

May 2024



# Lions District 201 C1 Lions Chronicles

## **DG Pete's Preamble**



nto May we roll, MD Convention month, Club development days starting and planning for our next Lions with the incoming boards starting to set their committees.

I will be attending the MD Convention and my final Council Meeting this month. I hope that I will see some of you in Darwin for what will be a relaxed tropical-themed convention.

Whilst planning, think about the service that is required in your community, what are the needs, we have eight Global Causes that are great ways to get ideas:

**Environmental**: could you run a cleanup campaign, do tree planting working with local schools, or recycling,

**Hunger**: running food drives, breakfast clubs at schools or possibly providing meals for those in need,

Humanitarian: Care packs,

**Vision**: why not run a vision screening at a school, community group or sports club with juniors. Fly-a-Kite for Sight, a great way to involve the community and share what Lions do.

**Diabetes**: get involved in our C1 Making Strides, run a Strides event to educate the public.

Whilst we are providing our service, we need to sell ourselves, and even

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### Anzac Day

Lions across South Australia supported their local communites on April 25. Check out a few of our clubs in action on the day.

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### **District Convention**

Have you registered for our 2024 District Convention in Cowell yet? Registration form available here.

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### **Sunshine Project**

Read about Charles Sturt Lions Club's Sunshine Project supporting victims of domestic violence.

### DG Pete's Preamble (cont.)

up-sell the work we do, our amazing Foundations and this incredible organisation we belong to. It is thorough telling the world the amazing work we do, how this work helps those in need, but also provides endless satisfactions to us as members.

Our new Lions Portal is now up and running, yes it has issues, it is not what we are used to, but I ask that we stay patient and try and utilise the new portal. If you find any issues or problems then please pass these on to our Cabinet members, especially our Cabinet Secretary Sandy Royal, Global Leadership Coordinator Megan Butler, or MyLCI/Portal support David Schwartz. They will ensure this gets passed to LCI. Working together and passing back the problems we find will ensure we get a usable Portal.

Ensure you get as many members to the Club Development days, as these will help you get ready for the next Lions Year.

These days are not just there for Presidents, Secretaries and Treasurers, they are for all club members, with most of the day being in support of the club and service as a whole. We will also help with some of the questions you may have with the New Portal.

Let's finish the year of strongly, making sure we pass on our Clubs and District to the incoming teams in the best possible position. Ready for them to provide even better service to our communities.

Yours in Service, Peter Korndorfer District Governor



Each month, we recognise and celebrate Lions' membership milestones.

<b>5 YEARS</b> Lion John Rohde Port Pirie	10 YEARS Lion Andy Sayer Port Augusta	15 YEARS Lion Robert Habner Tumby Bay & Districts	<b>25 YEARS</b> Lion Greg Musarra Adelaide Hellenic	40 YEARS Lion John Heffernan Athelstone-Rostrevor
Lion Lyn Bermudez City of Adelaide	Lion Kym Allen Paralowie	Lion Robin Allen Paralowie	Lion Peter Wilson Modbury	Lion John Neville <i>Moonta</i>
Lion Mark Stewart <i>Kimba</i>	Lion Maureen Sayer Port Augusta	Lion Simon Elmslie Prospect-Blair Athol	Lion Wilbur Williams Tumby Bay & Districts	50 YEARS
Lion Nicole Francis City of Adelaide	Lion Trevor Schmidt Barossa Valley	20 YEARS		Lion Dik Karssen West Beach
Lion Robyn Stewart Kimba		Lion Gary Koch Cummins & District		





### Club Charter Anniversaries

Each month, we will celebrate the anniversary of each club in our district.

May 2024

Celebrating 16 years

Stansbury Dalrymple - 10 May 2008

Celebrating 45 years

Gilles Plains - 14 May 1979

Celebrating 50 years

Whyalla Mount Laura - 3 May 1974

Celebrating 54 years

Balaklava & District - 12 May 1970

Celebrating 56 years

Clare District - 20 May 1968

Celebrating 59 years

Port Lincoln - 27 May 1965

Celebrating 62 years

Burnside - 4 May 1962



A Project of the Lions Club

of the City of Adelaide Inc.

## C1 Lions on Anzac Day























### HELPING AUSTRALIANS AFFECTED BY DISASTERS

### "ADOPT A FAMILY" THIS CHRISTMAS THROUGH LCIF

So many Australian families have been dislocated due to disastrous flooding throughout Australia.

With your Club's help, through LCIF, Lions will support needy families in Australia to help them reestablish themselves.

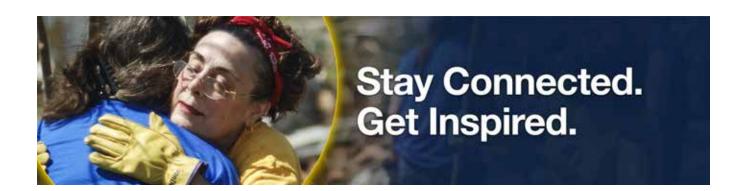
We encourage clubs to donate \$1,000 (or any amount they can manage), to "Adopt a Family".

### How will it work?

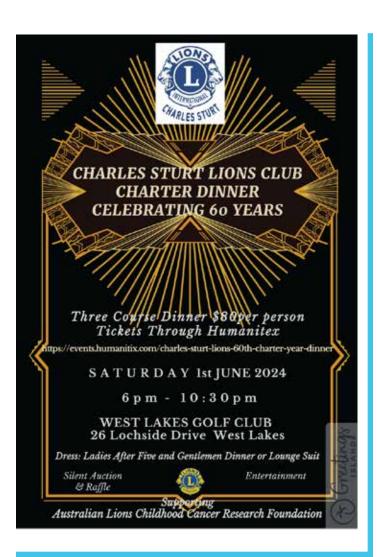
My "Adopt a Family" Donation

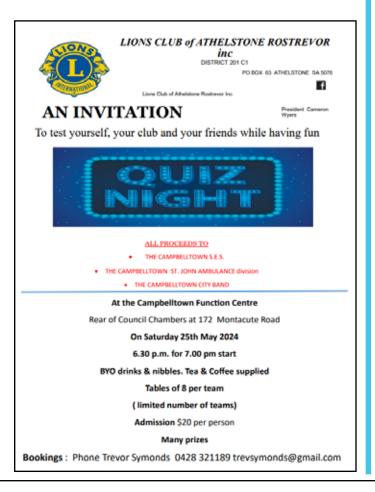
- 1. Clubs can donate funds to LCIF through their Cabinet Treasurer or make personal, taxdeductible donations through the Lions Australia Fund for LCIF.
- 2. Complete the form below to advise of your donation, and send this to our Lions Australian LCIF Officer, <a href="mailto:lcif.ops@lions.org.au">lcif.ops@lions.org.au</a>. This will ensure the funds are allocated to the "Adopt a family" cause.
- 3. The Multiple District will establish an administration committee to manage the funds. Funds will be allocated to affected districts for distribution through local clubs in flood affected areas. The administration committee will record the distributions per District.
- 4. Support will be allocated to families as advised by the Local Lions Club in consultation with the District.
- Note:- The video explanation from PIP Barry Palmer AO refers to vouchers. Due to LCIF constraints, we won't use vouchers but will purchase goods directly.

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District Treasurer		or	Lions Australia Fund for LCIF	
(Club Fundraising)			(Personal Tax-Deductible Donations)	



Individual Completing the Form	
Name	Date
Email	Phone
1.Support Cause — select 1 of following 3	3. Recipient of Recognition
Empowering Service Fund Disaster Relief Fund	Type of Recognition- please select one. Fellowships are for individuals only.  MJF PMJF
Other (May not be eligible for MJF credit)  Tax Deductibility — If required Lions Australia Fund for LCIF Inc. (Tax Deductible)	To be named later Memorial Plaque in memory of deceased recipient Corporate Plaque  Name – Exactly as it is to be engraved on the plaque
(Empowering Service, Disaster Relief & Lions Australia Fund are eligible for MJF credit)	
MJF credits to be used from previous donations:- Please Note – this section should only to be used if sufficient funds have already been deposited with LCIF –in the name of the donor - check your current credits with your LCIF District Co-ordinator. To transfer credits, an authorization letter from the Donor must be included.	Recipient Name
Use Credits from	For Memorial
2. Contribution Details	List the name if the MJF surviving family member to whom the plaque will be presented. (Needed for the letter to accompany the plaque.)
Donor Name (Lion, Individual, Club, District, business, foundation)  Donor ID # (If appliable)Donor District #	4. Shipping Information (Please Note – no shipping to PO Boxes)  Ship to Member ID # (If applicable)
Donor Club Name(if involved)Club #	Name
Amount of Contribution \$	Address
Full payment Instalment Final Instalment	CityStatePost Code
Lions making personal contributions towards an MJF also receive credit as a Lions Share Programme Member. The Lions Share Programme recognizes 3 levels of support. UD\$50 – 1 star, US\$100 – 2 stars, UD\$200 – 3 stars.	CountryPhone
☐ Yes! In addition to MJF credit, I would like a Lion Share Pin for my gift.	Recognition is sent once donation and form are received and processed.  Special Instructions/Notes
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Clubs/Districts where Tax Deductibility not involved – cheques payable to "LCI/LCIF" & sent to Dist. Cab. Treasurer	
AU\$ Cheque enclosed  Cheque # or EFT receipt #  For EFT Tax Deductible deposits	Send the completed form with your cheque/EFT receipt to your local Lions Club to forward to the DISTRICT CABINET TREASURER.
BSB 082 - 352 A/c# 24 - 477- 4889	Details in this form will be used to generate Tax Receipts
☐ EFT Receipt enclosed EFT receipt #	where applicable







## Welcome To Our New Lion Members

Welcome to the District C1 Lions Family.

### City of Adelaide

Chenghao Yang (Will) sponsored by Carol Hau

### **Elizabeth Playford**

Jenny Colosi sponsored by Erin Williams James Iverson-Blekic sponsored by Peter Korndorfer Katerina Iverson-Blekic sponsored by Megan Butler

#### Kadina

Brian Toole (no sponsor listed)

#### Moonta

James Babidge sponsored by Desmond Watts Stephen Hudson sponsored by Robert Mathews

#### **Tea Tree Gully**

Belinda Martin sponsored by Leslie Lawson

### Whyalla Mount Laura

Ugo Arcobelli sponsored by Barry Spry



## **Port Lincoln Lions**

A new ecofriendly unisex/disabled toilet has been completed at the Lions Park by the District Council. Photos are courtesy of Bevan and Heather Brine. Special mention to Billy for his caretaking and weekly work performed at the park.





## **Port Augusta Lions**

The Port Augusta Lions are a very busy club. Here is just a glimpse at two of their recent activities. Lion Barry presenting an appreciation certificate to SA Police for the Charity Golf Day, and Mick the 'Phone Book Whisperer' hard at work.





## Youth of the Year - State Final (C Districts)





The State Final (C Districts) for Youth of the Year was held on Sunday 7th April, hosted by the Lions Club of Barossa Valley. Ella Smith, from the Lions Club of Clare District, was the successful student winning both public speaking and overall.





Ella is now going to progress to the National Final in Darwin in May. Other state finalists were Susindu Maheepala (Glenside Lions Club), Jorja Mules (Kingston Lions Club), and Leo French (Brighton Lions Club).



## 2024 Lions District 201C1 Convention 11th - 13th OCTOBER 2024



### **Convention Registration Form**

Convention Location: Cowell Institute

Main Street, Cowell, SA

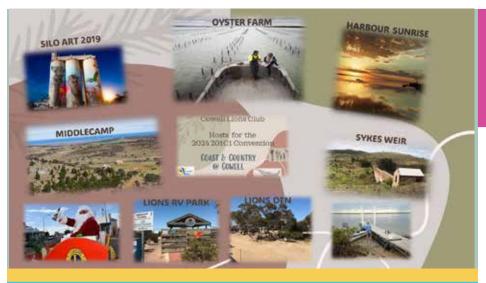
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Lion	2				
Partner	3				
Guest	4				

DATE	EVENT	TIME	Location
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	Delegate Registration Session 1 – Convention Opening Flag Ceremony Mayoral Reception Fellowship	3.30 pm – 5.00 pm 5.00 pm – 9.00 pm	Cowell Sporting Complex
	Delegate Registration Session 2 – AGM Welcome, protocols, acknowledgements AGM includes Morning Tea	7.30 am - 8.30 am 8.45 am - 12.15 pm	Cowell Institute
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Lunch	12.15 pm - 1.15 pm	
October	Session 3 Guest Speaker Guest Speaker Afternoon Tea Guest Speaker Forums/Info session	1.30 to 4.30 pm	
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> October	District Dinner Turners Barn  (Nibbles, Oysters, (Two) Course Dinner Entertainment, Raffle & Silent Auction (Sheep Shearing, Oyster	6.00 pm for 6.30 pm	Turner's Barn
Evening	Shucking) Dress: Coast to Country (Shearers, Squatters Fishermen, Surfers, Beach babes etc) Music by Kingsley Smith	8.30pm till late	
	Breakfast at Cowell Marina, Sponsored by Richmond Lions Club	9.00 am - 10.00 am	
	Remembrance ceremony	10.00 am — 10.30 am	
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> October	Closing Ceremony and Remarks. Flag handover to City of Adelaide Club	10.30am – 11.00 am	Cowell Marina (Weather permitting)

Program may change

### **Dietary needs**

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Saturday Lunch, refreshments	@ \$15 pp		No:	
Gala Dinner Only	@ \$60 pp		No:	
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* Cheques to be made payable to: Cowell Lions Club Convention				
Cheques posted to: PO Box 97, Cowell, SA 5602				
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Upon payment, please email remittano	e notice to Convention	Treasurer: Bruce at bruce.judyr@	pigpona.com	
Please submit completed Regist 2024	tration forms either b	by email or postal by Monday	30 <sup>th</sup> September	
Bruce.judyf@bigpond.com	i			
or PO Box 97, Cowell, SA, 5	6602			
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## Coast to Country @ Cowell 2024 Convention Update

reminder that it's only about 23 weeks to the "Coast to Country @ Cowell" Convention on October 11th -13th 2024.

Early Bird Registrations by June 1st will qualify to be the draw for a free registration.

Richmond Lions Club have kindly donated \$2,000 to sponsor the Breakfast & Remembrance Ceremony on Sunday 13th.

The Port Augusta Lions Club donation of \$1,000 will assist in funding the Mayoral reception & "Meet & Greet" on Friday 11th.

There will be further updates on the program, entertainment, food menus in the next couple of months

If any 201/C1 Lions Club, (or organisations that Clubs' know of), would like to contribute towards the cost of running the convention, the committee would be most grateful if you could contact:

Allan Zerna Convention Chairman "Coast to Country @ Cowell".

Email: zone9.c1@lions.org.au Phone 0427 292 088













he Lions Club of Glenside hosted a children's vision screening at the Glenside Lions Club Bookmart as an add-on to the Burnside Council family open-air film showing in Tusmore Park.

Thank you to our members for their involvement, and great to have our District Governor, Peter Korndorfer, engaged in the service delivery at this event.



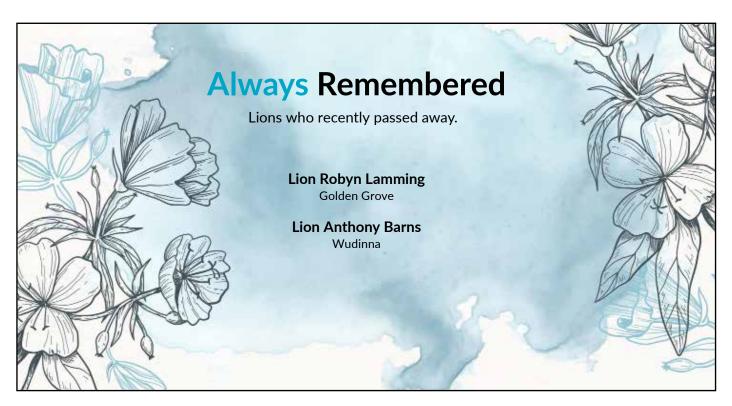




The 201C1 2026 Convention Committee needs new members to help plan and implement the MD201 Convention at the Adelaide Showgrounds in May 2026.

If you believe you have something to offer and would like to be part of the Convention Committee, please give me (Rob Royal) a call on 0418 803 938 There is a lot of work to do, but it will be fun, and you can be part of it!

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## PR Trailer Bookings 2024

he PR Trailer comes with all the PR materials you need, but you are welcome to utilise your club's own materials. We just ask that the trailer is returned in the same condition is was picked up.

You will need to organise with PDG Dean Noll or VDG Peter Korndorfer, pick up and drop off of the trailer. It is generally housed in Gawler, and the facility is not accessible on the

weekend. The trailer may also be stored at other locations depending on use. Please get in early and organise the pick up and drop off.

Please note that the trailer will need to be signed for when picking it up.

Bookings are below. Remember to plan, and book early.

Club	Dates Required	Event
Salisbury Lions Club	22 September 2024	Dogs Day Out 2024
Gilbert Valley Lions Club	27 October 2024	District Emergency Services & Volunteer Day

The trailer will either be at the Lions Club of Gawler or The Lions Club of Elizabeth Playford. Contact VDG Peter Korndorfer on 0402 483 059 or korndogg1866@gmail.com for more information.

## Charles Sturt Lions' 'Sunshine' Project

t our General Meeting on March 16th, we welcomed Tammy Rees the Fundraising Engagement Coordinator for Anglicare who received the twenty bags created, for their "Turning Point" Program, which supports women fleeing domestic violence. These bags contained emergency clothing, cosmetics, reading material and even individual smaller packs for children.

The vision for this project was to tell the victims of domestic violence that they are not alone, that others hear them, others care and there will be a "Sunrise" again. A small light in a time of darkness.

These bags were the culmination of six months' work by club members Afroz Martino and Gay Dawson and were the essence of our Lions "Sunrise" Project supporting women fleeing domestic violence.

- We also welcomed Grant Pearson the General Manager Mission and Business Development at BaptistCare
- Gillian Lewis who is a committee member of BaptistCare/White Ribbon, and
- Mike McCarthy, both hard working founding members of White Ribbon Breakfast.

Many elements came together to make this project happen, so a huge thank you to White Ribbon and the Lions Club of Charles Sturt who jointly funded our project.

Generous donations came from

- Terry White Chemist at Fulham,
- Claire from Parafield Pharmacist and
- Puddle Jumpers Charity Store Mile End.

A huge thank you also to Afroz for her generous donation of beautiful, positive "stones", as well as Elle Dawson-Scott and Jess Royans who created colourful keyrings for each bag. We also thank family and friends for their patient support along the way.









## **Lions Club Number Plate Frames**

he Lions Club of Noarlunga Morphett Vale have for sale, promotional Lions Club Vehicle Number Plate Frames.

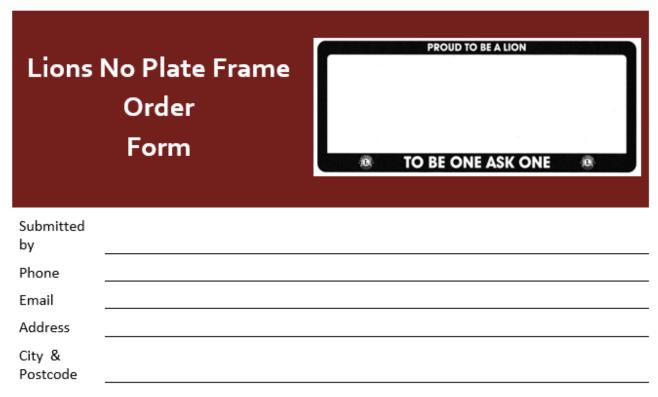
The club is pleased to announce that profit generated from all sales will be forwarded to the Australian Lions Foundation to be used in the provision of grants to Lions Clubs for approved projects for the betterment of their communities.

The frames are suitable for use on standard size Australian vehicle number plates as seen below.

The cost is \$15.00 per pair plus freight.



Therefore should members in your club wish to obtain these frames it would be beneficial to order a quantity rather than singly.



Quantity	\$15 per pair of frames	Amount

Total

Lions Club of Noarlunga Morphett Vale Contact email lionsnmv@gmail.com Ph 0493 282 622 PO Box 101 Morphett Vale 5162

Bank account details BSB 105136 Account no 521709340

## Semaphore Skin Cancer Screening Event

ecently our GMA New Clubs team liaised with LMRF to Corganise a skin cancer screening as a community service and promotion on LeFevre Peninsula. This event was held over two days on Saturday 6 and Sunday 7 April.

152 local people were screened over the two days, which means that the event was fully booked out. Unfortunately, another 80 people, who saw the truck on site at the beautiful Semaphore foreshore, were unable to be screened. They were all given details about future screenings, in particular the upcoming one at Playford Civic Centre on April 19 - 21.

The hard-working screeners reported that, while referrals to a medical practitioner were down in number when compared with previous screenings, the number of younger people choosing to be screened was much higher than normal. This is very encouraging, and it may indicate that the SunSmart message is being taken seriously by our younger members of society. They have certainly been bombarded with SunSmart messages throughout their schooling.

Another positive outcome from this event was the number of conversations we were able to have with those members of the public waiting to be screened. We chatted about our wonderful organization, and the great value of volunteering to the community and to ourselves. We were also able to promote our many projects, including skin cancer screening and Hearing Dogs. It was clear that we made a very good impression because of the glowing comments made by the numerous people we spoke to. Several expressed an interest in joining Lions as a result. However, only time will tell whether they actually join a club.

Our GMA team requested a skin cancer screening event to raise the profile of Lions on the LeFevre Peninsula. We believe that we were successful in doing so. The truck was clearly visible in this highly popular location, and number of visitations showed that its' service was very sought after. We wish to commend the screeners, truck driver and admin staff on their professionalism and dedication to this essential service, and we also thank the West Lakes Seaton Lions members for their support with this very successful event.

**GMA Team** 









## Lions Club of Whyalla - 60th Anniversary Dinner

n Saturday 6th April, 2024, 48 Lions, Lions partners and special guests attended our Club's Anniversary at Weeroona Bay Football Club.

Special guests included DGE Steve Fawcett and his wife Ann-Marie, Federal Member for Grey, Rowan Ramsey and his wife Teresa and Whyalla City Council Mayor, Phill Stone and his wife Bronwyn.

In the 60 years since the Whyalla Club was chartered, we have had 39 different Presidents, with 8 serving twice, 4 serving 3 terms and only Meg has serviced 4 terms. There has been 21 Secertaries and 21 Treasurers. The Club has had a District Governor, whose wife attended, 5 Vice District Governors, several Region and Zones Chairman, a Christmas Cake Chairman and various other Cabinet positions. The Whyalla Club had a Ladies Auxiliary from 1970 to 2001.

The Club has had a total of 330 members since Chartering and currently has a membership of 15. The Club has awarded 6 Melvin Jones Fellows' and 7 James D Richardson Honour Awards

DGE Steve was called upon to present our current President Meg Hill with a James D Richardson Honour Award for Service to the Community. Meg has been President of the Whyalla Club for 4 terms. She is responsible for collecting and onforwarding approximately 1,500 pairs of eye glasses a year for the past 6 years, looks after the Lions Mints and has attended and organized our weekly BBQ's for the past 6 years. Meg is also a Life Member of the Whyalla Garden Society and member of the Whyalla Ladies Probus Club.

Past member. Bronte Cameron was bestowed the honour of cutting the anniversary cake. Bronte was inducted into the Whyalla Club in October, 1970 (Club member 93) before transferring to Adelaide in 1977. He has remained in constant contact with our Club assisting with the Lincola Camps in Victoria as well as returning for our weekends at Point Lowly Lighthouse Cottages. Bronte brought along Training Hearing Dogs Woody for the event and Woody was very popular on the evening.









## **Lions Club of Peterborough News**

ions were at the Festival Markets on Saturday 30 March from 9-2pm in the Main Street, selling donuts from the Lions Van, with the donuts being very popular with the large crowd. Other members were in a marquee next to the van, selling bingo tickets, Lions cakes & soft drinks & chocolates.

Members joined in the Lions Zoom Meeting, re: the ATO requirements for clubs on Thursday 28 March.

At our Works Meeting on Tuesday 2 April, at 5pm prior to the meeting, members enjoyed a delicious Bbg, with lovely salads made by the members. It was decided to hold these social Bbq's at the Works Meetings prior to the meeting at the start of Spring, Autumn and Summer.

At this meeting, the Club agreed to donate \$2,500.00 to the Basketball Association for their projects, including training youth etc. This donation was due to our successful sales in the basketball canteen over the basketball season.

Members have been busy distributing telephone books around

the town, dropping them into residential letterboxes or the local business houses. Some members worked on their own, whilst others worked in pairs in different sections of the town.

This project had a month deadline of Sun 21 April, and the funds received from this project will be going into our administration account.

Members have been selling bingo tickets in the Main Street near the Foodland Supermarket from 9-12pm on Thursday 11 April and Friday 19 April.

Our Club is looking forward to hosting the 'Australia's Biggest Morning Tea' for the Cancer Council on Friday 10 May 2024 at the Senior Citizen's Hall, Main Street from 10am-12pm.

Members will make delicious scones & slices for the event. Entertainment for the morning, will include our St. Joseph's School Choir, and a skit by the Peterborough Primary School reception students.







## Radio Promo

lub Presidents and Secretaries: Lion Nick Brown (President of the Lions Club of Gawler) will be pleased to promote any upcoming projects, events and/or activities that your club may have on PBA-FM (FM 89.7 in the northern suburbs or listen on www.pbafm.org.au.)

For more information, or to share your club's news and upcoming events, please contact Lion Nick email nick.brown@pbafm.org.au or call him on 0417 014 431.



## **Around Our District**















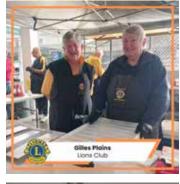


























## **Australian Lions Hearing Dogs (ALHD)**



ational Volunteer Week (NVW) this year is running from Monday 20th to Sunday 26th of May. This special weeklong event provides an opportunity to celebrate and appreciate the vital support the millions of volunteers in our country has given to the community. It also highlights the important role of volunteers in our communities, organisations and schools.

This 2024, the theme for National Volunteer Week is 'Something for Everyone', which recognises the diverse passions and talents everyone brings to the act of volunteering.

Lions Clubs takes on a major role when it comes to giving and supporting the various community, building projects such as Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation, Lions Disaster Relief, and Lions Eye Health Program.

Australian Lions Hearing Dogs is one of Lions projects, initially founded in 1980. For 43 years, Hearing Assistance Dogs has been trained and delivered to help Australians who are deaf or hard of hearing. Since 2022, Diabetic Alert dogs are also being delivered to Australians with type 1 diabetes. All of this being achieved freeof-charge due to the support of Lions all around Australia.

We want to thank all Lions for everything you've done for the organisation. Our Assistance Dogs wouldn't doing the amazing work they are doing today without you.



## **GMA Update - April 2024**

s reported in recent articles, our district numbers do fluctuate, last month we went down and as of 24th April we are now 1084 members strong, a nett increase this Lions year of +21. We are still way off our target of +1 for each club with the aim of getting back to over 1,250 within the next 3 years. So again, it highlights the need for that extra special effort in these last two months of this Lions year.

So let us all put in a big effort to grow our clubs, and as we all know, if we do not have a strong group of active members, our clubs will be limited in what sort and number of community service activities we can deliver. As in prior reports I again urge clubs to check out the LCI website https://www.lionsclubs.org and search for "troubleshooting guide for clubs". If you need help, contact me by email at gma.c1@lions.org.au or phone 0418 803 938. Remember the GMA team are here to assist you not just in the planning, but to provide any additional personal resources your club needs.

One way of increasing our membership overall, and in our existing clubs is to consider establishing a Club Branch within your club. Club branches are attractive for two key reasons. The first is that a Club Branch can be established with only 5 members. This makes it possible to establish a Lions presence in a small locality where it will be impossible to establish a "stan-

dard" club which requires 20+ members to charter. This is especially the case in the smaller regional towns in our district.





The second reason is that we can target existing community groups that want to serve their community, but do "their own thing" and do it "their way" in terms of meeting frequencies & timings, types of activities etc. These groups may currently not be interested in joining an existing Lions club for a whole lot of varied reasons, but the Club Branch approach allows them to do so. And remember, what we do is all about serving our community, and Lions Clubs offer that opportunity for likeminded service-oriented people to do just that. As a member of the MD GMT team, I'm in the final stages of publishing a discussion paper on the why and how to establish Club Branches. As soon as this is approved by the MD GMT team, I will be sending a copy to all clubs, so watch this space. Give it some thought, and please contact me if you have any questions.

PDG Rob Royal 201C1 GMA Coordinator



## **Lock Lions Club Offer**

he Lock Lions Club has a fairly unused gopher that we had available for community use. Since we have purchased it it hasn't been used much and feel it could best serve other communities.

In our last meeting, we had decided to sell the gopher on, but before we sold it to the general public we thought to offer it to our neighbouring clubs to see if they would like to purchase it first.

We paid \$5,100.00 for it back in 2014 and we are open to offers. Do you think you could reach out to other clubs for us and see if anyone would be interested in purchasing it.

This is a great letting asset to help community members who may not have the means of getting a gopher themselves or only need one for a short period of time.



## **Lions Volunteers** in Port Pirie

n a generous move to enhance the City CBD's public seating, the Lions Club of Port Pirie, with significant support from the Australian Lions Foundation, has installed six new benches. Adorned in the striking green and gold, these benches are not just functional; they also beautify the area with the official International Lions Emblem.



Two of these benches have found their place on the main shopping street, offering a picturesque view of the Flinders Ranges. Additionally, two benches enhance the council areas, while the remaining two, equipped with specially designed tables, grace the city centre Memorial Park. This initiative, approved by the City Council, showcases the club's commitment to community service and ensures the Lions emblem is a permanent fixture in strategic locations around the city.

The Lions Club of Port Pirie extends its gratitude to the Australian Lions Foundation for their generous grant, marking a significant contribution to the city's infrastructure.

> Sharing stories from Lions Clubs around SA Please contact Pat Williams 0411 492 223

### **Gilles Plains News**

Ith the recent news regarding the lopping of burnt trees, causing displacement of the local koala's on Kangaroo Island, Lion Jean Carr, from Gilles Plains Lions Club inspired the club to donate \$500 to Kangaroo Island Wildlife Network. Gilles Plains Lion Peter and Lion's lady Beth while visiting Kangaroo island met with Kangaroo Island Wildlife Network president Katie and presented her with a certificate and \$500 was transferred. KIWN were very grateful and thankful for the donation.



And another successful sausage sizzle at Bunnings Windsor Gardens.





## **Jokes From Around C1**



From Cowell Lions Club







RIGHT NOW, THEY'RE ARGUING OVER WHO LOST THE KEYS SHOULD I TELL THEM OR JUST SIT BACK AND LAUGH.

From Modbury Lions Club

Q: Why do nurses need a red crayon?

A: So they can draw blood!

From City of Adelaide Lions Club

What happened to the lions after he ate the comedian? He felt funny.



From City of Adelaide Lions Club



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See you in Cowell in October 2024