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VICTORIA COCHRANE BRIEF

Happy New Year to you all. I hope that you all have had a lovely break and catch up with friends and family.

Just before Christmas I sent all clubs a letter outlining the reasons we have invested in more advertising with WIN and Southern Cross TV. I hope members have managed to see the ad, which began as a Facebook campaign and highlights how the purchase of Lions Christmas cakes and puddings help Lions to service the community. 2nd VDG Elect Marg Cranney reports that the response to the ad is the biggest she has seen. After showing the ad to Multiple District, the district has secured a PR grant of \$1000 to offset some of the costs. If you haven't seen the ad, the link is <https://www.facebook.com/share/v/19mMPxo67K/> It is fantastic. Currently, all inquiries for cakes are going through Marg Cranney, President of the Online Club.

While some members may not agree with advertising cakes in January, let alone continuing to invest in TV advertising at all, the fact is that we have to do something! The more visible Lions is to the community, the more chance we have of getting new members into our clubs to help lend a hand. In the first week of the new year, our member count was at an all time low of 900. Media and social media are the most efficient tools the DG and GAT teams can think of make the public aware of what we do. I urge all clubs to update their FB pages regularly and please send pictures, news and events to Marg or myself to include on the Tasmanian Lions FB page.

In December I was interviewed by Kim Napier on ABC radio about the Tasmanian Lions Skin Cancer Foundation (TLSCF). I had another interview on Thursday 9th January with Evan Wallace with an update on the foundation, as well as the media advertising campaign and the fabulous LEHP program. I have also been in touch with Brian at Coast FM to have a monthly spot talking all things Lions. I will be talking about upcoming events, so if there is anything you wish me to promote, just drop me an email! As you can see, I am doing my best to promote our wonderful organisation whenever I can. Here is the link to the interview: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1e48Av7LVxXUqmPIaPUUJjcy1oWljCNTC/view?usp=sharing> Also on the 9th January, 2nd VDG James Redgrave and members of Rocky Cape and Smithton-Circular Head Lions met with representatives from Tomera-Cleanaway. The container recycling scheme is beginning this year with 49 recycling points around the state which have been set, including Smithton and Wynyard. There are opportunities for remoter areas to be drop-off depots. There will be much more information to come as all the finer details are being finalised. Many thanks to 2nd VDG James for all of his work on this project, which will be a great fund-raising opportunity for Lions Tasmania and all Lions Clubs who wish to participate.

March is membership awareness month. All clubs were sent a letter from our Membership Support Chair, IPDG Rob Batchelor, asking them to plan a membership event in March. Clubs who let Rob or I know of their event will receive resources to help promote Lions. Please post pictures and stories up on your club's and the district's FB pages and send to our newsletter editor Dee to include in the newsletter. Let's all be proactive and help to rejuvenate Lions in our district.

District Safety Officer, Richard Cochrane (yes, the husband) and I are working with IT webmaster Shae to develop a Risk Management page on the Tasmanian Lions website. We are also planning a Risk Management webinar on February 26th. Details will be sent out to clubs early February and included in the February newsletter.

I am in preliminary discussions with the Break O'Day Mayor, Mick Tucker, on how we can work to continue serving the community, not just in St. Helens but in the whole Break O'Day area. He has a good knowledge of Lions and is keen to work with us and the community to find a solution. I will keep all members updated!

As we start the new year, clubs are reminded to check their policy minutes and update them where necessary. If you have new members, it's a great time to organise an orientation session so they have all the information they need about your club, the district Lions International. Most of all, have a great and positive start to the New Year!

Yours in Lionism, kindness and unity,

Victoria



Lions on Safari: A Service Adventure

March 1, 2025 - March 31, 2025



Lions Awareness Day is now “Lions on Safari: A Service Adventure”

This March, we’re taking our annual Lions Awareness Day to new heights with *Lions on Safari: A Service Adventure*—a month-long campaign showcasing the incredible work Lions are doing across Australia.

We invite you to join the adventure! Organise or participate in events happening nationwide and help us raise awareness for the causes we champion. It’s a fantastic way to highlight our impact and inspire new volunteers.

What is Lions on Safari?

Pack your sense of adventure! *Lions on Safari* will take you on a journey through community service, featuring environmental projects, acts of kindness, and exciting opportunities to get involved.

Looking for ideas to celebrate *Lions on Safari* and important dates in March 2025? Here are some suggestions to inspire your Lions Club events:

- **Bunnings Barbecue (March 1-7):** Partner with your local Bunnings for a barbecue or host a family-friendly event. [Click here](#) for more information about booking a spot!
- **Clean Up Australia Day (March 2):** Organise rubbish clean-ups, recycling projects, or environmental awareness campaigns to engage the community in caring for the planet.
- **International Women's Day (March 8):** Organise impactful events and fundraisers that empower and support women in their communities. Consider raising funds for vital projects such as women's community shelters, sanitation projects, or the PNG Birthing Mothers Projects, all of which contribute to the well-being of women.
- **International Day of Happiness (March 20):** Organise events that spread joy and promote well-being, like games, celebrations, or activities that get people smiling. Promote happiness by highlighting human rights, environmental care, and social well-being.
- **Harmony Day (March 21):** Encourage everyone to wear orange in support of cultural diversity. Consider hosting a sausage sizzle with an international food twist or inviting a local cultural dance or singing group to perform.

With these ideas, your Lions Club can make March a month to remember. The possibilities for *Lions on Safari* are endless!



Don't forget to use the hashtag #lionsonsafari on social media!



REGIONAL LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

RLLI

Leadership training for Lions and Leos (over 18 years of age) who are looking to take on leadership positions at Club or District levels, maybe for the first time.

- Learn how to build teams and manage people effectively.
- Increase your own knowledge of Lions activities outside of club level.
- Discuss strategies for making change to move our organisation forward.
- No pre-qualifications required.

Where: Brisbane

When: March 7-9, 2025.

Applications close: November 30, 2024.

Cost: \$250 plus travel.

public speaking

VISION

WORKING IN TEAMS

Goal Setting

Lions Fundamentals!

DIVERSITY

TIME MANAGEMENT

PRESENTATIONS



Lions Portal - Learn

Did you know that every member of Lions International has access to free Online Learning Programs through the Lions Portal?

Decision making

Club President Learning

Membership Chairperson learning

Club Officer Training

Action planning

Nurturing a culture of growth

Coaching

Leo to Lions learning

Club Treasurer learning

Club Secretary learning

Conflict resolution

Just go to the portal, select the 'Learn' tab and then 'content library' to check out what courses are available!!

Awaken THE LION WITHIN



46TH 201T1

Lions Convention



Join us for a weekend of inspiration, engaging speakers, and networking with fellow Lions. Discover how to unleash your inner lion and strengthen our community impact. Don't miss this chance to roar for change!



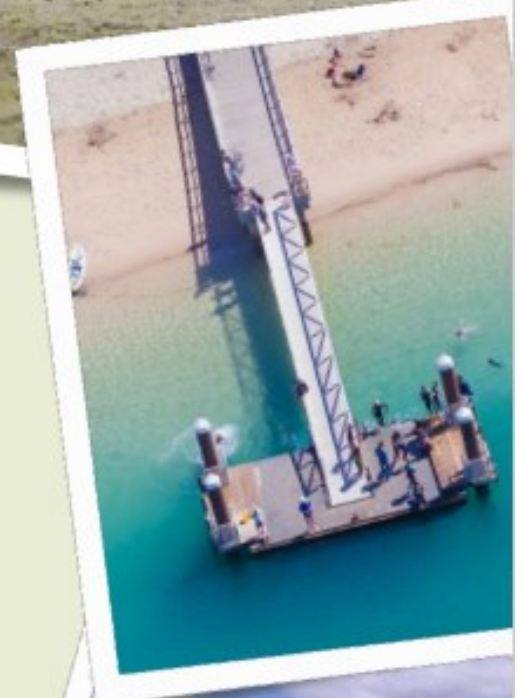
Join Us

November 7-9 2025 for the 46th Annual 201T1 Lions Convention, hosted by Port Sorell Lions Club



Where

Being held at the Banksia Centre, 1 Anderson Street, Port Sorell



YOUTH OF THE YEAR

YOUTH OF THE YEAR CONTESTANTS EXCEL IN TCE FINAL RESULTS (ATAR)

The Lions "YOUTH OF THE YEAR" program has long been a chance for our very finest young people to demonstrate their public speaking and leadership skills to the wider community.

The recent release of the top ATAR (Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank) scores for Tasmania shows that the top two scores were obtained by students who participated in the 2024 "Youth of the Year".

The students were **Gabriella Smith of St Patrick's College** in Launceston and **Sahansa Udawatta of Hobart College**. Both students reached the Regional Finals of the State "Youth of the Year" and in addition, another past State winner of the event, **Sam Watson**, was recently announced as Tasmania's most recent Rhodes Scholar.

At present, the regional coordinators, **Russell Cairns (Southern Tasmania)**, **Rod Jordan (North-West)** and **Phil Crowden (North)** are working with schools and colleges to get entries for this year's program. The club heats and Regional Finals will take place in March and the State Final will be held on April 6th with the National Final being held as part of the Lions National Convention in Traralgon, Victoria on May 5th.



YOUTH



BBQ Trailer For Club Use

The BBQ trailer, originally from the Legana Lions Club, has just been retrieved from St. Helens and is being stored at Kings Meadows. The district is now offering an interested club exclusive use of the trailer to help with community projects.

Inside the van are 2 x BBQ's - both appear to be in reasonable condition. One is a 5 burner and the other a 6 burner unit. There's also 2 gas bottles and some BBQ implements, along with a box of sauce and condiments. Also 3 eskies and various plastic containers (containing the previously mention implements etc), plus a water bottle. There is also a couple of small folding plastic tables, some BBQ signage, a camping fold-up chair, a couple or sides for a marquee, and an old tarpaulin square.

The tyres appear to be relatively new, and there's also a spare. The jack etc is inside the trailer. The compliance plate says its rated to 2 tonne total mass. It's a sheet-metal construction trailer 8 x 6 x 5ft and has an easy to use ramp.

It would be a good asset for a club that wanted to BBQ in/around their area and had room for storage when not in-use.

Expressions of Interest should be sent to DG Victoria before cabinet meeting on 16th February 2025 at dg@lionstasmania.org

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**Combined Southern Region
Lions Club's...**



FEBRUARY DINNER

**Lions Club of Sorell wishes to inform
Clubs and Lions that there will be
NO DINNER in February 2025...**

**Sorell made this decision as they wish
to celebrate the 60th anniversary
of their sponsor club, the
*Lions Club of Clarence***

John Salmon / Secretary / 0408 321 658

SPOTLIGHT ON LIONS INTERNATIONAL CAUSES. HUNGER



PROJECT IDEAS HUNGER

LEARN

- Invite a community health professional to visit your club and educate members on the prevalence and impact of hunger in your community.

ACT // BEGINNER

- Support your local food bank by donating time, equipment or food.
- Create a resource list of hunger related volunteer opportunities in your region to share with other clubs in your district.
- Use social media to raise awareness about childhood hunger in your community and to inspire others to become involved.
- Host a healthy eating event at your school, community center or place of worship. Invite a nutritionist as a keynote speaker.
- Deliver nutritious, prepared meals to elderly, disabled or ill community members.
- **Serve meals at a soup kitchen or homeless shelter.**
- Donate to organizations that provide micro-nutrient powders to malnourished children.
- Bring a variety of fruits and vegetables to an elementary school class. Explain to the students where the food comes from and encourage them to taste different types of produce.

ACT // INTERMEDIATE

- Volunteer with a “gleaning group” to harvest unpicked fruits and vegetables at farms and orchards.
- Host a grocery store or market tour where a nutritionist gives participants tips on choosing healthy and nutritious groceries.
- **Collaborate with a food bank to organize a community food drive, focusing on collecting items most needed in your area.**
- Write a cookbook of inexpensive, healthy, easy-to-make recipes.
- Work with your local school to provide weekend take-home bags of nutritious snacks for children in need.
- Sponsor a cooking class for youth to learn basic cooking skills for healthy living.
- Create an online resource on planning and portioning meals to reduce household food waste.

ACT // ADVANCED

- Conduct an assessment of food access in your community. Advocate to local government leaders for additional or improved options in areas of need.
- Support pregnant women and new mothers by ensuring there are comfortable, safe and clean areas for them to nurse in the community.
- Use your professional networks to connect food banks to food industry leaders interested in food recovery.
- Develop a program to provide underserved students with food during holiday times when school is not in session.
- Establish a community or school vegetable garden for residents in a food-insecure neighborhood.
- Establish a weekly produce stand in a food desert.
- Create a volunteer transportation program to help individuals and families get to and from grocery stores, food banks and soup kitchens.
- Develop an animal husbandry program where a few families receive a small stock of animals. A portion of the animals’ offspring will be given to neighboring families for sustainable growth of the program.



Lions Clubs International

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Welcome to Our Newest Members:

Kingborough: Helen Drysdale and Moya Wyllie

Kings Meadow: Lillian Barwick

Penguin: Wayne Clarke, Carolyn Edmunds, Alan Kane

Riverside: Mark Murphy

Online Club: Elizabeth Commandeur



FRIDAY FORUM

Every Friday morning we'll post a question. During the week that follows, share your thoughts and ideas with other members and clubs in our district by commenting below

Have you seen our weekly Friday Forum on the Lions Tasmania FB Page?

Every Friday, one of our admins posts up a discussion question to help members to learn more about latest events and to share their knowledge.

To get involved go to
www.facebook.com/Lions 201T1

Marg Cranney

Funeral Notice Australia

In September, IPDG Rob Batcelor and I met with Anthony Mulhern from Funeral Notice Australia. He and his family set up this free service after missing their uncle's funeral because they never saw his death notice!

If you wish to report the death of a member in the future on Funeral Notice Australia, please contact Rob Batchelor or myself to inform us ad/or for support. It could be a much more efficient way of communicating with our membership when someone passes away. We just need to try it out to see if it is a good fit for our district.

The url is www.funeralnoticeaustralia.com

DG Victoria

IMPORTANT CHANGES TO INSURANCE CLAIMS

From the 1st January, 2025, all Lions Clubs insurance claims and inquiry must be directed to the Lions Service Team at AB Insurance Brokers. Email enquiries are the preferred method of contact and provides the assurance that the details that you wish to discuss with the Brokers are all down “on paper” and reduces the chances of misunderstanding something said over the phone. However, phone contact can also be made if necessary.

The Lions Service Team will handle all the usual enquiries that have been previously placed through the Lions Insurance Consultant, particularly:

- **Public Liability Certificates:**
 - The standard versions are, as always, available on the Lions Insurance website at [www.lionsclubs.org.au/members/resources/insurance centre](http://www.lionsclubs.org.au/members/resources/insurance_centre)
 - Named Insured versions – where a Council or other organisation requires their name shown as an additional named insured, the Brokers will arrange this for you. Simply email your requirements, showing the full details of the named party, and the Certificates will be forwarded to you. ***Please request these Certificates at least 10 days prior to your event.***
- **New Policies/Endorsements:** Email the **Lions Service Team** with your requirements and a quote or cover note will be provided.
- **Claims:** The **Lions Service Team** will attend to handling all claims and direct them to the Claims Departments of the respective insurers. **Claim forms will continue to be available for downloading on the Lions Insurance website.**
- **Travel Insurance:** Currently there is no facility for Travel Insurance as had been the case prior to the outbreak of COVID. AB Phillips are looking into the possibility of recommencing this facility in the future. If something can be arranged for Lions, Clubs and members will be advised as soon as details come to hand.

Importantly, your Lions Insurance, Risk Management & Child Safe Committee will still be available to Clubs where needed. Please see the document below for all contact details.

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SUMMARY OF INSURANCE

All Insurance Enquiries should be directed to the LIONS INSURANCE COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON.

SUMMARY OF INSURANCES FOR



THE ROLE OF THE MD201 INSURANCE, RISK MANAGEMENT & CHILD SAFE COMMITTEE

Established under the jurisdiction of the MD201 Constitution and By-Laws, this Committee has the responsibility of advising the Council of Governors on a suitable insurance, safety & risk management and child safe programme for the Lions Clubs in Australia and Papua New Guinea. Assisted and advised by the Council-appointed Insurance Brokers, the Committee reports to each council meeting and subsequently carries out its instructions and oversees the control of the various insurance policies.

The Insurance, Risk Management & Child Safe Committee cannot stress too strongly that successful communication is very much a two-way traffic. If a query is not answered as promptly as it should be, or a claim appears to be slow in being settled, it is imperative that you contact a member of this Committee. The contact details are listed in the preceding section of this Directory.

THE MEMBERS OF THE INSURANCE, RISK MANAGEMENT & CHILD SAFE COMMITTEE ARE:

CHAIRPERSON: Lion Garry Galvin (Lesley) M 0408 674 770 E: garryandlesley@gmail.com	MEMBER (Insurance): PDG R.N. (Bob) Korotcoff OAM M: 0418 831 426 E: bobkorotcoff1@bigpond.com	MEMBER (Insurance): PDG Peter Lamb (Helen) M 0447 711 162 E peter@lambgroup.com.au
MEMBER (Insurance): Lion John Duignan (Yvonne) M: 0439 979 070 E: duignanj@bigpond.net.au	MEMBER (Insurance): PDG John Houghton (Jennefer) M 0407 303 691 E john.houghton@elders.com.au	
MEMBER RESPONSIBLE FOR LIONS RISK MANAGEMENT. PDG Paul Cairnduff M: 0407 784 268 E: riskmanagement@lions.org.au	MEMBER RESPONSIBLE FOR MD CHILD SAFE PROGRAMME PDG Donna Hedges (Kevin) M: 0402 180 509 E: childsafelions@lions.org.au	

THE INSURANCE BROKER APPOINTED BY THE MD 201 COUNCIL IS:



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 Mail: 445 Warrigal Road, Moorabbin Vic 3189
 PO: P O Box 832, Moorabbin Vic 3189
 Phone: 1300 242 136
 ABN: 91 007 075 934
 AFSL: 234457

E-mail: lioninsurance@abphillips.com.au

Website: www.abphillips.com.au

https://www.abphillips.com.au/s/AB-Phillips-FSG-version-30_01072024.pdf

HUON CLUB, SMALL BUT BUSY

During September we sold 1,200 Great Grocery Raffle Tickets raising \$2,164, shared 50/50 with Lions Cord Blood Foundation and our Club.

During October and November, we sold 1,400 Christmas Raffle tickets raising \$2,553 to help cover the cost of our annual Huonville Christmas Parade which was held 30/11/24. At the end of the Parade, we hold a Christmas Party for the Children where those aged 10 & under receive a gift from Santa & all children receive a free Popcorn, Fairy Floss, Sausage & Ice Cream. This project is a major undertaking especially for the project manager Lion Ann Brittain and involves around 620 hours for Members, Partners & other volunteers.

During November we had our biggest annual Fundraiser being the Lions Chocolate Wheel & Kiosk at the annual Huon Show 16/11/24, both of which had records and raised a total of \$8,450 for Club activities.

During November & December at the suggestion of a relatively new Member (Jo Crowe who also ran the activity) we established a "Kindness Matters Project" where we provide gifts at Christmas to adults in the community who have no family with them and would otherwise not receive gifts. We were able to contact several local organisations including Jari's Place, Local Salvation Army, Huonville Men's Shed etc who identified 20 individuals. The gifts were in a Wrapped Shoe Box with a Lions Sticker, and included a range of products suitable to a Male or Female. The gifts were distributed by the Organisations who nominated the recipients so as not to identify them against their wishes.

Also during September to December, we sold Christmas Cakes & Puddings at the Raffle events as well as several outlets in the community and have also donated around 30 Christmas Cakes to needy people in the Community.

To end the year our Club held its Christmas Dinner at "The Lost Captain" where Santa visited and a good night enjoyed by all including our 2 new members who joined during the last 3 month taking our Club up to 14.

However, there is no rest as during January we commence collecting books for our annual Fundraising Sale to be held on the 1st weekend in April.



WHY REPORT?

Why report service

By sharing our impact, Lions and Leos inform, inspire and grow our global legacy of service.



Strengthen storytelling

Details give stories power. Saying you fed 87 families is more powerful than saying you organized a food drive. Saying your club contributed 1,265 volunteer hours last year is more powerful than saying your club serves the community. When your club reports service, you collect the details needed to share powerful stories of your club's impact.



Photo by: Lion Othmar Felz,
The LEO Book

Inform decisions

Documented club achievements reveal what's working and what's not. For example, what if your diabetes education program is growing in attendance, but your annual club fundraiser is shrinking? Reviewing past service reports helps your club make better decisions, including choosing service activities and setting realistic goals.

Inspire service

Your reported service projects can be viewed within your district and around the world. That means your club's creativity and impact can inspire Lions and Leos to embrace new causes and serve in new ways. Reports also help Lions International staff identify best practices to share globally.



Why report service



Grow partnerships

Collaborating with other organizations in your community is a great way to increase the visibility, reach and quality of your service projects. When approaching potential partners, your club's service reports provide tangible evidence of your club's effectiveness to help persuade other organizations to join with you.



Enlighten leaders

High levels of service reporting are a sign of healthy clubs, zones and districts. Knowledge of your club's service history provides invaluable insight to current and future club officers. In addition, district, zone and Global Action Team leaders can best support your club when they understand how clubs in their area serve their communities.



Be proud

Service data gives us the ability to communicate how **We Serve** around the world. For example, in 2021, Lions and Leos served more than 350 million people! We can take pride in that achievement thanks to the leaders who reported over 1 million service activities. Through service reporting, your club joins in that pride and is eligible for service awards.



Photo by: Lion Othmar Felz,
The LEO Book

Lions are active. Our motto is "We Serve". Lions are part of a global service network, doing whatever is necessary to help our local communities. For more about Lions Clubs, go to www.lionsclubs.org

Would you like to learn more?

Visit lionsclubs.org/service-reporting

Here are some pics from our Santa project. Our lovely Santa wanted to meet casually with members of the community and they could feel free to take photos. We took Santa to Burnie Park on December 7, to Burnie Community House on December 9 and to the Paediatric Ward at NWRH on December 16. It was very much enjoyed by all involved. Santa even attended our Christmas celebrations!



73RD MD 201 Convention TRARALGON

High Country



2nd - 5th MAY 2025

Traralgon, Victoria
Australia



CHRISTMAS CAKES AND PUDDINGS



LET'S TALK SOLUTIONS

**WORKING WELL
TOGETHER IN CLUBS**

Want to have a more collaborative club?

Zoom with Tassie Lions who have great ideas to share

Ask questions? Hear their tips!

7.00pm Wednesday 28th November on Zoom

Register with Marg Cranney
0402039856 or
marg@margcranney.com.au

**PROMOTING CLUBS THROUGH
THE DISTRICT NEWSLETTER**

**HAVE YOU HAD A RECENT
EVENT,
PRESENTATION OR ANY OTHER
ACTIVITY THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE?**

***THE BEST PLACE TO PROMOTE,
SHARE AND INFORM
IS IN THIS NEWSLETTER!!***

DISTRICT NEWSLETTER 2011

Deadline for next issue is 10th FEBRUARY 2025

**Happy
New Year!**