Lisa gets back to cycling. See page 2 to find out how...



Alan's Month This being my last DG contribution to this wonderful and informative document, I wish to thank the editor, Lion Peter Tabb for putting this monthly



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"Teamwork with Friendship and Fellowship"

105D newsletter together so professionally during my year of tenure. I like to think that it has helped to keep the Channel Islands in touch with the rest of the District. We are all very jealous of their ability to raise funds that most Clubs on the mainland can only dream about.

Both Anne and I have enjoyed many holidays in the Channel Islands, mainly in Jersey but we also enjoy the ruggedness of Guernsey and rest assured we will be visiting when time allows especially when your Charter Anniversaries come round.

Last Sunday 22 May I held my final Cabinet meeting where IPDG Lion Mike Hendy likened my year as an Annus Horribilis due to the restructuring of the Multiple District.

The worst aspect of the restructuring was the fact that my DG colleagues and I were unable to carry out the work we had planned within our respective Districts. The Emergency Resolution which was voted and carried at the MD Convention has wiped out most of the work done by the two committees set up by this year's Council which is now lost due to conflict between one District and the Council of Governors.

In hindsight, I personally think the Council should have taken a different approach with consultation with the Clubs, Zones and Regions before issuing the document laying out the limited alternatives which affected 105D probably more than some of the others.

The Emergency Resolution has worked in our fayour is as much that there is now a delay of one year (2019) before any redistricting can take place. It will now be up to the next Council to put forward their proposal after consultation with the Clubs throughout the Multiple District.

I will now take this opportunity to thank all of the Club Presidents and members that I have had direct dealings with throughout the year and the welcomes Anne and I have received at your Club meetings and Charter Anniversaries, there will always be fond memories for us to hold on to into the future.

I also thank the 2015-2016 Cabinet for their support and the good work they have done in the District, some of whom have been in post for several years, and those of you who are Non-Cabinet members with a variety of disciplines who work very hard in the background and keep the various projects running for the benefit of our communities throughout the District.

One of our biggest successes is the fact that we are keeping our heads above water regarding our membership figures. At the time of writing this column, we have increased our overall membership



Lisa Churchill is a volunteer at West Howe Community Enterprise Charity in Bournemouth. The West Howe Community Group supported Lisa to make a dream come true - to help her to get back cycling again. The Lions Club of Bournemouth donated the money to buy the bicycle for her and Halfords' Bournemouth branch carried out the work needed to adapt it for her use.

Alton Lions celebrate their 43rd Charter Anniversary



Alton Lions recently held a Charter Anniversary Lunch to celebrate 43 years of service to the town of Alton. The picture shows members of the Lions Club of Alton receiving the red carpet treatment at the Langrish House Hotel. for the year by 28, and Clubs must be congratulated for their supreme efforts in finding and inducting a total of 126 new members throughout the year, giving an overall total of 1,255. Our only failing is retention, we have lost 86 members for a variety of reasons better known to themselves, and unfortunately we have lost 12 who have passed to higher service but will remain in our memories.

L will continue as part of the District Governor's team as IPDG and will take up the post of Finance Committee chairman 2016-2017 working with the District Treasurer and the DGT.

Finally I give my full support to my successor DGE Lion David Taylor and wish him a very successful year; he will do things very differently to me, and will make changes which, I'm sure, will be to the benefit of the District and your Clubs.

Once again thank you all for your support, it could have been a better year but the past is the past and we must all look to the future and the continuation of District 105D.

DG Lion Alan

Welcome New Lions!

I am delighted to welcome the following new members into Lions Clubs International and wish them a long and happy time as Lions.

DG Lion Alan

Alton - Lions Pauline Folkes, Annette Mills and John Mills Christchurch - Lions Pauline Stevenson and David Stevenson Fleet - Lion Mark Cooper Hayling Island - Lion Geoff Curtis Southbourne & Boscombe - Lion Matthew Gadd Wimborne and Ferndown - Lion Rosemary Webb





Not what you might think, this was what runners felt at the Wimborne and Ferndown Lions' Muddy Fun Run. This was a run over a five kilometre obstacle course held at Homelands Farm, Three Legged Cross, on Saturday 21 May. Despite, or maybe because of, the awful weather, the runners really got stuck in, as the pictures show. The feedback says it all.

Many thanks from the organisers to all the Lions who provided their time and skills and lots of hard work. The clear labelling of the course could put some established Obstacle Course Races to shame and next year the Club is sure the attendance will be significantly higher.

Participants applauded the event."A great run.... we had a great time with lots of laughter... really looking forward to the next one."

The event was held to raise funds for the Wessex Cancer Trust and the JTYAF. Save the date for the next one - Saturday 20 May 2017.





Fleet Lions 33rd Annual Classic Motorcycle Run and Concours was held on the Bank Holiday, Monday 2 May. More than 200 'bikers' proudly showed off their machines to a record number of spectators who gathered at the Keys car park outside Morrisons on Elvetham, Fleet.

"It was great to see so many families admiring the bikes and asking questions about the machines," said president Lion Roger Munday during a break from barbecue duties.

With late arrivals still entering the venue, at 11 a.m. the bikers were instructed to mount their machines and head off on their 35 mile tour of the north Hampshire countryside which inevitably included the obligatory stop for lunch in Long Sutton.

On their return to Elvetham Heath, the bikes were parked in age groups for the judging of Best in Class.

The Best in Show Challenge Cup winner was local Fleet biker Tim Bycroft. Tim's bike was a Vincent which he only acquired two months ago. "Since a lad it has always been my ambition to own a Vincent," said a proud Tim. "With just two previous owners, I can verify the authenticity of every nut and bolt on the bike." The previous owners both worked in Greece and rode the Vincent across Europe on return visits to the UK. "They don't make them like that any more," Tim added.

Regular event organiser Lion Graham Cooper said, "We expect to have raised in excess of \pounds 2,000 which will be used to support the Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice and the Lions-supported Naomi House children's hospice."

Bikers and onlookers are being encouraged to support next year's special event which will celebrate the 100 years of Lions Clubs.



Wimborne and Ferndown Lions Club have made a donation of £800 to the Riding for the Disabled Centre at Green Cottage near Three Legged Cross.

Jane Dowding, RDA secretary, said, "We are so grateful to the Lions for their wonderful support. We can now buy a specialist saddle for one of our ponies".

The money is part of the proceeds from the Lions' traditional Giant Easter Egg draw held in March and April. Picture shows Lion Ken Taylor with some of the RDA volunteers.

In Memoriam

The 105D Times records with sadness the passing to higher service of Lion Ivor Dugdale Jenkins of the Swanwick Lions Club



Each year Alton Lions organise an 'Easter Eggstravaganza', where many of the local pubs have a 'Name the Lion' competition. The prizes are a giant Easter Egg and a cuddly lion. All the proceeds go to Bushey Leaze Children and Families Centre. This year Alton Lions presented a cheque for \pounds 1,200 to the Centre.

The photo shows a happy group of 'Saturday Dads' with their charges.

Lions' Spring Quiz Night

The Allendale Centre in Wimborne was comfortably full on Bank Holiday Saturday when some 22 teams competed in the Wimborne and Ferndown Lions' annual Spring Quiz.

The usual format of six rounds interspersed with a little Card Bingo and an interval for refreshments (a cold platter and a bottle of wine for each table) was noisily enjoyed by all. Quizmaster Lion Ken Taylor controlled proceedings more or less. He raised one of the biggest laughs when, asked to repeat a question, he (accidentally or on purpose?) read out the answer instead.

Thanks again to all those who supported

the Lions and helped to raise over £400 for local good causes. We hope to see everyone back again next year.



Frogmore House and Gardens

Charity Day: Wednesday 8 June 2016

By gracious permission of Her Majesty The Queen, Frogmore House and Garden Windsor Home Park, will be open to the public in aid of Blind Veterans UK, the charity for vision-impaired ex-Service men and women.

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We are almost at the end of term and this is reflected in this issue of the 105D Times which is one page less than has become the norm and dominated with items from just two or three Clubs. My thanks to all the contributors this Lions year and, as editor for next year, I look forward to more Clubs than ever telling us all about their achievements.

I missed the MD Convention but clearly the major topic for what seemed to be somewhat spirited discussion was the restructuring of our Multiple District without Ireland. Since the DG has covered the subject in his leader, I do not intend to go over that ground again other than to state that since he rightly points out that 105D is the District likely to suffer most from 'redistricting', the longer this process takes and the more consultation there is, the better.

Lion Peter Tabb



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