

# District A Bulletin Rob's Dream



DG Rob Royal

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International President, Jitsuhiro Yamada

#### July

#### June Report

I am writing this DG report as Paddy is as I am writing this report in Japan going through the DGE training prior to her induction at the end of the International Convention, so our bulletin editor has asked me to submit the July Report. The last 3 years have gone so quickly. There has been some good stuff and at times so not so good stuff. But overwhelmingly it has been a great and enjoyable experience.

Sandy and I have had the chance to meet so many great people in our district, and Australia and even internationally. This has confirmed in me one of the great advantages of belonging to a Lions Club. That is you have the opportunity to meet so many likeminded people from all round the state, country and even the globe.

What that time has also cemented in me is that Lions Clubs DO MAKE A DIFFERENCE. Whether in a small local club project, or as part of a large international project. That makes me feel great and I hope all Lions feel the same way. Barry Palmer told us it was OK to feel good about the work that we do. What he also told us to do was to make sure that we tell the community what we do and how good it makes us feel when we contribute. It's OK to feel good doing good things!

Elsewhere in the bulletin, I have asked that an article entitled "20 Reasons to join the world's largest service organisation" be included. Some may have seen this list before, even so, it is a great reminder of the reasons why we first joined and then stayed with Lions. In my mind, these are the reasons that we should talk about when we ask someone to join Lions. Right there on the top of the list is Friendship, Make a Difference and Fun, and 17 more great reasons.

Membership growth/renewal now more important than it has ever been. All service club organisations are under membership pressure. Apex is now just a fraction of what it once was, Rotary Clubs are closing and aging. It is not just Lions. Where club numbers are not falling, they are not renewing and just aging. The huge growth of Lions in Australia 50 odd years ago will never be regained. In fact there is a large percentage of our membership that are reaching, 30, 40 even 50 years of service. Most have undertaken most roles in their club, and most on multiple

occasions. Many are now saying no to further repeats in club management roles and this is causing some real issues even in clubs with 20+ memberships.

This has to be our focus, membership retention and club renewal. The district is now in a great position to help all clubs. We have a fantastic GMT/GLT teams, we have some great courses/workshops to improve not just our knowledge of Lions specific information/processes, but general skills that will help us in all aspects of our life. We now have more certified guiding Lions to help all clubs, not just new ones, but any club that needs help. If it's about membership we can help there with the resources to help in the development of your club strategy, using a whole raft of materials (banners, flags posters, flyers, DVDs, etc.) and the people resource to put it together.

The time has come to get serious about our clubs status. It is time to have a serious look at how the club is working. Is it attractive to new younger members of our community? What do we need to do to make it more warming to others in our community? If we say all is OK then I would say that in many cases we are just kidding ourselves. Lions clubs today at a global level are achieving a lot, and probably more than we did in those heady days in the late twentieth century. And as I said at the beginning of this article, Lions is making a big difference and that is something we can all be very proud of. Our next challenge is to make sure that we can revitalise/renew our membership so we can continue to be relevant and make a difference.

By the time you read this Paddy will be our new District Governor. May I wish Paddy and the new Cabinet all the best for the 2016-2017 year. Again, thanks from Sandy and I for all your great support over these last three years. It has been one of the most rewarding parts of our lives and we trust that many of the friendships we have made, will continue and blossom. Rob Royal

Immediate Past District Governor.

#### **Mobile Skin Cancer Screening Project**

#### Dear Club President

Please find attached a good news update of the Mobile Skin Cancer Screening Project.

May I ask that you update your club on its status and if you club has already decided to not support the project, that you now reconsider your clubs support for the project. Because of the support already committed by some clubs, and the financial support received from the ALF and the LCIF, the C Districts Lions Medical Research Foundation (LMRF) board have now approved the start of the project as we now have already funded the initial capital costs and some of the first five year ongoing costs. The mobile screening facility should now be on the road by late 2016 or early 2017.

If you are one of those clubs that has already donated or

promised future funding, may I ask that you ask your club, can we do more to help cover future year running costs?.

Regards

Rob

#### ALCMF [Mobility] - A GREAT NEWS STORY

We are very lucky to have so many Clubs dedicated to assisting children in need in C1. As a consequence of this we have been able to transform the lives of not only the children but their families as well.

The Foundations Top Three Clubs award is based on the amount raised per member, and I am happy to tell you that the 1<sup>st</sup> place award has come to South Australia for the first time.

The winning club has come 2<sup>nd</sup> three times since 2009 and has often assisted children outside their area. More than 2 dozen children have benefitted from their generosity and commitment.

**Congratulations Lions Club of Richmond Inc.** 

Well done and so well deserved.

Thank you for your continued support over the years.

#### **Port Augusta Lions**

#### Echuca Convention - 16 May 2016

President Barry Flynn and Lions Fay and Keith Phillis attended the Echuca Convention on 16 May 2016. For 5 days there was a stream of information and meet and greet to a variety of Lions from all around Australia



Fay and Keith enjoying lunch at the Echuca Convention

#### Why Join Lions

#### 20 Reasons to join the world's largest service organisation

- **1. Friendship.** In an increasingly complex world, Lions provides one of the most basic human needs the need for friends and friendship.
- **2.** The opportunity to make a difference as an individual you can have a limited impact, but as part of a group, you can achieve so much more in your community, your country, your world.
- **3. Personal growth and development** Membership in Lions aids your growth and education in human relations and personal development.
- **4. Leadership development** every Lions member is encouraged, and has the opportunity to build their leadership skills and to serve in a variety of positions, both at club level and beyond.
- **5.** Citizenship in the community. Membership in a lions club brings you more awareness of your community. The average Lions Club has at its heart the intention to make the community it serves a better place to live in, and does this with a variety of programs tailored to the community's needs.
- **6. Continuing education.** Interesting guest speakers bring a range of views and information for club members. Opportunities for personal and leadership development are offered.
- **7. Fun.** Lions is fun. A lot of fun. Each meeting is fun. The club projects are fun. Social activities are fun. and joining in service is fun.
- **8. Public speaking skills.** Many an individual who joined Lions was afraid to speak in public. Lions develops confidence and skill in public communication, and the opportunity to practice these skills in a friendly setting.
- **9.** Citizenship in the world. Every Lion wears a pin that reads "Lions International". Every Lion is welcome to attend the 46,000+ clubs in more than 210 nations and geographical areas of the world. Some 1.4 million men and women are Lions. Instant friends both in one's own community and the world community.
- **10. Assistance when travelling.** Because there are Lions clubs everywhere, help is only a 'phone call away should you need it. Using the International Directory, you can easily contact the local Lions Club, wherever you are.
- 11. Entertainment. Lions Clubs organise many different activities that provide entertainment as well as education.
- **12.** The development of social skills. Lions is for people who like people. Through projects, events and meetings, Lions helps to develop social and people skills.
- **13. Lions "do".** Wherever there is a need, you'll find Lions there, actively involved in getting the job done. Always ready to roll up the sleeves and find a solution. No job is too big or too small.
- **14. Family programs.** Lions has a range of programs for our youth Leo clubs, Youth exchange and hosting, the Youth of the Year Quest, the Lions-Quest Skills programs and other programs that involve the family.
- **15.** The development of ethics. All Lions Clubs embrace the same set of ethics. Lions are expected to be ethical in business and personal relationships.
- **16. Cultural awareness.** Around the world, practically every religion, country, culture, race, creed, political persuasion, language, colour and ethnic identity is found in Lions. It is a cross section of citizens from every background. Lions become aware of other cultures and learn to love and work with people everywhere. It is truly an International organisation.
- **17.** A wide range of programs providing help for the disadvantaged both locally and internationally Sight-First a worldwide program to eradicate preventable blindness, Hearing dogs for the deaf, provision of mobility aids for children, to name but a few.
- **18. Nice people.** Lions above all are nice people, who genuinely want to give of their time, labour and means to assist others, and have a lot of fun while they are doing it.
- **19.** The absence of "official creed". Lions has no secret handshake, no secret policy, no official creed, no secret meetings or rituals. It is open society of men and women who simply believe in helping others.
- **20.** The opportunity to serve. Lions is a service club. This is the best reason for becoming a Lion: the chance to do as a group what we cannot hope to achieve on our own, to serve our fellow man, and to make the world a better place. Our motto is simple, but it says it all. "We Serve".

#### Changes to ALF

Clubs will recently have received advice from ALF Chairman Glenn Herbert regarding changes to the structure of the Australian Lions Foundation. Included with that advice was a **Membership Application Form.** 

These changes have resulted from a need to comply with new legislation that was identified when the Foundation applied for national fundraising approval. It also determined that we 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 debtbasis.

It is important that all Clubs in our District complete this Membership Application, and return it to the Foundation Secretary. If for any reason your club has not received a copy of this Application form, please let me know and I will send you one.



ALF District Chairman

Yvonne Bradford

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Copy of form on next page. My apologies for the quality but it was the best I could make it

#### **How To Translate Work Emails**

I have a question. = I have 18 questions.

I'll look into it. = I've already forgotten about it.

I tried my best. = I did the bare minimum.

Happy to discuss further. = Don't ask me about this again.

No worries. = You really messed up this time.

Take care. = This is the last you'll ever hear from me.

A police officer jumps into his squad car and calls the station. "I have an interesting case here," he says. "A woman shot her husband for stepping on the floor she just mopped." "Have you arrested her?" asks the sergeant.

"No, not yet. The floor's still wet."

# WHERE THERE'S A NEED THERE'S A LION

#### **Centennial Update**

#### **Encourage Lions to Serve Youth in August**

Lions around the world are preparing for the Worldwide Week of Service for Youth on August 8–14. Join this special Centennial

Service Challenge event by hosting a service project to help youth in your community.

Remember, engaging youth in service projects is a great way to develop the next generation of Lions!

#### **Build your Lion Legacy**

Connect with your community by planning a Centennial Community Legacy Project during our Centennial Celebration.



Legacy Projects are visible gifts to your community that commemorate our Centennial and create a lasting legacy of your service contributions.

#### **Plan Your Legacy Project**

All Lions clubs around the world are encouraged to complete a Legacy Project by June 30, 2018. With three levels of participation, there's an opportunity for every club to get involved.

#### **Promote Your Legacy Project**

Your Legacy Project is an opportunity to showcase your project and club to the community. These tips can help you maximize this great PR opportunity:

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

Social Media – Share your project on social media and ask your community to share photos at the site of your Legacy Project. Use the hashtag #Lions100 on all your Centennial posts.

Local Media – Send out a press release or ask a 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

### **Australian Lions Foundation Ltd**

ABN 14 612 099 840



#### **MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM**

To:

The Secretary,
Australian Lions Foundation,
P.O. Box 465,
GLENORCHY,
Tasmania. 7010

The Lions Club of .		makes
application for membership of the Australian Lions Foundation Ltd.		
The Club and Members	have voted and confirmed	their intention to join the
	by its Constitution. In the ev	
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Foundation of an amount up	to A\$1.00.	
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LCI Club Number		
District		
ABN/ACN/Incorporations No		
Postal Address		
		Postcode
Club Email Address		

On completion, this form may be posted to the Secretary – Australian Lions Foundation Ltd or emailed to the Foundation at <a href="mailto:alf.secretary@lions.org.au">alf.secretary@lions.org.au</a>

#### **Adelaide City Lions**

#### **Eye Bank Donation**

As a consequence of the Lions Club of the City of Adelaide funding a new state of the art keretoanalyzer for the Eye Bank of SA situated at Flinders Medical Centre, we were offered the old equipment to donate to a hospital in need. The Eye Bank contacted the Christian Medical College and Hospital at Vellore in the province of Tamil Nadu in Southern India. One of the doctors at that hospital had attended a study course on corneal transfers at the Flinders Medical Centre and had expressed a hope that one day his hospital could get access to appropriate medical equipment. The Eye Bank contacted the doctor and he and the hospital advised they would be delighted to receive the equipment.

In early May, one of our members dispatched 2 boxes by Australia Post Express Courier International to the hospital in Vellore including the keretoanalyzer with appropriate disc drives, 40cm x 40cm Dell computer screen, Dell Hard Drive, mouse, keyboard, cords & attachments and instruction manuals. All being OK the 2 boxes should be delivered to the hospital by mid-May 2016.

We understand that Vellore is situated in a poor area of Southern India and the hospital provides much needed health and medical services at no charge to many of the patients.

A very worthwhile project for the Lions Club.

#### The Royal Flying Doctors

Lion Dean Scott regularly calls into the Royal Flying Doctors Service office to deliver Lions Mints and on his last visit was involved in a discussion about their medical equipment needs. As a consequence they emailed him a list of needs for use in the aircraft that call to remote areas of South Australia and the Northern Territory. He contacted a few of his more affluent clients and asked them to consider donating. One client has already committed to buy 3 items of medical equipment at a cost of \$93,000 and another has verbally indicated they will help and believe for a similar amount. While not a Lions project it has resulted from having a guest speaker from the Royal Flying Doctors Services come speak to our Club and Dean's long term relationship with the Royal Flying Doctors Service

#### Hear Me Roar! Project



The Lions Club of the City of Adelaide is excited to launch its new signature project, Hear Me Roar!

The Hear Me Roar! project involves 2 initiatives.

putting together gift packs for chronically and terminally ill patients in South Australian Hospitals

our club members are making multi-purpose cushions and 'port pillows' for seat belts.



As there are thousands of patients this project could cover, we will be starting with supporting adult chemotherapy patients at the Lyell McEwin Hospital. We believe this project will be of great benefit to patients. Over time, this project will extend to other hospitals and patients undergoing various treatments too.

We made our first delivery to the Lyell McEwin Hospital in early May. We delivered 50 cushions and port pillows, and 45 gift packs.

You can view our project page here:

https://www.facebook.com/HearMeRoarProject/

#### **Kick Start For Kids**

lan Steel, from Kick Start For Kids, attended our May dinner meeting as our guest speaker. He talked about his organisation and how they help disadvantaged children through their breakfast and lunch program, and also their mentoring programs. It was an eye-opening presentation. Our Club donated \$250. After the presentation, our members started talking and were so taken by lan's presentation and we decided that we wanted to do more. It was decided that our Club would

donate an additional \$2,400 to Kick Start For Kids which would sponsor 2 schools for an entire year, with the probability of making this an annual sponsorship. To find out more about KickStart For Kids, visit their website: kickstartforkids.com.au

#### **Petrea Stacey**

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#### **Important notice Handover Dinner**

To All members of Lions District 201C1

One of those special occasions in a Lions Year is the District Handover.

It is not just for the members of the outgoing and incoming Cabinet Members.

It is not just about a summary of the past Lions year, nor is it just about the new Governor's plans for the new year.

It is an event that all Lions should consider attending as it is one of those few occasions where we can socialise with members from other clubs around our vast district and surely that has to be one of the benefits of being a Lion, mixing with likeminded people from all areas of our vast district. Why not renew past friendships and make new ones.

We have only 26 days to go (at time of writing) and already over half the tables are gone. Once the 12 tables of 8 are gone, that is it so make sure you RSVP and pay for your seats now.

The night is very competitively priced at \$40/head. This includes soup, buffet main (beef, pork, chicken, vegetable lasagne, vegies, salads) and buffet desert (fruit salad, pav, apple crumble etc.). Each table will have a complimentary bottle of red and white wines from a

couple of wineries who are great supporters of Lions.

There will be music to listen to and to dance to through the night, so make a night of it.

Paddy and I look forward to seeing you there.

Regards

Rob District Governor 2015-2016

#### LIONS DINNER MEETING CANCELLED.

The Lions Club of Gilbert Valley were forced to cancel their planned May dinner meeting because of the impact of Super Market Fire at Saddleworth on 16 May.

The club meets in the former RSL clubrooms for their meetings and often self-caters for their monthly Dinner Meetings.

Although the two story Clubrooms abut the Foodwork's Super Market, fire crews were able to protect the Lion's building from a similar fate. The fire crews were able to bring hoses through the front windows of the adjacent building and fight the fire through the side windows which had exploded in the intense heat. Club President, Greg McLeod, said that he was able to rescue frozen food from the freezer next morning, but further access to the premises is now denied until its safety is assessed by the owners, Clare & Gilbert Valleys Council. Lions Club members are now awaiting instructions on whether they can clean up and re-establish occupancy or find elsewhere in the Gilbert Valley to meet. Fortunately it appears that their memorabilia and other property have only suffered smoke damage.



Lions Lady Louise McLeod, with Lion Jim Lee, at the front door of their clubhouse, which adjoins the burnt out Super Market.



Lions Club President, Greg McLeod, and his Lions Lady Louise, observe the damage through the upstairs window of the club room.



#### **Beau Brug Award**

At the recent cabinet meeting hosted by Elizabeth Playford Lions, Beau Brug was presented with an award from the International President. Beau is shown with VDG Paddy McKay at the presentation

#### Want a couple of ideas on how to engage your local community???

How about approaching a local school and encourage them to organise a Walk For An Aussie Kid.

It can be any time of the year and would certainly fit the curriculum requirement for community service

I have a very comprehensive kit which includes everything you may need, and who knows where it might lead:

A Leo club could be formed

Mum and Dad might want to join your club when they see what we do and the fun we have doing it and

if it's a High School, Leo and Youth of the Year are on the cards as follow ups.

Another thought. Retirement Villages are often very much on the go and we could certainly help them with that, again with a walk. They and the school may even like to amalgamate....

I'd love to talk further with you about this activity and help you with the organisation of your won walk.

DON'T FORGET THE NATIONAL LAUNCH OF WALK FOR AN AUSSIE KID SUNDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER AT TRINITY GARDENS SCHOOL. COME ALONG AND SEE WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT AND JOIN IN THE FUN.

Vaal Dix - 2016-2017 Mobility Chairman - 0417 865 527



#### **CHILDREN'S MOBILITY STAMP COLLECTION**

It is astounding how much money can be raised from things we throw away!

The Australian Lions Stamp Club presented a cheque for \$4,600 to the Australian Lions Children's Mobility Foundation at the Canberra Convention and at the Convention in Tamworth we received another cheque for\$7,000 and Newcastle saw us receiving a cheque for \$9,200, now it 2016 a new and incredible record \$13,500!!!

This stamp collecting project is something we could all contribute to, with little effort and no expense. It is for this reason that we are asking all Lions in Australia to collect used stamps, by placing a container in your home, and perhaps an office or business that you have contact with. Someone may even have an old stamp collection from their earlier days that they are willing to donate.

The stamps need to be cut around approx. 3mm. from the edge as the stamp fringe must not be damaged.

The Australian Lions Stamp Club places these into 1kg bundles and they are then sold at Stamp Auctions.

Please support this simple request and help Children's Mobility. We look forward to being inundated with stamps

**ALCMF Trustees** 



#### Vale Reg Tiller

It was a sad day that we here at Port Pirie laid to rest our last Charter member and our only 50 year member, Reg Tiller. The holder of Past President, Past District Governor, Past Secretary, Melvin Jones Award, James D Richardson Award, Professor Douglas Coster Award, Charter Member, Life Member and Lions Foundation 50 year medallion.

When the Club was formed in August 1965 Reg was one of the original 26 members, he remained a member for 50 years and he was our last Charter Member. He was also one of the longest serving Lions in our District Cabinet.

PDG Reg held the lifelong belief in Save Sight, the Lions International service commitment and his work in this field was outstanding. From 1991 to 1994 he served on a Campaign Sight First program to eradicate blindness worldwide and assisted to raise \$US100 million, which is a lasting legacy for Lions, carrying out projects on every continent. Furthermore, for over 7 years he was an appointed trustee for the Lions Eye Care Foundation, based in Adelaide. This required unplanned trips to attend meetings and he did not miss one meeting, another tremendous commitment.

On a local Club and community service, again his commitment was outstanding. Some but certainly not all of his activities in Port Pirie included:-

Building the Senior Citizens Centre debt free in conjunction with Rotary. A cost of \$180,000,00.

Involvement in 5 District Conventions hosted by Port Pirie

The formation of 4 Lions Clubs, Jamestown, Gladstone, Crystal Brook and Port Broughton.

Attendance at 45 International and numerous district and Australian Lions Conventions. The Australia Day Breakfast and celebrations.

Lions representative for over 20 years with the Port Pirie Ministers Association Annual Carols by Candlelight.

And much more that we do not have room to include it.

In august in 2015, Reg was awarded the Australian Lions Foundation 50 year medallion at the District Convention in front of his Club and District members.

Reg has left our Club a lasting memory. He gave his all to his community through his membership of the Port Pirie Lions, our mentor, giving great wisdom but more importantly his friendship and guidance and was appreciated by all.



Our Reg with his long serving mates at the CARA Kids BBQ, John Mullen OAM, Dominic Caputo, PDG Lance Leak and Reg himself.

#### **VALE: Ted Pounsett**

Ted joined Lions in 1983 with the Campbelltown Lions Club. He became President of the Campbelltown Lions and during his service to Lions held many other positions of club Leadership. Ted was the recipient of numerous awards.

He transferred to Rostrevor Lions in 2006-07, joining Joyce who transferred from Campbelltown earlier.

Anywhere in the Campbelltown/Rostrevor district you would find Ted doing volunteer work or helping at some community organization with the big trailer, lugging his BBQ everywhere.

Ted Pounsett was a dedicated Lions member for 32 years.

I am sure the Campbelltown Community will miss the presence of Ted as will all members of Rostrevor Lions.

Secretary Reg Ayliffe

#### **Port Lincoln Lions**

One Tuesday morning we presented sponsoring cheques to several local charities and clubs. The morning tea was beautifully catered for by the RSL, where it was held.



representatives of some organisations helped by Port Lincoln Lions.



Lions Glen, Marina & Eric from Albany Lions Club 'Hope In A Boat' Diabetes fundraiser.

## Clare Lions - Curious minds visit the Gleeson Wetlands.

A visit to the Gleeson Wetlands one Tuesday not so long ago, by some 4 year old students from the Burra Kindy, turned out to be a fun(ny) day. Dave Clarke and I chuckled all the way around the ponds at some of the remarks made by these students.

"I'm hungry; can I have my lunch now please Sarah?" "I can't find my water bottle. Ah, here it is, in the bottom of my backpack." (Backpacks are as big as the children!)

"Oh, more water! Let's walk on the rocks." "Hey Pat, I think I saw a crocodile!" "look, another sign. What does this one say David?" "Please don't stand on the plants guys, oh, too late!" "Look, a water plant, and another one. What sort of plant is that?" Boundless energy......

What can we say about these lovely little people? Simply this, you are welcome back anytime.

I think as life overwhelms us, we forget to be 4 years of age, and we slowly lose that curious mindset. A great deal to learn from this group of visitors!

Pat Williams, Clare Lions



Time for a rest and a photo opportunity in front of the Torii gate sign. Say cheese!

#### **New Lions**

Transfers are not being listed unless the Lion is new to District C1 Sponsors names in bracket.

#### **Balaklava & District Inc**

Orleans Williams (Kossie Chegwyn)

#### Barossa Valley Inc

Tom Wauer (Bernie Conley)

#### Clare District Inc

John Sommerville (Allan Mayfield)

#### Jamestown Inc

David Denton (Jim Best)

#### **Onkaparinga Inc**

Robert Martin (Roger Pfeiler)

Peter Nies (Shazza Shillabeer)

#### **Rocky River Inc**

Gavin Tyndale (Tim Zander)

Haixing Yao (Tim Zander)

#### Wallaroo Inc

Con Vluggen (Peter Hatcher)

#### Mobile Skin Cancer Screening Unit Update

Clubs' donations and pledges, together with vital support from both the Australian Lions Foundation and Lions Clubs International Foundation, will now see the Unit built, fitted out, and on the road by January 2017.

We still have a long way to go in our fundraising, with over \$60,000 still required in running costs for each of the four years 2018 to 2021 to run the Unit through the length and breadth of our vast C Districts – two of the largest in the Lions' world.

As I said in my March letter to you, this is an exciting project. It is an outstanding opportunity for we C District Lions to use our greatest strengths - our presence in all corners of our huge Districts and our reputation as Lions – to expand this major health initiative to benefit all Australians in SA, NT, and western NSW and Victoria; at a cost that is a fraction of what such an initiative would otherwise take to tackle a fatal disease that is of epidemic proportions. And it will lift the profile of Lions in our two Districts.

I look forward to your continued support of the Project in the future.

Kind regards,



**Rob Royal** 

#### **From Burnside Lions**

Our Digital Image Resource programme under the leadership of John Dunn is continuing to gain strength. With a recently received grant and the purchase of specialised equipment John and his committee will be able to copy 15 units at one time. During the year John and his team we awarded 2nd place in an event run by The Association of Community Services, again highlighting our hands on approach is showing to the community our Lions motto "We Serve" is working well.

Throughout the year our Club has supported through our donations a variety of worthy causes; \* The Glenunga Hub Fitness Circuit,\$20000,\* ALF Pinery Bush Fire Appeal \$5000,\* Novita Children's' Service \$7617, \*Carols in the Park, \$3592, \*Bush Fire Relief—Sampson Flat, \$500, \*Various, ALDAF, Digital Images, Hutt Street Centre, RSPCA, Glenunga Junior Football, OSSAR, Girl Guides. Totalling \$1584. Total donations to-date \$38293. This was and is a great Club effort, well done all.

#### C1 Convention—Golden Grove

Reminder that the early bird prize is to be drawn soon (handover night) Please look at our website for more details. http://goldengrove.sa.lions.org.au/

More details are being added to this site as they are finalised

Some home accommodation to reduce costs has been organised already so if you are considering this, get in early as places are limited. Nearby places include Windsor Gardens Caravan Park (Top Parks discount for members), Sferas Hotel, Pooraka Motor Inn, Pavlos Motel, Quest Mawson Lakes and others.

See the website http://www.theborderers.com.au/, for more details of the band, The BordererS, who are going to play at the convention dinner.

We hope to have the full form up and running in the next few days.

Harry Webb, Convention Secretary

I supervised an employee who had a negative view of everything I did. If I took a vacation day, I was "never there." If I praised someone's work, it was "too little, too late."

He eventually took another job but was fired six months later. Shortly thereafter, he contacted me, hoping to return to his old job. "Have you learned anything from this experience?" I asked. "Yes, I should have stayed here," he admitted "You're too indecisive to have ever fired me."

My 90-year-old dad was giving a talk at our local library about his World War II experiences. During the question-and-answer period, he was asked, "How did you know the war was over?" He replied, "When they stopped shooting at me."

"Poor Old fool," thought the well-dressed gentleman as he watched an old man fish in a puddle outside a pub. So he invited the old man inside for a drink. As they sipped their whiskeys, the gentleman thought he'd humour the old man and asked, "So how many have you caught today?"

The old man replied, "You're the eighth."

While volunteering in a soup kitchen, I hit it off with a very attractive single man. It was a relief, since my mother and I always laughed because the men to whom I was drawn were inevitably married. So, optimistic about my chances, I asked my new friend what he did for a living. He replied, "I'm a priest."

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