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Lions' Pride flies again!

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**LOVE
BEING A
LION**

The DG'S Leader...

Hello Fellow Lions,

WOW, my 11th 'message' in this auspicious magazine! I cannot believe how fast this year is passing by.

This is going to be the first where I am going to put Membership in the frame. We all KNOW that our Membership needs to increase, more importantly retaining Members is crucial. My own Club of Salisbury and District had a very, very constructive meeting in April. Our youngest Members put forward the way that THEY would like the Club to move forward and do you know what? After a lot of constructive debate, we ALL agreed on the future of our Club.

There wasn't one comment that started with 'we've always done it that way' or 'we tried that once'. I will admit to one comment starting with 'historically, it represents' but was the start of a constructive comment that gave knowledge to all. I for one left a long, productive, **respectful** and lively meeting feeling a million dollars. Everybody left Positive. Encouraged. Eager. Excited even.

To repeat a paragraph from last months issue:

I am confident, judging on the comments that have been received from the Convention weekend, that if new Members enter into an atmosphere of relaxed, respectful and inclusive fun, they will be enthused and will have no problem telling others about our wonderful organisation and lead us through to 105SC with a POSITIVE future.

This is not the definitive answer, but it goes one helluva long way to being a major part of it. I will still say that going 'Back to Basics' would also be a decisive tool to use for the growth of our Membership

Fellow Lions, we are a formidable and fantastic District with brilliant Members and as we travel toward 105SC, let's take all the qualities that make this District so fantastic and use them to give the growth and retention that we need.

Each and every one of you **MAKES** this District. You are all Heroes in your Community. Now let us guide our next generation of Heroes without restraint. Listen to them, encourage them and enjoy being a part of their future success. Paramount to ALL the aforementioned is my favourite.....**HAVE FUN!**

DG Lion Ken

The picture above was taken six years ago when I too was having fun!





Global Services Team News

Did you take part in a Litter/Plastic Pick to mark World Earth Day on Easter Monday? If you did, please let me know what you did.

The topic for the 2019-2020 Environmental Poster Competition is:

THE CHANGE OF WEATHER PATTERNS

Why have they changed and the affect on our planet

Please think about entering this competition. It need not cost your club anything but time to talk to local schools, youth clubs and youth organisations. This is a very topical problem and I am sure that many young people are very concerned about this.

Please go to <https://www.lions105d.org.uk/lionsclubsin105d/districtawards/environment.html> for more information including the rules.

One of the tasks I was set by the Council of Governors was to encourage Tree Planting. I do **NOT** intend to make this a District project but I have written a **How 2 Guide** for Clubs to follow if they wish.

How to Get Involved in Tree Planting

Synopsis of Project:

"The Earth sustains human lifeIt's more than a background and we are committed to caring for it," states LCI. Tree planting will help sustainably to protect and restore our environment to improve the health and well-being of our communities.

How 2 Guide:

Whether as a group you decide to plant one tree or many more, The Woodlands Trust provides information on each of the steps including the aftercare following your planting. You can find all the details on www.woodlandstrust.org.uk.

Find a site for planting e.g. a copse or hedgerow. Your local authority or parks department should be able to help. Obtain permission from the legal owner of the site. Knowing your six figure grid reference will help, here is a link <https://gridreferencefinder.com/>.

Key Contacts and links:

www.woodlandstrust.org.uk www.internationaltreefoundation.org

I have also been working with Lion Mandy Broadbent of MD105 on a Project Ideas Sheet and this is published as a separate item.

Lion Judith Goodchild

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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 a Lion.

DG Lion *Ken*

Fleet - Lion Jacqui Morris
Havant - Lion Robert Thompson
Henley-on-Thames - Lion Marion Tagger
Hook & Odiham - Lion Michael Cumber
Maidenhead - Lion Edward Exler
Meon Valley - Lion Brian Edwards
Poole - Lion Zach Braid
Swanwick - Lion Jacqui Freemantle

Matters of Moment

DG Team Visits

May 2019

1st VDG Lion Jarvis

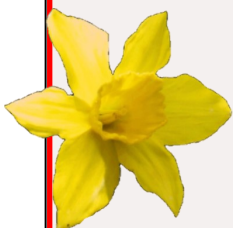
<u>Date</u>	<u>Activity</u>
2-6 May:	MD 105 Convention
12 May:	Hart Lions Charter Anniversary
18 May:	Westbury Lions Charter Anniversary
19 May:	District Cabinet Meeting

HELPING MARIE CURIE



Hook and Odiham Lions have supported Marie Curie's Great Daffodil Appeal for many years collecting outside Tesco in Hook.

This year Lions Judith Goodchild, Judith John and Roger Sutton gave up their time to help raise funds to provide nursing care for the terminally ill.



CAMPAIGN | 100



By now many of you will have caught up with the information regarding Cyclone Idai. The response made by LCIF was to issue two grants of \$10,000 and one of \$50,000. I am sure that more will be issued when the need arises. Some Clubs have undertaken collections and others have donated to the LCIF Disaster fund. LCIF was also able to respond to the terrible flooding which occurred in the USA. In Nebraska alone livestock and crop losses are expected to reach \$1 billion. In the aftermath of the flooding, LCIF issued five grants of \$10,000 and a further Major Catastrophe grant of \$50,000. LCIF can do this because of the generosity of Clubs who donate. This supports our worldwide commitment to help those in need wherever and wherever they are. This is our Foundation, giving help where it is needed and being organised by Lions on the ground.

Those of you who were at 105D Convention will know that I gave a short presentation on Campaign 100. The campaign is a capital fundraiser launched at the International Convention in Las Vegas. The aim is to raise \$300 million over three years. There will be some members who remember Campaigns Sightfirst I and II raising funds for sight projects. Campaign 100 hopes to enable Lions worldwide to undertake major service projects. Ideally, they would like members to pledge to give \$100 a year for the next three years, or Clubs to put on fund-raising events for the Campaign.

Thank you to those who have supported the recent appeal to help those who need it most.

"Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much".

Lion Ann Huntley MBE

District 105D LCIF Coordinator

People - A Pride of Lions

Once a Lion, always a Lion



Last month Wimborne and Ferndown Lions Club held a lunch to celebrate the long service achievement of three of the members. Lions **Frank Fortey** (40 years) and **Robin Hotchkiss** and **Ken Taylor** (both 45 years) have made a huge contribution to the Lions' cause over almost half a century.

Pictured are Lions Robin, Frank and Ken with (seated) president Lion Anne Lippitt and Chairman of Governors Lion Peter Burnett.

MELVIN JONES FELLOWSHIP FOR LION ANN

At the Christchurch Club meeting on Tuesday 2 April, President Lion Josey Carpenter presented Treasurer Lion Ann Allen with a Melvin Jones Fellowship Award.

Presenting Ann with the shield, Lion Josey said that in the seven years that she had been a member of Christchurch Lions, Lion Ann had served as Treasurer, Vice President, and President. While serving as President, Lion Ann had planned and organised the Club's first August Bank Holiday Family Fun Day, an event that was an immediate success and a tribute to all the hard work that had been put into it by Lion Ann and her team.



Commemorating two great Lions lives

To celebrate two great lives of the Lions Club of Trowbridge,



Lions **Peter Cook** (above) and **John Greenaway** who

passed to higher service in 2018, the Club staged a musical comedy

Beryl's of Mayfair

in their memory, performed by the Ministry of Entertainment.

The show was staged at Trowbridge Town Hall and more than 30 of the Club's "Grannies" were invited.

Lions John and Peter were a couple of the Club's most fun-loving Lions and they would really have appreciated the show. Between them they gave more than 85 years of service to Lions and the people of Trowbridge.

The Poole Generation Game

Poole Lions are very proud to have a new member who has brought down the average age very considerably! Lion Zach Braid is seen here being welcomed into the club by Lion President Pam Braid (Grandma) and Lion Treasurer Ian Braid (Grandpa).

Zach is currently working in a school as a Childcare Apprentice. In September he will be going off to Winchester University to study for a degree in Primary Education. In the meantime, the Club are making full use of his energy and enthusiasm - two full days on duty at the recent Swimathon and plenty of opportunity for car park marshaling, barbecuing, dog show organising and jarbola selling as the summer season gets underway.

Of being a new Lion, Lion Zach says: "I'm greatly enjoying working as a Poole Lion and look forward to doing many great things, even if I am the youngest there by thirty or so years!"



News from the Clubs...

Cheques from Wokingham



At their Club meeting on Wednesday 3 April, Wokingham Lions made donations to a number of good causes and picture are (l to r) Mark Hainey of Young People with Dementia, Jackie Wildon of WADE, Zoë Lane of Headway Thames Valley, Lion Debbie Slay, Wokingham Lions' president, Yvonne Alder of the Berkshire MS Therapy Centre, Lindsay Browne of School Days, the Gerry Aggett Award recipient Chris Pape and Mark Clements of Macmillan Cancer Support.

Lions provide a special bed for Wimborne Hospital

In 2018 Wimborne and Ferndown Lions decided to support Wimborne Community Hospital with a donation of £4,200 for the provision of a type of patient hoist which the hospital had requested. However, later that year such a hoist became available from St. Leonard's hospital to fulfil Wimborne's need.

As a result the money was used instead to buy a special bed designed to avoid injury to dementia patients falling on the floor. The bed was presented to senior sister Seetha Vinod on behalf of the hospital at a ceremony in Hanham ward on Wednesday 3 April.



Pictured with the bed are Lions Joan Button and Ken Taylor with president Lion Anne Lippitt, centre, cutting the ribbon.

Fareham Easter Bonnets



Fareham Lions were please to welcome some 60 Senior Citizens and the Mayor of Fareham and her consort to their annual Easter Party.

After bingo and magic, the highlight of the afternoon was the Easter Bonnet Parade, judged by the Mayor, followed by a lavish afternoon tea and everyone took home an Easter egg.

Fareham president, Lion Rob Armstrong Collett said: "It was great to see so many people enjoying themselves."

*You are never too old
to set another goal or
to dream a new
dream*

C.S. Lewis

More news from more Clubs...

Lions 'top up' the Food Bank

Weymouth & Portland Lions Club were delighted to respond to the needs of the Portland Food Bank with a £200 donation. Manager Rosemarie Husain said: "We are really so grateful for the donation. Unfortunately many people on Portland still need our support. The donation allows us to purchase food



items that we are short of and so be able to continue to help those in need."

Pictured are (l to r): Lions Trevor Stratton and Dave Woolford, volunteers Gordon Cunningham and Ray Radnor, Rosemarie Husains and Portland Food Bank chairman Rev. Tim Gomm

Windsor Funfest a roaring success!



Windsor Lions' Funfest, the fun event for disabled children and their families, reached new heights on Sunday 7 April at Windsor Leisure Centre and was deemed by all who attended as 'a great success - one of the best yet!'

More than 300 attended this sixth Windsor Lions event representing many different charities, including special schools from all over London and the Home Counties. Many families and a total of 142 disabled children enjoyed an afternoon of spectacular recreational activities.

Event organiser Lion Paul Skinner said: 'We wanted to ensure we delivered a great fun event for as many youngsters as possible and we did just that! What a great time we all had!'

Murder Mystery in Bournemouth!

On Friday 29 March Wimborne and Ferndown Lions Club hosted an evening of murder and mystery, with a performance by Bournemouth Lions of a play written and produced by



Bournemouth Lion Barrie Haynes who also took the role of victim and (later) detective.

Some 80 would-be Sherlocks enjoyed an evening of tension and fish and chips but nobody could solve the dastardly crime (the cowgirl did it).

Pictured is the fatal moment when Lord Sourditch (Barrie) is bitten by a snake.

Masical Mystery Bike at Wokingham's May Fayre

This year's 25th Annual May Fayre on Monday 6 May, organised by the Wokingham Lions, will feature, among a myriad of attractions, a magical mobile disco (powered by environmentally friendly solar energy) entertaining all ages with fantastic jolly tunes, silly games and masses of bubbles! All the fun of the Fayre will be there.



And even more...

Black-Tie Ball raises over £6,000

On Friday 5 April Windsor Lions and Thames Hospice teamed up to raise funds for a 28-bed hospice currently being built. They jointly staged a Black-Tie Ball at the elegant Riverbank Marquee on the Thames at Windsor Royal Racecourse. In addition, the event celebrated the 58th anniversary of Windsor Lions' formation.

The event featured a drinks reception, a sumptuous three course dinner and dancing to the Gill Love Band (at no cost), an auction and a raffle with magnificent prizes.

Windsor Lions and Thames Hospice raise over £6,000 towards new state-of-the-art 28 bed hospice

Guest of honour was actress Sue Holderness (Marlene in *Only Fools and Horses*) with her husband Mark. Sue has been an official Thames Hospice Ambassador for many years and was joined by fund-raising director Sarah Bissell. Also present were Cllr Colin Rayner, Deputy Mayor of the Royal Borough of Windsor & Maidenhead, Vice DG Lion Jarvis MacDonald and their wives, and Lions from Maidenhead and Burnham and members of the Ascot Rotary Club.

This was the first time the two charities had worked together and Windsor president, Lion Diane Purchase (pictured below left with Ball organiser Lion Phil Bullock and Sue Holderness) said the event was a great success.



Hook & Odiham Lions boxing clever

A PDG'S SAGA OF STORAGE

Ever since I have been a Lion, which is now nearly 20 years, there has been a regular moan at our meetings about our storage facility which was an old shipping container. No current member in the Club could remember it being installed. First it was leaking, and continued to do so, despite many attempts to repair the roof and then recently it became home to some rather nasty furry wildlife! It was time to do something. Our president approached Hook Parish Council for a grant, as we could not use our hard earned money raised for charity, and I am pleased to say that they responded positively and SOS Containers from Southampton have provided us with the solution—a nice, new container.

On a cold, but dry afternoon in early March, we cleared the old container. It was when the new storage arrived the fun started—making the new container fit into a gap slightly narrower than itself!

Look right and see what I mean!

However with some deft juggling with a jack and some concrete blocks (quite a task with such a large box-like structure), the new container was lowered into position with just a small gap on each side. Now it was just a case of moving everything back into the new storage which, except for the Christmas sleigh (long time resident of the old, leaky box), was easily achieved. The problem with the sleigh was that the new container was higher off the ground than the old one, but after several tries it was manhandled into its new home.



Luckily the weather, although cold, had remained dry and all our equipment is now safely stored in its "new" home which is watertight and animal free.

Our grateful thanks to the SOS driver who did an amazing job, the farmer who allows us to have the site and to Hook Parish Council for their grant.

PDG Lion Judith Goodchild

Hook and Odiham Lions

And finally...



LIONS QUIZ A GREAT SUCCESS!

Did the bar have anything to do with it?

The Wimborne and Ferndown Lions annual spring quiz took place at the Allendale Centre on Friday 5 April. This year the quiz was a particular success with 130 players in 24 teams vying for the top prize. The Club would like to give a big thank you to all the quizzers (are you in the picture?) who combined to raise a healthy net profit of over £600 which will go to selected Lions charities.

LIONS' PRIDE FLIES AGAIN

Founded in 1980 with initial funding from the Lions Club of Guernsey, Channel Islands Air Search is an entirely voluntary organisation providing a 'eye in the sky' over 4,000 square miles of sea when required in support of the Channel Islands lifeboat services. Thanks to consistent funding from the Lions Clubs of Jersey and Guernsey, the specially equipped Britten Norman Islander is called 'Lions' Pride'.

Five years ago the original 'Lions' Pride' crashed during an operation along Jersey's north coast in weather but in mid-April a new 'Lions' Pride', logo proudly on the tail, was unveiled. Equipped with sophisticated all-weather equipment than its predecessor, it will enter full service in May.

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Life Saver!

On Wednesday 10 April more than 80 people attended two WCDP CPR/Defibrillator Training Sessions in Windsor's Guildhall.

The 90 minute sessions are designed to inform members of the public how to respond should they find someone unconscious. The training covered possible symptoms, contacting the emergency services, applying cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and how to use a defibrillator.

Windsor Community Defibrillator Partnership (WCDP) provides CPR/Defibrillator Training Sessions

The session was led by State Registered Paramedic Dick Tracey who, following his early retirement as a senior manager at South Central Ambulance Service, has dedicated his time to training community groups on how safely to use defibrillators.

The partnership was formed in 2016 with Windsor Lions as a member. Their aim is to purchase and maintain strategically life-saving equipment in the town and have so far installed 11 defibrillators.



Dick Tracey explains the defibrillator



OLD MONARCH

The Editor has the last word...

I trust readers will forgive the domination of the front page by a Channel Islands news story. In 1980 the Lions Club of Guernsey lent their support (and significant funding) to establish a Channel Islands Air Search. Such was the value of the service that the proceeds of several Jersey Lions' Swimathons also supported the service which has played a vital role in saving lives at sea. Both Islands were justly proud that the aircraft was christened Lions' Pride.

Sadly when the first Lions' Pride crashed (fortunately without any loss of life) the one piece of kit totally destroyed was a £50,000 infrared camera recently funded by the Jersey Lions!

It's taken nearly five years for the new Lions' Pride to take flight and we are mightily proud of that logo on its tail.

Lion Peter Tabb

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Overheard at Windsor Lions' Funfest

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