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I now have a full Cabinet in place hopefully to help me to fulfil my vision to increase the service within our communities by increasing our membership throughout the District. I feel that we need to be more diverse when looking for those elusive new members and future leaders that we desperately need to find. The problem is we have to go out and find them, because they won't come to us unless we have something to offer.

On 20 May I attended the Last Zone 3G meeting of the year. It was my intention to try

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"Teamwork with Friendship and Fellowship"

to encourage all members of the four island Clubs to get together and form a new club in the Freshwater area. This would give the Zone a good footing for the future. My concern with the Island is the fact that we have two small Clubs, Ventnor and Newport with a Club branch, and two larger Clubs Ryde and Sandown & Shanklin. If one of the smaller Clubs was to close for whatever reason the Zone would be lost and the clubs would have to be absorbed into a mainland zone or zones. Ryde is the only club which is expanding and the others, although they are doing sterling job of supporting their community to the best of their ability, more members would help to give the individual communities a far better service.

On 7 June I attended an Open Forum in Alton which was set up and facilitated by IPDG Lion Mike and PDGs Lions Brigid and David and minutes were taken by District Secretary PDG Lion Godwin. The purpose was to lay a few ghosts and also find out what the Clubs want from the District, Multiple District and LCI. I found most of the questions asked were very relevant to where we are at present and where we need to be going in the future.

A question was raised regarding THE LION Magazine; it was thought that the publication was not portraying the image we need it to if we are to encourage new membership. THE LION is orientated predominantly towards the 'Party Image', which gives the wrong impression to our members and the public who do read it when left in public places; at present it takes a couple of minutes to glance at it, and it probably never sees the light of day again and thus it is considered to be unfit for its purpose.

With this in mind I have written to a member of the MD LION Magazine Committee and given him an idea of what members in this District are thinking and more to the point that the magazine would be far better if it conveyed the image of the community work that clubs do locally and internationally. I have had a reply asking if I would mind if my email was forwarded to the Chairman of the committee.

Let's see what happens. The LION magazine will be under a new editor after I July 2015 but there will still be an element of LCI copy until 2017 because they part-fund it. There was also a request to make the District website easier to navigate and make some material more accessible to clubs. It was thought that Cabinet Agenda and Minutes should be available to club officers to give a more transparent image, who would then be able to communicate

RYDE LIONS SEND £2,000 TO NEPAL

The Lions Club of Ryde donated £500 from their funds to the Nepal disaster fund. In addition, one of their members said, "I would like to do more."

Eight Lions said they were available. The group went to work to achieve their goal, asking both Tesco and the Co-op if they would help and both stores were very supportive. The Co-op had been running their own appeal already for two weeks, and Tesco chipped in and started a raffle on behalf of the Club, donating prizes and helping to run the raffle until the Lions could get there to take over.

An amazing £1,500 was collected in three days to add to the Club's first donation, bringing the total to £2,000 overall. The Lions Club of Ryde wishes to thank Tesco and Co-Op for their support, but also the amazing generosity of their customers.

The funds raised were sent just two days later and in common with all collections by the Club, 100 per cent of the money goes to the nominated cause.

If anyone would like to know more about Lions Clubs on the Island or to be part of the team please call 0845 833 8562.



he Lions Club of Windsor would like to thank our generous atron **The Shanly Foundation** for their continued support.



directly to Cabinet via their Zone Chairman. Hopefully PDG Lion Mike will run Regional Open forums throughout the coming year.

Your opinions are appreciated.

With regard to the Cabinet meeting, it is necessary for Zone and Region Chairmen to attend to ensure that the meetings are quorate. Please let the Sergeant-At-Arms know that you will be attending!

Anne and I are looking forward to visiting Clubs and Charters throughout the year and we will meet you in your own environments.

DG Lion Alan

<u>DG Team Ramblings</u> July 2015

DG Lion Alan

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l 5 July	DGT Pre-Cabinet Meeting
18 July	July Cabinet & District Handover
24 - 26 July	Council of Governors Meeting in
- -	Birmingham
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CASINO ROYALE CHARITY BALL ON 18 JULY 2015



Fund Raiser for Alexander Devine Children's Hospice Service

A summer night to remember is being planned by the Wokingham Lions Club. Here's a chance to have some fun, enjoy a delicious meal and live music, dance up a storm, roll the dice, bid on some auction items and raise money for a worthy cause.

This is the Club's first-ever Casino Royale Charity Ball, planned for Saturday 18 July, at the Holiday Inn Hotel, Winnersh Triangle, Reading. The worthy cause is the Alexander Devine Children's Hospice Service. All proceeds will go to Alexander Devine, to help build a much-needed children's hospice in Maidenhead.

"Currently there is no children's hospice in Berkshire, so we are happy to support the Alexander Devine Children's Hospice Service. This is an exciting time for the charity, as building works begin in the autumn. So far, they have raised £3.75 million toward the £5 million needed to build the facility," says Lion Lyn Baily, Charity Ball committee head of the Wokingham Lions Club.

Sponsors of the event include Prospect Estate Agency, Johnson Controls Limited, SGI and Patrizia - Winnersh Triangle Management Office. Tickets for the James Bond themed event are now sold out.



For GMS June meant cars, motorbikes and life savers!

June is a fantastic month for Gillingham, with a music festival, a beer festival and a car and bike festival and it is also a busy month for the Gillingham, Mere and Shaftesbury Lions.

A big event for GMS Lions was Gillingham in Gear (GiG). GMS Lions have been supporting GiG at the Town Meadow for three years now and GiG 2015 has been the biggest yet. With an array of classic and more modern cars, motorcycles, fire engines and tractors there was something for everyone. GMS Lions were promoting two lifesaving bottles at the event.

The first was the Lions' 'Message in a Bottle.' This simple idea encourages people to keep their basic personal and medical details including a list of the medication they are taking or a repeat prescription form in a plastic bottle that is kept in the

fridge – the last thing that burns in the event of a fire. The second lifesaving bottle is the LIFESAVER® jerrycan which uses patented filters to protect individuals from all water borne diseases. Water can be accessed from any puddle, well or stream, and once it passes though the LIFESAVERS filters it is turned into filtered, clean, pathogen-free water.

An active July for Weymouth & Portland



Thomas Carney, 13, is currently ranked number 1 in Great Britain for Under-14s in Poomsae Taekwondo. Receives a cheque from (I to r) Vice President Lion Les Board and Community Service chairman Lion Howard Legg, Wemouth & Portland Lions Club donated £230 to help cover some of Thomas's expenses in pursuit of his chosen sport. In order to compete at this level Thomas has to travel long distances and unfortunately grants are not available to under-16s so the Lions decided to help.

Zone Handover



Members of Blackmore Vale, Bridport, Dorchester and Weymouth & Portland Lions Clubs gathered for their annual 'Zone Handover Dinner' in Dorchester, Zone Chairman Peter Oswick is continuing in the role for another year and said how pleased he was at how well the Clubs worked together by exchanging ideas and supporting each other's events. *Pictured are (I to r) Lions Peter Garlick (Bridport) Colin MacLeod (Blackmore Vale, Zone chairman Peter Oswick, Jo Maidment and Les Board, vice-president Weymouth & Portland.*



Alton Lions help children's centre



Alton Lions president Lion Graham Dix presents two cheques totalling £1,600 to Patti Snook, Head of Bushy Leaze Children's Centre.

Jersey shares Swimarathon moneys with 15 local charities



Jersey Lions have given 15 Jersey charities who care particularly for Islanders with disabilities £2,218 each, the sum being 25 per cent of the funds at the end of the annual Lions Swimarathon held in March. The Club has already donated £33,270 to Channel Island Air Search and £15,000 to provide

respite holidays for local people at Maison des Landes Hotel, itself a project of the Lions Club of Jersey.

In Memoriam

The Lions Club of Newbury is sad to report the passing to higher service of **Lion Michael (Rip) Kirby** (74) after a long battle with cancer. Michael was a very keen and active member for 24 years serving on both welfare and fundraising. He was a very dedicated member supporting all the Club's events and was a keen follower of horseracing. He will be greatly missed and the Club's thoughts are with his wife Joy, his sons and daughter and their families.



Dear Lions Leaders:

Quality leadership is key to the future of Lions Clubs International. The Faculty Development Institute program is dedicated to the expansion of our pool of skilled Lions faculty who can deliver leadership training in a professional, educationally sound manner and provide continuity and consistent quality leadership training at all levels of the association. The curriculum encompasses the skills and concepts that impact the quality of training delivery and ultimately the effectiveness of LCI's leadership development programs.

The 2015-2016 Faculty Development Institute for qualified Lions in Constitutional Area IV - Europe will be conducted on October 5-8, 2015 in Augsburg, Germany. As a Lion leader in this area, your involvement is critical to the success of this innovative program.

Candidates must complete the application found online in the <u>Leadership Resource Center</u> that includes a recommendation form that must be signed by the applicant's District Governor, Global Leadership Team Multiple District Coordinator and Council Chairman/ GLT Area Leader.

Candidates for participation are those Lions who have some experience serving as faculty at Lions training events and who would benefit from this instructional skill refinement course (Lions with extensive experience as Lions faculty or as professional trainers are not recommended for this institute but are welcome to apply). Candidates must have demonstrated basic instructional skills during training seminars along with a keen interest to further develop those skills. Care must be taken to include Lions from different districts within the constitutional area.

Lions participating in this four-day course will be required to conduct a training event within six months of the Institute, in order to be considered a graduate of the FDI program.

We are requesting that you distribute the applications to appropriate candidates and request that they be submitted to the Institutes & Seminars Department. Consultation with the leaders in each local area, along with past international board members is strongly encouraged. The Leadership Division will review all recommendations submitted and will select twenty qualified participants total, striving to have as many Districts represented as possible. This institute will be conducted in English and German.

Completed forms must be returned by: July 22, 2015

PLEASE RETURN APPLICATIONS TO: Institutes & Seminars, Lions Clubs International, E-mail: institutes@lionsclubs.org Fax: 630.706.9010 To ensure timely receipt of your applications, please submit by e-mail or fax.

If you have questions or need further information, do not hesitate to contact us by e-mail at institutes@lionsclubs.org, by phone at 630.468.6740 or by fax at 630.706.9010.

Thank you for your time and consideration. We look forward to working closely with you as we expand our team of qualified instructors and enhance the growth and development of our members.

Sincerely,

Joshua Friedman

Manager, Institutes and Seminars, Leadership Division



The long standing annual traditional fun day for people with disabilities returned to Yateley again at the end of June. Nine Lions Clubs from Aldershot, Farnborough, Fleet, Hart, Hook & Odiham, Maidenhead, Loddon Valley, Sirius and Yateley and District worked together to hold this annual festival of fun for disabled people of all ages from all over the south of England.

This unique festival of fun was free of charge and catered for people of all abilities and their families to allow them to actively take part in attractions including circus skills, pony rides, bungee trampoline, soft play area, bouncy castle, mini train rides, face painting, craft activities and much more. Dale Fontaine provided entertainment with 'Echoes of Elvis'. Also included were displays from The Cinq Port Corps of Drums, fairground rides, cuddly farm animals, and a barbecue.

Nine Lions Clubs, 579 guests, 120 volunteers, 40 attractions come together for one big event to make a difference in the community to bring meaning to our motto 'We Serve'.





Lion Peter Tabb

Another Lions' year is upon us - a new year and new challenges, the most pressing being, no doubt, how we attract new Lions and cling on to the ones we've got.

I'm not sure that what is published on page 5 from Head Office is the way forward (which actually means, of course, that I don't think it is the way forward at all), particularly since it treats LCI as a multi-million dollar corporation which it may well be in the USA, but it isn't where I come from - it is a body of men and women serving their community from their hearts not their heads. What's published in the 105D Times is ready proof of that.

I am confident that those we serve are not really bothered as to whether or not we are all 'leaders' who have been on skill refinement courses and while we all have, within our Clubs, many skills that we deploy in the 'day job' and thus into our Lions works, it is still the desire in all of us to fulfil Melvin Jones' ethos that 'We serve' that surely drives us on. And I for one don't need some diploma to prove it.

Somebody's just told me there's a lion loose. Better ring my bell...

Please send all articles and pictures for publication in the **DISTRICT 105D TIMES** to the Editor, Lion Peter Tabb, e-mail : news@lions105d.org.uk and/or pandttabb@localdial.com at least a week before the end of the month