



DISTRICT 201V6

*Lions Club
of Finley*

**CHARTERED
1969**

**50TH ANNIVERSARY
CHANGEOVER**

**18 JUNE 2019
FINLEY RS CLUB**

The President
and members
of the
Lions Club of Finley
extend a warm welcome
to all our special guests,
past members,
visitors and friends.

We hope you a most
enjoyable evening.

PROGRAM

Call To Order

Ken Lowry

Loyal Toast

Ray Healy

Invocation

Chris Horne

Apologies

Eric Dean

Welcome

Warwick Douglas

Lions Club Purposes

Carol Kennedy

Toast to Lions International

Jeff Ward

Principle, Finley High School

Response

1st Vice District Governor Omen Ndlovu

Acknowledgement of Years of Service

District Governor Judy McKerrow

Induction of 2019/2020 Board

District Governor Judy McKerrow

Fine Session

Alex Brain & Greg Brunt

Lions Code of Ethics

Nellie Johnson

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL PURPOSES

TO ORGANIZE, charter and supervise service clubs to be known as Lions clubs.

TO COORDINATE the activities and standardise the administration of Lions clubs.

TO CREATE and foster a spirit of understanding among the people of the world.

TO PROMOTE the principles of good government and good citizenship.

TO TAKE an active interest in the civic, cultural, social and moral welfare of the community.

TO UNITE the clubs in the bonds of friendship, good fellowship and mutual understanding.

TO PROVIDE a forum for the open discussion of all matters of public interest; provided, however, that partisan politics and sectarian religion shall not be debated by club members.

TO ENCOURAGE service-minded people to serve their community without personal financial reward, and to encourage efficiency and promote high ethical standards in commerce, industry, professions, public works and private endeavours.

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL CODE OF ETHICS

TO SHOW my faith in the worthiness of my vocation by industrious application to the end that I may merit a reputation for quality of service.

TO SEEK success and to demand all fair remuneration or profit as my just due, but to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self-respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.

TO REMEMBER that in building up my business it is not necessary to tear down another's; to be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself.

WHENEVER a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position or action towards others, to resolve such doubt against myself.

TO HOLD friendship as an end and not a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one to another, but that true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the spirit in which it is given.

ALWAYS to bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my nation, my state, and my community, and to give them my unswerving loyalty in word, act, and deed. To give them freely of my time, labor and means.

TO AID others by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak, and my substance to the needy.

TO BE CAREFUL with my criticism and liberal with my praise; to build up and not destroy.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It is with pleasure I welcome members, past members, visiting Lions, partners and guests to this, our Club's 50th Anniversary.

When we look back at those 50 years, it is quite extraordinary to see how many projects, events, and activities we have been involved in; the structures that have been built, maintained and repaired; and the numerous social events including weekends away to shows in Melbourne, camping and fishing trips, attending local FADAMS shows, and so much more.

There must have been much discussion at club board meetings during the 1980s as they went until well after midnight on many occasions.

For the club to run three successful district conventions says a lot for the enthusiasm of members willing to participate.

This club has achieved many things, with every member having their own special abilities to get the job done.

This past year has been no exception.

Our first activity in July 2019 was hosting around 75 university students that were travelling through regional towns and helping communities out in various ways. They were accommodated in the pavilion at the Showgrounds, with our club providing their meals. They were then split into groups and spread around to other service clubs, schools and the Men's Shed where they cleaned, raked, painted and moved things around. It was a great experience for the students and participating members as well.

Our wood raffles continue to be our most consistent fundraiser. Recently, we had a very big woodcutting day, with many members present. We were also fortunate to have the assistance of three members from the Little Athletics Club, whose help was greatly appreciated. A great effort was put in by all, with our wood supply for the season covered. Thank you to Greg and Glenda Brunt for allowing us to collect wood from your property, and thank you Peter and Glenice Martin for organising the day and for the BBQ lunch.

Our youth projects continue to be very successful with lots of positive feedback from schools, students and parents. Carol Kennedy looks after the Junior Public Speaking portfolio, and as well as our own club competition, is involved with the Zone Final as well. Thank you Carol.

We held a very satisfying Youth of the Year evening at the Bob Close Pavilion. Four contestants, supported by family and friends, expressed themselves extremely well. Thanks to Carol for taking control of this event, and thanks also to everyone for helping with the catering that night.

We sponsored six children to the Lions Licola Village. Thank you to Bill Rowlands for handling this role.

A large number of students entered the junior beef judging competition at the Finley Show. The students presented well and showed lots of interest in the event. I hope this continues. Thank you to John Lacy and his team for a well-organised competition

Warwick Douglas continues to organise the running of the bar at the Finley Show. He has also been very diligent for a number of years now installing Vital Call emergency systems for the elderly. This has been another worthwhile project. Thank you Warwick.

Something different this year was our involvement in a Fruit Fly Control school program. Peter Martin and Keith Kennedy attended the training, and with the assistance of other club members, they presented the control measures to both local primary schools.

Nellie Johnson manages the Lions Mints in an orderly way, and Bill Rowlands regularly runs the Driver Reviver rest centre. Thank you to both for keeping these projects running.

The construction of a large local Solar Farm has given us the opportunity to hire out our food van to a local business for approximately eight months. This will be a handy, one-off fundraiser for the club.

Unfortunately, the annual Show 'n' Shine did not attract enough spectators this year. This is a Finley Lions and Car Club joint venture. The committee is looking at possibly changing the date so as to not clash with interstate long weekends, etc.

Some other projects and activities carried out throughout the year included the annual roadside clean-up, held in conjunction with the Australia Day Clean Up; moving the Healthy Harold Life Education Van around to district schools; holding Lion Awareness Day and information sessions; selling Lions Christmas Cakes; catering at the Fincity Christmas Xtravaganza; catering at a farm clearing sale; erecting temporary security fencing around the Bob Close Pavilion; cemetery working bees; and holding a sausage sizzle at the Berrigan Shire Children's Week event.

I have been grateful for the generous support of our members this past year. Although not every member is named in this report, you were all there helping out at our projects when required. That is one of this club's big strengths – thank you. I would like to mention John O'Rourke for his effort throughout the year, chairing some meetings and assisting in so many other ways. Thanks also to Secretary Carol for being reliable with record-keeping, emailing our reminder messages, and bringing us the Club Bulletin for another year. Treasurer Steve McRae has also done a great job, taking the role very seriously. Thank you all.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish incoming President, John O'Rourke, and his team for a satisfying and enjoyable year ahead.

KEN LOWRY
President

2018/19 DONATIONS

Over the past twelve months we have donated a total of \$13,766.50, divided between local community groups and organisation, and Lions foundations and non-local charities.

\$8,204 stayed within our local community, benefiting the following:

- Finley High School
- Lions Crimewatch Trauma Teddies
- Outdoor & More
- Barbers ShoeX
- Finley Chamber of Commerce
- Finley Public School
- Finley Show Society
- Finley St Josephs
- Blighty Public School
- Finley Little Athletics
- Finley Scout Group
- Driver Reviver
- Local emergency relief

The remaining \$5,562.50 went to Lions foundations and non-local charities, including:

- V6 Foundation
- Albury Wodonga Regional Cancer Centre
- National Drought Relief Fund
- Lions Australia Cakes for Farmers
- St Vincent De Paul Society
- Lions Drug Awareness Foundation
- Lions Eye Health
- Lions Hearing Dogs
- Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation
- Lions Cord Blood Foundation
- LCIF Disaster Relief
- Lions Prostate Cancer Research
- Australian Lions Foundation



DIABETES



ENVIRONMENT



HUNGER



VISION



CHILDHOOD CANCER

CURRENT MEMBERS

Ian Taig	6 Months
Gavin Butcher	3 Years
Steve McRae	4 Years
Duncan Carmichael	5 Years
Peter Braybon	7 Years
Bernie Rogers	7 Years
John O'Rourke	10 Years
Peter Scott	10 Years
John Lacy	17 Years
Alex Brain	19 Years
Chris Horne	19 Years
Greg Brunt	20 Years
Carol Kennedy	20 Years
Peter Martin	20 Years
Allen Callaghan	21 Years
Gary Brooksby	22 Years
Paul Sexton	25 Years
Nellie Johnson	28 Years
Ray Healey	30 Years
Graham Fisher	31 Years
Eric Dean	33 Years
Warwick Douglas	33 Years
Ken Lowry	35 Years
Keith Kennedy	40 Years
Graeme Falconer	40 Years
William Rowlands	41 Years
Ronald Beattie	41 Years



INCOMING BOARD

President..... John O'Rourke

Immediate Past President..... Ken Lowry

1st Vice President..... Gavin Butcher

2nd Vice President..... Bernie Rogers

3rd Vice PresidentPeter Scott

Secretary..... John Lacy

Assistant Secretary..... Warwick Douglas

Treasurer..... Steve McRae

Assistant Treasurer..... Eric Dean

1 Year Director..... Chris Horne

1 Year Director..... Graham Fisher

2 Year Director..... Nellie Johnson

2 Year Director..... Peter Braybon

Lion Tamer..... Ian Taig

Tail Twister..... Greg Brunt

PR Director..... Greg Brunt

Membership Director..... Bill Rowlands

Bulletin Editor..... Carol Kennedy

Safety Officer..... John O'Rourke

HISTORY OF FINLEY LIONS CLUB

The idea of a Lions Club in Finley began in early 1969, twenty-two years after Lions was first introduced to Australia. Then hospital secretary, John McKinnon, who had been a Lion in Campbelltown, suggested that Finley should consider starting a Lions Club. Under President Rob Collins, a group of Deniliquin Lions met with several men in Finley with the intention of forming the service club, with Lion Joe Mason from Perth representing Lions International. With further meetings, interest grew to the stage where it was possible to officially form the Lions Club of Finley.

This meeting was held on 18 March 1969, where 20 charter members were inducted. Some two months later, on 31 May 1969 at a Charter Presentation Dinner, which was held in the Memorial Hall, the Club received its Charter from Lions International. Around 250 people were present, with over twenty other Lions Clubs represented at the dinner along with other service clubs, family and friends.

The twenty Charter members of the Lions Club of Finley were:

Len Anderson	Allan Davidson	Bill Nimmo
Mel Angel	Frank Dikson	Rob Robertson
John Barnes	Chris Gidney	Ross Simon
Bill Bashford	Charles Lawlor	Kevin Smith
Bob Beaton	Peter Mansell	Col Storey
Bob Close	Rex McDonald	Doug Wastle
Fred Cuthbert	John McKinnon	

Club membership has fluctuated from as low as 14 soon after Charter, to as high as 38. Today, membership currently sits at 27.

Raising of funds has been diverse and varied, including:

Annual Sweet Corn Sales	Biggest BBQ
Lions Mints & Christmas Cakes	Event Catering
Manning Gates at Finley Trots	Grocery Grab
Firewood Raffles	Chocolate Easter Bilbies
Machinery Auctions	Manning Gates at Berrigan Races

Through fundraising and hard work of members over the years, the Lions Club of Finley has been able to provide much support on a local, regional and national level. Funding has been provided to all local schools; Finley Hospital; Berriquin Nursing Home; Tocumwal Search & Rescue; Cyclone Tracy in Darwin; 1974 Nyngan Flood Appeal; Newcastle Earthquake Appeal; Fodder for Victorian Bushfire Relief in 1983 and 2009; Boxing Day Tsunami Relief Appeal; a \$10,000 donation towards the new building at the Recreation Reserve; and \$20,000 to Hilltop – Albury Wodonga Patient and Carer Accommodation Centre. Annual donations are also made to Lions-based foundations including Prostate Cancer Research & Treatment, Eye Health Program & Recycle for Sight, Childhood Cancer Research, and Lions Club International Disaster Relief. Many other donations are made to other local causes as well.

Overall, it is estimated that this Club has donated over \$750,000 since 1969.

We have always been involved in youth programs, such as Youth of the Year and Junior Public Speaking, sponsoring and hosting Youth Exchange, annual sponsorship to Lions Village Licola, and coordinating the annual Junior Cattle Judging Competitions at the Finley Show.

Finley Lions isn't just about fundraising or youth projects. Over the years, the Club has been involved in many projects that served and give back to the community that continues to support us. Projects include; the building, installation of a new kitchen, and continued maintenance of the Bob Close Pavilion at the Showgrounds; erection of new fence, contribution to the cost of new toilets, and continued maintenance of the Finley Cemetery; planting trees; Driver Reviver; installation of Vital Call for the elderly; delivery of Meals on Wheels; erection of Street Stall Shelter in Murray Street; construction of shade shelter at Finley Lake; erection and assistance of the Finley Preschool and Girl Guides Hall; hosting biannual Debutant Balls; Christmas Santas and Decorations in the main street; providing afternoon tea for seniors during Seniors Week; and delivery of Fruit Fly control program to local Primary Schools.

Over the years the Club has been involved in many events in the community including the Finley Show, Fincity Christmas Xtravaganza, Finley Tractor Pull, Finley Show 'n' Shine, and Finley Rodeo.

Finley Lions Club has proudly supported our district, V6, with a number of members serving on Cabinet over the years in both Zone and Region Chairperson positions and other project positions. Finley also boasts three District Governors – Lions Keith Kennedy, John Hall and Doug Wastle, who served consecutively from 1990-1993.

The Club continually supports District Conventions, including hosting three very successful conventions in 1987, 2002 and 2012. Members have also attended many Multiple District Conventions as well as five International Conventions. Members have also enjoyed many social trips away and club visitations over the years.

The Club has bestowed Life Memberships to Bill Rowlands, Alan Pryse, Neville Webster, and Doug Wastle. A number of members have also been recipients of Lions awards. Lions Allan Dixon, Alan Hand, Carol Kennedy, Keith Kennedy, Bill Rowlands, and Doug Wastle have all been honoured with the highest Lions award, the Melvin Jones Fellowship. Keith Kennedy has also received a William R. Tresise Fellowship, and Doug Wastle and Allan Dixon a James D. Richardson Honour. The club also presented Jenny Robertson a Melvin Jones Fellowship for her work with Finley Tidy Towns.

Finley has also had the honour of sponsoring two new Lions Clubs – Tocumwal in 1975 and Jerilderie in 1977.

Over the years, the Lions Ladies have always given valuable support whenever required, and their assistance has not gone unnoticed – thank you all.

Spanning fifty years, the history of the Lions Club of Finley has been kept brief here. However, it does give some indication of the dedication of the members and their involvement over fifty years of service to the local community and other areas of need, many of them far removed from Finley. The achievements of the club over those fifty years will give members in future years a heritage to guide them, although they will need to be ever mindful of moving with the times and the changing of community attitudes when seeking ways in which to serve. May the next fifty years be as productive and enjoyable for the Lions of Finley as have been the last fifty years.

WE SERVE



LIONS CLUB OF FINLEY

CHARTER NIGHT

Saturday, 31st May, 1969

6.30 p.m.

at

FINLEY MEMORIAL HALL

Charter Night Chairman:

DOUG WASTLE



A proud moment for the Lions Club of Finley as President John McKinnon accepts the Charter from the District Governor, Wallace Williams

Lions Club of Finley

Sponsor: Deniliquin Lions Club

- CALL TO ORDER Doug Wastle
(Charter Night Chairman)
- INVOCATION Norm Martin
(Zone Chairman)
- TOAST: "The Queen" Robbie Robertson
- INTRODUCTION OF
DISTINGUISHED GUESTS Doug Wastle
- WELCOME TO GUESTS Frank Diskon
- RESPONSE Cr D. Langham
(Shire President)
- LION'S CLUB OBJECTS Bob Beaton
- TOAST: "Lions International" Ray Ware
(Past District Governor)
- LIONS' CODE OF ETHICS Fred Cuthbert
- PRESENTATION
Col Murphy (Pres. Canowindra Club)
Gordon Fetterplace (Pres. Campbelltown Club)
Ron Collins (Pres. Deniliquin Club)
- ACCEPTANCE John McKinnon
(President Finley Club)
- Recess 10 minutes**
- INTRODUCTION OF
DISTRICT GOVERNOR Jim Fawns, P.D.G.
- PRESENTATION OF
CHARTER Wallace Williams
(District Governor)
- ACCEPTANCE John McKinnon
(President Finley Club)

DANCING

OUR FIRST OFFICERS

President	John McKinnon
1st Vice-President	Bill Nimmo
2nd Vice-President	Fred Cuthbert
Treasurer	Frank Diskon
Secretary	Chris Gidney
Lion Tamer	Charles Lawlor
Tail Twister	Peter Mansell

DIRECTORS

Rex McDonald
Bob Beaton

Bob Close

CHARTER MEMBERS

Len Anderson	Charles Lawlor
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Bob Close	Robbie Robertson
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Alan Davidson	Kevin Smith
Frank Diskon	Col Storey
Chris Gidney	Doug Wastle

Appreciation

To our sponsors, the Lions Club of Deniliquin we extend our sincere thanks for their diligent support and guidance over recent months.

To visiting Lions and Guests we extend a hearty welcome and appreciation of their attendance on this, our Charter Night.

To our ladies, we extend our thanks for assistance given.

PAST MEMBERS

Len Anderson
Mel Angel
Rex Balcombe
Alan Baldwin
Jim Ball
Bill Bashford
John Baxter
Bob Beaton
Gordon Beck
Ben Bell
Terry Bennett
Neil Bruest
Digby Bunnett
Bob Close
Tom Collins
Brendan Comyn
Steve Conrick
Ian Cook
Allan Cowan
Peter Cross
Fred Cuthbert
Lindsay Cutler
Bob Dark
Allan Davidson
Richard Daives
Ken Delmenico
Frank Diskon
Allan Dixon
Bill Endrizzi
Bob Elliott
Bob Faulkner
Wayne Faulting
Mathew Gibbons
Steve Gibson
Chris Gidney
Sid Godsell
Ken Good
Rich Grimmond
John Hacker
John Hall
Alan Hand
Neville Hannah
Noel Hardstaff
Mick Harper

Cherie Harris
Brian Hill
Charlie Hort
Ray Hughest
Darryl Johnson
Bill Judd
Geoff Keech
Dudley Knight
Ron Kortzur
John Lawlor
Charles Lawlor
Michael Lawlor
Gerry Lawson
Max Lewis
Len Lewis
Peter Mansell
Fred Maraldo
Joan Maraldo
Laurie Marchmant
John Maslin
John Mathers
John McBurnie
George McCallum
Rex McDonald
Greg McKay
Norm McKay
John McKinnon
Geoff McPherson
Rick McQueen
Thompson
John Milne
Peter Mitchell
Tony Mitchell Hill
Stan Montgomery
Brian Moore
Colin Morley
Peter Mott
Omen Ndlovu
Bill Nimmo
Alan Oglivie
Don Osborn
Max Parsons
Ken Plowman
Pat Plumber

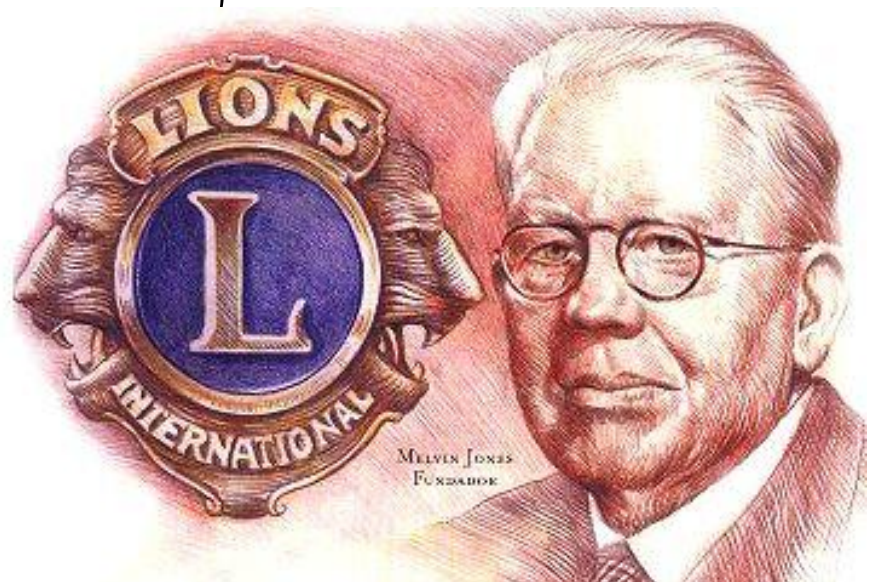
Patrick Power
Trevor Prentice
Allan Pryse
Bev Purtill
Norm Purtill
Trevor Reed
Ken Revett
Peter Ritchie
Robbie Robertson
Belinda Rodgers
Terry Ryan
Graham Sanne
Allan Sherry
Graham Shumack
Ross Simon
Kevin Smith
Harry South
Mat Sponberg
Ron Stewart
Col Storey
Bernie Summerfield
Rod Tarrant
Carl Taylor
Richard Taylor
Allan Thwaites
John Thurkette
Bernie Tinkler
Wanda Van Beek
Jan Veen Baas
Laurie Walsh
Doug Wastle
Bob Watts
Peter Weatherill
Neville Webster
David West
Perry Whalley
Doug White
Joe Wilson
John Wilson
Max Wilson
Rand Wilson
Milne Woodcock
Tony Woolston
Geoff Wright

PAST PRESIDENTS

1969-70	John McKinnon	1994-95	Warwick Douglas
1970-71	Len Anderson	1995-96	Keith Kennedy
1971-72	Rex McDonald	1996-97	Bernie Tinkler
1972-73	Kevin Smith	1997-98	Alan Cowan
1973-74	Doug Wastle	1998-99	Nellie Johnson
1974-75	Carl Taylor	1999-00	Eric Dean
1975-76	Digby Bunnett	2000-01	Paul Sexton
1976-77	Don Osborne	2001-02	Allen Callaghan
1977-78	Ken Good	2002-03	Rand Wilson
1978-79	Rich Grimmond	2003-04	Doug Wastle
1979-80	Fred Cuthbert	2004-05	Carol Kennedy
1980-81	Ray Healey	2005-06	Chris Horne
1981-82	Terry Ryan	2006-07	Greg Brunt
1982-83	Doug Wastle	2007-08	Norm Purtill
1983-84	Trevor Prentice	2008-09	Peter Martin
1984-85	Keith Kennedy	2009-10	Brian Hill
1985-86	Ron Beattie	2010-11	Omen Ndlovu
1986-87	Bill Rowlands	2011-12	Allen Callaghan
1987-88	Ken Lowry	2012-13	Warwick Douglas
1988-89	Bill Judd	2013-14	Carol Kennedy
1989-90	Alan Pryse	2014-15	Allan Dixon
1990-91	Lindsay Cutler	2015-16	Chris Horne
1991-92	Darryl Johnson	2016-17	Greg Brunt
1992-93	Len Anderson	2017-18	Peter Braybon
1993-94	Neville Webster	2018-19	Ken Lowry

"You can't get very far until you start doing something for somebody else."

~ Melvin Jones



Convention Host

1987



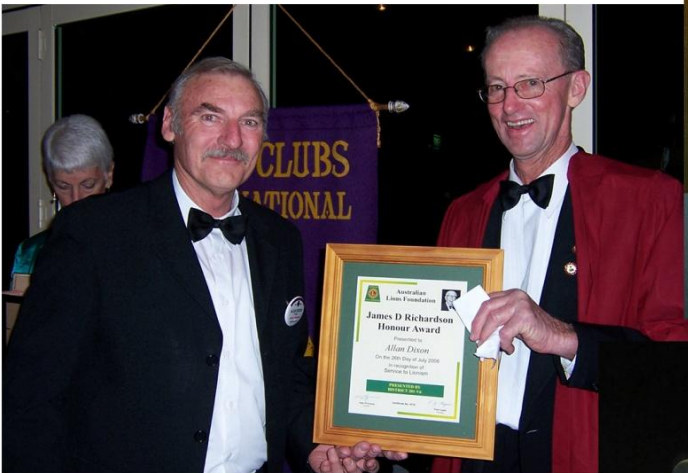
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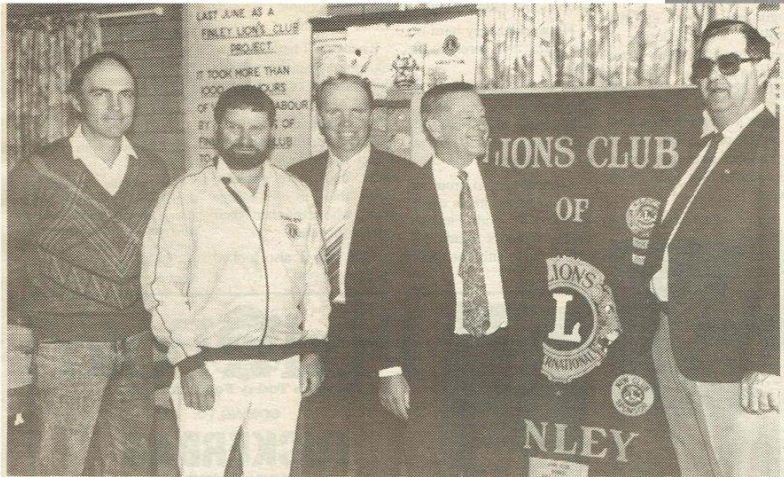
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Rewarding Service



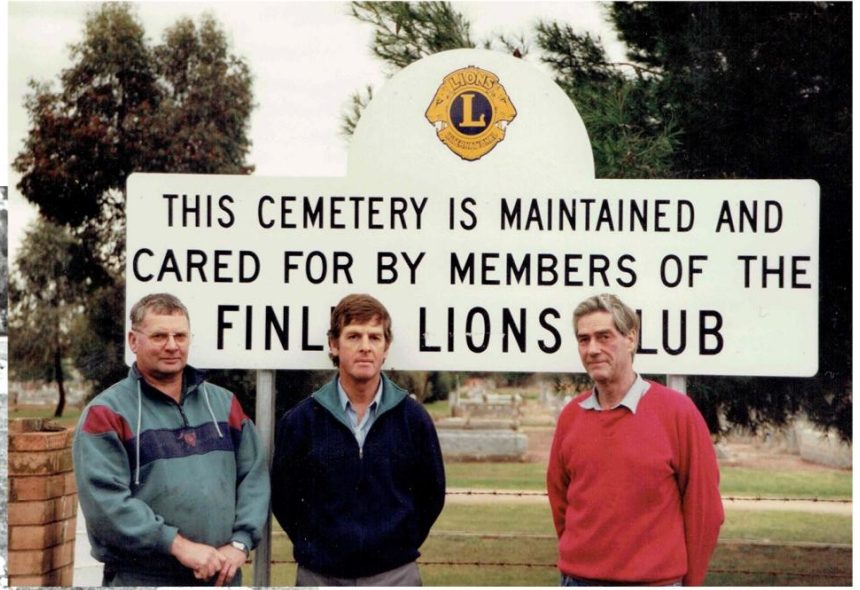
Bob Close Pavilion



● Lions complex opened...The official opening of the Finley Lions expanded complex was integrated into the Finley show program on Sunday. Lands Department Reserves and Recreation Management Branch



Finley Cemetery

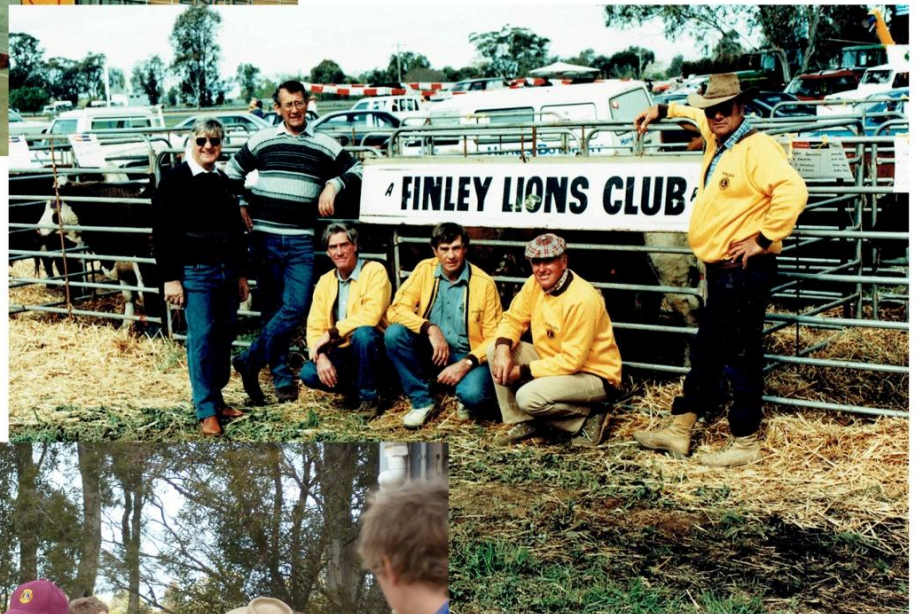


Finley Show

Bar Tending



Hook & Hoof Competition



Prime Lamb Competition



School Beef Competition

Catering



Catering for BlazeAid,
Barnawartha 2016



Hosting The
Big Lift, 2018

Fundraising

Machinery Auctions



Charity Golf Day



Wood Raffles



Sweet Corn Selling

Grocery Grab



Sculpture Terrace

Fight Cancer
Foundation
Living Hope.
Living Lives.



Sponsored by
FINLEY AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY

Donating to Hilltop -
Albury Wodonga Patient and
Carer Accommodation

Youth Projects

Youth of the Year
Clare McNamara
2009 State Final



Children of Courage

Junior Public Speaking



Youth Exchange

Lions Licola Camp



Projects

Hay Carting



Roadside Cleanup



Trauma Teddies



Shade Shelter at
Finley Lake

Bartending at
Finley Tidy Towns Dinner





Tree Planting



Tree-logging
and Wood Cutting



Walking Track



Shade Shelters



Battery Drive



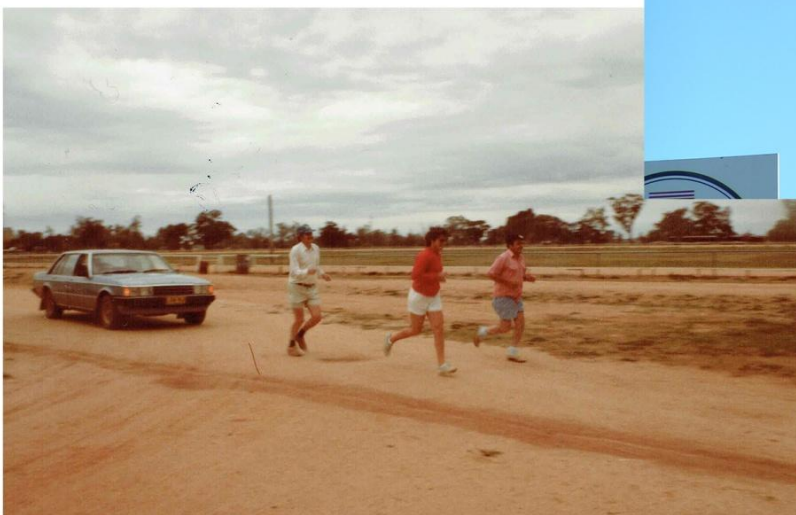
Gardening at
Finley Regional Care

Children's Christmas
Party



Spectacle Collection

Main Street
Christmas Decorations



Journey For Sight
Fun Run



Show 'n' Shine
and Swap Meet



Beyond Blue
Mental Health Afternoon



Fruit Fly Awareness
Program



Seniors Afternoon Tea



Lions Hearing Dog



Attending Conventions



Wodonga, 2000



Chiltern, 2005



Echuca, 1999



Barham, 2001



Lavington, 2015



Deniliquin, 1998

Member Moments

1970
Changeover



Finley Lions Float
Australia Day

Induction of first female member,
Nellie Johnson, 1991



Meeting Lions International
President, James Ervine
at Tocumwal, 1999

Members participating
in Movember, 2009



Finley's District Governors
Doug & Helen Wastle,
Aileen & John Hall,
Carol & Keith Kenendy



Picking Sweet Corn

Packing goodie bags
for 2012 Finley Convention



2018
Changeover

Lions Awareness Day
2019



Social & Travel



