



# 201W2 DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

**WE SERVE**

**AUGUST 2010**

FROM THE DG's DEN:

## Top speakers for convention

We are now into our second month of our Lionistic year, the first cabinet meeting of our district has been held and all our affairs are in order. I invite any member of our district who can find the time to attend any future cabinet meetings to do so.; it is your cabinet trying to make a difference for all members.

I have commenced club visits, how satisfying



Graham Edwards and Bob Korotcoff

it is to get a better picture of how clubs are making their communities a better place. No wonder you are so highly praised by those you serve. Our International President theme this year is 'A Beacon of Hope'.

He has challenged Lions to create more hands on community service this challenge compliments my theme of 'Creating Caring Communities'.

Messages to all club presidents please involve

all members in your club plans for your year this will create a spirit of teamwork and can only benefit your club.

Do you want some fun, fellowship, learn something new or just catch up with old friends? If you answered yes then come to Northam get some friends together and register for your convention. I have put together some

wonderful Speakers for your enjoyment PID Barry Palmer and Anne, IPCC Phil Lawler and Darlene, PDG Bob Korotcoff on insurance, a wonderful presentation on TINO a podcast for 16 to 25 yrs

To help them with life's challenges. My keynote speaker is a wonderful Aussie icon and Vietnam veteran Graham Edwards who also happens to be a Melvin Jones Fellow.

On Sunday, August 1 the Bull Creek Lions Club held their annual tree planting and remembrance ceremony. What a moving and

solemn day. Close to 100 Lions and their families from both districts attended, reflecting on past Lions who gave years of service to their communities. This project was started by PDG Bill Robertson 11 years ago

Who, as I write this is going through his own health battle, to Bill and Kaye our best wishes from all from Lions in W2.

I would like to leave you with a few words from our International President Sid.



DG Terry Gray.

*"When the raging storms of life rush in bringing darkness*

*When dreams fade away and despair takes its place*

*Then like a faithful lighthouse on the distant shore*

*A Lion stands as a ray of light to show the way'*

*Wear your badge with pride".*

*Yours in Service*

**-Terry Gray, District Governor.**

### Congratulations to our new Life Members

Lion Ralph Herring, Hyden; Lion Roy Stubberfield, Manjimup; Lion Norma Fabry and Enzo Menara, Pinjarra.

### VALE

Kwinana Lion Clary Knapton and Mandurah Lion William Cooper.

### Welcome new members

#### CLUB

Bridgetown  
Dardanup  
Dunsborough

Harvey

Manning  
Mandurah  
Margaret River

Northam

City of Bunbury Leschenault Rachel Calhoun

#### MEMBER

Irene Devery  
John Starr  
Andrew d'Espeissis  
Tim Morgan  
Ian Ridgeway  
Michael Wood  
David Vincent  
Des McLean (Honourary)  
Kaye Exell  
Bennell Bingham  
Rachel Calhoun

#### SPONSOR

Marcia Nicholls  
Robert Wells  
Max Terlick  
Robert Clements  
Frank Le Grande  
Ed Bacich  
Robert George  
Peter Lamb  
Beryl Anderson  
Barry Bristow-Stagg  
Kaye Chatt

### District Governors visitation list

September 1	East Fremantle	16	Beverley
4	WI Cabinet	18	Charter Millbridge Lions Club
5	WI Cabinet	20	Norseman
8	Boyup Brook	21	Esperence
9	Balingup Bridgetown	24-27	Broome WI Convention

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# 39th ANNUAL DISTRICT CONVENTION 201W2



HOSTED BY LIONS CLUB OF NORTHAM (Inc)

8<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER, 2010

## REGISTRATION FORM

VENUE: BRIDGELEY CENTRE, WELLINGTON STREET, NORTHAM  
CLOSING DATE FOR REGISTRATIONS IS 8<sup>TH</sup> SEPT. 2010

Lion/Leo/Lioness/PDG/PCC/PID .....(First Name) .....(Surname) .....

Lions/Leo/Lioness Club of .....District .....

Are you a Delegate? YES NO Is this your First Convention? YES NO

Partner's Name .....  
(If Partner is a Lion, Lioness or Leo please register on a separate form.)

Postal Address (Number and Street) .....

Town/Suburb ..... State..... Postcode .....

Home Telephone: .....Mobile: .....

Work Telephone: .....Email: .....

Code	Day	Time	Function	No:	Cost	Total
1	Fri	9.00pm	Supper		12.00	
2	Sat	10.30am	Morning Tea		9.00	
3	Sat	12.30pm	Lunch		18.00	
4	Sat	2.30pm	Afternoon Tea		9.00	
5	Sat	7.00pm	Dinner Dance ***		40.00	
6	Sun	10.30am	Morning Tea		9.00	
7	Sun	12.30pm	Lunch		18.00	
8			Convention Fin		3.50	
*** Limited Seating Book Early					Sub total	\$
Less Early Bird Registration Fee (quote receipt #)						\$
					Total	\$

SPECIAL DIETARY REQUIREMENTS: .....

Please forward completed Registration Form & Cheq. To: PO BOX 901, NORTHAM, WA 8401

CHEQUES PAYABLE TO: LIONS CLUB OF NORTHAM 201W2 Convention Account.

DIRECT DEPOSIT: BANK WEST NORTHAM, BSB 306 028 A/C: 036 7606

CONTACTS: Lion El Rewell 9621 2514 0409 576 560 Lion Lloyd Westbrook 0429 184 324

Email: [elgrah@westnet.com.au](mailto:elgrah@westnet.com.au)

Registration office opens Friday, October 8, 4.30pm. Saturday, October 9, 7.30am.  
Accommodation contact the Northam Visitor's Centre. Ph: 9622 2100  
Email: [tourist@northam.wa.gov.au](mailto:tourist@northam.wa.gov.au) Web: [www.visitnorthamwa.com.au](http://www.visitnorthamwa.com.au)

# VALE: Bill Cooper

Bill Cooper was inducted into the Mandurah Lions Club in April 1988. The late Lion Ross Bentley had invited Bill to join. At this point we were yet to learn about Bill the Dynamo. At that time Bill was still working with Alcoa and he had already been involved in the community with the then PCYC.

Bill involved himself in club activities from the start. He joined the board first in 1992 and served as a director for various terms until 2010.

I don't recall Bill being given any project. He just took them. We will never know the extent of Bill's work done in the name of Lions. I'm sure we will find out as we move forward.

Bill had a personal interest in all that he did. He has been the caretaker for the Lions Hall for many years. In his own way he has seen to the upkeep and maintenance of Our Block.

For many years Bill was the mainstay of Trash & Treasure along with his mate Lion Ray Osborne. Many times Bill would advise the club (after the event) that he was able to help needy families from his shed of beds, mattresses, dressing tables, wardrobes and all manner of household equipment.

Bill built a solid Mint round as part of his work. The sale of Mints has grown to be a major fund raiser for the club.

Father Christmas deliveries again relied heavily on Bill to get the job done.

In 1999 the club awarded Bill with a James D Richardson Award in recognition for his work with Lions. And in 2008 Bill and partner Mary (pictured) were recognised for their con-

HELLO fellow Lions. Its great to have this opportunity to bring you up to date with preparation for our "Heart of the Valley" Northam Lions Convention to be held on October 8, 9, 10, 2010.

Convention is the time for all Lions Leos, and their partners to come together, participate, make new friends, and renew acquaintances, talk about all of our various projects, celebrate the successes of the past twelve months, and clearly the beginning of a new Lions year.

Mark the dates on your calendar and get ready to register for this convention. The Convention is rapidly approaching, and our organising committee have been hard at work ensuring that our list of jobs have been placed in priority. Laughter and friendship are high priority on our lists, along side the serious business of convention. The caterers are booked,

W1 PDG Jack Le Cras was quick off the mark to outline his intentions of organising a Fun and Frolic in the Park to raise funds for Lions foundations. It all happened over a beer or three after the Sydney International convention.

Jack told the District Newsletter that. . . "Here is your chance to join a project which has the opportunity to provide the beneficiaries The Big Three - foundations (Cancer, Hearing and Sight) with considerable funds and at the same time put Lions out front.

"Something that has not been attempted previously. A weekend of walk, ride or a jog in a park and at the same time have a bit of fun."

The venue Perry's Paddock in Ocean Reef Road, Woodvale. A huge open space.

"We invite Lions to a meeting at the Lions Eye Institute at on Monday, August 30 at 7.30pm to put the elbow in the water and see if we can pull out the rabbits," PDG Jack said.

"Done rightly we could have some 7,000 persons participating over the weekend. This is not just for Lions. It is for families, groups, organisations - corporate and otherwise.

"If you know of someone else who would be interested enough to come along on the evening just invite them. The more the merrier," Jack said.

Questions to Jack LeCras by phone 9409 1014  
email:jack.lecras@ozemail.com.au



tribution to Lions and the community by the presentation of a Melvin Jones Fellowship.

We and the community are going to miss Bill in ways we are yet to discover. Bill may

## Northam convention is the Heart of the Valley

the venues confirmed, budgets set, guest speakers and entertainment organised. The display area in the Town Hall has adequate space for all interested in having a display. Those interested in organising a display need to contact the convention secretary as soon as possible, and then an official display application form can be sent out.

The Saturday night dinner has been organised and we hope that you will look forward to re-grouping and enjoying the social part of the convention.

We have a magical scenic drive through the Avon Valley and a must see local winery. We are famous for hot air ballooning, which hap-

you rest in peace for you have certainly given freely of your labour time and means.

**-John Osborne, President Mandurah Lions club.**

pens in the valley every year, from early May throughout the months up to and including October. There is a small museum at the Visitor's Centre that depicts many of the stories of early migrant camps and settlers in the Avon Valley. Northam boasts excellent modern facilities and amenities such as hotels/motel, B & B's, guest houses, or a caravan park which are all within ten minutes of the Convention Centre.

Take a stroll in the beautiful Bernard Park, on the banks of the Avon River, walk the bridge to bridge walk, stand on the spot where the famous Avon River Descent race starts.

Why not take the opportunity to enjoy a coffee at the Rivers Edge Cafe and see the amazing white swans. That is simply, why you should come to Northam.

**-Lloyd Westbrook, Convention Chariman.**

## FUN AND FROLIC IN THE PARK

LOCATION: PERRY PADDOCK, OCEAN REEF ROAD, EDGEWATER/WOODVALE

DEC has agreed to make the area available at no cost

**PROPOSED DATE: 26 and 27 FEBRUARY 2011**

OBJECTIVE: TO RAISE FUNDS FOR THREE LIONS

FOUNDATIONS. FORMAT: Suggestions **only**

The weekend could be divided into five sessions of activity.

Saturday morning. Fun, amusements, with a carnival type atmosphere. Animal walk.

Saturday afternoon. Family bike riding on a figure of eight circuit.

Prizes for best decorated bike. Saturday 4.30 to 6.30. Concert.

Sunday morning. Family run - short track and long track  
Sunday afternoon. Team relay racing or family conscious activity  
Committee (Initial). Vice District Governor from each District.

District Chairpersons of each Foundation from each District.

Representatives from the three Institutes. Representative from

each Foundation. Club representatives. City of Joondalup will

support. Local MP Andrea Mitchell anxious to help.

# CARAMEL FUDGE, A NEW PRODUCT

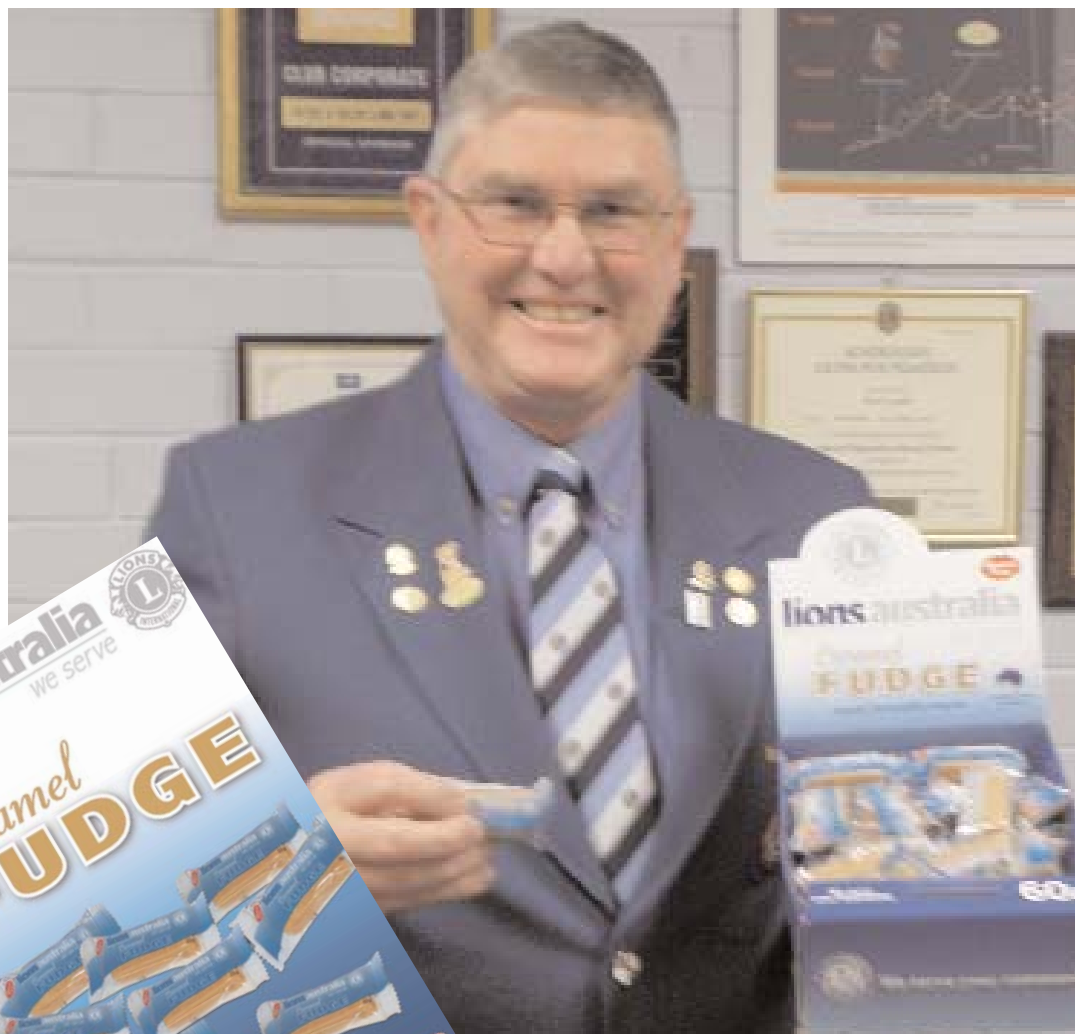
HAS your club tried our new product yet? Lions Australia presents Caramel Fudge. This great new product has been added to the Mint Program.

Your club will make **over 100% profit** with each Caramel Fudge display box. There are no start up costs and you can start straight away with a 30 day account available.

Each carton contains six displays. These each contain 50 pieces of individually wrapped fudge, which are sold for 60 cents. A carton costs \$87 and returns a profit of \$93! Why not give it a try? New outlets, such as your workplace, hair dressers, doctors, dentists offices, realstate offices, and your local coffee shop. I am sure that you will not be disappointed.

**A discount will apply TO THE FIRST ORDER RECEIVED FROM A CLUB, no matter when it is ordered.**

Zone Chairmen please promote the Lions Christmas Cakes and Christmas Mints during your visits.



Vice District Governor Peter Lamb (pictured) samples a 60 cent Caramel Fudge bar.

**-Dot Saunders**  
Lions WA State Mint-Fudge Coordinator  
dotneil1@bigpond.com

## HEARING AWARENESS WEEK

	<i>Monday 23rd August</i>	<i>Tuesday 24th August</i>	<i>Wednesday 25th August</i>	<i>Thursday 26th August</i>	<i>Friday 27th August</i>
<i>11.00 - 12.00pm</i>	<i>Cheers for Ears</i>	<i>Happy Hearing</i>	<i>Implantable Devices</i>	<i>Cheers for Ears</i>	<i>Paediatrics and APD</i>
<i>12.30 - 2.00pm</i>	<i>Tinnitus</i>	<i>ALDs</i>	<i>Cheers for Ears</i>	<i>ESIA Research Update</i>	<i>Happy Hearing</i>
<i>2.30 - 3.30pm</i>	<i>Hearing Aid Technology</i>	<i>Balance &amp; Hearing</i>	<i>Free Hearing Aids for Pensioners</i>	<i>NIHL</i>	<i>ALDs</i>
<i>4.00 - 5.00pm</i>	<i>ESIA Research Update</i>	<i>Tinnitus</i>	<i>Balance &amp; Hearing</i>	<i>Hearing Aid Technology</i>	
<i>6.00 - 7.30pm</i>	<i>Hearing Aid Technology</i>	<i>Tinnitus</i>	<i>Implantable Devices</i>		

**Monday  
August 23 –  
Friday  
August 27**  
**Ear Science  
Institute  
Australia**  
1 Salvado Road,  
Subiaco  
Parking under-  
neath ESIA. Fees  
to be paid.  
Foundation  
Screening Bus will  
be seen around  
Subiaco streets  
during the week.

# Bull Creek remembrance ceremony



More than 100 Lions, partners and family friends from both districts gathered at Richard Lewis Park in Bull Creek on Sunday August 1 to celebrate the lives of passed ones.

This was the eleventh year remembrance ceremony has been held. The ceremony was the brainchild of PDG Bill Robertson that has now developed into a strong bonding between Lions from both districts.

Compere was PDG Bob Huey who spoke about the formation of the event and its growth, Bob asked DGs Bill Laundry and Terry Gray for a short talk about the ceremony, both responded on the importance of linking Lions together and the occasion to meet with friends with similar ideas.

PDG Bob told his audience that, "As is now the custom at funerals today is one of celebration and remembrance of these Lions who have passed away.

"We celebrate and remember the service they gave, and the fellowship and friendship we enjoyed in their company. The community is poorer for their passing," Bob said.

"But just three months ago in Mildura, during the Multiple District Convention. That remembrance ceremony was held on the banks of the Murray River. There we were surrounded by trees just as we are today. It was a very Australian setting – peaceful and serene just like this scene here today. On that occasion the deceased were remembered by the release of baby fish – a living monument to their memory.

"Today we are also using living monuments by planting trees. And I am sure that as these Lions look down they would be pleased to know that they are continuing to serve. Yes they are still taking part in a Lions project. Our motto "We Serve" could be extended to say "We serve, even after we have passed on". These monuments remind us that life is short. The Lord giveth and he taketh away.

"One of those to be remembered today would be a District Governor. But he has been called to higher service before his time. We in Bull Creek have had recently reminded that life is precious.

"A few months ago we lost a long serving and popular member and recently a couple of members have had to face serious illness. On such occasions it is wonderful to see the Lions family rally around to support those facing stress or illness. Yes – it is well said that we are a fami-



*TOP: PDG Bob Huey addressing the audience at the Bull Creek remembrance ceremony. CENTRE: Plymps to be placed at the foot of the tree. RIGHT: Mandurah Lions Anne Barrett, Peter Lamb, Ron Draper, PDG Wally Barrett, President John Osborne, PCC Ambrose Depiazzi and Graham Bateman at the Joe Mason site.*



in memory of our deceased friends." Bob concluded.

More information about the Lions Memorial Park and photographs can be found on the official website of the Lions Club of Bull Creek [www.bullcreeklions.com](http://www.bullcreeklions.com)

## Date changes to Save Sight Board meetings

As advised in our July 2010 Newsletter, it has been decided to restructure the number of Lions Save-Sight Foundation Board Meetings held each year.

Many of the Board Members come from country and outlying areas and to reduce the demands to make on their time the Board has decided on a quarterly model for all future meetings.

The dates for the 2010-11 year were set back in March of this year because they needed to be published in the District Diary.

**Please note that two of these meeting dates have now been cancelled.**

The correct dates for the remainder of the year are:

**December 6, 2010**

**March 14, 2011**

**April 27, 2011 Annual General Meeting**

**June 6, 2011**

These changes are still in accord with the constitution and provision is made to hold an extraordinary meeting at any time if required.

Thank you for your ongoing support and efforts to save sight and if you're in town for any of our confirmed meeting dates, please feel free to join the Board.

**–PDG Lorraine Strickland, Chairman.**

# Cancer screening facility van limps into Mildura

It was not only a long trip, but a long shot, as they say, that the Cancer Institute's ageing van would make the long journey to Mildura for this year's national convention. With a detailed service prior to the trip PDG Colin Beauchamp and his dutiful wife Sue, brother Derrick and wife Izzy all headed off to find still more lesions on the soon to be surprised people of Mildura.

It was well into the trip when the team realised that they had only three of the four wheels on the van - even a quick look back down the road didn't help to locate the lost wheel. Undaunted they crept steadily on and with the Anzac Day weekend upon them, they knew that there would be little help available for at least two more days - what to do? - go on maybe and chance doing more damage? Hole up for a couple more days and mess up the screening plans?

## Go east young man

It was obvious, well at least to someone like Colin that is - go east young man, and that they did arriving gingerly into Mildura on time but on three wheels.

After the all important repairs it was off for a free wash, courtesy of GTS Trucks Mildura and then to the local shopping car park where there was terrific response from the locals. The day produced interesting results and with help from our two skin specialists Chis and Siva Lowings from Adelaide who volunteered their time it was off to the convention for more.

Delegates and their partners flowed steadily during the weekend and again some astonish-



A long queue of patients waiting to get tested for skin lesions at the Mildura convention.

ing results were recorded. Even the Mayor's wife was a surprise visitor to the van but a valuable one of course.

The main purpose of the trip which was funded by the substantial private donation to the Institute some years ago to be used for the screening program, was to promote what we do here in WA to our counterparts throughout the country.

Was it successful? It sure was, we received coverage in the local newspapers and radio. We received enquiries from other Districts for

information on how to replicate what we have been doing for the last 20 years, We even got a spot on the convention floor to make a presentation and to inform the delegates on the results of the screenings carried out by Colin and his team

This was a truly successful venture and hopefully over the next couple of years we will see the service extend to other communities promoted through our Lions Clubs.

-PDG Gary Irvine, Chairman Lions Cancer Institute.

# Revisited suspension policy

In April, 2010 the Board of Directors approved an amended policy, effective July 1, 2010 that affects clubs that have not paid their club balances on time.

## The policy is as follows:

A club which has an unpaid balance in excess of US\$20 per member or US\$1,000 per club, whichever is less, outstanding past 120 days will be automatically suspended including the charter, rights, privileges, and obligation of the Lions Club.

In the event, the club does not reach an active status by the 28th of the following month the club's charter would be automatically cancelled.

Suspension is the temporary deferment of the charter, rights, privileges and obligations of a Lions club due to an unpaid balance.

## Clubs on suspension shall not:

- Conduct service activities
- Conduct fund raising activities;
- Participate in district and multiple district functions or seminars;
- Participate in any voting procedures outside of the club
- Endorse or nominate a candidate for district, multiple district and international office;
- Submit Monthly Membership Report and report forms;
- Sponsor a Lions Club, or organise a Leo or a Lioness club.

## Clubs on Suspension shall:

(a) Hold meetings to discuss the future of the club and identify the steps needed to regain an active status.

(b) Make payments to clear the existing outstanding balance, or request a payment plan.

This revised policy has serious consequences for clubs that are in arrears in paying their club

balances.

This policy could affect clubs that have as little as two per-capita billings or less unpaid at 120 days.

Clubs placed on suspension may regain an active status by sending payments sufficient to pay the balance.

A re-activation report will not be required to regain an active status, however, officers should immediately review and update the membership roster after a club is released from Suspension.

Dues are the primary source of income used to support the programs and services provided to our membership. Regular and prompt payment is expected to ensure continued support of this great operation.

Please feel free to contact us at [membershipbilling@lionsclubs.org](mailto:membershipbilling@lionsclubs.org) should you require additional information. We hope all clubs will review their statements regularly, and will send the necessary payments to ensure their good status is protected.

-PDG Keith Jones, W2 Cabinet Treasurer and Insurance.

## Pt Kennedy's new banner

The Lions Club of Port Kennedy had much pleasure in unveiling their new banner at their changeover night. First vice DG (at the time) Terry Gray did the installation of new board. On display was the new banner for use in shopping centres and other showcasing as required. With restrictions in shopping centres, this type of banner was the best to use. The club was fortunate in having it donated by three local business'. It is done in the latest logo colours thanks go to



Professionals Real Estate, Snap Printing and Electracraft.

-Bev Hawkins, President Port Kennedy Lions Club Inc.