

DISTRICT 201N5

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

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MEMO

From: Jennifer Touzel, Cabinet Secretary
To: District 201N5 Lions, Lioness and Leo Clubs and Cabinet Members
Date: June 18, 2016
Subject: **MONTHLY COMMUNICATION – June 18, 2016**

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

YOUTH EXCHANGE NEEDS HOST FAMILIES – URGENTLY

Time is running out and Gae Bergin our Youth Exchange person is URGENTLY seeking host families. At the present time there's 7 Japanese youth who will arrive either July 22, 2016 or August 8, 2016 and depart on August 26, 2016. If we don't find host families they will not be able to take part in the programme. Gae also needs to find someone to host two youth exchanges who will arrive at Sydney International Airport on July 2, 2016 (flight details and time to be confirmed), along with one youth exchange student who needs to be dropped back at Sydney International Airport early morning July 3, 2016 and another taken to Sydney Domestic Airport to catch a flight to Coffs Harbour. Please discuss with your club as soon as possible and contact Gae Bergin (Youth Exchange) email youth@lionsclubssydney.org.au

IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING AUSTRALIAN LIONS FOUNDATION LTD (ALF)

In May all Clubs were advised of the changes to the structure of the Australian Lions Foundation (ALF). These changes have resulted from a need to comply with new legislation that identified when the Foundation applied for national fundraising approval. It also determined that ALF could not operate under the original "Trust Deed" that the Foundation was created under in 1983. Resulting from these changes, the Foundation has now become a "Company Limited by Guarantee" where all Lions Clubs in Australia can still be members, but due to the changes, each Club must now re-apply to be a member and provide their guarantee that if, in the case the Foundation is wound up, and if it has any debts, each Club who is a member may be liable for an amount up to the value of A\$1.00. It is highly unlikely that would occur as the Foundation operates only on no debt basis. They ask that all Clubs present the Application Form to their Membership and Board for approval and please return the form to the ALF email alf.secretary@lions.org.au If you have any questions, please contact Glenn Herbert (Chairman) PO Box 465, Glenorchy, Tasmania 7010. Visit www.lionsclubs.org.au/alf

MULTIPLE DISTRICT 201 64TH NATIONAL CONVENTION HELD AT ECHUCA

A few highlights from the MD 201 National Convention held in Echuca May 12-16, 2016. Winner of the Leo National Final – Public Speaking Winner Taya Evans from N Districts and Overall Winner was Grace Walker from Q Districts. Winners of the Youth of the Year – Overall Winner Riley Faulds representing W2 District and Public Speaking Winner Joe Dwyer representing Q3 District. Over 1,300 attended the Convention and the Constitutional Notices of Motions were as follows:

CNM1 – Subject: Proposed Amendment to the Multiple District Constitution Clause 20. Motion Carried.

CNM2 – Subject: Proposed Amendment to the Multiple District Constitution Deletion of Clause 50. Motion Carried.

CNM3 – Subject: Proposed Amendment to the Multiple District Constitution Deletion of Clause 51. Motion Carried.

CNM4 – Subject: Proposed Amendment to the Multiple District Constitution Deletion of Clause 52.1. Motion Carried.

CNM5 – Subject: Proposed Amendment to the Multiple District Constitution Insertion of the Definition of "Policy Statement". Motion Carried.

CNM6 – Subject: Proposed Amendment to the Multiple District Constitution Insertion of Provisions relating to a Policy Statement. Amendment Lost. Motion Carried.

PNM7 – Subject: Junior Public Speaking Competition. Motion: "That this Multiple District Convention approves the adoption of the Project entitled 'District Junior Public Speaking Competition' as a Category "B" Project for the term of three years expiring on the 30th June 2019". Motion Carried.

GNM8 – Subject: Proposed adoption of Policy Statement Organ & Tissue Donation. Motion Carried.

GNM9 – Subject: Maintenance of a Website by a Club Branch. Motion Carried.

GNM10 – Subject: Length of Multiple District Convention. Motion Lost.

GNM11 – Subject: Starting Time of Multiple District Convention. Motion Lost.

DG Elvio Munzone gave a presentation on the Autism Project.

Next year's National Convention will be held in Hobart, Tasmania, from May 5-9, 2017.

KEEP UP TO DATE ON THE LIONS AUSTRALIA INSURANCE PROGRAMME

Remember to review each Club activity from a safety point of view and identify potential hazards. It's recommended that each club designate a Safety / Security Officer. A check list which can be obtained from the Lions Australia Insurance website www.lionsclubs.org.au/insurance should be completed. After serving Lions for almost 39 years as the Lions Australia Insurance Consultant, PDG Bob Korotcoff has decided to retire with effect 30th June, 2016 "to smell the roses!". Lion Garry Galvin will succeed Bob and all Clubs are requested to note this change and remember to contact Garry for any insurance advice after that date. Garry's contact details are: Lion Garry Galvin, PO Box 6003, Kincumber NSW 2251. (H)02 4369 8317 (M) 0408 674 770 (E) insurance@lions.org.au

GUEST SPEAKER

Looking for a guest speaker? An organisation called Rainbow Club Australia which is a registered charity for children with a disability has an interesting guest speaker. The organisation provides subsidised swimming lessons for children with a disability. There are 16 centres in Sydney. Contact Catriona Barry the General Manager of the Rainbow Club Australia on 0417 221 119 or PO Box 872, Sutherland NSW 1499 or info@rainbowclubaust.com.au.

LCIF GRANTS

PDG Nigel Jeny OAM has last month received a report from Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) listing all the LCIF Grants given this year to Lions Clubs around the world to assist with their efforts to improve their communities. PDG Nigel thought members would like to know that Lions in Nepal received 8 large LCIF Grants totalling US\$2,444,647. These Grants include LCIF Reconstruction Grants following last year's earthquake like the US\$1,643,147 to rebuild 9 schools; US\$75,000 to provide remote villages with supplies. LCIF Emergency Grant has been given to Nepalese Lions to help with Flood relief; LCIF Health Grants have been given to equip a Cardiac Care Unit; a playground for Jorpati Lions Academy; Upgrade Gaur Eye Hospital; Another LCIF Grant equipped a Diabetic Retinopathy Unit. Nepal Multiple District 325 received a LCIF Grant for US\$287,500 for a National Cataract Surgery Program. These Grants were made possible by the generous donations from Lions Clubs and Individuals around the world including Australia. Lions Clubs need to constantly "refill the bucket" as the Disasters are becoming more frequent and Lions Clubs are requesting more Grants each year. Please help the Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) continue to help Lions Clubs do more in their communities by sending a donation cheque made out to LCIF in Australian dollars to our District 201N5 Cabinet Treasurer Peter Touzel, 45 Chircan St, Old Toongabbie NSW 2146. When your donations to LCIF reach US\$1,000 you can recognise the service of one of your Lion members by making them a Melvin Jones Fellow, the highest recognition a Club can give an individual. Every dollar and cent donated to LCIF goes back to Lions as a Grant, the running of the Foundation is paid from the interest received from the bank accounts and investments.

JUNE SYDNEY NEWS

The June "Sydney News" is now on the District Website. Remember to submit your photographs and stories to Editor Helen Loseby Bowles (who will be staying on as Editor for next year) for the "Sydney News", email sydneynews@lionsclubssydney.org.au or post to PO Box 50, Balgowlah NSW 2093. So check out www.lionsclubssydney.org.au and click on Sydney News for the June issue. Also if your club needs to request black and white copies for members who do not have internet access please contact the Cabinet Secretary and a limited number of copies will be sent to the Club Secretary.

LIONS LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Applications are now open for **Advanced Lions Leadership Institute** from September 17-19, 2016 in Sydney (deadline July 4, 2016). The purpose of the Advanced Lions Leadership Institute is to provide Lions leaders with an opportunity to enhance skills in preparation for leadership responsibilities at the Zone, Region and District levels. Qualified candidates are Lions that have completed a successful term as club president, but not yet attained the position of First Vice District Governor. Candidates must be willing to commit to all days of the institute. Please note that a non-refundable participation fee of US\$125.00 will be required. Please do not send funds until you receive a letter of acceptance to the

institute. Participants are also responsible to pay for their own transportation and related travel expenses to and from the institute site. Those interested in attending should contact Global Leadership Team District Coordinator, Chris Bowles to obtain a copy of the application form, contact 9948 4389 or email gl@lionsclubssydney.org.au

LIONS AUSTRALIAN GROCERY GRAB

The Lions Cord Blood Foundation Inc. invite your Club to participate in the Lions Australian Grocery Grab for 2016. Entry forms and information can be downloaded from www.lionsclubs.org.au/LCBF Please complete the forms if your Club would like to participate and return ... NOT LATER THAN JULY 29, 2016. Minimum quantity of 1,000 tickets to be ordered. Selling between Saturday, September 3 and the Saturday, October 8, with draw date on the same day (October 8). If your Club wishes to have the Grocery Grab later than the starting time indicated, they are able to suit any timeframe necessary. (Note: the start date cannot be any earlier due to printing constraints and costs). A minimum of 50% of Net Profit being forwarded to the Lions Cord Blood Foundation Inc. with the balance to a project/s of your Club's choice. Due to the feedback they have received from the Evaluation Forms of past Grocery Grabs they have chosen to run this annually from early September to early October. The dates varying marginally to suit each calendar year. Your entry form must reflect YOUR CHOICE of GROCERY GRAB or VOUCHER so that tickets and poster can be printed with these details. CONTINUING WITH MULTIPLE TICKET PRICING – Once again several Clubs indicated their desire to continue selling price of tickets for \$1 whilst others were happy with the option to raise the price to \$2, or \$2 with the further option 3 for \$5 (displayed inside a starburst). "By raising funds the Foundation is able to fund umbilical cord collection and research into improving the quality of the derived stem samples. Transplantation of these stem cells assist children/adults in their fight against leukaemia and other life threatening diseases." For further details contact Ron Tregear Chairman (03) 9807 9318 Lions Cord Blood Foundation Inc PO Box 4036 Burwood East Vic 3151 or email rontregear@optusnet.com.au

LCIF FOUNDATION PROVIDING EXCELLENT SUPPORT TO AUSTRALIANS

Announcing \$4 million gift to provide genome sequencing to hundreds of Aussie kids with cancer Landmark Lions project to provide genome sequencing to hundreds of Aussie kids with cancer. Hundreds of Australian children with high-risk cancer will have access to new genome sequencing technologies that could guide their treatment, following the announcement recently of substantial Lions Club funding for the Lions Kids Cancer Genome Project – an important new component of the Zero Childhood Cancer Program for diagnosis and treatment of childhood cancer. The Project, which was announced by Dr Joe Collins at the Lions Australia 2016 National Convention in Echuca, Victoria, is supported by the Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF) and by the Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation (ALCCRF). Together, the two organisations are contributing AU\$3.2 million – one of the largest single philanthropic gifts for children's cancer in Australia – with a commitment from ALCCRF to raise an additional AU\$0.8 million over the next three 3 years. Please support LCIF and the Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation (ALCCRF) Lions creating miracles through service. Visit the website <http://www.alccrf.lions.org.au/>

EMERGENCY MEDICAL INFORMATION BOOK

Some people may have noticed that the current order form for the Emergency Medical Information Books has an area market for payment by EFT. Many Clubs are using this method as by scanning the order form after marking as paying by EFT, they email the form to Lion Bernie Donohue directly. This saves many days and postage costs. If however, you wish to pay by cheque, please continue to mail him the order and cheque and he will forward it to the printer. A remind that the price rise increase due to commence on July 1, 2016. The order form on the website www.emib.org.au will be changed to the new paying structure on that date. The price is increasing from the current \$308 for 250 books to \$352. If you want to beat the price rise, please email Lion Bernie Donohue bernie@emib.org.au

BOWEL CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

Bowel cancer affects one in twelve Australians over the age of 50 years. Symptoms are often ignored, and the screening sponsored by the government does not have high uptake due to social embarrassment over discussing bowel conditions. June is Bowel Cancer Awareness month, and Hurstville Private Hospital, 37 Gloucester Road, Hurstville (cnr Pearl and Gloucester Sts), in conjunction with Sydney Colorectal Associates, is holding a complimentary information session on Saturday June 25, 2016 from 10 am-1 pm.

LIONS DISTRICT 201N5 CHANGEVER DINNER – SATURDAY, JULY 9, 2016

Remember to book into 201N5 Changeover Dinner on Saturday, July 9 and farewell DG Elvio Munzone and Lion Gae and welcome in DG Dennis Halpin and Anita at Revesby Workers Club, 2B Brett Street, Revesby, with pre-dinner drinks at 6.15 pm and dinner starts at 7 pm. Enquiries Lion Greg English gregen@live.com or 0411 045 148. Dress Code: Men's Lounge Suit; Ladies after 5. Cost \$55 per person for three course meal and entertainment. Advise of any special dietary requirements at time of booking. Please make cheque payment to Lions Club District 201N5, send payments to Cabinet Treasurer Peter Touzel, 45 Chircan Street, Old Toongabbie, email cabtreas@lionsclubssydney.org.au by June 30, 2016.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY DINNER DANCE – SATURDAY, JULY 23, 2016

Blacktown Ponds Lions Club will be celebrating Christmas in July Dinner Dance at Blacktown Workers Club, Campbell Street, Blacktown. Come join them for a night of fun, dinner, dancing, entertainment, raffles and lucky door prizes. Tickets are priced at \$60 and includes 2 course dinner, cake, tea and coffee. Doors open at 6 pm and dinner will be served at 7 pm. For more information please contact Lion Rissa McInnes on 0414 947 135.

KIDS BIG FUN DAY OUT 2016 – SUNDAY, JUNE 26, 2016

The Lions Club of Parramatta has a Kids Big Fun Day Out at Parramatta Leagues Club at 12.30 pm.

COOGEE LIONS SUPPORTING BARNARDOS – BARNARDOS BEACHBOLT – SUNDAY, JULY 31, 2016

It takes a lot to help a child overcome abuse – especially if it is at the hands of people they love and trust. By fundraising for or donating to the Barnardos Beach Bolt, you will keep Australia's most vulnerable children safe and give them the chance, a chance at the future they deserve. The second annual fund-raising run held by Barnardos Australia and supported again by Coogee Lions Club is to be held around Coogee Beach. This year the course which starts and ends at Coogee Beach includes running on sand, pavement, grass and stairs for one gruelling mile. Children under 8 can also take part to support this wonderful charity by participating in a 50m run on the sands of Coogee Beach. All are invited to participate in this event by following directions on Barnardos website www.beachbolt.com.au Lions and their friends from the Sydney area can support Barnardos and Coogee Lions by participating. Oh.... you can wear your superhero gear.

TEEJ 2016 CHARITY DINNER & DANCE NIGHT – SATURDAY, AUGUST 20, 2016

The Lions Club of Sydney Nepal Himalaya presents a Charity Dinner and Dance Night on Saturday, August 20 from 6 pm till midnight at Greg Percival Community Centre, formerly known as Ingleburn Community Hall, corner Oxford and Cumberland Roads, Ingleburn. Tickets are \$40. Enjoy mouth watering food. Kids below the age of 10 years are free. Bookings Jasaman Sethi 0432 712 903, Subash Aryal 0452 498 528, Shekhar Mahajan 0408 144 411, Pravin Chaurasia 0402 017 205, Ranjan Pathak 0432 449 192, Mohan Baral 0406 129 191 or Pitambar Subedi 0422 887 545.

ANZI PACIFIC FORUM VI YOGYAKARTA, INDONESIA – SEPTEMBER 2-4, 2016

The ANZI Pacific Forum VI will be held at Yogyakarta, Indonesia, Friday, September 2 to Sunday, September 4. Forum starts at 2 pm, with the Opening Ceremony at the Grand Ballroom at 6 pm. On Saturday, September 3, the Forum starts at 9 am with the Gala Luncheon at Grand Ballroom at noon. Forum commences at 2.30 pm. Fellowship Dinner starts at 6 pm. On Sunday, September 4, Forum starts at 9 am with the Closing Ceremony at noon. You have to make the hotel reservation directly yourself by email reservation@royalambarrukmo.com with the group name of "ANZI Forum" in order to get the special rate. The hotel phone number is +62 274 488 488. Please make a visit to website www.anzipacificforum.com for more information and registration.

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



We Serve with Pride and Passion

