

DISTRICT 201N5

The Lions, Lioness and Leo Clubs of Sydney and Norfolk Island

Lion Elvio Munzone, District Governor 2015-2016

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MEMO

From: Jennifer Touzel, Cabinet Secretary
To: District 201N5 Lions, Lioness and Leo Clubs and Cabinet Members
Date: November 30, 2015
Subject: **MONTHLY COMMUNICATION – November 30, 2015**

CLUB OFFICERS – PLEASE FORWARD THIS EMAIL TO ALL LIONS, LIONESS AND LEO CLUBS, SO THEY KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR DISTRICT.

“MIRACLES THROUGH SERVICE” DISTRICT CONVENTION AT BANKSTOWN

The District Convention was held on November 21-22, 2015 at Bankstown Sports Club. The dinner dance with its red and white theme on the Saturday night proved to be a great success with over 200 people in attendance. The Leo Forum on Saturday had a wonderful attendance and was well received. No Notices of Motion were received. Next year's District Convention "Oh What a Vintage" will be held at Cessnock Leagues Club, 1 Darwin St, Cessnock, from November 11-13, 2016. Registration and hospitality forms plus accommodation information are available on the District website.

HOST CLUB FOR DISTRICT 201N5 CONVENTION 2017

No nomination was received and in accordance with Clause 8 Section 4 of the District 201N5 Constitution, the District Governor Elvio Munzone shall determine the City or Town where the Convention will be held. District Governor Elvio announced that the 2017 District Convention will be held on Norfolk Island.

DISTRICT ELECTION RESULTS

Congratulations to Lion Dennis Halpin (Lions Club of St Ives) on his election as District Governor Elect. Dennis will take on the roll as District Governor from July 2016-2017, along with Lion Ron Gattone (Lions Club of Bondi) as First Vice District Governor Elect and Lion Derek Margerison (Lions Club of Kings Langley), who was elected as Second Vice District Governor Elect following the District Convention held at Bankstown Sports Club, Bankstown, on November 21-22, 2015.

LIONS NSW-ACT SAVE SIGHT FOUNDATION & LIONS CLUBS (NSW-ACT) PUBLIC HEALTH CARE FOUNDATION RESULTS

In accordance with By-Law 12 of the Lions District 201N5 By-Laws, Lion Rosemary Siviz (Lions Club of Epping Eastwood) was elected for the position of Director, Lions NSW-ACT Save Sight Foundation and Lions Clubs (NSW-ACT) Public Health Care Foundation for the period of 2016-2018.

LIONS NURSES SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION DIRECTORS

In accordance with By-Law 13 of the Lions District 201N5 By-Laws, the following nomination was received for three positions of Director, Lions Nurses Scholarship Foundation for the period 2016-2018 and one casual vacancy for the period expiring 31 December 2017. In accordance with District By-Law 13.1(d) the one nominee Lion Sheryl Buffett (Lions Club of Arthurs Vale) will be declared elected and nominations were sought from the floor for the remaining positions. The Nurses Scholarship Foundation had three vacancies for Directors and I'm pleased to announce that at the District Convention Lion Michael Butler (Lions Club of Lugarno) and Lion Carol Cook (Lions Club of Caringbah) were elected for a three year term and the casual vacancy was filled by PCC Warren Latham (Lions Club of Epping Eastwood).

NOMINATION FOR INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR 2016-2018

MD 201 is entitled to nominate a candidate for the office of International Director to be considered at the International Convention. The following nomination was received and endorsed at the District 201N5 Convention at Bankstown PDG Nigel Jeny OAM (Lions Club of Manly). The nomination will now be presented to the MD Convention at Echuca, May 12-15, 2016 for endorsement by that Convention.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL INFORMATION BOOKLET

All Lions, Lioness and Leo members should take pride in the fact that between you all, you have distributed 230,000 books, ensuring that those that have them will receive immediate treatment from the paramedic should an ambulance be called to their home. There will be no wasted minutes waiting to get to a hospital for tests as all the information the paramedic needs to save their life is available to them from the little book on the fridge. If your Club is not already involved in this MD category "B" project, please contact Lion Bernie Donohue and let them help as many members of the community as possible have their own Emergency Medical Information Booklet on their fridge door. The price of the books, courier delivered to your door, has not changed in the past eight years, but unfortunately, due to increases in printing costs and particularly delivery charges, they find it necessary to advise, that as from July 1, 2016, the cost of 250 books delivered to your door will be increased from \$308.00 to \$352.00. They will endeavour to hold this price for the next few years unless GST is heavily increased. If your stock of books is getting low, you may wish to take advantage of this early notice and stock up before the price rise. As this is a non profit project, they are doing everything they can to keep costs to a minimum.

LCIF RESPONDS TO REFUGEE SITUATION

Due to recent conflicts in the Middle East and other areas, millions have been displaced from their homes and are seeking safety and new opportunities in other countries, or suffering internal displacement at home. Many of these refugees are travelling with very little and need immediate assistance in acquiring food, shelter, warm clothing and other necessary items. While you may or may not live in countries affected by this crisis, there are many Lions responding to the basic humanitarian needs within their community. A Refugee Steering Committee has been formed to assess local needs, current Lions actions and potential response opportunities. Lions Clubs International will use this information to develop guidance and resources for Lions support and service. Lions Clubs International Foundation is currently collecting donations through their "Disaster Relief Fund" to assist those affected by this crisis. These funds will go toward grants to Lions Clubs and Districts that are working to support the immediate needs of refugees. If funding allows, longer-term, large-scale projects may also be considered. They encourage the Lions and clubs within our District to consider making a donation to these efforts. Please visit www.lcif.org to make a gift to the "Disaster Relief Fund".

CHANGE OF VENUE FOR RICHMOND LIONS CLUB

The Lions Club of Richmond has changed their meeting venue from the Richmond Club to the Richmond Golf Club in Bourke Street, East Richmond at 6.30 pm for 7.00 pm on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month.

MANLY LIONS BEACH PARTY CANCELLED

Unfortunately, due to the number of alternative events people have during the silly season, Manly Lions Club has had to cancel their Beach Party to celebrate their 60th Anniversary on Saturday, December 5, 2015. They are sorry for any inconvenience.

SYDNEY CHINESE LIONS CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2015

The Sydney Chinese Lions Club is hosting their Christmas Party on Wednesday, December 9, 2015 at 7 pm for 7.30 pm at Zilver Restaurant, Level 1, 477 Pitt Street, Sydney. The Christmas Party will be a fun packed event, complete with good food, great company, Santa Claus, Christmas carols, singing and dancing. It costs \$50 per person or \$500 for a table of 10. They hope Lions Clubs throughout the District can share the Christmas and Lions spirit together with them. RSVP November 30, 2015. For bookings contact Carolyn Gan on 0432 631 807 or email carolynlugan@gmail.com.

SEEKING LIONS CLUB TO SUPPLY BEVERAGES AT THE 2016 CAMP GALLIPOLI

A&G Developments has secured exclusive rights to the supply of beverages at the 2016 – Camp Gallipoli events to be held at various locations, with one being Sydney. They are seeking an expression of interest from Lions to assist them in distributing the beverages at the event. The event starts at 3 pm on April 24, 2016 and concludes at 10 am on April 25, 2016. They expect beverage supply to cease at around 11 pm on April 24 and restart at 4 am on April 25, with a skeleton staff to manage the down time in between. The majority of the beverage supply will be non-alcoholic beverages. They will also be providing tea, coffee and hot chocolate for the event. They would prefer to use a reputable club to manage this as they have made a healthy donation to Camp Gallipoli and are hoping that with Lions assistance this may be increased. To show their appreciation for assisting them they are more than willing to contribute a donation to Lions as a show of gratitude. It's a very important day in our country's history and they would like to share it with Lions. For further details please call Director David Booth on 0439 962 329 to discuss options and requirements for the event.

ASSISTANCE REQUIRED AUSTRALIA DAY FOR PITTWATER LIONS CLUB

President Ann Sawtell of the Lions Club of Pittwater is seeking assistance on Australia Day, January 26, 2016 at Newport Beach from 7 am to 11.30 am. Please contact Ann on 9982 4889 for further details.

THE SANITARIUM WEET-BIX KIDS TRYATHLON IS GEARING UP FOR 2016

The series calendar for the Sanitarium Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon for 2016 is as follows: Sydney – Sunday, January 31, 2016 (Sydney Olympic Park). This is a great FUNdraising opportunity for community groups, they donate \$26 per active volunteer for community groups. All volunteers must be over the age of 18. Your group will receive a full brief of tasks prior to event day, so you can feel confident and enjoy being a part of the action to cheer along the participants as they pass you on the course. They also reward volunteers with a Volunteer Goodie Pack including - T-Shirt, a back bag, and a hat and other sponsor goodies to take home as a souvenir. For more information or to book in your group for 2016 please contact them at: volunteer@x-tri.com.au or visit <http://try.weetbix.com.au/>

COMING EVENTS

Remember to check the 'Coming Events' page of the District Website www.lionsclubssydney.org.au for the latest upcoming events.

Regards,
Jennifer Touzel
Cabinet Secretary, 2015-16



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