Skinner - Multiple District
Legal Officer and P D G.

Wayne Bould - Chairman and Trustee
of the Bonney Group of Companies,
Chief Executive of the Tasmanian
Minerals and Energy Council.

Igor Van Gerwen - House of Anvers
Chocolates.(Complete with some free
samples)

Neil Armstrong – General Manager -
Harvest Moon

Colin Arnold – Ghost Rock Vineyards.

Entertainment on Saturday night includes something a bit different with **"Trifle"** performing **some comedy acts** which will be followed by some very pleasant background music plus a song or two from **Leonie Grytta** and friend and the **Latrobe Primary School Choir**.

Car parking – is directly opposite the Memorial Hall (Friday and Saturday only), with Disabled and VIP parking adjacent to the hall.

Parking on Sunday is street parking so get in early before all the market crowds arrive. Disabled and VIP parking remains adjacent to the hall on Sunday.

Until then,

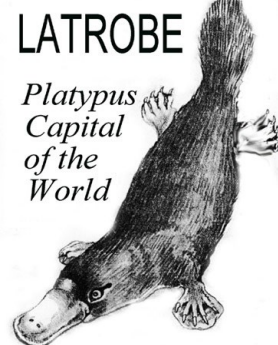
Kevin Moulden

Convention

Committee Chairman



**All Roads
Lead To**



Club Delegate and Memorial forms need to be returned to the Cabinet Secretary By October 30th Please. Not as advised in previous correspondence.

My sincere apology for any inconvenience

Kae Campbell
Cabinet Secretary
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Don't leave it to the last minute to register.

Get your registration in now so you don't miss out.

Go to <http://201t1.lions.org.au/latrobe2016> and click on the PDF or Word document, whichever one you prefer.

This site also includes all the accommodation available in the district

Don't forget - On the Registration form, there is provision to tick a box if you are interested in the partners tour. We have some ticked already so it would seem the Partners Tour will be going ahead, so it's just a matter of how many.

Don't forget - The Convention dates are 11th – 13th November,

Come and join us for what promises to be an interesting and enjoyable weekend.

Welcome to the Lions Family

September 2016



Bridport:

Ann-Maree O'Keefe Sponsor: Paul O'Keefe

Brighton:

Ronee Featherstone Sponsor: Christine Gimblett

Alalle Gimblett Sponsor: Christine Gimblett

Tanya Langdon Sponsor: Christine Gimblett

City Of Devonport:

Kellie Colliver Sponsor: Sherilyn Mahoney

Clinton Waters Sponsor: Kevin Wills

Deloraine:

David Backley Sponsor: Graeme Bellamy

Debra-Anne Backley Sponsor: Susan Bellamy

John Robinson Sponsor: Geoffery Churchill

Michelle Robinson Sponsor: Geoffery Churchill

Georgetown:

Jenny Brown Sponsor: Doreen Cook

Hadspen South Esk:

Andrew Wilson Sponsor: Geoffrey Triptree

Riverside:

Mark Murphy Sponsor: David Ball

Andrew Maddock Sponsor: Colin Smith

St. Helens:

John Gadsby Sponsor: Peter Cecil

Ronda Gadsby Sponsor: Jennifer Cecil

West Tamar:

Anne Johnson Sponsor: Anna Schofield

Noel Johnson Sponsor: John Schofield

Astrid Lewis Sponsor: James Armstrong

Brian Lewis Sponsor: James Armstrong

Joanne Parry Sponsor: Narelle Martin

Julia Roberts Sponsor: Sally Van Der Wegen

City of Launceston:

On 26th September the City of Launceston Lions Club had the great pleasure of inducting six new members into the Club. District Governor Michael Walsh conducted the ceremony and we were very happy to welcome him and Lions Lady Roslyn for such an important occasion. Our club is the oldest in Tasmania, and until just recently, the average age of our members was quite high. The new group of members will not only bring down the average age, but we feel sure they will bring vitality, new ideas and innovation to the club.

Julianne & Michael Stevens Sponsor: Trevor Whitchurch
Lindi McMahon Sponsor: Sue Moir
Tracy Rosier Sponsor: Margaret Whitmore
Tracie & Robert Pearce: Sponsor Merv Whybrow.



L-R President John Dakin, Sponsor, Lion Trevor Whitchurch, Lions Michael and Julianne Stevens, Sponsor Lion Sue Moir, Lion Lindi McMahon, Lion Tracy Rosier, Lion Tracie Pearce, Lion Rob Pearce, Sponsor Lion Merv Whybrow, District Governor Michael Walsh

Our District Count

31 August 2016

Clubs: 50

Membership: 1202

30 September 2016

Clubs: 50

Membership: 1213

YTD ADD 36

YTD DROP 34

YTD GROWTH % 0.17%

Status: **DISTRICT IN TRANSITION**

Membership Categories

For prospective members who may not be able to meet the obligations of active membership, LCI offers several membership categories to fit their needs.

Active Member

Active membership is the "typical" category of Lions Membership. Active members receive all benefits and must meet all requirements of Lions membership.

Affiliate Member

An affiliate member is someone who is not able to participate as an active member of the club but desires to support the club and its community service initiatives.

Associate Member

An associate member has active membership in one Lions Club and associate membership in a second club in their community of residence or employment.

Honorary Member

An honorary member is not a member of the Lions Club but may be granted honorary membership by a Lions Club for having performed outstanding service.

Life Member

A life member is a Lion who has maintained active membership for at least 20 years, or at least 15 years if the member has reached age 70. Life membership may also be granted to a Lion who is critically ill.

Member-at-Large

A member-at-large is a member of a club who is unable to regularly attend club meetings but desires to retain membership in the club.

Privileged Member

A privileged member is a Lion who has been a member 15 or more years but must relinquish active status because of illness, infirmity, advanced age or other reason.



Clubs Contributing to LCIF	
Progressive total	
Month	#
July	1
August	1
September	1 + ?

By the end of this, our Centenary Lions Year, it is hoped that every club in 201T1 will have made a contribution to LCIF.

PDG John Gillham

District LCIF Co-ordinator

As we age I know some clubs have hearing impaired members. Did you know **sound systems may be purchased** for Clubs through Hearing Dogs? Contact me for details....

Geoff Clow

District Chairman

hearingdogs@lionstasmania.org

Ph: 62459176



Australian Lions Hearing Dogs

News From The City of Launceston Club

We are anxiously awaiting the installation of the final stage of the Club's **playground project at the Royal Park**. The first stage, the exercise machines and children's play equipment has been in place for some time. The final stage will be the installation of a "Galleon" play ship to cater for children from the ages of 1-6 years. The ship has been designed and made in Europe and includes many play and exercise challenges suitable for young children. It will be erected by a local company, and the Launceston City Council has undertaken to landscape the surrounding areas, and provide seating and pathways. We are assured that the project will be in place in the Spring, as soon as weather permits.

The club has recently been able to assist a disabled lady with the **purchase of an electric wheelchair**, which we hope will greatly improve her wellbeing and mobility.

News of **Anna Roney, the young mother who suffers from a rare form of Multiple Sclerosis**, for which there is no treatment available in Australia. Anna has now travelled to Mexico where she has been given a course of chemotherapy and a bone marrow transplant. She is now back at home in Tasmania, where she will have to live in isolation for three months until she recovers from the treatment. Her progress is being monitored by specialists from the Launceston General Hospital. So far she is doing very well, and we wish her the very best outcome from her treatment.



Margaret Whitmore, Secretary

THANK YOU for your donation to the LIONS CLUB OF LATROBE DISASTER RELIEF APPEAL.

The Lions Club of Latrobe wishes to publicly express its appreciation to all those individuals, and Lions Clubs for their ongoing support of the LIONS CLUB OF LATROBE DISASTER RELIEF APPEAL that has and continues to support residents of Latrobe affected by the 6 June floods.

The "where to from here" caused by such significant losses and intensified financial stress experienced by the flood affected has been overwhelming. Your donations have been gratefully received as they try to get back to everyday living and rebuild their homes and lives. Just knowing that there were so many people that cared enough to donate has been momentous to their recovery.

Donations have come from Lions, Business, individuals and many other organisations from all over Australia in many forms not simply financial. Boots, linen, quality clothing and furniture, new electrical items, crockery and cutlery, curtains, blinds, gardening equipment groceries and all sorts of odds and ends.

The club has distributed all the above plus fuel vouchers, grocery vouchers, chemist vouchers and hardware vouchers, paid emergency rental, purchased replacement furniture and electrical items and assisted with payment of power and phone accounts and more to the tune of over \$47,000 thus far.

Recently PDG Anne Edridge from V5 accompanied by her sister, DG Michael and a couple of Latrobe Lions, visited some of the flood affected residents to hear their stories and see first-hand the devastation wreaked by the floods. One family were able to show in graphic detail footage taken while they were stranded during the floods, and hear the noise it created. *(Photo above right. Ed.)*

Photo at RIGHT: PDG Anne with James and Sam



Club members continue to offer support in whatever way they can with the support of the Port Sorell Lions and will continue to do so for the foreseeable future.

A couple of weeks ago the Club hosted a group of families at an afternoon of ten pin bowling, and from report back it was very well received by all who were able to have some fun with varying degrees of expertise. Kae Campbell Cabinet Secretary



Get To Know Your Cabinet Member 1st VDG Hester van Niekerk

DG Michael suggested I forward a Bio for the newsletter so after much thought I put this together.

I was born in South Africa, lived in Rhodesia and did my senior school years at a boarding school in South Africa.....I thought this was the best way to meet great rugby players.

I met my husband Michael in Rhodesia, married and we had 3 daughters. Now all married and 7 grandchildren live in Tassie. My professional life included secretarial, accountancy and finally achieved my Nursing Degree.

In 1979 Michael and I wanted a more secure and safe life for our 3 daughters, then aged 6, 5 and 4 years. **We were given the opportunity to come to Australia** and as Australian geography was not a strong point of the Immigration officer in South Africa, she decided that in order to arrive in Melbourne where the new Migrant hostel was we needed to go via Hobart.



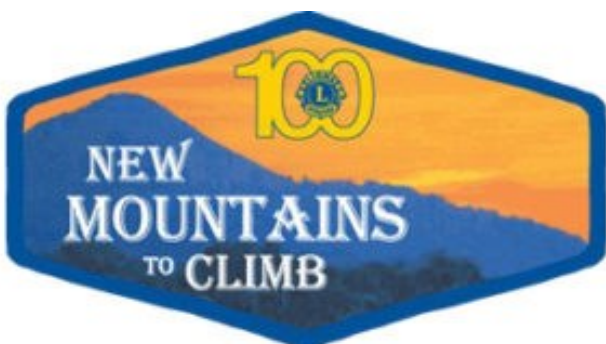
With \$300, no jobs, no accommodation, and 5 suitcases we landed in Tassie. A gentleman offered us accommodation in his home.....a 3 bedroom house, wife and 3 children plus Mike, myself and our 3 children....very cosy. The plus side of this was that we were close to the beach, no high fences and the children were able to pick flowers! We do not have a fence around our home and have a big garden with lots of flowers that I love being in.

Mike joined Blundstone Boots and retired as the company's Group Manufacturing Manager. I joined the Repatriation Hospital where I retired as the Clinical Director, Nursing. I joined Blackmans Bay Childrens Services, made so many lasting friendships with parents, teachers and children, I am still actively involved in this organization

My life in Lions started in September 2010 when Lion Norm Ayres invited me to be a Lion, an absolute privilege. I was the Lions Club of Kingborough's 1st female President 2012 – 2014, was honoured with a MJ 2014 and work with business organizations and local print media to raise the profile of Lions and Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research.

I have a strong belief that we build on our past, respect those Lions who built our past and promote Lions as more than a sausage sizzle organisation. **Our future does not only rely on building new and younger clubs, it relies on respect and support of all members and being proactive in our communities.**

Awards are something that you need to earn and use to promote Lions and your Club. I wear my lapel pin as the most important award. **I am where I am today because of the support of family and many within the Lions family** but a special thank you to Lion Eric Madsen, PDG David Hopkins, PDG David Daniels, PDG George Bugeja, PDG Michael McLaren and our IPDG Annette Ogilvie.



CAKES

Commencement of the Christmas selling period is now upon us. Thank you all in advance for your support in the selling of our Christmas cakes and puddings. It is a great time to approach your RSL Clubs, Yacht Clubs, Hotels etc for them to buy our Christmas puddings for their Christmas functions.

Lets us have a very successful year. The selling of our Mini cakes continues to increase and this is such a great opportunity for every Club to help raise our funds that can be distributed within your community.

Just remember when ordering it is important that the following information is documented on the order form and the delivery week commencing takes into account the 10 days lead time.

Club details - LCI number (your Club number)
contact name, contact number, contact
email address

Delivery details – address details, contact name
and contact phone number

Pricing – total calculation is correct

Discount – delivery date and payment are **with-**
in discount period

Discount Price: Payment and delivery between 1st July and 31st October, 2016. **Orders must been received by the 19th October, 2016** to allow sufficient processing time to book transporting prior to 31st October, 2016.

Should Clubs receive damaged stock please do not take delivery of the stock.

Ensure that the driver or a Club representative comments on the delivery paperwork the extent of the damage, Make a note on your copy of the delivery docket. Take a photo and send in with the claim. Lastly let Top Taste Customer Service 1800 033 366 or carl.ladner@gwf.com.au or 0409 712 560.



MINTS

A back log of production of our musk and fizzers has now been overcome and all Clubs should receive their orders (if they have not already done so) within the next few weeks.

Unfortunately this has slowed our sales but hopefully we will still reach our target for this year. This is a great way to raise funds within your Club as it does not entail you physically standing and selling the products as the Mints sell themselves. It just takes a few members within the Club to assist in stocking the outlets.



Effective from 1st January, 2017 all mint orders and statements will be emailed to Clubs. Should Clubs require a paper copy of your invoice or statement a fee of \$1.00 will apply. Next time when placing a mint order I suggest that you supply a preferred email address for the invoices and statements.

Should this be a concern for Clubs please contact the Mint office on 1800 815 787. The Mint office will be closing on Thursday 22nd December, 2016 and reopening on Monday 18th January, 2017. Please ensure that your Club places its order to cover this period.

Sue Johns

District Chairman MD201T1 – Merchandising (Cakes, Puddings and Mints)



Tasmanian Lions Foundation



The **Annual General Meeting of the Foundation** will be held during the lunch break on **Saturday 12th November 2016 at the Convention Centre.**

Over the next couple of weeks all Clubs will be furnished with an Annual Report.

Any club wishing to lodge a **Grant Application** please have it in my hands by **31st October** so that it can be considered during the Convention along with any other matter you may want discussed. Remember, we are there to help you. Looking forward to seeing you at the Convention...



Until next month .

Regards

Peter Burke

Secretary.

STAMPS

Collecting stamps supports the **Australian Lions Children's Mobility Foundation** and assists in funding for mobility devices for children with disabilities, giving these children a chance to walk.



Over the past 2 years *we have 28 Clubs who participate in the programme* and we greatly appreciate your efforts of support and look forward to your continued support.

I would encourage all Clubs not taking part in the programme to consider and I encourage you all to take part. I am sure you will find it satisfying knowing you have helped a child in need.

Minimum of work is involved only asking friends, relatives, business associates to keep their stamps. Schools are good to get involved with. You may also pick up a new member. Remember,

where there is a need there is a LION

and I believe your efforts will be greatly appreciated.

Lions please give it a try.

NOTE All Lions who have stamps ready and you are attending Convention bring them with you and you can give them to me there.

Remember, if you have to **post stamps reimbursement can be obtained from your Activities Account** as they support an MD project. To all supporters please continue your efforts as they are most appreciated.

All stamps can be posted direct to me at

11 Camina Court, Riverside 7250



Keep up the good work Look forward to seeing you at Convention.

Until next month,

Regards Peter Burke

District Centennial Report



Connect with Community:-

Raise the visibility of your Club and honour our legacy by planning a Centennial Legacy Project in your Community. Projects commemorate our Centennial by making a lasting gift that will benefit your Community for years to come. I urge your Club to commence building your Lion Legacy.



Each Lion impacts the lives of 50 people a year. Just imagine how many lives we can change by chartering new clubs as well as inviting family, friends and neighbours to join us as a Lion. Strengthen your Club and Community today!

People already benefited through our Worldwide Centennial Challenge:-

Engaging Our Youth – 33,068,117

Protecting our Environment – 29,576,505

Sharing the Vision – 15,830,458

Relieving Hunger – 21,524,920



Congratulations!! in serving **100,000,000** people worldwide...a great Centennial bonus.



In our District 201 T1 Lions have served **85,699** people.

Keep up your great work and continue serving your Community.

P D G Michael MacLaren

201T1 District Centennial Coordinator

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 email.

(Snail mail can take 4-5 days to reach King Island.)

Where possible please forward photos or scanned images of high quality (300dpi)

Deadline for next issue is *November 10th.*

