



# *District C1 Bulletin*

## *Paddy's Panegyric*



DG Paddy McKay

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International President, Bob Corlew

### **Paddy's Panegyric March 2017**

#### February report for March Bulletin

The month of February may be short on days but it has been a busy one for our Cabinet which met in Mallala. We were hosted by the Mallala and Districts Club and provided with a fantastic lunch and a huge "Robbie Corbet" style presiding chair. Much mirth was had, as I climbed into it and sat with my feet dangling. The cabinet meeting was on the anniversary of the club and some charter members were there working for us. Well done Mallala!

#### Focus on Clubs

As I have written before one of the most enjoyable aspects of being a cabinet officer is the ability to visit clubs in their own environment and see firsthand what they are doing or planning to do. There are currently 64 clubs in this area and almost all our visits have been concluded. Here are just some highlights.

Cleve Club on Eyre Peninsula has an environmental project that is a must to see for anyone visiting the area and it is one that they are very proud to show.

Richmond Club in Adelaide is much more than an OP shop donating a plethora of goods to Diabetes SA, Genesis Pregnancy Support project, Fred's Van, Toiletries to the homeless, Reading glasses to Lions recycle 4 Sight project. This is a huge effort and work that is largely done behind the scenes.

Many other clubs do wonderful things and sometimes I hear about it from an unusual source. I received a phone call from a mother of a young lad who returned from the leadership camp run by the police Star project. The mother did not know which clubs had donated to this project but wanted to thank Lions for their effort. The young lad in question is eager and willing to speak to the clubs, so if you were a recent donor please contact me.

Another surprise received at our executive meeting was a huge number of ring pull tops from cans collected by the Moonta Club but they did not know which club collects these. Again please contact me so I can pass this information and the ring pulls on.

Club activities are wide and varied and they are all important. Every bit you do helps and we should all be proudly telling those around us what it is we do and why.

## Congratulation Lance

On Sunday evening at the Port Pirie Sporting Association annual awards night, Lance was awarded the Port Pirie Sports Administrator for 2016. Quite an honor. The picture is from the local paper and Lance was nominated by his Port Pirie Lawn Bowls Club



## Kimba Lioness

Assisted with the Senior Citizens Lunch.

They made donations to Spinal Cord and to Eye Care.

## Australia Day Breakfast Clare

Each Australia Day, the Clare & Gilbert Valleys Council hosts a free Breakfast. The set-up of tables and chairs is done by Council staff, the sound system is set up by Lion David Bond (an Australia Day recipient a few years ago) and Partner Sharalyn, and the cooking and serving is a joint effort by 4 Clare Service Clubs. it is a wonderful example of cooperation between many volunteer organisations.

This year's celebrations was very special to the Clare District Lions Club, as our own Treasurer Lion Ron Wurst was nominated as our Citizen of the Year. Ron has been a member of Lions for almost 30 years, joining the Gilbert Valley Lions Club in 1988 and then transferring to Clare District in 2002. Apart from being a very active member of our Lions Club, Ron is also a dedicated Bowler and runner (Masters Games).

## For Fun

### GREAT TRUTHS THAT LITTLE CHILDREN HAVE LEARNED:

- 1) No matter how hard you try, you can't baptize cats
- .2) When your Mum is mad at your Dad, don't let her brush your hair.
- 3) If your sister hits you, don't hit her back. They always catch the second person.
- 4) Never ask your 3-year old brother to hold a tomato.
- 5) You can't trust dogs to watch your food.
- 6) Don't sneeze when someone is cutting your hair.
- 7) Never hold a Dust-Buster and a cat at the same time.
- 8) You can't hide a piece of broccoli in a glass of milk.
- 9) Don't wear polka-dot underwear under white shorts.
- 10) The best place to be when you're sad is Grandpa's lap.

### GREAT TRUTHS THAT ADULTS HAVE LEARNED:

- 1) Raising teenagers is like nailing Jelly to a tree.
- 2) Wrinkles don't hurt.
- 3) Families are like fudge...mostly sweet, with a few nuts.
- 4) Today's mighty oak is just yesterday's nut that held its ground.
- 5) Laughing is good exercise. It's like jogging on the inside.
- 6) Middle age is when you choose your cereal for the fibre, not the toy





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## LIONS CLUB OF PETERBOROUGH CONGRATULATES LAURIE EDMONDS ON CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD!!

At the Australia Day Breakfast, members assisted the District Council and Rotary Club of Peterborough by serving the breakfast and helping cleaning up afterwards.

A highlight for the Club was having our Charter member, Laurie Edmonds win the Citizen of the Year Award! Well done, Laurie!!

Laurie is a tireless worker for Lions, having held many positions in the Club, including President, Secretary and Treasurer, with many of these positions being held for several years. Laurie is also a very worthy recipient of the Melvin Jones Award. He also was heavily involved in the local Rodeo Club and many other



community groups. Congratulations Laurie!!

Other activities our Club have been involved in recently, included being asked by a local Hotel to organise and run a fun day for the Melbourne Cup luncheon, with the proceeds to be distributed among local charities.

Our Club ran a raffle, an auction, lucky tickets, lucky prizes, best dressed etc. and a Fashion Parade. All auction lots, raffle and prizes were donated by local and Jamestown businesses and Postie Fashions. A total of \$2,275.00 was raised.

Donations from the Luncheon have been made to: Nalya Lodge

(Aged Home) and Peterborough Hospital Auxiliary. Also, to the Peterborough Community Pre-School, the Primary and High Schools, and St Josephs School.

Recent Club donations from other fundraising events, included: \$100 to the Peterborough History Group in August, \$100 to two young ladies who attended and competed in the Equitana Melbourne 2016 Australian Open Barrel Racing Championships.

Also, gave \$300 to the Peterborough High School for the students and teachers, who served meals and did dishes at the Lions Senior Citizens and Aged Pensioners Christmas Dinner in November.

Lions were kept very busy during December, including selling and putting up Christmas trees for the business houses in readiness for the Christmas Pageant, and then taking the trees down in January.

At both the Peterborough and Terowie Christmas Pageant, members sold donuts and fairy floss to the large crowds. At the Peterborough Pageant, Lions members also helped with Father Christmas.

Recently, the Club donated \$100 to the Lions Hearing Dog, which pleased the District Chairman, Vanessa Malycha! As Zone Chairman, Vanessa has visited the Clubs of Orroroo, Port Augusta and had a combined meeting with the Whyalla Clubs, and will hold a meeting with Booleroo Centre Club on Friday 17 February and Peterborough on the 21<sup>st</sup>.

Vanessa attended the launch of the Lions Skin Cancer Screening bus on Saturday 4 February. Congratulations to IPDG Rob Royal, and all involved in this wonderful achievement!!

On Saturday 4 February, members assisted the Rodeo Club with the car parking again, working in several shifts. Lions members were also kept busy in the van selling donuts and fairy floss to the large crowds.





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## Restless Dance Theatre, Gilles St, Adelaide

Glenside Lions Club visited the Restless Dance Theatre on 16<sup>th</sup> February and presented a cheque for \$15,000 to enable them to purchase a portable rostra platform to be utilised in their studio at Gilles Street, Adelaide. Previously when Restless held performances at the studio it was necessary for them to hire a rostra to provide suitable viewing for the audience. Glenside Lions VP Ian Digby and Lion Paul Turner made the cheque presentation.

Nick Hughes, Company Manager and Belinda Hellyer, Business Development Manager showed us their premises and their facilities which provide opportunities for young people with a disability to participate in high level dance performances.

Restless Dance are about to present an innovative performance as part of the Adelaide Festival of Arts. "Intimate Space" will be held at the Hilton Hotel and take the audience to various spaces within the Hotel.

Performances will be from 3rd to 18th March. It sounds like a great show and I hope that Lions will book in. Nick told us that tickets have been selling well and some performances are already booked out.



## Stansbury Lions—Cardiac Defibrillator

A few months ago, at the start of the harvest season, the Lions Club became aware of the need for a cardiac defibrillator at the Port Giles Grain silo complex. Staff members had commenced fundraising through activities and donations from contractors and owner truck drivers, but it would prove a longer term project than one harvest to have a defibrillator on site.

After discussions between the Lions Club and Pt Giles staff, it was decided by Lions members to purchase a defibrillator immediately to have it available should the need arise, during harvest which is the busiest time.

Not only is grain delivered from local farms, but it is also transferred down to Pt Giles from Ardrossan for export shipping. This means that all through the year there is activity in the complex and there has been incidents in the past with carriers and ship's crew that the defibrillator may have been of use.

Following this idea, the club decided to run a public information evening to give information and to demonstrate how to use a defibrillator if there was a need. There are several around the town, but members were aware that many people would not have the confidence to use one if necessary.

Tanya, a Nurse Educator with RDNS, ran the session and some people were given the opportunity to use a practice defibrillator.

After Tanya's talk, Nijole Boulton, a staff member from Pt Giles, was formally presented with the unit purchased by the Lions and she returned to the club, the money collected during harvest as their share towards the cost.

Unfortunately a ship was in port and that meant most other staff members were working and unable to attend the evening.

Following the session, several people expressed comments that they would feel much more comfortable now to assist anyone if they were ever in that position.



## Port Lincoln Lions in Tunarama



Each year travelling enthusiasts flock to Port Lincoln for the annual Tunarama Festival.

Throughout the weekend there are fire work displays, a street procession of floats and the famous Tuna Toss.

Port Lincoln Lions showcased Lions International over the 2017 Tunarama Weekend.

Port Lincoln Lions officiated by manning the information booth over the whole period of the festival .

Their duties included directing the 25,000 visitors to various attractions and events which included the world famous Tuna Toss in the presence of the Prime Minister, Malcolm Turnbull.

Lion Gavin Roberts did an outstanding job co-ordinating the whole weekend.

At the Tuna Toss the stakes were high as the best and strongest lined for some of the hottest action ever seen.

Lions members and the Port Lincoln Prison formed a partnership over the last 12 months to construct two Giant Size Lion Mint Rolls that were mounted on a vehicle to be used in the Tunarama Procession . They looked fantastic. The Lions Barbe-que trailer was also included in the procession. Lions Mint Chairman Lion Malcolm Bagnell and Correctional Services Administrator Grant Sheppard are to be congratulated for bringing this partnership into fruition.

Congratulations must go Port Lincoln Lions Club and their Lions Ladies for their work and for seizing the opportunity to take part in such a great public relations exercise.



Secretary Lion Robert McDonald also included a letter to the Department of Correctional Services (PortLincoln), thanking them for their exceptional support.



# JUST ONE LOOK



## THATS ALL IT TAKES TO SAVE A LIFE



## FREE SKIN CANCER SCREENINGS

### “C” DISTRICTS UPDATE

#### 2017 SKIN CANCER SCREENING SCHEDULE

Following the Gala Launch of the Skin Cancer Screening Unit on 4<sup>th</sup> February screenings will now be carried out at the following locations.

February 11 <sup>th</sup> /12 <sup>th</sup>	Waikerie	
February 25 <sup>th</sup> /26 <sup>th</sup>	Mallala	
March 15 <sup>th</sup> /16 <sup>th</sup> /17 <sup>th</sup> /18 <sup>th</sup>	Lucindale Field Day	
April 8 <sup>th</sup> /9 <sup>th</sup>	Athelstone	
May 21 <sup>st</sup> /22 <sup>nd</sup>	Yankalilla	
May 26 <sup>th</sup>	Balaklava	
June 15 <sup>th</sup> /16 <sup>th</sup>	Port Lincoln	
June 17 <sup>th</sup> /18 <sup>th</sup>	Cleve	
June 19 <sup>th</sup>	Wudinna	
July 5 <sup>th</sup> /6 <sup>th</sup> /7 <sup>th</sup>	Travelling to Darwin	NT
July 8 <sup>th</sup> /9 <sup>th</sup>	Darwin Beer Can Regatta	NT

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## 2017 SKIN CANCER SCREENING SCHEDULE

July 11 <sup>th</sup> /12 <sup>th</sup>	Katherine NT
July 14 <sup>th</sup> /15 <sup>th</sup>	Tennant Creek
July 17 <sup>th</sup> /18 <sup>th</sup>	Alice Springs
August 2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup>	Peterborough
August 5 <sup>th</sup> /6 <sup>th</sup>	Broken Hill
August 8 <sup>th</sup> /9 <sup>th</sup>	Mildura
August 11 <sup>th</sup> /12 <sup>th</sup>	Lameroo
September 1st/3 <sup>rd</sup>	ANZI Forum Ballarat TBC
September 26 <sup>th</sup> /27 <sup>th</sup> /28 <sup>th</sup>	Paskeville Field Day
October 8 <sup>th</sup>	C1 Convention Screening
October 15 <sup>th</sup>	C2 Convention Screening
November 13 <sup>th</sup>	Gumeracha Show and Shine



## Skin Cancer Screening Mobile Unit Launch.

What a great day it was for both of the Lions C Districts on February 4th. at the Torrens Parade Grounds. This day was a celebration of the hard work and a lot of fundraising to establish the mobile unit and ensure it was funded for years to come. How wonderful it was to see what combining districts can achieve with the assistance of ALF.

The event was hosted by Graham Goodings, a TV personality and the official "opening" was performed by His Excellency Mr Hieu Van Le AC, the Governor of South Australia.. He was accompanied by his wife, Mrs Lan Le and both moved around the grounds to greet all of the many Lions who had gathered there for the grand occasion.

His Excellency acknowledged all the planning and preparation that went into such a project and how well supported it was by all of the Lions in C1 and C2 Districts. He also remarked how convenient it was to have a function right next door to Government House.

A free sausage sizzle was organised by, Athelstone, Gilles Plains, Golden Grove and Modbury Lions Clubs . Perhaps it was very apt as much of the fund raising in C1 (that I know about) was through many sausage sizzles. Several of the C2 clubs organised much of the "behind the scenes" to ensure an enjoyable day for all who attended.

The new unit was open for inspection so those Lions who had been inside the WA unit could see the differences. The use of the WA unit was featured at the MD Convention in Perth a number of years ago and it was brought to Adelaide for the ANZI Forum where it generated a lot of interest. It was not long before the C Districts got together to work together to have one too.

In the meantime, both districts have been doing screenings where about 25% of those screened had been referred for further investigation. It can only be guessed how many lives may have been saved by early detection.

More was added to the day for Lions and the general public who attended. Music was provided by the renown band The Borderers and the visit by the Lions Hearing Dogs was a real hit. The day was a great time for fellowship with Lions from both Districts . It is rare that they spend time together. Maybe they have been too busy!



*Above DG Paddy McKay at the door of the unit*

*Below Rob Dring from Strathalbyn LC and Don Lewis from LeFevre LC at Norseman on the way from Perth to Adelaide*





## More Pictures from the Skin Cancer Screening Launch

Many thanks to Alison Lewis (LeFevre LC), Christine Gale (Golden Grove LC) and Lance Crook (Gilles Plains LC)



*Clockwise from top left. 1. DG Paddy and CS Ted  
2 Lions Peter McKinnon (Gilles Plains) and Graeme Pascoe (Golden Grove) at the BBQ, 3. Lions Hearing Dog and Trainer, 4. Mr Hieu Van Le AC, the Governor of South Australia accompanied by his wife, Mrs Lan Le and ADC 5. Interior of Screening Unit*

## REQUESTS

From time to time I get requests from organisations who want Lions to be involved in some way with their project. The following requests were received from Anne Bachman who is volunteer JP working at the Adelaide Women's Prison.

At present, in association with the RSL, I have a group of women at the AWP who are knitting beautiful beanies for the babies born at the Children's Hospital. This is on-going as each child is given a beanie. I am desperately in need of 4ply baby wool in order for this to be an on-going commitment to the hospital.

I have also instigated a program out there called "Mum's Voice" whereby I have obtained children's books and the mother selects a book which will appeal to her child, she will read it and it will then be put onto a disk and the book and the disk is sent to the child. For some women, they have no money and to pay the \$5 is something they cannot afford so the child is the silent victim. I am looking for donations of new or near new children's books

In discussion with DG Paddy McKay we are also interested in knitting jumpers etc. for child victims of violence and would appreciate any donations of 8 ply wool etc.

I was hoping that through Lions, I may have a donation of wool or money to purchase some, and/or a donation to enable more women to participate in the program. Should a club wish, I would be happy to speak to the club.

If anyone is interested Anne can be contacted on 82614122 or Mobile 0412 809 356

### MUM'S VOICE - further information

Mum's Voice is a program operating out of the Adelaide Women's Prison which assists mothers who are incarcerated to remain connected with their children. It allows mothers, grandmothers and other relatives to keep a close bond with the child. Should there be a child, niece or nephew that the offender is particularly close to, they are able to maintain that bond. Reading a story is a great way to maintain that bond and it has been proven that should the bond remain strong, women are less likely to re-offend. Hopefully also this will enable the child to not only hear their mother read to them but gives them a love of reading also.

The offender chooses an appropriate book and reads it into a recorder. The story is then transferred onto a CD and then the book and CD are posted to the child with a \$5 cost to the prisoner. Unfortunately some children are discriminated against due to the fact that the woman doesn't have the funds to pay. Sadly the children are the silent victims.

It is a fantastic program and we receive wonderful feedback in relation to it and the joy the child experiences in hearing Mum's Voice. It also has the added advantage of encouraging women to read and for those who are not literate, to increase their literacy skills

## "Lions Clubs and LCIF Making a Difference to People's Lives"

March 2015, 2 years ago, Cyclone Pam the largest storm in a generation flattened a wide path of devastation across the Vanuatu Islands. Then on ANZAC Day 25<sup>th</sup> April 2015 Nepal experienced the first of two massive earthquakes that caused so much destruction and tens of thousands of people in need of help.

Local Lions immediately provided help distributing food and drinking water to their communities and villages on neighbouring islands and high in the mountains.

Australian, Indonesian and New Zealander Lions Clubs gave generously to LCIF to help these Lions and Leos distribute food, drinking water and essential goods.

News cameras and broadcasters have moved on, but Lions are continuing to rebuild communities. New schools in Vanuatu are underway, construction made possible with LCIF Grants. In Nepal, the reconstruction of 9 schools has started. Bids for the construction contracts have been published. Successful tenders will be chosen and begin work. The work will take a couple of years, but Lions remain, part of their community's fabric, supported by your Lions Club and the Lions Family around the world via LCIF Grants.

This year, our 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday, celebrate by making a donation to "LCIF Area of Greatest Need" to help provide future Grants to your neighbouring Lions Clubs and Lions Clubs across Australia, Indonesia, New Zealand, Pacific Islands and around the world take on large humanitarian projects in their communities.

100% of every dollar donated goes back to Lions Clubs in way of LCIF Grants.

Send your donation to your District Cabinet Treasurer, or individually donate via [www.lcif.org](http://www.lcif.org)

Thank you for your support.

Yours In Lionism

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## Position Vacant :

## Lionsonoz in Action

### District C1 representative of the Lions Skin Cancer Screening Sub Committee (SCSC) of the Lions Medical Research Foundation.

A one page expression of interest is invited from any Lion in good standing who believes that they have the ability to work with committee on the tasks listed below. The position will commence from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017. Applications should be posted or emailed to DG Paddy McKay by March 21st

Information regarding the subcommittee is below

The SCSC comprises three members from each of C1 & C2 Districts [one of whom is usually a Cabinet member], a representative of the Lions Medical Research Foundation and a professional screener/trainer.

The SCSC plans, organises, and conducts free skin cancer screenings in the two districts in SA, NT, parts of western NSW and of western Victoria.

Tasks performed by the committee include

Lions Clubs selected for screenings must be made fully aware of all requirements to conduct a screening and regularly followed up prior to screening date.[ often involves a visit to the Club meeting by a committee member]

Contact Volunteer trained screeners well in advance and have them allocated for each screening dates.

Organize to have the volunteer drivers of the mobile unit to have it on site when required.

Arrange travel, accommodation [if required] and meals for screeners and drivers.

An administration person is required at each screening who records all the screening results on a computer programme to provide our statistics.

Attend screenings throughout the state to ensure screening days run smoothly. Many screenings are conducted on weekends [two days] as well as during the week.

Attend a monthly meeting in Adelaide of the SCSC duration approximately two hours.

Each committee member is assigned a specific role - planning, organizing and involvement at the screenings throughout the state as all committee members are involved with the above to some degree.

A passion for the project and the willingness to receive and action emails and telephone calls between meetings is a must. Note this is very much "a hands on" working committee.

While on a short stay at pretty Lake Cathie in February, Lionsonoz member PDG Warren White contacted the local Lions club to ascertain if they needed any assistance in projects they were involved in.

President John Hayes was grateful for assistance in conducting a BBQ outside the local Supermarket, so Lion Warren was put to work in the final shift for the day cooking sausages, onions, eggs and bacon while Lion John and his wife Lion Sandy served the many customers.

The Lake Cathie Bonny Hills Lions Club is few in numbers but big in ideas. Their latest project is to construct and provide a skateboard rink for the youngsters of the village and the many young people who visit this lovely seaside resort each school holidays.

The fund raising project was kicked off in October when the Club earned over \$2,000 as marshals for a vintage Motor bike rally at Port Macquarie. From then on it involves applying for grants and money raising projects, such as the various BBQs the Club conducts to attempt to achieve the \$200,000 needed complete the project.

Lionsonoz members do not conduct their own money raising projects due to the fact that members are situated all over Australia but they do enjoy meeting the local Lions in towns they visit to help them in their projects and make new friends while doing this.



*Pictured: President of the Lake Cathie Bonny Hills Lions Club BBQ Lion John and Lion Sandy with PDG Lion Warren and a very satisfied customer.*

## New Lions

Whyalla Mount Laura Inc

New

Cornelis Van Weezep

Whyalla Mount Laura Inc

## Youth Exchange

I asked my grandson, Connor to write an article about the impact that the Lions Youth Exchange has had. Below is his open letter to Lions and photos of Connor with two of his Lions Host families. Connor was sponsored by Golden Grove Lions. I think Lions will find what has happened since his exchange is very interesting. Connor is also fluent in German and Chinese while the rest of the family, including Grandpa, get by with one language.

Harry Webb

Dear Lions,

In the December of 2014, through the Lion's Club Youth Exchange program, I was privileged to travel to Japan's northern most island, Hokkaido. During this exchange, I made many friends, connections and relationships. All of these helped my Japanese, and understanding of the Lion's Clubs of Japan .

Once again, through an Adelaide University Exchange Trip, I was able to visit Japan - However, this trip was centred on Japan's former capital of Kyoto. Before I even embarked on the trip, I had decided that I would once again visit my Lion's Club host families in Hokkaido, Once the Kyoto program had finished, I did just that.

The exchange in Kyoto lasted a month, but I was only able to spend a week in Hokkaido. I used that week to its full potential by visiting each of my host families for at least 2 days. It was fantastic to see them all again, and it bought me so much joy to hear their comments on how I had grown, and how much my Japanese had improved. It bought me so much pride to see my host siblings doing their best at studying, particularly in English, to the point where some had even gone on their own exchange trips overseas. To me, it is amazing to have these connections overseas, and that I am honoured to witness the growth of those involved.

Without the Lion's Club Youth Exchange, I never would have made such connections, and as such, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude for allowing me to participate in such a wonderful program. This once in a lifetime opportunity opened up to me aspects of life that I never could have imagined and I believe it very much so shows how valuable relationships made by the Lion's Club youth Exchange program really are, and that if nurtured, these connections can last you for a lifetime.

To every member of the Lions' Clubs who enabled me to make these connections, my sincerest thanks.

With thanks and appreciation,

Connor McKinnon



*Two of the Lions families who hosted Connor had another visit ! No heat waves in Hokkaido in January.*





## To The Editor

The weekend of February 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> was a major event for Lions of the South Australian C Districts. The long desired and planned for Skin Cancer Screening mobile van and truck had their first screening at Mallala. As one would expect for the first outing of the mobile unit there were a few little issues, but these will be resolved quickly.

The Mallala club did well organising the event and in excess of 200 people were screened on the weekend. Statistics were in keeping with those of past screenings, key figures being just over 20% were referred to their GP and approximately half were never screened before.



This screening did not just happen. It was the end result of a number of year's hard work and commitment by a number of people.



We would like to publically acknowledge those people and their efforts.

Phillip Donato – as Chair of the Lions Medical Research Foundation (LMRF), Philip was involved in establishing after many hours of negotiation formal MOU agreements with our friends from the west and has been involved in countless hours negotiating with medical professional bodies and potential corporate supporters. His professionalism is a credit to him and he played a significant role in keeping all the “forces” in line and played “nicely together”.

Graeme Pascoe – As a C1 LMRF Board Member, Graeme had the responsibility of managing and coordinating the financial side of this project. He also played a much wider role within the project group and he too was involved in some very delicate negotiations etc.

Noel O'Brien and Garth Beckwith – As C1 representatives, they have been part of the subcommittee working on the details of the project. While involved in the planning for the arrival of the new mobile facility they were still planning and working on the existing screenings. They were/are the C1 face of this project and their contribution has been fantastic. Special comment must also be made regarding the positive way they handled the relationship with our C2 friends

While not C1 members, I must acknowledge the efforts of IPDG Dave Thomas and PDG Rhys Roberts. Dave for his efforts to ensure this joint project succeeded and to Rhys for his efforts on the LMRF board and his important negotiations with key funding organisations LCIF and ALF.

Yes, this project has been Sandy's and my “dream”, but these people made it happen. A fantastic effort and our sincere thanks to you all.

Most importantly there is one more group to acknowledge, that being the members of all of the C1 District's Lions Clubs. Not only have you also taken on our dream, you have then made it possible by providing your financial support for the project, not just for the year one expenses, but committing to the ongoing costs for the next 5 years. Thanks to you all.

This is a great Lions Health project. It does save lives and reduce public health costs.

And once again, the Mallala screening results confirm this.

**IPDG Rob Royal & Lion Sandy Royal**  
*Dream, Achieve and Make a Difference*

University of Adelaide just kicked off its new year with the Orientation Week known as O'Week. At this early start of the year for the Adelaide University Lions Club (AULC), it's the perfect time to reflect on where we have come from and where we are heading. From chartering under the leadership of Beau Brug, to the consolidation of Isaac Aitken to our new and first female president Stephanie Margush, we are now heading in our third year of engaging young people on university campuses.

The lovechild of a passionate group of diverse, young and intelligent individuals, the Adelaide University Lions Club has commenced 2017 with the primary goal to further expand the club and be progressive in engaging young people. In the upcoming year AULC aims to show people that charity is not a result of commiseration, but really, a result of love and passion. With charity, you are not just giving money, you are giving love through a lending hand, you are ensuring that someone else is able to reach their highest height and you are empowering those who are hungry for success.

Our goal to expand the club was met with a very successful response from students on campus during O'Week, all of whom were seeking a holistic, mature and deep volunteering experience. Each student embraced the concept of individuality and I am confident that we have a new bunch of volunteers who have the wisdom and time to give away to save another who is struggling and who realise that there is not only one solution to every problem.

Our message for the rest of the Lions Community is to just keep driving membership and getting out there. It's not boasting its being proactive and being present in the community. Join with us and fly the banner on university campuses!

Written by Beau Brug and Stephanie Margush

Charter President and new President

## A selection of Australianisms.

The bigger the hat, the smaller the farm.

There is no food that cannot be improved by the application of tomato sauce.

On the beach, all Australians hide their keys and wallets by placing them inside their sandshoes. No thief has ever worked this out.

Industrial design knows of no article more useful than the plastic milk crate.

All our best heroes are losers.

The alpha male in any group is he who takes the barbecue tongs from the hands of the host and blithely begins turning the snags.

A thong is not a piece of scanty swimwear, as in America, but a fine example of Australian footwear. A group of Sheilas wearing black rubber thongs may not be as exciting as you had hoped.

Historians believe the widespread use of the word mate can be traced to the harsh conditions on the Australian frontier in the 1890s, and the development of a code of mutual aid, or mateship. Alternatively, Australians may just be really hopeless with names.

If it can't be fixed with pantyhose & fencing wire, it's not worth fixing.

Marriages are made in heaven. But so again, are thunder and lightning.

If you want your wife to listen and pay strict attention to every word you say, talk in your sleep.

When a man opens the door of his car for his wife, you can be sure of one thing: Either the car is new or the wife is.

An overweight lady goes to consult with her Dr, who puts her on a diet. "I want you to eat regularly for two days, then skip a day and repeat the procedure for two weeks, the next time I see you you'll have lost at least two kilos."

When the lady returns to the Dr She has lost over eight kilos.

"Why, that's amazing," says the Dr, "Did you follow the procedure?"

She nods, "I'll tell you though, I thought I was going to drop dead on the third day."

"From hunger, you mean says the Dr?"

"No, the lady exclaims, from skipping".

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