

Life Membership to Jim Doyle

ALBANY Lion Jim Doyle receives his Life Membership award from Keith Jones during the DGs visitation to the Club late last year.

The Albany Club in the process of putting together a fairly extensive history of the Lions Community Care Centre, together with some photos taken over the years.

-Lion Roni Linley, Albany Lions Club.

Margaret River Branch Club

"I'M VERY pleased to announce that I have formally submitted the Margaret River Club Branch of Cowaramup Lions Club to Lions Clubs International. Last Thursday (January 25) we had 13 members sign up for the new Branch. Three Lions are transferring from other Clubs and we have 10 brand new Lions to induct, DG Keith Jones told the *District Newsletter*.

"I also wish to publicly recognize the immense efforts of Lion Bob Castle for his part in getting this Branch off the ground. In a very short time I'm sure that there will be sufficient numbers to Charter a full Lions Club but we are "walking" before we "run" and ensuring that this Club, this time, is structured on a solid foundation."



Work as usual for Narrogin Lions as they prepare for the W2 District Convention

THE Narrogin Lions Club has taken on the organisation of the 2007 Convention in Narrogin and no-one would deny that this is a fairly heady undertaking for any Club.

However the Narrogin Club are well into the planning of this event and are still managing to carry on with normal fundraising activities.

Over the past three months the Club has successfully managed two sausage sizzles in conjunction with a very generous IGA outlet on behalf of the Menshed project. Manned the main bar at RevHeads for the duration of their event.

Following was the running their annual raffle. A team worked at the Narrogin Agricultural Show and the Club contracted to clean out the Merino Breeders Ram shed and have also carried out stage one of the Lions Park refurbishment in town.

They also managed to put in a couple of working bees on their shed for the Menshed project.

Along the way they have offered to help the odd needy family.

And then put their knees-up for a couple of social outings.

So come and look us over during Convention 2007, we would be proud to show you our busy region.

*-John McDougall,
Acting Media Officer, Narrogin Lions Club.*



■ ABOVE: Poster promoting the IGA sausage sizzle in Narrogin.

■ RIGHT: Narrogin Lions John McDougall, Ian Nottle and John's son Darren busily preparing the sausage sizzle breakfast on the front verandah of IGA.



■ Narrogin Lions Ian Nottle, Malcolm Poultney very successfully selling raffle tickets at the Narrogin Agricultural Show. Also in the photo is Lion Malcolm's wife Barbara Lion John McDougall's wife Pat and an unidentified client.





201W2 DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

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From the District Governor's desk **DISTRICT SURVEY**

I HAVE recently been given feedback that not every District member received my (personally addressed) letter asking for feedback on training and offering a FREE CD if you returned the form.

I suppose Aussie Post can be used as a scapegoat but sometimes it may be that your address recorded on the (LCI) Lion International Membership

database is incorrect.

Can you please check with your club Secretary to see if the address we have for you is correct and if not, ensure that it is updated? This will be to your advantage in the future I assure you.

The responses that I did receive were excellent and I thank all of you who took the time.



■ Keith Jones

Sorting out Facts from Beliefs

It's definitely true that hormones were fed to Australian chickens... in the past. Hormones have not been fed to Australian chickens for over four decades. Even so, 80% of Australians believe the myth that chickens are fed hormones, according to a survey released by the Australian Food and Grocery Council in September 2001. [Reference: Dr Karl Kruszelnicki, Dis information and other wikkid myths Harper Collins 2005]

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*Even a mistake may turn out to be the one thing necessary to a worthwhile achievement.
- Henry Ford*

Results of Survey sent out by DG Keith to all W2 members on 12 November 2006

	% of resp	% of replies
1) I would prefer the learning workshop to be held		
a At a club meeting night - 1 hour session	31	24%
b At a special meeting night separate from club meeting 2 hour session	25	19%
c At a zone weekend camp (meals etc. inclusive)	18	14%
d At a zone one day workshop (no accommodation just lunch)	33	25%
e I am flexible as to where I learn	27	21%
134 responses		
2) I would prefer the learning workshops to be held		
a Evening - during the week	54	41%
b Evening - on weekend	3	2%
c Daytime - during the week	6	5%
d Daytime - on weekend	45	34%
e I am flexible as to when I learn	24	18%
132 responses		
3) My preferred quarter of the year is		
a Jan Feb Mar	44	29%
b Apr May Jun	59	39%
c Jul Aug Sep	35	23%
d Oct Nov Dec	12	8%
150 responses		
4) My preferred learning style is		
a by doing	86	59%
b by listening	40	27%
c by observing	20	14%
146 responses		
5) I would take a computer course if offered		
Yes	75	60%
No	49	40%
Did not answer	7	5%
131 responses		
Number of email addresses provided	60	46%
Respondents percentage of district	131	9.7%

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Sorting out Facts from Beliefs

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Why do people still believe a lie? Maybe our members believe that declining membership is hard to combat because we keep saying it to each other.

Wouldn't it be smarter to actually focus on the members that are succeeding in gaining new members and work with them?

Let's believe them when they say "it is not so hard if you just ASK people".

Shelley Taylor-Smith said "If 6 million people say a wrong thing it is still a wrong thing."

Henry Ford said "If you think you can do a thing or think you can't do a thing, you're right."

Let's keep our Truth on Membership and be a stand for the positive.

In this our Diamond Anniversary Year "We make things happen" is our slogan for the community... let's apply it to ourselves and build a strong club membership for the future.

Anyone who stops learning is old, whether at twenty or eighty. Anyone who keeps learning stays young. The greatest thing in life is to keep your mind young.
- Henry Ford

Your club membership figures on the right hand side are as at 31 December 2006.

If you feel these figures are incorrect please contact the Cabinet Secretary, Neil Saunders and advise him of the changes required.

zone	Club Name	target	Cur
1	Esperance	19	18
	Norseman	11	10
Zone totals		30	28
2	Albany	38	38
	Albany South Coast	16	15
	Denmark	10	8
	Jerramungup	15	18
	Mount Barker	21	20
	Rocky Gully	5	4
Zone totals		119	116
4	Boddington	33	33
	Katanning	14	15
	Narrogin	36	36
	Wagin	16	15
	Wandering	14	13
	Williams	20	14
Zone totals		133	125
5	Hyden	23	23
	Kondinin	13	14
	Kulin	11	8
	Lake Grace	22	20
	Pingrup	13	12
Zone totals		82	77
6	Kellerberrin	10	9
	Menadiri	23	21
	Narembeen	14	11
Zone totals		47	41
7	Beverley	15	12
	Cunderdin	16	12
	Northam	31	30
Zone totals		62	54
8	Balingup	15	14
	Booyup Brook	26	27
	Bridgetown	14	13
	Donnybrook	27	26
	Kojonup	31	31
	Manjimup	20	18
	Nannup	16	15
Zone totals		149	144
9	Busselton	41	40
	Cowaramup	36	32
	Dunsborough	30	26
	Leeuwin	24	25
Zone totals		130	123
10	Boyanup	13	7
	Bunbury	16	13
	Bunbury Leschenault	11	12
	Bunbury Wollaston	11	12
	Capel	14	14
	Dardanup	24	24
Zone totals		89	82
11	Australind	20	23
	Australind-Fenton	18	18
	Brunswick Junction	28	25
	Collie	26	24
	Collie Wellington	33	37
	Harvey	36	33
Zone totals		184	184
12	Baldias	16	15
	Greenfields	10	9
	Mandurah	43	43
	Mandurah Waters	10	9
	Pinjarra	10	9
	Port Kennedy	21	17
	Rockingham	21	21
	Serpentine-Jarrahdale	16	13
Zone totals		146	136
13	Armadale-Kelmscott	32	30
	Bull Creek	51	48
	Canning Vale	15	18
	Gosnells	21	20
	Leeming	11	9
	Manning	16	16
	South Perth	18	17
Zone totals		184	158
14	Booragoon	25	28
	East Fremantle	12	11
	Fremantle	19	17
	Jandakot Lakes	22	20
	Kwinana	16	13
Zone totals		94	89
District Totals		1429	1357

VALE: LION RAY NORRISH

RAY Norrish was a member of the Lions Club of Northam for over five years.

He volunteered to join Lions because he felt there were things he could do to help others, regardless of his personal problems.

While not a man to seek the limelight, Ray was as dedicated to Lions as those who have been members of the Association for many years.

A willing and dedicated volunteer, who, even though he was suffering with his own illness, was always available to assist when and how he could.

His main contribution to the Northam Lions Club was to, single handed, maintain the supply of Lions Mints to the many outlets around Northam.

Ray took on the responsibility of maintaining the supply of mints as needed, collecting the cash on a regular basis and bagging it up ready for banking.

He also sought out new outlets and under his watchful eye the mint sales nearly doubled in one year.

Ray's efforts were recognised with an award from the National Mints Chairman, something that very few individual Lions achieve.

He was always reluctant to accept thanks, or praise, as Ray felt that there were always others in more need than him. An attitude that was reflected in many ways.

He was the type of person that makes those of us who are left behind proud, and humble, to have known him.

VALE: LARA VOSS

WITH great regret, the Balingup Lions Club wishes to inform all Clubs in District 201W2 that Lara Voss passed away on December 19, 2006.

She had been progressing so well and had been moved out of intensive care. However, she picked up an infection which ultimately contributed to her passing.

Our Club wishes to thank all those who donated to Lara's Appeal.

We will be writing to you all regarding the further disposal of funds.

- Chris Irvine,
Secretary, Balingup Lions Club

South Perth band at Coca Cola Café



THE first public performance of the senior band of the South Perth Lions Club was at the Coca Cola Café in Toodyay on Sunday, December 3, 2006. The Club then held a Carols by Candlelight on Saturday 9 followed by a lunchtime performance the next day at the Mount Henry Tavern. These first three successful performances by the senior band have confirmed the band's coming of age for the South Perth Lions Club.

Early last year, The South Perth Lions Club embarked on a unique project for the Lions Organisation in WA. It commenced a music tuition program that has seen the formation of two bands. The driving force behind the program is Lion Dave Way. Dave has a long history of involvement with the music industry and is passionate about the program.

The junior band allows young children to learn to play an instrument and be part of a band without the cost usually associated with such a program. It is targeted at children that come from struggling families. The senior band consists of some experienced musicians and others that are learning fast. They all have one thing in common, a passion for playing music and wanting to use their talents for the good of the community.

Now that they have proved themselves, the senior band is available to perform at various functions and is hoping to form a major part of the fund raising activities of the South Perth Lions Club. All funds raised go back into the community through donations made direct to local organisations and various Lions Foundations. Anyone wishing to book the band can contact the band's musical director, Dave Way on 0438 001 852. The band will travel and perform throughout the State and be a significant fundraiser and promoter for Lions International.



■ The trumpet section pictured above and (top) Brad the male vocalist.

YOTY winners in W-Districts



THE National and State winners of the Lions Youth of the Year Quest arrived in Perth for the WA leg of their National Tour on January 6. This year there were five youthful travellers instead of six. Elizabeth Forsyth from Tasmania left the tour after the Tasmanian leg to travel to Holland, where she will represent our Federal Government as a Junior Ambassador to The Hague, this was such a wonderful opportunity for Elizabeth and we know that she will make us proud.

Joshua Moorman (Queensland), Nathaniel Ware (NSW), Zoe Keys (South Australia), Thomas Williams (Western Australia) and our national winner Shane Robertson from Victoria continued on with the tour they are pictured above sightseeing through Kings Park and taking in the panoramic view of the Perth city skyline. A full report on the YOTY tour will be published in the April edition of the West Lion.

– PDG Lorraine Strickland.

MAKE YOUR LIONS CLUB PART OF HISTORY

A Committee has been formed to collate and write the History of Lions in WA.

All Clubs are invited to be a part of this unique opportunity by submitting their Club's History in written form (with special project photos) to . . .

**WA Lions History Project,
C/- PO Box 2106 High Wycombe WA 6057.**

If you or anyone you know of has any detailed information on Clubs that may have since closed, we would very much welcome this information.

The History of Lions in Western Australia IS the history of every Lion, Lioness and Leo Club in WA. Please don't miss the opportunity.

**For further details contact Project Chairman Ray Zinner
on 9352 8712 or email: rzinner@optusnet.com.au**

A message from International President Jimmy Ross

THE coming year will be a very special one for Lions Clubs International. Lions from all over the world are invited to "come home to Chicago" for our 90th International Convention in July. There will be many other celebrations and events marking our 90th anniversary beginning with a special feature in an upcoming issue of The LION magazine. Information on other events will be available throughout the year at www.lionsclubs.org.

Other parts of our association family will be celebrating significant milestones as well. This year will mark the 50th anniversary of Leo clubs, the 20th anniversary of the Peace Poster contest and the 20th anniversary of women's participation as Lions club members. These anniversaries will also be featured in The LION magazine and on the Lions Clubs International website.

While we will be taking special note of the past in this year of anniversaries, we will also be moving ahead with the new paradigm for our organization. As part of this new paradigm, we are focusing membership extension efforts on "target markets" that are underrepresented in the association. Urban populations and the "baby boomer" generation are two important examples.

But perhaps the most important group we can reach out to is young people. It should be obvious to everyone that the youth of our communities will be the Lions Club members of the future. That is why I am asking all Lions Clubs throughout the world to consider sponsoring a Leo club.

The association is placing great importance on Leo clubs in their 50th anniversary year. In a letter to all Leo Club members throughout the

world I have invited them to come to Chicago and participate in a special Global Leo Conference during our International Convention. I believe that knowing that Lions Clubs International is dedicated to providing activities and programs that are specially tailored to young people will energize existing Leo clubs and be a powerful motivation for the formation of new ones.

I hope that your club will also place great importance on Leos in the coming year. The month of April has been designated as Leo Awareness Month. I strongly urge you to show your members and your communities what young people can accomplish by joining with a Leo Club in your area for a special service project in April.

*-Jimmy M. Ross,
International President, LCI.*

Lions Children of Courage Award program

THE Lions Children of Courage Award Program is now established as an important and extremely worthwhile annual project of Lions Clubs International in Western Australia.

The program was introduced in 1983 by District Governor Joe Mason, who saw a need to provide for an awards programme through which Lions Clubs in WA could recognize a very special group of young Western Australians - and their families.

At that time, there were many awards that recognized the achievements of young people except the children with "special needs".

Since its modest beginnings, the Lions Children of Courage Awards has grown to be one of the most important annual events in the Western Australian Lions calendar.

What are the Lions Children of Courage Awards?

Definitely not a competition! Every recipient of an award is a winner in his or her own right, as the recognition of these young people's achievements will:

- * Act as an encouragement for their future
- * Help them to believe in themselves and
- * Help to increase their self-worth

All children want to be accepted by others, regardless of any special needs they may have. These awards will portray them as children who have successfully overcome additional barriers which face them in this world.

Each year the children who are to receive an award, together with members of their nominating club and their families, are invited to attend a presentation. For the 2006/2007 Lions year, it will be held in the auditorium at St Mary's Anglican Girls School, Elliot Road, Karrinyup on Sunday, April 29, 2007.

As each child is called forward for the presentation, a short summary of the reasons for the presentation and eligibility for the award is read. The recipient of the award then receives a plaque detailing the category under which the award is made.

Nominations are forwarded through local Lions Clubs for consideration and approval and

are restricted to children between the ages of 5 and 15 years.

Categories of the Award: Special Needs

Children with special needs who have shown courage in the face of adversity. Such children include those who are confined to wheelchairs, who are sight, hearing or speech impaired or have undergone long periods of medical treatment, surgery or hospitalisation, which has perhaps brought pain and trauma to their young lives.

Nominees in this category will be those children who have attempted to overcome these obstacles and who have striven to improve the quality of their lives.

Courageous Act or Deed

A child who without regard for personal safety, has been instrumental in the preservation of

life and/or property, or has rendered assistance at an accident, or whose concern for others is worthy of recognition.

Outstanding Sporting Achievements

A child who has overcome personal hardship and/or disadvantage to achieve a high degree of sporting prowess as an individual, or as a good team member.

How to Sponsor a Child

Complete a nomination form and forward it to the address below by March 18, 2007.

For further information please contact:

District Chairman Tess Leedham

PO Box 30 Boyanup, 6237

Phone: 9731 5334; 0428 315609; Fax: 9731 5609

Email: tessl@inet.net.au

See also the District Website:

<http://lionsdistrict201w2.mysouthwest.com.au>

INVITATION . . .

TO PARTICIPATE in a Western Australian project that gives recognition to a very special group of children.

Children who have saved a life or rendered assistance at an accident; overcome personal challenges to excel in sporting; and those youngsters whose determined spirit has helped them overcome medical trauma and other difficulties.

It's so worthwhile, attracts media attention on Awards Day and gives the families of the children such a boost! It's a win-win, low cost project that started right here in Western Australia 25 years ago.

To identify a worthy recipient, look out for local newspaper articles, contact schools, talk with reporters etc. I will be passing on to clubs nominations received from PMH and Heartkids, as these organisations prefer to work with just one Lions representative in WA.

The Awards Presentation Day will be Sunday April 29, 2007.

Will you be accepting the invitation to participate in our anniversary year?

Please contact me for assistance with this wonderful project.

*-Lion Tess Leedham, District Chairman,
Lions Children of Courage Awards Program.*

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Australia Day Award

LONG serving Lions Club of Booragoon member, Bob Street and his wife Dawn, were recently awarded the Person Over 25 Years of Age Category Premier's Australia Day Active Citizenship Award for their work with the City of Melville Citizens' Relief Fund, Meals On Wheels, Lions Save-Sight Screenings, Community Information Centre, Cameron Highlanders Association of WA and their support of the group SHARK (Supporting, Helping And Reaching Kids).

Australia Day sees Lions at work

PINJARRA Lions Club together with assistance from Pinjarra Fire Brigade, Murray R&SL, Alcoa Employees, Bendigo Bank employees and Directors served up a traditional Aussie BBQ Breaky for 442 people in the Pinjarra Town Square.

"With the temperature tipped to be in the high 30's we were aware it was going to be a hot day once the sun rose, so breakfast was served from 7am to 8.30am," a pleased PDG Wally Barrett told the *District Newsletter*.

"Before the start of the breakfast we had the Australian National Anthem which was led by the ladies from Voices in Harmony group who looked absolutely stunning in their Australian flag sash and white stage costumes. The group came back to sing more numbers for another half hours entertainment."

After breaky Murray Shire President Noel Nancarrow made announcements for some locals to receive the Premiers Australia Day Citizenship Awards and a Citizenship Ceremony took place.

"The function was again made possible by a lot of support from the community and I would like to acknowledge their support; Alcoa Australia, Shire of Murray, Murray Business Association, Pinjarra Community Bendigo Bank, Pinjarra IGA, Pinjarra Meat Supply, Pinjarra Milk Supply, Mandurah Milk Supply, Mandurah Milk Distributors, Dave and Sue McLarty supplied the eggs, BP Foods, Harvey Fresh, and the Exchange Hotel.

"I am sure that all who attended enjoyed themselves. I'm looking forward to doing it all again next year, when we can again make it an Australia Day to remember," Wally said.

MANDURAH WATERS SERVES TOP BREAKY

ALMOST 1100 hungry Mandurahites were given a hearty breakfast of cereal, fruit juice, fruit, together with the traditional egg, bacon, sausage and roll only to washed down with tea or coffee for only three buckeroos.

Breakfast serves commenced at 7am and the flow of customers didn't stop until a few minutes before 9 o'clock.

This is a huge job for the volunteers who get up at sparrows and are flat out until the last serve.

Mandurah Waters Lions Club are the hosts of the Aussie Day Breaky and are supported by the Mandurah Lions Club, partners and St John Ambulance Cadets.

ABC local radio OB van gave the punters and listeners in radioland a fest gab of what's happening through the booming tones of Eoin Cameron. Plenty of entertainment, Premiers Australia Day Citizenship Awards and Citizenship Ceremony.

And more than 400 plants were given away in a grab-a-tree giveaway.



■ ABOVE: Pinjarra Lions (left to right) Norma Fabey, John Southorn, Lloyd Archer and Les Hill.

RIGHT: PDG Wally Barrett and Anne serving up a breakfast at Pinjarra.

BELOW: Mandurah Lion Thelma Murphy and Lions partner Coral Woodhead teamed up with the singers Voices in Harmony group.

BELOW RIGHT: Lyn Conomy at the Mandurah Waters breaky.

BOTTOM: Mandurah Lions Brian "Bluey" Prendergast (left) and John Osborne ready to tackle the cackleberries at the Mandurah breaky.

