



District C1 Bulletin

Rob's Dream



DG Rob Royal

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DG Report – January 2016

It's 8 weeks since the Pinery Bushfires and we are still involved. There are briefing sessions tonight and tomorrow where all involved (victims, volunteers etc.) can come together and have a chat about our experiences and hear from a qualified psychologist who will talk to us all about how normal people react to disasters of various types. Many of the other NGO's that deal with disasters on a regular basis put their people through special courses regarding first aid for the mind and then have counsellors available to talk with them through and after a disaster to make sure all is OK

I raised this at the recent MD Council Meeting as Lions do not have a formal position or processes regarding Member Wellbeing following involvement in disasters. This was recognised as a major failing and as such a position paper is to be presented to the Exec team within a month regarding the establishment of a formal Lions Member Wellbeing role within MD with the responsibility to establish the contacts, processes etc. that should be invoked when Lions Clubs get involved in such disasters. As Disaster Response/ Recovery are handled differently in each state, state specific guidelines need to be established utilising government and non-government resources/programmes.

Again my thanks to all who have contributed in some way or another, whether a little or a lot. Specific thanks to Kossie Chegwyn and Kevin Bubner (Balaklava), David Schwartz, Bob Green (Gawler) and Kym Taylor and Brendon Bell (Mallala). The two Zone Chairman Phil Bowman and Pat Williams must also be thanked. Also the effort of Libby March (Paralowie) in coordinating the effort to get and distribute over 80 Xmas hampers must be acknowledged. Thanks Libby.

To the District ALF Coordinator Yvonne Bradford, a great effort along with our ALF Trustees who were kept busy processing these applications. Thanks to Glenn and Ian from the ALF. Also my thanks to Sandy as the District Disaster Coordinator. As an aside, we would have distributed through the ALF, in excess of \$300,000 in special Emergency Cash grants to individuals and Community Recovery projects relating to the Pinery bushfire. If you then add the grants distributed after the Sampson Flat bushfires, Lions through various means, mainly the ALF, would have distributed in excess of \$600,000 this year in SA after just two bushfires. That is a great effort. Now add the people time as well with meals, goods collection and distribution. A remarkable effort and one we all should be very proud of.



International President, Jitsuhiko Yamada

Burnside Lions

Half of our Lions Year has already gone and incoming DG Paddy is forming her Cabinet. If you have an interest in a special role, then please contact Paddy, I am sure she will appreciate the contact.

In these last few months I ask that we concentrate on a couple of important activities. These being:

March – May Membership action plans. Our numbers are down and we all have a responsibility to increase or numbers

Club leader's development. The GLT and GMT teams are doing a lot to help clubs train their future leaders. Please use these groups to help your club. Do not say you do not need it, if you are recycling old presidents, secretaries etc. or you have members who have been in a role for ever, then your club does have a problem and it must be addressed. So please use the GLT/GMT teams, we are here to help you

Year 100 Projects. What is your club planning to do to celebrate Lions 100 Years? Now is the time to start planning that special project

The next Cabinet Meeting is on Sunday 14th Feb at Peterborough. On the Saturday afternoon we will be having a special Leadership development session and other presentations from Tony Benbow. A casual dinner at the pub at 6:00pm followed by the famous light and sound show at the railway museum at 8:30pm. Be there and enjoy the weekend with your fellow Lions.

And please remember to ask your mates and friends, including fellow Lions, "How are you going mate? OK?" And then have a chat.

DG Rob



Laurie Saunders & Rob Royal – Congratulations and thank-you to both Laurie and Rob for their contribution to Lionism. This contribution has been recognized by our Club with the presentation of a Melvin Jones Fellowship to each of them. This is the highest honour that our Lions Clubs International awards to Lions.

Port Augusta Lions Celebrated Christmas



THE LOAN ARRANGER! – AKA Dean Parish

Santa – AKA Lion Greeter with 2 LOVELY LADIES – Lions Betty and Fay



Guests from Quorn Lions Club: Brian Walters, Caroline Walters, Anne Freebairn

Just for Fun

Sitting on the side of the highway waiting to catch speeding drivers, a State Police Officer sees a car puttering along at 22 MPH. He thinks to himself, "This driver is just as dangerous as a speeder!" So he turns on his lights and pulls the driver over. Approaching the car, he notices that there are five old ladies -- two in the front seat and three in the back - eyes wide and white as ghosts. The driver, obviously confused, says to him, "Officer, I don't understand, I was doing exactly the speed limit! What seems to be the problem?"

"Ma'am," the officer replies, "You weren't speeding, but you should know that driving slower than the speed limit can also be a danger to other drivers."

"Slower than the speed limit?" she asked. No sir, I was doing the speed limit exactly... Twenty-Two miles an hour!" the old woman says a bit proudly. The State Police officer, trying to contain a chuckle explains to her that "22" was the route number, not the speed limit. A bit embarrassed, the woman grinned and thanked the officer for pointing out her error.

"But before I let you go, Ma'am, I have to ask... Is everyone in this car ok? These women seem awfully shaken and they haven't muttered a single peep this whole time." the officer asks.

"Oh, they'll be alright in a minute officer. We just got off Route 189

A 6-year-old was asked where his grandma lived. "Oh," he said, "she lives at the airport, and when we want her, we just go get her. Then, when we're done having her visit, we take her back to the airport."

When a man attempted to siphon gasoline from a motor home parked on a Seattle street by sucking on a hose, he got much more than he bargained for... Police arrived at the scene to find a very sick man curled up next to a motor home near spilled sewage. A police spokesman said that the man admitted to trying to steal gasoline, but he plugged his siphon hose into the motor home's sewage tank by mistake. The owner of the vehicle declined to press charges saying that it was the best laugh he'd ever had

A second grader came home from school and said to her grandmother, "Grandma, guess what? We learned how to make babies today " The grandmother, more than a little surprised, tried to keep her cool. " That's interesting " she said, "how do you make babies? "

"It's simple," replied the girl. "You just change 'y' to 'i' and add 'es'"

A grandmother was telling her little granddaughter what her own childhood was like: " We used to skate outside on a pond; I had a swing made from a tyre; it hung from a tree in our front yard; we rode our pony. We picked wild raspberries in the woods." The little girl was wide-eyed, taking this all in. At last she said, "I wish I'd gotten to know you sooner!"

From "The Bunyip"

Service club gets behind fire victims

MASSIVE SUPPORT

THE Pinery fire devastated the region, but also brought out the best in the community, particularly from local Lions Club groups, which offered nearly \$300,000 in relief to those affected by the tragedy.

Pinery fire victim Nathan Yates and family, with Gawler Lions Club president Bob Green, receiving a Christmas hamper and quilt to get them through the holiday period.



Together, Gawler and Mallala Lions clubs distributed \$240,000 and were responsible for returning some smiles to many suffering families.

Gawler Lion's Club secretary David Schwartz said that, by the end of February, the organisation's disaster relief contribution to the recovery will have reached \$300,000.

"This is the biggest contribution, by Gawler's standards," he said.

"We interviewed people for grants who had lost their houses, and that qualified people for \$1500 as an adult and \$500 for a child through the Australian Lions Foundation.

"When you see them come in and apply for a grant and the devastation that they are in and then... tell them there will be money in their account in two days, a lot of them are in tears."

The organisation's emergency assistance did not end there, with many Lions' members dedicating their time to running barbecues at relief centres, distributing emergency packs and hampers and being good listeners, when necessary.

"Some were in tears, some were happy and smiling," Mr Schwartz said.

"I saw a lady who was a single mum, with four children, currently staying in someone's shed because she hasn't got accommodation yet and to see the look on her face was amazing; she said it was the first time she'd smiled in weeks, which is a fantastic feeling.

"Everyone that was there handing out hampers and in the caravan cooking food felt as though we were doing something to help out."

Meanwhile, Lions clubs across the country donated goods and funding for the recovery.

"Now that is a story the Lions can be proud of," Mr Schwartz said.

"I thank all involved for your generosity, in both substance and time – it's a credit to all Lions and the community."

Gawler Lions Club members visited Freeling and Hamley Bridge yesterday to see how its contributions had helped many families.

Kimberley Pratt

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Gawler Lion's club members Tanya Geister (left) David Schwartz (secretary), Bob Green (president) and Jeff Owen (treasurer) were proud to be able to help the victims of the Pinery fire.

PHOTO: Kimberley Pratt



Thanks from the Lions Club of Gawler Inc

It is great to see Lions Clubs join together in a Disaster situation after the Pinery Fires in the Lower Mid North area.

Paralowie Lions club in conjunction with Gawler and Mallala Clubs provided Christmas Hampers to 71 Families who had lost their home in the Pinery Fire.

Paralowie had the idea and Gawler and Mallala were pleased to assist. President Libby March from Paralowie contacted other Clubs for funds to pay for the Hampers The clubs that assisted with donations of money were **Paralowie, Gawler, Athelstone, Golden Grove and Elizabeth**. This allowed Libby to arrange Foodland in Gawler to supply and pack the 71 Christmas Hampers and arrange Gawler and Mallala to pick them up from the Foodland store. Also members from Paralowie gave cosmetics and other items for the victims to select what they wanted.

Also we had 7 Quilts and 3 Quilted shopping bags donated from the **Lions Club of ALBANY in Western Australia**, Thanks guys for these items as they were greatly appreciated and accepted with ladies in tears of joy when they received them.

We also had cheques donated from **Lions Clubs of LeFevre Peninsula and Hallett Cove & Districts** to assist in a venture to assist Fire victims. We will advise you what we are going to do with your money shortly.

The joy and happiness seen on the faces of these people was great to see as some of the stories we were told would have been devastating to live through. These people were going home to stay with family or friends not their own home. Some people got in their car and saw in the rear vision mirror their home go up in flames.

So we thank you and your members greatly for their donations to these people.

Secretary

David Schwartz

President

Bob Green

Lions Clubs of Angle Vale, Paralowie, Prospect-Blair Athol, Gilles Plains, Elizabeth-Playford, Edinburgh (branch club), Pooraka and Salisbury

On Friday 18th December 2015 Lions from Angle Vale, Prospect-Blair Athol, Gilles Plains and Paralowie joined in the presentation of a Bladder Scanner to Lyell McEwin Hospital.

Zone Chairman Greg Clarke presented the Surgical Ward with a cheque for \$16,500 that enabled them to complete the purchase of the scanner, a much needed piece of medical equipment.

Zone Chairman Greg would like to thank the Lions Clubs of Angle Vale, Paralowie, Prospect-Blair Athol, Gilles Plains, Elizabeth-Playford, Edinburgh (branch club), Pooraka and Salisbury for their support of this worthwhile project.

Also, thanks to the Australian Lions Foundation for the generous grant.



Golden Grove Lions

During my term as club President the club donated one thousand dollars to the Lyell McEwin Regional Volunteers Association towards the purchase of a Truck to collect donated goods from the community. I went to the dedication service for the truck and it was good to see the Lions International symbol on the truck showing our support towards this community project.

PDG Peter Panagaris



Lions Club of Paralowie Inc.

I thought you might like to know about the Christmas Hampers which were given to Gawler and Mallala. I put out a call to Lions Clubs in the areas not affected by the fires, and for a while we had no response, but Lion David Schwartz from the Gawler Lions Club contacted me, and I asked him to put out a plea for help. We had a tremendous response from various clubs - which I would like to mention:

Lions Club of Golden Grove - \$500-00

Lions Club of Athelstone - \$500-00

David Schwartz - fundraising- \$489-00

Lions Club of Paralowie - \$1,000-00

Lions Club of Gawler - \$500-00

Anonymous donation - \$100-00

Leesa Vlahos MP - \$ 50-00

In total we received Just over \$3,000-00

I would also like to thank Drakes Foodland in Gawler, the Manager Mark who put together 142 Christmas Hampers (there were 2 for each fire recipient), on Thursday in 42 degree heat we gave Gawler 37 and Mallala 34 hampers to be distributed to the various families that had registered for assistance, in total 71 hampers for families. I personally would like to thank David Schwartz for this tireless help in getting this project completed, and to my Club Paralowie for having the confidence in me to help my fellow man in their despair. So thank you one and all.

Lion Libby March

Lions Club of Paralowie Inc

Cordially invite you to their

25th Anniversary

It's a celebration of our achievement.

27th February 2016

6pm for 6-30pm

Slug and Lettuce Hotel, 130 Martins Rd, Parafield Gardens.

\$40pp - Semi Formal

R.S.V.P. 29th January 2016

Lions Club of Paralowie, P.O. Box 157, Salisbury. 5108

Drinks on the table [Red & White wine & Soft Drink]

Three Course Meal

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NameAble to attend ☐ unable to attend ☐

Number Attending ☐ Names.....

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Payment : Cheque ☐ money order ☐ direct deposit ☐

Lions Club of Paralowie Inc. Admin account BSB105-056

Account number : 087385440



It's an exciting time to be a Lion. Let's celebrate together!

Congratulations to both Clare & Angle Vale for taking up the offer to be a part of the Lions Australia Centennial Program. They will have the opportunity to have their story professionally written and sent to the media on their behalf. They will then make a final selection of three potential winners and Grant money will be paid directly to the winners on the clubs behalf, a fantastic opportunity for both of these clubs.

Now is the opportunity to connect with the community by completing a Centennial Community Legacy Project by 30th June 2018. Legacy Projects are visible gifts to your community that commemorate our centennial and create a lasting legacy of your service contributions. Your Legacy Project will serve as a reminder of just how important your club is to the community during the Centennial and beyond. All Lions clubs around the world are encouraged to complete a Legacy Project by June 30, 2018, so start planning yours today!

Plan Your Legacy Project

With three levels of participation, there's an opportunity for every club to get involved. Choose a project from the list below or develop your own to address specific needs in your community.

1
level

Raise Your Community Visibility

- Post new Lions signs
- Donate a park bench
- Dedicate a statue
- Sponsor a fountain in a local park



2
level

Provide a Community Gift

- Refurbish a park or playground
- Build a footbridge over a busy road
- Fund resources for the visually impaired
- Donate a vehicle to a community organization



3
level

Make a Community Impact

- Build a clinic
- Expand a library or school
- Develop a training center
- Equip an area hospital



All Legacy Projects should be identified with a sign or plaque indicating the project was donated by your Lions club.

Promote Your Legacy Project

Your Legacy Project is an opportunity to showcase your project,

your service and your club to the community. Here are some tips that can help you maximize this great public relations opportunity:

Dedication Ceremony – Host a dedication or ribbon-cutting ceremony and invite your community and local media to attend.

Social Media – Share project photos on social media or ask your community to share photos at the site of your Legacy Project. Use the hashtag #Lions100 so we can share your project on the LCI Facebook page.

Local Media – Send out a press release or ask a local reporter to help tell your story.

Report Your Legacy Project

Be sure to report your Legacy Project using the [MyLCI Service Activity Report](#), under the Community and Culture activity type. Clubs can earn a special banner patch, and select projects will be featured on the LCI website, social media and LION Magazine.

If you would like any further information please don't hesitate to contact IPDG Rosemary Wenham or visit website <http://lions100.lionsclubs.org>.

VALE

Deceased Members

December 2015

Orroroo & District Inc

Mr Jeffrey Ogilvy

Stansbury Dalrymple Inc

Mr Charles (Murray) Thompson

NEW MEMBER LIST

December 2015

Angaston & District Inc

Tracie Broad sponsor Leo Leggett

Robert Broad sponsor Leo Leggett

Charles Sturt Woodville Hindmarsh Inc

Ben Clarence sponsor Marijka Ryan

Tyler Johns sponsor Marijka Ryan

Andrew Reimer sponsor Marijka Ryan

Minlaton & District Inc

Carlene Cook sponsor Carlene King

Joan Correll sponsor Tom Martin

Helen Martin sponsor Tom Martin

Sheelagh Phillips sponsor Kingsway Clift

Port Pirie Inc

Annette McMahon sponsor Katie Hallett-Patterson

Grandmother Jokes

I didn't know if my granddaughter had learned her colours yet, so I decided to test her. I would point out something and ask her what colour it was. She would tell me the answer and was always correct. It was fun for me, so I continued. At last, she headed for the door, saying, "Grandma, I think you should try to figure out some of these, yourself"

A little girl was diligently pounding away on her grandfather's computer. When he asked what she was doing, she told him she was writing a story. "What's it about?" he asked. "I don't know," she replied. "I can't read."

My young grandson called the other day to wish me Happy Birthday. He asked me how old I was, and I told him "I am 62." My grandson was quiet for a moment, and then he asked, "Did you start at 1?"



Have you considered hosting or looking for home hosting to make it cheaper to come?

Websites

<http://goldengrove.sa.lions.org.au/convention>

<http://201c1.lions.org.au/district%20convention>

There is still time to go in the early bird draw

Costs will be finalised soon but we intend this one to be the best value ever.

Want to know more? Contact me as shown below in the yellow section.

Harry Webb Convention Secretary

Please ensure that all articles are submitted no later than 14th. of each month to-

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