





### Our District Bulletin

News from District 201C1 and Beyond

#### **JANUARY 2022**

#### **Did You Ring in the New Year?**

Ours are usually quiet nowadays. However you celebrated, may you fill your new Lions Year with new adventures, accomplishments, and learnings! And of course, your continued Service from the Heart to your community, and your support for national and international Lions projects and foundations.

I am sure most of our Lions serve out of altruism, and true altruism requires us to be empathetic — this can be described as having compassion; being caring and sympathetic; and considerate and kind-hearted. We have empathy for the diversity of people in our communities whatever their status, the environment, animals, and life in general.

#### But there <u>is</u> a payback – to quote:

"Many studies have linked volunteering (a popular form of altruism) to happiness, better physical health, and increased mental health. One such study followed a group of mothers over a 30-year period. Over the course of the three decades, 36% of women who routinely volunteered experienced a major illness. Of those who volunteered rarely or never, 52% experienced a major illness.

In another study, it was found that older adults who participated in a volunteer organization had lower depression rates, less anxiety, and an increased will to live. Another study included adults aged 55 and older. It found that consistent volunteering led to a 44% decrease in mortality rates."

Spread the word that Lions Service is actually good for you. Don't keep it for yourself and Just Ask others to join the fun, fellowship and ... did I mention fun!

#### **Bush Fire Season**

It has been a cool start to summer, but as we have just seen the weather can warm up and probably will get more hotter as summer progresses, with increased bushfire incidents and their severity.

Our Disaster Recovery Coordinator Gerry van Niekerk and assistant Dave Schwartz have been working over the last six months in updating and formalising our recovery response to disasters. The main focus has been in relation to Declarations of State Emergencies such as the 'Cudlee Creek' fire where we work formally with the state government. But I, as Governor of our District can declare a "Lions disaster" such as the Edithburgh fire on the Yorke Peninsula where several families lost their houses. Proba-

bly a better example, Lions could have declared the Kangaroo Creek Road fire (aka Cudlee Creek) a disaster where ethe excellent work initiated by the Torrens Valley and other Lions club could have been formalised, and we could have applied for and had emergency recovery money to clubs the following day.

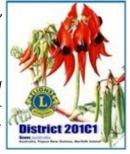
If, as a club, you have the equipment and desire to support the local CFS, SES or MFS in relation to meals etc. for smaller incidents you need to make arrangements <u>beforehand</u>, such as ensuring your support is actually needed. The Red Cross is tasked with providing meals, but their low numbers make this problematic in country areas – again you should discuss any proposed support before incidents occur. Contact Lion Gerry for advice.

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#### **DG Message Continued from Page 1**

Club Battery Recycling Project – A Head's Up on an Initiative About to be Implemented

Clubs Wishing to Participate Will need to Order Collection Cartons and Liners (which become the battery Transport Container) Soon.

Clubs need to identify where Collection Cartons can be placed with local businesses and community organisations.

We are Looking to a Formal Launch across the District in February/Early March.

District Environmental Officer Lion Pat Williams has setup something which is a game changer in relation to Lions past efforts to collect and recycle batteries, so there will not be a repeat of the past where we collected used batteries and then did not know what to do with them. With this process, the clubs will also get some cash back.

The three most significant issues addressed are:

Only household batteries will be collected, not automotive or industrial storage batteries;

The collection method is passive, that is it is left to members of the community to take depleted batteries to their local collection point such as the supermarket they patronise and deposit in the Lions Branded collection boxes. This leaves the Lions Club to simply ensure the full liners are replaced, and then transported to the collection point(s) in their Zone or extended region.

The company with which Lions is partnering will collect from nominated collection points across the District, and leave replacement liners and collection boxes as required. All our clubs need to do is distribute back to their area, sit back, and collect a modest rebate from the company.

Pat ran an original pilot programme with Gilbert Valley Lions which has had remarkable success, and this in turn has led to three eastern seaboard Districts embracing the pilot programme (Pat is also the national Multiple District Environmental Coordinator). District 201C1 has noted the success of Gilbert Valley Lions with the intention of introducing it to other clubs in the District if they wished to participate. Note this is not a District Project but that of our individual clubs — District's role is to facilitate and to liaise with the company and clubs involved, and with the other Districts which will be operating the project.

Each District will sign a Memorandum of Understanding (presently in draft form) with Ecycle Solutions, the company operating the collection service, on behalf of it's participating clubs. Basic details of the operation can be found below, drawn from a Standard Operating Procedure, also in draft form. Payment will be determined by the nett weight of the batteries collected (i.e. less the weight of the transport bag) and distributed to each club by District. Ecycle Solutions will provide details of where batteries have been sourced from to an organisation which has been created, authorised and given the task of Battery Stewardship. For information follow these links.



#### https://bsc.org.au/

Governor John















#### **UPCOMING CONVENTION LOCATIONS AND DATES**

#### **DISTRICT 201C1**

2022 Hosted by CHARLES STURT WOODVILLE HINDMARSH CLUB, WEST LAKES SEATON, WEST BEACH, AND

**RICHMOND** 21st to 23rd October

2023 Hosted by PETERBOROUGH

#### **MULTIPLE DISTRICT**

70th Perth WA 6th to 9th May 2022 71st Gold Coast Qld 28th Apr to 1st May 2023

72nd Darwin **TBA** 

#### **INTERNATIONAL**

104th Montreal 24th to 28th July 2022 105th New Delhi 1st to 5th May 2023 106th Melbourne 21st to 25th June 2024

**ANZI PACIFIC FORUM (POSTPONED)** 



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### **NEW MEMBERS DECEMBER 2021 WELCOME TO LIONS**

Club	Member	Sponsor
City of Adelaide Inc		
New	Frances Adamson AC	
Gilles Plains Inc		
New	Ursula Hendeson	Lance Crook
Golden Grove Inc		
New	Adrienne Wil- liams	Paula Luethen- Soper
Kadina Inc		
New	Fraser Ellis	Gerry Van Niekerk
West Beach Inc		
New	Susan Douglas	Graham Brown



"To help ensure that clubs are able to meet the growing needs in our communities, the International Board of Directors passed another resolution to make it easier to invite new members to serve with us.

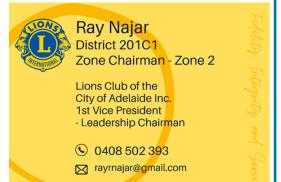
Here is an overview of the new resolution approved by the Board of Directors:

Charter and entrance fees waiver – We have waived all charter and entrance fees from January 1 through June 30, 2022. Charter and entrance fees are also currently waived through December 31, 2021."

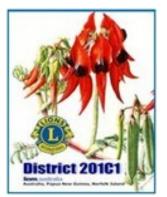
Yours in Service,

Douglas X. Alexander

**International President** 



f @ lions201c1.org.au





The Black Cockatoo represents Empowerment, Happiness and Contentment. It is a celebratory totem and usually heralds Coming rain.





# PLANNING AN OVERSEAS TRIP? WHY NOT ATTEND THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

#### LIONS CLUB INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION 2022 IS IN MONTREAL CANADA

When Lions and Leos come together to celebrate, the future of service gets brighter. That's why we're thrilled to see you at LCICon 2022 in Montréal, Canada next year! Get ready and register today.

#### LCICon 2022 Montréal

Take in Montréal's rich history and culture at LCICon 2022! From beautiful architecture and a buzzing arts scene to a wide variety of cafes, restaurants and shops, Montréal offers an LCICon 2022 experience like never before!

At the Palais des congrès de Montréal Exhibit Hall, where the convention takes place, you'll be greeted by beautiful contemporary windows and modern art that truly represents the incredible diversity of Lions Clubs International.

Connect with Lions International staff as well as Lions and Leos from around the world in the Exhibit Hall while exploring the many facets of our organization. And if you're a delegate from a club in good standing, vote in the International Election.

Join us in the famous Bell Centre, to listen to a wide variety of topics from world-renowned keynote speakers at our Plenary Sessions. And, of course, hear from our organizational leaders about the past, present and future of Lions International. But that's not all — at the International Show, which will also take place in the Bell Centre arena, you can catch world-class entertainment!

It wouldn't be LCICon without service opportunities — which we'll tell you about closer to the date. Take part in, or simply enjoy, the Parade of Nations featuring thousands of Lions from all over the world.

#### Staying safe

As always, safety is always a top priority for us. This year, we will be partnering with local officials to apply all recommended health and safety guidelines. We'll let you know more about the safety procedures as we get close to LCICon 2022.

#### **Getting to Canada: Entry Requirements**

It's important to note that in order to enter Canada, there are some requirements.

Things you will need:

An up-to-date passport Proof that you are fully vaccinated



**24TH to 28TH JUNE 2022** 

Ctrl+Click on this link for more information









Introducing Lions Australia Community Rewards - a new fundraising channel for Lions Clubs Australia via the Doing Good rewards/giving mobile app.

This loyalty program won't affect your other loyalty or fundraising programs but is even better because it's automatic... when you SHOP at participating retailers, you SAVE money (no points or anything, \$\$\$ are paid back on your card) plus you automatically GIVE to the Lions Australia Fund by LCIF.

All it takes is 2 minutes to create an account & register your credit/debit card. Retailers will automatically recognise your card and reward you discounts. Your data is safe and we promise your tax-deductible donations will be well spent.







Every transaction makes a difference. Every microdonation to Lions counts.







Download the Doing Good app and sign up to Lions with access code



or simply scan this QR code

Learn more: Watch this Lions Australia explainer video

https://vimeo.com/591965559









### Community Rewards



Lions Australia is offering members of our community special discounts every time you shop, all while supporting charity.

Shop in-store and online to Save \$\$\$ and Give to Charity



#### Save up to 25% at participating retailers like:























and more.

#### Scan now to register in 2 mins via website or app







Sign up with **code LION2992** via mobile app OR
Scan this QR Code on your phone
or click the button to register

**Register now!** 





# 201 Heroes For LCIF



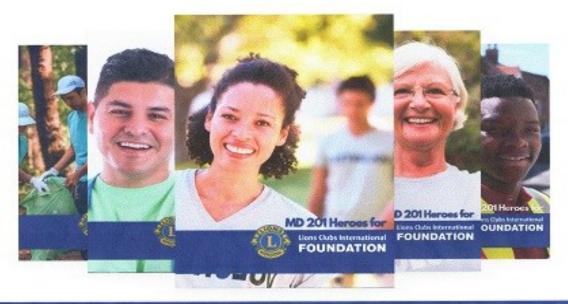
Would you like to recognise an outstanding Lion in your club with national recognition, acknowledgement and the presentation of a Melvin Jones Fellowship?

As part of the Campaign 100 program, Lions Australia is looking for 201 Heroes within Australia and Papua New Guinea. Lions nominated by clubs will be recognised by:

- Presentation of a Melvin Jones Fellowship.
- Acknowledgement on our Lions Australia website on a dedicated page that highlights the contributions of the Lion.
- Acknowledgement at the District Convention.

If you would like to recognise your club hero, please follow these instructions.

- Make your donation of US\$1,000 to LCIF in the usual way.
- Complete the information below to let us know why your Lion is a hero.





We will contact you before making the award public on the website.

For further information, please contact the Lions National Office via lclf.ops@lions.org.au or your District LCIF Coordinator

Please note: Application form is available from Bulletin Editor or LCIF Co-ordinator PDG Lance Leak





#### INTRODUCING LION RAY BARRY

By DOUG BOOTH

For almost 60 years, the Lions have played an integral role in Ray Barry's life.

The successful business entrepreneur and devoted family man has always found a special place in his daily existence for the Lions.

Now, as part of the Lions 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations, it's time to pay tribute to the long-serving member of the Lions club of Charles Sturt, which was originally chartered as the Woodville Lions Club in 1964.

Woodville was one of the original 14 Lions clubs of South Australia and Ray was a keen and enthusiastic pioneer, serving as club president in 1969-70.

The Glenelg Lions Club, along with the Woodville Council, initiated the formation.

"I was introduced to the club and sponsored by a previous charter member and long-serving member Les Knapman," Ray, who recently celebrated his 88<sup>th</sup> birthday, recalled.

"My interest in joining Lions allowed me to be in a service organisation to assist others.

"The ability to expand my confidence by meeting people in business and social aspects and the tremendous fellowship derived in belonging to Lions along with being able to give something back to the community.

Ray received the ultimate Lions accolade on March 6 2004, the day the Charles

"This was a memorable occasion as Brendan Foley and myself (both original charter members) were presented with the Melvin Jones Award from Lions International," he said.

The Melvin Jones Award is the highest accolade that a Lions member can receive.

"I feel privileged that I was accepted as a member of Lions and proud of the achievements out club has carried out to people less fortunate than ourselves," Ray said.

The proud father of Glenn, 58, and Janine, 53, also enjoys being with his four grandchildren and great granddaughters Ivy and Piper.

Ray started work as an apprentice fitter and turner before carving out a successful career with Coca Cola and later in the refrigerated cold storage industry.

One of the highlights was being the chairman of a special committee to review the relocation of the East End markets from the city to Pooraka.

Another was receiving the Order of Australia Medal in 2015 from the Governor of South Australia Hieu Van Le.

Despite his age, Ray remains active in business and he is at the helm of the family company which is building two new houses at Findon.

"It added dimension to my personal and professional life. It also offered opportunities for individual growth, something I need-

Sturt Lions Club celebrated its 40<sup>th</sup> year charter.

And, of course, his passion for the Lions is as strong as ever.

"City clubs are finding it difficult to recruit and keep members. It's vital we make sure prospective members have the essential information and knowledge about being a Lions club member," he said.





ed being only 31 years of age," he added.





#### **INTRODUCING LION ALEX COATES DISTRICT 201C1 DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION OFFICER**

December 16, 2021/in HUMANITARIAN, NEWS, OUR STORIES /

Does your Lions club pass the diversity/inclusion test? Tony Fawcett meets a Lion hellbent on changing the way others think of us Is your Lions club diverse and inclusive?

Do your members all basically look alike, think alike and act alike? Do you welcome varying opinions? Or maybe you sit on your hands, run with the status quo, stick with what you know and are comfortable with?

These are the sort of questions Alex Coates has been posing a lot recently. You see in a Lions first, Alex, President of South Australia's Lions Club of Salisbury and a GMT team member, has been appointed by C1 District to serve as a Diversity and Inclusion Officer. His appointment follows the pioneering move by that district in ratifying a diversity statement, a diversity policy and diversity bylaws. It's believed to be a first for an Australian Lions district and follows the defeat earlier this year of a proposal by the MD201 Council of Governors at the Convention in Canberra for a national diversity policy.

That proposal failed largely because some voters believe clubs already demonstrate sound diversity and inclusion practices, spelled out in the National Code of Conduct. For his part, Alex believes the diversity/inclusion message still needs to be spread wider, promoted in the wider community. His C1 brief is to encourage diversity while reaching out to groups unrepresented in Lions. While to some it might sound like Big Brother is watching, Alex assures there is no heavy handedness in C1's new policies. He believes Lions is already "quite diverse in parts" yet, feels members and clubs can benefit from an awareness of what more can be done.

"It's just about spreading the message that if your club can embrace diversity and inclusion it would be a good thing," he says. "I guess it's about going through club by club and making sure people have got the information Club independence is always paramount, he says, adding that Lions should not "feel obligated to go out and recruit people that absolutely meet different demographics, purely so they can tick a box." "It's certainly not saying to any club you must have diverse members and you must have this and you must have that. It's about saying 'just welcome everybody that comes through – they might not be for your club (and if they are not) then refer them to a neighbourhood club. Then it will be positive in bringing in more members to Lions." Diversity and inclusion involve far more than seeking members of a multi-cultural background, he contends. "It could be someone with a learning or intellectual disability but who has the ability to serve. It could be someone from the LGBTIQA+ community. Yeah, it could be a whole lot of people who might look at Lions clubs and say it's 'just a load of old white men' when in reality it's not."

Making Lions clubs more publicly visible as being inclusive should be an aim, he contends I certainly believe you can't be what you can't see. If you're someone out there who is a culturally diverse person and you buy a sausage at a barbecue where noone is culturally diverse, then I guess you may think 'maybe that's not for me and I won't look into that'."

"Whereas if there is somebody (culturally diverse like you) then you might think 'oh, okay, clearly it's an organisation that is welcoming to everybody so maybe I'll look into it more'."

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#### **DIVERSITY, INCLUSION CONTINUED**

#### Accepting of all

Alex is well credentialed for such a role. A community liaison officer for South Australian and federal governments since 2005 and a former deputy mayor of the City of Salisbury, he has been passionately involved in community affairs since school days. Currently undertaking two post-graduate studies, he is involved with about 10 community organisations and admits his life



is happily hectic. Born in Greenwich, London, he has lived in Adelaide since he moved there with his parents when 13.

Keenly involved in the Rainbow movement and the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex, queer/questioning, asexual (LGBTIQA+) community, particularly in the areas of diversity and mental health, he facilitated Rainbow movement Lions and others taking part in the 2021 Adelaide Pride march.

To his great disappointment, the march was cancelled due to Covid restrictions. It would have been the first time South Australian Lions were officially allowed to bear the association logo in such a march, highlighting the fact "Lions is a diverse organisation accepting of all". As a compromise, District C1 joined with other organisations in producing videos of support, which were played at a live event and online.

Notably, C1's video contribution was the only one coming from a service club.

#### Salisbury club's diversity statement

We, the members of the Lions Club of Salisbury respect and acknowledge the diverse community we serve including the traditional owners, the Kaurna people, Salisbury residents from across the world and those born in this country.

We also respect and acknowledge community members with other differences including but not limited to differences of ability, belief, gender identity, outlook and sexuality.

We agree to treat everyone equally with kindness and through our service improve our community.

A DIVERSITY MESSAGE

"We have become not a melting pot but a beautiful mosaic. Different people, different beliefs, different yearnings, different hopes, different dreams."

- Former U.S. President Jimmy Carter, a serving Lion





# LIONS APPOINTS DEBORAH HUTTON AS AMBASSADOR FOR SKIN CANCER SCREENING PROGRAM

December 16, 2021/in HEALTH, NEWS, OUR STORIES /

Lions Australia have appointed Deborah Hutton as their first ever ambassador to advocate for their skin cancer screening and detection programs.

The media personality praised Lions after sharing a moving account of her own skin cancer battle at the 2021 Lions Convention in Canberra, singling out their mobile screening vans in Western and South Australia.

"These projects are vital in waking up Australians to the dangers of skin cancer," says Deborah. "It's critically important to get your skin checked, not only for yourself but for your loved ones." At the Canberra Convention, Deborah set a new chal-



lenge for Lions in New South Wales and Queensland to step up their fundraising efforts for their own skin cancer screening vans.

"Australia has one of the highest rates of skin cancer in the world," she said. "I'm calling on Lions to do more to reduce that level and its impact on families in two of our most pertinent states for skin cancer".

Deborah Hutton speaks at the 2021 Lions Canberra Convention

The incorporated charity, the Lions V Districts Cancer Foundation, launched its mobile skin check van in March 2021.

With over \$400,000 raised through the generosity of Lions Clubs and philanthropic donors, the van is now offering free skin check services, especially to those in rural and remote areas with limited access to specialist skin care professionals.

"These guys are amazing," Deborah told her social media followers after inspecting the new V-Districts van on show at the convention.

As it tours around, the unit will be a valuable resource for local people to access not only the skin check, but timely information about skin care and self-checking techniques.

"The fear is not finding something," Deborah explains. "The fear is that if you have something you can't detect and you leave it, you're not going to be around to tell your story – and that's scary."

As their first ambassador, Lions is excited for Deborah to lend her voice in raising awareness about the importance of skin checks and early detection through their skin cancer screening programs.

You can find out more about the program here.







# AROUND THE DISTRICT

#### **NEW CABINET TREASURER**



For personal reasons Rosemary Gale has resigned from the District Cabinet Treasurer position. Her decision has not been taken lightly and she will continue to consult in a non-paying roll as we transition. I will miss her dedicated service as a Lion, as a Past District Governor, and her many years as a Cabinet Treasurer, as I am sure others will.

Therefore, effective immediately, Gerry van Niekerk has been appointed into this role. Gerry will continue in his role as District Disaster Recovery Co-ordinator as well, and so

we ask that we all support him as much as we can, especially coming into the bushfire season. Gerry is the perfect fit for the role with his background as a qualified Chartered Accountant. He still runs his own Software development business specialising in Customised Business and Accounting systems, meaning he also understands Accounting systems and procedures.

If you or any Club has any current issues that require immediate attention, please advise Gerry at your earliest convenience.

Email <u>Cabtreas.C1@lions.org.au</u> or <u>gerry@csoftbsl.com</u>

Postal 31 Scotland Street, Wallaroo 5556

Wishing you all a safe and wonderful Christmas and may the New Year bring joy and prosperity to you all.

Kind regards

John Barnes District Governor

Last night I ordered a glass of wine with my dinner and the waiter asked for my ID. I replied do I look that young and the waiter said "No. I just wanted to see if you qualified for the Senior Citizen discount."





I pray that **2022** is a better year for all of us.





# AROUND THE CLUBS

#### **BURNSIDE CLUB NEWS**

November and December have once again been a very busy time for members. Our new shed was finally erected in the first week of December and we were able to have it set up well enough to put it to the test for our December sale.

It was a great success and will enable us to operate more efficiently in all weather conditions-it means we will not have to spend so much time setting up and will have protection in all conditions.

Our takings for the month came in at around \$1500 which is a little above average.

On saleday members also took the opportunity to put their LEHP training into use-we offered eye testing to both adults and children who were visiting our Bargain Centre and in this way created a link to possible future LEHP sites by handing on information.

Donations of goods continues to grow....we will need to do a big clean up over the January break and dispose of items that have been held for a long period of time.

Four members of our club attended the Red Cross Training held at Athelstone. This proved to be a valued exercise for us in preparing to deal with any disaster that may occur and require our attendance....particularly in assisting with the psych-ological welfare of those affected.

Our members are active in preparing for the 60th Birthday celebration for our club to be held on Saturday 14th May, 2022 at the Burnside Town Hall. This event will take the form of a Mayoral Civic Reception commencing at 2pm We invite any Lions who may have some past or present connection with the club to contact President Rob at Rob\_crookall@yahoo.com.au to allow an official invitation to be sent early in the new year.

Our dinner guest for the past meeting came from the Heart Research Foundation. Lion John Dunn continues to seek out Lifestyle Coordinators from any Aged Care Facilities to assist in provision of packages that may be useful in their work...if your club knows of any please contact John and he will follow up on this.-ph 0412456171

Our long serving Secretary, BarryTaylor, celebrated 63 years of service to Lions on 10th December...we congratulate Barry for a job well done. Barry continues to not only be club secretary but coordinates the sale of Lions Christmas Cakes for the club.

Finally we unfortunately are losing Lion Brett Lintvelt to Victoria....we will miss his expertise in giving valuations and in

our development of the club web site. Good luck into the future to Brett and to your family.



#### **FUN AT GILLES PLAINS**

35 members, partners, friends and visitors ebjoyed a Christmas Dinner at the Sttlers Tavern in Ingle Farm on 7th Dec.We were pleased to welcome visitors from Salisbury Club, Kadina Club and sevarl visitors wh were invited by Friends of Lions.

We were pleased to induct a new Lion into the club. Lion Ursula Henderon ws inducted by President PDG John McIn-









A couple of old timers Lion Ray and Lion Ted







# AROUND THE CLUBS

#### LIONS CLUB OF PETERBOROUGH & DISTRICT Inc. - NEWS UPDATE

The Lions Senior Citizens and Aged Pensioner's Christmas Dinner held on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November, 2021 in the Town Hall, for people aged over 60, was a very successful night, with about 90 people attending.

Lions members were kept busy on the night dishing up the meals that the High School students then served to the guests, providing drinks to the table, selling raffle tickets, co-ordinating the entertainment provided by local people and then cleaning up afterwards. Members set up the Town Hall the night before with the table and Hall decorations.

The event had been cancelled last year due to COVID, but has been going for over 35 years, so this is an important Lions tradition for the Community on the last Friday in November.

Our collection of 48 Pallet Christmas decorations made by a local tradie, and the Christmas Bows made by the Men's Shed, were painted by members and friends of Lions on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> November in the Lions Den.

These decorations were then put up by members with the help of the MFS on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November, in readiness for the Twilight Markets on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December and will then be taken down after New Year's Eve.

At the Dinner Meeting on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2021 Kay Pelton advised she dropped ring pulls to the Recycling Depot in Adelaide, which amounted to a 44 gallon drum full, giving us \$150.00!!

This money collected from ring pulls from the Community, is then cashed in at the Recycling Depot and then we send this to the Australian Lions Mobility Foundation to purchase mobility walkers.

As this was Kay's last meeting, before she moves to Adelaide, we would like to thank her for all her hard work over her 10 years in Lions, especially for taking the ring pulls to Adelaide to be recycled!! Thank you Kay! Goodbye and Good Luck.

On the weekend of 4 & 5<sup>th</sup> December, our Club hosted the Lions Skin Cancer Screening bus, which was a very successful weekend, with 118 people being screened by the screening team, including people from other towns.

Members enjoyed helping with the registrations, and also serving morning & afternoon tea and lunch. The Club really enjoyed this worthwhile, important project, which saw 54 people referred to their local doctors.

On Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December, Vanessa Malycha attended the High School Presentation Night on the School Oval, where she presented the Lions All Rounder Award for Year 10 on behalf of the Club.

Lions donated 15 Lions Mini Cakes to the local Meals on Wheels, so that the cakes could be given to their clients for a Christmas gift.

On Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December, the Twilight Markets, which were run by Lions, Rotary, Red Cross and the District Council was a very successful night with a large crowd enjoying the markets and Father Christmas and the children's movie.

Members helped Father Christmas hand out lollies for the children, whilst other members were busy selling strawberries and cream. The donuts again proved popular with long queues and with several orders for 28 and 38 donuts!! Members were still making donuts and an hour after the event finished at 8.30pm to get all the orders done!!

On this night, was also the cut off date for children's letters to Father Christmas. This project has been going for several years, with Father Christmas letters being sent to children in the town and also interstate.

We wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year!!





# AROUND THE CLUBS

#### **NEWS FROM TORRENS VALLEY CLUB**

The Lions Club of Torrens Valley have been busy selling tickets in our 2021 Christmas raffle. Members have been selling tickets out the front of Kloses Foodland Birdwood on Saturdays, outside Kersbrook General Store on 2 Saturdays during December, Mt Torrens Market on 5th December, and at Bunnings Modbury on Saturday 20th Nov, 9th December at Bunnings "Market Day" and on 18th Dec.

We also manned the Bunnings BBQ on Sat 18th with a change of shift at lunch time.

Christmas Cakes and puddings were also available from club members and at raffle sale points.

Our guest speaker at the November dinner meeting was David Kuchenmeister, from SAPOL Collision Reconstruction. A lot of work using physics, maths and investigations go into working out what went wrong and why an accident happened. A very interesting guest speaker.

The Club's coin drive continues with donation boxes in businesses within the local townships.

Our support to the local community pantry continues, with a donation of goodies for Christmas hampers for those in need or finding times difficult at present. A 10year Monarch award was presented by President Bruce to Lion Dennis Schilling at our last work meeting. Well done Dennis!

The Australia Day free breakfast, held in Gumeracha Federation Park, is our next event and planning is well underway.

As the year comes to an end, Club members attended a Christmas dinner with the theme of "decorated shoes". Previous years have been decorated hat and Christmas clothing. Surprisingly there were more men's decorated shoes than ladies!





### Lions Lip Gilbert Valley Lions Club



Hello Clare and Gilbert Valleys Residents, and those readers beyond our boundaries.

Well, Christmas is here again, and sooner than expected I have to say!

The Gilbert Valley Lions Club has been busy again this year raising funds to donate to many worthy local projects, and to other projects and events Australia wide.

A small club, that certainly does "punch well above its weight"!

Why not come along and become involved in the Riverton Cemetery Restoration Project, the Household Battery Collection Scheme, and a new Bicycle Project at a local school. A few hours a month is all it takes to give back. Get involved, have some fun!



The members of the Gilbert Valley Lions Club would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

For further information please contact
Pat Williams 0411 492 223





# AROUND THE CLUBS

#### **PORT AUGUSTA REQUIRES SUPPORT**

# Lions Helping to Make a Difference in Men's Health!

The Lions Club of Port Augusta has approved the featured service project for the current 2020/2021 year.

The district has a number of Lions clubs that are within the surrounding areas that could well be accessing this unit.

As the Zone 8 Chairperson I would like to invite the other Lions Clubs in Zone 8, as well Zones 7 and 9 to join with Port Augusta to raise this service project as a multizone Zone project. However, all district clubs are invited to support this project.

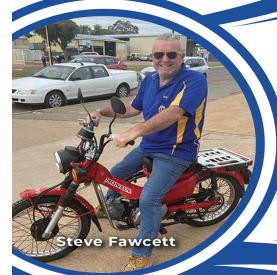
District Lions Clubs within Zones 7,8 & 9 including: Booleroo Centre & District, Cowell, Jamestown, Kimba, Orroroo & District, Port Pirie, Port Augusta, Peterborough & District, Quorn, Rocky River, Whyalla, Whyalla Mount Laura, and Wudinna.

The unit is expected to be commissioned by June 2022 and will ensure that public patients across the Health Network will have the same level of service that is available in Adelaide.



# Lions Challenge:

To raise \$45,000 to match The Male Bag Foundation's \$45,000 grant!



The Service project is to raise at least \$45,000.00 to assist in facilitating the purchase of a leading-edge prostate cancer biopsy machine for the Flinders and Upper North Local Health Network. The transperineal biopsy machine will be based at Port Augusta. The balance of the machine's cost will be assisted by funds raised by the Whyalla Prostate Support Group. With \$45,000.00 being donated by the Malebag Foundation.

Health Network CEO Craig Packard:

"...also thanked Port Augusta Lions who saw the unique health value of the project and immediately stepped up to raise funding for the Health Network. The Network and Lions are now in regular contact with the Foundation, and I am confident our shared mission will be delivered on time and have lasting benefits for our community".

#### **DONATE TODAY**

Mail cheques to:

Lions Club of Port Augusta
PO Box 644,
Port Augusta SA 5700

BSB: 035 065
Account #: 234 641
Account Name:
Lions MB Prostrate Account

Contact Steve Fawcett: 0477 003 102 www.portaugustalionsclub.org.au

England has no kidney bank, but it does have a Liverpool.





# AROUND THE CLUBS

#### **NEWS FROM WEST BEACH CLUB**

At its meeting on 17 November the club welcomed a new member, Sue Douglas, (pictured with 1 st VDG Zig) and a transfer member from the Rostrevor club, Robert Fletcher. Sue brings lots of enthusiasm and Robert lots of experience. Zone Chairman, Karen Hutchison, attended the meeting with some encouraging words for members.

The club continued its campaign of support for local organisations with a donation of \$500 for Xmas hampers for parents at West Beach Primary School.

David Parrish
President
Lions Club of West Beach





#### **WALLAROO LIONS CLUB TURNS 50**

The Wallaroo lions Club recently celebrated its 50<sup>th</sup> year since registering our Charter on Dec 16, 1971.

A dinner party was held at our Clubroom in Wallaroo, with a delicious 3 course meal, catered by Wallaroo local Samantha Taylor and her *Mumma Sam's* crew. A scrumptious birthday cake, provided by Ros Northey of Moonta, was quickly demolished and enjoyed by all.

Our event had the privilege to be attended by the last of our Charter members, Mick Mellow and his wife Kay, our Heritage Mural artist Julie Cheshire, and the late John Sullivan's wife Alison, who were the heart and soul of our club for many decades. Also attending were CCC Mayor Roslyn Talbot and local MP Fraser Ellis who unveiled our new Honour Board.

Our Wallaroo Lions local historian, Merv Birbeck, gave a talk about our Club history, and current President and MC for the night, Peter Hatcher, welcomed all and read out the congratulatory wishes from other Clubs and past members.

Our birthday cake was cut by Joy Rayner, wife of Club member, the late Ian Rayner, a Melvin Jones recipient. This Fellowship Award is the highest form of recognition in Lions International, and embodies humanitarian ideas consistent with the nature and purpose of Lionism.

Peter Hatcher would like to thank all that attended, those that organised, the caterers, and those that assisted to make the evening a great success. A special thanks to long standing member Irene de la Haye for the enormous effort she put in organising this event.

Peter and his fellow members would like to wish all a Merry and safe Xmas, and a happy and prosperous New Year. If you would like to find out more about becoming a member of our Club, please contact Greg MacKrill on 0433291211.







# AROUND THE CLUBS

#### **NEWS FROM GAWLER CLUB**



Malcolm Arthur retires from Lions after 14 years of valued service to our club and community.

Malcolm was thanked by DG John Barnes and given a James Richardson award for his service to the Gawler Lions Club.

Malcolm finished up at the Markets on Sunday the 19<sup>th</sup> December 2021

We would like to Thank Malcolm for all of his assistance and dedication.

Wishing Lion Malcolm all the best of health and happiness in the future.

The Lions Christmas Tree that was set up in the Railway

Station Kiosk to collect presents for families needing assistance at this time of the year.

Thank you Lions Maggie Graham, Helen McGee and Ann Hurst for you efforts and delivering the parcels

The presents were delivered to Community
House in Gawler to be given to people in need.



Lion Maggie Graham

delivered in excess of 100 presents to Community House-We would like to thank the Gawler Railway Kiosk for letting us use their shop for a drop off for presents

#### **ONKAPARINGA HAPPENINGS**

Members of the Lions Club of Onkaparinga enjoyed a special Christmas treat this month. For their annual Christmas dinner on December 13, they launched their new kitchen in the Oakbank Soldiers' Memorial Hall.

When the hall was threatened with closure through dwindling funds and waning public interest, the Lions got behind the efforts of a new committee and the hall is now thriving again. A monthly market and working bees have generated new life into the building which was built on land donated by the Edwards family to remember the sacrifice of the town's soldiers in the First World War. Not only did the Lions chip in . \$10,000 towards refurbishing the building, but they also donated a kitchen that had been given to them for sale in their popular Shed markets in Woodside. "It looks beautiful," club president Corry Moors said, "and the committee was delighted when it was installed to find that it all fitted within a quarter of an inch!" Kelsey's Cottage (restored many years ago as a major project of the Lions) at Balhannah catered for the occasion, and manager Bronte Peter said the new kitchen served the purpose admirably. It's a credit to the club, he said. Members were very pleased to see the results of their support for what now looks a particularly beautiful hall in this historic Hills town.









### LAUGHTER IS THE BEST MEDICINE

Teacher says to little Paddy... "The essay you wrote about your

wrote about your dog is word for word the same as your brothers"

"Of course it is" said Paddy. "It's the same dog"



Before Paddy goes to war he places a chastity belt upon his wife.

He locks it and gives the key to his best friend Mick. and says, "If I'm not back within four years, use the key, open the belt and enjoy."
Paddy then hops onto his horse and gallops off down the road.

After he has rode for about half an hour, he notices a dust cloud coming up behind him.

He stops and waits for the rider to catch up, and sees that it's Mick. "What's wrong?" asks Paddy.

Out of breath Mick replies, "Thank god I caught up with you! You left the wrong key!"

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I NEED TO ORDER A PART FOR YOUR GARBAGE DISPOSAL. IN THE MEANTIME, HERE'S A LOANER...

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From Westprint Maps

What is a New Year's resolution? Something that goes in one year and out the other.

What is corn's favourite holiday? New Ears Eve.

They say New York City has the best New Year's celebration, but I say it's overrated. Every year they drop the ball.

Some astronauts wanted to have a New Year's party on the moon, but they didn't planet in time.

What do farmers grow on January 1? New Year's Hay.

Why do you need a jeweller on December 31? To ring in the New Year.

What does the little Champagne bottle call his father? Pop!

I thought I got lost on New Year's Eve, but then I found the Auld Lang sign.

My New Year's resolution was to read more, so I turned on the subtitles on my TV.

I'm going to stay up late this New Year's Eve—not to ring in the New Year, but to make sure this one leaves.

My New Year's resolution is to procrastinate. I'll start tomorrow.

"Youth is when you're allowed to stay up late on New Year's Eve. Middle age is when you're forced to." Bill Vaughan

I was going to give up all of my bad habits for the new year, but then I remembered that no one likes a quitter.

Not to brag, but I already have a date for New Year's Eve—it's December 31.

At the beginning of the year, I made a resolution to lose 15 pounds. Only 20 more to go!

I'm not buying a 2022 calendar until I see the trailer.

Why did the man sprinkle sugar on his pillow on New Year's Eve? He wanted to start the year with sweet dreams.

What was the caterpillar's New Year's resolution? To turn over a new leaf.

What did the friends say to each other at midnight on New Year's Eve? "I haven't seen you since last year!"

Why do birds fly south for New Year's Eve? It's too far to walk.

"I promise not to make any bad jokes for the rest of the year." - A dad on New Year's Eve.

Why should you put your new calendar in the freezer? To start off the new year in a cool way.

What's the problem with jogging on New Year's Eve? The ice falls out of your drinks!

Knock knock. Who's there? Abby. Abby who? Abby New Year!

My New Year's resolution is to be more optimistic by keeping my cup half-full ... with either rum, vodka or whiskey.

Let's celebrate New Year's Eve ... by making many POUR decisions!

My New Year's resolution is to break my New Year's resolutions. That way I succeed at something!

I would lose weight for my New Year's resolution ... but I hate losing.

An iPhone and a firework were arrested on New Year's Eve. One was charged and the other was let off.











#### SEEDS OF HOPE. FROM LITTLE THINGS, BIG THINGS GROW.



#### Get set to plant commemorative gardens to mark 75 year anniversary in 2022

The countdown is on for the celebration of Lions Australia's 75th anniversary in September 2022.

Local Lions District 201C1 clubs are encouraged to start planning and planting commemorative gardens to mark the special occasion.

The goal is for Lions clubs across Australia to plant at least 75 gardens before the official anniversary in September 2022 and DG John Barnes says, "The gardens will be a great way to recognise the anniversary and celebrate the impact of Lions with the local community by creating their own colourful impact. We encourage the planting of commemorative gardens to recognise the significance of the occasion. Lions Australia's 75-year anniversary is an exciting milestone and a great opportunity to recognise our local volunteers who have made such a difference over the years. We look forward to planting and nurturing our Clubs gardens in the coming months and celebrating within the communities that we serve."

Early conversations have sprouted ideas such as "sensory gardens", native bush gardens, joining forces with local community groups on collaborative gardens and simple rose gardens. Each will take on their own life and grow into a lasting tribute to our community.

#### **TYPES:**

**Sensory Gardens**: Include features, surfaces, objects and plants that stimulate our senses through touch, sight, scent, taste and hearing.

**Community Gardens:** Single piece of land gardened collectively by a group of people. Community gardens use either individual or shared plots on private public land while producing fruit, vegetables, and/or plants grown for their attractive appearance.

Native Gardens: showcase innovative and artistic ways of using native plants on a domestic scale. These include examples of native plants used for hedging, structural planting, screening vegetation, specimen plants, formal and informal garden beds, pots, and as copses of trees

The District has draft letters for use to send to Councils for permissions to use areas and we are happy to discuss your initiatives to support ideas.



For more information about our 75-year anniversary, contact Lion Charlie, Public Relations 0424644624 <a href="mailto:charlie.com">charlie.com</a> <a href="mailto:com">charlie.com</a> <a href="mai







#### LIONS DISTRICT 201C1 CLUB COVID-19 CONSIDERATIONS

As Lions serving our community, we understand you will come into contact in the coming days/month with many people, and wish to encourage safety of your own self, above all others.

Lions Club officers should be aware by now of the need for compliance with Covid-19 rules as set by SA Health, and the need to protect members, volunteers, customers, beneficiaries and the community at large, from the risk of infection.

If you have the opportunity to implement safe distancing measures, including the use of regulated posters from SA Health, we encourage you to do so. However if not, we would like to think that you would discuss this with your Club at your earliest convenience. For example, Lions are currently selling Christmas Cakes and/or raffles at various venues around your area.

We would like to suggest the following guidelines:

- Have signs up if possible, displaying Covid safe practises.
- Have sanitisers available for people to use. Wash your own hands frequently.
- If your LGA (Local Government Area), you or your Club goes into lockdown, let us know. Contact me, Charlie or Gerry, the District Disaster Recovery Officer.
- Use this District Chat group on Facebook for quick conversations and updates where possible (a) District 201C1 Lion Members Chat Group
- If you need help understanding Covid-19 compliance and you haven't had any luck through usual channels, contact me, Charlie.

Wishing you all a safe fundraising week/month ahead.

**Charlie Robinson** 

**Lions District 201C1** 

**Public Relations and Marketing Officer**